

# Lecture 8

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## 1 Examples on Change of Variables

**Example 1.1.** Change the variables of a double integral from rectangular to polar coordinates.

$$x = r \cos \theta$$

$$y = r \sin \theta$$

Differentiating,

$$x_r = \cos \theta$$

$$x_\theta = -r \sin \theta$$

$$y_r = \sin \theta$$

$$y_\theta = r \cos \theta$$

The Jacobian is

$$x_r y_\theta - x_\theta y_r = r \cos^2 \theta + r \sin^2 \theta = r$$

Hence  $dx dy = r dr d\theta$ .

**Example 1.2.** Evaluate the integral  $\iint_R (x^2 + 2xy) dA$  where  $R$  is the region bounded by the lines  $y = 2x + 3$ ,  $y = 2x + 1$ ,  $y = 5$ ,  $y = 2 - x$ .

Let  $u = y - 2x$  and  $v = x + y$ . Then

$$x = \frac{v - u}{3}$$

$$y = \frac{u + 2v}{3}$$

$$x_u = -\frac{1}{3}$$

$$x_v = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$y_u = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$y_v = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$J = |x_u y_v - x_v y_u| = \frac{1}{3}$$

The integral is given by

$$\begin{aligned} I &= \int_2^5 \int_1^3 \frac{v^2 - 2vu + u^2 + 4v^2 - 2vu - 2u^2}{9} \frac{1}{3} dudv \\ &= \frac{1}{27} \int_2^5 \int_1^3 5v^2 - 4vu - u^2 dudv \\ &= \frac{1}{27} \int_2^5 10v^2 - 16v - \frac{26}{3} dv \\ &= \frac{1}{27} (390 - 168 - 26) \\ &= \frac{196}{27} \end{aligned}$$

**Example 1.3.** Evaluate  $\int_R xy dx dy$  where  $R$  is the first quadrant region bounded by the curves:  $x^2 + y^2 = 4$ ,  $x^2 + y^2 = 9$ ,  $x^2 - y^2 = 1$ ,  $x^2 - y^2 = 4$ . Define

$$u = x^2 + y^2$$

$$v = x^2 - y^2$$

Then

$$x = \sqrt{\frac{u+v}{2}}$$

$$y = \sqrt{\frac{u-v}{2}}$$

$$x_u = x_v = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2(u+v)}}$$

$$y_u = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2(u-v)}}$$

$$y_v = -\frac{1}{2\sqrt{2(u-v)}}$$

The Jacobian is then

$$J = |x_u y_v - x_v y_u| = \frac{1}{4\sqrt{(u+v)(u-v)}}$$

And the integral is given by

$$\begin{aligned} I &= \int_1^4 \int_4^9 \frac{\sqrt{(u+v)(u-v)}}{2} \times \frac{1}{4\sqrt{(u+v)(u-v)}} du dv \\ &= \int_1^4 \int_4^9 \frac{1}{8} du dv \\ &= \frac{15}{8} \end{aligned}$$

## 2 More on Jacobians

### 2.1 In 3 Dimensions

The Jacobian with 3 variables is similar to that of 2 variables, where

$$J = \frac{\partial(x, y, z)}{\partial(u, v, w)} = \det \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial x}{\partial u} & \frac{\partial x}{\partial v} & \frac{\partial x}{\partial w} \\ \frac{\partial y}{\partial u} & \frac{\partial y}{\partial v} & \frac{\partial y}{\partial w} \\ \frac{\partial z}{\partial u} & \frac{\partial z}{\partial v} & \frac{\partial z}{\partial w} \end{bmatrix}$$

### 2.2 Inverses of Jacobians

Let  $R$  be a region on the  $xy$  plane,  $S$  be the equivalent on the  $uv$  plane and  $T$  be the equivalent on the  $pq$  plane. Considering

$$dxdy = J_{R \rightarrow S} dudv$$

and similar equations between  $R$ ,  $S$ , and  $T$ , it is obvious that

$$J_{R \rightarrow S} = J_{R \rightarrow T} \times J_{T \rightarrow S}$$

In other words, Jacobians behave like fractions

$$\frac{\partial(x, y)}{\partial(u, v)} = \frac{\partial(x, y)}{\partial(p, q)} \times \frac{\partial(p, q)}{\partial(u, v)}$$

Similarly, it follows that

$$\frac{\partial(x, y)}{\partial(u, v)} = \frac{\partial(u, v)}{\partial(x, y)}$$