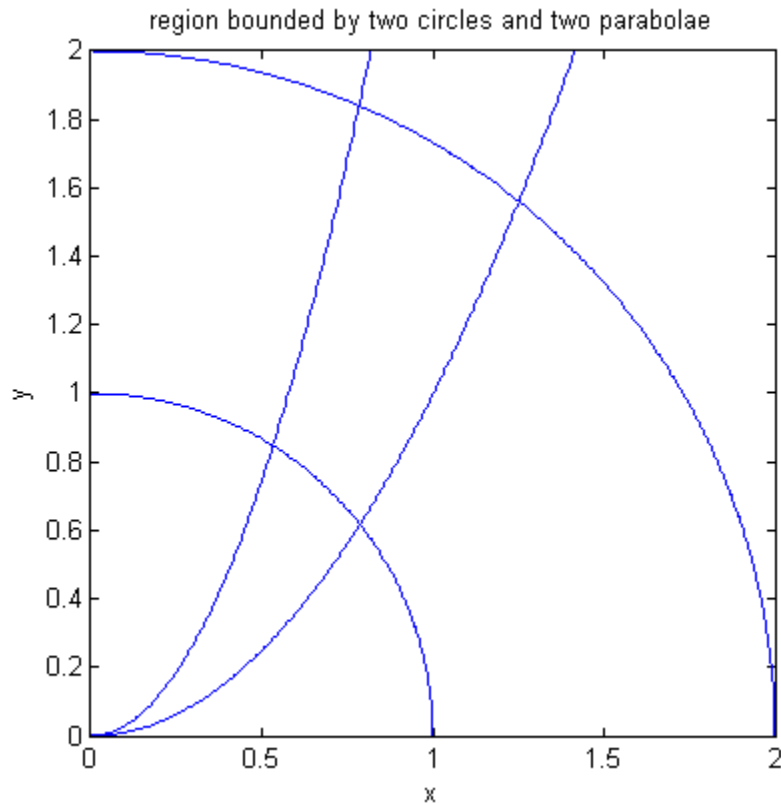


## Another change of variables transformation

<http://www2.math.umd.edu/~jmr/241/changevar.html>

The change of variables formula for multiple integrals is an extremely effective way of simplifying the computation of such objects. Frequently the crucial problem is to find a transformation  $T$  which maps some very simple region – for example, a solid rectangle – into a given region over which we want to integrate some function. In the drawing below, the given region is bounded by the circles with equations  $x^2 + y^2 = 1$  and  $x^2 + y^2 = 4$ , and the parabolas with equations  $y = x^2$  and  $y = 3x^2$ .



If we make the change of variables  $u = x^2 + y^2$  and  $v = y/x^2$ , then the inverse transformation  $(x, y) = T(u, v)$  to  $(u, v) = (x^2 + y^2, y/x^2)$  will send the solid rectangular region bounded by the four lines

$$u = 1, u = 4, v = 1, v = 3$$

to the displayed region bounded by the circular and parabolic arcs. We can find  $T$  explicitly by solving the change of variables equations for  $x$  and  $y$  in terms of  $u$  and  $v$ :

$$y = \frac{1 + \sqrt{1 + 4v^2}}{2v}, \quad x = \sqrt{\frac{1 + \sqrt{1 + 4v^2}}{2v^2}}$$