

Physics II: Electromagnetism

PH 102

Lecture 2

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Vector Integral Calculus

Line, Surface and Volume integrals

Line Integrals

Extension of idea of integration of one variable

$$\int_a^b f(x)dx$$

to scalar and vector fields on any paths.

Naturally the question arises : “**how to define paths?**”

For that we need to review a little bit on parametric equations and curves.

Most familiar example: Equation of trajectory of a particle

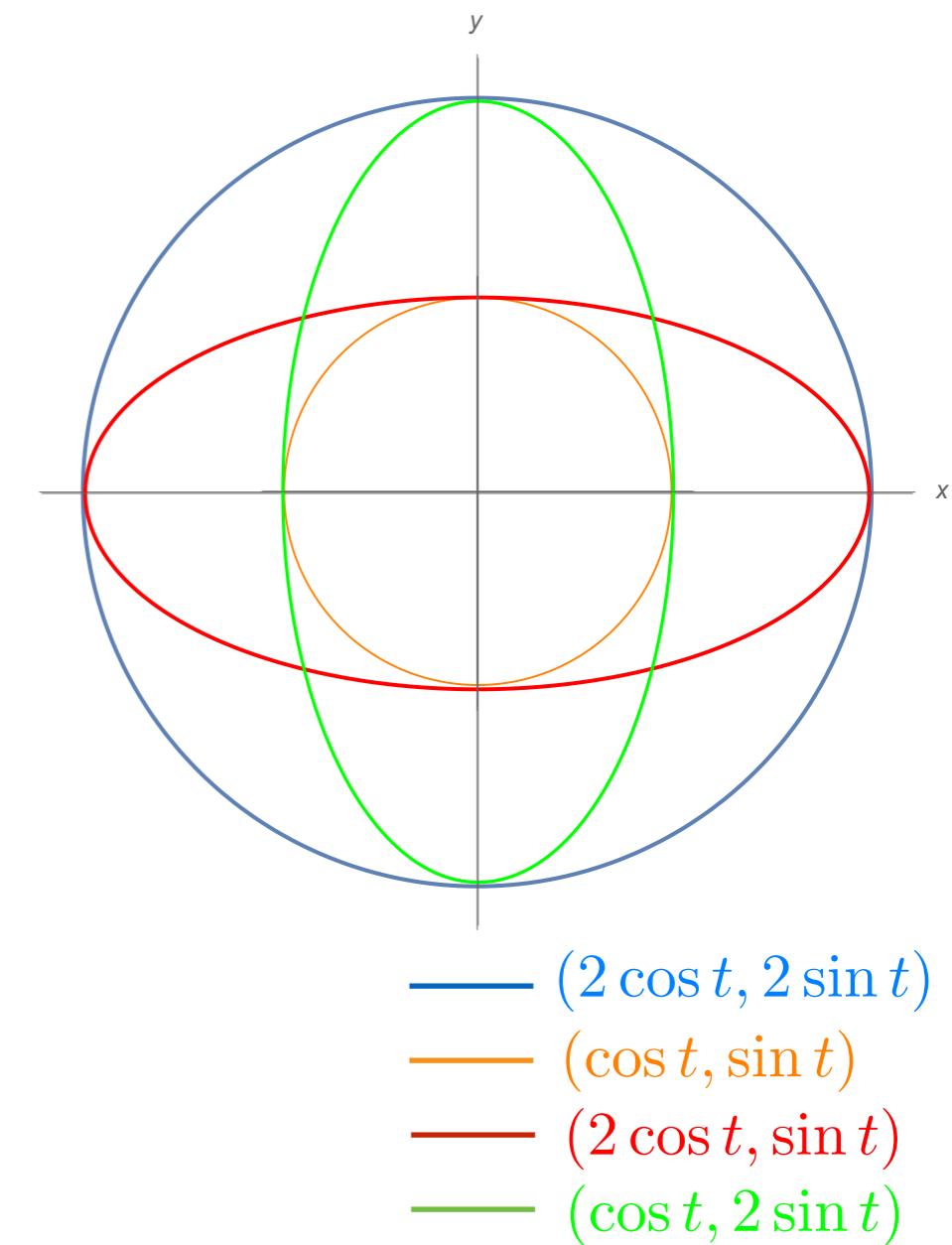
1D: $x = x(t)$

2D: $x = x(t); y = y(t)$

3D: $x = x(t); y = y(t); z = z(t)$

How to describe paths: Parametric equations and curves

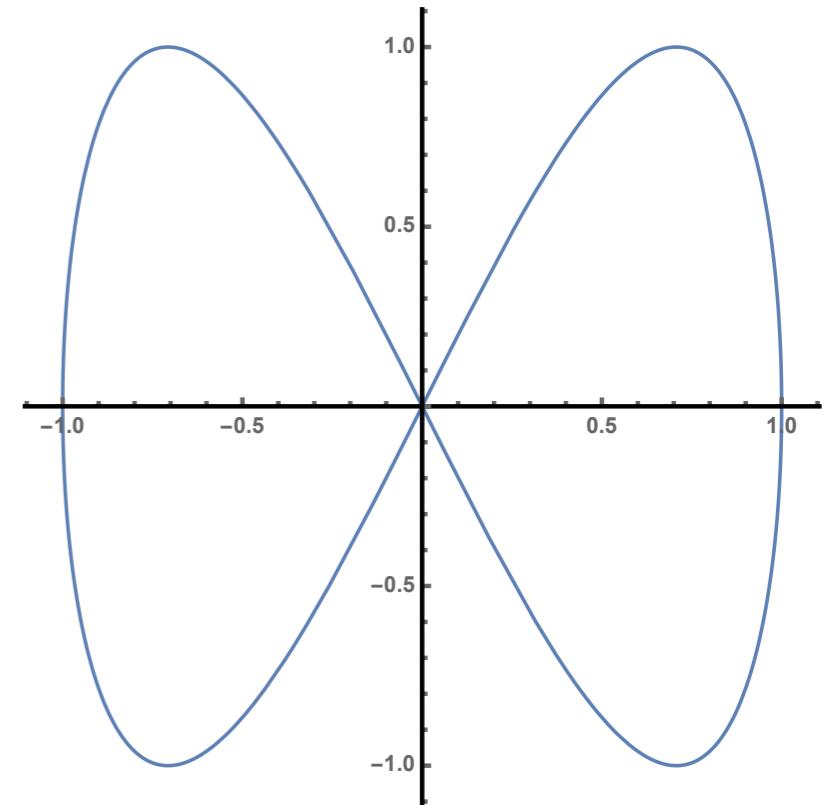
Curve	Parametric equations
$x^2 + y^2 = R^2$	$x = R \cos t, \quad 0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$ $y = R \sin t$
$\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$	$x = a \cos t, \quad 0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$ $y = b \sin t$
$y = f(x)$	$x = t,$ $y = f(t)$
Line segment from (x_1, y_1, z_1) to (x_2, y_2, z_2) .	$x = (1 - t)x_1 + tx_2$ $y = (1 - t)y_1 + ty_2, \quad 0 \leq t \leq 1$ $z = (1 - t)z_1 + tz_2$



More complicated examples

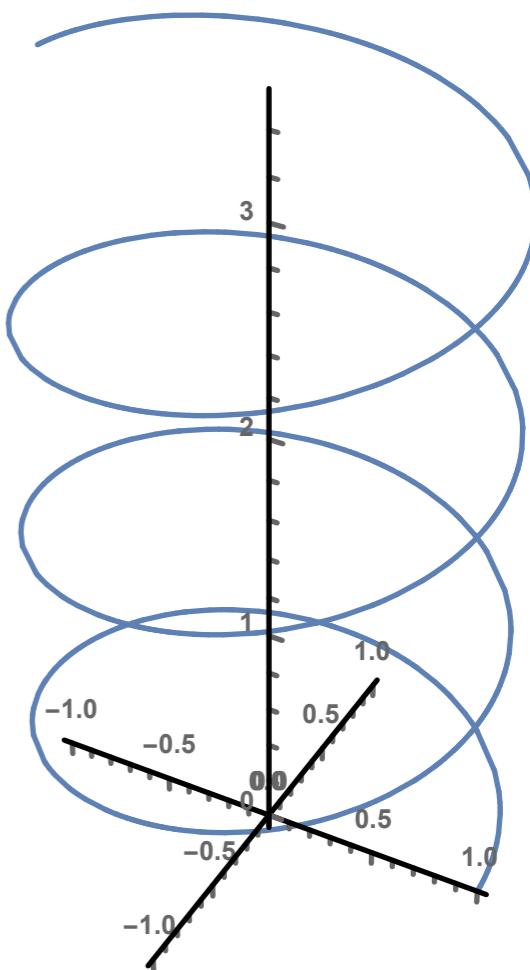
The figure of eight curve

$$\begin{aligned} x(t) &= \sin t, \\ y(t) &= \sin 2t \end{aligned} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \\ \end{array} \right\} 0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$$



Helix

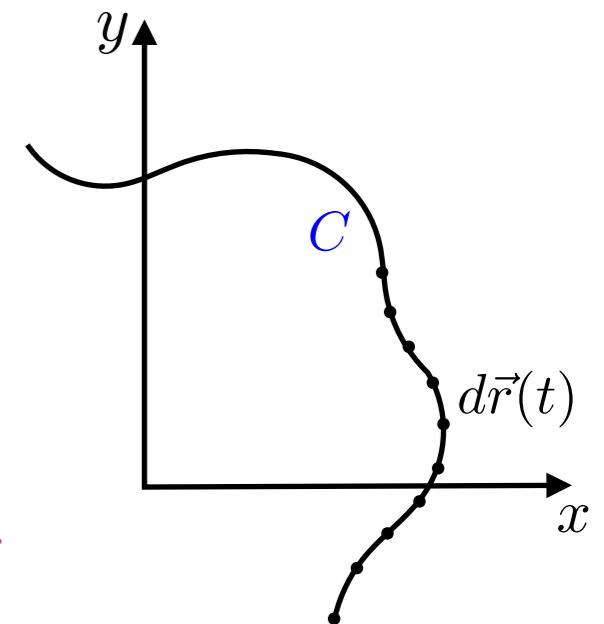
$$\begin{aligned} x(t) &= \sin t, \\ y(t) &= \cos t, \\ z(t) &= t/2\pi \end{aligned} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \\ \\ \end{array} \right\} 0 \leq t \leq 7\pi$$



Line integrals: Scalar field

Now, divide the path into small segments: $d\vec{r}$.

$$d\vec{r}(t) = dx(t) \hat{x} + dy(t) \hat{y} = \underbrace{\left(\frac{dx}{dt} \hat{x} + \frac{dy}{dt} \hat{y} \right) dt}_{= \vec{r}'(t) dt}$$



Length of the segment:

$$\underbrace{|d\vec{r}|}_{= \sqrt{\left(\frac{dx}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dy}{dt}\right)^2}} = \left[\left(\frac{dx}{dt} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{dy}{dt} \right)^2 \right]^{1/2} dt = |\vec{r}'(t)| dt$$

Line integral of a scalar field f over a curve C (whose parametric representation is given by the path $\vec{r}(t)$) is

$$\int_C f dr = \int_a^b f(\vec{r}(t)) |\vec{r}'(t)| dt.$$

Generalisation for a function of three variables is straightforward : only change -

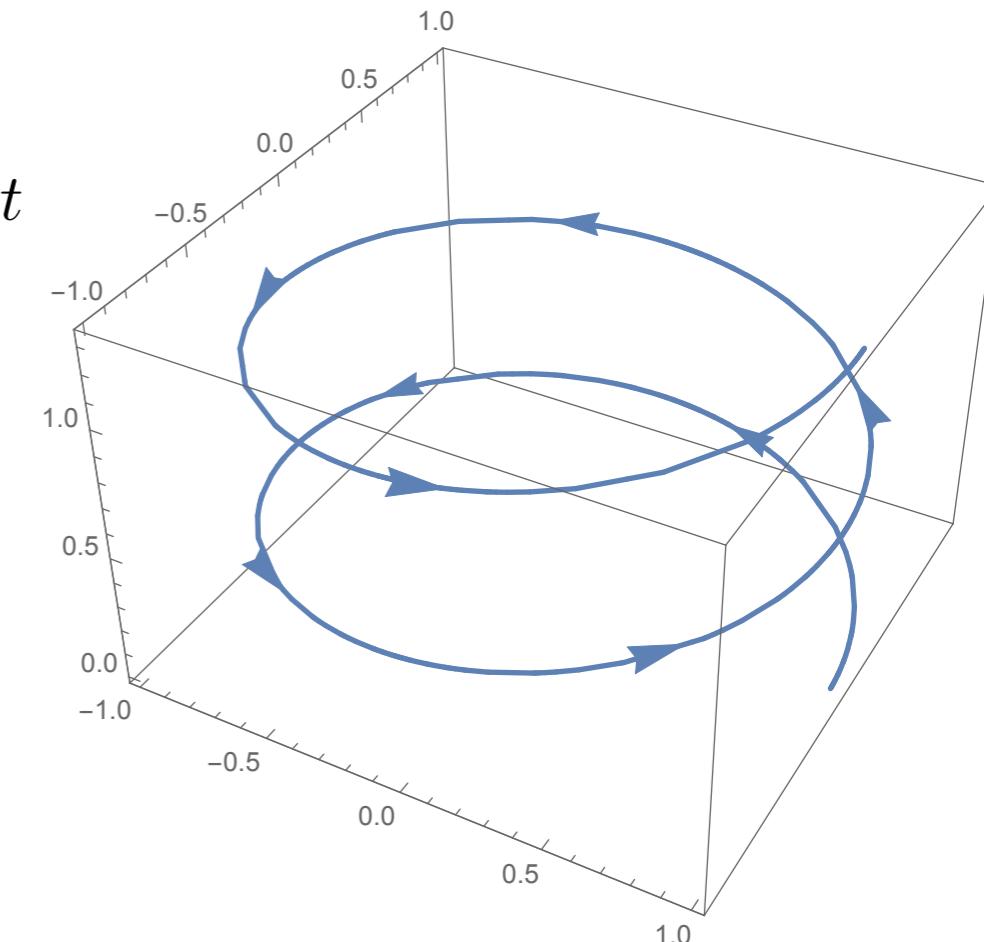
$$\begin{aligned} d\vec{r}(t) &= dx(t) \hat{x} + dy(t) \hat{y} + dz(t) \hat{z} \\ |\vec{r}'(t)| &= [(dx/dt)^2 + (dy/dt)^2 + (dz/dt)^2]^{1/2} \end{aligned}$$

Example

Evaluate $\int_C xyz \ dr$ where C is the helix given by $\vec{r}(t) = (\cos t, \sin t, 3t)$, $0 \leq t \leq 4\pi$.

$$\begin{aligned}\int_C xyz \ dr &= \int_0^{4\pi} 3t \cos t \sin t \sqrt{\sin^2 t + \cos^2 t + 9} dt \\&= \int_0^{4\pi} 3t \left(\frac{1}{2} \sin 2t\right) \sqrt{1+9} dt \\&= \frac{3\sqrt{10}}{2} \int_0^{4\pi} t \sin 2t dt \\&= \frac{3\sqrt{10}}{2} \left(\frac{1}{4} \sin 2t - \frac{t}{2} \cos 2t \right) \Big|_0^{4\pi} \\&= -3\sqrt{10}\pi\end{aligned}$$

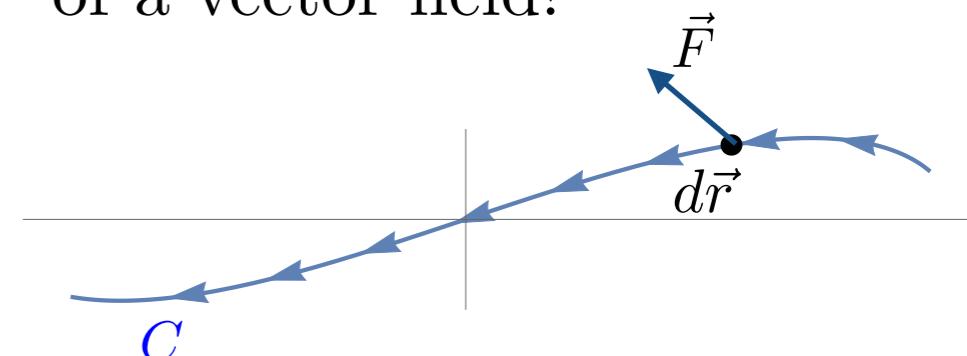
$f(\vec{r}(t))$ $|\vec{r}'(t)|$



Line Integrals: Vector fields

Recall: while calculating the work done by a force along the direction of the motion of a particle, you basically did “line integral” of a vector field!

$$\int_C \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} = \int_a^b \vec{F}(\vec{r}(t)) \cdot \vec{r}'(t) dt$$



$\vec{r}(t)$ in the range $a \leq t \leq b$ is the parametric representation of path C .

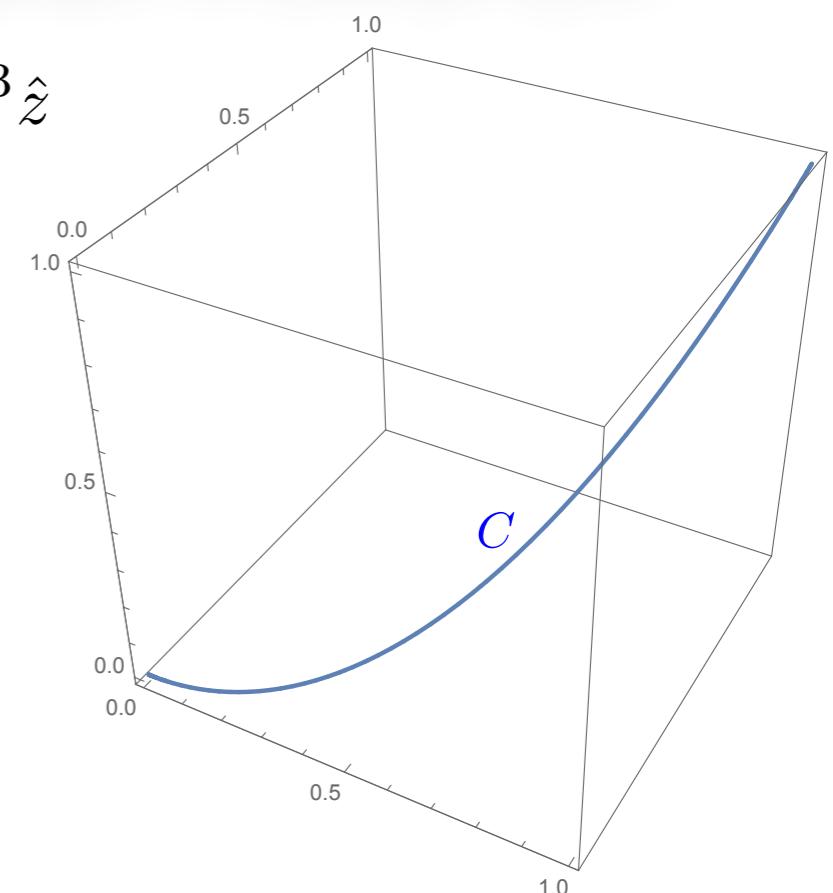
Ex: A force field is given by $\vec{F}(x, y, z) = 8x^2yz \hat{x} + 5z \hat{y} - 4xy \hat{z}$. Find the work done in moving a particle along a curve parametrised by $(t, t^2, t^3); 0 \leq t \leq 1$.

$$\vec{F}(\vec{r}(t)) = 8t^2(t^2)(t^3)\hat{x} + 5t^3\hat{y} - 4t(t^2)\hat{z} = 8t^7\hat{x} + 5t^3\hat{y} - 4t^3\hat{z}$$

Parametric path :

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{r}(t) &= t\hat{x} + t^2\hat{y} + t^3\hat{z} \\ \implies \vec{r}'(t) &= \hat{x} + 2t\hat{y} + 3t^2\hat{z} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Work done : } \int_C \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} &= \int_0^1 (8t^7 + 10t^4 - 12t^5) dt \\ &= (t^8 + 2t^5 - 2t^6) \Big|_0^1 \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$



More example

A force field is given by $\kappa \hat{r} / |\vec{r}|^2$, where $\kappa > 0$ is a constant and \vec{r} is the position vector. What is the work done in moving a particle along a curve $\vec{r}(t) = (\cos t, \sin t)$; $0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$.

Along the path, $|\vec{r}(t)| = \sqrt{\cos^2 t + \sin^2 t} = 1$ and $F(\vec{r}(t)) = \kappa \hat{r} / |\vec{r}|^2 = \kappa \vec{r} / |\vec{r}|^3$.

Note: path is a circle and it is closed (start (0) and end points (2π)) are same.

Hence, $\vec{r}'(t) = (-\sin t, \cos t)$. Therefore, the work done:

$$\begin{aligned}\int_0^{2\pi} \vec{F}(\vec{r}(t)) \cdot \vec{r}'(t) dt &= \kappa \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{(\cos t, \sin t) \cdot (-\sin t, \cos t)}{|\vec{r}(t)|^3} dt \\ &= \kappa \int_0^{2\pi} (-\cos t \sin t + \sin t \cos t) dt = 0\end{aligned}$$

Did you expect this? Why? Check that $\vec{\nabla} \times \kappa \vec{r} / |\vec{r}|^3 = 0$

However, take another vector field $\vec{F} = (-y\hat{x} + x\hat{y})$ from the previous lecture.

$$\begin{aligned}\int_0^{2\pi} \vec{F}(\vec{r}(t)) \cdot \vec{r}'(t) dt &= \int_0^{2\pi} (-\sin t, \cos t) \cdot (-\sin t, \cos t) dt \\ &= \int_0^{2\pi} (\sin^2 t + \cos^2 t) dt = 2\pi\end{aligned}$$

Remember what the curl of this field was? It was $2\hat{z} \neq 0$

Conservative vector field

If for a vector field $\vec{F}(x, y, z)$, $\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{F} = 0$, then we have seen that $\vec{F} = \vec{\nabla}\phi$, where ϕ is a scalar field.

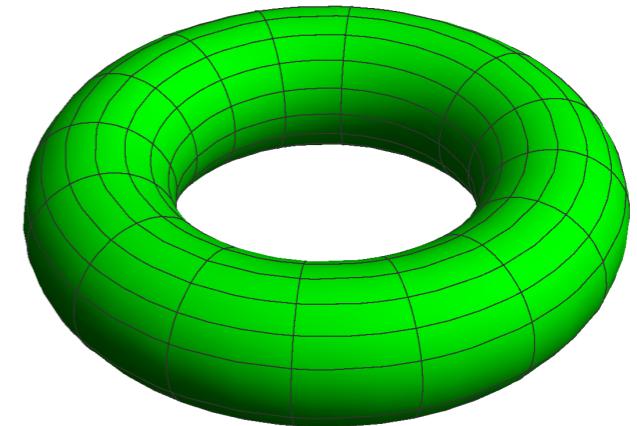
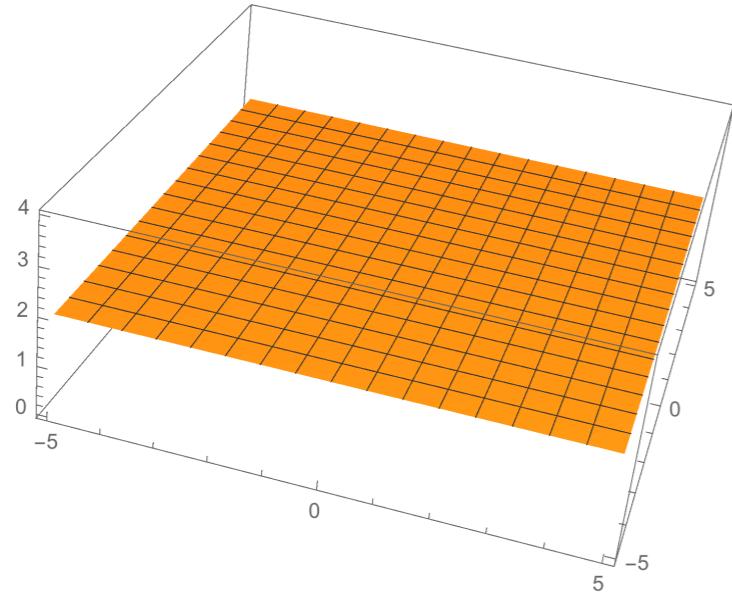
$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then, } \int_a^b \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} &= \int_a^b \vec{\nabla}\phi \cdot d\vec{r} = \int_a^b \left(\hat{x}\frac{\partial\phi}{\partial x} + \hat{y}\frac{\partial\phi}{\partial y} + \hat{z}\frac{\partial\phi}{\partial z} \right) \cdot (dx\hat{x} + dy\hat{y} + dz\hat{z}) \\ &= \int_a^b \left(\frac{\partial\phi}{\partial x} dx + \frac{\partial\phi}{\partial y} dy + \frac{\partial\phi}{\partial z} dz \right) \quad \text{As } \phi = \phi(x, y, z) \\ &= \int_a^b d\phi = \phi(b) - \phi(a) \quad \text{Fundamental theorem for gradients.} \\ &\qquad\qquad\qquad \text{Will discuss later in detail.} \end{aligned}$$

if a vector field is expressible as a gradient of a scalar function, then the line integral would depend only on end points and not depend on path. Such a field is called conservative.

Surface Integrals: How do we define a surface?

$z = f(x, y)$ or $x = f(y, z)$ or $y = f(x, z)$ is one of the standard form to represent surfaces.

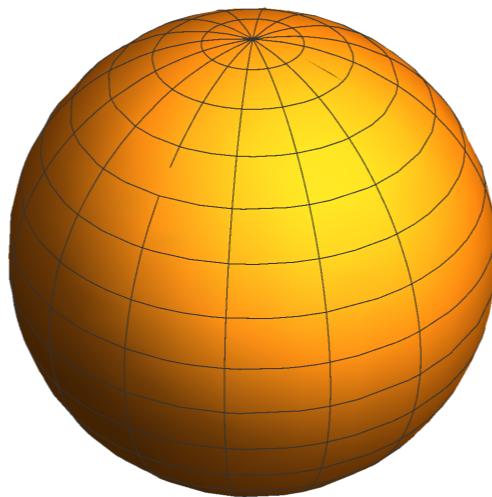
Examples



1. $z = \text{constant}$ is a plane parallel to xy plane.

2. $z^2 = a^2 - (c - \sqrt{x^2 + y^2})^2$ is a torus.

Another way to represent: $f(x, y, z) = \text{constant}$



The sphere

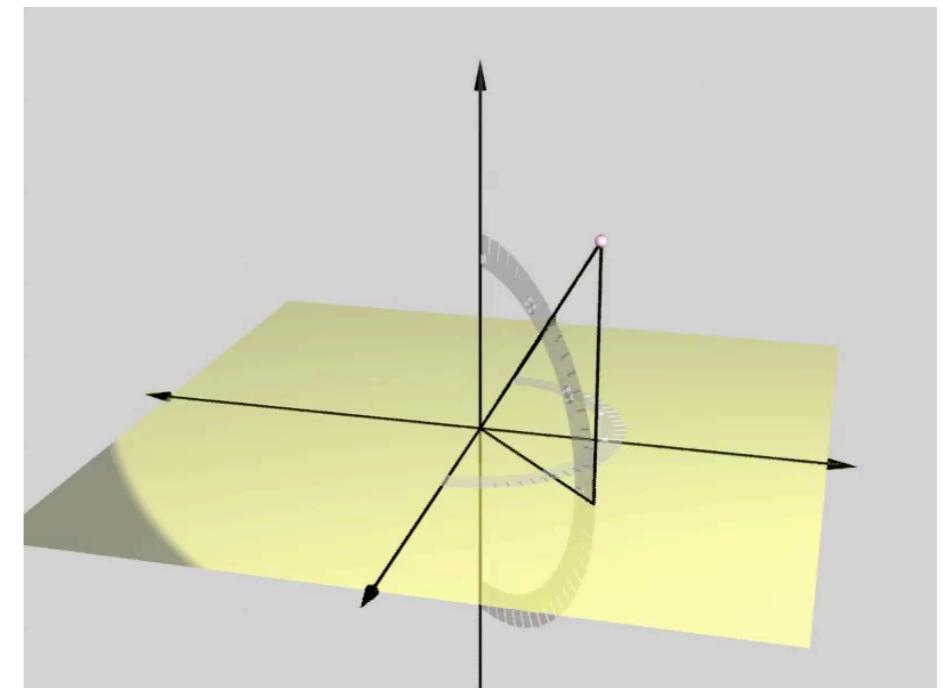
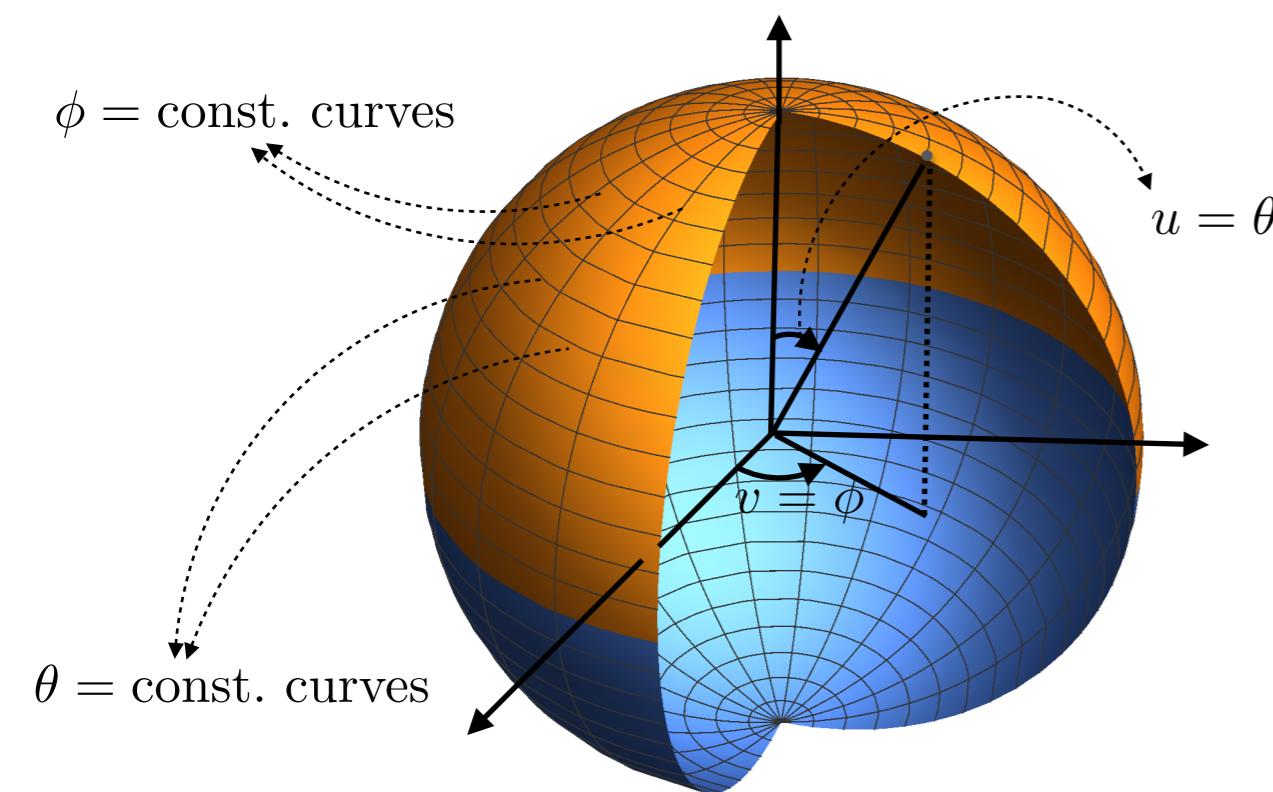
$$x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = a^2$$

Parametric representation of a surface

Most generally, any arbitrary surface can be parametrically defined in terms of two real, orthogonal parameters (u, v) and real valued functions $x(u, v), y(u, v), z(u, v)$.

$$\vec{r}(u, v) = (x(u, v), y(u, v), z(u, v))$$

Example



We parametrise the sphere as

$$\vec{r}(\theta, \phi) = (\sin \theta \cos \phi, \sin \theta \sin \phi, \cos \theta); \quad 0 \leq \theta \leq \pi, \quad 0 \leq \phi \leq 2\pi$$

- ★ For $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$ (i.e. const.), $\vec{r}(\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}, \phi) = (\cos \phi, \sin \phi, 0) \implies$ Circle (latitude)
 - ★ For $\phi = \frac{\pi}{2}$ (i.e. const.), $\vec{r}(\theta, \phi = \frac{\pi}{2}) = (0, \sin \theta, \cos \theta) \implies$ Circle (longitude)
- $u = \text{const. or } v = \text{const. curves} \implies \text{Parametric Curves}$

Concept of area as a vector

Imagine a tiny area (like a postage stamp) in 3 dimensions at some location \vec{r} . What can I do to specify it?

- how big it is?

da square meters (say).

- in which plane it lies?

in the xy plane (say)

it lies perpendicular to z axis

\implies A vector $d\vec{a}$, of magnitude da and direction along the z axis can be associated with this area.

But, there are two ways to draw \perp to xy plane: up or down the z axis.

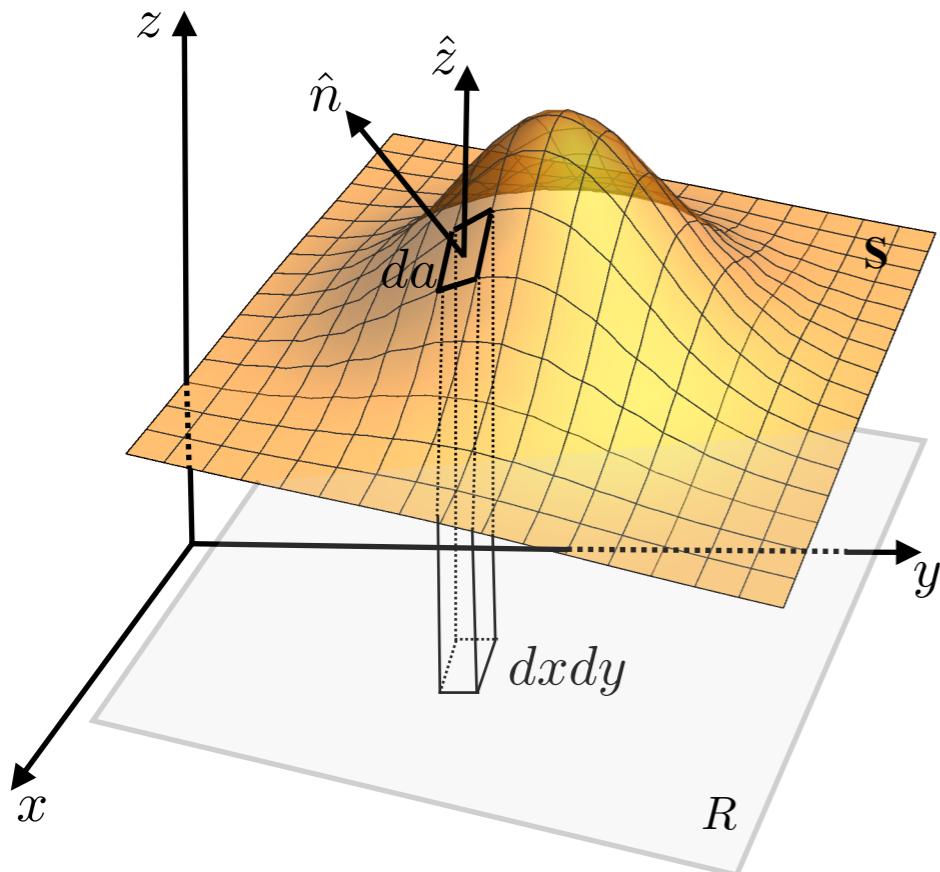
To further specify the area, to make it an oriented one, we draw arrows that run around the perimeter of the area in one of the two possible directions.

Area vector will point in the direction following the right hand thumb rule.

Only a planar area can be represented as a vector. Non-Planar areas like a hemisphere can not be represented by a single vector.

The use of right hand rule in defining areas might remind you of the cross product and indeed that is true as we will see soon.

Elementary area on a surface



- Let S be a smooth surface: $z = f(x, y)$.
- Project it on xy -plane: R be the projection.
- Choose an elementary area da on S and let \hat{n} be a unit vector perpendicular to it.
- Projection of da on xy -plane is $dxdy$.
$$\therefore dxdy = |\hat{n} \cdot \hat{z}| da$$
$$da = \frac{dxdy}{|\hat{n} \cdot \hat{z}|}$$
- Hence we can denote da as vector area

$$d\vec{a} = \left(\frac{dxdy}{|\hat{n} \cdot \hat{z}|} \right) \hat{n} = \hat{n} da$$

For an **open two-sided** surface, the “outward” normal shows the direction for the surface. Open surfaces are bounded by curves and “outward” normal is defined by the right hand rule-if the bounding curve is traversed in the direction of rotation of a right handed screw, the direction in which the head of screw moves is the direction of outward normal.

Elementary area: Parametrised surface

Suppose we have a cylinder of radius $R = 3$ units and parametrised by ϕ, z .

$$\vec{r}(\phi, z) = (3 \cos \phi, 3 \sin \phi, z); \quad 0 \leq \phi \leq 2\pi, \quad -2 \leq z \leq 2.$$

Take a point on the cylinder at $\phi = 0, z = 1$ and then $\vec{r}(\phi = 0, z = 1) = (3, 0, 1)$

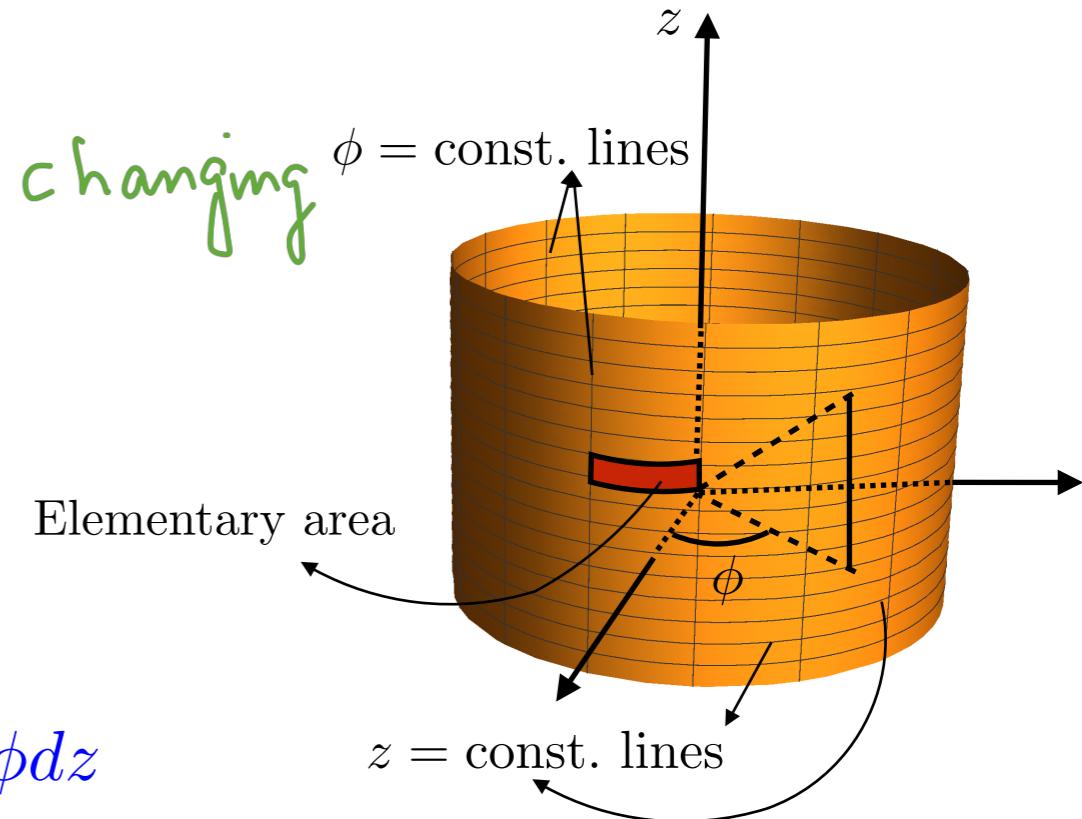
Choose an elementary area (shown in red)

Then $\overrightarrow{AB} = (\partial \vec{r} / \partial z) dz$ and $\overrightarrow{AC} = (\partial \vec{r} / \partial \phi) d\phi$

As ϕ is not changing

Normal vector at A : $\vec{n} = (\frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial \phi}) \times (\frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial z})$

Scalar area element $da = |\overrightarrow{AC} \times \overrightarrow{AB}| = |\vec{n}| d\phi dz$

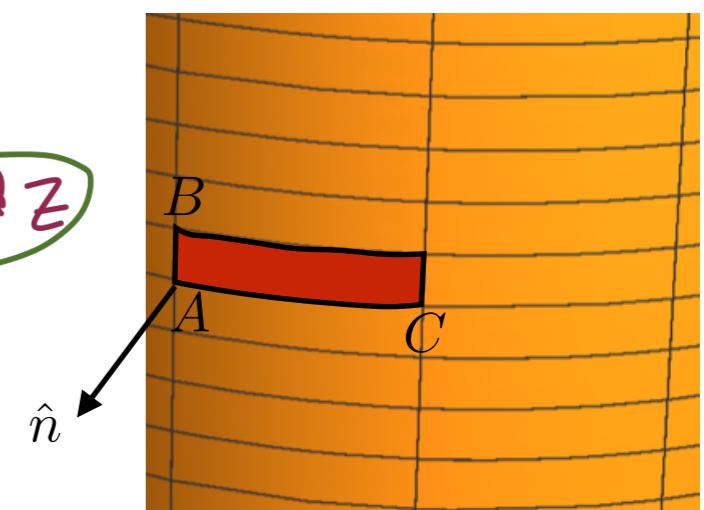


Elementary vector area $d\vec{a} = \left(\frac{\vec{n}}{|\vec{n}|} \right) da = \vec{n} d\phi dz$

$$= \hat{n} |\vec{n}| d\phi dz$$

$$= \hat{n} da$$

H.W. : Complete the calculation for $\vec{S} = (3, 0, 1)$.



Home Work .

$$\vec{n} = \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial \phi} \times \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial z}$$

$$\vec{r} = 3 \cos \varphi \hat{x} + 3 \sin \varphi \hat{y} + z \hat{z}$$

$$\therefore \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial \varphi} = -3 \sin \varphi \hat{x} + 3 \cos \varphi \hat{y}$$

$$\frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial z} = \hat{z}$$

$$\therefore \vec{n} = -3 \sin \varphi (\hat{x} \times \hat{z}) + 3 \cos \varphi (\hat{y} \times \hat{z})$$

$$= -3 \sin \varphi (-\hat{y}) + 3 \cos \varphi \hat{x}$$

$$(\varphi = 0, z = 1) \rightarrow_0 +3\hat{x} = 3\hat{x}$$

$$\therefore \hat{n} = \frac{\vec{n}}{|\vec{n}|} = \frac{3\hat{x}}{3} = \hat{x}$$

$$\therefore d\vec{a} = \hat{n} da = \hat{x} d\varphi dz |\vec{n}|$$

$$= \hat{x} 3 d\phi dz$$

Surface integrals

For scalar fields

If we have a surface parametrised by $\vec{r}(u, v)$, then the surface integral of a scalar field is given by

$$\int_S T \, da = \int_R T(\vec{r}(u, v)) \, da = \int_R T(\vec{r}(u, v)) \left| \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial u} \times \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial v} \right| \, dudv$$

For vector fields

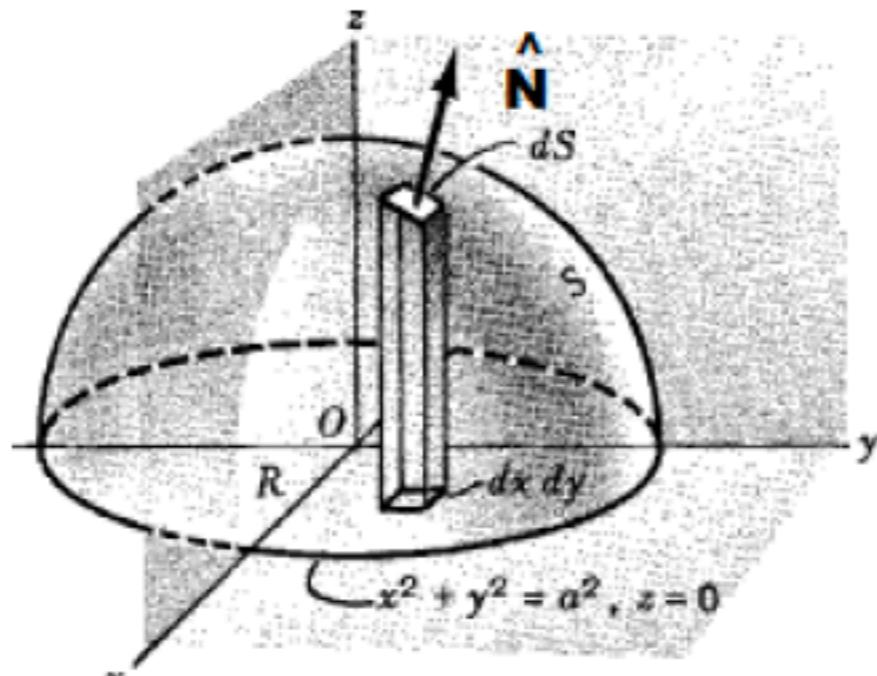
If we have a vector field \vec{v} , then the surface integral of the vector field over the surface parametrised by $\vec{r}(u, v)$ is

$$\int_S \vec{v} \cdot d\vec{a} = \int_R \vec{v}(\vec{r}(u, v)) \cdot \hat{n} \, da = \int_R \vec{v}(\vec{r}(u, v)) \cdot \left| \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial u} \times \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial v} \right| \hat{n} \, dudv$$

Example

The area of the upper hemispherical surface of radius a , i.e.,

$$F(x, y, z) = x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - a^2 = 0; z > 0$$



A normal to $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = a^2$ is

$$\nabla(x^2 + y^2 + z^2) = 2x \mathbf{i} + 2y \mathbf{j} + 2z \mathbf{k}$$

Then the unit normal is

$$\mathbf{N} = \frac{2x \mathbf{i} + 2y \mathbf{j} + 2z \mathbf{k}}{\sqrt{4x^2 + 4y^2 + 4z^2}} = \frac{x \mathbf{i} + y \mathbf{j} + z \mathbf{k}}{a}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Area} &= \iint_R \frac{dx dy}{|\mathbf{N} \cdot \mathbf{k}|} = \iint_R \frac{dx dy}{z/a} = \int_{x=-a}^a \int_{y=-\sqrt{a^2-x^2}}^{\sqrt{a^2-x^2}} \frac{dy dx}{\sqrt{a^2-x^2-y^2}} \\ &= \int_{\phi=0}^{2\pi} \int_{\rho=0}^a \frac{\rho d\rho d\phi}{\sqrt{a^2-\rho^2}} = 2\pi a^2\end{aligned}$$

where $x = \rho \cos \phi$, $y = \rho \sin \phi$ and $dy dx$ is replaced by $\rho d\rho d\phi$.

Example:

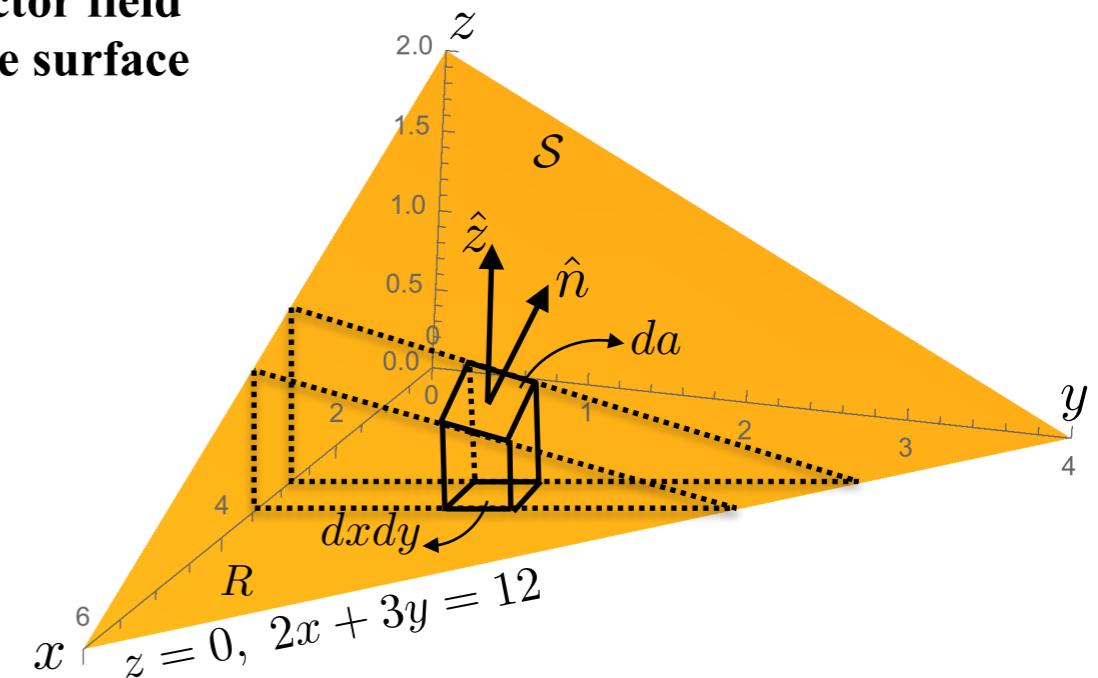
Evaluate $\int_S \vec{A} \cdot d\vec{a}$, where $\vec{A} = 18z\hat{x} - 12\hat{y} + 3y\hat{z}$ and S is that part of the plane $2x + 3y + 6z = 12$ which is located in the first octant.

The surface S and its projection R are shown in figure.

We have already seen that

$$\begin{aligned}\int_S \vec{A} \cdot d\vec{a} &= \int_S \vec{A} \cdot \hat{n} da \\ &= \int_R \vec{A} \cdot \hat{n} \frac{dxdy}{|\hat{n} \cdot \hat{z}|}\end{aligned}$$

Flux of vector field through the surface



To find the normal to the surface:

A vector perpendicular to $2x + 3y + 6z = 12$ is given by $\vec{\nabla}(2x + 3y + 6z) = 2\hat{x} + 3\hat{y} + 6\hat{z}$.

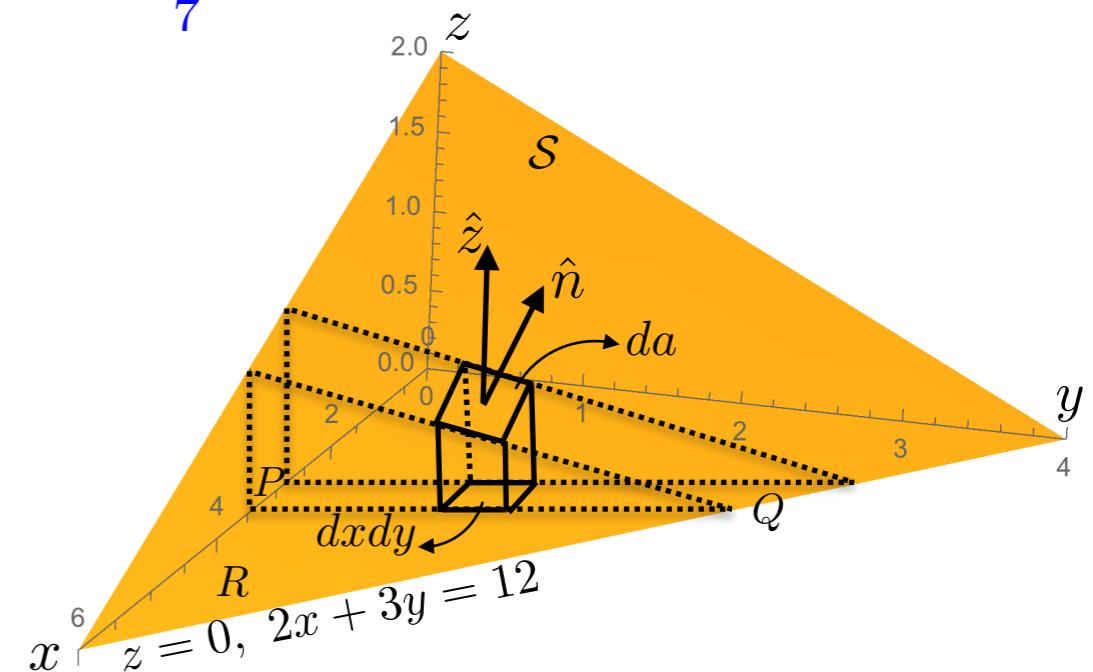
Then a unit normal to any point on S is: $\hat{n} = \frac{2\hat{x} + 3\hat{y} + 6\hat{z}}{\sqrt{2^2 + 3^2 + 6^2}} = \frac{2}{7}\hat{x} + \frac{3}{7}\hat{y} + \frac{6}{7}\hat{z}$

Example (contd.):

Then $\hat{n} \cdot \hat{z} = (\frac{2}{7}\hat{x} + \frac{3}{7}\hat{y} + \frac{6}{7}\hat{z}) \cdot \hat{z} = \frac{6}{7}$ and $\frac{dxdy}{|\hat{n} \cdot \hat{z}|} = \frac{7}{6}dxdy$.

Also, $\vec{A} \cdot \hat{n} = (18z\hat{x} - 12\hat{y} + 3y\hat{z}) \cdot (\frac{2}{7}\hat{x} + \frac{3}{7}\hat{y} + \frac{6}{7}\hat{z}) = \frac{(36-12x)}{7}$, using the fact that $z = \frac{12-2x-3y}{6}$.

$$\begin{aligned}\int_S \vec{A} \cdot \hat{n} da &= \int_R \vec{A} \cdot \hat{n} \frac{dxdy}{|\hat{n} \cdot \hat{z}|} \\ &= \int_R \left(\frac{36-12x}{7} \right) \frac{7}{6} dxdy\end{aligned}$$



The integral is a double integral and to do it, first keep x fixed and integrate with respect to y from $y = 0$ (P in the figure) to $y = \frac{12-2x}{3}$ (Q in the figure); then integrate w.r.t. x from $x = 0$ to $x = 6$.

$$\int_{x=0}^6 \int_{y=0}^{(12-2x)/3} (6 - 2x) dxdy = \int_{x=0}^6 (24 - 12x + \frac{4x^2}{3}) dx = 24$$

Volume Integrals

Consider a closed surface in space enclosing a volume. Then,

$$\int_{\mathcal{V}} \vec{v} d\tau \text{ and } \int_{\mathcal{V}} T d\tau$$

are examples of volume integrals. Here $d\tau$ represents elementary volume.

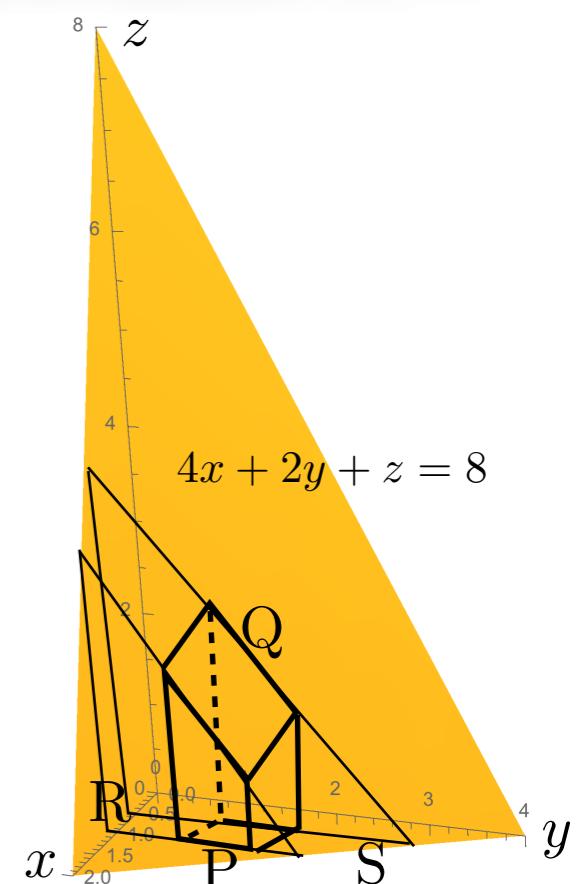
Example:

Let $\phi = 45x^2y$ and let \mathcal{V} denotes a closed region bounded by the planes $4x + 2y + z = 8$, $x = 0$, $y = 0$, $z = 0$. Evaluate the integral $\int_{\mathcal{V}} \phi d\tau$.

Strategy

Keep x and y constant and integrate from $z = 0$ (base of the column PQ in figure) to $z = 8 - 4x - 2y$ (top of the column PQ)

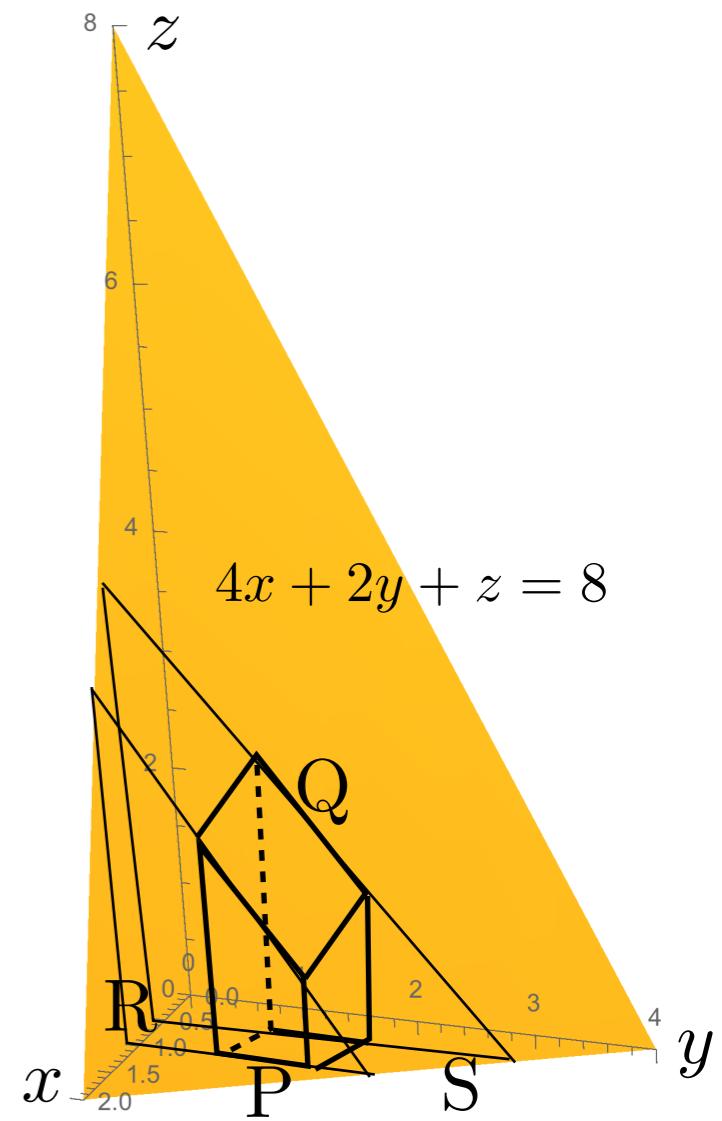
Next keep x constant and integrate w.r.t y . This amounts to addition of columns having bases in the xy plane ($z = 0$) located anywhere from R (where $y = 0$) to S (where $4x + 2y = 8$ or $y = 4 - 2x$), and the integrations from $y = 0$ to $y = 4 - 2x$.



Volume Integrals

Finally add all slabs parallel to yz plane, which amounts to integration from $x = 0$ to $x = 2$.

$$\begin{aligned}\int_{\mathcal{V}} \phi d\tau &= \int_{x=0}^2 \int_{y=0}^{4-2x} \int_{z=0}^{8-4x-2y} 45x^2 y dz dy dx \\&= 45 \int_{x=0}^2 \int_{y=0}^{4-2x} x^2 y (8 - 4x - 2y) dy dx \\&= 45 \int_{x=0}^2 \frac{8}{3} x^2 (2-x)^3 dx \\&= 120 \int_{x=0}^2 x^2 (2-x)^3 dx \\&= 120 \times \frac{16}{15} = 128\end{aligned}$$



Physically the result can be interpreted as the mass of the region \mathcal{V} in which the density varies according to the formula $\phi = 45x^2y$.

What did we learn today:

- Generalisation of idea of integration in one variable to many variables.
- Parametrisation of curves and surfaces.
- Line integral of a scalar field f over a curve C whose parametric representation is given by the path $\vec{r}(t)$ is given by $\int_C f dr = \int_a^b f(\vec{r}(t)) |\vec{r}'(t)| dt$.
- Line integral of a vector field is given by $\int_C \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} = \int_a^b \vec{F}(\vec{r}(t)) \cdot \vec{r}'(t) dt$.
- Surface integral of a scalar field is given by $\int_S f da = \int_R f(\vec{r}(u, v)) da = \int_R f(\vec{r}(u, v)) \left| \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial u} \times \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial v} \right| du dv$
- Surface integral of a scalar field is given by $\int_S \vec{v} \cdot d\vec{a} = \int_R \vec{v}(\vec{r}(u, v)) \cdot \hat{n} da = \int_R \vec{v}(\vec{r}(u, v)) \cdot \left| \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial u} \times \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial v} \right| \hat{n} du dv$.
- The volume integral of a scalar and a vector field can be written as $\int_V T d\tau$ and $\int_V \vec{v} d\tau$ respectively.