

Multivariable Calculus

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1 Vectors

- **Parametric equations** are a way to rewrite all the coordinates in terms of one parameter. The parametric equation of a **line** passing through p_0 and parallel to vector \mathbf{v} is $\overrightarrow{OP_0} + t\mathbf{v}$.
- The **magnitude** of a vector is $\sqrt{\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{v}}$.
- One thing to note is that dot product is equal to $\|\mathbf{a}\|\|\mathbf{b}\|\cos\theta$.
- **Projection:**

$$\text{proj}_{\mathbf{a}}\mathbf{b} = \frac{\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b}}{\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{a}}\mathbf{a}$$

- **Cross product:** Set up the determinant matrix, remember $ad - bc$.
 - Length of cross product is equal to area of spanned parallelogram, which is $\|\mathbf{a}\|\|\mathbf{b}\|\sin\theta$.
 - Area of triangle is $\frac{1}{2}\|a \times b\|$.
- **Plane** that passes through fixed point p_0 and perpendicular to **normal vector** \mathbf{n} has equation $\overrightarrow{p_0p} \cdot \mathbf{n} = 0$.
 - $A(x - x_0) + B(y - y_0) + C(z - z_0) = 0$
 - Distance between two planes is just $\|\text{proj}_{\mathbf{n}}\overrightarrow{p_1p_2}\|$, where those are two points on different planes and \mathbf{n} is one of the normal vectors.
- **Coordinate systems** don't have to be our normal dimensional thing.

$$\text{– Polar: } \begin{cases} x = r \cos \theta \\ y = r \sin \theta \\ z = z \end{cases}, \text{ Spherical: } \begin{cases} x = \rho \sin \phi \cos \theta \\ y = \rho \sin \phi \sin \theta \\ z = \rho \cos \phi \end{cases}$$

2 Multivariable differentiation

- A **function** is **onto** if its range is the whole codomain, and **one-to-one** if no two inputs map to one output. Write as $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$.
- **Image** of f , use set notation $\{\text{codomain} \mid \text{condition}\} = \text{range} \subseteq \text{codomain}$, **graph** is (input, output) together.
 - $z = x^2 + y^2$ (elliptic paraboloid), $z = x^2 - y^2$ (hyperbolic paraboloid), $z^2 = x^2 + y^2$ (elliptic cone)
- **Limits:** you remember these.
 - How do we do limits in \mathbb{R}^3 ? Have to consider approaching from every angle around the point. Use polar coordinates, **squeeze theorem** ($g(x) \leq f(x) \leq h(x)$, $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} h(x)$).
 - Function is not **differentiable** if discontinuous, undefined, or sharp turn.
- **Partial derivatives:** treat all except one dimension as constants, differentiate as normal.
 - **Tangent plane:**

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

- **Directional derivative:** Given $\nabla f = (f_x, f_y, \dots)$ (which is max directional derivative bc orthogonal), derivative in direction of \mathbf{v} is $\nabla f \cdot \mathbf{v}$ (must be unit vector!!).
- **Chain rule:** construct dependency graph

3 Vector-Valued Functions

- **Vector-valued functions:** parametric function of a path in \mathbb{R}^n
 - **Arclength reparametrisation:** $L(\mathbf{x}) = \int_a^b \|\mathbf{x}'(t)\| dt$. Note that \mathbf{t}' is orthogonal to \mathbf{t} .
 - **Unit tangent vector:** $\mathbf{T} = \mathbf{x}'(t) / \|\mathbf{x}'(t)\|$
 - **Binormal:** $\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{T} \times \mathbf{N}$, $\mathbf{N} = \frac{d\mathbf{T}/dt}{\|d\mathbf{T}/dt\|}$
 - **Curvature:** $\kappa = \frac{\|d\mathbf{T}/dt\|}{ds/dt}$
- **Vector field:** $\mathbf{F} : X \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$
 - A **gradient vector field** is the gradient of a function: $\nabla f(\mathbf{x})$
 - A **flow line** of a vector field is such that $\mathbf{x}'(t) = \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}(t))$
 - $\text{div } \mathbf{F} = \nabla \cdot \mathbf{F}$, $\text{curl } \mathbf{F} = \nabla \times \mathbf{F}$. If curl is 0 everywhere, then **irrotational**.

4 Maxima and Minima

- **Taylor polynomial:**

5 Multiple Integration

- **Fubini's theorem** says you can flip the order of the integrals.
- **Triple:**

$$\iiint_W f \, dV = \int_a^b \int_{\gamma(x)}^{\delta(x)} \int_{\psi(x,y)}^{\phi(x,y)} f(x, y, z) \, dz \, dy \, dx$$

- **Jacobian:**

$$\frac{\partial(x, y)}{\partial(u, v)} = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{\partial x}{\partial u} & \frac{\partial x}{\partial v} \\ \frac{\partial y}{\partial u} & \frac{\partial y}{\partial v} \end{vmatrix} = \left(\frac{\partial(u, v)}{\partial(x, y)} \right)^{-1}$$

- **Change of variable:**

$$\iint_D f(x, y) \, dx \, dy = \iint_{D^*} f(u(x, y), v(x, y)) \left| \frac{\partial(x, y)}{\partial(u, v)} \right| \, du \, dv$$

6 Line Integrals

- **Scalar line integral:**

$$\int_{\mathbf{x}} f \, ds = \int_a^b f(\mathbf{x}(t)) \|\mathbf{x}'(t)\| \, dt$$

- **Vector line integral:**

$$\int_{\mathbf{x}} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{s} = \int_a^b \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}(t)) \cdot \mathbf{x}'(t) \, dt$$

– For a closed path, this is the **circulation**.

- **Green's theorem:** D is a region with a differentiable boundary C , such that D is to its left. Given $\mathbf{F}(x, y) = (M(x, y), N(x, y))$:

$$\oint_C M \, dx + N \, dy = \iint_D \left(\frac{\partial N}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial M}{\partial y} \right) \, dx \, dy$$

Note you can break up the curve as long as all of it combined is closed.

- **Path-independent** vector field means that all line integrals are only dependent on the endpoints, not the path itself. If $\mathbf{F} = (M(x, y), N(x, y))$'s domain is simply-connected and $\nabla \times \mathbf{F} = 0$ then it is conservative. Or you flip partials for 2d: $\frac{\partial N}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial M}{\partial y}$. Or, $\text{curl } \mathbf{F} = 0$.
- **Finding scalar potential:** $\nabla f = \mathbf{F}$