

Calculate the average value of the function

$$f(x, y) = xe^{xy}$$

over the rectangle

$$R = \{(x, y) \mid 0 \leq x \leq 1 \text{ and } 0 \leq y \leq 2\}.$$

$$\text{average value} = \frac{\iint_R xe^{xy} dA}{\text{area } R}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \iint_R xe^{xy} dA &= \int_0^1 \int_0^2 xe^{xy} dy dx \\ &= \int_0^1 [e^{xy}]_0^2 dx \\ &= \int_0^1 (e^{2x} - 1) dx \\ &= \left[ \frac{1}{2} e^{2x} - x \right]_0^1 \\ &= \left( \frac{1}{2} e^2 - 1 \right) - \left( \frac{1}{2} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (e^2 - 3) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{area } R = 2 \Rightarrow \text{average value} = \frac{e^2 - 3}{4}.$$