Functions of several variables

1 | Topology of \mathbb{R}^n

Definition 1.1. Let M be a set. A distance in M is a function $d: M \times M \to \mathbb{R}$ such that $\forall x, y, x \in M$ the following properties are satisfied:

- 1. $d(x,y) \ge 0$.
- $2. d(x,y) = 0 \iff x = y.$
- 3. d(x, y) = d(y, x).
- 4. $d(x,y) \le d(x,z) + d(z,y)$ (triangular inequality).

We define a $metric\ space$ as a pair (M,d) that satisfy the previous properties.

Definition 1.2. Let V be a real vector space. A *norm* on V is a function $\|\cdot\|:V\to\mathbb{R}$ such that $\forall \mathbf{u},\mathbf{v}\in V$ and $\forall \lambda\in\mathbb{R}$ the following properties are satisfied:

- 1. $\|\mathbf{u}\| \ge 0$.
- $2. \|\mathbf{u}\| = 0 \iff \mathbf{u} = 0.$
- 3. $\|\lambda \mathbf{u}\| = |\lambda| \|\mathbf{u}\|$.
- 4. $\|\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}\| \le \|\mathbf{u}\| + \|\mathbf{v}\|$ (triangular inequality).

We define a normed vector space as a pair $(V, \|\cdot\|)$ that satisfy the previous properties.

Proposition 1.3. Let $(V, \|\cdot\|)$ be a normed vector space. Then (V, d) is a metric space with associated distance $d(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}) := \|\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}\|, \forall \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in V$.

Definition 1.4. Let V be a real vector space. A *dot* product on V is a function $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : V \times V \to \mathbb{R}$ such that $\forall \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w} \in V$ and $\forall \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$ the following properties are satisfied:

- 1. $\langle \alpha \mathbf{u} + \beta \mathbf{w}, \mathbf{v} \rangle = \alpha \langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \rangle + \beta \langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \rangle,$ $\langle \mathbf{u}, \alpha \mathbf{v} + \beta \mathbf{w} \rangle = \alpha \langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \rangle + \beta \langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{w} \rangle.$
- 2. $\langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \rangle = \langle \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{u} \rangle$.
- 3. $\langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{u} \rangle \geq 0$.
- 4. $\langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{u} \rangle = 0 \iff \mathbf{u} = 0$.

We define an Euclidean space as a pair $(V, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$ that satisfy the previous properties¹.

Proposition 1.5. Let $(V, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$ be an Euclidean space. Then $(V, \| \cdot \|)$ is a normed space with associated norm $\|\mathbf{u}\| := \sqrt{\langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{u} \rangle}, \, \forall \mathbf{u} \in V$.

Proposition 1.6. Let $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_2 : \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}$ be a map defined by

$$\langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \rangle_2 = \sum_{i=1}^n u_i v_i$$

 $\forall \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$, being $\mathbf{u} = (u_1, \dots, u_n)$ and $\mathbf{v} = (v_1, \dots, v_n)$. Then, the pair $(\mathbb{R}^n, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_2)$ is an Euclidean space.

$$\|\mathbf{u}\|_2 = \sqrt{\langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{u} \rangle_2} = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n u_i^2},$$

$$d_2(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}) = \|\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}\| = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n (u_i - v_i)^2}.$$

Then, $(\mathbb{R}^n, \|\cdot\|_2)$ is a normed space and (\mathbb{R}^n, d_2) is a metric space.

Proposition 1.8. Let $(V, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$ be an Euclidean space with the norm defined as $\|\mathbf{u}\| := \sqrt{\langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{u} \rangle}$. Then for all $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in V$ the following properties are satisfied:

- 1. $\langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \rangle \leq \|\mathbf{u}\| \|\mathbf{v}\|$ (Cauchy-Schwarz inequality).
- 2. $\|\mathbf{u} \mathbf{v}\| \ge \|\mathbf{u}\| \|\mathbf{v}\|$.
- 3. $\|\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{u} \mathbf{v}\|^2 = 2(\|\mathbf{u}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{v}\|^2)$ (Parallelogram law).
- 4. $\|\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}\|^2 \|\mathbf{u} \mathbf{v}\|^2 = 4\langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \rangle$.
- 5. On $(\mathbb{R}^n, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_2)$, if $\mathbf{u} = (u_1, \dots, u_n)$, then:

$$|u_i| \le ||\mathbf{u}|| \le \sum_{i=1}^n |u_i|$$

Definition 1.9. Let $L: \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^m$ be a linear map. We define the *norm of* L as

$$\|\boldsymbol{L}\| = \sup\{\|\boldsymbol{L}(x)\| : \|x\| = 1\}$$

Lemma 1.10. Let $\Phi : \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^m) \to \mathbb{R}$ be a map defined as $\Phi(\mathbf{L}) = ||\mathbf{L}||$. Then, Φ is a norm on the vector space $\mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^m)$.

Proposition 1.11. Let $L \in \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^m)$. Then:

$$\|L\| = \inf\{C : \|L(x)\| < C\|x\|\}$$

Corollary 1.12. Let $L, M \in \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^m)$ be linear maps with associated matrices $\mathbf{L} = (a_{ij}), \mathbf{M} = (b_{ij})$ respectively. The following properties are satisfied:

1. $\|\boldsymbol{L}(x)\| \le \|\boldsymbol{L}\| \|x\|$.

2.
$$\|\mathbf{L}\| \le \left(\sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij}^2\right)^{1/2}$$
.

3.
$$|a_{ij} - b_{ij}| < \varepsilon, \forall i, j \iff \|\mathbf{L} - \mathbf{M}\| < \varepsilon'$$
.

Definition 1.13. Let (M,d) be a metric space. The sphere with center p and radius $r \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ is the set $S(p,r) = \{x \in M : d(x,p) = r\}.$

Definition 1.14. Let (M,d) be a metric space. The open ball with center p and radius $r \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}$ is the set $B(p,r) = \{x \in M : d(x,p) < r\}.$

Corollary 1.7. Consider the norm $\|\cdot\|_2$ and distance d_2 in \mathbb{R}^n defined as follows:

¹Sometimes the notation $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}$ is used, instead of $\langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \rangle$, to denote the dot product between \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} .

Definition 1.15. Let (M,d) be a metric space. The **Proposition 1.30.** Let (M,d) be a metric space and closed ball with center p and radius $r \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ is the set $\overline{B}(p,r) = \{ x \in M : d(x,p) \le r \}.$

Definition 1.16. Let (M,d) be a metric space and $A \subseteq$ M be a subset of M. A is a bounded set if exists a ball containing it.

Definition 1.17. Let (M, d) be a metric space. A neighborhood of p is a bounded set $E(p) \subset M$ such that $\exists r \in \mathbb{R}_{>0} \text{ satisfying } B(p,r) \subset E(p).$

Definition 1.18. Let (M,d) be a metric space and $A \subseteq$ M be a subset of M. p is an interior point of A if $\exists r \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}$ such that $B(p,r) \subset A$. The interior of A is the set \mathring{A}^2 containing all interior points of A.

Definition 1.19. Let (M,d) be a metric space and $A \subseteq$ M be a subset of M. p is an exterior point of A if $\exists r \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}$ such that $B(p,r) \cap A = \emptyset$. The exterior of A is the set Ext A containing all exterior points of A.

Definition 1.20. Let (M,d) be a metric space and $A \subseteq$ M be a subset of M. p is an adherent point of A if $\forall r \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}, B(p,r) \cap A \neq \emptyset$. The adherence of A is the set \overline{A} containing all adherent points of A.

Definition 1.21. Let (M,d) be a metric space and $A \subseteq$ M be a subset of M. p is a limit point of A if $\forall r \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}$, $B(p,r)\setminus\{p\}\cap A\neq\varnothing$. The limit set of A is the set A' containing all limit points of A.

Definition 1.22. Let (M,d) be a metric space and $A \subseteq$ M be a subset of M. p is an isolated point of A if it is an adherent but not limit point, that is, if $p \in A$ and $\exists r \in \mathbb{R}_{>0} \text{ such that } B(p,r) \setminus \{p\} \cap A = \emptyset.$

Definition 1.23. Let (M,d) be a metric space and $A \subseteq$ M be a subset of M. p is a boundary point of A if $\forall r \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}, B(p,r) \cap A \neq \emptyset \text{ and } B(p,r) \cap A^c \neq \emptyset.$ The boundary of A is the set ∂A containing all boundary points of A.

Proposition 1.24. Let (M,d) be a metric space and $A \subseteq M$ be a subset of M. If p is a limit point of A, then $\forall r \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}$, B(p,r) has infinity many points of A.

Theorem 1.25 (Bolzano-Weierstraß theorem). Let $B \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ be a set. If B has infinity many points and it is bounded, then it has at least a limit point.

Definition 1.26. Let (M,d) be a metric space and $A \subseteq$ M be a subset of M. A is open if $\forall p \in A, \exists r \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}$ such that $B(p,r) \subset A$.

Definition 1.27. Let (M,d) be a metric space and $A \subseteq$ M be a subset of M. A is closed if its complementary A^c is open.

Proposition 1.28. Let (M,d) be a metric space and $A \subseteq M$ be a subset of M. A is closed $\iff A = \overline{A} \iff$ $\partial A \subset A \iff A' \subset A.$

Proposition 1.29. Let (M,d) be a metric space and $A \subseteq M$ be a subset of M. A is open $\iff A = \mathring{A}$.

 $A \subseteq M$ be a subset of M.

- A is the biggest open set contained in A. That is, if $B \subset A$ is open, $B \subset \mathring{A}$.
- \overline{A} is the smallest set containing A. That is, if $B \supset A$ is closed, $B \supset \overline{A}$.

Proposition 1.31.

- The union of open sets is open.
- The intersection of a finite number of open sets is open.
- The union of a finite number of closed sets is closed.
- The intersection of closed sets is closed.

Definition 1.32. We say that a set A is *connected* if there are no open sets $U, V \neq \emptyset$ such that:

$$A\subseteq U\cup V \quad A\cap U\cap V=\varnothing \quad A\cap U\neq\varnothing \quad A\cap V\neq\varnothing$$

Sequences

Definition 1.33. Let (M,d) be a metric space. A sequence in M is a map

$$x: \mathbb{N} \longrightarrow M$$

 $n \longmapsto x(n)$

The sequence x(n) is usually represented as (x_n) .

Definition 1.34. Let (M, d) be a metric space. We say a sequence $(x_n) \subset M$ is convergent to $p \in M$ if

$$\forall \varepsilon \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}, \ \exists n_0 \in \mathbb{N} : d(x_n, p) < \varepsilon \text{ if } n > n_0$$

Definition 1.35. Let (M, d) be a metric space. We say a sequence (x_n) is a Cauchy sequence if $\forall \varepsilon > 0 \; \exists n_0 \; \text{such}$ that $d(x_n, x_m) < \varepsilon$, for all $m, n \ge n_0$.

Definition 1.36. A metric space (M, d) is complete if every Cauchy sequence in M converges in M.

Definition 1.37. A subset $K \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ is *compact* if it is closed and bounded.

Theorem 1.38. Let $K \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ be an arbitrary set and $(x_m) \in K$ be a sequence. Then K is compact if and only if there exists a partial sequence (x_{m_k}) and $x \in K$ such that $\lim_{k\to\infty} x_{m_k} = x$.

²Sometimes the set \mathring{A} is denoted as Int A.

2 | Continuity

Definition 1.39 (Graph of a function). Let $f: U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}$. We define the *graph of f* as the following subset of \mathbb{R}^{n+1} :

$$graph(f) = \{(x, f(x)) \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} : x \in U\}$$

Definition 1.40. Given a function $f: U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}$, we define the *level set* $C_k(f)$ as $C_k(f) = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : f(x) = k\}$.

Definition 1.41. Let $f: U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^m$ and $p \in U'$. We say $\lim_{x \to p} f(x) = L$ if $\forall \varepsilon > 0$, $\exists \delta > 0$ such that $||f(x) - L|| < \varepsilon$ if $||x - p|| < \delta$.

Proposition 1.42. Let $f: U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^m$, $f = (f_1, \ldots, f_m)$, and $p \in U'$.

- 1. The limit of f at point p, if exists, is unique.
- 2. Suppose $L = (L_1, \dots, L_m)$. Then, $\lim_{x \to p} \mathbf{f}(x) = L \iff \lim_{x \to p} f_j(x) = L_j \quad \forall j = 1, \dots, m$.

Lemma 1.43. Let $f: U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^m$ and $p \in U'$. $\exists \lim_{x \to p} f(x) = L \iff \forall (x_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n : \lim_{n \to \infty} x_n = p$ and $x_n \neq p$ for all n we have $\lim_{n \to \infty} f(x_n) = L$.

Definition 1.44. We say that $f: U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^m$ is *continuous* at $p \in U'$ if $\lim_{x \to p} f(x) = f(p)$. We say that f is continuous on U, if so it is at each point $p \in U$.

Definition 1.45. We say that $f: U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^m$ is uniformly continuous on U if $\forall \varepsilon > 0$, $\exists \delta > 0 : ||f(x) - f(y)|| < \varepsilon$, $\forall x, y \in U: ||x - y|| < \delta$.

Corollary 1.46. A uniformly continuous function is continuous.

Theorem 1.47 (Heine's theorem). Let $f: K \subset \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^m$ be continuous function and K be a compact set. Then, f is uniformly continuous on K.

Theorem 1.48. Let $\mathbf{f}: U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^m$ be an uniformly continuous function and $(x_n) \in U$ be a Cauchy sequence. Then $(\mathbf{f}(x_n)) \in \mathbb{R}^m$ is a Cauchy sequence.

Theorem 1.49. Let $f: K \subset \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^m$ be a continuous function and K be a compact set. Then f(K) is a compact set.

Theorem 1.50 (Weierstraß' theorem). Let $f: K \subset \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}$ be a continuous function and K a compact set. Then f attains a maximum and a minimum on K.

Theorem 1.51 (Intermediate value theorem). Let $f: U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}$ be a continuous function and U be a connected set. Then $\forall x, y \in U$ and $\forall c \in [f(x), f(y)], \exists z \in U$ such that f(z) = c.

Definition 1.52. A function $f: U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^m$ is called *Lipschitz continuous* if $\exists k > 0$ such that

$$\|f(x) - f(y)\| \le k\|x - y\|$$

 $\forall x, y \in U$. If $0 \le k < 1$, we say that \boldsymbol{f} is a contraction.

Proposition 1.53. Let $f: U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^m$ be a locally Lipschitz continuous function at $p \in U$. Then f is continuous at p.

Definition 1.54. Let (M,d) be a metric space and $f: M \to \mathbb{R}$ a function. We define the *modulus of continuity* of f as the function $\omega_f: (0,\infty) \to [0,\infty]$ defined as:

$$\omega_f(\delta) := \sup\{|f(x) - f(y)| : d(x, y) < \delta, x, y \in M\}$$

3 | Differential calculus

Differential of a function

Definition 1.55. Let $f: U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^m$ and $a \in U$. The function f is differentiable at a if there exists a linear map $\mathbf{D}f(a): \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^m$ such that:

$$\lim_{x \to a} \frac{\| \boldsymbol{f}(x) - \boldsymbol{f}(a) - \boldsymbol{D}\boldsymbol{f}(a)(x - a) \|}{\|x - a\|} =$$

$$= \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{\| \boldsymbol{f}(a + h) - \boldsymbol{f}(a) - \boldsymbol{D}\boldsymbol{f}(a)(h) \|}{\|h\|} = 0$$

 $\mathbf{D}\mathbf{f}(a)$ is called the differential of \mathbf{f} at point a. Furthermore, we say \mathbf{f} is differentiable on $B\subseteq U$ if it is differentiable at each point of B.

Proposition 1.56. Let $f: U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^m$ and $a \in U$. $f = (f_1, \dots, f_m)$ is differentiable at a if and only if every component function $f_j: U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}$ is differentiable at a.

Definition 1.57. Let $f: U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}$, $a \in U$ and $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ such that $\|\mathbf{v}\| = 1$. The directional derivative of f at a in the direction of \mathbf{v} is:

$$D_{\mathbf{v}}f(a) = \lim_{t \to 0} \frac{f(a+t\mathbf{v}) - f(a)}{t}$$

Definition 1.58. Let $U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ be an open set, $f: U \to \mathbb{R}$ and $a \in U$. If the following limit exists, we define the partial derivative with respect to x_i of f at a as:

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i}(a) = \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{f(a + h\mathbf{e}_j) - f(a)}{h}^3$$

Definition 1.59. Let $f: U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^m$ and $a \in U$. If all partial derivatives of f at a exist, we call *Jacobian matrix* of f at a the matrix associated with Df(a) (with respect to the canonical basis of \mathbb{R}^n and \mathbb{R}^m):

$$\mathbf{D}f(a) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_1}(a) & \cdots & \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_n}(a) \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial f_m}{\partial x_1}(a) & \cdots & \frac{\partial f_m}{\partial x_n}(a) \end{pmatrix}$$

If n = m, we define the Jacobian determinant as $J\mathbf{f}(a) = \det \mathbf{D}\mathbf{f}(a)$.

³Here \mathbf{e}_j is the *j*-th vector of the canonical basis of \mathbb{R}^n , that is, $\mathbf{e}_j = (0, \dots, 0, 1, 0, \dots, 0)$.

Definition 1.60. Let $U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ be an open set, $f: U \to \mathbb{R}$ and $a \in U$ such that f is differentiable at $a \in U$. The gradient of f at a is:

$$\nabla f(a) := \mathbf{D}f(a) = \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1}(a), \dots, \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_n}(a)\right)$$

Proposition 1.61. Let $U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ be an open set and $f: U \to \mathbb{R}$ be a differentiable function at $a \in U$. Then there exists the tangent hyperplane to the graph of f at a and has the equation:

$$x_{n+1} = f(a) + \nabla f(a) \cdot (x - a)^4$$

Theorem 1.62. Let $U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ be an open set, $f: U \to \mathbb{R}$, $a \in U$ and $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ such that $\|\mathbf{v}\| = 1$. If f is differentiable at a, the $D_{\mathbf{v}}f(a)$ exists and:

$$D_{\mathbf{v}}f(a) = \nabla f(a) \cdot \mathbf{v}$$

Proposition 1.63. Let $U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ be an open set, $f: U \to \mathbb{R}$ be a differentiable function on U and C_k be the level set of value $k \in \mathbb{R}$. Then $\nabla f(a) \perp C_k$ at $a \in C_k$.

Proposition 1.64. Let $U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ be an open set and $f: U \to \mathbb{R}$ a differentiable function at $a \in U$ and $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$. Then:

- $\max\{D_{\mathbf{v}}f(a): \|\mathbf{v}\| = 1\} = \|\nabla f(a)\|$ and it is attained when $\mathbf{v} = \frac{\nabla f(a)}{\|\nabla f(a)\|}$.
- $\min\{D_{\mathbf{v}}f(a): \|\mathbf{v}\| = 1\} = -\|\nabla f(a)\|$ and it is attained when $\mathbf{v} = -\frac{\nabla f(a)}{\|\nabla f(a)\|}$.

Theorem 1.65. Let $f: U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^m$ be a differentiable function at $a \in U$. Then f is locally Lipschitz continuous at a.

Theorem 1.66. Let $f, g: U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^m$ be two differentiable functions at a point $a \in U$ and let $c \in \mathbb{R}$. Then:

1. f + g is differentiable at a and:

$$D(f+q)(a) = Df(a) + Dg(a)$$

2. cf is differentiable at a and:

$$D(cf)(a) = cDf(a)$$

3. If m = 1, then (fg)(x) = f(x)g(x) is differentiable at a and:

$$D(fg)(a) = g(a)Df(a) + f(a)Dg(a)$$

4. If m = 1 and $g(a) \neq 0$, then $\left(\frac{f}{g}\right)(x) = \frac{f(x)}{g(x)}$ is differentiable at a and:

$$D\left(\frac{f}{g}\right)(a) = \frac{g(a)Df(a) - f(a)Dg(a)}{g(a)^2}$$

Theorem 1.67 (Chain rule). Let $U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ and $V \subseteq \mathbb{R}^m$ be open sets. Let $\mathbf{f}: U \to \mathbb{R}^m$ and $\mathbf{g}: V \to \mathbb{R}^p$. Suppose that $\mathbf{f}(U) \subset V$, \mathbf{f} is differentiable at $a \in U$ and $a \in U$ and:

$$D(g \circ f)(a) = Dg(f(a)) \circ Df(a)$$

Definition 1.68. Let $U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ be an open set and $f: U \to \mathbb{R}^m$. We say that f is a function of class $C^k(U)$, $k \in \mathbb{N}$, if all partial derivatives of order k exists and are continuous on U. We say that f is function of class $C^{\infty}(U)$ if it is of class $C^k(U)$, $\forall k \in \mathbb{N}$.

Theorem 1.69 (Differentiability criterion). Let $f: U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^m$, $f(x) = (f_1(x), \dots, f_m(x))$. If all partial derivatives $\frac{\partial f_i(x)}{\partial x_j}$ exists in a neighborhood of $a \in U$ and are continuous at a, then f is differentiable at $a \in U$.

Proposition 1.70. Let $f: U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^m$ and $A \subseteq U$. If all partial derivatives of f exist on A and are bounded functions on A, then f is uniformly continuous on A.

Theorem 1.71 (Mean value theorem). Let $f: B \to \mathbb{R}$ be a function of class \mathcal{C}^1 in an open connected set $B \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ and $x, y \in B$. Then:

$$f(x) - f(y) = \nabla f(z) \cdot (x - y)$$

for some $z \in [x, y]$.

Theorem 1.72 (Mean value theorem for vector-valued functions). Let $f: B \to \mathbb{R}^m$ be a function of class \mathcal{C}^1 in an open connected set $B \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ and $x, y \in B$. Then:

$$\|f(x) - f(y)\| \le \|Df(z)\| \|x - y\|$$

for some $z \in [x, y]$.

Higher order derivatives

Definition 1.73. Let $U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ be an open set and $f: U \to \mathbb{R}$. We denote the partial derivative of f of order k with respect to the variables x_{i_1}, \ldots, x_{i_k} at a point $a \in U$ as:

$$\frac{\partial^k f}{\partial x_{i_k} \cdots \partial x_{i_1}}(a)$$

Definition 1.74. Let $U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ be an open set. If $f: U \to \mathbb{R}$ has second order partial derivatives at $a \in U$, we define the *hessian matrix of* f *at a point* a as:

$$\mathbf{H}f(a) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_1^2}(a) & \cdots & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_n \partial x_1}(a) \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_1 \partial x_n}(a) & \cdots & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_n^2}(a) \end{pmatrix}^5$$

$$\nabla f(a) \cdot (x - a) = 0$$

⁴In general (not only the case of the graph of a function) the tangent hyperplane to function f at a point a is given by the equation

⁵Note that we can think $\mathbf{H}f(a)$ to be the associated matrix of a bilinear form $\mathbf{H}f(a)$.

Theorem 1.75 (Schwarz's theorem). Let $U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ be an open set and $f: U \to \mathbb{R}$. If f has mixed partial derivatives of order k and are continuous functions on $A \subseteq U$, then for any permutation $\sigma \in S_k$ we have:

$$\frac{\partial^k f}{\partial x_{i_k} \cdots \partial x_{i_1}}(a) = \frac{\partial^k f}{\partial x_{\sigma(i_k)} \cdots \partial x_{\sigma(i_1)}}(a) \qquad \forall a \in A$$

Inverse and implicit function theorems

Lemma 1.76. Let $U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ be an open set and $\mathbf{f}: U \to \mathbb{R}^m$ with $\mathbf{f} \in \mathcal{C}^1(U)$. Given $a \in U$ and $\varepsilon > 0$, $\exists B(a,r) \subset U$ such that:

$$\|\mathbf{f}(x) - \mathbf{f}(y)\| \le (\|\mathbf{D}\mathbf{f}(a)\| + \varepsilon)\|x - y\| \quad \forall x, y \in B(a, r)$$

Lemma 1.77. Let $U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ be an open set and $\mathbf{f}: U \to \mathbb{R}^n$ with $\mathbf{f} \in \mathcal{C}^1(U)$. Suppose that for some $a \in U$, $J\mathbf{f}(a) \neq 0$. Then $\exists B(a,r) \subset U$ and c > 0 such that:

$$\|f(y) - f(x)\| \ge c\|x - y\|, \quad \forall x, y \in B(a, r)$$

In particular, f is injective on B(a, r).

Theorem 1.78 (Inverse function theorem). Let $U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ be an open set, $\mathbf{f}: U \to \mathbb{R}^n$ with $\mathbf{f} \in \mathcal{C}^1(U)$ and $a \in U$ such that $J\mathbf{f}(a) \neq 0$. Then $\exists B := B(a,r) \subset U$ such that:

- 1. f is injective on B.
- 2. f(B) = V is an open set of \mathbb{R}^n .
- 3. $f^{-1}: V \to B$ is of class \mathcal{C}^1 on V.

Moreover, it is satisfied that $Df^{-1}(f(a)) = Df(a)^{-1}$

Definition 1.79. A function $f: U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^n$ is a diffeomorphism of class C^k if it is bijective and both f and f^{-1} are of class C^k .

Theorem 1.80 (Implicit function theorem). Let $U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^{n+m}$ be an open set, $f: U \to \mathbb{R}^m$ with $f \in \mathcal{C}^1(U)$ and $(a,b) = (a_1,\ldots,a_n,b_1,\ldots,b_m) \in U$ such that f(a,b) = 0. If $\mathbf{D}f(x) = (\mathbf{D}f_1(x)|\mathbf{D}f_2(x))$ with $\mathbf{D}f_1(x) \in \mathcal{M}_{m \times n}(\mathbb{R})$, $\mathbf{D}f_2(x) \in \mathcal{M}_m(\mathbb{R})$ and $\det Df_2(x) \neq 0$ (i.e. rang $\mathbf{D}f(a,b) = m$), then there exists an open set $W \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ and a function $g: W \to \mathbb{R}^m$ such that $a \in W$, $g \in \mathcal{C}^1(W)$ and:

$$g(a) = b$$
 and $f(x, g(x)) = 0$ $\forall x \in W$

Moreover, is is satisfied that:

$$D\boldsymbol{g}(a) = -D\boldsymbol{f}_2(a, \boldsymbol{g}(a))^{-1} \circ D\boldsymbol{f}_1(a, \boldsymbol{g}(a))$$

Taylor's polynomial and maxima and minima

Theorem 1.81 (Taylor's theorem). Let $U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ be an open set, $f: U \to \mathbb{R}$, $a \in U$ and $f \in \mathcal{C}^{k+1}(U)$. Then:

$$f(x) = f(a) + \sum_{m=1}^{k} \frac{1}{m!} \left(\sum_{i_{m},\dots,i_{1}=1}^{n} \frac{\partial^{m} f}{\partial x_{i_{m}} \cdots \partial x_{i_{1}}} (a) \prod_{j=1}^{m} (x_{i_{j}} - a_{i_{j}}) \right) + R_{k}(f, a),$$

where

$$R_k(f, a) = \frac{1}{(k+1)!} \sum_{i_{k+1}, \dots, i_1 = 1}^n \frac{\partial^{k+1} f}{\partial x_{i_{k+1}} \cdots \partial x_{i_1}} (\xi) \prod_{j=1}^{k+1} (x_{i_j} - a_{i_j}) = o(\|x - a\|^k)$$

for some $\xi \in [a, x]$. In particular, for k = 2 we have:

$$f(x) = f(a) + Df(a)(x - a) + \frac{1}{2}Hf(a)(x - a, x - a) + R_2(f, a),$$

where $R_2(f, a) = o(||x - a||^2)$.

Definition 1.82. Let $U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ be an open set and $f: U \to \mathbb{R}$. We say that f has a local maximum at $a \in U$ if $\exists B(a,r) \subset U$ such that $f(x) \leq f(a), \ \forall x \in B(a,r)$. Analogously, we say that f has a local minimum at $a \in U$ if $\exists B(a,r) \subset U$ such that $f(x) \geq f(a), \ \forall x \in B(a,r)$. A local extremum is either a local maximum or a local minimum. Moreover, if $f(x) \leq f(a) \ \forall x \in U$, we say that f has a global maximum at $a \in U$. Similarly if $f(x) \geq f(a)$ $\forall x \in U$, we say that f has a global minimum at $a \in U$.

Proposition 1.83. Let $U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ be an open set and $f: U \to \mathbb{R}$ be a differentiable function at $a \in U$. If f has a local extremum at a, then $\nabla f(a) = 0$.

Definition 1.84. Let $U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ be an open set and $f: U \to \mathbb{R}$. We say that $a \in U$ is a *critical point of* f if $\nabla f(a) = 0$. We say that $a \in U$ is a *saddle point* if a is a critical point but not a local extremum.

Theorem 1.85. Let \mathcal{Q} be a quadratic form. Then for all $x \neq 0$ we have:

Q is defined positive $\iff \exists \lambda \in \mathbb{R}_{>0} : Q(x) \ge \lambda ||x||^2$. Q is defined negative $\iff \exists \lambda \in \mathbb{R}^- : Q(x) \le \lambda ||x||^2$.

Proposition 1.86 (Sylvester's criterion). Let $\mathbf{A} = (a_{ij}) \in \mathcal{M}_n(\mathbb{R})$ be a symmetric matrix. \mathbf{A} is defined positive if and only if all its principal minors are positive, that is:

$$a_{11} > 0, \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{vmatrix} > 0, \dots, \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & \cdots & a_{nn} \end{vmatrix} > 0$$

A is defined negative if and only if its principal minor of order k have sign $(-1)^k$, that is:

$$a_{11} < 0, \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{vmatrix} > 0, \dots, (-1)^n \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & \cdots & a_{nn} \end{vmatrix} > 0$$

Theorem 1.87. Let $U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$ be an open set, $f: U \to \mathbb{R}$ a function of class $C^2(U)$ and $a \in U: \nabla f(a) = 0$. Let $\mathbf{H}f(a)$ be the hessian matrix of f at a and Hf(a) be its associated quadratic form. Then:

1. If Hf(a) is defined positive $\implies f$ has a local minimum at a.

- 2. If Hf(a) is defined negative $\implies f$ has a local maximum at a.
- 3. If Hf(a) is undefined $\implies f$ has a saddle point at a.

Theorem 1.88 (Lagrange multipliers theorem). Let $f, g_i : U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}$ be functions of class $\mathcal{C}^1(U)$ for $i = 1, \ldots, k$ and $1 \le k < n$. Let $S = \{x \in U : g_i(x) = 0, \ \forall i\}$ and $a \in S$ such that $f_{|S|}(a)$ is a local extremum. If the vectors $\nabla g_1(a), \ldots, \nabla g_k(a)$ are linearly independent, then $\exists \lambda_1, \ldots, \lambda_k \in \mathbb{R}$ such that:

$$\nabla f(a) = \sum_{i=1}^{k} \lambda_i \nabla g_i(a)$$

4 | Integral calculus

Integration over compact rectangles

Definition 1.89. A rectangle R of \mathbb{R}^n is a product $R = I_1 \times \cdots \times I_n$ where $I_j \in \mathbb{R}$ are bounded and non-degenerate⁶ intervals.

Definition 1.90. The *n*-dimensional volume (length if n = 1 and surface if n = 2) of a bounded rectangle $R = I_1 \times \cdots \times I_n$, $I_i = [a_i, b_i]$ is:

$$vol(R) = \prod_{i=1}^{n} (b_i - a_i)$$

Definition 1.91. Given a rectangle $R = I_1 \times \cdots \times I_n$, a partition of R is the product $\mathcal{P} = \mathcal{P}_1 \times \cdots \times \mathcal{P}_n$ where \mathcal{P}_j is a partition of the interval I_j . A partition \mathcal{P} is regular if for all j, \mathcal{P}_j is regular, that is, all subintervals in \mathcal{P}_j have the same size. We denote by $\mathbf{P}(R)$ the set of all partitions of R.

Definition 1.92. Given two partitions $\mathcal{P} = \mathcal{P}_1 \times \cdots \times \mathcal{P}_n$ and $\mathcal{P}' = \mathcal{P}'_1 \times \cdots \times \mathcal{P}'_n$ of a rectangle R, we say that \mathcal{P}' is finer than \mathcal{P} if each \mathcal{P}'_j is finer than \mathcal{P}_j .

Definition 1.93. Let $R \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ be a compact rectangle, $f: R \to \mathbb{R}$ be a bounded function and $\mathcal{P} \in \mathbf{P}(R)$. For each subrectangle R_j , $j = 1, \ldots, m$, determined by \mathcal{P} let

$$m_i := \inf\{f(x) : x \in R_i\} \text{ and } M_i := \sup\{f(x) : x \in R_i\}$$

We define the lower sum and the upper sum of f with respect to \mathcal{P} as:

$$L(f, \mathcal{P}) = \sum_{j=1}^{m} m_{j} \operatorname{vol}(R) \qquad U(f, \mathcal{P}) = \sum_{j=1}^{m} M_{j} \operatorname{vol}(R)^{7}$$

Definition 1.94. Let $R \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ be a compact rectangle and $f: R \to \mathbb{R}$ be a bounded function. We define the *lower integral* and *upper integral of* f *on* R as

$$\frac{\int_{R} f = \sup\{L(f, \mathcal{P}) : \mathcal{P} \in \mathbf{P}\}}{\overline{\int_{R}} f = \inf\{U(f, \mathcal{P}) : \mathcal{P} \in \mathbf{P}\}}$$

⁶That is, non-empty intervals with more than one point.

We say that f is Riemann-integrable on R if $\int_R f = \overline{\int_R} f$.

Proposition 1.95. Let $R \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ be a compact rectangle and $f: R \to \mathbb{R}$ be a bounded function. f is Riemann-integrable if and only if $\forall \varepsilon \exists \mathcal{P} \in \mathbf{P}(R)$ such that $U(f,\mathcal{P}) - L(f,\mathcal{P}) < \varepsilon$.

Definition 1.96. Let $R \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ be a compact rectangle, $f: R \to \mathbb{R}$ be a bounded function, $\mathcal{P} \in \mathbf{P}(R)$ and ξ_j be an arbitrary point of the subrectangle R_j for $j = 1, \ldots, m$. Then, we define the *Riemann sum of f associated to* \mathcal{P} as:

$$S(f, \mathcal{P}) = \sum_{j=1}^{m} f(\xi_j) \operatorname{vol}(R_j)$$

Theorem 1.97. Let $R \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ be a compact rectangle and $f: R \to \mathbb{R}$ be a bounded function. f is Riemann-integrable over R if and only if $\forall \varepsilon > 0 \ \exists \mathcal{P}_{\varepsilon} \in \mathbf{P}(R)$ such that:

$$\left| S(f, \mathcal{P}) - \int_{R} f \right| = \left| \sum_{j=1}^{m} f(\xi_{j}) \operatorname{vol}(R_{j}) - \int_{R} f \right| < \varepsilon$$

for any $\mathcal{P} \in \mathbf{P}(R)$ finer than $\mathcal{P}_{\varepsilon}$ and for any $\xi_j \in R_j$.

Fubini's theorem

Theorem 1.98 (Fubini's theorem). Let $R_1 \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ and $R_2 \subset \mathbb{R}^m$ be closed rectangles and $f: R_1 \times R_2 \to \mathbb{R}$ be an integrable function. Suppose for every $x_0 \in R_1$, $f(x_0, y)$ is integrable over R_2 . Then, the function $g(x) = \int_{R_2} f(x, y) dy$ is integrable over R_1 and

$$\int_{R_1 \times R_2} f(x, y) = \int_{R_1} dx \int_{R_2} f(x, y) dy$$

Similarly if for every $y_0 \in R_2$, $f(x,y_0)$ is integrable over R_1 , then the function $h(y) = \int_{R_1} f(x,y) dx$ is integrable over R_2 and

$$\int_{R_1 \times R_2} f(x, y) = \int_{R_2} \mathrm{d}y \int_{R_1} f(x, y) \mathrm{d}x$$

Corollary 1.99. Let $R_1 \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ and $R_2 \subset \mathbb{R}^m$ be closed rectangles and let $f: R_1 \times R_2 \to \mathbb{R}$ be a continuous function on $R_1 \times R_2$. Then:

$$\int_{R_1 \times R_2} f = \int_{R_1} dx \int_{R_2} f(x, y) dy = \int_{R_2} dy \int_{R_1} f(x, y) dx$$

Corollary 1.100. Let $R = [a_1, b_1] \times \cdots \times [a_n, b_n] \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ be a rectangle. If $f: R \to \mathbb{R}$ is a continuous function, then

 $\int_{B} f = \int_{a}^{b_{n}} dx_{n} \int_{a}^{b_{n-1}} dx_{n-1} \cdots \int_{a}^{b_{1}} f(x_{1}, \dots, x_{n}) dx_{1}$

⁷We will omit the results related to these definitions because of they are a natural extension of results of single-variable functions course and can be deduced easily. That's why we only expose the most important ones here.

⁸As we have only defined Riemann-integration, it goes without saying that an integrable function means a Riemann-integrable function.

Definition 1.101. Let $D \subset \mathbb{R}^{n-1}$ be a compact set and $\varphi_1, \varphi_2 : D \to \mathbb{R}$ be continuous functions such that $\varphi_1(x) \leq \varphi_2(x) \ \forall x \in D$. The set

$$S = \{(x, y) \subset \mathbb{R}^n : x \in D, \varphi_1(x) \le y \le \varphi_2(x)\}$$

is called an elementary region in \mathbb{R}^n . In particular, if n=2, we say S is x-simple. An elementary region in $V \subset \mathbb{R}^3$ is called xy-simple if it is of the form:

$$V = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 : (x, y) \in U, \phi_1(x, y) \le z \le \phi_2(x, y)\}\$$

where U is an elementary region in \mathbb{R}^2 and ϕ_1, ϕ_2 are continuous functions on U^9 .

Theorem 1.102 (Fubini's theorem for elementary regions). Let $D \subset \mathbb{R}^{n-1}$ be a compact set, $\varphi_1, \varphi_2 : D \to \mathbb{R}$ be continuous functions such that $\varphi_1(x) \leq \varphi_2(x)$ $\forall x \in D, S = \{(x,y) \subset \mathbb{R}^n : x \in D, \varphi_1(x) \leq y \leq \varphi_2(x)\}$ be an elementary region in \mathbb{R}^n and $f: S \to \mathbb{R}$. If f is integrable over S and for all $x_0 \in D$ the function $f(x_0, y)$ is integrable over $[-M, M], M \in \mathbb{R}$, then:

$$\int_{S} f = \int_{D} dx \int_{\varphi_{1}(x)}^{\varphi_{2}(x)} f(x, y) dy$$

Definition 1.103. Let $D \subset \mathbb{R}^{n-1}$ be a compact set, $\varphi_1, \varphi_2 : D \to \mathbb{R}$ be continuous functions such that $\varphi_1(x) \leq \varphi_2(x) \ \forall x \in D \ \text{and} \ S = \{(x,y) \subset \mathbb{R}^n : x \in D, \varphi_1(x) \leq y \leq \varphi_2(x)\}$ an elementary region. We define the *n*-dimensional volume of S as

$$\operatorname{vol}(S) := \int_{S} \mathrm{d}x = \int_{D} \mathrm{d}x \int_{\varphi_{2}(x)}^{\varphi_{2}(x)} \mathrm{d}y^{10}$$

Corollary 1.104 (Cavalieri's principle). Let $\Omega \subset R \times [a,b]$ be a set in \mathbb{R}^n where $R \subset \mathbb{R}^{n-1}$ is a rectangle. For every $t \in [a,b]$ let

$$\Omega_t = \{(x, y) \in \Omega : y = t\} \subset \mathbb{R}^n$$

be the section of Ω corresponding to the hyperplane y=t. If $\nu(\Omega_t)$ is the (n-1)-dimensional volume (length if n=2 and area if n=3) of Ω_t , then:

$$\operatorname{vol}(\Omega) = \int_{a}^{b} \nu(\Omega_{t}) dt$$

Definition 1.105 (Center of mass). The center of mass of an object with mass density $\rho(x, y, z)$ occupying a region $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^3$ is the point $(\overline{x}, \overline{y}, \overline{z}) \in \mathbb{R}^3$ whose coordinates are:

$$\overline{x} = \frac{1}{m} \iiint_{\Omega} x \rho(x, y, z) dx dy dz,$$

$$\overline{y} = \frac{1}{m} \iiint_{\Omega} y \rho(x, y, z) dx dy dz,$$

$$\overline{z} = \frac{1}{m} \iiint_{\Omega} z \rho(x, y, z) dx dy dz,$$

where $m=\iint_{\Omega}\rho(x,y,z)\mathrm{d}x\mathrm{d}y\mathrm{d}z$ is the total mass of the object.

$$I_L = \iiint_{\Omega} d(x, y, z)^2 \rho(x, y, z) dx dy dz$$

where d(x, y, z) denotes the distance from (x, y, z) to the line L. In particular, when L is the z-axis, then:

$$I_z = \iiint_{\Omega} (x^2 + y^2) \rho(x, y, z) dx dy dz$$

and similarly for I_x and I_y . The moment of inertia of the body about the xy-plane is defined by:

$$I_{xy} = \iiint_{\Omega} z^2 \rho(x, y, z) dx dy dz$$

and similarly for I_{yz} and I_{zx} .

Change of variable

Theorem 1.107 (Change of variable theorem). Let $U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ be an open set and let $\varphi : U \to \mathbb{R}^n$ be a diffeomorphism. If $f : \varphi(U) \to \mathbb{R}$ is integrable on $\varphi(U)$, then

$$\int_{\boldsymbol{\varphi}(U)} f = \int_{U} (f \circ \boldsymbol{\varphi}) |J\boldsymbol{\varphi}|$$

Corollary 1.108 (Integral in polar coordinates). Let $\varphi:[0,\infty)\times[0,2\pi)\to\mathbb{R}$ be such that:

$$\varphi(r,\theta) \longmapsto (r\cos\theta, r\sin\theta)$$

Then we have $|J\varphi|=r$ and therefore:

$$\int_{\varphi(U)} f(x, y) dx dy = \int_{U} f(r \cos \theta, r \sin \theta) r dr d\theta$$

Corollary 1.109 (Integral in cylindrical coordinates). Let $\varphi : [0, \infty) \times [0, 2\pi) \times \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$ be such that:

$$\varphi(r, \theta, z) \longmapsto (r \cos \theta, r \sin \theta, z)$$

Then we have $|J\varphi|=r$ and therefore:

$$\int_{\varphi(U)} f(x, y, z) dx dy dz = \int_{U} f(r \cos \theta, r \sin \theta, z) r dr d\theta dz$$

Corollary 1.110 (Integral in spherical coordinates). Let $\varphi:[0,\infty)\times[0,2\pi)\times[0,\pi]\to\mathbb{R}$ be such that:

$$\varphi(\rho, \theta, \phi) \longmapsto (\rho \sin \phi \cos \theta, \rho \sin \phi \sin \theta, \rho \cos \phi)$$

Then we have $|J\varphi| = \rho^2 \sin \phi$ and therefore:

$$\begin{split} & \int_{\varphi(U)} f(x,y,z) \mathrm{d}x \mathrm{d}y \mathrm{d}z = \\ & = \int_{U} f(\rho \sin \phi \cos \theta, \rho \sin \phi \sin \theta, \rho \cos \phi) \rho^{2} \sin \phi \mathrm{d}\rho \mathrm{d}\theta \mathrm{d}\phi \end{split}$$

Definition 1.106 (Moment of inertia). Given a body with mass density $\rho(x, y, z)$ occupying a region $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^3$ and a line $L \subset \mathbb{R}^3$, the moment of inertia of the body about the line L is:

⁹Analogously we define *y-simple* regions in \mathbb{R}^2 and *yz-simple* or *xz-simple* regions in \mathbb{R}^3 .

¹⁰In particular, we define the area of a region $S \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ as $\operatorname{area}(S) = \iint_{\mathbb{R}} \mathrm{d}x \mathrm{d}y$ and the volume of a region $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^3$ as $\operatorname{vol}(\Omega) = \iiint_{\Omega} \mathrm{d}x \mathrm{d}y \mathrm{d}z$.

5 | Vector calculus

Arc-length and line integrals

Definition 1.111. Let $\gamma : [a, b] \to \mathbb{R}^n$ be a parametrization of a curve and $\mathcal{P} = \{t_0, \dots, t_n\}$ be a partition of [a, b]. Then, the *length of the polygonal* created from the vertices $\gamma(t_i)$, $i = 1, \dots, n$, is:

$$L(\boldsymbol{\gamma}, \mathcal{P}) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \| \boldsymbol{\gamma}(t_i) - \boldsymbol{\gamma}(t_{i-1}) \|$$

Definition 1.112. Let $\gamma : [a,b] \to \mathbb{R}^n$ be a parametrization of a curve C. The arc length of C is

$$L(C) = \sup\{L(\gamma, \mathcal{P}) : \mathcal{P} \in \mathbf{P}([a, b])\} \in [0, \infty]$$

Definition 1.113. We say that a curve C is *rectifiable* if it has a finite arc length, that is, if $L(C) < \infty$.

Proposition 1.114. Let $\gamma:[a,b]\to \mathbb{R}^n$ be a parametrization of class \mathcal{C}^1 of a curve C. Then C is rectifiable and

$$L(C) = \int_{0}^{b} \|\gamma'(t)\| dt^{11}$$

Definition 1.115. Let $F: U \subset \mathbb{R}^m \to \mathbb{R}^n$ be a vector field¹². If all its component functions F_i are integrable, we define:

$$\int_{U} \mathbf{F} := \left(\int_{U} F_{1}, \dots, \int_{U} F_{n} \right) \in \mathbb{R}^{n}$$

Definition 1.116. Let C be a curve in \mathbb{R}^2 parametrized by $\gamma = (x(t), y(t))$. The unit tangent vector to the curve at time t is:

$$\mathbf{t} = \frac{\boldsymbol{\gamma}'(t)}{\|\boldsymbol{\gamma}'(t)\|}$$

The normal vector to the curve is N(t) = (y'(t), -x'(t)) and the unit normal vector to the curve is:

$$\mathbf{n} = \frac{N(t)}{\|N(t)\|} \mathbf{13}$$

Definition 1.117. Let C be a curve parametrized by $\gamma:[a,b]\to\mathbb{R}^n$ and $\varphi:[c,d]\to[a,b]$ be a diffeomorphism. The composition $\gamma\circ\varphi:[c,d]\to\mathbb{R}^n$ is called a reparametrization of C.

Definition 1.118. Let C be a curve of class C^1 parametrized by $\gamma:[a,b]\to\mathbb{R}^n$ an L be its arc length. We define the arc length parameter as:

$$s(t) = \int_{a}^{t} \|\boldsymbol{\gamma}'(t)\| \mathrm{d}t$$

We reparametrize C by $\rho(s) = \gamma(t(s))$, $0 \le s \le L$. Then $\rho'(s)$ is a unit tangent vector to C and $\rho''(s)$ is perpendicular to C at the point $\rho(s)$.

Definition 1.119. Let C be a curve of class C^2 and s be its arc length parameter. We define the *curvature* of C at the point $\rho(s)$ as

$$\kappa(\rho(s)) = \|\rho''(s)\|$$

Definition 1.120. Let $C = \{\gamma(t) : t \in [a, b]\} \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ be a curve of class C^1 and $f : \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}$ be continuous function. We define the *line integral of f along C* as:

$$\int_C f ds = \int_a^b f(\boldsymbol{\gamma}(t)) \|\boldsymbol{\gamma}'(t)\| dt^{14}$$

Definition 1.121. Let $C = \{\gamma(t) : t \in [a, b]\} \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ be a curve of class \mathcal{C}^1 and $\mathbf{F} : \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^n$ be a continuous vector field. We define the *line integral of* \mathbf{F} along C as

$$\int_{C} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{s} = \int_{C} \mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{t} ds = \int_{a}^{b} \mathbf{F} (\boldsymbol{\gamma}(t)) \cdot \boldsymbol{\gamma}'(t) dt$$

where \mathbf{t} is the unit tangent vector to C^{15} . If C is closed, then this integral is called the *circulation of* \mathbf{F} around C.

Definition 1.122. A Jordan arc is the image of an injective continuous map $\gamma:[a,b]\to\mathbb{R}^n$. A Jordan closed curve is the image of an injective continuous map $\gamma:[a,b]\to\mathbb{R}^n$ such that $\gamma(a)=\gamma(b)$.

Conservative vector fields

Definition 1.123. Let $U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ be a domain and $f: U \to \mathbb{R}$ be a function of class \mathcal{C}^1 . We say that $\mathbf{F}: U \to \mathbb{R}^n$ is a conservative or a gradient vector field if

$$\boldsymbol{F}(x) = \boldsymbol{\nabla} f(x) \qquad \forall x \in U$$

The function f is called the *potential* of F.

Theorem 1.124. Let $F = \nabla f$ be a conservative vector field on $U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ and C be a closed curve that admits a parametrization $\gamma(t) : [a, b] \to \mathbb{R}^n$ of class $\mathcal{C}^1(U)$. Then:

$$\int_{C} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{s} = f(\gamma(b)) - f(\gamma(a))$$

Corollary 1.125. Let F be a conservative vector field on U and C be a closed curve that admits a parametrization of class $C^1(U)$. Then $\int_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{s} = 0$.

¹¹It can be seen that the arc length of a curve does not depend on its parametrization.

 $^{^{12}}$ A vector field is nothing more than a vector-valued function.

 $^{^{13}}$ Observe that -N(t) is also a normal vector to the curve but, by agreement, we take the one pointing to the right of the curve or, if the curve is closed, the one pointing outwards from the curve.

 $^{^{14}}$ It can be seen that this integral is independent of the parametrization of C.

 $^{^{15}}$ It can be seen that the latter integral is independent of the parametrization of C except for a factor of -1 that depends on the orientation of the parametrization.

Divergence, curl and Laplacian

Definition 1.126. Let $F = (F_1, ..., F_n)$ be a vector field of class $C^1(U)$, $U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$. The divergence of F is:

$$\operatorname{\mathbf{div}} oldsymbol{F} = oldsymbol{
abla} \cdot oldsymbol{F} = \sum_{i=1}^n rac{\partial F_j}{\partial x_j}$$

Definition 1.127. Let $\mathbf{F} = (F_1, F_2, F_3)$ be a vector field of class $\mathcal{C}^1(U)$, $U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^3$. The *curl of* \mathbf{F} is:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{rot}\, \boldsymbol{F} &= \boldsymbol{\nabla} \times \boldsymbol{F} = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ F_1 & F_2 & F_3 \end{vmatrix} = \\ &= \left(\frac{\partial F_3}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial F_2}{\partial z}, \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial F_3}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial F_2}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial y} \right) \end{aligned}$$

Definition 1.128. Let $f: U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}$ be a function of class $C^2(U)$, $U \subset \mathbb{R}^3$. The Laplacian of f is

$$\nabla^2 f = \Delta f = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_j^2}$$

Proposition 1.129. Let U be an open set of \mathbb{R}^3 and $f: U \to \mathbb{R}$, $g: U \to \mathbb{R}^3$ be functions of class $C^2(U)$. Then for all $x \in U$ we have:

$$\mathbf{rot}(\nabla f) = 0$$
 $\mathbf{div}(\mathbf{rot}\,\mathbf{g}) = 0$ and $\mathbf{div}(\nabla f) = \nabla^2 f$

Surface area and surface integrals

Proposition 1.130. Let S be the graph of a function z = f(x, y) of class $C^1(U)$, $U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$. Then

$$\operatorname{area}(S) = \iint_{U} \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}\right)^{2} + \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}\right)^{2}} dxdy$$

Definition 1.131. A parametrized surface $S \subset \mathbb{R}^3$ is the image of a map $\Phi : U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2 \to \mathbb{R}^3$ of class $C^1(U)$ defined by $\Phi(u, v) = (x(u, v), y(u, v), z(u, v))$.

Proposition 1.132. Let $S = \Phi(U)$ be a surface in \mathbb{R}^3 parametrized by $\Phi \in \mathcal{C}^1(U)$. Then the unit normal vector to S at the point $\Phi(u, v)$ is

$$\mathbf{n}(u,v) = \frac{\frac{\partial \mathbf{\Phi}}{\partial u} \times \frac{\partial \mathbf{\Phi}}{\partial v}}{\left\| \frac{\partial \mathbf{\Phi}}{\partial u} \times \frac{\partial \mathbf{\Phi}}{\partial v} \right\|}$$

Proposition 1.133. Let $S = \Phi(U)$ be a surface in \mathbb{R}^3 parametrized by $\Phi \in \mathcal{C}^1(U)$. Then:

$$\operatorname{area}(S) = \iint_{U} \left\| \frac{\partial \mathbf{\Phi}}{\partial u} \times \frac{\partial \mathbf{\Phi}}{\partial v} \right\| du dv$$

Definition 1.134. Let $S = \Phi(U)$ be a surface in \mathbb{R}^3 parametrized by $\Phi \in \mathcal{C}^1(U)$ and $f : \mathbb{R}^3 \to \mathbb{R}$ be a continuous function whose domain contain S. We define the surface integral f over S as:

$$\iint_{S} f dS = \iint_{U} f(\mathbf{\Phi}(u, v)) \left\| \frac{\partial \mathbf{\Phi}}{\partial u} \times \frac{\partial \mathbf{\Phi}}{\partial v} \right\| du dv^{16}$$

Definition 1.135. Let $S = \Phi(U)$ be a surface in \mathbb{R}^3 parametrized by $\Phi \in \mathcal{C}^1(U)$ and $\mathbf{f} : \mathbb{R}^3 \to \mathbb{R}^3$ be a continuous vector field whose domain contain S. We define the surface integral \mathbf{f} over S or the flux of \mathbf{f} across S as:

$$\iint_{S} \mathbf{f} \cdot d\mathbf{S} = \iint_{S} \mathbf{f} \cdot \mathbf{n} dS =$$

$$= \iint_{U} \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{\Phi}(u, v)) \cdot \left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{\Phi}}{\partial u} \times \frac{\partial \mathbf{\Phi}}{\partial v}\right) du dv$$

where **n** is the unit normal vector to S^{17} .

Theorems of vector calculus on \mathbb{R}^2

Definition 1.136. Let $U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^3$ be an open set. A differential 1-form on U is an expression of the form

$$\omega = f_1 \mathrm{d}x + f_2 \mathrm{d}y + f_3 \mathrm{d}z$$

where f_1, f_2, f_3 are scalar functions defined on U^{18} .

Theorem 1.137 (Green's theorem). Let $F = (F_1, F_2)$ be a vector field of class $C^1(U)$, $U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$, and $c = \partial U$ be the curve formed from the boundary of U^{19} . Then:

$$\int_{\partial U} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{s} = \iint_{U} \mathbf{rot} \, \mathbf{F} dx dy^{20}$$

Corollary 1.138. Let U be a region in \mathbb{R}^2 and ∂U be its boundary. Then:

$$\operatorname{area}(U) = \int_{\partial U} x dy = -\int_{\partial U} y dx = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\partial U} (x dy - y dx)$$

Theorem 1.139 (Divergence theorem on \mathbb{R}^2). Let $\mathbf{F} = (F_1, F_2)$ be a vector field of class $\mathcal{C}^1(U)$, $U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$ with boundary ∂U . Then:

$$\int_{\partial U} \mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{n} ds = \iint_{U} \mathbf{div} \, \mathbf{F} dx dy^{21}$$

$$\omega = f_1 dxdy + f_2 dydz + f_3 dzdy$$
 2-form
$$\omega = f dxdydz$$
 3-form

$$\int_{\partial U} (F_1 dx + F_2 dy) = \iint_U \left(\frac{\partial F_2}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial y} \right) dx dy$$

 $^{^{16}}$ It can be seen that this integral is independent of the parametrization of S.

 $^{^{17}}$ It can be seen that the latter integral is independent of the parametrization of S except for a factor of -1 that depends on the orientation of the normal vector \mathbf{n} .

¹⁸Extending this notion, we can define 2-forms and 3-forms as:

 $^{^{19}}$ It goes without saying that the orientation is chosen positive, that is counterclockwise.

²⁰Alternatively, using differential forms, we get

²¹The first integral represents the flux of \boldsymbol{F} across the curve ∂U .

Theorems of vector calculus on \mathbb{R}^3

Theorem 1.140 (Stokes' theorem). Let S be a parametrized surface of class C^1 and ∂S be its boundary. Let $\mathbf{F} = (F_1, F_2, F_3)$ be a vector field of class C^1 in a domain containing $S \cup \partial S$. Then:

$$\int_{\partial S} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{s} = \iint_{S} \mathbf{rot} \, \mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{n} dS$$

Corollary 1.141. Let $a \in \mathbb{R}^3$ and **n** be a unit vector. Suppose $D_r = D(a,r)$ is a disk of radius r centered at a and perpendicular to **n**. Let \mathbf{F} be a vector field of class $\mathcal{C}^1(D_r)$. Then:

$$\mathbf{rot}\,\mathbf{\textit{F}}(a)\cdot\mathbf{n}=\lim_{r\to 0}\frac{1}{\mathrm{area}(D_r)}\int_{\partial D_r}\mathbf{\textit{F}}\cdot\mathrm{d}\mathbf{s}$$

Therefore, the **n**-th component of **rot** F(a) is the circulation of F in a small circular surface perpendicular to n,

per unit of area.

Theorem 1.142 (Gauß' or divergence theorem on \mathbb{R}^3). Let $\mathbf{F} = (F_1, F_2, F_3)$ be a vector field of class \mathcal{C}^1 on a symmetric region²² $V \subset \mathbb{R}^3$ with boundary ∂V . Then:

$$\iint_{\partial V} \mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{n} dS = \iiint_{V} \mathbf{div} \, \mathbf{F} dx dy dz$$

Corollary 1.143. Let $B_r = B(a, r)$ be a ball of radius r centered at $a \in \mathbb{R}^3$ and \mathbf{F} be a vector field of class $\mathcal{C}^1(B_r)$. Then:

$$\operatorname{\mathbf{div}} \mathbf{F}(a) = \lim_{r \to 0} \frac{1}{\operatorname{vol}(B_r)} \iint_{\partial B_r} \mathbf{F} \cdot \operatorname{\mathbf{nd}} S$$

Therefore, $\operatorname{\mathbf{div}} \boldsymbol{F}(a)$ is the flux of \boldsymbol{F} outward form a, in the normal direction across the surface of a small ball centered on a, per unit of volume.

 $^{^{22}\}mathrm{A}$ region on \mathbb{R}^3 is symmetric if is xy-simple, yz-simple and xz-simple.