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**Definition 0.0.1: Common Notation**

The notes will be using common mathematical notations.

$\mathbb{Z}$	The set of all integers
$\mathbb{Q}$	The set of all rational numbers
$\mathbb{R}$	The set of all real numbers
$\mathbb{C}$	The set of all complex numbers
$\{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$	Finite set with elements $x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_n$
$x \in E$	$x$ is an element of set $E$
$x \notin E$	$x$ is not an element of set $E$
$A \subset B$	Set $A$ is a subset set $E$
$A \not\subset B$	Set $A$ is not a subset set $E$
$f: A \rightarrow B$	Function $f$ maps set $A$ into set $B$

To note, most theorems will include proofs, but some are beyond the scope of this course and thus, not included. However, none of the proofs are required in order for these theorems to be applied.

# 1 Vectors

## 1.1 Vectors

**Definition 1.1.1: Vectors**

A **scalar**  $c$  is a number in  $\mathbb{R}$ .

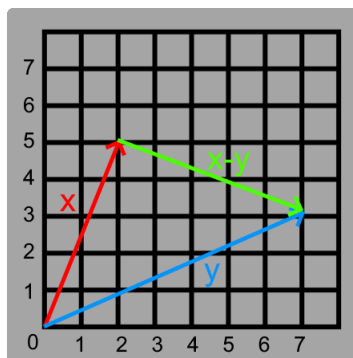
A **vector**  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  is an ordered  $n$ -tuple of real numbers.

$$x = (x_1, \dots, x_n) = \langle x_1, \dots, x_n \rangle \quad \text{where each } x_i \in \mathbb{R}$$

Let the zero vector  $0 = (0, \dots, 0)$ .

If  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $c$  is a scalar:

Comparison:	$x = y$ if $x_i = y_i$ for $i = \{1, \dots, n\}$
Vector Addition:	$x + y = (x_1 + y_1, \dots, x_n + y_n)$
Scalar Multiplication:	$cx = (cx_1, \dots, cx_n)$

**Theorem 1.1.2: Vector Operations**

(a)  $x + y = y + x$

**Proof**

$$x + y = (x_1 + y_1, \dots, x_n + y_n) = (y_1 + x_1, \dots, y_n + x_n) = y + x$$

(b)  $x + (y + z) = (x + y) + z$

**Proof**

$$\begin{aligned} x + (y + z) &= (x_1, \dots, x_n) + (y_1 + z_1, \dots, y_n + z_n) = (x_1 + y_1 + z_1, \dots, x_n + y_n + z_n) \\ &= (x_1 + y_1, \dots, x_n + y_n) + (z_1, \dots, z_n) = (x + y) + z \end{aligned}$$

(c)  $x+0 = x$

Proof

$$x+0 = (x_1 + 0, \dots, x_n + 0) = (x_1, \dots, x_n) = x$$

(d)  $c(x+y) = cx + cy$

Proof

$$c(x+y) = (c(x_1 + y_1), \dots, c(x_n + y_n)) = (cx_1 + cy_1, \dots, cx_n + cy_n) = cx + cy$$

(e)  $(c+k)v = cv + kv$

Proof

$$(c+k)v = ((c+k)v_1, \dots, (c+k)v_n) = (cv_1 + kv_1, \dots, cv_n + kv_n) = cv + kv$$

(f)  $c(kx) = (ck)x = k(cx)$

Proof

$$\begin{aligned} c(kv) &= (c(kx_1), \dots, c(kx_n)) = (ckx_1, \dots, ckx_n) = (ck)x = (kcx_1, \dots, kcx_n) \\ &= (k(cx_1), \dots, k(cx_n)) = k(cx) \end{aligned}$$

**Definition 1.1.3: Standard Basis Vectors**

The **standard basis vectors** for  $\mathbb{R}^n$  are  $e_1, \dots, e_n$  where each  $i = \{1, \dots, n\}$ :

$$e_i = (0, 0, \dots, 0, 1, 0, \dots, 0, 0, \dots)$$

1    2            i-1    i    i+1            n-1    n

Thus, for any  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ :

$$x = (x_1, \dots, x_n) = x_1 e_1 + \dots + x_n e_n$$

**1.2 Dot Product****Definition 1.2.1: Dot Product, Norm, and Orthogonality**

The **dot product** of  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$  is the sum of the products of their components:

$$x \cdot y = x_1 y_1 + \dots + x_n y_n$$

The length of  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  is the **norm**:

$$\|x\| = \sqrt{x_1^2 + \dots + x_n^2} = \sqrt{x \cdot x} \quad \Rightarrow \quad x \cdot x = \|x\|^2$$

Thus,  $\|cx\| = \sqrt{(cx_1)^2 + \dots + (cx_n)^2} = |c| \sqrt{x_1^2 + \dots + x_n^2} = |c| \|x\|$ .

Then, a **unit vector** (i.e. vector of length 1) in the direction of  $x$  is  $\frac{x}{\|x\|}$ .

$x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$  are **orthogonal** (i.e. perpendicular) if:

$$x \cdot y = 0$$

**Theorem 1.2.2: Properties of the Dot Product**

(a)  $x \cdot x \geq 0$

Proof

$$x \cdot x = x_1 x_1 + \dots + x_n x_n = x_1^2 + \dots + x_n^2 \geq 0 + \dots + 0 = 0$$

(b)  $x \cdot x = 0$  if and only if  $x = 0$

Proof

$$\begin{aligned} x \cdot x &= x_1 x_1 + \dots + x_n x_n = x_1^2 + \dots + x_n^2 \\ \text{Thus, } x \cdot x &= 0 \text{ if and only if each } x_i^2 = 0 \text{ so each } x_i = 0. \text{ Thus, } x = 0. \end{aligned}$$

(c)  $x \cdot y = y \cdot x$

Proof

$$x \cdot y = x_1 y_1 + \dots + x_n y_n = y_1 x_1 + \dots + y_n x_n = y \cdot x$$

(d)  $x \cdot (y + z) = x \cdot y + x \cdot z$

Proof

$$\begin{aligned} x \cdot (y + z) &= x_1(y_1 + z_1) + \dots + x_n(y_n + z_n) = (x_1y_1 + x_1z_1) + \dots + (x_ny_n + x_nz_n) \\ &= (x_1y_1 + \dots + x_ny_n) + (x_1z_1 + \dots + x_nz_n) = x \cdot y + x \cdot z \end{aligned}$$

(e)  $(x + y) \cdot z = x \cdot z + y \cdot z$

Proof

$$\begin{aligned} (x + y) \cdot z &= (x_1 + y_1)z_1 + \dots + (x_n + y_n)z_n = (x_1z_1 + y_1z_1) + \dots + (x_nz_n + y_nz_n) \\ &= (x_1z_1 + \dots + x_nz_n) + (y_1z_1 + \dots + y_nz_n) = x \cdot z + y \cdot z \end{aligned}$$

(f)  $cx \cdot y = c(x \cdot y) = x \cdot cy$

Proof

$$\begin{aligned} cx \cdot y &= (cx_1)y_1 + \dots + (cx_n)y_n = c(x_1y_1) + \dots + c(x_ny_n) = c(x \cdot y) \\ &= x_1(cy_1) + \dots + x_n(cy_n) = x \cdot cy \end{aligned}$$

**Theorem 1.2.3:**  $x \cdot y = \|x\| \|y\| \cos(\theta)$

For  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$ :

$$x \cdot y = \|x\| \|y\| \cos(\theta)$$

where  $\theta \in [0, \pi]$  is the angle between  $x$  and  $y$

Proof

Since  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $x - y$  form a triangle, by the Law of Cosine:

$$\|x - y\|^2 = \|x\|^2 + \|y\|^2 - 2\|x\| \|y\| \cos(\theta)$$

where  $\theta \in [0, \pi]$  is the angle between  $x$  and  $y$ . Since:

$$\|x - y\|^2 = (x - y) \cdot (x - y) = x \cdot x + y \cdot y - 2(x \cdot y) = \|x\|^2 + \|y\|^2 - 2(x \cdot y)$$

then  $x \cdot y = \|x\| \|y\| \cos(\theta)$ .

**Theorem 1.2.4: Vector Projection**

The projection of  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  onto  $y \in \mathbb{R}^n$  is the component of  $x$  parallel to  $y$ :

$$\text{proj}_y x = \frac{x \cdot y}{\|y\|^2} y$$

Proof

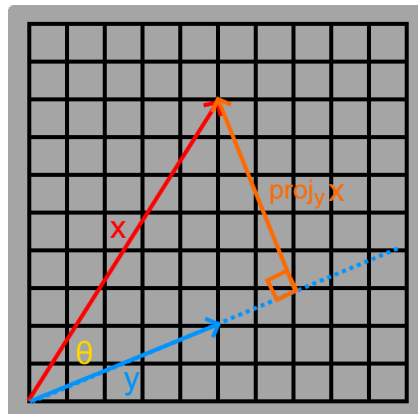
Since  $\text{proj}_y x$  is parallel to  $y$ , let  $\text{proj}_y x = cy$  for some constant  $c \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Let  $y^\perp$  be the orthogonal component of  $x$  to  $y$ . Thus,  $x = \text{proj}_y x + y^\perp = cy + y^\perp$ .

Since  $y^\perp$  is orthogonal to  $y$ , then:

$$x \cdot y = (cy + y^\perp) \cdot y = cy \cdot y + y^\perp \cdot y = cy \cdot y = c\|y\|^2$$

Thus,  $c = \frac{x \cdot y}{\|y\|^2}$  so  $\text{proj}_y x = cy = \frac{x \cdot y}{\|y\|^2} y$ .



**Theorem 1.2.5: Cauchy-Schwarz Inequality**

For  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $|x \cdot y| \leq \|x\| \|y\|$

**Proof**

Let  $y = \text{proj}_x y + x^\perp = cx + x^\perp$  where  $x^\perp$  is the orthogonal component of  $y$  to  $x$  and  $\text{proj}_x y = cx$  is the parallel component to  $x$  for some  $c \in \mathbb{R}$ .

$$x \cdot y = x \cdot (cx + x^\perp) = c(x \cdot x) + x \cdot x^\perp = c\|x\|^2 + 0 = c\|x\|^2$$

Thus,  $c = \frac{x \cdot y}{\|x\|^2}$ . Then:

$$\begin{aligned} \|y\|^2 &= \|cx + x^\perp\|^2 = (cx + x^\perp) \cdot (cx + x^\perp) = cx \cdot cx + x^\perp \cdot x^\perp + 2(cx \cdot x^\perp) \\ &= c^2\|x\|^2 + \|x^\perp\|^2 = \left(\frac{x \cdot y}{\|x\|^2}\right)^2 \|x\|^2 + \|x^\perp\|^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\|x\|^2 \|y\|^2 = \|x\|^2 \left( \frac{x \cdot y}{\|x\|^2} \right)^2 \|x\|^2 + \|x\|^2 \|x^\perp\|^2 = (x \cdot y)^2 + \|x\|^2 \|x^\perp\|^2$$

Since  $\|x\|^2 \|x^\perp\|^2 \geq 0$ , then  $(x \cdot y)^2 \leq \|x\|^2 \|y\|^2$  so  $|x \cdot y| \leq \|x\| \|y\|$ .

**Theorem 1.2.6: Triangle Inequality**

For  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $\|x + y\| \leq \|x\| + \|y\|$

**Proof**

$$\begin{aligned} \|x + y\|^2 &= (x + y) \cdot (x + y) = x \cdot x + y \cdot y + 2(x \cdot y) = \|x\|^2 + \|y\|^2 + 2(x \cdot y) \\ &\leq \|x\|^2 + \|y\|^2 + 2\|x\| \|y\| \leq \|x\|^2 + \|y\|^2 + 2\|x\| \|y\| = (\|x\| + \|y\|)^2 \end{aligned}$$

**1.3 Cross Product****Definition 1.3.1: Cross Product**

The **cross product** of  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^3$  is the determinant of the standard basis,  $x, y$ :

$$x \times y = \det \begin{pmatrix} e_1 & e_2 & e_3 \\ x_1 & x_2 & x_3 \\ y_1 & y_2 & y_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} x_2 & x_3 \\ y_2 & y_3 \end{vmatrix} e_1 - \begin{vmatrix} x_1 & x_3 \\ y_1 & y_3 \end{vmatrix} e_2 + \begin{vmatrix} x_1 & x_2 \\ y_1 & y_2 \end{vmatrix} e_3$$

**Theorem 1.3.2: Properties of the Cross Product**

(a)  $x \times y = -(y \times x)$

**Proof**

$$\begin{aligned} x \times y &= \begin{vmatrix} x_2 & x_3 \\ y_2 & y_3 \end{vmatrix} e_1 - \begin{vmatrix} x_1 & x_3 \\ y_1 & y_3 \end{vmatrix} e_2 + \begin{vmatrix} x_1 & x_2 \\ y_1 & y_2 \end{vmatrix} e_3 \\ &= - \begin{vmatrix} y_2 & y_3 \\ x_2 & x_3 \end{vmatrix} e_1 + \begin{vmatrix} y_1 & y_3 \\ x_1 & x_3 \end{vmatrix} e_2 - \begin{vmatrix} y_1 & y_2 \\ x_1 & x_2 \end{vmatrix} e_3 = -(y \times x) \end{aligned}$$

(b)  $x \times (y + z) = x \times y + x \times z$

**Proof**

$$\begin{aligned} x \times (y + z) &= \begin{vmatrix} x_2 & x_3 \\ y_2 + z_2 & y_3 + z_3 \end{vmatrix} e_1 - \begin{vmatrix} x_1 & x_3 \\ y_1 + z_1 & y_3 + z_3 \end{vmatrix} e_2 + \begin{vmatrix} x_1 & x_2 \\ y_1 + z_1 & y_2 + z_2 \end{vmatrix} e_3 \\ &= \left( \begin{vmatrix} x_2 & x_3 \\ y_2 & y_3 \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} x_2 & x_3 \\ z_2 & z_3 \end{vmatrix} \right) e_1 - \left( \begin{vmatrix} x_1 & x_3 \\ y_1 & y_3 \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} x_1 & x_3 \\ z_1 & z_3 \end{vmatrix} \right) e_2 + \left( \begin{vmatrix} x_1 & x_2 \\ y_1 & y_2 \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} x_1 & x_2 \\ z_1 & z_2 \end{vmatrix} \right) e_3 \\ &= \begin{vmatrix} x_2 & x_3 \\ y_2 & y_3 \end{vmatrix} e_1 - \begin{vmatrix} x_1 & x_3 \\ y_1 & y_3 \end{vmatrix} e_2 + \begin{vmatrix} x_1 & x_2 \\ y_1 & y_2 \end{vmatrix} e_3 + \begin{vmatrix} x_2 & x_3 \\ z_2 & z_3 \end{vmatrix} e_1 - \begin{vmatrix} x_1 & x_3 \\ z_1 & z_3 \end{vmatrix} e_2 + \begin{vmatrix} x_1 & x_2 \\ z_1 & z_2 \end{vmatrix} e_3 \\ &= x \times y + x \times z \end{aligned}$$

(c)  $(x + y) \times z = x \times z + y \times z$

**Proof**

$$\begin{aligned} (x + y) \times z &= -[z \times (x + y)] = -[z \times x + z \times y] \\ &= -[-(x \times z) + -(y \times z)] = x \times z + y \times z \end{aligned}$$

(d)  $c(x \times y) = cx \times y = x \times cy$

**Proof**

$$\begin{aligned} c(x \times y) &= c \begin{vmatrix} x_2 & x_3 \\ y_2 & y_3 \end{vmatrix} e_1 - c \begin{vmatrix} x_1 & x_3 \\ y_1 & y_3 \end{vmatrix} e_2 + c \begin{vmatrix} x_1 & x_2 \\ y_1 & y_2 \end{vmatrix} e_3 \\ &= \begin{vmatrix} cx_2 & cx_3 \\ y_2 & y_3 \end{vmatrix} e_1 - \begin{vmatrix} cx_1 & cx_3 \\ y_1 & y_3 \end{vmatrix} e_2 + \begin{vmatrix} cx_1 & cx_2 \\ y_1 & y_2 \end{vmatrix} e_3 = cx \times y \\ &= \begin{vmatrix} x_2 & x_3 \\ cy_2 & cy_3 \end{vmatrix} e_1 - \begin{vmatrix} x_1 & x_3 \\ cy_1 & cy_3 \end{vmatrix} e_2 + \begin{vmatrix} x_1 & x_2 \\ cy_1 & cy_2 \end{vmatrix} e_3 = x \times cy \end{aligned}$$

**Theorem 1.3.3: Orthogonality of  $x \times y$**

$x \times y$  is orthogonal to  $x$  and  $y$

**Proof**

$$\begin{aligned} x \times y \cdot x &= \left( \begin{vmatrix} x_2 & x_3 \\ y_2 & y_3 \end{vmatrix}, -\begin{vmatrix} x_1 & x_3 \\ y_1 & y_3 \end{vmatrix}, \begin{vmatrix} x_1 & x_2 \\ y_1 & y_2 \end{vmatrix} \right) \cdot (x_1, x_2, x_3) \\ &= (x_2y_3 - x_3y_2)x_1 - (x_1y_3 - x_3y_1)x_2 + (x_1y_2 - x_2y_1)x_3 \\ &= x_1x_2y_3 - x_1x_3y_2 - x_1x_2y_3 + x_2x_3y_1 + x_1x_3y_2 - x_2x_3y_1 = 0 \\ x \times y \cdot y &= \left( \begin{vmatrix} x_2 & x_3 \\ y_2 & y_3 \end{vmatrix}, -\begin{vmatrix} x_1 & x_3 \\ y_1 & y_3 \end{vmatrix}, \begin{vmatrix} x_1 & x_2 \\ y_1 & y_2 \end{vmatrix} \right) \cdot (y_1, y_2, y_3) \\ &= (x_2y_3 - x_3y_2)y_1 - (x_1y_3 - x_3y_1)y_2 + (x_1y_2 - x_2y_1)y_3 \\ &= x_2y_1y_3 - x_3y_1y_2 - x_1y_2y_3 + x_3y_1y_2 + x_1y_2y_3 - x_2y_1y_3 = 0 \end{aligned}$$

**Theorem 1.3.4:  $\|x \times y\| = \|x\| \|y\| \sin(\theta)$**

For  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^3$ :

$$\|x \times y\| = \|x\| \|y\| \sin(\theta)$$

where  $\theta \in [0, \pi]$  is the angle between  $x$  and  $y$

**Proof**

By **theorem 1.2.3**,  $x \cdot y = \|x\| \|y\| \cos(\theta)$  where  $\theta \in [0, \pi]$  is the angle between  $x, y$ .

$$\|x\|^2 \|y\|^2 - (x \cdot y)^2 = \|x\|^2 \|y\|^2 (1 - \cos^2(\theta)) = \|x\|^2 \|y\|^2 \sin^2(\theta)$$

Also:

$$\begin{aligned} \|x\|^2 \|y\|^2 - (x \cdot y)^2 &= (x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_3^2)(y_1^2 + y_2^2 + y_3^2) - (x_1y_1 + x_2y_2 + x_3y_3)^2 \\ &= (x_1^2y_1^2 + x_2^2y_2^2 + x_3^2y_3^2 + x_1^2y_2^2 + x_1^2y_3^2 + x_2^2y_1^2 + x_2^2y_3^2 + x_3^2y_1^2 + x_3^2y_2^2 \\ &\quad - x_1^2y_1^2 - x_2^2y_2^2 - x_3^2y_3^2 - 2x_1x_2y_1y_2 - 2x_1x_3y_1y_3 - 2x_2x_3y_2y_3) \\ &= (x_2y_3 - x_3y_2)^2 + (x_3y_1 - x_1y_3)^2 + (x_1y_2 - x_2y_1)^2 = \|x \times y\|^2 \end{aligned}$$

Thus,  $\|x \times y\| = \|x\| \|y\| \sin(\theta)$ .

**Theorem 1.3.5: Area of Parallelogram**

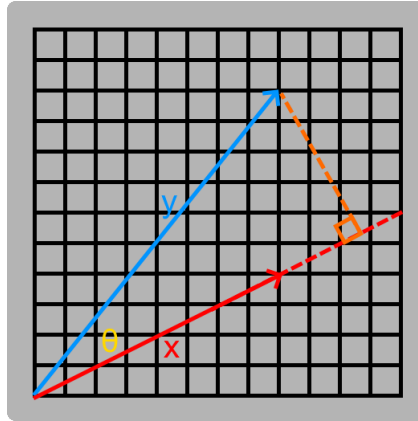
The area of a parallelogram P with sides  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^3$ :

$$\text{Vol}_2(P(x, y)) = \|x \times y\|$$

**Proof**

Since parallelogram P with sides x and y is two triangles with sides x and y, then:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Vol}_2(P(x, y)) &= 2 * \text{Vol}_2(\text{Triangle}(x, y)) \\ &= 2 * \frac{1}{2} (\text{base of triangle}) * (\text{height of triangle}) \\ &= \|x\| * (\|y\| \sin(\theta)) = \|x \times y\| \end{aligned}$$

**Theorem 1.3.6: Volume of Parallelepiped**

The volume of a parallelepiped P with sides  $x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}^n$ :

$$\text{Vol}_3(P(x, y, z)) = |(x \times y) \cdot z|$$

**Proof**

Let sides x and y form a base for P.

$$\text{Vol}_3(P(x, y, z)) = (\text{Area of base}) * (\text{height}) = \|x \times y\| * (\|z\| \cos(\theta))$$

where  $\theta \in [0, \pi]$  is the angle between  $x \times y$  and z. By **theorem 1.2.3**:

$$\text{Vol}_3(P(x, y, z)) = (x \times y) \cdot z$$

Since  $-1 \leq \cos(\theta) \leq 1$  for  $\theta \in [0, 2\pi]$ , then  $(x \times y) \cdot z$  can be negative. Thus:

$$\text{Vol}_3(P(x, y, z)) = |(x \times y) \cdot z|$$

**1.4 Distances and Planes****Theorem 1.4.1: Equation of a Plane: Method #1: Point and Normal Vector**

A plane in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  through a point  $p = (p_x, p_y, p_z)$  and orthogonal to a vector called a normal vector  $n = (a, b, c)$  has an equation of the form:

$$n \cdot [(x, y, z) - p] = a(x - p_x) + b(y - p_y) + c(z - p_z) = 0$$

**Proof**

Let  $(x, y, z)$  be any point in the plane. Then  $(x, y, z) - p = (x - p_x, y - p_y, z - p_z)$  is a vector parallel to the plane. Since the plane is orthogonal to vector n, then any vector parallel to the plane is orthogonal to n. Thus:

$$n \cdot (x - p_x, y - p_y, z - p_z) = 0$$

$$a(x - p_x) + b(y - p_y) + c(z - p_z) = 0$$



**Theorem 1.4.2: Equation of a Plane: Method #2: 3 Points**

A plane in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  through points  $p_1 = (x_1, y_1, z_1)$ ,  $p_2 = (x_2, y_2, z_2)$ , and  $p_3 = (x_3, y_3, z_3)$  has an equation of the form:

$$[(p_2 - p_1) \times (p_3 - p_1)] \cdot [(x, y, z) - p_1] = 0$$

**Proof**

Since  $p_1$ ,  $p_2$ , and  $p_3$  are on the plane, then  $p_2 - p_1$  and  $p_3 - p_1$  are vectors on the plane and thus, parallel to the plane. Since  $(p_2 - p_1) \times (p_3 - p_1)$  is orthogonal to  $(p_2 - p_1)$  and  $(p_3 - p_1)$ , then  $(p_2 - p_1) \times (p_3 - p_1)$  is orthogonal to the plane and thus, a normal vector. By **theorem 1.4.1**, then:

$$[(p_2 - p_1) \times (p_3 - p_1)] \cdot [(x, y, z) - p_1] = 0$$

**Theorem 1.4.3: Distance: Point + Line or 2 Parallel Lines**

The distance from line  $L(t) = tv + x_0$  to point  $p \in \mathbb{R}^3$  where  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $v, x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^3$ :

$$\frac{\|v \times (p - x_0)\|}{\|v\|}$$

If line  $L_2(t)$  is parallel to  $L(t)$ , choose a point on  $L_2(t)$  and apply formula above to get the distance between two parallel lines.

**Proof**

Since  $x_0$  is a point on  $L(t)$ , then  $p - x_0$  is a vector from line  $L(t)$  to  $p$ .

Let  $\theta$  be the angle between  $p - x_0$  and  $L(t)$ . Thus:

$$\sin(\theta) = \frac{d}{\|p - x_0\|} \Rightarrow d = \|p - x_0\| \sin(\theta) = \frac{\|v\| \|p - x_0\| \sin(\theta)}{\|v\|} = \frac{\|v \times (p - x_0)\|}{\|v\|}$$

**Theorem 1.4.4: Distance: Parallel Planes**

The distance between parallel planes  $P_1: a(x - x_1) + b(y - y_1) + c(z - z_1) = 0$  and  $P_2: a(x - x_2) + b(y - y_2) + c(z - z_2) = 0$ :

$$d = \frac{|(a,b,c) \cdot (x_2 - x_1, y_2 - y_1, z_2 - z_1)|}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}}$$

**Proof**

Planes  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  are parallel since they both have the normal vector  $n = (a, b, c)$ . Since  $(x_1, y_1, z_1)$  is a point on  $P_1$  and  $(x_2, y_2, z_2)$  is a point on  $P_2$ , then  $(x_2, y_2, z_2) - (x_1, y_1, z_1)$  is a vector from  $P_1$  to  $P_2$ .

Then the distance is the norm of the orthogonal component of  $(x_2, y_2, z_2) - (x_1, y_1, z_1)$  to  $P_1, P_2$ . Since normal vector  $n$  is orthogonal to both planes, then the orthogonal component of  $(x_2, y_2, z_2) - (x_1, y_1, z_1)$  and  $n$  are parallel.

Thus, by **theorem 1.2.4**:

$$d = \|\text{proj}_n[(x_2, y_2, z_2) - (x_1, y_1, z_1)]\| = \left\| \frac{[(x_2, y_2, z_2) - (x_1, y_1, z_1)] \cdot (a, b, c)}{\|(a, b, c)\|^2} (a, b, c) \right\|$$

$$d = \frac{|(x_2 - x_1, y_2 - y_1, z_2 - z_1) \cdot (a, b, c)|}{\|(a, b, c)\|}$$

**Theorem 1.4.5: Distance: Skew Lines**

Lines  $L_1, L_2 \in \mathbb{R}^3$  are skewed if they are neither parallel or intersecting.

Let  $L_1(t) = tv_1 + x_1$  and  $L_2(t) = tv_2 + x_2$ . The distance between  $L_1$  and  $L_2$ :

$$d = \frac{|(v_2 \times v_1) \cdot (x_2 - x_1)|}{\|v_2 \times v_1\|}$$

**Proof**

Let  $L_1, L_2$  be in two parallel planes. Note the distance between  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  is the distance between the two planes.

Since  $v_2 \times v_1$  is orthogonal to  $v_1, v_2$  and  $v_1, v_2$  are vectors parallel to each plane, then  $v_2 \times v_1$  is orthogonal to each plane and thus, a normal vector. By **theorem 1.4.4**:

$$d = \frac{|(v_2 \times v_1) \cdot (x_2 - x_1)|}{\|v_2 \times v_1\|}$$

## 1.5 Matrices

### Definition 1.5.1: Matrix

A **m by n matrix**  $M_{m \times n}(\mathbb{R})$ :

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} & \dots & a_{3n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & a_{m3} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{where each } a_{ij} \in \mathbb{R}$$

A **row vector** is a 1 by n matrix:

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} & \dots & a_{1n} \end{bmatrix}$$

A **column vector** is a m by 1 matrix:

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} \\ a_{21} \\ a_{31} \\ \vdots \\ a_{m1} \end{bmatrix}$$

A **zero matrix**  $0 \in M_{m \times n}(\mathbb{R})$ :

$$0 = \begin{bmatrix} 0_{11} & 0_{12} & a_{13} & \dots & 0_{1n} \\ 0_{21} & 0_{22} & a_{23} & \dots & 0_{2n} \\ 0_{31} & 0_{32} & a_{33} & \dots & 0_{3n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0_{m1} & 0_{m2} & a_{m3} & \dots & 0_{mn} \end{bmatrix}$$

### Theorem 1.5.2: Matrix Operations

(a) Addition

For  $A, B \in M_{m \times n}(\mathbb{R})$ , then  $A+B \in M_{m \times n}(\mathbb{R})$  where each  $a_{ij}, b_{ij}$ :

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} & \dots & b_{1n} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} & \dots & b_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ b_{m1} & b_{m2} & \dots & b_{mn} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} + b_{11} & a_{12} + b_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} + b_{1n} \\ a_{21} + b_{21} & a_{22} + b_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} + b_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} + b_{m1} & a_{m2} + b_{m2} & \dots & a_{mn} + b_{mn} \end{bmatrix}$$

(b) Scalar Multiplication

For  $A \in M_{m \times n}(\mathbb{R})$ , then  $cA \in M_{m \times n}(\mathbb{R})$  where each  $a_{ij}, b_{ij}$ :

$$c \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} ca_{11} & ca_{12} & \dots & ca_{1n} \\ ca_{21} & ca_{22} & \dots & ca_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ ca_{m1} & ca_{m2} & \dots & ca_{mn} \end{bmatrix}$$

(c) Multiplication

For  $A \in M_{m \times n}(\mathbb{R})$ ,  $B \in M_{n \times k}(\mathbb{R})$ , then  $AB \in M_{m \times k}(\mathbb{R})$  where each  $a_{ij}, b_{ij}$ :

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} & \dots & b_{1k} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} & \dots & b_{2k} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ b_{n1} & b_{n2} & \dots & b_{nk} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{i=1}^n a_{1i}b_{i1} & \sum_{i=1}^n a_{1i}b_{i2} & \dots & \sum_{i=1}^n a_{1i}b_{ik} \\ \sum_{i=1}^n a_{2i}b_{i1} & \sum_{i=1}^n a_{2i}b_{i2} & \dots & \sum_{i=1}^n a_{2i}b_{ik} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \sum_{i=1}^n a_{mi}b_{i1} & \sum_{i=1}^n a_{mi}b_{i2} & \dots & \sum_{i=1}^n a_{mi}b_{ik} \end{bmatrix}$$

**Theorem 1.5.3: Properties of Matrix Operations**

(a)  $A+B = B+A$

Proof

$$[A+B]_{ij} = a_{ij} + b_{ij} = b_{ij} + a_{ij} = [B+A]_{ij}$$

(b)  $A+(B+C) = (A+B)+C$

Proof

$$[A+(B+C)]_{ij} = a_{ij} + (b_{ij} + c_{ij}) = (a_{ij} + b_{ij}) + c_{ij} = [(A+B)+C]_{ij}$$

(c)  $A+0 = A$

Proof

$$[A+0]_{ij} = a_{ij} + 0_{ij} = a_{ij} = [A]_{ij}$$

(d)  $(c+k)A = cA + kA$

Proof

$$[(c+k)A]_{ij} = (c+k)a_{ij} = ca_{ij} + ka_{ij} = [cA]_{ij} + [kA]_{ij} = [cA + kA]_{ij}$$

(e)  $c(A+B) = cA + cB$

Proof

$$[c(A+B)]_{ij} = c(a_{ij} + b_{ij}) = ca_{ij} + cb_{ij} = [cA]_{ij} + [cB]_{ij} = [cA + cB]_{ij}$$

(f)  $c(kA) = (ck)A = k(cA)$

Proof

$$[c(kA)]_{ij} = c(ka_{ij}) = (ck)a_{ij} = [(ck)A]_{ij} = k(ca_{ij}) = [k(cA)]_{ij}$$

(g)  $A(BC) = (AB)C$

Proof

Let  $A \in M_{m \times n}(\mathbb{R})$ ,  $B \in M_{n \times k}(\mathbb{R})$ , and  $C \in M_{k \times p}(\mathbb{R})$ .  
 For  $u \in \{1, \dots, n\}$  and  $v \in \{1, \dots, p\}$ , then  $[BC]_{uv} = \sum_{s=1}^k b_{us}c_{sv}$ .  
 Thus, for  $i \in \{1, \dots, m\}$  and  $j \in \{1, \dots, p\}$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
 [A(BC)]_{ij} &= \sum_{t=1}^n a_{it}[BC]_{tj} = \sum_{t=1}^n [a_{it} \sum_{s=1}^k b_{ts}c_{sj}] = \sum_{t=1}^n \sum_{s=1}^k a_{it}b_{ts}c_{sj} \\
 &= \sum_{s=1}^k \sum_{t=1}^n a_{it}b_{ts}c_{sj} = \sum_{s=1}^k [\sum_{t=1}^n a_{it}b_{ts}]c_{sj} = \sum_{s=1}^k [AB]_{is}c_{sj} = [(AB)C]_{ij}
 \end{aligned}$$

(h)  $c(AB) = (cA)B = A(cB)$

Proof

Let  $A \in M_{m \times n}(\mathbb{R})$  and  $B \in M_{n \times k}(\mathbb{R})$ . For  $i \in \{1, \dots, m\}$  and  $j \in \{1, \dots, k\}$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
 [c(AB)]_{ij} &= c \sum_{t=1}^n a_{it}b_{tj} = \sum_{t=1}^n ca_{it}b_{tj} = \sum_{t=1}^n (ca_{it})b_{tj} = [(cA)B]_{ij} \\
 [c(AB)]_{ij} &= c \sum_{t=1}^n a_{it}b_{tj} = \sum_{t=1}^n a_{it}cb_{tj} = \sum_{t=1}^n a_{it}(cb_{tj}) = [A(cB)]_{ij}
 \end{aligned}$$

(i)  $A(B+C) = AB + AC$

Proof

Let  $A \in M_{m \times n}(\mathbb{R})$  and  $B, C \in M_{n \times k}(\mathbb{R})$ . For  $i \in \{1, \dots, m\}$  and  $j \in \{1, \dots, k\}$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
 [A(B+C)]_{ij} &= \sum_{t=1}^n a_{it}[B+C]_{tj} = \sum_{t=1}^n a_{it}(b_{tj} + c_{tj}) = \sum_{t=1}^n a_{it}b_{tj} + a_{it}c_{tj} \\
 &= \sum_{t=1}^n a_{it}b_{tj} + \sum_{t=1}^n a_{it}c_{tj} = [AB]_{ij} + [AC]_{ij} = [AB + AC]_{ij}
 \end{aligned}$$

(j)  $(A+B)C = AC + BC$

Proof

Let  $A, B \in M_{m \times n}(\mathbb{R})$  and  $C \in M_{n \times k}(\mathbb{R})$ .  
 For  $i \in \{1, \dots, m\}$  and  $j \in \{1, \dots, k\}$ , the  $ij$ -th entry for  $(A+B)C$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
 [(A+B)C]_{ij} &= \sum_{t=1}^n [A+B]_{it}c_{tj} = \sum_{t=1}^n (a_{it} + b_{it})c_{tj} = \sum_{t=1}^n a_{it}c_{tj} + b_{it}c_{tj} \\
 &= \sum_{t=1}^n a_{it}c_{tj} + \sum_{t=1}^n b_{it}c_{tj} = [AC]_{ij} + [BC]_{ij} = [AC + BC]_{ij}
 \end{aligned}$$

**Definition 1.5.4: Transpose**

For matrix  $A \in M_{m \times n}(\mathbb{R})$ :

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} & \dots & a_{3n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & a_{m3} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix}$$

then the **transpose**,  $A^T \in M_{n \times m}(\mathbb{R})$ :

$$A^T = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{21} & a_{31} & \dots & a_{m1} \\ a_{12} & a_{22} & a_{32} & \dots & a_{m2} \\ a_{13} & a_{23} & a_{33} & \dots & a_{m3} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{1n} & a_{2n} & a_{3n} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix}$$

**Theorem 1.5.5: Properties of the Transpose**

(a)  $(A^T)^T = A$

**Proof**

$$[(A^T)^T]_{ij} = [A^T]_{ji} = [A]_{ij}$$

(b)  $(AB)^T = B^T A^T$

**Proof**

$$\text{Let } A \in M_{m \times n}(\mathbb{R}) \text{ and } B \in M_{n \times k}(\mathbb{R}). \text{ For } i = \{1, \dots, k\} \text{ and } j = \{1, \dots, m\}: \\ [(AB)^T]_{ij} = [AB]_{ji} = \sum_{t=1}^n a_{jt} b_{ti} = \sum_{t=1}^n b_{ti} a_{jt} = \sum_{t=1}^n b_{it}^T a_{tj}^T = [B^T A^T]_{ij}$$

(c)  $x \cdot y = x^T y$

**Proof**

$$x \cdot y = x_1 y_1 + x_2 y_2 + \dots + x_n y_n = [x_1 \ x_2 \ \dots \ x_n] y = x^T y$$

**Definition 1.5.6: Determinant**

For  $A \in M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{R})$ , let  $\text{prod}(A) = a_{1,j_1} * a_{2,j_2} * \dots * a_{n,j_n}$  such that for any two  $a_{k,j_k}, a_{p,j_p}$  where  $k < p$ , then  $j_k \neq j_p$ . Let  $\text{prod}(A)$  be unique in the sense that no two  $\text{prod}(A)$  have exactly the same  $\{a_{1,j_1}, a_{2,j_2}, \dots, a_{n,j_n}\}$ .

Also, for any two such  $a_{k,j_k}, a_{p,j_p}$ , let an inversion be 1 if  $j_k < j_p$  and 0 if  $j_k > j_p$ . Then for any  $\text{prod}(A)$ , associate a  $\text{sign}(A) = (-1)^{\text{total number of inversions in prod}(A)}$ .

Then the **determinant** of  $A$ :

$$\det(A) = \sum_{\text{all prod}(A)} \text{prod}(A) * \text{sign}(A)$$

**Example**

$$\text{Let } A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 5 & -2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$\det(A) = (1*1*3)(-1)^0 + (1*-2*1)(-1)^1 + (-1*2*3)(-1)^1 + (-1*-2*3)(-1)^2 \\ + (5*2*1)(-1)^2 + (5*1*3)(-1)^3 = 12$$

**Theorem 1.5.7: Cofactor Expansion**

Let  $A \in M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{R})$ . Let  $A_{ij}$  be  $A$ , but the  $i$ -th row and  $j$ -th column removed.

Then for a fixed  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ :

$$\det(A) = (-1)^{i+1}a_{i1}\det(A_{i1}) + (-1)^{i+2}a_{i2}\det(A_{i2}) + \dots + (-1)^{i+n}a_{in}\det(A_{in})$$

Or for a fixed  $j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ :

$$\det(A) = (-1)^{1+j}a_{1j}\det(A_{1j}) + (-1)^{2+j}a_{2j}\det(A_{2j}) + \dots + (-1)^{n+j}a_{nj}\det(A_{nj})$$

**Proof**

For any  $n$  by  $n$  matrix  $A$ , each  $\text{prod}(A)$  must contain  $n$   $a_{ij}$  where each  $a_{ij}$ 's  $i, j$  is different from another  $a_{ij}$ 's  $i, j$ . Thus, each  $\text{prod}(A)$  must contain only one  $a_{ij}$  in each row and column.

There are  $n$  possible  $a_{ij}$  choices in the first column and by choosing any such one, then that row is eliminated for choice in the following columns. Thus, there are  $n-1$  possible  $a_{ij}$  choices in the second column and by choosing any such one, then that row is also eliminated for choice in the following columns. Repeating the pattern, then there are  $n \cdot (n-1) \cdot (n-2) \cdot \dots \cdot 1 = n!$  total unique  $\text{prod}(A)$  combinations. In the cofactor expansion, let choose a fixed  $i$ . The case for a fixed  $j$  is analogous. For a fixed  $i$ , the cofactor expansion iterates through each of the  $n$  columns in row  $i$  so there are  $n$  unique  $a_{ij}$ . For each  $a_{ij}$ , the  $A_{ij}$  has the  $i$ -th row and  $j$ -th column removed so  $A_{ij}$  is a  $(n-1)$  by  $(n-1)$  matrix and thus, there are  $(n-1)!$  unique  $\text{prod}(A_{ij})$  combinations as proved earlier. Since each  $A_{ij}$  removes a different  $j$ -th column, then each  $\text{prod}(A_{ij})$  from different columns are unique. Thus, the  $n$  unique  $a_{ij}$  has  $(n-1)!$  unique  $\text{prod}(A_{ij})$  combinations so there are  $n \cdot (n-1)! = n!$  unique  $\text{prod}(A)$  combinations. Thus, the  $\text{prod}(A)$  combinations in the cofactor expansion must be equivalent to the  $\text{prod}(A)$  combinations in the original determinant.

For the fixed  $i$ , let fixed  $j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ :

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{1,1} & a_{1,2} & a_{1,3} & \dots & a_{1,j-1} & a_{1,j} & a_{1,j+1} & \dots & a_{1,n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{i-1,1} & a_{i-1,2} & a_{i-1,3} & \dots & a_{i-1,j-1} & a_{i-1,j} & a_{i-1,j+1} & \dots & a_{i-1,n} \\ a_{i,1} & a_{i,2} & a_{i,3} & \dots & a_{i,j-1} & a_{i,j} & a_{i,j+1} & \dots & a_{i,n} \\ a_{i+1,1} & a_{i+1,2} & a_{i+1,3} & \dots & a_{i+1,j-1} & a_{i+1,j} & a_{i+1,j+1} & \dots & a_{i+1,n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n,1} & a_{n,2} & a_{n,3} & \dots & a_{n,j-1} & a_{n,j} & a_{n,j+1} & \dots & a_{n,n} \end{bmatrix}$$

In the original determinant, each  $\text{prod}(A)$  associates  $\text{sign}(A) = (-1)^{\# \text{inversions in prod}(A)}$ .

As proven earlier, each  $\text{prod}(A)$  is expressed in the cofactor expansion. So for any  $\text{prod}(A)$  that contains  $a_{ij}$  with the fixed  $i, j$ , then from the  $a_{ij}\det(A_{ij})$  in the cofactor expansion, the  $\det(A_{ij})$  consists of the other  $a_{ij}$  in the  $\text{prod}(A)$  since none of the other  $a_{ij}$  can exist in row  $i$  or column  $j$  by definition of the determinant and thus,  $\det(A_{ij})$  must account for all the inversions exclusively between the other  $a_{ij}$ . To account for the inversions between the other  $a_{ij}$  and the fixed  $a_{ij}$ , refer to the matrix above. The only  $a_{ij}$  which contributes an inversion with the fixed  $a_{ij}$  must be in the lower left and upper right of the matrix by definition of the determinant. Let  $A = \#a_{ij}$  in upper left,  $B = \#a_{ij}$  in upper right,  $C = \#a_{ij}$  in lower left, and  $D = \#a_{ij}$  in lower right.

Since each  $\text{prod}(A)$  must have a  $a_{ij}$  in each row and column, then:

$$A+B = i-1 \quad A+C = j-1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad B+C = i+j-2-2A$$

Thus,  $\text{sign}(A) = (-1)^{B+C} = (-1)^{i+j-2-2A} = (-1)^{i+j}(-1)^{-2}(-1)^{-2A} = (-1)^{i+j}$  which is the coefficient in the cofactor expansion and thus, the cofactor expansion is calculated in the same way as the original determinant and thus, have the same value.

## 1.6 Different Coordinate Systems

### Definition 1.6.1: Polar Coordinates

Thus far, all vectors has been in the Cartesian (i.e. rectangular (x,y)) System. However, vectors can also be expressed in the Polar (i.e. circular) System.

For any point (x,y), a right triangle can be drawn by adding a perpendicular line from the x-axis to (x,y). Thus:

$$r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \quad x = r \cos(\theta) \quad y = r \sin(\theta)$$

Thus, the **polar coordinates** can express points as  $(r, \theta)$ .

To convert from polar to rectangular:

$$x = r \cos(\theta) \quad y = r \sin(\theta)$$

To convert from rectangular to polar:

$$r^2 = x^2 + y^2 \quad \tan(\theta) = \frac{y}{x}$$

### Definition 1.6.2: Cylindrical Coordinates

While polar coordinates are the circular equivalent to  $\mathbb{R}^2$ , cylindrical coordinates are the circular equivalent to  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

**Cylindrical coordinates** are expressed as  $(r, \theta, z)$  where:

$$x = r \cos(\theta) \quad y = r \sin(\theta) \quad z = z$$

The standard basis vectors for cylindrical coordinates:

$$e_r = \frac{xe_1 + ye_2}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} = \cos(\theta)e_1 + \sin(\theta)e_2$$

$$e_z = e_3$$

$$e_\theta = e_z \times e_r = -\sin(\theta)e_1 + \cos(\theta)e_2$$

### Definition 1.6.3: Spherical Coordinates

Although way to express coordinates in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  is spherical coordinates.

**Spherical coordinates** are expressed as  $(p, \theta, \phi)$  where:

$$x = p \sin(\phi) \cos(\theta) \quad y = p \sin(\phi) \sin(\theta) \quad z = p \cos(\phi)$$

To convert from rectangular to spherical:

$$p^2 = x^2 + y^2 + z^2 \quad \tan(\phi) = \frac{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}}{z} \quad \tan(\theta) = \frac{y}{x}$$

To convert from cylindrical to spherical:

$$p^2 = r^2 + z^2 \quad \tan(\phi) = \frac{r}{z} \quad \theta = \theta$$

The standard basis vectors for spherical coordinates:

$$e_p = \frac{xe_1 + ye_2 + ze_3}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}} = \sin(\phi) \cos(\theta)e_1 + \sin(\phi) \sin(\theta)e_2 + \cos(\phi)e_3$$

$$e_\theta = -\sin(\theta)e_1 + \cos(\theta)e_2$$

$$e_\phi = e_\theta \times e_p = \cos(\phi) \cos(\theta)e_1 + \cos(\phi) \sin(\theta)e_2 - \sin(\phi)e_3$$

## 2 Differentiation

### 2.1 Limits & Continuity

#### Definition 2.1.1: Limit

For  $f: X \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ , let  $a \in X$ .

If for every  $\epsilon > 0$ , there is a  $\delta > 0$  such that for all  $x \in X$  where  $\|x - a\| < \delta$ :

$$\|f(x) - L\| < \epsilon$$

Then the **limit** of  $f(x)$  as  $x$  approaches  $a$  is  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = L$ .

#### Example

Let  $f(x,y) = 2x^2 + xy$ . Find  $f(x,y)$  as  $(x,y) \rightarrow (-1,1)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} L &= f(-1,1) = 1. \text{ Let } \sqrt{(x+1)^2 + (y-1)^2} < \delta \text{ so } |x+1| < \delta \text{ and } |y-1| < \delta. \text{ Thus:} \\ |f(x,y) - L| &= |2x^2 + xy - 1| = |2x^2 - 2 + xy + 1| \\ &= |2(x+1)(x-1) + (x+1)(y+1) - (x+1+y-1)| \\ &\leq 2|x+1| * |x-1| + |x+1| * |y+1| + |x+1| + |y-1| \\ &< 2\delta(\delta+2) + \delta(\delta+2) + 2\delta = 3\delta^2 + 8\delta \\ \text{Since } \min(3\delta^2 + 8\delta) &= \frac{-16}{3} < 0, \text{ then for any } \epsilon > 0, \text{ there is a } \delta \text{ where } 3\delta^2 + 8\delta < \epsilon. \\ \text{Thus, } |f(x,y) - L| &< 3\delta^2 + 8\delta < \epsilon. \end{aligned}$$

#### Theorem 2.1.2: Limits are Unique

If  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = L_1$  and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = L_2$ , then  $L_1 = L_2$ .

#### Proof

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Since } \lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) &= L_1, \text{ there is a } \delta_1 \text{ where for } \|x - a\| < \delta_1, \text{ then } \|f(x) - L_1\| < \frac{\epsilon}{2}. \\ \text{Since } \lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) &= L_2, \text{ there is a } \delta_2 \text{ where for } \|x - a\| < \delta_2, \text{ then } \|f(x) - L_2\| < \frac{\epsilon}{2}. \\ \text{Let } \delta &= \min(\delta_1, \delta_2). \text{ Then for } \|x - a\| < \delta: \\ \|L_1 - L_2\| &\leq \|L_1 - f(x)\| + \|f(x) - L_2\| < \frac{\epsilon}{2} + \frac{\epsilon}{2} = \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

#### Theorem 2.1.3: Properties of the Limit

(a) For  $f, g: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ , if  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = A$  and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) = B$ , then:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} (f+g)(x) = A+B$$

#### Proof

Since  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = A$ , there is a  $\delta_1$  where for  $\|x - a\| < \delta_1$ , then:

$$\|f(x) - A\| < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$$

Since  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) = B$ , there is a  $\delta_2$  where for  $\|x - a\| < \delta_2$ , then:

$$\|g(x) - B\| < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$$

Let  $\delta = \min(\delta_1, \delta_2)$ . Then for  $\|x - a\| < \delta$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \|(f+g)(x) - (A+B)\| &= \|f(x) + g(x) - A - B\| \\ &\leq \|f(x) - A\| + \|g(x) - B\| < \frac{\epsilon}{2} + \frac{\epsilon}{2} = \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

(b) For  $f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ , if  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = A$  and scalar  $c \in \mathbb{R}$ , then:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} cf(x) = cA$$

#### Proof

Since  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = A$ , there is a  $\delta$  where for  $\|x - a\| < \delta$ , then:

$$\|f(x) - A\| < \frac{\epsilon}{c}$$

Then,  $\|cf(x) - cA\| = c\|f(x) - A\| < c\frac{\epsilon}{c} = \epsilon$ .

- (c) For  $f, g: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , if  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = A$  and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) = B$ , then:  
 $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} (fg)(x) = AB$

**Proof**

Note  $4fg = (f + g)^2 - (f - g)^2$ .

By part (a), there is a  $\delta$  where for  $\|x - a\| < \delta$ :

$$|(f + g)(x) - (A + B)| < \epsilon$$

Then as  $x \rightarrow a$ :

$$\begin{aligned} |[(f + g)(x)]^2 - [A + B]^2| &= |[(f + g)(x) - (A + B)][(f + g)(x) + (A + B)]| \\ &= |(f + g)(x) - (A + B)| * |(f + g)(x) + (A + B)| = \epsilon(2(A + B)) \end{aligned}$$

Thus,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} (f + g)^2(x) = (A + B)^2$ .

The proof for  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} (f - g)^2(x) = (A - B)^2$  is analogous. Thus:

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow a} (fg)(x) &= \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{1}{4}[(f + g)^2(x) - (f - g)^2(x)] \\ &= \frac{1}{4}[(A + B)^2 - (A - B)^2] = \frac{1}{4}4AB = AB \end{aligned}$$

- (d) For  $f, g: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , if  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = A$  and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) = B \neq 0$ , then:  
 $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \left(\frac{f}{g}\right)(x) = \frac{A}{B}$

**Proof**

Since  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) = B$ , then there is a  $\delta$  where for  $\|x - a\| < \delta$ :

$$|g(x) - B| < \epsilon$$

Thus, as  $x \rightarrow a$ :

$$\left|\frac{1}{g(x)} - \frac{1}{B}\right| = \left|\frac{B - g(x)}{Bg(x)}\right| = |B - g(x)| * \left|\frac{1}{Bg(x)}\right| < \epsilon \frac{1}{B^2}$$

Thus,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{1}{g(x)} = \frac{1}{B}$ . By part (c), then  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \left(\frac{f}{g}\right)(x) = \frac{A}{B}$ .

#### Theorem 2.1.4: Components of Limits

For  $f: X \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ , let  $f(x) = (f_1(x), \dots, f_m(x))$ . Then for  $i = \{1, \dots, m\}$ :  
 $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = L = (L_1, \dots, L_m)$  if and only if each  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f_i(x) = L_i$

**Proof**

If  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = L = (L_1, \dots, L_m)$ , then there is a  $\delta$  such that for  $\|x - a\| < \delta$ :

$$\|f(x) - L\| < \epsilon$$

$$\|(f_1(x), \dots, f_m(x)) - (L_1, \dots, L_m)\| = \sqrt{(f_1(x) - L_1)^2 + \dots + (f_m(x) - L_m)^2} < \epsilon$$

Thus, each  $|f_i(x) - L_i| < \epsilon$  for  $\|x - a\| < \delta$  so  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f_i(x) = L_i$ .

If each  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f_i(x) = L_i$ , then there are  $\delta_i$  such that for  $\|x - a\| < \delta_i$ :

$$|f_i(x) - L_i| < \frac{\epsilon}{\sqrt{m}}$$

Let  $\delta = \min(\delta_1, \dots, \delta_m)$ . Then for  $\|x - a\| < \delta$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \|f(x) - L\| &= \|(f_1(x), \dots, f_m(x)) - (L_1, \dots, L_m)\| \\ &= \sqrt{(f_1(x) - L_1)^2 + \dots + (f_m(x) - L_m)^2} < \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^m \left(\frac{\epsilon}{\sqrt{m}}\right)^2} = \sqrt{\epsilon^2} = \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

#### Definition 2.1.5: Continuity

For  $f: X \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ , let  $a \in X$ .

Then  $f$  is **continuous** at  $a$  if  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = f(a)$ .

If  $f$  is continuous at every  $x \in X$ , then  $f$  is continuous on  $X$ .



**Theorem 2.1.6: Properties of Continuity**

- (a) If
- $f, g: X \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$
- are continuous at
- $a \in X$
- , then
- $f+g$
- is continuous at
- $a$

**Proof**

Since  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = f(a)$  and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) = g(a)$ , by **theorem 2.1.3(a)**, then  $A = f(a)$  and  $B = g(a)$ . Thus,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} (f+g)(x) = f(a)+g(a)$ .

- (b) If
- $f: X \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$
- is continuous at
- $a \in X$
- and scalar
- $c \in \mathbb{R}$
- , then
- $cf$
- is continuous at
- $a$

**Proof**

Since  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = f(a)$ , by **theorem 2.1.3(b)**, then  $A = f(a)$ .  
Thus,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} cf(x) = cf(a)$ .

- (c) If
- $f, g: X \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$
- are continuous at
- $a \in X$
- , then
- $fg$
- is continuous at
- $a$

**Proof**

Since  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = f(a)$  and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) = g(a)$ , by **theorem 2.1.3(c)**, then  $A = f(a)$  and  $B = g(a)$ . Thus,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} (fg)(x) = f(a)g(a)$ .

- (d) If
- $f, g: X \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$
- are continuous at
- $a \in X$
- where
- $g(x) \neq 0$
- , then
- $\frac{f}{g}$
- is continuous at
- $a$

**Proof**

Since  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = f(a)$  and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) = g(a)$ , by **theorem 2.1.3(d)**, then  $A = f(a)$  and  $B = g(a) \neq 0$ . Thus,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \left(\frac{f}{g}\right)(x) = \frac{f(a)}{g(a)}$ .

**Theorem 2.1.7: Components of Continuity**

For  $f: X \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ , let  $f(x) = (f_1(x), \dots, f_m(x))$ . Then for  $i = \{1, \dots, m\}$ :  
 $f$  is continuous at  $a \in X$  if and only if each  $f_i$  is continuous at  $a$

**Proof**

If  $f$  is continuous at  $a$ , then  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = f(a) = (f_1(a), \dots, f_m(a))$ . By **theorem 2.1.4**, then  $L = (f_1(a), \dots, f_m(a))$  so each  $L_i = f_i(a)$ . Thus, for each  $i = \{1, \dots, m\}$ :

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f_i(x) = L_i = f_i(a)$$

If each  $f_i$  is continuous at  $a$ , then for  $i = \{1, \dots, m\}$ ,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f_i(x) = f_i(a)$ . By **theorem 2.1.4**, then  $L = (f_1(a), \dots, f_m(a))$ . Thus:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = L = (f_1(a), \dots, f_m(a)) = f(a)$$

**Theorem 2.1.8: Composite of Continuous functions are Continuous**

If  $f: X \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  and  $g: Y \subset \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^k$  are continuous where  $f(X) \subset Y$ ,  
then  $g \circ f = g(f): X \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^k$  is continuous

**Proof**

For any  $a \in X$  and any  $\delta > 0$ , there is a  $\eta > 0$  such that for  $\|x - a\| < \eta$ :

$$\|f(x) - f(a)\| < \delta$$

Since  $f(X) \subset Y$ , then for any  $x \in X$ , then  $f(x) \in Y$ .

For any  $f(a) \in Y$  and any  $\epsilon > 0$ , there is a  $\delta > 0$  such that for  $\|y - f(a)\| < \delta$ :

$$\|g(y) - g(f(a))\| < \epsilon$$

Thus, for  $\|x - a\| < \eta$ , then  $\|g(f(x)) - g(f(a))\| < \epsilon$ .

## 2.2 Differentiability

### Definition 2.2.1: Partial Derivative

For  $f: X \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , let  $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in X$ .

For  $i = \{1, \dots, n\}$ , the **partial derivative** of  $f$  with respect to  $x_i$ :

$$D_i f = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i} = f_{x_i}(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x_1, \dots, x_i + h, \dots, x_n) - f(x_1, \dots, x_n)}{h}$$

### Theorem 2.2.2: Tangent Plane

For  $f: X \subset \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , let  $z = f(x, y)$ .

The **tangent plane** at  $(a, b, f(a, b))$  has an equation of the form:

$$z = f(a, b) + f_x(a, b)(x - a) + f_y(a, b)(y - b)$$

### Proof

Since  $f_x(a, b)$  which is the change in  $z$  for every change in  $x$  is a tangent vector to  $f$  in direction of  $x$  at  $(a, b)$ , then  $(1, 0, f_x(a, b))$  is parallel to the tangent plane. Similarly,  $(0, 1, f_y(a, b))$  is parallel to the tangent plane.

Thus,  $(1, 0, f_x(a, b)) \times (0, 1, f_y(a, b)) = (-f_x(a, b), -f_y(a, b), 1)$  is orthogonal to the tangent plane. Thus, for any  $(x, y, z)$  in the plane:

$$\begin{aligned} (-f_x(a, b), -f_y(a, b), 1) \cdot [(x, y, z) - (a, b, f(a, b))] &= 0 \\ -f_x(a, b)(x - a) - f_y(a, b)(y - b) + z - f(a, b) &= 0 \\ z = f(a, b) + f_x(a, b)(x - a) + f_y(a, b)(y - b) \end{aligned}$$

### Definition 2.2.3: Differentiability in $\mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$f: X \subset \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is **differentiable** at  $x \in X$  if there is an  $A \in M_{1 \times 2}(\mathbb{R})$  such that for  $h \in X$ :

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{|f(x+h) - f(x) - Ah|}{\|h\|} = 0$$

Then, the **derivative** of  $f$  at  $x$  is  $Df(x) = A = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x, y) & \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x, y) \end{bmatrix}$ .

If  $f$  is differentiable at every  $x \in X$ , then  $f$  is differentiable on  $X$ .

### Theorem 2.2.4: Continuous partials imply Differentiability

If  $f: X \subset \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  has continuous partial derivatives at  $(a, b)$ , then  $f$  is differentiable at  $(a, b)$ .

### Proof

Since  $f_x(x, y), f_y(x, y)$  is continuous at  $(a, b)$ , then for  $\epsilon > 0$ , there is a  $\delta > 0$  where for  $\|(x, y) - (a, b)\| < \delta$ :

$$|f_x(x, y) - f_x(a, b)| < \epsilon \quad |f_y(x, y) - f_y(a, b)| < \epsilon$$

Then for  $h = h_1 e_1 + h_2 e_2$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{|f(a+h_1, b+h_2) - f(a, b) - [f_x(a, b)h_1 + f_y(a, b)h_2]|}{\|h\|} \\ = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{|f(a+h_1, b+h_2) - f(a+h_1, b) + f(a+h_1, b) - f(a, b) - [f_x(a, b)h_1 + f_y(a, b)h_2]|}{\|h\|} \end{aligned}$$

Since  $f_x(x, y), f_y(x, y)$  exist, then by the Mean Value Theorem, there are  $t_1 \in (0, h_1)$  and  $t_2 \in (0, h_2)$  such that:

$$\begin{aligned} f(a+h_1, b) - f(a, b) &= h_1 * f_x(a+t_1, b) \\ f(a+h_1, b+h_2) - f(a+h_1, b) &= h_2 * f_y(a+h_1, b+t_2) \end{aligned}$$

Thus, for  $\|h - (a, b)\| < \delta$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{|f(a+h_1, b+h_2) - f(a, b) - [f_x(a, b)h_1 + f_y(a, b)h_2]|}{\|h\|} \\ = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{|h_2 * f_y(a+h_1, b+t_2) + h_1 * f_x(a+t_1, b) - [f_x(a, b)h_1 + f_y(a, b)h_2]|}{\|h\|} \\ = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{|h_2 * [f_y(a+h_1, b+t_2) - f_y(a, b)] + h_1 * [f_x(a+t_1, b) - f_x(a, b)]|}{\|h\|} < \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\|h\|\epsilon + \|h\|\epsilon}{\|h\|} = 2\epsilon \end{aligned}$$

**Theorem 2.2.5: Differentiability implies Continuity**

If  $f: X \subset \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is differentiable at  $(a,b)$ , then  $f$  is continuous at  $(a,b)$

**Proof**

If  $f$  is differentiable at  $(a,b)$ , then  $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{|f((a,b)+h) - f(a,b) - Ah|}{\|h\|} = 0$ .

Thus, as  $h \rightarrow 0$ , then  $A = \frac{f((a,b)+h) - f(a,b)}{\|h\|}$ . So:

$$f((a,b)+h) - f(a,b) = [f((a,b)+h) - f(a,b)] \frac{\|h\|}{\|h\|} = A\|h\| \rightarrow 0$$

Thus,  $f$  is continuous at  $(a,b)$ .

**2.3 Differentiability in Higher Dimensions****Definition 2.3.1: Differentiability in  $\mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$** 

Differentiability can be extended for  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

$f: X \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is differentiable at  $x \in X$  if there is an  $A \in M_{1 \times n}(\mathbb{R})$  such that for  $h \in X$ :

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{|f(x+h) - f(x) - Ah|}{\|h\|} = 0$$

Then, the derivative of  $f$  at  $x$  is  $Df(x) = A = \left[ \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1}(x) \quad \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_2}(x) \quad \dots \quad \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_n}(x) \right]$ .

If  $f$  is differentiable at every  $x \in X$ , then  $f$  is differentiable on  $X$ .

The **gradient** of  $f$ :

$$\nabla f(x) = \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1}(x), \dots, \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_n}(x) \right) = [Df(x)]^T$$

**Definition 2.3.2: Differentiability in  $\mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$** 

Differentiability can be extended into  $\mathbb{R}^m$ .

$f: X \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  where  $f = (f_1, \dots, f_m)$  is differentiable at  $x \in X$  if there is an  $A \in M_{m \times n}(\mathbb{R})$  such that for  $h \in X$ :

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{|f(x+h) - f(x) - Ah|}{\|h\|} = 0$$

Then, the derivative of  $f$  at  $x$  is  $Df(x) = A = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_1}(x) & \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_2}(x) & \dots & \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_n}(x) \\ \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_1}(x) & \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_2}(x) & \dots & \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_n}(x) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial f_m}{\partial x_1}(x) & \frac{\partial f_m}{\partial x_2}(x) & \dots & \frac{\partial f_m}{\partial x_n}(x) \end{bmatrix}$ .

If  $f$  is differentiable at every  $x \in X$ , then  $f$  is differentiable on  $X$ .

**Theorem 2.3.3: Differentiability implies Continuity in Higher Dimensions**

If  $f: X \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  is differentiable at  $a \in X$ , then  $f$  is continuous at  $a$

**Proof**

Analogous to **theorem 2.2.5**. Replace  $(a,b)$  with  $a = (a_1, \dots, a_n)$ .

**Theorem 2.3.4: Continuous partials imply differentiability in Higher Dimensions**

If  $f: X \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  has continuous partial derivatives,  $\frac{\partial f_i}{\partial x_j}$ , at  $a \in X$  for  $j = \{1, \dots, n\}$  and  $i = \{1, \dots, m\}$ , then  $f$  is differentiable at  $a$

**Proof**

Analogous to **theorem 2.2.4**. Instead,  $h = h_1 e_1 + \dots + h_n e_n$  where:

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{|f(x+h) - f(x) - Ah|}{\|h\|} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{|f_i(x+h) - f_i(x) - [\sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\partial f_i}{\partial x_j}(x) h_j]|}{\|h\|}$$

and add each  $f_i(x + h_1 e_1 + \dots + h_k e_k)$  and apply Mean Value Theorem and continuity of partial derivatives analogously as performed in **theorem 2.2.4**.

**Theorem 2.3.5: Components of Differentiability**

$f: X \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  where  $f = (f_1, \dots, f_m)$  is differentiable at  $a \in X$  if and only if each  $f_i$  is differentiable at  $a$  for  $i = \{1, \dots, m\}$

**Proof**

$$\text{Note } \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{|f(x+h) - f(x) - Ah|}{\|h\|} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{|f_i(x+h) - f_i(x) - [\sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\partial f_i}{\partial x_j}(x) h_j]|}{\|h\|}.$$

If  $f$  is differentiable at  $a$ , then for any  $\epsilon > 0$ :

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{|f(x+h) - f(x) - Ah|}{\|h\|} < \epsilon$$

So  $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{|f_i(x+h) - f_i(x) - [\sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\partial f_i}{\partial x_j}(x) h_j]|}{\|h\|} < \epsilon$  for each  $i = \{1, \dots, m\}$  and thus, each  $f_i$  is differentiable at  $a$ .

If each  $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{|f_i(x+h) - f_i(x) - [\sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\partial f_i}{\partial x_j}(x) h_j]|}{\|h\|} < \frac{\epsilon}{m}$  for  $i = \{1, \dots, m\}$ , then:

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{|f(x+h) - f(x) - Ah|}{\|h\|} < \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{\epsilon}{m} = \epsilon$$

Thus,  $f$  is differentiable at  $a$ .

**Theorem 2.3.6: Properties of Differentiability**

- (a) For  $f, g: X \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ , if  $f, g$  are differentiable at  $a \in X$ , then:  
 $f+g$  is differentiable at  $a$  where  $D(f+g)(a) = Df(a) + Dg(a)$

**Proof**

Since  $f, g$  are differentiable at  $a \in X$ , by **theorem 2.3.5**, then for  $i = \{1, \dots, m\}$ :

$$\begin{aligned} D(f+g)_i(a) &= \begin{bmatrix} D_1(f_i + g_i)(a) & D_2(f_i + g_i)(a) & \dots & D_n(f_i + g_i)(a) \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} D_1 f_i(a) & D_2 f_i(a) & \dots & D_n f_i(a) \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} D_1 g_i(a) & D_2 g_i(a) & \dots & D_n g_i(a) \end{bmatrix} \\ &= Df_i(a) + Dg_i(a) \end{aligned}$$

- (b) For  $f: X \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ , if  $f$  is differentiable at  $a \in X$  and scalar  $c \in \mathbb{R}$ , then:  
 $cf$  is differentiable at  $a$  where  $D(cf)(a) = cDf(a)$

**Proof**

Since  $f$  is differentiable at  $a \in X$ , by **theorem 2.3.5**, then for  $i = \{1, \dots, m\}$ :

$$\begin{aligned} D(cf)_i(a) &= \begin{bmatrix} D_1(cf_i)(a) & D_2(cf_i)(a) & \dots & D_n(cf_i)(a) \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} cD_1 f_i(a) & cD_2 f_i(a) & \dots & cD_n f_i(a) \end{bmatrix} = cDf_i(a) \end{aligned}$$

- (c) For  $f, g: X \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , if  $f, g$  are differentiable at  $a \in X$ , then:  
 $fg$  is differentiable at  $a$  where  $D(fg)(a) = Df(a)g(a) + f(a)Dg(a)$

**Proof**

Since  $f, g$  are differentiable at  $a \in X$ :

$$\begin{aligned} D(fg)(a) &= \begin{bmatrix} D_1(fg)(a) & D_2(fg)(a) & \dots & D_n(fg)(a) \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} D_1f(a)g(a)+f(a)D_1g(a) & D_2f(a)g(a)+f(a)D_2g(a) & \dots & D_nf(a)g(a)+f(a)D_ng(a) \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} D_1f(a)g(a) & D_2f(a)g(a) & \dots & D_nf(a)g(a) \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} f(a)D_1g(a) & f(a)D_2g(a) & \dots & f(a)D_ng(a) \end{bmatrix} \\ &= Df(a)g(a) + f(a)Dg(a) \end{aligned}$$

- (d) For  $f, g: X \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , if  $f, g$  are differentiable at  $a \in X$  where  $g(a) \neq 0$ , then:  
 $\frac{f}{g}$  is differentiable at  $a$  where  $D(\frac{f}{g})(a) = \frac{Df(a)g(a)-f(a)Dg(a)}{[g(a)]^2}$

**Proof**

Since  $f, g$  are differentiable at  $a \in X$ :

$$\begin{aligned} D(\frac{f}{g})(a) &= \begin{bmatrix} D_1(\frac{f}{g})(a) & D_2(\frac{f}{g})(a) & \dots & D_n(\frac{f}{g})(a) \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \frac{D_1f(a)g(a)-f(a)D_1g(a)}{[g(a)]^2} & \frac{D_2f(a)g(a)-f(a)D_2g(a)}{[g(a)]^2} & \dots & \frac{D_nf(a)g(a)-f(a)D_ng(a)}{[g(a)]^2} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \frac{D_1f(a)g(a)}{[g(a)]^2} & \frac{D_2f(a)g(a)}{[g(a)]^2} & \dots & \frac{D_nf(a)g(a)}{[g(a)]^2} \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} \frac{f(a)D_1g(a)}{[g(a)]^2} & \frac{f(a)D_2g(a)}{[g(a)]^2} & \dots & \frac{f(a)D_ng(a)}{[g(a)]^2} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= Df(a)\frac{g(a)}{[g(a)]^2} - \frac{f(a)}{[g(a)]^2}Dg(a) = \frac{Df(a)g(a)-f(a)Dg(a)}{[g(a)]^2} \end{aligned}$$

### Definition 2.3.7: Partial Derivatives of Higher Orders

The **second order partial derivative** of  $f$  in respect to  $x_i$ :

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_i^2} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i} \right) = f_{x_i x_i}(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f_{x_i}(x_1, \dots, x_i+h, \dots, x_n) - f_{x_i}(x_1, \dots, x_n)}{h}$$

The **mixed partial derivative** of  $f$  in respect to first  $x_i$ , then  $x_j$ :

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_j \partial x_i} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i} \right) = f_{x_i x_j}(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f_{x_i}(x_1, \dots, x_j+h, \dots, x_n) - f_{x_i}(x_1, \dots, x_n)}{h}$$

In general, for  $f: X \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , the  $k$ -th order partial derivative of  $f$  in respect to  $x_{i_1}, \dots, x_{i_k}$  in such order for  $k = \{1, \dots, n\}$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial^k f}{\partial x_{i_k} \dots \partial x_{i_1}} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{i_k}} \dots \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_{i_1}} = f_{x_{i_1} \dots x_{i_k}}(x) \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f_{x_{i_1} \dots x_{i_{k-1}}}(x_1, \dots, x_{i_k}+h, \dots, x_n) - f_{x_{i_1} \dots x_{i_{k-1}}}(x_1, \dots, x_n)}{h} \end{aligned}$$

### Definition 2.3.8: Smoothness

For  $k = \{1, \dots, n\}$ ,  $f: X \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is  $C^k$  if all partial derivatives of order 1 to  $k$  exist and are continuous on  $X$ .

If  $f$  has continuous partial derivatives of all order, then  $f$  is **smooth** (i.e  $C^\infty$ ).

For  $f: X \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  where  $f = (f_1, \dots, f_m)$ , then  $f$  is  $C^k$  if each  $f_i$  is  $C^k$  for  $i = \{1, \dots, m\}$ .

**Theorem 2.3.9: Clairaut's Theorem**

If  $f: X \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is  $C^k$ , then:

$$\frac{\partial^k f}{\partial x_{i_1} \dots \partial x_{i_k}} = \frac{\partial^k f}{\partial x_{j_1} \dots \partial x_{j_k}}$$

**Proof**

If the claim holds true for  $C^2$ , then replace  $f$  with  $f_{x_{i_p}}$  for any  $p = \{1, \dots, k\}$  and since  $f$  is  $C^k$ , then  $f_{x_{i_p}}$  is  $C^{k-1}$  and apply the theorem again. Repeating the process  $k$  times, the result holds true by induction. Now the proof for  $C^2$ :

Since  $f$  is  $C^2$ , then  $f_x, f_y, f_{xy}, f_{yx}$  exist and are continuous.

Let  $d(x, y) = f(x + h_1, y + h_2) - f(x + h_1, y) - f(x, y + h_2) + f(x, y)$ .

Since  $f_x$  exist, then by the Mean Value Theorem, there is a  $t_1 \in (0, h_1)$  where:

$$d(x, y) = h_1 * (f_x(x + t_1, y + h_2) - f_x(x + t_1, y))$$

Since  $f_y$  exist, then by the Mean Value Theorem, there is a  $t_2 \in (0, h_2)$  where:

$$d(x, y) = h_1 * h_2 * f_{xy}(x + t_1, y + t_2)$$

Since  $f_{xy}$  is continuous, then since  $(t_1, t_2) \rightarrow (0, 0)$  as  $(h_1, h_2) \rightarrow (0, 0)$ :

$$\begin{aligned} f_{xy}(x, y) &= \lim_{(h_1, h_2) \rightarrow (0, 0)} f_{xy}(x + h_1, x + h_2) \\ &= \lim_{(h_1, h_2) \rightarrow (0, 0)} f_{xy}(x + t_1, x + t_2) = \lim_{(h_1, h_2) \rightarrow (0, 0)} \frac{d(x, y)}{h_1 h_2} \end{aligned}$$

Rearrange  $d(x, y) = f(x + h_1, y + h_2) - f(x + h_1, y) - f(x, y + h_2) + f(x, y)$ .

Since  $f_y$  exist, by the Mean Value Theorem, there is a  $s_2 \in (0, h_2)$  where:

$$d(x, y) = h_2 * (f_y(x + h_1, y + s_2) - f_y(x, y + s_2))$$

Since  $f_x$  exist, by the Mean Value Theorem, there is a  $s_1 \in (0, h_1)$  where:

$$d(x, y) = h_2 * h_1 * f_{yx}(x + s_1, y + s_2)$$

Since  $f_{yx}$  is continuous, then since  $(s_1, s_2) \rightarrow (0, 0)$  as  $(h_1, h_2) \rightarrow (0, 0)$ :

$$\begin{aligned} f_{yx}(x, y) &= \lim_{(h_1, h_2) \rightarrow (0, 0)} f_{yx}(x + h_1, x + h_2) \\ &= \lim_{(h_1, h_2) \rightarrow (0, 0)} f_{xy}(x + s_1, x + s_2) = \lim_{(h_1, h_2) \rightarrow (0, 0)} \frac{d(x, y)}{h_1 h_2} \end{aligned}$$

Thus,  $f_{xy}(x, y) = f_{yx}(x, y)$ .

**Theorem 2.3.10: Chain Rule**

Let  $f: X \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  be differentiable at  $x_0 \in X$  and  $g: f(X) \subset Y \subset \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^k$  be differentiable at  $f(x_0)$ .

Then  $g \circ f = g(f): X \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^k$  is differentiable at  $x_0$  such that:

$$D[g(f(x_0))] = Dg(f(x_0)) Df(x_0)$$

**Proof**

Since  $f$  is differentiable at  $x_0$  and  $g$  is differentiable at  $f(x_0)$ , then there is a  $A = Df(x_0)$  and  $B = Dg(f(x_0))$  such that:

$$f(x_0 + h) - f(x_0) = Ah + r_A(h) \quad \text{where } \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{|r_A(h)|}{|h|} = 0$$

$$g(f(x_0) + k) - g(f(x_0)) = Bk + r_B(k) \quad \text{where } \lim_{k \rightarrow 0} \frac{|r_B(k)|}{|k|} = 0$$

Let  $k = f(x_0 + h) - f(x_0)$ . Thus:

$$\begin{aligned} g(f(x_0 + h)) - g(f(x_0)) &= BAh \\ &= g(f(x_0) + k) - g(f(x_0)) - BAh = Bk + r_B(k) - BAh = B(k - Ah) + r_B(k) \\ &= B(f(x_0 + h) - f(x_0) - Ah) + r_B(k) = Br_A(h) + r_B(k) \end{aligned}$$

Since  $f$  is differentiable at  $x_0$ , then  $f$  is continuous at  $x_0$  and thus,  $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} k = 0$ .

Since  $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{|r_A(h)|}{|h|} = 0$  and  $\lim_{k \rightarrow 0} \frac{|r_B(k)|}{|k|} = 0$ , then:

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{|g(f(x_0 + h)) - g(f(x_0)) - BAh|}{|h|} \leq \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} (|B| \frac{|r_A(h)|}{|h|} + \frac{|r_B(k)|}{|h|}) = 0 + 0 = 0$$

Thus,  $D[g(f(x_0))] = BA = Dg(f(x_0)) Df(x_0)$ .

**Theorem 2.3.11: Relationship between rectangular and polar partials**

For  $(x, y) = (r \cos(\theta), r \sin(\theta))$ :

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial r} = \cos(\theta) \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \sin(\theta) \frac{\partial}{\partial y}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} = -r \sin(\theta) \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + r \cos(\theta) \frac{\partial}{\partial y}$$

Thus:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} = \cos(\theta) \frac{\partial}{\partial r} - \frac{\sin(\theta)}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial y} = \sin(\theta) \frac{\partial}{\partial r} + \frac{\cos(\theta)}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta}$$

**Proof**

Let  $z = g(r, \theta)$ . Then let  $z = f(x, y)$  such that  $(r \cos(\theta), r \sin(\theta)) = (x, y)$ .

By **theorem 2.3.10**:

$$D[g(r, \theta)] = D[f(x, y)] D(x(r, \theta), y(r, \theta))$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial z}{\partial r} & \frac{\partial z}{\partial \theta} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial x}{\partial r} & \frac{\partial x}{\partial \theta} \\ \frac{\partial y}{\partial r} & \frac{\partial y}{\partial \theta} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta) & -r \sin(\theta) \\ \sin(\theta) & r \cos(\theta) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta) \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} + \sin(\theta) \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \\ -r \sin(\theta) \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} + r \cos(\theta) \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \end{bmatrix}$$

Thus:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial r} = \cos(\theta) \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \sin(\theta) \frac{\partial}{\partial y}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} = -r \sin(\theta) \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + r \cos(\theta) \frac{\partial}{\partial y}$$

Then:

$$-r \cos(\theta) \frac{\partial}{\partial r} + \sin(\theta) \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} = -r \cos^2(\theta) \frac{\partial}{\partial x} - r \sin^2(\theta) \frac{\partial}{\partial x} = -r \frac{\partial}{\partial x}$$

$$r \sin(\theta) \frac{\partial}{\partial r} + \cos(\theta) \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} = r \sin^2(\theta) \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + r \cos^2(\theta) \frac{\partial}{\partial y} = r \frac{\partial}{\partial y}$$

**2.4 Directional Derivative****Definition 2.4.1: Directional Derivative**

Let  $f: X \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be differentiable at  $a \in X$ . Then the **directional derivative** of  $f$  at  $a$  in the direction of vector  $v \in \mathbb{R}^n$ :

$$D_v f(a) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(a+hv) - f(a)}{\|hv\|}$$

**Theorem 2.4.2: Relationship between Directional Derivative and Gradient**

Let  $f: X \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be differentiable at  $a \in X$ . Then the directional derivative of  $f$  at  $a$  in the direction of vector  $v \in \mathbb{R}^n$ :

$$D_v f(a) = \nabla f(a) \cdot \frac{v}{\|v\|}$$

If  $v$  is a unit vector, then  $D_v f(a) = \nabla f(a) \cdot v$ .

**Proof**

Let  $y(t) = a + tv$  for  $t \in (-\infty, \infty)$ . Then by **theorem 2.3.10**:

$$\begin{aligned} D_v f(a) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(a+hv) - f(a)}{\|hv\|} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(y(h)) - f(y(0))}{|h|} \frac{1}{\|v\|} = Df(y(0)) Dy(0) \frac{1}{\|v\|} \\ &= Df(a) \frac{v}{\|v\|} = [Df(a)]^T \cdot \frac{v}{\|v\|} = \nabla f(a) \cdot \frac{v}{\|v\|} \end{aligned}$$

**Theorem 2.4.3: Direction of Steepest Ascent**

The directional derivative  $D_v f(a) = \nabla f(a) \cdot \frac{v}{\|v\|}$  is:

Maximized when  $v$  is in the same direction as  $\nabla f(a)$  with value  $\|\nabla f(a)\|$

Minimized when  $v$  is in the opposite direction of  $\nabla f(a)$  with value  $-\|\nabla f(a)\|$

**Proof**

By **theorem 1.2.3**,  $D_v f(a) = \nabla f(a) \cdot \frac{v}{\|v\|} = \|\nabla f(a)\| \left\| \frac{v}{\|v\|} \right\| \cos(\theta) = \|\nabla f(a)\| \cos(\theta)$ . where  $\theta \in [0, \pi]$  is the angle between  $\nabla f(a)$  and  $\left| \frac{v}{\|v\|} \right|$ . Since  $D_v f(a)$  is maximized at  $\|\nabla f(a)\|$  when  $\theta = 0$ , then  $\nabla f(a)$  and  $v$  points in the same direction. Also,  $D_v f(a)$  is minimized at  $-\|\nabla f(a)\|$  when  $\theta = \pi$ , then  $\nabla f(a)$  and  $v$  points in opposite directions.

**Theorem 2.4.4: Gradient is orthogonal to the surface**

If  $f: X \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is  $C^1$ , then for any  $x_0$  where  $f(x_0) = c$  for constant  $c \in \mathbb{R}$ , then  $\nabla f(x_0)$  is orthogonal to the surface  $f(x) = c$  at  $x_0$ .

**Proof**

For surface  $f(x) = c$ , let curve  $C(t) = (x_1(t), \dots, x_n(t))$  where  $C(0) = x_0$  be defined such that  $f(C(t)) = c$ . Thus:  

$$\frac{d}{dt} f(C(t)) = \frac{d}{dt} c = 0$$
Let  $v$  be the tangent vector to  $C(t)$  at  $x_0$ . Then by **theorem 2.3.10**, for  $t = 0$ :  

$$\frac{d}{dt} f(C(0)) = Df(C(0)) \cdot C'(0) = \nabla f(C(0)) \cdot C'(0) = \nabla f(x_0) \cdot v$$
Since  $\nabla f(x_0) \cdot v = 0$  where  $v$  is tangent to  $C(t)$  which lies on surface  $f(x) = c$  and thus, is tangent to  $f(x) = c$ , then  $\nabla f(x_0)$  is orthogonal to  $f(x) = c$  at  $x_0$ .



## 3 Vector-Valued Functions

### 3.1 Parametrized Curves

#### Definition 3.1.1: Path

A **path** in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is a continuous  $C(t): [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ .

If  $C(t)$  is twice-differentiable, then the **velocity** of  $C(t)$  at  $t_0 \in [a, b]$ :

$$v(t_0) = x'(t_0)$$

Also, the acceleration of  $C(t)$  at  $t_0 \in [a, b]$ :

$$a(t_0) = x''(t_0)$$

#### Definition 3.1.2: Arclength

The length of a  $C^1$  path  $C(t): [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ :

$$L = \int_a^b \|C'(t)\| dt$$

#### Proof

Choose  $\{x_1, \dots, x_n\} \in [a, b]$  such that each  $x_i < x_{i+1}$ . Then the length of  $C(t)$ :

$$L = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^n \|C(x_i) - C(x_{i-1})\|$$

Let each  $C(x_i) = (C_1(x_i), \dots, C_n(x_i))$ . Thus:

$$\|C(x_i) - C(x_{i-1})\| = \sqrt{(C_1(x_i) - C_1(x_{i-1}))^2 + \dots + (C_n(x_i) - C_n(x_{i-1}))^2}$$

Since  $C(t)$  is  $C^1$ , by the Mean Value Theorem, there is a  $t_{i_k} \in [x_{i+1}, x_i]$  such that:

$$C_k(x_i) - C_k(x_{i-1}) = (x_i - x_{i-1})C'_k(t_{i_k})$$

Thus:

$$\|C(x_i) - C(x_{i-1})\| = \sqrt{(x_i - x_{i-1})^2 [C'_1(t_{i_1})]^2 + \dots + (x_i - x_{i-1})^2 [C'_n(t_{i_n})]^2}$$

$$L = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^n \sqrt{[C'_1(t_{i_1})]^2 + \dots + [C'_n(t_{i_n})]^2} (x_i - x_{i-1})$$

$$= \int_a^b \sqrt{[C'_1(t)]^2 + \dots + [C'_n(t)]^2} dt = \int_a^b \|C'(t)\| dt$$

### 3.2 Vector Fields

#### Definition 3.2.1: Vector Field and Flow Lines

A **vector field** on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is  $F: X \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$

A **flow line** of vector field  $F$  is a differentiable path  $C(t): [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  such that:

$$C'(t) = F(C(t))$$

#### Definition 3.2.2: Del Operator

The **Del Operator** on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ :

$$\nabla = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} e_i = \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1}, \dots, \frac{\partial}{\partial x_n} \right)$$

#### Definition 3.2.3: Divergence

For differentiable vector field  $F: X \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ , let  $F = (F_1, \dots, F_n)$ .

Then the **divergence**,  $\text{div}: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , of  $F$ :

$$\text{div}(F) = \nabla \cdot F = \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial x_1} + \dots + \frac{\partial F_n}{\partial x_n}$$

If  $\text{div}(F) = 0$  everywhere, then  $F$  is incompressible.

**Definition 3.2.4: Curl**

For differentiable vector field  $F: X \subset \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ , let  $F = (F_1, F_2, F_3)$ .

Then the **curl**,  $\text{curl}: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ , of  $F$ :

$$\text{curl}(F) = \nabla \times F = \begin{bmatrix} e_1 & e_2 & e_3 \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ F_1 & F_2 & F_3 \end{bmatrix} = \left( \frac{\partial F_3}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial F_2}{\partial z}, \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial F_3}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial F_2}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial y} \right)$$

If  $\text{curl}(F) = 0$  everywhere, then  $F$  is irrotational.

**Theorem 3.2.5: Vector fields from Gradients are irrotational**

If  $f: X \subset \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is  $C^2$ , then  $\text{curl}(\nabla f) = 0$

**Proof**

Since  $\nabla f = \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} \right)$ , then by **theorem 2.3.9**:

$$\text{curl}(\nabla f) = \begin{bmatrix} e_1 & e_2 & e_3 \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} \end{bmatrix} = \left( \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial z} - \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial z \partial y}, \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial z \partial x} - \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial z}, \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} - \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x} \right) = 0$$

**Theorem 3.2.6: The curl is incompressible**

If  $F: X \subset \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  is  $C^2$ , then  $\text{div}(\text{curl}(F)) = 0$

**Proof**

Since  $\text{curl}(F) = \left( \frac{\partial F_3}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial F_2}{\partial z}, \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial F_3}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial F_2}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial y} \right)$ , then by **theorem 2.3.9**:

$$\text{div}(\text{curl}(F)) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( \frac{\partial F_3}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial F_2}{\partial z} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial F_3}{\partial x} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left( \frac{\partial F_2}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial y} \right) = 0$$

## 4 Extrema

### 4.1 Taylor's Theorem

#### Theorem 4.1.1: Taylor's Theorem for one variable

Let  $f: X \subset \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be  $C^{k+1}$ .

Then for  $a \in X$ , the  $k$ -th order Taylor polynomial of  $f$  centered at  $a$ :

$$p_k(x) = f(a) + f'(a)(x-a) + \frac{f''(a)}{2!}(x-a)^2 + \dots + \frac{f^{(k)}(a)}{k!}(x-a)^k$$

Then for  $h > 0$ , there is a  $x \in [a, a+h]$  such that:

$$f(a+h) = p_k(a+h) + \frac{f^{(k+1)}(x)}{(k+1)!}h^{k+1}$$

#### Proof

Let  $M$  be defined such that  $f(a+h) = p_k(a+h) + M(a+h-a)^{k+1}$ .

Let  $g(t) = f(t) - p_k(t) - M(t-a)^{k+1}$  for  $t \in [a, a+h]$ . Then:

$$g^{(k+1)}(t) = f^{(k+1)}(t) - (k+1)!M$$

Since  $p_k^{(i)}(a) = f^{(i)}(a)$  for  $i = \{0, \dots, k\}$ , then:

$$g^{(i)}(a) = f^{(i)}(a) - p_k^{(i)}(a) - \frac{(k+1)!}{(k+1-i)!}M(a-a)^{k+1-i} = 0$$

Since  $g(a+h) = 0$  where  $f$  is differentiable so  $g$  is differentiable, then by the Mean Value Theorem, there is a  $t_1 \in (0, h)$ :

$$0 - 0 = g(a+h) - g(a) = h * g'(a+t_1) \Rightarrow g'(a+t_1) = 0$$

Since  $g'$  is differentiable, by the Mean Value Theorem, there is a  $t_2 \in (0, t_1)$ :

$$0 - 0 = g'(a+t_1) - g'(a) = t_1 * g''(a+t_2) \Rightarrow g''(a+t_2) = 0$$

Repeating the process  $k+1$  times, there is a  $t_{k+1} \in (0, t_k)$ :

$$0 - 0 = g^{(k)}(a+t_k) - g^{(k)}(a) = t_k * g^{(k+1)}(a+t_{k+1}) \Rightarrow g^{(k+1)}(a+t_{k+1}) = 0$$

Since  $t_{k+1} < t_k < \dots < t_1 < h$ , then:

$$0 = g^{(k+1)}(a+t_{k+1}) = f^{(k+1)}(a+t_{k+1}) - (k+1)!M$$

Thus,  $M = \frac{f^{(k+1)}(a+t_{k+1})}{(k+1)!}$  where  $a+t_{k+1} \in [a, a+h]$ .

#### Theorem 4.1.2: Taylor's Theorem for multiple variables

Let  $f: X \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be  $C^2$ . Then for  $a \in X$ :

$$p_k(x) = f(a) + \sum_{i=1}^n f_{x_i}(a)(x_i - a_i) + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j=1}^n f_{x_i x_j}(a)(x_i - a_i)(x_j - a_j) + \dots + \frac{1}{k!} \sum_{i_1, \dots, i_k=1}^n f_{x_{i_1} \dots x_{i_k}}(a)(x_{i_1} - a_{i_1}) \dots (x_{i_k} - a_{i_k})$$

Then:

$$f(x) = p_k(x) + R(a) \quad \text{where } \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{R(a)}{\|x-a\|} = 0$$

## 4.2 Extrema

### Definition 4.2.1: Local Extrema

For  $f: X \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , let  $a \in X$ .

$f$  has a **local minimum** at  $a$  if there is a  $\delta > 0$  such that:

$$f(x) \geq f(a) \text{ for all } x \in X \text{ where } \|x - a\| < \delta$$

$f$  has a **local maximum** at  $a$  if there is a  $\delta > 0$  such that:

$$f(x) \leq f(a) \text{ for all } x \in X \text{ where } \|x - a\| < \delta$$

### Theorem 4.2.2: Local extrema have a derivative of 0

For differentiable  $f: X \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , let  $a \in X$ .

If  $f$  has a local extrema at  $a$ , then  $Df(a) = 0$ .

#### Proof

Let  $f$  have a local maximum at  $a$ . The proof for local minimum is analogous.  
 For any  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ , let  $F(t) = f(a + te_i)$ . Since  $F: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  has a local maximum at  $F(0)$ , then  $0 = F'(0) = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i}(a)$ .  
 Since  $Df(a) = \left[ \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1}(a) \quad \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_2}(a) \quad \dots \quad \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_n}(a) \right]$ , then  $Df(a) = 0$ .

### Definition 4.2.3: Critical Point and Saddle Point

For  $f: X \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , let  $a \in X$ .

If  $Df(a) = 0$  or undefined, then  $a$  is a **critical point**.

Even if  $Df(a) = 0$ ,  $f(a)$  might not be a local extrema since it might be a local maximum along some paths and a local minimum along other paths. For this type of ambiguity of extrema,  $a$  is defined as a **saddle point**.

### Theorem 4.2.4: Second Derivative Test

Let  $f: X \subset \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be  $C^2$ .

If  $a \in X$  is a critical point of  $f$ , then:

- (a) If  $f_{xx}(a)f_{yy}(a) - [f_{xy}(a)]^2 > 0$  and  $f_{xx}(a) > 0$ , then  $a$  is a local minimum
- (b) If  $f_{xx}(a)f_{yy}(a) - [f_{xy}(a)]^2 > 0$  and  $f_{xx}(a) < 0$ , then  $a$  is a local maximum
- (c) If  $f_{xx}(a)f_{yy}(a) - [f_{xy}(a)]^2 < 0$ , then  $a$  is saddle point

### Definition 4.2.5: Compactness

Let set  $X \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ .

A point  $x \in X$  is a **limit point** if for any  $\delta > 0$ :

The set of all  $p$  where  $\|p - x\| < \delta$  contain a  $p \in X$  where  $p \neq x$ .

$X$  is closed if all limit point of  $X$  are in  $X$ .

$X$  is **bounded** if there is a  $M \in \mathbb{R}$  such that for all  $x \in X$ :

$$\|x\| < M$$

Then,  $X$  is **compact** if  $X$  is closed and bounded.

### Theorem 4.2.6: Extreme Value Theorem

If  $X \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  is compact and  $f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is continuous, then there are

$x_{\min}, x_{\max} \in X$  such that for all  $x \in X$ :

$$f(x_{\min}) \leq f(x) \leq f(x_{\max})$$

### 4.3 Lagrange Multipliers for Constrained Extrema

#### Theorem 4.3.1: Lagrange Multiplier: Optimization for one constraint

Let  $f, g: X \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be  $C^1$  and  $g(x) = c$  for constant  $c \in \mathbb{R}$ .

If  $f(x)$  has an extrema at  $x_0$  where  $g(x_0) = c$  and  $\nabla g(x_0) \neq 0$ , then there is a scalar  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$  such that:

$$\nabla f(x_0) = \lambda \nabla g(x_0)$$

#### Theorem 4.3.2: Lagrange Multiplier: Optimization for multiple constraints

Let  $f, g_1, \dots, g_k: X \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be  $C^1$  where  $k < n$  and each  $g_i(x) = c_i$  for constants  $c_i \in \mathbb{R}$  for  $i = \{1, \dots, k\}$ .

If  $f(x)$  has an extrema at  $x_0$  where each  $g_i(x_0) = c_i$  and  $\nabla g_i(x_0) \neq 0$ , then there are scalars  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_k \in \mathbb{R}$  such that:

$$\nabla f(x_0) = \lambda_1 \nabla g_1(x_0) + \lambda_2 \nabla g_2(x_0) + \dots + \lambda_k \nabla g_k(x_0)$$

## 5 Integration

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