

Multi-Variable Calculus - Notes

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1 Review of Differential Calculus with Multi-Variable Functions

1.1 General Maps, $\mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$

Definition 1.1 - Scalar Map

A *scalar map* maps a real-valued vector to a single real value.

They can be represented by the signature $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Definition 1.2 - Vector Map

A *vector map* maps a real-valued vector to another real-valued vector.

They can be represented by the signature $\mathbf{F} : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n, m, n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Vector maps can be considered as a collection of linear maps, so can be considered as

$$\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{pmatrix} F_1(\mathbf{x}) \\ \vdots \\ F_n(\mathbf{x}) \end{pmatrix} \quad F_i : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, i = \{1, \dots, n\}, \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^m$$

Definition 1.3 - Linear Map

A general map, $\mathbf{F} : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$, is *linear* if

$$\forall \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^m \ \& \ \lambda, \mu \in \mathbb{R}, \quad \mathbf{F}(\lambda\mathbf{x} + \mu\mathbf{y}) = \lambda\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}) + \mu\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{y})$$

Proposition 1.1 - Linear Maps as Matrices

\forall linear maps, $\mathbf{F} : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n \exists A \in M_{n,m}(\mathbb{R})$ st $\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}) = A\mathbf{x}$.

1.2 Derivative of a Map

Definition 1.4 - Derivative

The *derivative* of a general map, $\mathbf{F} : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$, is an $n \times m$ matrix, \mathbf{F}' st $\{\mathbf{F}'(\mathbf{x})\}_{ij} = \frac{\partial F_i}{\partial x_j}$.

Definition 1.5 - Derivative of Single Variable Linear Maps

The *derivative* of a single variable linear map, $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, is the map, $f' : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, st the line formed by

$$y = f(x_0) + (x - x_0)f'(x_0)$$

is the tangent to f at $x - x_0$.

Definition 1.6 - Derivative of a Single Variable Map

The *derivative*, f' , of a single variable map, $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, can be defined as a limit

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

Definition 1.7 - Derivative of Multi-Variable Maps

The *derivative* of a multi-variable map, $\mathbf{F} : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$, is a matrix, $\mathbf{F}' \in M_{n,m}$, st $\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}_0) + \mathbf{F}'(\mathbf{x}_0)(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_0)$ is a tangent plane at $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}_0$ to the *hyper surface* of $\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x})$.

Proposition 1.2 - Derivative of a Linear Map

If a map $\mathbf{F} : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is linear st $\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}) = A\mathbf{x}$, $A \in M_{n,m}$.

Then $\mathbf{F}'(\mathbf{x}) = A$.

Proof

$$\begin{aligned} \text{We know } \mathbf{F}_i &= \sum_{k=1}^m A_{ik}x_k \\ \implies \frac{\partial F_i}{\partial x_j} &= \{\mathbf{F}'\}_{ij} \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^m A_{ik} \frac{\partial x_k}{\partial x_j} \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^m A_{ik} \delta_{kj} \\ &= A_{ij} \end{aligned}$$

Definition 1.8 - Jacobian Matrix

The matrix, A , produced by the derivative of a vector map $\mathbf{F} : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$, with elements $A_{ij} = \frac{\partial F_i}{\partial x_j}$, is called the *Jacobian Matrix*.

1.3 The Gradient of a Function**Definition 1.9 - Gradient of a Scalar Function**

The *gradient* of a scalar function, $f : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, is defined as

$$\nabla f = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_m} \end{pmatrix}$$

Remark 1.1 - Jacobian Matrix as Vector of Gradients

Each row of a *Jacobian Matrix* can be considered as the *gradient* of that component of the map, as each component is scalar.

$$\mathbf{F}' = \begin{pmatrix} \nabla F_1^T \\ \vdots \\ \nabla F_n^T \end{pmatrix}$$

1.4 Directional Derivative**Definition 1.10 - Directional Derivative**

The *directional derivative* of a map gives the rate of change in a given direction.

For a map, $\mathbf{F} : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$, at a given point, $\mathbf{x}_0 \in \mathbb{R}^m$, in the given direction, $\hat{\mathbf{v}} \in \mathbb{R}^m$, the *directional derivative* is a vector in \mathbb{R}^n given by the formula

$$D_{\hat{\mathbf{v}}} \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}_0) = \begin{pmatrix} \left. \frac{d}{dt} F_1(\mathbf{x}_0 + t\hat{\mathbf{v}}) \right|_{t=0} \\ \vdots \\ \left. \frac{d}{dt} F_n(\mathbf{x}_0 + t\hat{\mathbf{v}}) \right|_{t=0} \end{pmatrix}$$

This can be simplified to

$$D_{\hat{\mathbf{v}}} \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}_0) = \mathbf{F}'(\mathbf{x}_0)\hat{\mathbf{v}}$$

Proof

$$\begin{aligned} D_{\hat{\mathbf{v}}} \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}_0) &= \left. \frac{d}{dt} \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}_0 + t\hat{\mathbf{v}}) \right|_{t=0} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}_0 + (t+h)\hat{\mathbf{v}}) - \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}_0 + t\hat{\mathbf{v}})}{h} \Big|_{t=0} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}_0 + h\hat{\mathbf{v}}) - \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}_0)}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}_0) + \mathbf{F}'(\mathbf{x}_0)(\mathbf{x}_0 + h\hat{\mathbf{v}} - \mathbf{x}_0) - \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}_0)}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \mathbf{F}'(\mathbf{x}_0)\hat{\mathbf{v}} \\ &= \mathbf{F}'(\mathbf{x}_0)\hat{\mathbf{v}} \end{aligned}$$

Remark 1.2 - Directional Derivative of a Scalar Map

For a scalar map, $f : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, the *directional derivative* is simplified to

$$D_{\hat{\mathbf{v}}} f(\mathbf{x}_0) = \nabla f \cdot \hat{\mathbf{v}} \in \mathbb{R}$$

1.5 Operations on Maps & their Derivatives**Theorem 1.1 - Derivative of Map Sums**

Let $\mathbf{F}, \mathbf{G}, \mathbf{H} : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ st $\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{F} + \mathbf{G}$.

Then $\mathbf{H}' = \mathbf{F}' + \mathbf{G}'$.

Proof

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{H}' &= \frac{\partial H_i}{\partial x_j} \\ &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} (F_i + G_i) \\ &= \frac{\partial F_i}{\partial x_j} + \frac{\partial G_i}{\partial x_j} \\ &= \mathbf{F}' + \mathbf{G}' \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 1.2 - Derivative of Scalar & Vector Map Compositions

Let $\mathbf{F}, \mathbf{H} : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ & $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ st $\mathbf{H}(\mathbf{x}) = f(\mathbf{x})\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x})$.

Then

$$\begin{aligned} \{\mathbf{H}'(\mathbf{x})\}_{ij} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} [f(\mathbf{x})F_i(\mathbf{x})] \\ &= \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_j}(\mathbf{x})F_i(\mathbf{x}) + f(\mathbf{x})\frac{\partial F_i}{\partial x_j}(\mathbf{x}) \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 1.3 - Chain Rule for Multi-Variable Functions

Let $\mathbf{F} : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$, $\mathbf{G} : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^p$ & $H : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^p$.

Define $\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{G} \cdot \mathbf{F}$. Then

$$\mathbf{H}'(\mathbf{x}) = (\mathbf{G}' \cdot \mathbf{F})(\mathbf{x})\mathbf{F}'(\mathbf{x})$$

Proof

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Note that } H_i &= G_i \begin{pmatrix} F_1(x_1, \dots, x_m) \\ \vdots \\ F_n(x_1, \dots, x_m) \end{pmatrix} \\ \implies \mathbf{H}'_{ij} &= \frac{\partial H_i}{\partial x_j} \\ &= \frac{\partial G_i}{\partial x_1} \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial x_j} + \dots + \frac{\partial G_i}{\partial x_n} \frac{\partial F_n}{\partial x_j} \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\partial G_i}{\partial x_k} \cdot \frac{\partial F_k}{\partial x_j} \end{aligned}$$

1.6 Inverse Maps**Definition 1.11 - Inverse Map**

Let $\mathbf{F}, \mathbf{G} : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$.

\mathbf{G} is the *inverse map* of \mathbf{F} if $(\mathbf{G} \cdot \mathbf{F})(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x}$.

Then, \mathbf{G} can be written as $\mathbf{G} = \mathbf{F}^{-1}$.

Remark 1.3 - Inverse Derivative

Since $(\mathbf{F}^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{F})(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x} = I\mathbf{x}$, where I is the identity matrix.

By differentiating we find $\mathbf{F}^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{F} = (\mathbf{F}^{-1})'(\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x})) \mathbf{F}'(\mathbf{x}) = I$.

Thus $(\mathbf{F}^{-1})'(\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x})) = (\mathbf{F}'(\mathbf{x}))^{-1}$.

The derivative of the inverse = Inverse of the derivative.

$$g'(f) = (f'(g))^{-1}$$

Remark 1.4 - Solving Inverse Derivatives

Let $\mathbf{F} : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ be a general map and $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^m$. Then

$$(\mathbf{F}^{-1}(\mathbf{x}))' = \frac{1}{\mathbf{F}'(\mathbf{F}^{-1}(\mathbf{x}))}$$

Remark 1.5 - When is a Matrix Invertible?

A matrix A is *invertible* if $\det(A) \neq 0$.

1.7 Solving Equations**Definition 1.12 - Jacobian Determinant**

Let $\mathbf{F} : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ be a general map.

The *Jacobian Determinant* is the determinant of the Jacobian Matrix of \mathbf{F} .

$$J_{\mathbf{F}}(\mathbf{x}_0) := \left. \frac{\partial(F_1, \dots, F_n)}{\partial(x_1, \dots, x_n)} \right|_{\mathbf{x}=\mathbf{x}_0}$$

Proof (Informal)

For $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ close to \mathbf{x}_0 we can use $\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}_0) + \mathbf{F}'(\mathbf{x}_0)(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_0)$ to approximate $\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x})$.

So

$$\begin{aligned} y &= \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}) \\ &\approx \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}_0) + \mathbf{F}'(\mathbf{x}_0)(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_0) \\ \implies \mathbf{x} &\approx \mathbf{x}_0 + [\mathbf{F}'(\mathbf{x}_0)]^{-1}(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{y}_0) \end{aligned}$$

Since $\mathbf{y}_0 = \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}_0)$ but relies on the existence of the inverse of the Jacobian.

Theorem 1.4 - Inverse Function Theorem

Let $\mathbf{F} : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ & $\mathbf{x}_0, \mathbf{y}_0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$ st $\mathbf{y}_0 = \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}_0)$.

The *Inverse Function Theorem* states

If $J_{\mathbf{F}}(\mathbf{x}_0) \neq 0$ then $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x})$ can be solved uniquely as $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{F}^{-1}(\mathbf{y})$ for \mathbf{y} in the neighbourhood of \mathbf{y}_0 .

Remark 1.6 - Inverse Function Theorem & Lack of Inverse

The *Inverse Function Theorem* does not say anything about the case where the inverse does not exist.

Definition 1.13 - Implicit Function

An *implicit function* is a function in which one variable cannot be explicitly expressed in terms of another.

Example - $x^2 + y^2 = 1$.

Theorem 1.5 - Implicit Function Theorem

Consider $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^m$, $\mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ & $\mathbf{F} : \mathbb{R}^{m+n} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ where \mathbf{F} a system of non-linear equations.

Suppose $\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \mathbf{0}$ is satisfied by $(\mathbf{x}_0, \mathbf{y}_0)$.

The *Implicit Function Theorem* states

If $J_{\mathbf{F}}(\mathbf{x}_0, \mathbf{y}_0) \neq 0$ we can express $\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \mathbf{0}$ in the form $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{y}(\mathbf{x})$ for $\mathbf{y} : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ in the neighbourhood of \mathbf{y}_0 .

Proof (Informal)

The i^{th} component of $\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}_0, \mathbf{y}_0) = \mathbf{0}$ is $F_i(x_1, \dots, x_n, y_1, \dots, y_n) = 0$

but $y_i = y_i(x_1, \dots, x_n) \forall i \in [1, n]$

So by taking $\frac{\partial F_i}{\partial x_j}$ and, using the chain rule, we get

$$\frac{\partial F_i}{\partial x_j} + \frac{\partial F_i}{\partial y_1} \cdot \frac{\partial y_1}{\partial x_j} + \dots + \frac{\partial F_i}{\partial y_n} \cdot \frac{\partial y_n}{\partial x_j} = 0$$

This can be expressed as

$$\begin{aligned} & \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial x_1} & \cdots & \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial x_m} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial F_n}{\partial x_1} & \cdots & \frac{\partial F_n}{\partial x_m} \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial y_1} & \cdots & \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial y_n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial F_n}{\partial y_1} & \cdots & \frac{\partial F_n}{\partial y_n} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial y_1}{\partial x_1} & \cdots & \frac{\partial y_1}{\partial x_m} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial y_n}{\partial x_1} & \cdots & \frac{\partial y_n}{\partial x_m} \end{pmatrix} = 0 \\ \Rightarrow & \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial y_1}{\partial x_1} & \cdots & \frac{\partial y_1}{\partial x_m} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial y_n}{\partial x_1} & \cdots & \frac{\partial y_n}{\partial x_m} \end{pmatrix} = - \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial y_1} & \cdots & \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial y_n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial F_n}{\partial y_1} & \cdots & \frac{\partial F_n}{\partial y_n} \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial x_1} & \cdots & \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial x_m} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial F_n}{\partial x_1} & \cdots & \frac{\partial F_n}{\partial x_m} \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

By **Definition 1.6** we have that, for \mathbf{x} near \mathbf{x}_0 ,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{y} &\approx \mathbf{y}(\mathbf{x}_0) + \mathbf{y}'(\mathbf{x}_0)(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_0) \\ &= \mathbf{y}_0 + \mathbf{y}'(\mathbf{x}_0)(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_0) \end{aligned}$$

So \mathbf{y} is near \mathbf{y}_0 provided $\mathbf{y}'(\mathbf{x}_0)$ exists. (i.e. $J_{\mathbf{F}}(\mathbf{x}_0, \mathbf{y}_0) \neq 0$).

Remark 1.7 - *Linear Maps & Implicit Function Theorem*

If $\mathbf{F} : \mathbb{R}^{m+n} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is linear in \mathbf{y} then $\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \mathbf{0}$ can be written in the form

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x})$$

Thus it can use the *inverse function theorem*.

1.8 Higher-Order Derivatives

Remark 1.8 - *Second Order Derivatives*

$$\frac{\partial^2 F_i}{\partial x_j \partial x_k} = \frac{\partial^2 F_i}{\partial x_k \partial x_j}$$

Theorem 1.6 - *Taylor's Theorem for Single Variable Scalar Functions*

For scalar functions $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ Taylor's Theorem states

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= f(x_0) \\ &+ (x - x_0)f'(x_0) \\ &+ \frac{1}{2!}(x - x_0)^2 f''(x_0) \\ &\vdots \\ &+ \frac{1}{n!}(x - x_0)^n f^{(n)}(x_0) \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 1.7 - *Taylor's Theorem for Double Variable Scalar Functions*

For scalar functions $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ Taylor's the

$$\begin{aligned} f(x, y) &= f(x_0, y_0) \\ &+ (f_x(x_0, y_0) \ f_y(x_0, y_0)) \begin{pmatrix} x - x_0 \\ y - y_0 \end{pmatrix} \\ &+ \frac{1}{2!} \begin{pmatrix} x - x_0 & y - y_0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} f_{xx}(x_0, y_0) & f_{xy}(x_0, y_0) \\ f_{yx}(x_0, y_0) & f_{yy}(x_0, y_0) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x - x_0 \\ y - y_0 \end{pmatrix} \\ &+ \text{higher order terms} \end{aligned}$$

Remark 1.9 - *Taylor's Theorem - Vector Functions*

For vector functions, $\mathbf{F} : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$, each component is a scalar function so by *Taylor's Theorem*

$$F_i(\mathbf{x}) = f_i(\mathbf{x}_0) + (\nabla f_i)^T(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_0) + \text{higher order terms, } \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^m$$

Consider the whole function we get

$$\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}_0) + \mathbf{F}'(\mathbf{x}_0)(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_0) + \text{higher order terms}$$

If $\mathbf{x} \approx \mathbf{x}_0$ & $|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_0|^2 < |\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_0|$ then

$$\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}) \approx \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}_0) + \mathbf{F}'(\mathbf{x}_0)(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_0)$$

Since the higher order terms tend to size $|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_0|^2$.

2 Differential Vector Calculus

2.1 Linear Algebra

Theorem 2.1 - Sampling Property

Using the *Einstein summation convention*

$$x_i = \delta_{ij}x_j$$

Remark 2.1 - Cross Product is Anti-Commutative

$$\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v} = -\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{u}$$

Proof

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v} &= \begin{pmatrix} u_2v_3 - u_3v_2 \\ u_3v_1 - u_1v_3 \\ u_1v_2 - u_2v_1 \end{pmatrix} \\ \mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{u} &= \begin{pmatrix} u_3v_2 - u_2v_3 \\ u_1v_3 - u_3v_1 \\ u_2v_1 - u_1v_2 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} -(u_2v_3 - u_3v_2) \\ -(u_3v_1 - u_1v_3) \\ -(u_1v_2 - u_2v_1) \end{pmatrix} \\ &= -\begin{pmatrix} u_2v_3 - u_3v_2 \\ u_3v_1 - u_1v_3 \\ u_1v_2 - u_2v_1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= -\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v} \end{aligned}$$

Remark 2.2 - Values of Levi-Civita Tensor in \mathbb{R}^3

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{E}_{123} = \mathcal{E}_{231} = \mathcal{E}_{312} &= 1 \\ \mathcal{E}_{231} = \mathcal{E}_{132} = \mathcal{E}_{321} &= -1 \\ \text{All other cases} &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Proposition 2.1 - Cross Product with Levi-Civita Tensor Notation

By expanding the first component of the cross product we find

$$\begin{aligned} [\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v}]_1 &= u_2v_3 - u_3v_2 \\ &= 0.u_1v_1 + 0.u_1v_2 + 0.u_1v_3 \\ &\quad + 0.u_2v_1 + 0.u_2v_2 + 1.u_2v_3 \\ &\quad + 0.u_3v_1 - 1.u_3v_2 + 0.u_3v_3 \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^3 \sum_{k=1}^3 \mathcal{E}_{1jk}u_jv_k \\ &= \mathcal{E}_{1jk}u_jv_k \end{aligned}$$

By considering the second & third components we find

$$[\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v}]_i = \mathcal{E}_{ijk}u_jv_k$$

Proposition 2.2 - Double Levi-Civita Tensor Product

The formula for the product of two *Levi-Civita tensors* with one shared variable is given by

$$\mathcal{E}_{ijk}\mathcal{E}_{ilm} = \delta_{jl}\delta_{km} - \delta_{jm}\delta_{kl}$$

This is found by considering all combinations.

There are 81 combinations but it is easy to discount most the zero-valued ones quickly.

Remark 2.3 - Proving a Vector identity

When proving a vector identity it is best to do so by comparing components.

i.e. Show the i^{th} component of $LHS = i^{th}$ component of rHS .

Theorem 2.2 - Vector Triple Product

$$\mathbf{a} \times (\mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{c}) = (\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{c})\mathbf{b} - (\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b})\mathbf{c}$$

Proof

$$\begin{aligned} [\mathbf{a} \times (\mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{c})]_i &= \mathcal{E}_{ijk}a_j[\mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{c}]_k \\ &= \mathcal{E}_{ijk}a_j\mathcal{E}_{klm}b_lc_m \\ \text{By cycling } \mathcal{E}_{ijk} &= \mathcal{E}_{ijk}\mathcal{E}_{klm}a_jb_lc_m \\ &= (\delta_{il}\delta_{jm} - \delta_{im}\delta_{jl})a_jb_lc_m \\ &= (\delta_{il}b_i)(\delta_{jm}c_ma_j) - (\delta_{im}c_m)(\delta_{jl}b_la_j) \\ &= b_ic_ja_j - c_ib_ja_j \\ &= (\mathbf{c} \cdot \mathbf{a})b_i - (\mathbf{b} \cdot \mathbf{a})c_i \\ &= [(\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{c})\mathbf{b} - (\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b})\mathbf{c}]_i \end{aligned}$$

This is true for $i = 1, 2, 3$.

Since it holds for all components, the result holds.

2.2 Scalar & Vector Fields**Definition 2.1 - Scalar Field**

A *scalar field* on \mathbb{R}^3 is a function $f : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.

Definition 2.2 - Vector Field

A *vector field* on \mathbb{R}^3 is a map $\mathbf{v} : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$.

$$\mathbf{v}(\mathbf{r}) = (v_1(\mathbf{r}), v_2(\mathbf{r}), v_3(\mathbf{r}))$$

where $v_i(\mathbf{r})$ are scalar fields for $i = 1, 2, 3$.

Remark 2.4 - Some Physical Applications of Scalar & Vector Fields

Scalar Applications

- i) Temperature, $T(\mathbf{q})$;
- ii) Density, $\rho(\mathbf{r})$;
- iii) Electric Charge Density, $q(\mathbf{r})$.

Vector Applications

- i) Velocity, $\mathbf{v}(\mathbf{r})$;
- ii) Displacement, $\mathbf{s}(\mathbf{r})$.

All of these quantities are governed by differential equations in space (and time) & require integration to find.

2.3 Gradient

Definition 2.3 - Gradient of Scalar Fields

A *gradient* shows the direction of greatest increase of a scalar field.

$$\nabla f := \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} \right) \quad \text{OR} \quad [\nabla f]_i = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i}$$

N.B. - The gradient is only a property of a scalar field, never a vector field.

Proposition 2.3 - Gradient shows Direction of Greatest Increase

When $\nabla f \neq \mathbf{0}$ it shows the direction of greatest increase of f .

Proof

Let $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^3$ st $|\mathbf{v}| = 1$.

The rate of change of f in the direction of \mathbf{v} is $D_{\mathbf{v}}f = \nabla f \circ \mathbf{v} = |\nabla f| |\mathbf{v}| \cos \theta$ where θ is the angle between \mathbf{v} & ∇f .

This value is maximised when $\theta = 0$.

In this case \mathbf{v} is in the direction of ∇f .

Remark 2.5 - Gradient of Scalar Fields that only depends on Magnitude

Let $f : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a scalar field & $g : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a linear map st $f(\mathbf{r}) \equiv g(r) = g(|\mathbf{r}|)$. Then

$$\nabla g = \hat{\mathbf{r}}g'(r)$$

Proof

$$\begin{aligned} [\nabla g]_i &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} g(r) \\ \text{By chain rule} &= \frac{\partial r}{\partial x_i} \cdot \frac{\partial g}{\partial r} \\ &= [\nabla r]_i g'(r) \\ &= \frac{x_i}{r} g'(r) \\ \implies \nabla g &= \frac{\mathbf{r}}{r} g'(r) \\ &= \hat{\mathbf{r}} g'(r) \end{aligned}$$

Remark 2.6 - Gradient is Perpendicular to Surface

The gradient of a function is perpendicular to the level surface of the function.

Proof

Let $\mathbf{c}(t)$ lie on surface S .

$$\begin{aligned} \implies f(\mathbf{c}(t)) &= C \quad \forall t \\ \implies \frac{d}{dt} f(\mathbf{c}(t)) &= 0 \\ \implies \frac{d}{dt} \mathbf{c}(t) \circ \nabla f|_{\mathbf{c}(t)} &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Let $\mathbf{c}(t)$ be a point & $\mathbf{c}(t + \delta t)$ be a point in the future.

$$\begin{aligned} \implies d\mathbf{c} &= \mathbf{c}(t + \delta t) - \mathbf{c}(t) \\ \implies \frac{d\mathbf{c}}{dt} &= \lim_{\delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\mathbf{c}(t + \delta t) - \mathbf{c}(t)}{\delta t} \end{aligned}$$

So $\frac{d\mathbf{c}}{dt}$ lies in S .

Since $\nabla f \circ \frac{d\mathbf{c}}{dt} = 0$ and the dot product of two vectors is 0 iff they are perpendicular

Then ∇f must be perpendicular to S .

2.4 Divergence

Definition 2.4 - Divergence

The *Divergence* of a vector field, $\mathbf{v}(\mathbf{r}) : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$, is the scalar field, $\mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, given by

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla \circ \mathbf{v} &:= \frac{\partial v_1}{\partial x_1} + \frac{\partial v_2}{\partial x_2} + \frac{\partial v_3}{\partial x_3} \\ &\equiv \frac{\partial v_i}{\partial x_i} \\ &\equiv \delta_i v_i\end{aligned}$$

Remark 2.7 - Divergence is not the dot product

Divergence is not a dot product since ∇ is not a numerical vector, rather a differential operator.

N.B. - $\mathbf{v} \circ \nabla \equiv v_1 \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} + v_2 \frac{\partial}{\partial x_2} + v_3 \frac{\partial}{\partial x_3} \neq \nabla \circ \mathbf{v}$.

Remark 2.8 - Interpretation of Divergence

Divergence measures the expansion, when $\nabla \circ \mathbf{v} > 0$, or contraction, when $\nabla \circ \mathbf{v} < 0$, of a field.

Definition 2.5 - Curl

The *Curl* of a vector field, $\mathbf{v} : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$, is the vector field on \mathbb{R}^3 given by

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla \times \mathbf{v} &:= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{\mathbf{x}} & \hat{\mathbf{y}} & \hat{\mathbf{z}} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ v_1 & v_2 & v_3 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \hat{\mathbf{x}} \left(\frac{\partial v_3}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial v_2}{\partial z} \right) + \hat{\mathbf{y}} \left(\frac{\partial v_1}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial v_3}{\partial x} \right) + \hat{\mathbf{z}} \left(\frac{\partial v_2}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial v_1}{\partial y} \right) \\ \iff [\nabla \times \mathbf{v}]_i &= \varepsilon_{ijk} \frac{\partial v_k}{\partial x_j}\end{aligned}$$

Remark 2.9 - Interpretation of Curl

Curl measures local rotation of a vector field at a given point.

N.B. - When $\nabla \times \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{0}$ there is no local rotation.

Remark 2.10 - Curl of Position Vector

$$\begin{aligned}[\nabla \times \mathbf{r}]_i &= \varepsilon_{ijk} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} x_k \\ &= \varepsilon_{ijk} \delta_{jk} \\ &= \varepsilon_{ijj} \\ &= 0 \\ \implies \nabla \times \mathbf{r} &= \mathbf{0}\end{aligned}$$

2.5 Second Order Differential Operators

Proposition 2.4 - Valid Second Order Differential Operators

From the 3 first order differential operators, there are 9 possible second order differential operators.

However, due to their mappings, only 5 are valid.

- i) $\nabla \times (\nabla) - (\mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R})$.
- ii) $\nabla \circ (\nabla) - (\mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3)$
- iii) $\nabla(\nabla \circ) - (\mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3)$.
- iv) $\nabla \circ (\nabla \times) - (\mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R})$.
- v) $\nabla \times (\nabla \times) - (\mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3)$

Proposition 2.5 - Null Second Order Differential Operators

Of these 5 valid operators, 2 always produce $\mathbf{0}$ as their result.

- i) For any scalar field, $f : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $\nabla \times (\nabla f) = \mathbf{0}$.

Proof

$$\begin{aligned}
 [\nabla \times \nabla f]_i &= \varepsilon_{ijk} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} [\nabla f]_k \\
 &= \varepsilon_{ijk} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_k} \\
 &\equiv \varepsilon_{ijk} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_j} \\
 &= -\varepsilon_{ikj} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_j} \\
 &= -[\nabla \times \nabla f]_i \\
 \implies [\nabla \times \nabla f]_i &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

This is true for $i = 1, 2, 3$ so $\nabla \times \nabla f = \mathbf{0}$.

- iv) For any vector field, $\mathbf{v} : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$, $\nabla \circ (\nabla \times \mathbf{v}) = \mathbf{0}$.

Proof

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Since } \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} [\nabla \times \mathbf{v}]_i &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \varepsilon_{ijk} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} v_k \\
 &= -\frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \varepsilon_{jik} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} v_k \\
 &= -[\nabla \circ (\nabla \times \mathbf{v})]_i \\
 \implies \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} [\nabla \times \mathbf{v}]_i &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

This is true for $i = 1, 2, 3$ so $\nabla \circ (\nabla \times \mathbf{v}) = \mathbf{0}$.

Theorem 2.3 - Product Rules For Second Order Differential Operator

- i) $\nabla \circ (f\mathbf{v}) = f\nabla \circ \mathbf{v} + \nabla f \circ \mathbf{v}$.

Proof

$$\begin{aligned}
 \nabla \circ (f\mathbf{v}) &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} (fv_i) \\
 &= f \frac{\partial v_i}{\partial x_i} + v_i \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i} \\
 &= f\nabla \circ \mathbf{v} + \mathbf{v} \circ \nabla f
 \end{aligned}$$

- ii) $\nabla \times (f\mathbf{v}) = f\nabla \times \mathbf{v} + \nabla f \times \mathbf{v}$.

Proof

$$\begin{aligned}
 [\nabla \times (f\mathbf{v})]_i &= \varepsilon_{ijk} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} (fv_k) \\
 &= \varepsilon_{ijk} f \frac{\partial v_k}{\partial x_j} + \varepsilon_{ijk} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_j} v_k \\
 &= f[\nabla \times \mathbf{v}]_i + [\nabla f \times \mathbf{v}]_i
 \end{aligned}$$

- iii) $\nabla \circ (f\nabla g) = f\nabla \Delta g + \nabla f \circ \nabla g$.

Proof

$$\begin{aligned}
 \nabla \circ (f\nabla g) &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} (f\nabla g_i) \\
 &= f \frac{\partial \nabla g_i}{\partial x_i} + \nabla g \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i} \\
 &= f\nabla \circ \nabla g + \nabla g \circ \nabla f \\
 &= f\nabla \Delta g + \nabla f \circ \nabla g
 \end{aligned}$$

2.6 The Laplacian

Definition 2.6 - Laplacian

The *Laplacian* of a scalar field, $f(\mathbf{r}) : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, is the scalar field defined by

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta f &:= \nabla \circ (\nabla f) \\ &= \left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} \right) f \\ &= (\nabla \circ \nabla) f \\ &\equiv \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_i^2} f\end{aligned}$$

Remark 2.11 - The Laplacian of a Vector Field

Since *the Laplacian* can be applied to scalar components $v_1(\mathbf{r})$, $v_2(\mathbf{r})$, $v_3(\mathbf{r})$. Then we can apply it to a vector field $\mathbf{v}(\mathbf{r}) = (v_1(\mathbf{r}), v_2(\mathbf{r}), v_3(\mathbf{r}))$.

$$\Delta \mathbf{v} := (\Delta v_1, \Delta v_2, \Delta v_3)$$

Proposition 2.6 - The Laplacian is Anti-commutative

$$\Delta \mathbf{v} = \nabla(\nabla \circ \mathbf{v}) - \nabla \times (\nabla \times \mathbf{v})$$

Proof

$$\begin{aligned}[\nabla \times (\nabla \times \mathbf{v})]_i &= \varepsilon_{ijk} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} [\nabla \times \mathbf{v}]_k \\ &= \varepsilon_{ijk} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \varepsilon_{klm} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_l} v_m \\ &= \varepsilon_{kij} \varepsilon_{klm} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_l} v_m \\ &= (\delta_{il} \delta_{jm} - \delta_{im} \delta_{lj}) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_l} v_m \\ &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} v_j - \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} v_i \\ &= [\nabla(\nabla \circ \mathbf{v}) - \Delta \mathbf{v}]_i\end{aligned}$$

Proposition 2.7 - Product Rule for The Laplacian

Let $f(\mathbf{r}) : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a scalar field & $\mathbf{v}(\mathbf{r}) : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ be a vector field. Then

$$\nabla \circ (f(\mathbf{v})) = f(\nabla \circ \mathbf{v}) + (\nabla f) \circ \mathbf{v}$$

Proof

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla \circ (f(\mathbf{v})) &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} (f(v)_i) \\ &= f\left(\frac{\partial v_i}{\partial x_i}\right) + v_i \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i} \\ &= f(\nabla \circ \mathbf{v}) + (\nabla f) \circ \mathbf{v}\end{aligned}$$

2.7 Curvilinear Co-Ordinate Systems

Definition 2.7 - Curvilinear Co-Ordinates

Curvilinear Co-Ordinates are defined by a map

$$\mathbf{r} : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$$

which takes $\mathbf{q} \in \mathbb{R}^3$, representing variables of a co-ordinate system, as an input.

$$\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{r}(\mathbf{q}) = (x(\mathbf{q}), y(\mathbf{q}), z(\mathbf{q}))$$

N.B. - The same ideas hold for two dimensional co-ordinate systems.

Definition 2.8 - Metric Coefficients / Scale Factors

Let $\mathbf{r}(\mathbf{q})$ be a curvilinear co-ordinate system.

The *Metric Coefficients* of \mathbf{r} are

$$h_i := \left| \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial q_i} \right|$$

Proposition 2.8 - Polar Curvilinear Co-Ordinates

By considering polar co-ordinates, which are two dimensional, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{q} &= (r, \theta) \\ \Rightarrow \mathbf{r}(\mathbf{q}) &= (x(\mathbf{q}), y(\mathbf{q})) \\ &= (x(r, \theta), y(r, \theta)) \\ &= (r \cos \theta, r \sin \theta) \end{aligned}$$

Definition 2.9 - Co-Ordinate Surfaces

Co-Ordinate Surfaces are surfaces where $q_i = c$ for $i = 1, 2, 3$ and a constant c .

Definition 2.10 - Co-Ordinate Curves

Co-Ordinate Curves are the curves formed by the intersection of two *co-ordinate surfaces*.

Definition 2.11 - Co-Ordinate Axes

Co-ordinate Axes are determined by the tangents of *co-ordinate curves* at a point where three *co-ordinate surfaces* intersect.

N.B. - These are not, generally, fixed in space.

Proposition 2.9 - Expressing Points in Space Using Curvilinear Co-Ordinates

Consider the point $\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{r}(q_1, q_2, q_3)$.

We can determine the rate of change of \mathbf{r} in the direction $\hat{\mathbf{q}}_1$ as

$$\hat{\mathbf{q}}_1 := \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial q_1}(q_1, q_2, q_3)$$

Thus we can express any point in space as

$$\mathbf{r} = q_1 \hat{\mathbf{q}}_1 + q_2 \hat{\mathbf{q}}_2 + q_3 \hat{\mathbf{q}}_3$$

where $\hat{\mathbf{q}}_\alpha = \frac{1}{h_\alpha} \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial q_\alpha}$ and are unit vectors.

Remark 2.12 - Uniqueness of Curvilinear Co-Ordinates

The inverse function theorem tells us that there is a unique map from one system to another, **iff** the Jacobian determinant of this map is non-zero.

$$J_{\mathbf{r}} = \begin{vmatrix} h_1[\hat{\mathbf{q}}_1]_1 & h_2[\hat{\mathbf{q}}_2]_1 & h_3[\hat{\mathbf{q}}_3]_1 \\ h_1[\hat{\mathbf{q}}_1]_2 & h_2[\hat{\mathbf{q}}_2]_2 & h_3[\hat{\mathbf{q}}_3]_2 \\ h_1[\hat{\mathbf{q}}_1]_3 & h_2[\hat{\mathbf{q}}_2]_3 & h_3[\hat{\mathbf{q}}_3]_3 \end{vmatrix} \neq 0$$

Definition 2.12 - Orthogonal Curvilinear Co-Ordinate System

An *Orthogonal Curvilinear Co-Ordinate System* is a co-ordinate system formed by three mutually perpendicular unit vectors along the co-ordinate axes $\hat{\mathbf{q}}_1, \hat{\mathbf{q}}_2, \hat{\mathbf{q}}_3$.

N.B. - The convention is for these systems to be *right-handed*, so $\hat{\mathbf{q}}_1 = \hat{\mathbf{q}}_2 \times \hat{\mathbf{q}}_3$.

Proposition 2.10 - Curvilinear Co-Ordinates of Orthogonal Linear Maps

Let $R \in M_3(\mathbb{R})$ be a *orthogonal matrix* and $\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{r}(\mathbf{q}) = R\mathbf{q}$ such that $x_i = R_{ij}q_j$.

Then $\mathbf{r}'(\mathbf{q}) = R$.

$$\Rightarrow h_i = \left| \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial q_i} \right| = \sqrt{R_{1i}^2 + R_{2i}^2 + R_{3i}^2} \quad \forall i \in [1, 2, 3]$$

Since $R^T R = I \implies h_i = 1 \forall i \in [1, 2, 3]$.

So $\hat{\mathbf{q}}_j = (R_{1j}, R_{2j}, R_{3j})$.

Proposition 2.11 - *Curvilinear Co-Ordinate System of Cylindrical Polars*

In three dimensions cylindrical polars are defined by

$$(x, y, z) = \mathbf{r}(r, \theta, z) = (r \cos \theta, r \sin \theta, z)$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial r} &= (\cos \theta, \sin \theta, 0) \\ \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial \theta} &= (-r \sin \theta, r \cos \theta, 0) \\ \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial z} &= (0, 0, 1) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} h_r &= \sqrt{\cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta + 0^2} \\ &= 1 \\ h_\theta &= \sqrt{r^2 \cos^2 \theta + r^2 \sin^2 \theta + 0^2} \\ h_z &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

Thus the curvilinear co-ordinate system is

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\mathbf{r}} &= (\cos \theta, \sin \theta, 0) \\ \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}} &= (-\sin \theta, \cos \theta, 0) \\ \hat{\mathbf{z}} &= (0, 0, 1) \end{aligned}$$

Remark 2.13 - *Curvilinear Co-Ordinate System of Spherical Polars*

In three dimension, spherical polars are defined by

$$(x, y, z) = \mathbf{r}(r, \phi, \theta) = (r \sin \phi \cos \theta, r \sin \phi \sin \theta, r \cos \phi)$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial r} &= (\sin \phi \cos \theta, \sin \phi \sin \theta, \cos \phi) \\ \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial \phi} &= (r \cos \phi \cos \theta, r \cos \phi \sin \theta, -r \sin \phi) \\ \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial \theta} &= (-r \sin \phi \sin \theta, r \sin \phi \cos \theta, 0) \end{aligned}$$

And

$$\begin{aligned} h_r &= \sqrt{\sin^2 \phi (\sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta) + \cos^2 \phi} \\ &= 1 \\ h_\phi &= r \\ h_\theta &= r \sin \phi \end{aligned}$$

Thus the curvilinear co-ordinate system is

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\mathbf{r}} &= (\sin \phi \cos \theta, \sin \phi \sin \theta, \cos \phi) \\ \hat{\boldsymbol{\phi}} &= (\cos \phi \cos \theta, \cos \phi \sin \theta, -\sin \phi) \\ \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}} &= (-\sin \theta, \cos \theta, 0) \end{aligned}$$

2.8 Transformation of the Gradient

Proposition 2.12 - *Gradient as Cartesian Vector*

The differential operator ∇ can be given as a Cartesian vector

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla &= \hat{\mathbf{x}} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \hat{\mathbf{y}} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \hat{\mathbf{z}} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ &\equiv \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right) \end{aligned}$$

Proposition 2.13 - Transformation of Gradient

Consider $f(\mathbf{r}) \equiv f(\mathbf{r}(\mathbf{q}))$.

Then for $\alpha = 1, 2, 3$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{h_\alpha} \frac{\partial f}{\partial q_\alpha} &= \frac{1}{h_\alpha} \frac{\partial x_i}{\partial q_\alpha} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i} \\ &= [\hat{\mathbf{q}}_\alpha]_i [\nabla f]_i \\ &= \hat{\mathbf{q}}_\alpha \cdot \nabla f \end{aligned}$$

If $\mathbf{u} = u_1 \hat{\mathbf{q}}_1 + u_2 \hat{\mathbf{q}}_2 + u_3 \hat{\mathbf{q}}_3$ then by orthogonality of $\hat{\mathbf{q}}_i$ $u_i = \mathbf{u} \circ \hat{\mathbf{q}}_i$.

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

$$\implies \nabla = \frac{1}{h_i} \frac{\partial f}{\partial q_i} \hat{\mathbf{q}}_i \quad i = 1, 2, 3$$

So

$$\nabla = \sum_{\alpha=1}^3 \frac{\hat{\mathbf{q}}_\alpha}{h_\alpha} \frac{\partial}{\partial q_\alpha}$$

2.9 Transformation of Divergence**Theorem 2.4 - Gradient of Unit Vectors of Basis of Curvilinear Co-Ordinate System**

Let $\hat{\mathbf{q}}_\alpha$ for $\alpha = 1, 2, 3$ be the unit vector basis for a curvilinear co-ordinate system.

From $\nabla = \sum_{\alpha=1}^3 \frac{\hat{\mathbf{q}}_\alpha}{h_\alpha} \frac{\partial}{\partial q_\alpha}$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla q_\beta &= \sum_{\alpha=1}^3 \frac{\hat{\mathbf{q}}_\alpha}{h_\alpha} \frac{\partial q_\beta}{\partial q_\alpha} \\ &= \sum_{\alpha=1}^3 \frac{\hat{\mathbf{q}}_\alpha}{h_\alpha} \delta_{\alpha\beta} \\ \nabla q_\beta &= \frac{\hat{\mathbf{q}}_\beta}{h_\beta} \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 2.5

$$\begin{aligned} \text{By Product Rule} \quad \nabla \times (q_2 \nabla q_3) &= q_2 \nabla \times \nabla q_3 + \nabla q_2 \times \nabla q_3 \\ \text{Since } \nabla \times \nabla &= 0 &= \nabla q_2 \times \nabla q_3 \\ \text{By Theorem 2.5} &= \frac{\hat{\mathbf{q}}_2}{h_2} \times \frac{\hat{\mathbf{q}}_3}{h_3} \\ \text{Right - Handed} &= \frac{\hat{\mathbf{q}}_1}{h_2 h_3} \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 2.6

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla \times \nabla q_\beta &= 0 \\ \implies \nabla \times \left(\frac{\hat{\mathbf{q}}_\beta}{h_\beta} \right) &= \mathbf{0} \quad \text{Theorem 2.4} \\ \text{Since } \nabla \circ (\nabla \times q_2 \nabla q_3) &= 0 \\ \implies \nabla \circ \left(\frac{\hat{\mathbf{q}}_1}{h_2 h_3} \right) &= 0 \quad \text{Theorem 2.5} \\ \& \quad \nabla \circ \left(\frac{\hat{\mathbf{q}}_2}{h_3 h_1} \right) &= 0 \quad \text{Cyclic Permutations} \\ \& \quad \nabla \circ \left(\frac{\hat{\mathbf{q}}_3}{h_1 h_2} \right) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Proposition 2.14 - Transformation of Divergence

Not examinable.

$$\begin{aligned}
\nabla \circ \mathbf{u} &= \nabla \circ (u_1 \hat{\mathbf{q}}_1 + u_2 \hat{\mathbf{q}}_2 + u_3 \hat{\mathbf{q}}_3) \\
&= \nabla \circ \left(u_1 h_2 h_3 \circ \frac{\hat{\mathbf{q}}_1}{h_2 h_3} \right) + \left(u_2 h_3 h_1 \circ \frac{\hat{\mathbf{q}}_2}{h_3 h_1} \right) + \left(u_3 h_1 h_2 \circ \frac{\hat{\mathbf{q}}_3}{h_1 h_2} \right) \\
&= \left[u_1 h_2 h_3 \nabla \circ \left(\frac{\hat{\mathbf{q}}_1}{h_2 h_3} \right) + \nabla(u_1 h_2 h_3) \circ \left(\frac{\hat{\mathbf{q}}_1}{h_2 h_3} \right) \right] \\
&\quad + \left[u_2 h_3 h_1 \nabla \circ \left(\frac{\hat{\mathbf{q}}_2}{h_3 h_1} \right) + \nabla(u_2 h_3 h_1) \circ \left(\frac{\hat{\mathbf{q}}_2}{h_3 h_1} \right) \right] \\
&\quad + \left[u_3 h_1 h_2 \nabla \circ \left(\frac{\hat{\mathbf{q}}_3}{h_1 h_2} \right) + \nabla(u_3 h_1 h_2) \circ \left(\frac{\hat{\mathbf{q}}_3}{h_1 h_2} \right) \right] \\
\text{Null Identity \& Theorem 2.6} \quad &= \frac{\hat{\mathbf{q}}_1}{h_1 h_2} \circ \sum_{\alpha=1}^3 \left[\frac{\hat{\mathbf{q}}_\alpha}{h_\alpha} \frac{\partial(u_1 h_2 h_3)}{\partial q_\alpha} \right] \\
&\quad + \frac{\hat{\mathbf{q}}_2}{h_2 h_3} \circ \sum_{\alpha=1}^3 \left[\frac{\hat{\mathbf{q}}_\alpha}{h_\alpha} \frac{\partial(u_2 h_3 h_1)}{\partial q_\alpha} \right] \\
&\quad + \frac{\hat{\mathbf{q}}_3}{h_3 h_1} \circ \sum_{\alpha=1}^3 \left[\frac{\hat{\mathbf{q}}_\alpha}{h_\alpha} \frac{\partial(u_3 h_1 h_2)}{\partial q_\alpha} \right] \\
\text{By Orthogonality} \quad &\nabla \circ \mathbf{u} = \frac{1}{h_1 h_2 h_3} \left[\frac{\partial(u_1 h_2 h_3)}{\partial q_1} + \frac{\partial(u_2 h_3 h_1)}{\partial q_2} + \frac{\partial(u_3 h_1 h_2)}{\partial q_3} \right]
\end{aligned}$$

2.10 Transformation of curl

Proposition 2.15 - Transformation of Curl

Not examinable.

$$\begin{aligned}
\nabla \times \mathbf{u} &= \nabla \times (u_1 \hat{\mathbf{q}}_1 + u_2 \hat{\mathbf{q}}_2 + u_3 \hat{\mathbf{q}}_3) \\
&= \nabla \times \left(u_1 h_1 \frac{\hat{\mathbf{q}}_1}{h_1} \right) + \nabla \times \left(u_2 h_2 \frac{\hat{\mathbf{q}}_2}{h_2} \right) + \nabla \times \left(u_3 h_3 \frac{\hat{\mathbf{q}}_3}{h_3} \right) \\
&= \nabla(u_1 h_1) \times \left(\frac{\hat{\mathbf{q}}_1}{h_1} \right) + (u_1 h_1) \left(\nabla \times \frac{\hat{\mathbf{q}}_1}{h_1} \right) \\
&\quad + \nabla(u_2 h_2) \times \left(\frac{\hat{\mathbf{q}}_2}{h_2} \right) + (u_2 h_2) \left(\nabla \times \frac{\hat{\mathbf{q}}_2}{h_2} \right) \\
&\quad + \nabla(u_3 h_3) \times \left(\frac{\hat{\mathbf{q}}_3}{h_3} \right) + (u_3 h_3) \left(\nabla \times \frac{\hat{\mathbf{q}}_3}{h_3} \right) \\
&= \sum_{\alpha=1}^3 \left[\frac{\hat{\mathbf{q}}_\alpha}{h_\alpha} \frac{\partial(u_1 h_1)}{\partial q_\alpha} \times \left(\frac{\hat{\mathbf{q}}_1}{h_1} \right) \right] \\
&\quad + \sum_{\alpha=1}^3 \left[\frac{\hat{\mathbf{q}}_\alpha}{h_\alpha} \frac{\partial(u_2 h_2)}{\partial q_\alpha} \times \left(\frac{\hat{\mathbf{q}}_2}{h_2} \right) \right] \\
&\quad + \sum_{\alpha=1}^3 \left[\frac{\hat{\mathbf{q}}_\alpha}{h_\alpha} \frac{\partial(u_3 h_3)}{\partial q_\alpha} \times \left(\frac{\hat{\mathbf{q}}_3}{h_3} \right) \right] \\
\text{Since} \quad &\hat{\mathbf{q}}_1 \times \hat{\mathbf{q}}_1 = 0, \quad \hat{\mathbf{q}}_2 \times \hat{\mathbf{q}}_1 = -\hat{\mathbf{q}}_3, \quad \hat{\mathbf{q}}_3 \times \hat{\mathbf{q}}_1 = \hat{\mathbf{q}}_2 \\
&= \left[\frac{\hat{\mathbf{q}}_2}{h_1 h_3} \frac{\partial(h_1 u_1)}{\partial q_3} - \frac{\hat{\mathbf{q}}_3}{h_2 h_1} \frac{\partial(h_1 u_1)}{\partial q_2} \right] + \left[\frac{\hat{\mathbf{q}}_3}{h_2 h_1} \frac{\partial(h_2 u_2)}{\partial q_1} - \frac{\hat{\mathbf{q}}_1}{h_3 h_2} \frac{\partial(h_2 u_2)}{\partial q_3} \right] + \left[\frac{\hat{\mathbf{q}}_1}{h_3 h_2} \frac{\partial(h_3 u_3)}{\partial q_2} - \frac{\hat{\mathbf{q}}_2}{h_1 h_3} \frac{\partial(h_3 u_3)}{\partial q_1} \right] \\
&= \frac{\hat{\mathbf{q}}_1}{h_2 h_3} \left(\frac{\partial(h_3 u_3)}{\partial q_2} - \frac{\partial(h_2 u_2)}{\partial q_3} \right) + \frac{\hat{\mathbf{q}}_2}{h_3 h_1} \left(\frac{\partial(h_1 u_1)}{\partial q_3} - \frac{\partial(h_3 u_3)}{\partial q_1} \right) + \frac{\hat{\mathbf{q}}_3}{h_1 h_2} \left(\frac{\partial(h_2 u_2)}{\partial q_1} - \frac{\partial(h_1 u_1)}{\partial q_2} \right) \\
\nabla \times \mathbf{u} &= \frac{1}{h_1 h_2 h_3} \begin{vmatrix} h_1 \hat{\mathbf{q}}_1 & h_2 \hat{\mathbf{q}}_2 & h_3 \hat{\mathbf{q}}_3 \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial q_1} & \frac{\partial}{\partial q_2} & \frac{\partial}{\partial q_3} \\ h_1 u_1 & h_2 u_2 & h_3 u_3 \end{vmatrix}
\end{aligned}$$

3 Integral Theorems of Vector Calculus

Remark 3.1 - Fundamental Theorem of Scalar Calculus

From scalar calculus the *Fundamental Theorem of Calculus* is

$$\int_a^b f'(x) dx = [f(x)]_a^b = f(b) - f(a)$$

3.1 The Integral of a Scalar Field

Definition 3.1 - Path

A *path* is a map $\mathbf{p} : [t_1, t_2] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ such that $t \mapsto \mathbf{p}(t)$.

It connects the point $\mathbf{p}(t_1)$ to $\mathbf{p}(t_2)$ along the curve C .

N.B. - We say the curve C is *parametrised* by the path.

Definition 3.2 - Line Integral

Let $f : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a scalar field & $\mathbf{p}(t)$ be a path along a curve C for $t \in [t_1, t_2]$.

The *Line Integral* of f along C is found by

$$\int_C f(\mathbf{r}) ds = \int_{t_1}^{t_2} f(\mathbf{p}(t)) \cdot |\mathbf{p}'(t)| dt$$

Since $\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{p}(t)$ on C and $d\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{p}'(t)dt$.

Remark 3.2 - Parametrisation is not Unique

The result of a line integral does not depend on how it is parametrised.

Proof

Consider $t = g(u)$ for $t_1 < t < t_2$ such that $t_1 = g(u_1)$ & $t_2 = g(u_2)$.

Then

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{t_1}^{t_2} f(\mathbf{p}(t)) |\mathbf{p}'(t)| dt &= \int_{u_1}^{u_2} f(\mathbf{p}(g(u))) |\mathbf{p}'(g(u))| g'(u) du \\ &= \int_{u_1}^{u_2} f(\mathbf{q}(u)) |\mathbf{q}'(u)| du \end{aligned}$$

Set $\mathbf{q}(u) = \mathbf{p}(g(u))$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{q}'(u) &= g'(u) \mathbf{p}'(g(u)) \\ &= \int_{u_1}^{u_2} f(\mathbf{q}(u)) |\mathbf{q}'(u)| du' \end{aligned}$$

So results are the same.

Remark 3.3 - Direction and Line Integral Value

The value of the line integral depends upon the direction of the path C .

$$\int_{-C} f(\mathbf{r}) ds = - \int_C f(\mathbf{r}) ds$$

N.B. - This is the same with standard integrals where $\int_{x_1}^{x_2} f(x) dx = - \int_{x_2}^{x_1} f(x) dx$.

3.2 The Line Integral of a Vector Field

Definition 3.3 - Line Integral of Vector Field

Let $\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{r}) : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ be a vector field & $\mathbf{p}(t)$ be a path along a curve C for $t \in [t_1, t_2]$.

Then the *Line Integral* of \mathbf{F} along C is found by

$$\int_C \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{r}) \circ d\mathbf{r} = \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{p}(t)) \circ \mathbf{p}'(t) dt$$

N.B. - The value depends on direction like scalar fields.

Remark 3.4 - Parametrising Line Integral of Vector Field

The line integral of a vector field **is** independent of how it is parametrised.

Proposition 3.1 - Fundamental Theorem of Calculus for Line Integrals

Let $f(\mathbf{r})$ be a scalar field & C be a curve in \mathbb{R}^3 parametrised by $\mathbf{p}(t)$ for $t \in [t_1, t_2]$.

Then

$$\int_C \nabla f(\mathbf{r}) \circ d\mathbf{r} = f(\mathbf{p}(t_2)) - f(\mathbf{p}(t_1))$$

Proof

We know $\int_C \nabla f(\mathbf{r}) \circ d\mathbf{r} = \int_C \nabla f(\mathbf{p}(t)) \circ \mathbf{p}'(t) dt$

However

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} f(\mathbf{p}(t)) &= \mathbf{p}'(t) \circ \nabla f \\ &= \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \frac{d}{dt} f(\mathbf{p}(t)) dt \\ &= [f(\mathbf{p}(t))]_{t_1}^{t_2} \\ &= f(\mathbf{p}(t_2)) - f(\mathbf{p}(t_1)) \end{aligned}$$

3.3 Surface Integrals of Scalar & Vector Fields**Definition 3.4 - Closed Path**

A *Closed Path* is a path $\mathbf{p}(t)$ for $t \in [t_1, t_2]$ where $\mathbf{p}(t_1) = \mathbf{p}(t_2)$.

Definition 3.5 - Simple Path

A *Simple Path* is a path $\mathbf{p}(t)$ for $t \in [t_1, t_2]$ that does not intersect except at $\mathbf{p}(t_1) = \mathbf{p}(t_2)$.

Definition 3.6 - Boundary, \mathbb{R}^2

The *boundary*, $\partial D \subset \mathbb{R}^2$, of a plane $D \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ is a collection of points which form a perimeter of D .

N.B. - This should be a simple closed path.

Definition 3.7 - Boundary, \mathbb{R}^3

The *boundary*, $\partial S \subset \mathbb{R}^3$, of a surface $S \subset \mathbb{R}^3$ is a mapping from the boundary ∂D . *N.B.* - This should be a simple closed path.

Remark 3.5 - Path along Plane Boundary & Surface Boundary

Let $S \subset \mathbb{R}^3$ be a surface and $D \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ be a plane.

Let $\mathbf{c}(t) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ be a simple closed path along ∂D .

Then $\mathbf{p}(t) = \mathbf{s}(\mathbf{c}(t))$ is the simple closed path along ∂S .

Remark 3.6 - Parameter sing Surface Integrals

Let $D \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ and $\bar{D} = D \cup \partial D$.

Define a map $\mathbf{s} : \bar{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ st $(u, v) \mapsto \mathbf{s}(u, v)$ where $\frac{\partial \mathbf{s}}{\partial u}$ & $\frac{\partial \mathbf{s}}{\partial v}$ are linearly independent of D .

A *surface* $S \subset \mathbb{R}^3$ is defined parametrically as

$$S = \{\mathbf{s}(u, v) | (u, v) \in D\}$$

Definition 3.8 - Integral of a Scalar Field over a Surface

The *Integral of a Scalar Field*, $f(\mathbf{r})$, over a surface, S , is given by

$$\int_S f(\mathbf{s}) dS = \int_S f(\mathbf{r}) |d\mathbf{S}|$$

where $d\mathbf{S} = \hat{\mathbf{n}} dS$ with $\hat{\mathbf{n}}$ being a normal unit vector to S .

N.B. - This shows that a surface element is defined by its area, dS , & direction, $\hat{\mathbf{n}}$.

Remark 3.7 - Set up to Computing Surface Integrals

Let $\mathbf{s}(u + du, v)$, $\mathbf{s}(u, v + dv)$ & $\mathbf{s}(u, v)$ lie on the surface $S \subset \mathbb{R}^3$.

Assuming du & dv become vanishingly small we can use a Taylor expansion to show

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{s}(u + du, v) - \mathbf{s}(u, v) &= \mathbf{s}(u, v) + du \frac{\partial \mathbf{s}}{\partial u}(u, v) - \mathbf{s}(u, v) + hot = du \frac{\partial \mathbf{s}}{\partial u} \\ \mathbf{s}(u, v + dv) - \mathbf{s}(u, v) &= \mathbf{s}(u, v) + dv \frac{\partial \mathbf{s}}{\partial v}(u, v) - \mathbf{s}(u, v) + hot = dv \frac{\partial \mathbf{s}}{\partial v} \end{aligned}$$

$du \frac{\partial \mathbf{s}}{\partial u}$ & $dv \frac{\partial \mathbf{s}}{\partial v}$ lie on the surface S and on the area

$$\hat{\mathbf{n}} ds = \frac{\partial \mathbf{s}}{\partial u} du \times \frac{\partial \mathbf{s}}{\partial v} dv \equiv \mathbf{N}(u, v) du dv$$

Thus

$$\mathbf{N}(u, v) = \frac{\partial \mathbf{s}}{\partial u} \times \frac{\partial \mathbf{s}}{\partial v}$$

N.B. - $\hat{\mathbf{n}}$ can point in two opposing directions, however this does not affect $|d\mathbf{S}|$.

Proposition 3.2 - *Computing Surface Integrals*

$$\int_S f(\mathbf{r}) dS = \int_D f(\mathbf{s}(u, v)) |\mathbf{N}(u, v)| du dv$$

Remark 3.8 - *Surface Integral to find Physical area*

Set $f(\mathbf{s}) = 1$ then $\int_S dS$ produces the physical area of the surface, S .

Definition 3.9 - *Integral of a Vector Field over a Surface*

Let $\mathbf{v}(\mathbf{r}) : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ be a vector field and $S \subset \mathbb{R}^3$ be a surface.

The integral of $\mathbf{v}(\mathbf{r})$ over S is defined by

$$\begin{aligned} \int_S \mathbf{v}(\mathbf{r}) \circ d\mathbf{S} &\equiv \int_S \mathbf{v}(\mathbf{r}) \circ \hat{\mathbf{n}} dS \\ &= \int_S \mathbf{v}(\mathbf{s}(u, v)) \circ \mathbf{N}(u, v) du dv \end{aligned}$$

Remark 3.9 - *Direction of Surface Integrals*

Surface integrals have direction.

This direction, $\hat{\mathbf{n}}$, is in one of two opposing directions for a given surface, S

We must be told which direction to use during computation, otherwise we will receive different results.

3.4 Stokes' Theorem

Definition 3.10 - *Right Hand Thumb Rule*

Used to ensure the direction of a surface and its boundary are oriented correctly.

Point right hand thumb in direction of normal to surface, S , then the direction of its boundary, ∂S , should follow the way the rest of the fingers curl.

Theorem 3.1 - *Stokes' Theorem*

Let \mathbf{F} be a vector field in \mathbb{R}^3 and $S \subset \mathbb{R}^3$ be a surface with boundary ∂S .

Stokes' Theorem states

$$\int_S (\nabla \times \mathbf{F}) \circ d\mathbf{S} = \int_{\partial S} \mathbf{F} \circ d\mathbf{r}$$

N.B. - S and ∂S must be oriented consistently according to the right hand thumb rule.

3.5 Green's Theorem in the Plane

Remark 3.10 - *Green's Theorem vs Stokes' Theorem*

Green's Theorem is an application of Stokes' Theorem over two dimensions.

Theorem 3.2 - Green's Theorem in the Plane

Let $S \subset \mathbb{R}^3$ be a surface on $z = 0$ & $\mathbf{A} = (A_1(x, y), A_2(x, y), 0)$.

Then

$$\int_S \left(\frac{\partial A_2}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial A_1}{\partial y} \right) dx dy = \int_{\partial S} A_1 dx + A_2 dy$$

Proof

$$\begin{aligned} \partial \mathbf{S} &= \hat{\mathbf{z}} \partial S \equiv dx dy \\ \nabla \times \mathbf{A} &= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{\mathbf{x}} & \hat{\mathbf{y}} & \hat{\mathbf{z}} \\ \partial x & \partial y & \partial z \\ A_1 & A_2 & 0 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \left(\frac{\partial A_2}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial A_1}{\partial y} \right) \hat{\mathbf{z}} \end{aligned}$$

Since $\frac{A_i}{dz} = 0$ for $i = 1, 2$.

By Stokes' Theorem

$$\int_S \left(\frac{\partial A_2}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial A_1}{\partial y} \right) dx dy = \int_{\partial S} \mathbf{A} \circ d\mathbf{r}$$

Since $d\mathbf{r} = dx\hat{\mathbf{x}} + dy\hat{\mathbf{y}}$ & ∂S is anti-clockwise by the right hand thumb rule.

$$\int_{\partial S} \mathbf{A} \circ d\mathbf{r} = \int_{\partial S} A_1 dx + A_2 dy$$

3.6 Volume Integrals**Definition 3.11 - Volume Integral**

Let $f : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a scalar field and $V \subset \mathbb{R}^3$.

The *Volume Integral* of f over V is given by

$$\int_V f(\mathbf{r}) dV \equiv \iiint f(x, y, z) dx dy dz$$

Definition 3.12 - Volume Elements

A *Volume Element* allow us to integrate a function wrt to a volume in various co-ordinate systems, by providing another volume & a scaling factor.

N.B. - They don't have a direction.

Proposition 3.3 - Volume Integrals of a Scalar Field

Under the transformation of co-ordinates from $\mathbf{r}(x, y, z)$ to a curvilinear system of $\mathbf{q}(q_1, q_2, q_3)$ defined by $\mathbf{r}(\mathbf{q})$

$$\int_V f(\mathbf{r}) dx dy dz = \int_{V_q} f(\mathbf{r}(\mathbf{q})) \left| \frac{\partial(x, y, z)}{\partial(q_1, q_2, q_3)} \right| dq_1 dq_2 dq_3$$

where V_q is mapped by \mathbf{r} into V .

N.B. - The scale factor here is the Jacobian Determinant of this mapping.

Proof (Sketch)

Consider the elemental volume

$$\begin{aligned} dV &= dx dy dz \\ &= (\hat{\mathbf{z}} dz) \circ ((\hat{\mathbf{x}} dx) \times (\hat{\mathbf{y}} dy)) \end{aligned}$$

Under the mapping, the mapped elemental volume dV_q is defined by a parallelepiped with sides given by

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial q_1} dq_1, \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial q_2} dq_2, \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial q_3} dq_3$$

The volume of dV_q is therefore

$$|(\hat{\mathbf{q}}_3 h_3 dq_3) \circ ((\hat{\mathbf{q}}_1 h_1 dq_1) \times (\hat{\mathbf{q}}_2 h_2 dq_2))| = |J_{\mathbf{r}}| dq_1 dq_2 dq_3$$

Remark 3.11 - *Scaling Factor with Orthonormal Directions*

Since $\mathbf{q}_\alpha = \frac{1}{h_\alpha} \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial q_\alpha}$ and using a result from *curvilinear co-ordinates*

We get

$$\text{If } \hat{\mathbf{q}}_j \text{ are orthonormal then } |J_{\mathbf{r}}| = h_1 h_2 h_3$$

Proposition 3.4 - *Physical Volume from Volume Integral*

Let $V \subset \mathbb{R}^3$.

By setting $f = 1$ then $\int_V dV$ derives the physical volume of the volume V .

Remark 3.12 - *Volume Integrals of Common Curvilinear Systems*

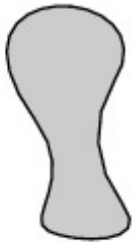
Volume integrals for Cartesian, spherical & cylindrical co-ordinates.

$$\iiint f(x, y, z) dx dy dz = \iiint f(r, \phi, \theta) \cdot r^2 \sin \phi \cdot dr d\phi d\theta = \iiint f(r, \theta, z) \cdot r \cdot dr d\theta dz$$

3.7 Divergence Theorem

Definition 3.13 - *Simply Connected Region*

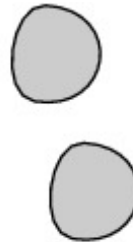
A region V is *simply connected* if all paths in V can be transformed onto all other paths in V continuously without ever leaving V .



simply connected



simply connected



not simply connected



not simply connected

Proposition 3.5 - *Divergence Theorem*

Let $\mathbf{F} : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ be a vector field and $V \subset \mathbb{R}^3$ be a simply connected domain with boundary ∂V .

The *Divergence Theorem* states

$$\int_V \nabla \cdot \mathbf{F} dV = \int_{\partial V} \mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{n} dS = \int_{\partial V} \mathbf{F} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{n}} dS$$

where $\hat{\mathbf{n}}$ points out of V .

N.B. - Proof is non-examinable.

3.8 Green's Identities

Remark 3.13 - *Not a Green's Identity*

Let $\mathbf{F} = \nabla f$.

Then $\nabla \circ \mathbf{F} = \nabla \circ \nabla f = \Delta f$.

By the divergence theorem

$$\implies \int_V \Delta f dV = \int_{\partial V} \hat{\mathbf{n}} \nabla f dS$$

Proposition 3.6 - Green's First Identity

Let $f, g : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be scalar fields $\mathbf{F} : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$.

Define $\mathbf{F} = g \nabla f$.

Then *Green's First Identity* states

$$\int_V (\nabla g \circ \nabla f) + (g \Delta f) dV = \int_{\partial V} g \hat{\mathbf{n}} \circ \nabla f dS$$

Proposition 3.7 - Green's Second Identity

By subtracting the result of *Green's First Identity* we have

$$\int_V (g \Delta f - f \Delta g) dV = \int_{\partial V} (g \hat{\mathbf{n}} \circ \nabla f - f \hat{\mathbf{n}} \circ \nabla g) dS$$

0 Reference

0.1 Notation

Notation 0.1 - Basis vectors

Basis vectors are denoted by having a hat, $\hat{\cdot}$, over them.

Example The basis vectors of \mathbb{R}^3 in Cartesian co-ordinates are

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{\mathbf{x}} &= (1, 0, 0) \equiv \hat{\mathbf{e}}_1 \\ \hat{\mathbf{y}} &= (0, 1, 0) \equiv \hat{\mathbf{e}}_2 \\ \hat{\mathbf{z}} &= (0, 0, 1) \equiv \hat{\mathbf{e}}_3\end{aligned}$$

Notation 0.2 - Boundary

For a region $A \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ the *boundary* of A is denoted as

$$\partial A$$

Notation 0.3 - Closed Loop Integral

Let C be a *closed curve*.

An integral along C can be denoted as

$$\int_C \nabla f \circ d\mathbf{r} \equiv \oint_C \nabla f \circ d\mathbf{r}$$

Notation 0.4 - Curl

The *Curl* of a vector field $\mathbf{v} : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ is denoted as

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{v}$$

Notation 0.5 - Direction

Let $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$. The *direction* in \mathbf{v} is defined as

$$\hat{\mathbf{v}} = \frac{\mathbf{v}}{|\mathbf{v}|}$$

Notation 0.6 - Directional Derivative

The *Directional Derivative* of the map $\mathbf{F} : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$, $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$ at the point $\mathbf{x}_0 \in \mathbb{R}^m$ in the direction $\hat{\mathbf{v}} \in \mathbb{R}^m$ is denoted by

$$D_{\hat{\mathbf{v}}} \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}_0)$$

Notation 0.7 - Divergence

The *Divergence* of a vector field $\mathbf{v} : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ is denoted as

$$\nabla \circ \mathbf{v}$$

Notation 0.8 - Einstein Summation Convention

The *Einstein Summation Convention* is used to simplify summation formulae.

When indices are repeated it can be assumed that a summation is being used, thus the \sum notation can be dropped.

$$\sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i \implies x_i y_i$$

But, *Greek* characters are used as indices when we don't want to imply summation.

Notation 0.9 - Gradient

The *Gradient* of a scalar field $f : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is denoted as

$$\nabla f$$

Notation 0.10 - Isolating Vector Components

Let $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ for $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $i \in [1, n]$.

To isolate the i^{th} component of the vector \mathbf{v} we use

$$[\mathbf{v}]_i$$

Notation 0.11 - Jacobian Determinant

The *Jacobian determinant* of the vector map \mathbf{F} is denoted

$$J_{\mathbf{F}}$$

Notation 0.12 - Kronecker Delta

The *Kronecker Delta* function of two variables which returns 1 if they are the same, and 0 otherwise.

$$\delta_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i = j \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Notation 0.13 - Laplacian

The *Laplacian* of a scalar field $f : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is denoted as

$$\Delta f$$

N.B. - Occasionally it is denoted as $\nabla^2 f$.

Notation 0.14 - Levi-Civita Tensor

The *Levi-Civita Tensor* describes the antisymmetric nature of vectors.

It is denoted in the form

$$\mathcal{E}_{ijk} \quad i, j, k \in \mathbb{N}$$

It is defined by the following rules

- i) $\mathcal{E}_{123} = 1$.
- ii) $\mathcal{E}_{ijk} = 0$ if any suffices are repeated.
- iii) Reversing any suffices negates the value of \mathcal{E}_{ijk} .

N.B. - This is occasionally known as *antisymmetric symbol*.

Notation 0.15 - Line Integral of Scalar Field

The *Line Integral* of a scalar field $f : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ along a curve C is denoted

$$\int_C f(\mathbf{r}) ds$$

where $ds = |d\mathbf{r}|$.

Notation 0.16 - Line Integral of Vector Field

the *Line Integral* of a vector field $\mathbf{F} : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ along a curve C is denoted as.

$$\int_C \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{r}) \circ d\mathbf{r}$$

N.B. - \circ is dot product here.

Notation 0.17 - Position Vector, \mathbb{R}^3

The general *position vector* in \mathbb{R}^3 is often denoted by

$$\mathbf{r} := (x, y, z)$$

Notation 0.18 - Vector Notation

$\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^m$ for $m \in \mathbb{N}$ is used to denote the vector $\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_m \end{pmatrix}$, $x_i \in \mathbb{R} \forall i = \{1, \dots, m\}$.

Notation 0.19 - Volume Integral of a Scalar Field

Let $f(\mathbf{r})$ be a scalar field.

The *volume integral* of $f(\mathbf{r})$ over $V \subset \mathbb{R}^3$ is denoted

$$\int_V f(\mathbf{r}) dV \equiv \iiint_V f(x, y, z) dx dy dz$$

0.2 Definitions**Definition 0.1 - Anti-Symmetric**

An operation is *anti-symmetric* if reversing the order of its variables does not change the magnitude of the result, *but* does swap the sign.

Example - Cross-product.

Definition 0.2 - Associative

An operation is *associative* if changing the order of its variables does not alter the outcome.

Example - Addition.

Definition 0.3 - Cross Product

Let $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^3$ st $\mathbf{u} = (u_1, u_2, u_3)$ & $\mathbf{v} = (v_1, v_2, v_3)$.

The *Cross product* of \mathbf{u} & \mathbf{v} is defined

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v} &:= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{\mathbf{e}}_1 & \hat{\mathbf{e}}_2 & \hat{\mathbf{e}}_3 \\ u_1 & u_2 & u_3 \\ v_1 & v_2 & v_3 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \hat{\mathbf{e}}_1 \begin{vmatrix} u_2 & u_3 \\ v_2 & v_3 \end{vmatrix} - \hat{\mathbf{e}}_2 \begin{vmatrix} u_1 & u_3 \\ v_1 & v_3 \end{vmatrix} + \hat{\mathbf{e}}_3 \begin{vmatrix} u_1 & u_2 \\ v_1 & v_2 \end{vmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Definition 0.4 - Direction

A *Direction* is a vector of unit length

$$|\mathbf{v}| = 1$$

Definition 0.5 - Dot Product

Let $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ st $\mathbf{u} = (u_1, \dots, u_n)$ & $\mathbf{v} = (v_1, \dots, v_n)$.

The *Dot Product* of \mathbf{u} & \mathbf{v} is defined

$$\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} := u_i v_i = \sum_{i=1}^n u_i v_i$$

Definition 0.6 - Hessian Matrix

Let $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a scalar function.

The *Hessian Matrix* is the square matrix representation of the second-order partial derivatives

of f .

$$\mathbf{H} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_1^2} & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_1 \partial x_2} & \cdots & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_1 \partial x_n} \\ \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_2 \partial x_1} & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_2^2} & \cdots & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_2 \partial x_n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_n \partial x_1} & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_n \partial x_2} & \cdots & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_n^2} \end{pmatrix}$$

Definition 0.7 - Hyperbolic Trigonometric Functions

$$\begin{aligned} \sinh x &= \frac{e^x - e^{-x}}{2} & \cosh x &= \frac{e^x + e^{-x}}{2} & \tanh x &= \frac{\sinh x}{\cosh x} \\ \operatorname{cosech} x &= \frac{1}{\sinh x} & \operatorname{sech} x &= \frac{1}{\cosh x} & \coth x &= \frac{1}{\tanh x} \end{aligned}$$

Definition 0.8 - Level Curves/Surface

Level curves/surfaces are lines where $f(x, y) = c$ for some constant $c \in \mathbb{R}$.

N.B. - Consider contour lines on an OS map.

Definition 0.9 - Multi-Linear

A multi-variable function is *multi-linear* if it can be separated into multiple functions, each taking one variable, without altering the outcome.

i.e. $f(\lambda x_1 + \mu x_2, y) = \lambda f(x_1, y) + \mu f(x_2, y)$.

Definition 0.10 - Norm

Let $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ for $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

The *Norm* of \mathbf{v} is the strictly positive length of a \mathbf{v} .

$$|\mathbf{v}| = \sqrt{\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{v}} = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n v_i^2}$$

Definition 0.11 - Orthogonal Matrix

A matrix, $A \in M(\mathbb{R})$ is *orthogonal* if

$$A^T A = I \implies A^T = A^{-1}$$

0.3 Theorems

Theorem 0.1 - Chain Rule

$$\begin{aligned} [f(g(x))]' &= f'(g(x)) \cdot g'(x) \\ (\mathbf{F} \circ \mathbf{G})' &= (\mathbf{F}' \circ \mathbf{G}) \mathbf{G}' \\ \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{dy}{dt} \frac{dt}{dx} \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 0.2 - Common Curvilinear Co-Ordinate Systems

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Cylindrical } (x, y, z) &= \mathbf{r}(r, \theta, z) = (r \cos \theta, r \sin \theta, z) \\ \text{Polar } (x, y) &= \mathbf{r}(r, \theta) = (r \cos \theta, r \sin \theta) \\ \text{Spherical } (x, y, z) &= \mathbf{r}(r, \phi, \theta) = (r \sin \phi \cos \theta, r \sin \phi \sin \theta, r \cos \phi) \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 0.3 - Derivative of Exponent

$$[e^{f(x)}]' = f'(x) e^{f(x)}$$

Theorem 0.4 - Derivative of Logarithms

$$(\log_b f)' = \frac{f'}{\ln(b) \cdot f} \quad (\ln f)' = \frac{f'}{f}$$

Theorem 0.5 - Derivative of Hyperbolic Trigonometric Functions - Hyperbolic

$$\begin{array}{lcl} \frac{d}{dx} \sinh x & = & \cosh x \\ \frac{d}{dx} \cosh x & = & \sinh x \\ \frac{d}{dx} \tanh x & = & \operatorname{sech}^2 x \end{array} \quad \left| \quad \begin{array}{lcl} \frac{d}{dx} \operatorname{cosech} x & = & -\operatorname{cosech} x \coth x \\ \frac{d}{dx} \operatorname{sech} x & = & -\operatorname{sech} x \tanh x \\ \frac{d}{dx} \coth x & = & -\operatorname{cosech}^2 x \end{array} \right.$$

Theorem 0.6 - Derivative of Functions - Inverse

$$\begin{array}{lcl} \frac{d}{dx} \sin^{-1} x & = & \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} \\ \frac{d}{dx} \cos^{-1} x & = & \frac{-1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} \\ \frac{d}{dx} \tan^{-1} x & = & \frac{1}{1+x^2} \end{array} \quad \left| \quad \begin{array}{lcl} \frac{d}{dx} \operatorname{cosec}^{-1} x & = & \frac{-1}{|x|\sqrt{x^2-1}} \\ \frac{d}{dx} \sec^{-1} x & = & \frac{1}{|x|\sqrt{x^2-1}} \\ \frac{d}{dx} \cot^{-1} x & = & \frac{-1}{1+x^2} \end{array} \right.$$

Theorem 0.7 - Derivative of Trigonometric Functions - Standard

$$\begin{array}{lcl} \frac{d}{dx} \sin x & = & \cos x \\ \frac{d}{dx} \cos x & = & -\sin x \\ \frac{d}{dx} \tan x & = & \sec^2 x \end{array} \quad \left| \quad \begin{array}{lcl} \frac{d}{dx} \operatorname{cosec} x & = & -\operatorname{cosec} x \cot x \\ \frac{d}{dx} \sec x & = & \tan x \sec x \\ \frac{d}{dx} \cot x & = & -\operatorname{cosec}^2 x \end{array} \right.$$

Theorem 0.8 - Euler's Formula

$$e^{ix} = \cos x + i \sin x$$

Theorem 0.9 - Integration by Parts

$$\int_a^b u dv = [uv]_a^b - \int_a^b v du \iff \int_a^b u dv + v du = \int_a^b u \frac{dv}{dx} dx + v \frac{du}{dx} dx = \int_a^b \frac{d}{dx}(uv) dx = [uv]_a^b$$

Theorem 0.10 - Product Rule

$$(f \cdot g)' = f'g + fg'$$

Theorem 0.11 - Quotient Rule

$$\left(\frac{f}{g}\right)' = \frac{f'g - g'f}{g^2}$$

Theorem 0.12 - Trigonometric Identities - Hyperbolic

$$\begin{array}{lcl} \cosh^2 \theta - \sinh^2 \theta & = & 1 \\ \coth^2 \theta - \operatorname{cosech}^2 \theta & = & 1 \\ \sinh(\theta \pm \phi) & = & \sinh \theta \cosh \phi \pm \cosh \theta \sinh \phi \\ \cosh(\theta \pm \phi) & = & \cosh \theta \cosh \phi \pm \sinh \theta \sinh \phi \\ \tanh(\theta \pm \phi) & = & \frac{\tanh \theta \pm \tanh \phi}{1 \pm \tanh \theta \tanh \phi} \\ \sinh^2 \theta & = & \frac{\cosh 2\theta - 1}{2} \end{array} \quad \left| \quad \begin{array}{lcl} \tanh^2 \theta + \operatorname{sech}^2 \theta & = & 1 \\ \sinh(2\theta) & = & 2 \sinh \theta \cosh \theta \\ \cosh(2\theta) & = & \cosh^2 \theta + \sinh^2 \theta \\ \cosh^2 \theta & = & \frac{\cosh 2\theta + 1}{2} \end{array} \right.$$

Theorem 0.13 - Trigonometric Identities - Standard

$\sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta = 1$		$\sin(2\theta) = 2 \sin \theta \cos \theta$
$\sin(\theta \pm \phi) = \sin \theta \cos \phi \pm \cos \theta \sin \phi$		$\cos(2\theta) = \cos^2 \theta - \sin^2 \theta$
$\cos(\theta \pm \phi) = \cos \theta \cos \phi \mp \sin \theta \sin \phi$		$\tan(2\theta) = \frac{2 \tan \theta}{1 - \tan^2 \theta}$
$\tan(\theta \pm \phi) = \frac{\tan \theta \pm \tan \phi}{1 \mp \tan \theta \tan \phi}$		$\cos^2 \theta = \frac{1 + \cos 2\theta}{2}$
$\sin^2 \theta = \frac{1 - \cos 2\theta}{2}$		$2 \sin \theta \sin \phi = \cos(\theta - \phi) - \cos(\theta + \phi)$
$2 \cos \theta \cos \phi = \cos(\theta - \phi) + \cos(\theta + \phi)$		$2 \cos \theta \sin \phi = \sin(\theta + \phi) - \sin(\theta - \phi)$
$2 \sin \theta \cos \phi = \sin(\theta + \phi) + \sin(\theta - \phi)$		
$\sin(-x) = -\sin(x)$		