

AER210 Midterm Field Guide — Multiple Integrals & Vector Calculus

1. Multiple Integrals

1.1 Regions & Setup (Type I/II) — Stewart 15.1–15.2

Type I (vertical slices):

$$R = \{(x, y) : a \leq x \leq b, g_1(x) \leq y \leq g_2(x)\}, \quad \iint_R f \, dA = \int_a^b \int_{g_1(x)}^{g_2(x)} f(x, y) \, dy \, dx$$

Type II (horizontal slices):

$$R = \{(x, y) : c \leq y \leq d, h_1(y) \leq x \leq h_2(y)\}, \quad \iint_R f \, dA = \int_c^d \int_{h_1(y)}^{h_2(y)} f(x, y) \, dx \, dy$$

Midterm pattern: reversing order/sketching region (2024 Q1b).

Checklist:

- Sketch axes, curves, intercepts.
- Decide vertical/horizontal order.
- Write new bounds before touching integrand.

1.2 Double Integrals in Polar — Stewart 15.3

Polar: $x = r \cos \theta$, $y = r \sin \theta$, $dA = r \, dr \, d\theta$. “Circle/annulus/rotational symmetry \rightarrow polar.” Paraboloids intersection \rightarrow footprint curve in xy -plane gives r -limits.

$$V = \int_{\theta_1}^{\theta_2} \int_{r_1(\theta)}^{r_2(\theta)} [z_{\text{top}}(r) - z_{\text{bot}}(r)] r \, dr \, d\theta$$

1.3 Applications of \iint : Mass, COM, MOI — Stewart 15.4

$$m = \iint_R \rho \, dA, \quad \bar{x} = \frac{1}{m} \iint_R x \rho \, dA, \quad \bar{y} = \frac{1}{m} \iint_R y \rho \, dA$$
$$I_O = \iint_R (x^2 + y^2) \rho \, dA$$

Change of variables often simplifies these (2022 Q6).

1.4 Surface Area — Stewart 15.5 & 16.6

Graph $z = f(x, y)$: $dS = \sqrt{1 + f_x^2 + f_y^2} \, dA$. Parametric $\mathbf{r}(u, v)$: $dS = \|\mathbf{r}_u \times \mathbf{r}_v\| \, du \, dv$.

- Compute $\mathbf{r}_u, \mathbf{r}_v$
- Cross product, then integrate magnitude over parameter box

1.5 Triple Integrals — Stewart 15.6

Switch order to simplify; choose suitable coordinates. Cylindrical: $dV = r \, dr \, d\theta \, dz$; Spherical: $dV = \rho^2 \sin \phi \, d\rho \, d\phi \, d\theta$.

1.6 Cylindrical & Spherical Coords — Stewart 15.7–15.8

Cylindrical: (r, θ, z) , $x = r \cos \theta$, $y = r \sin \theta$, $dV = r \, dr \, d\theta \, dz$

Spherical: (ρ, ϕ, θ) , $x = \rho \sin \phi \cos \theta$, $y = \rho \sin \phi \sin \theta$, $z = \rho \cos \phi$,

$$dV = \rho^2 \sin \phi \, d\rho \, d\phi \, d\theta$$

1.7 Taylor in Two Variables (2nd order)

$$f(x, y) \approx f_0 + f_x \Delta x + f_y \Delta y + \frac{1}{2}(f_{xx} \Delta x^2 + 2f_{xy} \Delta x \Delta y + f_{yy} \Delta y^2)$$

Used for local quadratic approximations; Hessian signs \rightarrow shape info.

1.8 Change of Variables & Jacobian — Stewart 15.9

$$\iint_R f(x, y) dx dy = \iint_S f(x(u, v), y(u, v)) \left| \frac{\partial(x, y)}{\partial(u, v)} \right| du dv$$

Choose new variables to straighten level curves. Checklist:

- Guess u, v from bounding curves.
- Compute Jacobian J .
- Substitute and replace $dx dy$ with $|J| du dv$.

2. Vector Calculus

2.1 Line Integrals — Stewart 16.2

Scalar: $\int_C f ds = \int_a^b f(\mathbf{r}(t)) \|\mathbf{r}'(t)\| dt$. Vector (work): $\int_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} = \int_a^b \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{r}(t)) \cdot \mathbf{r}'(t) dt$.

- Parameterize C ; compute $\mathbf{r}'(t)$.
- Plug into correct formula.
- If field looks like gradient, jump to FTLI.

2.2 Fundamental Theorem for Line Integrals (FTLI) — Stewart 16.3

If $\mathbf{F} = \nabla f$, then $\int_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} = f(B) - f(A)$. Conservative test: $\nabla \times \mathbf{F} = \mathbf{0} \Rightarrow$ path independent.

2.3 Green's Theorem — Stewart 16.4

$$\oint_C P dx + Q dy = \iint_R \left(\frac{\partial Q}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial P}{\partial y} \right) dA$$

Use for positively oriented closed C .

- Check CCW orientation
- Compute integrand
- Integrate over region

2.4 Parametric Surfaces & Surface Area — Stewart 16.6

$\mathbf{n} = \mathbf{r}_u \times \mathbf{r}_v$, Area = $\iint_D \|\mathbf{r}_u \times \mathbf{r}_v\| du dv$.

2.5 Surface Integrals — Stewart 16.7

Scalar: $\iint_S f dS$; Flux: $\iint_S \mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{n} dS$. Graph $z = f(x, y)$:

$$\mathbf{n} = \frac{\langle -f_x, -f_y, 1 \rangle}{\sqrt{1 + f_x^2 + f_y^2}}, \quad \mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{n} dS = \mathbf{F} \cdot \langle -f_x, -f_y, 1 \rangle dx dy$$

2.6 Divergence & Curl — Stewart 16.5

$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{F}$: sources/sinks; $\nabla \times \mathbf{F}$: rotation. $\nabla \times (\nabla f) = \mathbf{0}$. If curl = 0 on simply connected domain \rightarrow conservative.

2.7 Divergence Theorem — Stewart 16.9

$$\iint_{\partial V} \mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{n} dS = \iiint_V (\nabla \cdot \mathbf{F}) dV$$

2.8 Stokes' Theorem — Stewart 16.8

$$\oint_{\partial S} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} = \iint_S (\nabla \times \mathbf{F}) \cdot \mathbf{n} dS$$

Boundary orientation : right-hand rule. Checklist:

- Compute curl
- Choose S with easy dS
- Dot, convert to polar if disk footprint

3. Past-Midterm Style Playbook

- Reverse order \rightarrow sketch and flip (2024 Q1b)
- Volume between paraboloids \rightarrow polar $z_t - z_b$ (2022/2024)
- Param curve line integral \rightarrow param + plug (2024 Q2); if $\text{curl} = 0 \rightarrow$ FTLI
- Green's on polygon \rightarrow double integral (2022 Q3; 2024 Q3)
- Conservative \rightarrow potential $\rightarrow f(B) - f(A)$
- Surface patch \rightarrow param; flux via $\mathbf{r}_u \times \mathbf{r}_v$
- Stokes on cap \rightarrow curl, upward normal, polar disk (2024 Q8)
- Change of vars \rightarrow rectangularize (2022 Q6; 2024 Q6)

4. Little Tricks & Assumptions

- Orientation matters (Green/Stokes/flux)
- Always attach Jacobian: polar r ; cylindrical r ; spherical $\rho^2 \sin \phi$
- Conservative \rightarrow closed loop integral = 0
- Green's prefers triangles/rectangles/disks
- Switch order when integrand separates
- Symmetry: odd $\rightarrow 0$; even \rightarrow double half-region
- Piecewise curves: keep orientation or use Green's

5. Harder Integrals & Trig Identities

Basic Identities

$$\sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta = 1$$
$$\int \sin \theta \cos \theta \, d\theta = \frac{1}{2} \sin^2 \theta + C$$

Power Reduction

$$\sin^2 \theta = \frac{1 - \cos 2\theta}{2}, \quad \cos^2 \theta = \frac{1 + \cos 2\theta}{2}$$

Double-Angle Formulas

$$\begin{aligned}\sin 2A &= 2 \sin A \cos A, \\ \cos 2A &= \cos^2 A - \sin^2 A = 1 - 2 \sin^2 A = 2 \cos^2 A - 1, \\ \tan 2A &= \frac{2 \tan A}{1 - \tan^2 A}\end{aligned}$$

Sum and Difference Formulas

$$\begin{aligned}\sin(A \pm B) &= \sin A \cos B \pm \cos A \sin B, \\ \cos(A \pm B) &= \cos A \cos B \mp \sin A \sin B, \\ \tan(A \pm B) &= \frac{\tan A \pm \tan B}{1 \mp \tan A \tan B}\end{aligned}$$

Product-to-Sum Formulas

$$\begin{aligned}\sin A \sin B &= \frac{1}{2} [\cos(A - B) - \cos(A + B)], \\ \cos A \cos B &= \frac{1}{2} [\cos(A - B) + \cos(A + B)], \\ \sin A \cos B &= \frac{1}{2} [\sin(A + B) + \sin(A - B)]\end{aligned}$$

Polar, Cylindrical, and Spherical Volume Elements

$$\begin{aligned}dA &= r \, dr \, d\theta, \\ dV_{\text{cyl}} &= r \, dr \, d\theta \, dz, \\ dV_{\text{sph}} &= \rho^2 \sin \phi \, d\rho \, d\phi \, d\theta\end{aligned}$$

6. Quadric Surfaces (Recognition Cheat)

Ellipsoid: $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} + \frac{z^2}{c^2} = 1$

Cone: $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} - \frac{z^2}{c^2} = 0$

Elliptic paraboloid: $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = \frac{z}{c}$

Hyperboloid (1 sheet): $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} - \frac{z^2}{c^2} = 1$

Hyperboloid (2 sheets): $-\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} + \frac{z^2}{c^2} = 1$

Hyperbolic paraboloid: $\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = \frac{z}{c}$

Intersect with coordinate planes to identify quickly.

7. One-Page Checklists

- A) Volume between two surfaces: intersect \rightarrow polar \rightarrow integrate r .
- B) Reverse order: sketch, rewrite as Type I/II.
- C) Line integral: decide scalar/vector \rightarrow FTLI if $\text{curl} = 0$.
- D) Green's: CCW \rightarrow compute \rightarrow integrate.
- E) Conservative: $\text{curl } 0 \rightarrow$ find $f \rightarrow f(B) - f(A)$.
- F) Param surface: $\mathbf{r}_u \times \mathbf{r}_v$.
- G) Stokes cap: upward normal \rightarrow polar disk.
- H) Change of vars: pick $u, v \rightarrow$ compute $|J|$.

8. Quick Definitions

Type I/II regions: vertical vs horizontal.

Piecewise smooth curve: $\mathbf{r}'(t)$ continuous/non-zero.

Conservative field: path independent; $\mathbf{F} = \nabla f$.

Flux = flow across surface $(\mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{n})$.

Source/Sink : sign of divergence.

Laplacian $\Delta f = \nabla \cdot \nabla f$.

9. Mini Practice Prompts

1. Reverse order of $\int_0^1 \int_x^1 e^{x/y} dy dx$
2. Volume between $z = 4 - r^2$ and $z = 3r^2$
3. Check conservativity of $\mathbf{F} = (3 + 2xy^2, 2x^2y)$; find f
4. Use Green's on triangle $(0, 0), (2, 1), (0, 1)$
5. Verify Stokes for paraboloid cap (upward normal)