

Calculus and Differential Equations

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1 Integration Techniques

1.1 Table of Derivatives

Let $f(x)$ be a function, and $a \in \mathbb{R}$ be a constant.

f	$\frac{df}{dx}$	f	$\frac{df}{dx}$
x^a	ax^{a-1}	a	0
\sqrt{x}	$\frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}$	x	1
a^x	$\ln(a)a^x$	$a_1u(x) \pm a_2v(x)$	$a_1\frac{du}{dx} \pm a_2\frac{dv}{dx}$
e^x	e^x	$u(x)v(x)$	$\frac{du}{dx}v + u\frac{dv}{dx}$
$\log_a(x), a \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$	$\frac{1}{x \ln(a)}$	$\frac{u(x)}{v(x)}$	$\frac{\frac{du}{dx}v - u\frac{dv}{dx}}{v(x)^2}$
$\ln(x)$	$\frac{1}{x}$	$u(v(x))$	$\frac{du}{dv}\frac{dv}{dx}$

f	$\frac{df}{dx}$	f	$\frac{df}{dx}$
$\sin(ax)$	$a \cos(ax)$	$\arcsin(ax)$	$\frac{a}{\sqrt{1-a^2x^2}}$
$\cos(ax)$	$-a \sin(ax)$	$\arccos(ax)$	$-\frac{a}{\sqrt{1-a^2x^2}}$
$\tan(ax)$	$a \sec^2(ax)$	$\arctan(ax)$	$\frac{a}{1+a^2x^2}$
$\cot(ax)$	$-a \csc^2(ax)$	$\operatorname{arccot}(ax)$	$-\frac{a}{1+a^2x^2}$
$\sec(ax)$	$a \sec(ax) \tan(ax)$	$\operatorname{arcsec}(ax)$	$\frac{1}{x\sqrt{a^2x^2-1}}$
$\csc(ax)$	$-a \csc(ax) \cot(ax)$	$\operatorname{arccsc}(ax)$	$-\frac{1}{x\sqrt{a^2x^2-1}}$

f	$\frac{df}{dx}$	f	$\frac{df}{dx}$	f	$\frac{df}{dx}$
$\sinh(ax)$	$a \cosh(ax)$	$\operatorname{arcsinh}(ax)$	$\frac{a}{\sqrt{1+a^2x^2}}$	$\operatorname{arccoth}(ax)$	$\frac{a}{1-a^2x^2}$
$\cosh(ax)$	$a \sinh(ax)$	$\operatorname{arccosh}(ax)$	$\frac{a}{\sqrt{1-a^2x^2}}$	$\operatorname{arcsech}(ax)$	$-\frac{1}{a(1+ax)\sqrt{\frac{1-ax}{1+ax}}}$
$\tanh(ax)$	$a \operatorname{sech}^2(ax)$	$\operatorname{arctanh}(ax)$	$\frac{a}{1-a^2x^2}$	$\operatorname{arccsch}(ax)$	$-\frac{1}{ax^2\sqrt{1+\frac{1}{a^2x^2}}}$
$\coth(ax)$	$-a \operatorname{csch}^2(ax)$				
$\operatorname{sech}(ax)$	$-a \operatorname{sech}(ax) \tanh(ax)$				
$\operatorname{csch}(ax)$	$-a \operatorname{csch}(ax) \cot(ax)$				

Table 1: Derivatives of Elementary Functions

1.2 Trigonometric Identities

1.2.1 Pythagorean Identities

$$\sin^2(x) + \cos^2(x) = 1$$

Dividing by either the sine or cosine function gives:

$$\tan^2(x) + 1 = \sec^2(x)$$

$$1 + \cot^2(x) = \csc^2(x)$$

1.2.2 Double-Angle Identities

$$\sin(2x) = 2 \sin(x) \cos(x)$$

$$\csc(2x) = \frac{\sec(x) \csc(x)}{2}$$

$$\cos(2x) = \cos^2(x) - \sin^2(x)$$

$$\sec(2x) = \frac{\sec^2(x) \csc^2(x)}{\csc^2(x) - \sec^2(x)}$$

$$\tan(2x) = \frac{2 \tan(x)}{1 - \tan^2(x)}$$

$$\cot(2x) = \frac{\cot^2(x) - 1}{2 \cot(x)}$$

1.2.3 Power Reducing Identities

$$\sin^2(x) = \frac{1 - \cos(2x)}{2}$$

$$\csc^2(x) = \frac{2}{1 - \cos(2x)}$$

$$\cos^2(x) = \frac{1 + \cos(2x)}{2}$$

$$\sec^2(x) = \frac{2}{1 + \cos(2x)}$$

$$\tan^2(x) = \frac{1 - \cos(2x)}{1 + \cos(2x)}$$

$$\cot^2(x) = \frac{1 + \cos(2x)}{1 - \cos(2x)}$$

1.3 Partial Fractions

Definition 1.3.1 (Partial Fraction Decomposition). **Partial fraction decomposition** is a method where a rational function $\frac{P(x)}{Q(x)}$ is rewritten as a sum of fraction.

Factor in denominator	Term in partial fraction decomposition
$ax + b$	$\frac{A}{ax + b}$
$(ax + b)^k, k \in \mathbb{N}$	$\frac{A_1}{ax + b} + \frac{A_2}{(ax + b)^2} + \dots + \frac{A_k}{(ax + b)^k}$
$ax^2 + bx + c$	$\frac{A}{ax^2 + bx + c}$
$(ax^2 + bx + c)^k, k \in \mathbb{N}$	$\frac{A_1x + B_1}{ax^2 + bx + c} + \frac{A_2x + B_2}{(ax^2 + bx + c)^2} + \dots + \frac{A_kx + B_k}{(ax^2 + bx + c)^k}$

Table 2: Partial Fraction Forms

1.4 Integration by Parts

Theorem 1.4.1.

$$\int u \, dv = uv - \int v \, du$$

1.5 Integration by Substitution

Theorem 1.5.1.

$$\int f(g(x)) \frac{dg(x)}{dx} dx = \int f(u) du, \text{ where } u = g(x)$$

1.6 Trigonometric Substitutions

Form	Substitution	Result	Domain
$(a^2 - b^2x^2)^n$	$x = \frac{a}{b} \sin(\theta)$	$a^2 \cos^2(\theta)$	$\theta \in [-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}]$
$(a^2 + b^2x^2)^n$	$x = \frac{a}{b} \tan(\theta)$	$a^2 \sec^2(\theta)$	$\theta \in (-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2})$
$(b^2x^2 - a^2)^n$	$x = \frac{a}{b} \sec(\theta)$	$a^2 \tan^2(\theta)$	$\theta \in [0, \frac{\pi}{2}) \cup (\frac{\pi}{2}, \pi]$

Table 3: Trigonometric substitutions for various forms.

2 Limits, Continuity and Differentiability

2.1 Limits

Theorem 2.1.1 (Limits). $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} f(x)$ exists if and only if $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0^+} f(x)$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0^-} f(x)$ exist and are equal.

Definition 2.1.1 (Finite limits using the ε - δ definition).

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} f(x) = L \iff \forall \varepsilon > 0 : \exists \delta > 0 : \forall x \in I : 0 < |x - x_0| < \delta \implies |f(x) - L| < \varepsilon$$

Theorem 2.1.2 (L'Hôpital's Rule). For two differentiable functions $f(x)$ and $g(x)$. If $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} g(x) = 0$, or $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} g(x) = \pm\infty$, then $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} \frac{f'(x)}{g'(x)}$.

2.2 Continuity

Theorem 2.2.1 (Continuity at a Point). $f(x)$ is continuous at c iff $\lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) = f(c)$.

Theorem 2.2.2 (Continuity over an Interval). $f(x)$ is continuous on I if $f(x)$ is continuous for all $x \in I$.

- $f(x)$ is continuous on $I : (a, b)$ if it is continuous for all $x \in I$.
- $f(x)$ is continuous on $I : [a, b]$ if it is continuous for all $x \in I$, but only right continuous at a and left continuous at b .

If $f(x)$ is continuous on $(-\infty, \infty)$, $f(x)$ is continuous everywhere.

Theorem 2.2.3 (Intermediate Value Theorem). If $f(x)$ is continuous on $I : [a, b]$ and c is any number between $f(a)$ and $f(b)$, inclusive, then there exists an $x \in I$ such that $f(x) = c$.

2.3 Differentiability

Theorem 2.3.1 (Differentiability). $f(x)$ is differentiable at $x = x_0$ iff

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} \frac{f(x) - f(x_0)}{x - x_0}$$

exists. When this limit exists, it defines the derivative

$$\left. \frac{df}{dx} \right|_{x=x_0} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x_0 + h) - f(x_0)}{h}$$

Theorem 2.3.2. $f(x)$ is differentiable on I if $f(x)$ is differentiable for all $x_0 \in I$.

Theorem 2.3.3. Differentiability implies continuity.

Theorem 2.3.4 (Mean Value Theorem). If $f(x)$ is continuous on $I : [a, b]$ and differentiable on I , then there exists a point $c \in I$ such that

$$\left. \frac{df}{dx} \right|_{x=c} = \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a}$$

3 Definite Integrals

Theorem 3.0.1. *If $f(x)$ is continuous on an interval $I : [a, b]$, then the net signed area A between the graph of $f(x)$ and the interval I is*

$$A = \int_a^b f(x) \, dx$$

Properties of Definite Integrals

Theorem 3.0.2. *Suppose that $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ are continuous on the interval I , with $a, b, c \in I$, with $a < c < b$, and $k \in \mathbb{R}$ then*

- a) $\int_a^a f(x) \, dx = 0.$
- b) $\int_a^b f(x) \, dx = - \int_b^a f(x) \, dx.$
- c) $\int_a^b kf(x) \, dx = k \int_a^b f(x) \, dx.$
- d) $\int_a^b (f(x) \pm g(x)) \, dx = \int_a^b f(x) \, dx \pm \int_a^b g(x) \, dx.$
- e) $\int_a^b f(x) \, dx = \int_a^c f(x) \, dx + \int_c^b f(x) \, dx.$

3.1 Riemann Sums

Theorem 3.1.1. *Let A be the area under $f(x)$ on the interval $[a, b]$, then*

$$\int_a^b f(x) \, dx = \lim_{\max \Delta x_k \rightarrow 0} \sum_{k=1}^n f(x_k) \Delta x_k$$

where n is the number of rectangles, x_k is the centre of the rectangle k , and Δx_k is the width of the rectangle k . If every rectangle has the same width, then

$$\forall k : \Delta x_k = \frac{b-a}{n}$$

3.2 Fundamental Theorem of Calculus

The fundamental theorem of calculus provides a logical connection between infinite series (definite integrals) and antiderivatives (indefinite integrals).

Theorem 3.2.1 (The Fundamental Theorem of Calculus: Part 1). *If $f(x)$ is continuous on $[a, b]$ and F is any antiderivative of f on $[a, b]$ then*

$$\int_a^b f(x) \, dx = F(b) - F(a)$$

Equivalently

$$\int_a^b \frac{d}{dx} F(x) \, dx = F(b) - F(a) \equiv F(x) \Big|_a^b$$

Theorem 3.2.2 (The Fundamental Theorem of Calculus: Part 2). *If $f(x)$ is continuous on I then it has an antiderivative on I . In particular, if $a \in I$, then the function F defined by*

$$F(x) = \int_a^x f(t) \, dt$$

is an antiderivative of $f(x)$. That is,

$$\frac{d}{dx} F(x) = f(x) \equiv \frac{d}{dx} \int_a^x f(t) \, dt = f(x)$$

Theorem 3.2.3. *Differentiation and integration are inverse operations.*

3.3 Taylor and Maclaurin Polynomials

Theorem 3.3.1 (Taylor Polynomials). *If $f(x)$ is an n differentiable function at x_0 , then the n th degree Taylor polynomial for $f(x)$ near x_0 , is given by*

$$f(x) \approx p_n(x) = \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{f^{(k)}(x_0)}{k!} (x - x_0)^k$$

Theorem 3.3.2 (Maclaurin Polynomials). *Evaluating a Taylor polynomial near 0, gives the n th degree Maclaurin polynomial for $f(x)$*

$$f(x) \approx p_n(x) = \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{f^{(k)}(0)}{k!} x^k$$

Theorem 3.3.3 (Error in Approximation). *Let $R_n(x)$ denote the difference between $f(x)$ and its n th Taylor polynomial, that is*

$$R_n(x) = f(x) - p_n(x) = f(x) - \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{f^{(k)}(x_0)}{k!} (x - x_0)^k = \frac{f^{(n+1)}(s)}{(n+1)!} (x - x_0)^{n+1}$$

where s is between x_0 and x .

4 Taylor and Maclaurin Series

4.1 Infinite Series

Definition 4.1.1 (Taylor Series). If $f(x)$ has derivatives of all orders at x_0 , then the Taylor series for $f(x)$ about $x = x_0$ is given by

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(n)}(x_0)}{n!} (x - x_0)^n$$

Definition 4.1.2 (Maclaurin Series). If a Taylor series is centred at $x_0 = 0$, it is called a Maclaurin series, defined by

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(n)}(0)}{n!} x^n$$

Definition 4.1.3 (Power Series). Both Taylor and Maclaurin series are examples of **power series**, which are defined as follows

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n (x - x_0)^n$$

4.2 Convergence

Theorem 4.2.1 (Convergence of a Taylor Series). *The equality*

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(n)}(x_0)}{n!} (x - x_0)^n$$

holds at a point x iff

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left[f(x) - \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{f^{(k)}(x_0)}{k!} (x - x_0)^k \right] = 0$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} R_n(x) = 0$$

Definition 4.2.1 (Interval of Convergence). The interval of convergence for a power series is the set of x values for which that series converges.

Definition 4.2.2 (Radius of Convergence). The radius of convergence R is a nonnegative real number or ∞ such that a power series converges if

$$|x - a| < R$$

and diverges if

$$|x - a| > R$$

The behaviour of the power series on the boundary, that is, where $|x - a| = R$, can be determined by substituting $x = R + a$ and $x = -R + a$ into the series, for the upper and lower boundaries, respectively.

4.3 Convergence Tests

For any power series of the form $\sum_{i=i_0}^{\infty} a_i$.

Alternating Series

Conditions $a_i = (-1)^i b_i$ or $a_i = (-1)^{i+1} b_i$. $b_i > 0$.

Is $b_{i+1} \leq b_i$ & $\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} b_i = 0$? $\begin{cases} \text{YES} & \sum a_i \text{ Converges} \\ \text{NO} & \text{Inconclusive} \end{cases}$

Ratio Test

Is $\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{i+1}}{a_i} \right| < 1$? $\begin{cases} \text{YES} & \sum a_i \text{ Converges} \\ \text{NO} & \sum a_i \text{ Diverges} \end{cases}$

The ratio test is inconclusive if $\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{i+1}}{a_i} = 1$.

4.4 Table of Maclaurin Series

Function	Series	Interval of Convergence
e^x	$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!}$	$-\infty < x < \infty$
$\sin(x)$	$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{x^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!}$	$-\infty < x < \infty$
$\cos(x)$	$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{x^{2n}}{(2n)!}$	$-\infty < x < \infty$
$\frac{1}{1-x}$	$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n$	$-1 < x < 1$
$\frac{1}{1+x^2}$	$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n x^{2n}$	$-1 < x < 1$
$\ln(1+x)$	$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} \frac{x^n}{n}$	$-1 < x \leq 1$

Table 4: Maclaurin series of common functions.

5 Multivariable Calculus

5.1 Multivariable Functions

Definition 5.1.1. A function is multivariable if its domain consists of several variables. In the reals, these functions are defined

$$f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

5.2 Level Curves

Definition 5.2.1. The level curves or *contour curves* of a function of two variables are curves along which the function has a constant value.

$$L_c(f) = \{(x, y) : f(x, y) = c\}$$

The level curves of a function can be determined by substituting $z = c$, and solving for y .

5.3 Limits and Continuity

Definition 5.3.1 (Finite Limit of Multivariable Functions using the ε - δ Definition).

$$\lim_{(x_1, \dots, x_n) \rightarrow (c_1, \dots, c_n)} f(x_1, \dots, x_n) = L \iff \forall \varepsilon > 0 : \exists \delta > 0 : \forall (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in I : \\ 0 < |x_1 - c_1, \dots, x_n - c_n| < \delta \implies |f(x_1, \dots, x_n) - L| < \varepsilon$$

Theorem 5.3.1 (Limits along Smooth Curves). *If $f(x, y) \rightarrow L$ as $(x, y) \rightarrow (x_0, y_0)$, then $\lim_{(x, y) \rightarrow (x_0, y_0)} f(x, y) = L$ along any smooth curve.*

Theorem 5.3.2 (Existence of a Limit). *If the limit of $f(x, y)$ changes along different smooth curves, then $\lim_{(x, y) \rightarrow (x_0, y_0)} f(x, y)$ does not exist.*

Theorem 5.3.3 (Continuity of Multivariable Functions). *A function $f(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ is continuous at (c_1, \dots, c_n) iff*

$$\lim_{(x_1, \dots, x_n) \rightarrow (c_1, \dots, c_n)} f(x_1, \dots, x_n) = f(c_1, \dots, c_n)$$

Recognising continuous functions:

- A sum, difference or product of continuous functions is continuous.
- A quotient of continuous functions is continuous except where the denominator is zero.
- A composition of continuous functions is continuous.

5.4 Partial Derivatives

Definition 5.4.1 (Partial Differentiation). The partial derivative of a multivariable function is its derivative with respect to one of those variables, while the others are held constant.

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x_1, \dots, x_{i-1}, x_i + h, x_{i+1}, \dots, x_n) - f(x_1, \dots, x_n)}{h}$$

5.5 The Gradient Vector

Definition 5.5.1. Let ∇ , pronounced “del”, denote the vector differential operator defined as follows

$$\nabla = \begin{bmatrix} \partial_{x_1} \\ \partial_{x_2} \\ \vdots \\ \partial_{x_n} \end{bmatrix}$$

5.6 Multivariable Chain Rule

Definition 5.6.1. Let $f = f(\mathbf{x}(t_1, \dots, t_n))$ be the composition of f with $\mathbf{x} = [x_1 \ \dots \ x_n]$, then the partial derivative of f with respect to t_i is given by

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial t_i} = \nabla f \cdot \partial_{t_i} \mathbf{x}$$

5.7 Directional Derivatives

Definition 5.7.1. The directional derivative $\nabla_{\mathbf{u}} f$ is the rate at which the function f changes in the direction \mathbf{u} .

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla_{\mathbf{u}} f &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(\mathbf{x} + h\mathbf{u}) - f(\mathbf{x})}{h} \\ &= \nabla f \cdot \mathbf{u} \end{aligned}$$

where the slope is given by $\|\nabla_{\mathbf{u}} f\|$.

Remark 1. The directional derivative of f can be denoted in several ways:

$$\nabla_{\mathbf{u}} f = D_{\mathbf{u}} f = \partial_{\mathbf{u}} f = \frac{\partial f}{\partial \mathbf{u}}$$

Theorem 5.7.1 (Direction of Greatest Ascent). *The direction of greatest ascent is given by*

$$\max_{\|\mathbf{u}\|=1} \nabla_{\mathbf{u}} f = \nabla f$$

where the slope is given by $\|\nabla f\|$.

Theorem 5.7.2 (Direction of Greatest Descent). *The direction of greatest descent is given by*

$$\min_{\|\mathbf{u}\|=1} \nabla_{\mathbf{u}} f = -\nabla f$$

where the slope is given by $-\|\nabla f\|$.

Proof. Given that \mathbf{u} is a unit vector, the dot product definition gives

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla_{\mathbf{u}} f &= \nabla f \cdot \mathbf{u} \\ &= \|\nabla f\| \|\mathbf{u}\| \cos(\theta) \\ &= \|\nabla f\| \cos(\theta) \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

Equation 1 is maximised when $\cos(\theta)$ is maximised. Thus the maximum slope is given by

$$\max \nabla_u f = \|\nabla f\|$$

and the direction of greatest ascent is given by

$$\mathbf{u} = \nabla f$$

□

Theorem 5.7.3. *If $\nabla f(c_1, \dots, c_n) \neq 0$, then $\nabla f(c_1, \dots, c_n)$ is normal to the level curve of f that passes through (c_1, \dots, c_n) .*

5.8 Higher-Order Partial Derivatives

Definition 5.8.1. Higher-order partial derivatives can be denoted using three different notations. The following table shows the mixed partial derivative of $f(x, y)$ w.r.t. x then y .

Leibniz	Euler	Legendre
$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x}$	$\partial_{xy} f$	f_{xy}

Table 5: Mixed Partial Derivative Notation

For partial derivatives w.r.t. the same variable, a superscript can be used in Leibniz and Euler notation.

Leibniz	Euler	Legendre
$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2}$	$\partial_x^2 f$	f_{xx}

Table 6: Second-Order Partial Derivative Notation

5.9 Hessian Matrix

Definition 5.9.1. Let the Hessian matrix \mathbf{H} be the matrix of second-order partial derivative operators as shown below

$$\mathbf{H} = \begin{bmatrix} \partial_{x_1}^2 & \cdots & \partial_{x_n x_1} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \partial_{x_1 x_n} & \cdots & \partial_{x_n}^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Operating on the function $f(x, y)$ gives

$$\mathbf{H}_f = \begin{bmatrix} \partial_{x_1}^2 f & \cdots & \partial_{x_n x_1} f \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \partial_{x_1 x_n} f & \cdots & \partial_{x_n}^2 f \end{bmatrix}$$

5.10 Critical Points

For the function $f(x, y)$, the point (x_0, y_0) is a critical point if

$$\nabla f(x_0, y_0) = 0$$

or if $\nabla f(x_0, y_0)$ is undefined.

5.11 Classification of Critical Points

The nature of a critical point can be classified using the second derivative test:

- if $\det(\mathbf{H}_f)|_{(x_0, y_0)} > 0$, then the point is a local minima or maxima
 - if $f_{xx}(x_0, y_0) < 0$, then the point is a local maxima
 - if $f_{xx}(x_0, y_0) > 0$, then the point is a local minima¹
- if $\det(\mathbf{H}_f)|_{(x_0, y_0)} < 0$, then the point is a saddle point
- if $\det(\mathbf{H}_f)|_{(x_0, y_0)} = 0$, then the test is inconclusive.

¹For the local minima/maxima, the second derivative can also be taken w.r.t. y .

6 Double and Triple Integrals

6.1 Volume under a Two Variable Function

Definition 6.1.1. If f is a function of two variables that is continuous and nonnegative on a region Ω in the xy -plane, then the volume of the solid enclosed between the surface $z = f(x, y)$ and the region Ω is defined by

$$V = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=1}^n f(x_k^*, y_k^*) \Delta A_k \quad (1)$$

Proof. Using lines parallel to the coordinate axes, the region Ω can be divided into n rectangles, where any rectangles outside Ω are discarded. The area of the k th remaining rectangle at the arbitrary point (x_k^*, y_k^*) is given by ΔA_k . Thus the product $f(x_k^*, y_k^*) \Delta A_k$ is the volume of the k th rectangular parallelepiped, and the sum of all n volumes over the region Ω approximate the volume V of the entire solid. \square

6.2 Double Integral

Definition 6.2.1. By extension of the definite integral of a single variable function expressed in Theorem 3.1.1, the sums in Equation 1 are also called Riemann sums, and the limit is denoted as

$$\iint_{\Omega} f(x, y) \, dA = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=1}^n f(x_k^*, y_k^*) \Delta A_k$$

Properties of Double Integrals

Theorem 6.2.1. Suppose that $f(x, y)$ and $g(x, y)$ are continuous on Ω , and Ω can be subdivided into Ω_1 and Ω_2 , then

- a) $\iint_{\Omega} k f(x, y) \, dA = k \iint_{\Omega} f(x, y) \, dA.$
- b) $\iint_{\Omega} f(x, y) + g(x, y) \, dA = \iint_{\Omega} f(x, y) \, dA + \iint_{\Omega} g(x, y) \, dA.$
- c) $\iint_{\Omega} f(x, y) \, dA = \iint_{\Omega_1} f(x, y) \, dA + \iint_{\Omega_2} f(x, y) \, dA.$

6.3 Rectangular Regions

If Ω is a region bounded by $a \leq x \leq b$ and $c \leq y \leq d$, then

$$\iint_{\Omega} f(x, y) \, dA = \int_c^d \int_a^b f(x, y) \, dx \, dy = \int_a^b \int_c^d f(x, y) \, dy \, dx$$

6.4 Nonrectangular Regions

If the limits of integration depend on the variable x or y , then the region may be classified as Type I or Type II.

6.4.1 Type I Regions

If the region is:

Bounded on the left & right by: $x = a$ and $x = b$

Bounded below & above by: $y = g_1(x)$ and $y = g_2(x)$

where $g_1(x) \leq g_2(x)$ for $a \leq x \leq b$, then

$$\iint_{\Omega} f(x, y) \, dA = \int_a^b \int_{g_1(x)}^{g_2(x)} f(x, y) \, dy \, dx.$$

6.4.2 Type II Regions

If the region is:

Bounded on the left & right by: $x = h_1(y)$ and $x = h_2(y)$

Bounded below & above by: $y = c$ and $y = d$

where $h_1(y) \leq h_2(y)$ for $c \leq y \leq d$, then

$$\iint_{\Omega} f(x, y) \, dA = \int_c^d \int_{h_1(y)}^{h_2(y)} f(x, y) \, dx \, dy.$$

6.5 Polar Coordinates

To determine the area of a region defined using polar coordinates, the function can be integrated w.r.t. the radius r , and the angle θ .

$$\iint_{\Omega} f(r, \theta) \, dA = \int_{\theta_1}^{\theta_2} \int_{r_1(\theta)}^{r_2(\theta)} f(r, \theta) \, r \, dr \, d\theta.$$

6.6 Volume of a Three Variable Function

Definition 6.6.1. If f is a function of three variables that is continuous and nonnegative on a region Ω in the xyz -space, then the volume enclosed by $f(x, y, z)$ and the region Ω is defined by

$$V = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=1}^n f(x_k^*, y_k^*, z_k^*) \Delta V_k \quad (1)$$

Proof. Using planes parallel to the coordinate planes, the region Ω can be divided into n boxes, where boxes containing points outside of Ω are discarded. The volume of the k th remaining box at the arbitrary point (x_k^*, y_k^*, z_k^*) is ΔV_k . Thus the product $f(x_k^*, y_k^*, z_k^*) \Delta V_k$ is the volume of the k th box, and the sum of all n volumes over the region Ω approximate the volume V of the entire solid. \square

6.7 Triple Integrals

Definition 6.7.1. The triple integral of a function is the net signed volume defined over a finite closed solid region Ω , and the sums in Equation 1 are also called Riemann sums, and the limit is denoted as

$$\iiint_{\Omega} f(x, y, z) \, dV = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} f(x_k^*, y_k^*, z_k^*) \Delta V_k$$

Properties of Triple Integrals

Theorem 6.7.1. Suppose that $f(x, y, z)$ and $g(x, y, z)$ are continuous on Ω , and Ω can be subdivided into Ω_1 and Ω_2 then

- a) $\iiint_{\Omega} k f(x, y, z) \, dV = k \iiint_{\Omega} f(x, y, z) \, dV.$
- b) $\iiint_{\Omega} f(x, y, z) + g(x, y, z) \, dV = \iiint_{\Omega} f(x, y, z) \, dV + \iiint_{\Omega} g(x, y, z) \, dV.$
- c) $\iiint_{\Omega} f(x, y, z) \, dV = \iiint_{\Omega_1} f(x, y, z) \, dV + \iiint_{\Omega_2} f(x, y, z) \, dV.$

7 Vector-Valued Functions

Definition 7.0.1. A vector-valued function (VVF) is some function \mathbf{r} with domain \mathbb{R} and codomain \mathbb{R}^n . For example,

$$\mathbf{r} : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3 : \mathbf{r}(t) = \langle x(t), y(t), z(t) \rangle$$

is a VVF where $x, y, z : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.

Theorem 7.0.1. *The domain of $\mathbf{r}(t)$ is the intersection of the domains of its components.*

Definition 7.0.2 (Orientation). The orientation of $\mathbf{r}(t)$ is the direction of motion along the curve as the value of the parameter increases.

7.1 Limits and Continuity

Theorem 7.1.1 (Limits of VVFs). *The limit of a VVF is the vector of the limits of its components.*

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow a} \mathbf{r}(t) = \left\langle \lim_{t \rightarrow a} x(t), \lim_{t \rightarrow a} y(t), \lim_{t \rightarrow a} z(t) \right\rangle$$

Theorem 7.1.2 (Continuity of VVFs). *The VVF $\mathbf{r}(t)$ is continuous at $t = a$ iff*

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow a} \mathbf{r}(t) = \mathbf{r}(a).$$

This follows that a VVF is continuous if each of its components are also continuous.

7.2 Calculus with VVFs

Theorem 7.2.1 (Derivatives of VVFs). *The derivative of a VVF is the vector of the derivatives of its components.*

$$\frac{d}{dt} \mathbf{r}(t) = \left\langle \frac{d}{dt} x(t), \frac{d}{dt} y(t), \frac{d}{dt} z(t) \right\rangle$$

Theorem 7.2.2 (Integration of VVFs). *The integral of a VVF is the vector of the integrals of its components.*

$$\int \mathbf{r}(t) dt = \left\langle \int x(t) dt, \int y(t) dt, \int z(t) dt \right\rangle$$

Remark 1. When integrating a VVF, each component has its own constant of integration.

7.3 Parametrising Lines with VVFs

Definition 7.3.1 (Equation for a Line). A line can be expressed as

$$\mathbf{l}(t) = \mathbf{P}_0 + t\mathbf{v}$$

where the line $\mathbf{l}(t)$ passes through the point \mathbf{P}_0 , and is parallel to the vector \mathbf{v} .

Definition 7.3.2 (Tangent Lines). If a VVF $\mathbf{r}(t)$ is differentiable at t_0 and $\mathbf{r}'(t_0) \neq \mathbf{0}$, the tangent line at $t = t_0$ is given by

$$\mathbf{l}(t) = \mathbf{r}(t_0) + t\mathbf{r}'(t_0).$$

Remark 1. Higher-order approximations can be determined using Taylor's formula.

7.4 Applications of VVFs

Theorem 7.4.1 (Curve of Intersection). *A VVF can be used to determine the curve of intersection between two surfaces. The method is to choose one of the variables (commonly the first) as the parameter, and express the remaining variables in terms of that parameter.*

If the intersection is bounded between two points, the domain can be calculated using the component which was parametrised.

For example, the curve of intersection between

$$y = 2x - 4 \quad \text{and} \quad z = 3x - 1$$

between the points

$$\mathbf{P}_1 = (2, 0, 7) \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{P}_2 = (3, 2, 10)$$

is given by

$$\mathbf{r}(t) = \langle t, 2t - 4, 3t - 1 \rangle : 2 \leq t \leq 3.$$

Definition 7.4.1 (Arc Length). The arc length S of a smooth continuous VVF $\mathbf{r}(t)$, is the distance along $\mathbf{r}(t)$ between $t = a$ and $t = b$, defined by

$$S = \int_a^b \|\mathbf{r}'(t)\| \, dt$$

8 Differential Equations

Definition 8.0.1 (Differential Equations). A differential equation (DE) is an equation which involves the derivatives of one or more unknown functions (called dependent variables), that are with respect to one or more independent variables.

Definition 8.0.2 (Ordinary Differential Equations). An ordinary differential equation (ODE) is a differential equation with derivatives with respect to a single variable.

Definition 8.0.3 (Partial Differential Equations). A partial differential equation (PDE) is a differential equation with derivatives with respect to multiple variables.

Definition 8.0.4 (Order of Differential Equations). The order of a differential equation is the highest derivative in the equation.

Definition 8.0.5 (Autonomous Differential Equations). An autonomous differential equation does not depend explicitly on the independent variable.

Definition 8.0.6 (Linear Differential Equations). A linear differential equation does not have any products of the dependent variable with itself or its derivatives. The general form of a linear ODE of order n is

$$a_n(x)y^{(n)} + a_{n-1}(x)y^{(n-1)} + \cdots + a_1(x)y' + a_0(x)y = F(x).$$

The dependent variable cannot be composed in another function.

8.1 Qualitative Analysis

With qualitative analysis we aim to understand the behaviour of solutions to the ODE. By computing fixed points, we can draw a phase line diagram, and sketch solution curves.

For the autonomous differential equation

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = f(y)$$

Definition 8.1.1 (Fixed Point). A fixed point is the value of y for which $f(y) = 0$.

Definition 8.1.2 (Stability). By analysing the behaviour of $f(y)$ given a perturbation near fixed points, we can determine the stability of those fixed points.

Behaviour in Positive/Negative Directions	Stability
Both toward fixed point	stable
Both away from fixed point	unstable
One toward and one away from fixed point	semi-stable

Definition 8.1.3 (Phase Plane). Using the information about the behaviour of $f(y)$ around fixed points, $f(y)$ can be plotted against y to construct a phase plane diagram.

Definition 8.1.4 (Phase Line). A phase line is the one-dimensional form of a phase plane, that shows the limiting behaviour of y as $t \rightarrow \infty$.

Definition 8.1.5 (Sample Solutions). Using a phase line, we sketch the behaviour of sample solutions of $f(y)$. where the curves asymptote toward stable (also semi-stable) fixed points, and diverge from unstable (also semi-stable) fixed points.

9 First-Order Differential Equations

9.1 Directly Integrable ODEs

For a differential equation of the form

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = f(x)$$
$$y(x) = \int f(x) dx.$$

9.2 Separable ODEs

For a differential equation of the form

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = p(x)q(y),$$

a separation of variables followed by an integration w.r.t. x yields an implicit solution.

$$\int \frac{1}{q(y)} \frac{dy}{dx} dx = \int p(x) dx.$$

9.3 Linear ODEs

For a differential equation of the form

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + p(x)y = q(x)$$

we can use the integrating factor

$$I(x) = e^{\int p(x) dx}$$

so that

$$y(x) = \frac{1}{I(x)} \int I(x)q(x) dx$$

9.4 Exact ODEs

A differential equation of the form

$$P(x, y) + Q(x, y) \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

has the solution

$$\Psi(x, y) = c,$$

iff it is exact, namely when

$$P_y = Q_x$$

where $P = \Psi_x$ and $Q = \Psi_y$. Then

$$\Psi(x, y) = \int P(x, y) \, dx + f(y)$$

$$\Psi(x, y) = \int Q(x, y) \, dy + g(x)$$

and $f(y)$ and $g(x)$ can be determined by solving these equations simultaneously.

10 Second-Order Differential Equations

A linear second-order differential equation is of the form

$$a_2(x)y'' + a_1(x)y' + a_0(x)y = F(x).$$

- If $F(x) = 0$, then the equation is homogeneous.
- If $F(x) \neq 0$, then the equation is nonhomogeneous.

Definition 10.0.1 (Initial Value Problem). An initial value problem specifies the value for y and its derivative at a single value of the independent variable:

$$y(x_0) = y_0, \quad y'(x_0) = y_1.$$

Definition 10.0.2 (Boundary Value Problem). A boundary value problem specifies the value for y at two different values of the independent variable:

$$y(x_0) = y_0, \quad y(x_1) = y_1.$$

Theorem 10.0.1 (Superposition Principle). *Consider the linear homogeneous ODE*

$$a_n(x)y^{(n)} + a_{n-1}(x)y^{(n-1)} + \cdots + a_1(x)y' + a_0(x)y = 0.$$

If $y_1(x)$, $y_2(x)$, \dots , $y_n(x)$ are solutions of the differential equation, then the linear combination of these solutions

$$y(x) = c_1y_1(x) + c_2y_2(x) + \cdots + c_ny_n(x).$$

also satisfies the ODE.

Theorem 10.0.2 (Fundamental Set of Solutions). *The n th order linear homogeneous ODE with continuous coefficients on an open interval I , has n non-trivial linearly independent solutions that form a fundamental set of solutions on I .*

10.1 Reduction of Order

Reduction of order is a method for finding a second solution to an ODE, given a known solution. The second solution is of the form

$$y_2(x) = v(x)y_1(x).$$

$v(x)$ can be determined by substituting y_2 into the ODE.

10.2 Homogeneous ODEs

A second-order constant-coefficient homogeneous ODE

$$a_2 \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + a_1 \frac{dy}{dx} + a_0y = 0$$

has solutions of the form

$$y(x) = e^{\lambda x}.$$

10.3 Characteristic Equation

Substituting this form into the ODE gives the characteristic equation

$$a_2\lambda^2 + a_1\lambda + a_0 = 0.$$

This equation has three distinct cases.

Real Distinct Roots. If $a_1^2 > 4a_0a_2$.

Real Repeated Roots. If $a_1^2 = 4a_0a_2$.

Complex Conjugate Roots. If $a_1^2 < 4a_0a_2$.

10.3.1 Real Distinct Roots

For two real and distinct roots, λ_1 and λ_2 , the general solution is

$$y(x) = c_1e^{\lambda_1x} + c_2e^{\lambda_2x}$$

10.3.2 Real Repeated Roots

For the real repeated root, λ , the general solution is

$$y(x) = c_1e^{\lambda x} + c_2te^{\lambda x}$$

10.3.3 Complex Conjugate Roots

For two complex conjugate roots, $\lambda = \alpha \pm \beta i$, the general solution is

$$y(x) = e^{\alpha x}(c_1 \cos(\beta x) + c_2 \sin(\beta x))$$

11 Nonhomogeneous ODEs

A second-order constant-coefficient nonhomogeneous ODE

$$a_2y'' + a_1y' + a_0y = F(x)$$

has a general solutions of the form

$$y(x) = y_H(x) + y_P(x).$$

where $y_H(x)$ satisfies

$$a_2 \frac{d^2 y_H}{dx^2} + a_1 \frac{dy_H}{dx} + a_0 y_H = 0$$

and $y_P(x)$ satisfies

$$a_2 \frac{d^2 y_P}{dx^2} + a_1 \frac{dy_P}{dx} + a_0 y_P = F(x)$$

11.1 Method of Undetermined Coefficients

To find the particular solution y_P , we must choose a likely form that it would take. The following table summarises appropriate forms of y_P based on F .

$F(x)$ form	$y_P(x)$ guess
a constant	A
a polynomial of degree n	$\sum_{i=0}^n A_i x^i$
e^{kx}	Ae^{kx}
$\cos(\omega x)$ or $\sin(\omega x)$	$A_0 \cos(\omega x) + A_1 \sin(\omega x)$

Table 7: Particular solutions for undetermined coefficients.

Once the form of the particular solution has been determined, it can be substituted into the nonhomogeneous ODE, to determine the undetermined coefficients.

11.2 Special Forms

11.2.1 Product of Forms

If $F(x)$ is a product of the functions shown above, then the particular solutions are also multiplied together and any constants are simplified.

11.2.2 Sum of Forms

If $F(x)$ is a sum of the functions shown above, then the particular solutions are also added together.

11.2.3 Linearly Dependent Forms

If $F(x)$ is similar to any homogenous solution, then by *definition* of a homogeneous solution, the solution will be 0. Hence, y_P must be multiplied by x to ensure that the particular solution is linearly independent to the homogeneous solutions, in order to form a *fundamental set of solutions*.

11.3 Finding the General Solution

1. Solve y_H
2. Find an appropriate form for y_P
3. Ensure that y_P is linearly independent to the homogeneous solutions
4. Substitute y_P into the nonhomogeneous ODE and solve for the undetermined coefficients
5. Find the general solution $y = y_H + y_P$
6. Apply any initial or boundary conditions

11.4 Applications of Second-Order ODEs

11.4.1 Spring and Mass Systems

F = spring force (F_s) + damping force (F_d) + external force ($f(t)$)

Newton's Law $F = my''$

Spring force. $F_s = -ky$

Damping force. $F_d = -\gamma y'$

$$my'' + \gamma y' + ky = f(t)$$

11.4.2 Electrical Circuits

Current i is defined as the rate of change of charge q

$$i = \frac{dq}{dt}$$

The voltage drop across various elements is given below:

Voltage drop across a resistor: iR

Voltage drop across a capacitor: q/C

Voltage drop across an inductor: $L \frac{di}{dt}$

where R is the resistance measured in Ohms (Ω), C is the capacitance measured in Farads (F), and L is the inductance measured in Henrys (H).

Kirchhoff's Voltage law states that the sum of voltages around a loop equals 0. Therefore in an RLC circuit, with a voltage source supplying $v(t)$ V,

$$v(t) - iR - L \frac{di}{dt} - \frac{q}{C} = 0$$

$$L \frac{d^2q}{dt^2} + R \frac{dq}{dt} + \frac{1}{C}q = v(t).$$