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# VECTOR CALCULUS NOTES

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# I Curves and Surfaces

## VECTOR SPACES

Recall the definition of the *inner product* over a vector space  $V$ :

DEF 1.1

1.  $\langle u, v \rangle = \overline{\langle v, u \rangle} = \langle v, u \rangle$  in  $\mathbb{R}$  (where we'll be in this class)
2.  $\langle au + bw, v \rangle = a \langle u, v \rangle + b \langle w, v \rangle$
3.  $\langle u, u \rangle \geq 0$ , and  $= 0 \iff u = \mathbf{0}$

From this, we define the *norm* of  $u \in V$  to be  $\|u\| := \sqrt{\langle u, u \rangle}$ . This is well-defined, since  $\langle u, u \rangle \geq 0$ .

DEF 1.2

$$\forall u, v \in V, |\langle u, v \rangle| \leq \|u\| \|v\|$$

PROP 1.1

Cauchy-Schwartz Inequality

$$\forall u, v \in V, \|u + v\| \leq \|u\| + \|v\|$$

PROP 1.2

Triangle Inequality

The *cross product* of  $u, v \in \mathbb{R}^3$ , with respect to  $\mathbb{R}^3$ , is the determinate of the following:

DEF 1.3

$$u \times v := \begin{pmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ u_1 & u_2 & u_3 \\ v_1 & v_2 & v_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

where  $u = \langle u_1, u_2, u_3 \rangle$  and  $v = \langle v_1, v_2, v_3 \rangle$ . We observe the following two properties of the cross product in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ :

PROP 1.3

1.  $(u \times v) \cdot u = 0$
2.  $\|u \times v\| = \|u\| \|v\| \sin(\theta)$ , where  $\theta$  is the minimal angle found between  $u$  and  $v$ . A conceptualization of this property is that “ $u$ -cross- $v$  is equal to the area created by the parallelogram bounded by  $u$  and  $v$ .”

Inner products are not just abstractly useful: by defining a norm on continuous functions in  $C[0, 1]$ , with  $\langle f, g \rangle = \int_0^1 f(x)g(x)dx$ , we yield inequalities that are otherwise nontrivial via analysis:

$$\left| \int_0^1 f(x)g(x)dx \right| \leq \left( \int_0^1 f(x)^2 dx \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} + \left( \int_0^1 g(x)^2 dx \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$\left( \int_0^1 (f(x) \pm g(x))^2 dx \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \leq \left( \int_0^1 f(x)^2 dx \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} + \left( \int_0^1 g(x)^2 dx \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

## LINES AND PLANES

DEF 1.4 Define a *line*  $l(t) \in \mathbb{R}^n$  to be a function from  $\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  of the form  $l(t) = P + td$ , with  $P, d \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ . We call  $P$  the “point vector” and  $d$  the “direction vector”. An alternate form, with two points  $P, Q \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , would be  $l(t) = (1 - t)P + tQ$ , where  $l(t)$  lies along the path between  $P$  and  $Q$  for  $t \in [0, 1]$ .

DEF 1.5  $\text{proj}_u(v)$ , the *projection* of  $v$  onto  $u$ , is given by

$$(u \cdot v) \frac{v}{\|v\|^2}$$

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**Distance between a point and line** Using this definition, how can we find the shortest path between a point  $R$  and a line  $l(t)$ , which lies between  $P$  and  $Q$ ?

*Idea 1* We know the desired vector  $w = PR \sin(\theta)$ , the angle between  $PR$  and  $PQ$ . To find this value, note that  $\|PR \times PQ\| = \|PR\| \|PQ\| \sin(\theta)$ .

*Idea 2* We can project  $R$  onto  $PQ$ , and then subtract this projection from  $PR$ .

*Idea 3* We can minimize a distance function between  $R$  and a point on  $l$ , i.e.  $l(t)$ . Thus, we take  $\min_{t \in \mathbb{R}} \|R - l(t)\| = \alpha$ , and then take  $l(\alpha)$  to be the shortest path.

*Idea 4* We can find when  $(R - l(t)) \cdot d = 0$ .

Sometimes called “skew lines”

**Distance between 2 lines** Consider two lines,  $l_1$  and  $l_2$ , which do not intersect but are not necessarily parallel. What is the minimal distance between  $l_1$  and  $l_2$ ?

*Idea 0* Conceptualize this problem as finding the distance between the parallel planes defined by  $\{l_1, l_2\}$ .

*Idea 1* We can minimize  $\|l_1(t) - l_2(s)\|$  (really, one should minimize the square to make one’s life easier).

*Idea 2* Pick any two points, say  $l_1(T)$  and  $l_2(S)$ , and project  $l_1(T)l_2(S)$  onto  $l_1 \times l_2$ .

*Idea 3* Minimize  $\text{dist}(l_1(t), l_2)$  for fixed  $t$ .

*Idea 4* Find  $t$  and  $s$  such that  $[l_1(t) - l_2(s)] \cdot \vec{d}_1 = 0$  and  $[l_1(t) - l_2(s)] \cdot \vec{d}_2 = 0$

*Idea 5* For lines  $l_1, l_2$  with direction vectors  $d_1, d_2$ , let  $n = d_1 \times d_2$ . Then calculate  $\|\text{proj}_n(l_1(x_1) - l_2(x_2))\|$ , where we may choose any two points  $l_1(x_1)$  and  $l_2(x_2)$  arbitrarily.

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PROP 1.4  $\|u \times v\| = \|u\| \|v\| \sin(\theta)$  gives the area of the parallelogram bounded by  $u$  and  $v$ .

DEF 1.6 A plane  $r(s, t)$  is a function  $[0, 1]^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  defined by  $d_1, d_2 \in \mathbb{R}^3$ , two vectors lying

on the plane, and  $P \in \mathbb{R}^3$ , a point. In particular,  $r(s, t) = P + s\vec{d}_1 + t\vec{d}_2$ . This is called the *parametric form*.

The *point-normal* form of a plane is a function  $\mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  given by  $a(x - x_0) + b(y - y_0) + c(z - z_0) = 0$ , where  $\vec{n} = \langle a, b, c \rangle$  is a vector normal to the plane, and  $P = \langle x_0, y_0, z_0 \rangle$  is a point lying on the plane. DEF 1.7

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### Distance between a point $R$ and a plane $r$

*Idea 1* Minimize  $\|R - r(s, t)\|$  (or the square)

*Idea 2*  $\|\text{proj}_{\vec{n}}(P - R)\|$ , where  $\vec{n}$  and  $P$  are as given in the point-normal form.

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## TRANSFORMATIONS AND PARAMETERIZATIONS

The following table give general examples of linear transformations  $\lambda : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ .

Dimension	Linear	Affine
$n = 0$	$\lambda(0) = 0$	$\lambda(0) = P$
$n = 1$	$\lambda(t) = t\vec{d}$	$\lambda(t) = P + t\vec{d}$
$n = 2$	$\lambda(t, s) = t\vec{d}_1 + s\vec{d}_2$	$\lambda(t, s) = P + t\vec{d}_1 + s\vec{d}_2$
$n = 3$	$\lambda(t, s, r) = t\vec{d}_1 + s\vec{d}_2 + r\vec{d}_3$	$\lambda(t, s, r) = P + t\vec{d}_1 + s\vec{d}_2 + r\vec{d}_3$

We also define the following important curves in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ :

Type	Explicit Form	Parametric Form
Ellipse	$x^2 + y^2 = 1$	$r(t) = \langle t, \sqrt{1 - t^2} \rangle_{t \in [-1, 1]} = \langle \cos(t), \sin(t) \rangle_{t \in [-\pi, \pi]}$
Hyperbola	$x^2 - y^2 = 1$	$r(t) = \langle \sqrt{1 + t^2}, t \rangle_{t \in \mathbb{R}} = \langle \cosh(t), \sinh(t) \rangle_{t \in \mathbb{R}}$
Parabola	$x = y^2$	
Double Cone	$x^2 = y^2$	
Any Function	$y = F(x)$	$r(t) = \langle t, F(t) \rangle$

Define a *path* in  $\mathbb{R}^m$  to be a continuous function  $r : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ , e.g.  $[a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ . DEF 1.8

Define a *curve* in  $\mathbb{R}^m$  to be the image of a path (i.e. a set of points in  $\mathbb{R}^m$ ). Remember always the phrase “paths parameterize curves.” For example, the unit circle curve is parameterized by the path  $r : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  given by  $r(t) = \langle \cos(t), \sin(t) \rangle$ . DEF 1.9

Define the *tangent line* of  $\vec{r}$  at  $a \in \mathbb{R}$  to be an affine transformation  $l : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  satisfying the following:

$$l(t) = r(a) + (t - a)\vec{d} : \vec{d} \neq 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{t \rightarrow a} \frac{\|r(t) - l(t)\|}{|t - a|} = 0$$

E.G. 1.1

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♠ Examples ♣

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Consider the tangent to the unit circle at a point  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ : we have  $r(a) = \langle \cos(a), \sin(a) \rangle$ :

$$l(t) = \langle \cos(t), \sin(t) \rangle + (t - a) \langle d_1, d_2 \rangle$$

Where  $\langle d_1, d_2 \rangle \neq 0$ . Consider now the limit:

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{t \rightarrow a} \frac{\|r(t) - l(t)\|}{|t - a|} &= \lim_{t \rightarrow a} \frac{1}{|t - a|} \sqrt{(\cos(t) - \cos(a) - (t - a)d_1)^2 + (\sin(t) - \sin(a) - (t - a)d_2)^2} \\ &= \lim_{t \rightarrow a} \sqrt{\left(\frac{\cos(t) - \cos(a)}{t - a} - d_1\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\sin(t) - \sin(a)}{t - a} - d_2\right)^2} \\ &\stackrel{=}{=} \sqrt{(-\sin(a) - d_1)^2 + (\cos(a) - d_2)^2} = 0 \\ &\iff (d_1 = -\sin(a)) \wedge (d_2 = \cos(a)) \\ &\implies l(t) = \langle -\sin(a), \cos(a) \rangle \quad \square \end{aligned}$$


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## DIFFERENTIATION AND CONTINUITY

DEF 1.10

Given  $\vec{r}: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ , the *derivative* of  $\vec{r}$  at  $a \in \mathbb{R}$  is a linear transformation  $\vec{\lambda}: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  satisfying

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow a} \frac{\|r(t) - r(a) - \lambda(t - a)\|}{|t - a|} = 0 \quad \text{or equivalently} \quad \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\|r(a + h) - r(a) - \lambda(h)\|}{|h|} = 0$$

It is denoted  $D\vec{r}_a$ , and represented by the  $n \times 1$  matrix  $r'(a)$ . One may now rewrite the tangent line in the form  $l(t) = r(a) + \lambda(t - a)$ .

DEF 1.11

The *arc length* of a curve  $r(t)$  in  $t \in [a, b]$  is given by

$$s = \int_a^b \|r'(t)\| dt$$

DEF 1.12

An *arc length parameterization* of  $r(t)$  is some  $t = \alpha(s)$  such that  $r(\alpha(s))$  has a unit velocity vector, i.e.  $\|r'(\alpha(s))\| = 1$ . Alternatively, one could find an expression for arc length, and then parameterize  $r(t)$  in terms of its arc length. The resultant will be equivalent.

DEF 1.13

$\lambda: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  is *continuous* at  $\vec{a}$  if, for any  $\varepsilon > 0$ , we can find  $\delta > 0$  such that

$$\|\vec{x} - \vec{a}\| < \delta \implies \|\lambda(\vec{x}) - \lambda(\vec{a})\| < \varepsilon \quad \forall \vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

E.G. 1.2

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We'll do an arc length parameterization of a semicircle of radius 1 with its center at the origin, i.e.  $y = \sqrt{1 - x^2}$ . We get the natural parameterization  $r(t) = \langle t, \sqrt{1 - t^2} \rangle$ , where  $t \in [-1, 1]$ . We'd like to find a change of parameters  $t = \alpha(s)$  such that  $\|r(\alpha(s))\| = 1$  and  $\alpha' \geq 0$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 r(\alpha(s)) &= \left\langle \alpha(s), \sqrt{1 - \alpha(s)^2} \right\rangle \\
 r'(\alpha(s)) &= \left\langle \alpha'(s), \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha(s)^2)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \cdot (-2\alpha(s)\alpha'(s)) \right\rangle \\
 &= \alpha'(s) \left\langle 1, \frac{-\alpha(s)}{\sqrt{1 - \alpha(s)^2}} \right\rangle \\
 \text{Then } 1 = \|r'(\alpha(s))\| &= \alpha'(s) \sqrt{1 + \frac{\alpha(s)^2}{1 - \alpha(s)^2}} \\
 &= \frac{\alpha'(s)}{\sqrt{1 - \alpha(s)^2}}
 \end{aligned}$$

Integrating with respect to  $s$ , we get  $s = \arcsin(\alpha(s)) = \arcsin(t)$ . Thus,  $t = \sin(s)$ , and  $s \in [-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}]$ , and we yield the parameterization  $\langle \sin(s), \cos(s) \rangle : s \in [-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}]$ .

## SURFACES

We note the following quadric surfaces:

Type	Explicit Form
Ellipsoid	$x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1$
Elliptic Hyperboloid	$x^2 + y^2 - z^2 = 1$
Elliptic Paraboloids	$x^2 + y^2 - z^2 = -1$
Hyperbolic Paraboloids	$x = y^2 - z^2$
Double Cones	$x^2 = y^2 + z^2$

A surface  $F(x, y)$  is called *differentiable* at  $(a, b)$  if there exists some linear transformation  $\lambda : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  such that DEF 1.14

$$\begin{aligned}
 \lim_{(h,k) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{|F(a+h, b+k) - F(a, b) - \lambda(h, k)|}{\|\langle h, k \rangle\|} &= 0 \quad \text{or alternatively} \\
 \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (a,b)} \frac{|F(x, y) - F(a, b) - \lambda(x-a, y-b)|}{\|\langle x, y \rangle - \langle a, b \rangle\|} &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

$\lambda : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , as above, is called the *derivative* of  $F(x, y)$  at  $(a, b)$ , and is denoted by DEF 1.15

$D_{F(a,b)}$ . It is a linear transformation, and may be represented by multiplication by a  $1 \times 2$  matrix  $[u, v]$  for  $u, v \in \mathbb{R}$ .

E.G. 1.3

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♠ Examples ♣

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Let  $F(x, y) = xy$ . We consider  $F$  at  $(a, b)$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} 0 \leq \frac{|F(a+h, b+k) - F(a, b) - \lambda(h, k)|}{\|\langle h, k \rangle\|} &= \frac{|(a+h)(b+k) - ab - (uk + vk)|}{\|\langle h, k \rangle\|} \\ &= \frac{|bh + ak + hk - uh - vk|}{\|\langle h, k \rangle\|} = \frac{|(b-u)h + (a-v)k + hk|}{\|\langle h, k \rangle\|} \\ &\leq \frac{|b-u||h|}{|h|} + \frac{|a-v||k|}{|k|} + \frac{|h||k|}{|h|} \quad \text{since } |h|, |k| \leq \|\langle h, k \rangle\| \\ &= |b-u| + |a-v| + |k| \rightarrow |b-u| + |a-v| \\ &= 0 \quad \text{when } b = u, a = v \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the desired limit is always  $\geq$  and  $\leq 0$ , so especially it is 0. Our derivative at  $(a, b)$  is then  $\lambda(x, y) = bx + ay$ .

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One may also find these coefficients as the partial derivative of  $F$  at  $(a, b)$ , i.e.

$$\nabla F(a, b) = \left\langle \frac{\partial F}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial F}{\partial y} \right\rangle \Big|_{(a,b)}$$

DEF 1.16

This is called the *gradient*. Similarly,  $\alpha(x, y) = F(a, b) + \lambda(x - a, y - b)$  is called the *affine approximation* of  $F$  at  $(a, b)$ , and is analogous to the tangent line of a curve  $r$  at  $a$ .

### 1.1 Characterization of the Derivative

Let  $\vec{F} : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ . The derivative of  $F$  at  $\vec{a}$ ,  $\lambda$ , exists and is unique if:

1.  $\exists$  a linear transformation  $\vec{\lambda} : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  satisfying

$$\lim_{\vec{h} \rightarrow \vec{0}} \frac{\|F(\vec{a} + \vec{h}) - F(\vec{a}) - \vec{\lambda}(\vec{h})\|}{\|\vec{h}\|} = 0$$

2.  $\exists$  a linear transformation  $\vec{\lambda} : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  and a function  $E$  such that

$$F(\vec{a} + \vec{h}) - F(\vec{a}) = \vec{\lambda}(\vec{h}) + \|\vec{h}\|E(\vec{h})$$

and  $E(0) = 0$  is continuous at 0.

PROP 1.5

Note that the full converse is *false* (as a counterexample, see that the partial derivative of  $F = \sqrt{|xy|}$  exist at  $(0, 0)$ , but it is not differentiable there)

If  $F : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is differentiable at  $\vec{a}$ , then all partial derivatives of  $F$  at  $\vec{a}$  exist. Furthermore,  $\lambda(\vec{a}) = \left[ \partial_1 F \cdots \partial_n F \right] \Big|_{\vec{a}}$ .



### 1.2 Partial Converse

If all partial derivatives of  $F : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  exist near  $\vec{a}$  and are continuous at  $\vec{a}$ , then  $F$  is differentiable at  $\vec{a}$ .

$F : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is called *continuously differentiable* at  $\vec{a}$  if all partial derivatives of  $F$  exist near  $\vec{a}$  and are continuous at  $\vec{a}$ . We also say that  $F$  is  $C^1$  *continuous*. DEF 1.17

If  $F : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is  $C^1$  continuous at  $a$ , then it is differentiable at  $a$ . PROP 1.6

This is a restating of [Thm 1.2](#) using [Def 1.17](#) □

PROOF.

Note that the converse to our partial converse is *not* true: i.e. if  $F$  is differentiable at  $\vec{a}$ , it is not necessarily continuously differentiable at  $\vec{a}$ . Some counter examples include  $F(x, y) = |y|$  and  $\{F(x) = x^2 \sin(\frac{1}{x}) \text{ s.t. } x \neq 0 \text{ and } 0 \text{ otherwise}\}$ .

— ♠ Examples ♣ —

E.G. 1.4

In [Example 1.3](#), we prove (laboriously) that  $F(x, y) = xy$  is differentiable for all  $(a, b)$ . We can now use [Thm 1.2](#) to show this result: the partial derivatives  $F_x = y$  and  $F_y = x$  exist and are continuous  $\forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ , so  $F$  is differentiable  $\forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ .

We may represent the partial derivatives of  $\vec{F} : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m = \langle F_1, \dots, F_m \rangle$  at  $a$  using the *Jacobian* matrix, denoted  $F'(\vec{a})$  or  $J_a$ , and defined as follows: DEF 1.18

$$F'(a) = J_a = \left[ \frac{\partial F}{\partial x_1} \quad \dots \quad \frac{\partial F}{\partial x_n} \right]_a = \left[ \begin{array}{c} \nabla^T F_1 \\ \vdots \\ \nabla^T F_m \end{array} \right]_a = \left[ \begin{array}{ccc} \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial x_1} & \dots & \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial x_n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial F_m}{\partial x_1} & \dots & \frac{\partial F_m}{\partial x_n} \end{array} \right]_a$$

### 1.3 Chain Rule

Let  $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  be differentiable at  $\vec{a}$ . Let  $g : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^l$  be differentiable at  $\vec{b} = f(\vec{a})$ . Then

$$h = g \circ f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^l \quad \text{is differentiable at } \vec{a} \text{ and } D\vec{h}_{\vec{a}} = D\vec{g}_{\vec{b}} \circ D\vec{f}_{\vec{a}}$$

Furthermore, their Jacobians obey  $[h'(a)] = [g'(b)][f'(a)]$

PROOF.

Let  $\lambda$  be the derivative of  $f$ . Let  $\vec{t}, \vec{s}$  be arbitrary. Then we have

$$f(\vec{a} + \vec{t}) - f(\vec{a}) = \lambda(\vec{t}) + \|\vec{t}\|_{\varepsilon_1}(\vec{t})$$

where  $\varepsilon_1 : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  is continuous and  $\vec{0} @ \vec{0}$ . Similarly, for  $g$ :

$$g(\vec{b} + \vec{s}) - g(\vec{b}) = \mu(\vec{s}) + \|\vec{s}\|_{\varepsilon_2}(\vec{s})$$

where  $\mu$  is the derivative of  $g$ , and  $\varepsilon_2$  is as above. Our goal is to write  $h = g \circ f$  in the same manner. Let  $\nu = \mu \circ \lambda$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} h(\vec{a} + \vec{t}) - h(\vec{a}) &= g(f(\vec{a} + \vec{t})) - g(f(\vec{a})) \\ &= g(f(\vec{a}) + \underbrace{\lambda(\vec{t}) + \|\vec{t}\|_{\varepsilon_1}(\vec{t})}_{:= \vec{s}}) - g(f(\vec{a})) \\ &= \mu(\vec{s}) + \|\vec{s}\|_{\varepsilon_2}(\vec{s}) \\ &= \mu(\lambda(\vec{t}) + \|\vec{t}\|_{\varepsilon_1}(\vec{t})) + \|\vec{s}\|_{\varepsilon_2}(\vec{s}) \\ &= \mu(\lambda(\vec{t})) + \|\vec{t}\|_{\mu(\varepsilon_1(\vec{t}))} + \|\vec{s}\|_{\varepsilon_2}(\vec{s}) \\ &= \nu(\vec{t}) + \underbrace{\|\vec{t}\| \left( \mu(\varepsilon_1(\vec{t})) + \frac{\|\vec{s}\|}{\|\vec{t}\|} \varepsilon_2(\vec{s}) \right)}_{=: \varepsilon_3(\vec{t})} \quad \text{if } \vec{t} \neq 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{t} \neq 0 \implies 0 \leq \|\varepsilon_3(\vec{t})\| &\leq \|\mu(\varepsilon_1(\vec{t}))\| + \frac{\|\lambda(\vec{t})\| + \|\vec{t}\|_{\varepsilon_1}(\vec{t})\|}{\|\vec{t}\|} \|\varepsilon_2(\vec{s})\| \\ &\leq M \|\varepsilon_1(\vec{t})\| + (L + \|\varepsilon_1(\vec{t})\|) \|\varepsilon_2(\vec{s})\| \\ &\quad (\text{where } \|\lambda(\vec{t})\| \leq L \|\vec{t}\| \text{ and } \mu(\vec{x}) \leq M \|\vec{x}\|) \\ \implies \lim_{\vec{t} \rightarrow 0} \varepsilon_3(\vec{t}) &= 0 \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

E.G. 1.5

♠ Examples ♣

1. Consider  $f(x, y) = \langle x + y, x - y \rangle$  and  $g(x, y) = \frac{1}{4}x^2 - \frac{1}{4}y^2$ . Then  $h = g \circ f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is given by

$$\frac{1}{4}(x + y)^2 - \frac{1}{4}(x - y)^2$$

Let  $\vec{a} = \langle a_1, a_2 \rangle$ . Then  $f(\vec{a}) = \vec{b} = \langle a_1 + a_2, a_1 - a_2 \rangle$ . What about the Jacobian of  $f$ ?

$$f'(a) = \begin{bmatrix} \partial_1 f_1 & \partial_2 f_1 \\ \partial_1 f_2 & \partial_2 f_2 \end{bmatrix} \Big|_{(a_1, a_2)} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Similarly, for  $g$  we have

$$g'(b) = \left[ \partial_1 g \quad \partial_2 g \right] \Big|_{(a_1+a_2, a_1-a_2)} = \left[ \frac{1}{2}(a_1 + a_2) - \frac{1}{2}(a_1 - a_2) \right]$$

Then, by the chain rule, we multiple these two matrices to yield

$$\left[ \frac{1}{2}(a_1 + a_2) - \frac{1}{2}(a_1 - a_2) \right] \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_2 & a_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

One can (less) manually find that  $h = g \circ f$  is  $xy$ , and conclude the same.

2. Let  $S$  be a surface in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  given by  $F(x, y, z) = 0$  (this is called a “level surface,” e.g.  $xy - z = 0$ ). Let  $P = (a, b, c)$  be a point on  $F$ , and let  $C$  be a curve in  $S$  containing  $P$ , parameterized by  $r(t)$ .

Denote  $r(t) = \langle x(t), y(t), z(t) \rangle$ . Then  $g = F \circ r = F(x(t), y(t), z(t)) = 0$ . By chain rule, we have  $0 = g'(t_0) = F'(P) \cdot r'(t_0)$ , where we choose  $t_0$  such that  $r(t_0) = \langle a, b, c \rangle$ . Then, we observe that

$$0 = \nabla F(P) \cdot \vec{v}(t_0) \implies \nabla F(P) \perp \vec{v}(t_0)$$

Where  $\vec{v} = r'$  is the velocity vector of  $r$ . By considering all curves that satisfy our construction  $C \subset S$ , we yield the tangent plane of  $S$  at  $P$  with normal vector  $\vec{n} = \nabla F(P)$ . In particular, the point-normal form of the tangent plane of a surface  $F$  at  $P = (a, b, c)$  is given by

$$\partial_x F(P)(x - a) + \partial_y F(P)(y - b) + \partial_z F(P)(z - c) = 0$$

3. Generally, we can consider  $S^{n-1} \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  of  $F : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ . (This is called a *hypersurface*). Suppose this is differentiable at  $P \in S$ . Let  $C \subset S$  be a curve in  $S$  through  $P$ , parameterized by  $r : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  and differentiable at  $t_0$  with  $r(t_0) = P$ .

Then, by the chain rule,  $v(t_0) \perp \nabla F(P)$ . If  $v(t_0) \neq 0$ , then the tangent line to  $C$  at  $P$  has derivative  $r'(t_0)$ . If  $\nabla F(P) \neq 0$ , then the tangent hyperplane to  $S$  at  $P$  has a normal vector  $n = \nabla F(P)$ .

Let  $\mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\vec{a}, \vec{h} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . Then the *directional derivative* of  $F$  along  $\vec{h}$  at  $\vec{a}$  is given by DEF 1.19

$$\partial_{\vec{h}} F(\vec{a}) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{F(\vec{a} + t\vec{h}) - F(\vec{a})}{t}$$

For  $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  and  $\vec{a} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $\partial_i F(\vec{a}) = \partial_{e_i} F(\vec{a})$  is the *partial derivative* of  $F$  at  $\vec{a}$  DEF 1.20

along the  $i^{th}$  direction. In particular, for  $n \leq 3$ ,  $\partial_x = \partial_{\hat{i}}$ ,  $\partial_y = \partial_{\hat{j}}$ , and  $\partial_z = \partial_{\hat{k}}$ .

PROP 1.7

Then, if  $F : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  is differentiable at  $\vec{a} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , then

$$\partial_{\vec{h}} F(\vec{a}) = \vec{h} \cdot \nabla F(\vec{a}) = \sum_{i=1}^n h_i \partial_i F(\vec{a})$$

PROP 1.8

Let  $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ ,  $\vec{a}, \vec{h} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . By Def 1.19, we have

$$\partial_{\vec{h}} f(\vec{a}) := \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(\vec{a} + t\vec{h}) - f(\vec{a})}{t} = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{g(t) - g(0)}{t} = g'(0) \quad g(t) := f(\vec{a} + t\vec{h})$$

The *iterated directional derivative* on these parameters, denoted  $\partial_{\vec{h}}^i f(\vec{a})$ , is  $g^{(i)}(0)$ .

PROP 1.9

If  $f$  is  $i$ -times continuously differentiable at  $\vec{a}$ , then we can write

$$\partial_{\vec{h}}^i(\vec{a}) = (\vec{h} \cdot \nabla)^i f(\vec{a})$$

PROP 1.10

Mean Value Thm.

Let  $F : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be differentiable, and let  $\vec{a}, \vec{h} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , with  $\vec{h} \neq 0$ . Then

$$F(\vec{a} + \vec{h}) - F(\vec{a}) = \partial_{\vec{h}} F(c_{\vec{h}}) = \vec{h} \cdot \nabla F(c_{\vec{h}}) \quad \text{for some } c_{\vec{h}} \in [\vec{a}, \vec{a} + \vec{h}]$$

#### 1.4 Mixed Partial Derivatives are Equal

Let  $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\vec{a} = \langle a_1, a_2 \rangle$ . Let  $\partial_1 f, \partial_2 \partial_1 f$  be defined near  $\vec{a}$ , let  $\partial_2 \partial_1 f$  be continuous at  $\vec{a}$ , and let  $\partial_2 f(\cdot, a_2)$  be defined near  $\vec{a}$ .

$\implies \partial_1 \partial_2 f$  is defined at  $\vec{a}$  and  $\partial_1 \partial_2 f(\vec{a}) = \partial_2 \partial_1 f(\vec{a})$ .

PROP 1.11

If  $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is  $C^2$  continuous near  $\vec{a}$ , then  $\partial_1 \partial_2 f = \partial_2 \partial_1 f$  at  $\vec{a}$ .

DEF 1.21

$f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is  $k$ -times continuously differentiable at  $\vec{a}$  if all  $k^{th}$ -order partial derivatives exist near  $\vec{a}$  and are continuous at  $\vec{a}$ . We also say that  $f$  is  $C^k$  continuous.

PROP 1.12

If  $f$  is  $C^k$  continuous at  $\vec{a}$ , then its  $(k-1)^{th}$  order partial derivatives are  $C^1$  continuous at  $\vec{a}$ .

#### 1.5 Multivariable Taylor's Theorem

Let  $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be  $C^k$  continuous near some  $\vec{a} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . For  $j \in [1, k]$ , let  $\alpha_j(\vec{h})$  be defined by

$$\alpha_j(\vec{h}) = \frac{1}{j!} \partial_{\vec{h}}^j f(\vec{a}) = \frac{1}{j!} (\vec{h} \cdot \nabla)^j f(\vec{a}) \quad \forall$$

Let  $p(\vec{h}) = \alpha_1(\vec{h}) + \dots + \alpha_k(\vec{h})$ . Then  $G : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  by  $G(\vec{x}) = f(\vec{a}) + p(\vec{x} - \vec{a})$  is the best degree  $k$  approximation of  $f$  at  $\vec{a}$ .

## II Integration

### RIEMANN INTEGRATION

Let  $\mathcal{B}$  be a box in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Choose  $F : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  which is bounded on the box. Then, informally,  $F$  is *integrable* if the limit of its Riemann summation is equivalent across all orderings of tagged partitions. DEF 2.1

By the extreme value theorem, if  $F$  is continuous on  $\mathcal{B}$ , then  $F$  is bounded on  $\mathcal{B}$ . PROP 2.1

#### 2.1 Integrability Criterion on Boxes

If  $F$  is continuous on  $\mathcal{B}$ , then  $F$  is integrable over  $\mathcal{B}$ .

#### 2.2 Fubini

Let  $\mathcal{B} = [a_1, b_1] \times \cdots \times [a_n, b_n]$ . Let  $F : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be continuous on  $\mathcal{B}$ . Then

$$\int_{\mathcal{B}} F dV^n = \int_{x_n=a_n}^{x_n=b_n} \cdots \left( \int_{x_1=a_1}^{x_1=b_1} F(x_1, \dots, x_n) dx_1 \right) \cdots dx_n$$

Furthermore, the order of integration doesn't matter.

$$\int_a^b g(x) dx = g(c)(b-a) \text{ where } a < c < b.$$

PROP 2.2

$$\frac{G(b)-G(a)}{b-a} = G'(c) = g(c) \text{ by the mean value theorem and the FTC.} \quad \square$$

PROOF.

### Point-Set Topology

A set  $S \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  has *zero measure* if  $\forall \varepsilon > 0$  we can choose a set of open balls such that  $S \subseteq \bigcup B(x_i, \varepsilon_i)$  where  $\sum \text{vol}(B(x_i, \varepsilon_i)) < \varepsilon$ . DEF 2.2

In general, hypersurfaces in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  have zero measure. Thus, if  $F : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is continuous except on a hypersurface,  $F$  is still integrable.

$\vec{p} \in \text{Int}(S)$  is called an *interior point* of  $S$  if  $\exists \varepsilon > 0$  such that  $B(\vec{p}, \varepsilon) \subseteq S$ . DEF 2.3

1. If  $S \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  has zero measure and  $S' \subseteq S$ , then  $S'$  has zero measure. PROP 2.3

2. If  $S \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  has zero measure, then  $S$  has no interior points.

Let  $S \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ . Then DEF 2.4

1.  $\text{Int}(S)$ , the *interior* of  $S$ , is the set of all interior points of  $S$
2.  $S$  is called *open* if  $S = \text{Int}(S)$ .
3.  $S^c$ , the *compliment* of  $S$ , is  $\mathbb{R}^n \setminus S$ .
4.  $p \in S^c$  is called an *exterior point* of  $S$  if  $\exists \varepsilon > 0$  with  $B(p, \varepsilon) \subseteq S^c$ .
5.  $\text{Ext}(S)$ , the *exterior* of  $S$ , is the set of all exterior points of  $S$ .
6.  $S$  is *closed* if  $S^c = \text{Ext}(S)$ .
7.  $p \in \mathbb{R}^n$  is called a *boundary point* of  $S$  if  $p \notin \text{Int}(S) \wedge p \notin \text{Ext}(S)$ .
8. The *boundary* of  $S$ , denoted  $\partial S$ , is the set of all boundary points of  $S$ .
9.  $S$  is *bounded* if  $\exists \mathcal{B}$  with  $S \subseteq \mathcal{B} \subsetneq \mathbb{R}^n$ .

PROP 2.4

$S$  is closed  $\iff S^c$  is open  $\iff S$  contains its boundary.

### 2.3 Integrable $\iff$ Trivial Discontinuities

The set of discontinuities of  $F$  in  $\mathcal{B}$  has zero measure  $\iff F$  is integrable over  $\mathcal{B}$ .

DEF 2.5

Let  $\mathcal{D} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  be closed and bounded. Let  $f : \mathcal{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  be some function.  $\hat{f} : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defined by

$$\hat{f}(x) = \begin{cases} f(x) & x \in \mathcal{D} \\ 0 & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$$

is called the *trivial extension* of  $f$ .

PROP 2.5

$f$  is integrable over  $\mathcal{D}$  if its trivial extension is integrable over a box  $\mathcal{B} \supseteq \mathcal{D}$ .

### 2.4 Integrability Criterion on Sets

Let  $\mathcal{D} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  be closed and bounded, with a boundary that has zero measure. Then, if  $f : \mathcal{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is continuous on  $\mathcal{D}$ , then  $f$  is integrable.

PROOF.

If  $f$  is continuous on  $\mathcal{D}$ , then  $\hat{f}$  is continuous on both  $\text{Int}(\mathcal{D})$  and  $\text{Ext}(\mathcal{D})$  (for any point in either of these sets, we can find epsilon balls centered at the point and contained in the set—within these intervals  $\hat{f} = f$ ). Thus, since  $\mathcal{D} = \text{Int}(\mathcal{D}) \cup \text{Ext}(\mathcal{D}) \cup \partial \mathcal{D}$ , the set of discontinuities of  $\hat{f}$  has at most measure 0. Hence,  $\hat{f}$  is integrable over any box containing  $\mathcal{D}$ , and hence  $f$  is integrable over  $\mathcal{D}$  by Prop 2.5.  $\square$

$\mathcal{D} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$  is called *y-simple* if, for  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $g_1, g_2 : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  continuous, we may write DEF 2.6

$$\mathcal{D} = \begin{cases} a \leq x \leq b \\ g_1(x) \leq y \leq g_2(x) \end{cases}$$

Similarly,  $\mathcal{D}$  is *x-simple* if

$$\mathcal{D} = \begin{cases} a \leq y \leq b \\ g_1(y) \leq x \leq g_2(y) \end{cases}$$

Note that, since  $x \in [a, b]$  is closed (hence compact),  $g_1(x)$  and  $g_2(x)$  are bounded. We reason similarly for *x-simple* domains.

$\mathcal{D} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$  is *elementary* if it is *y-* or *x-simple*. It is *simple* if it is both. DEF 2.7

## 2.5 Fubini

If  $\mathcal{D} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  is elementary and  $f : \mathcal{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is continuous, then

- $\mathcal{D}$  is *y-simple*  $\implies \iint_{\mathcal{D}} f dA = \int_{x=a}^{x=b} \int_{y=g_1(x)}^{y=g_2(x)} f(x, y) dy dx$
- $\mathcal{D}$  is *x-simple*  $\implies \iint_{\mathcal{D}} f dA = \int_{y=a}^{y=b} \int_{x=g_1(y)}^{x=g_2(y)} f(x, y) dx dy$

### ♠ Examples ♣

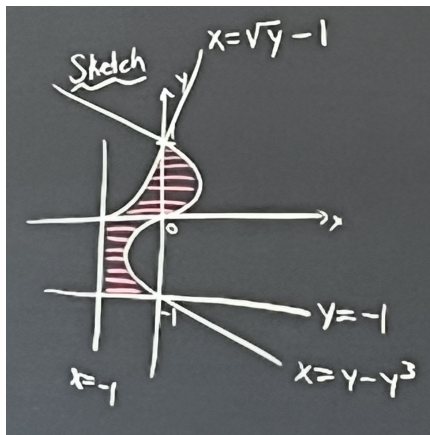
E.G. 2.1

1. Consider  $\iint_{\mathcal{D}} (1 + 2y) dA$ , where  $\mathcal{D}$  is bounded by  $y = 2x^2$  and  $y = 1 + x^2$ . We first find the intersection between these two curves:  $2x^2 = 1 + x^2 \implies x = \pm 1$ .

Then, by Thm 2.5 ( $\mathcal{D}$  is  $y$ -simple), we write

$$\begin{aligned}
 \iint_{\mathcal{D}} (1+2y) dA &= \int_{x=-1}^{x=1} \int_{2x^2}^{1+x^2} (1+2y) dy dx = \int_{-1}^1 y + y^2 \Big|_{2x^2}^{1+x^2} \\
 &= \int_{-1}^1 (1+x^2) + (1+x^2)^2 - 2x^2 - 4x^4 \\
 &= \int_{-1}^1 1 + x^2 + 1 + x^4 + 2x^2 - 2x^2 - 4x^4 \\
 &= \int_{-1}^1 -3x^4 + x^2 + 2 = \left. -\frac{3}{5}x^5 + \frac{1}{3}x^3 + 2x \right|_{-1}^1 = 2\frac{-3}{5} + 2\frac{1}{3} + 4 \\
 &= 2\left(\frac{-9}{15} + \frac{5}{15} + \frac{30}{15}\right) = \frac{52}{15}
 \end{aligned}$$

2. Consider  $\iint_{\mathcal{D}} y dA$ , where  $\mathcal{D}$  is bounded by  $x = y - y^3$ ,  $x = \sqrt{y} - 1$ ,  $x = -1$ , and  $y = -1$  (OOF). By Thm 2.5 ( $y$ -simple):



We split this up into two  $x$ -simple graphs, one in  $y \in [-1, 0]$ , and one in  $y \in [0, 1]$ . Then we have  $\iint_{\mathcal{D}} = I_1 + I_2$ , with

$$I_1 = \int_0^1 \int_{\sqrt{y}-1}^{y-y^3} y dx dy \quad I_2 = \int_{-1}^0 \int_{-1}^{y-y^3} y dx dy$$

Computing this integral a hassle. Try it yourself.



3. We may also flip the bounds of integration using Thm 2.5. For example, consider  $\int_0^3 \int_y^3 \sin(x^2) dx dy$ . This is a non-elementary integral to evaluate in  $x$ . But observe that our bounds are equivalent to  $y \in [0, x]$  and  $x \in [0, 3]$ , so we may re-write this as  $\int_0^3 \int_0^x \sin(x^2) dy dx$ .

We pick up an  $x$ , not, after integrating WRT  $y$ , so this is easy to evaluate!

A set  $S \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  is called *path-connected* if, for every  $a, b \in S$ , there exists a continuous mapping containing  $a$  and  $b$  (i.e., there exists a path between them).

DEF 2.8

In  $\mathcal{D} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ , we call  $\mathcal{D}$  *elementary* if it is closed, bounded, and both its interior and boundary are path-connected.

DEF 2.9

Let  $\mathcal{D}, \mathcal{D}^*$  be elementary subsets of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Let  $T : \mathcal{D}^* \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$ . We call  $T$  *onto*, or *surjective*, if the whole of  $\mathcal{D}$  is mapped to, i.e.  $\forall d^* \in \mathcal{D}^* \exists d \in \mathcal{D} : T(d) = d'$ .

This is distinct from elementary-ness of  $\mathcal{D} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$ , which we characterized by  $y$  and  $x$  simple-ness.

DEF 2.10

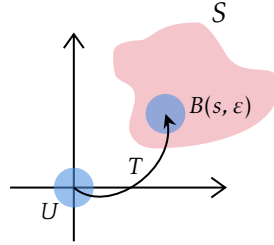
Using the same notation, we call  $T$  *one-to-one*, or *injective*, if no two points share a mapping, i.e.  $\forall d_1^*, d_2^* \in \mathcal{D}^*$ , we have  $T(d_1^*) = T(d_2^*) \implies d_1^* = d_2^*$ .

DEF 2.11

$S \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  is a *hypersurface* if,  $\forall s \in S$ ,  $\exists \varepsilon > 0$ , an open set  $U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ , and a function  $T : U \rightarrow B(s, \varepsilon)$  such that

DEF 2.12

- $T$  is injective on  $\text{Int}(\mathcal{D}^*)$  and also surjective
- $T(U \cap \{s = \langle x_1, \dots, x_n \rangle : x_n = 0\}) = S \cap B(s, \varepsilon)$



For  $\mathcal{D} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $F$  integrable,  $\int_{\mathcal{D}} F dV^n = \int_{\text{Int}(\mathcal{D})} F dV^n$ .

PROP 2.6

## 2.6 Change of Variables

Let  $T : \mathcal{D}^* \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$  be  $C^1$  and injective on  $\text{Int}(\mathcal{D}^*)$ . Let  $F : \mathcal{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be integrable over  $\mathcal{D}$ . Let  $[T]$  be the Jacobian induced by  $T$ . Let  $F^* : \mathcal{D}^* \rightarrow \mathbb{R} = F \circ T$ . Then  $F^*$  is integrable over  $\mathcal{D}^*$  and

$$\int_{\mathcal{D}} F dV = \int_{\mathcal{D}^*} F^* |\det(T)| dV$$

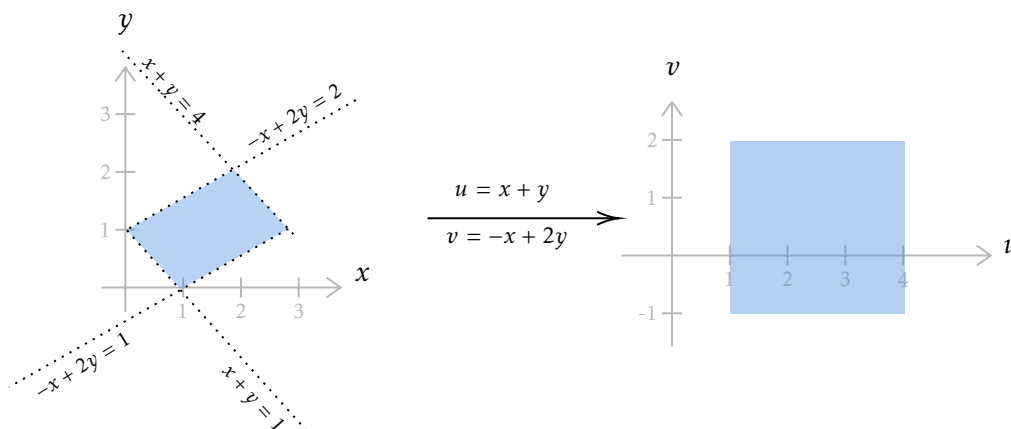
E.G. 2.2

♠ Examples ♣

In polar coordinates,  $\int_D F dA = \int_{D^*} F^* r dA$ . For this, see that the relevant Jacobian is

$$T' = \begin{bmatrix} \partial_r x & \partial_\theta x \\ \partial_r y & \partial_\theta y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta) & -r \sin(\theta) \\ \sin(\theta) & r \cos(\theta) \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow |\det(T')| = |r| = r$$

Consider the area of the following parallelogram:



Then,  $x = \frac{2u-v}{3}$  and  $y = \frac{u+v}{3}$ . Hence, we compute our Jacobian and conclude that  $\det(T') = \frac{1}{3}$ . However, we may also compute the determinate of the *inverse's* Jacobian, i.e.  $u = x + y$  and  $v = -x + 2y$ , which will yield 3, and invert the result. Hence, since the area of the left rectangle is 9, we get an area of 3 for the parallelogram.

## 2.7 Mean Value Theorem in $\mathbb{R}^n$

Let  $F : \mathcal{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be integrable over an elementary region  $\mathcal{D} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ . Let  $\bar{F} := \int_{\mathcal{D}} F dV \frac{1}{\text{vol}(\mathcal{D})}$  be the mean value of  $F$ . Then

$$\exists c \in \mathcal{D} : F(c) = \bar{F}$$

### III Vector Fields

#### REGULAR PATHS

$\vec{r}: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  is called a *regular path* if it is  $C^1$  and  $\|r'(t)\| > 0$  over  $[a, b]$ . DEF 3.1

$\mathcal{C} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  is called a *regular curve* if it is the image of a regular path. DEF 3.2

If  $\mathcal{C}$  is a regular curve, then there exists a unique arc length parameterization  $\rho: [0, l] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  of  $\mathcal{C}$ . PROP 3.1

A regular path  $\vec{r}: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  is *simple* if it is injective (except possibly at its endpoints). DEF 3.3

A regular path  $\vec{r}: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  is called *closed* if  $r(a) = r(b)$ . DEF 3.4

A regular curve  $\mathcal{C} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  is called *simple* or *closed* if it is the image of a simple or closed path, respectively. DEF 3.5

#### Center of Mass

Regular curves have zero measure, and hence zero  $n$ -dimensional volume, but we *can* measure 1-dimensional volume, i.e. length. Hence,  $\text{vol}_1(\mathcal{C}) := \int_{\mathcal{C}} 1 ds = l$ .

Let  $\delta: \mathcal{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$  be an integrable density function. Then  $\text{mass}(\mathcal{D}) = \int_{\mathcal{D}} \delta dV$ . The *center of mass*  $\vec{x} \in \mathcal{D}$  is given by DEF 3.6

$$x_i = \frac{1}{\text{mass}(\mathcal{D})} \int_{\mathcal{D}} x_i \delta dV$$

The mean value theorem gives the fact that  $\exists c: \delta(c) = \bar{\delta}$ , where  $\bar{\delta} = \frac{\text{mass}(\mathcal{D})}{\text{vol}(\mathcal{D})}$ .

Let  $\mathcal{C} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  be a curve parameterized by  $r: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ . Let  $\delta: \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$  be a density function. Then PROP 3.2

$$\text{mass}(\mathcal{C}) = \int_a^b \delta(r(t)) \|r'(t)\| dt$$

$$\text{mass}(\mathcal{C}) = \int_{\mathcal{C}} \delta ds = \int_0^l \delta(\rho(s)) ds \stackrel{\text{ch. of var's}}{=} \int_a^b \delta(r(t)) \|r'(t)\| dt$$

PROOF.

where  $\rho: [0, l] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  is the arc length parameterization of  $\mathcal{C}$ . □

PROP 3.3

If  $\mathcal{D} = \mathcal{C}$ , a curve in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , then the center of mass  $\vec{x}$  of  $\mathcal{C}$  with respect to  $\delta : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$  is given by

$$x_i = \frac{1}{\text{mass}(\mathcal{C})} \int_a^b r_i(t) \circ \delta(r(t)) \|r'(t)\| dt$$

where  $r(t) = \langle r_1(t), \dots, r_n(t) \rangle : t \in [a, b]$  parameterizes  $\mathcal{C} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ .

PROOF.

$$x_i = \left( \int_{\mathcal{C}} x_i \delta ds \right) \frac{1}{\text{mass}(\mathcal{C})} = \frac{1}{\text{mass}(\mathcal{C})} \int_a^b r_i(t) \circ \delta(r(t)) \|r'(t)\| dt \quad \square$$

## VECTOR FIELDS

**All curves  $\mathcal{C} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  henceforth are regular and simple.**

DEF 3.7

An *orientation* on a regular, simple curve  $\mathcal{C}$  is a continuous function  $T : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  which gives the unit tangent vector to  $\mathcal{C}$ .

PROP 3.4

There exist exactly two orientations on  $\mathcal{C} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $T : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $-T$ .

DEF 3.8

A *vector field* is a function  $F : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ .

DEF 3.9

Fix an orientation  $T$  on a curve  $\mathcal{C} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ . The *integral* of  $F$  over  $\mathcal{C}$  is given by

$$\int_{\mathcal{C}} F \cdot T ds := \int_0^l (F \circ \rho) \cdot \rho'$$

where  $\rho$  is the arc length parameterization of  $\mathcal{C}$ .

PROP 3.5

Under the conditions of Def 3.9, we have

$$\int_{\mathcal{C}} F \cdot T ds = \int_a^b (F \circ r(t)) \cdot r' dt$$

where  $r : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  is a parameterization of  $\mathcal{C}$ .

E.G. 3.1

### ♠ Examples ♣

Let  $F : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  be defined by  $F(x, y, z) = \langle 2x, 2y, 2z \rangle = 2 \langle x, y, z \rangle$ . Hence, at any point, the vector generated by  $F$  will go through the line between the origin and that point (away).

We want to integrate over the triangle  $\mathcal{C} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^3$  bounded by  $(1, 0, 0)$ ,  $(0, 1, 0)$ ,  $(0, 0, 1)$ . We orient this path as  $(1, 0, 0) \rightarrow (0, 1, 0) \rightarrow (0, 0, 1)$ .

Then, we split  $C$  up into 3 parts (the lines traversing each point)

$$\begin{aligned}
 C_1 &= r_1(t) \langle 1, 0, 0 \rangle + t \langle -1, 1, 0 \rangle \\
 C_2 &= r_2(t) = \langle 0, 1, 0 \rangle + t \langle 0, -1, 1 \rangle \\
 C_3 &= r_3(t) = \langle 0, 0, 1 \rangle + t \langle 1, 0, -1 \rangle \\
 \Rightarrow \int_{C_1} F \cdot T ds &= \int_0^1 \langle 2(1-t), 2t, 2(0) \rangle \cdot \langle -1, 1, 0 \rangle dt = \int_0^1 4t - 2dt \\
 &= [2t^2 - 2t]_0^1 = 0
 \end{aligned}$$

By symmetry, the integral across  $C_2, C_3$  will be the same, i.e.  $3 \cdot 0 = 0$ .

### 3.1 Line Integrals on Gradient Fields

Let  $\mathcal{U} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  be open and  $\varphi : \mathcal{U} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be  $C^1$  continuous. Let  $\mathcal{C} \subseteq \mathcal{U}$  be a curve with a parameterization  $r : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathcal{U}$  and orientation  $T$ . Let  $A = r(a)$  and  $B = r(b)$ . Then

$$\int_{\mathcal{C}} \nabla \varphi \cdot T ds = \varphi(B) - \varphi(A)$$

PROOF.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int_{\mathcal{C}} \nabla \varphi \cdot T ds &= \int_a^b \nabla \varphi(r(t)) \cdot r'(t) dt \\
 &\stackrel{\text{CR}}{=} \int_a^b (\varphi \circ r)'(t) dt \stackrel{\text{FTC}}{=} [\varphi \circ r]_a^b \\
 &= \varphi(r(b)) - \varphi(r(a)) = \varphi(B) - \varphi(A) \quad \square
 \end{aligned}$$

A vector field  $T$  is called *unit tangent* for a curve  $\mathcal{C} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  if  $T = \langle T_1, T_2 \rangle$  is exactly the unit tangent vector to  $\mathcal{C}$  (AKA its orientation). Similarly, a vector field  $n$  is called *unit normal* for  $\mathcal{C}$  if  $n = \langle T_2, -T_1 \rangle$ .

DEF 3.10

### 3.2 Jordan Curve Theorem

Let  $\mathcal{C} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$  be a curve. Then there exists an elementary region  $\mathcal{D} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$  such that  $\mathcal{C}$  is the boundary of  $\mathcal{D}$ .

PROOF.

The proof of this is beyond the scope of this course.

### 3.3 Green's Theorem

Let  $\mathcal{D} \subseteq \mathcal{U}$  be an elementary region. Fix an orientation  $T = \langle T_1, T_2 \rangle$  on  $\partial\mathcal{D}$ . Let  $F : \mathcal{U} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  be a  $C^1$  vector field. Then

$$\int_{\partial\mathcal{D}} F \cdot T ds = \iint_{\mathcal{D}} \partial_1 F_2 - \partial_2 F_1 dA = \iint_{\mathcal{D}} \text{curl}_2(F) dA$$

where  $\text{curl}_2 = \det \begin{pmatrix} \partial_1 & \partial_2 \\ F_1 & F_2 \end{pmatrix}$ . Let  $n = \langle T_2, -T_1 \rangle$ . Then

$$\int_{\partial\mathcal{D}} F \cdot n ds = \iint_{\mathcal{D}} \partial_1 F_1 + \partial_2 F_2 = \iint_{\mathcal{D}} \text{div}_2(F) dA$$

Conceptually, the curl of  $F$  at a point  $\vec{a}$  gives how much “spinning” is occurring about  $\vec{a}$ , and the divergence of  $F$  measures the tendency of nearby vectors to “move away” from  $\vec{a}$ . (Or, toward, if negative).

DEF 3.11 Let  $\mathcal{U} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  be open and  $\varphi : \mathcal{U} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  be  $C^2$  continuous. Then, if  $F$  is a vector field and  $F = \nabla\varphi$ , then  $F$  is called a *gradient field*.

DEF 3.12 A vector field  $F : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  is *conservative* if  $\partial_i F_j = \partial_j F_i \forall i \neq j$  and  $F = \langle F_1, \dots, F_n \rangle$ .

DEF 3.13 An open set  $\mathcal{U} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  is called *convex* if all line segments between points in  $\mathcal{U}$  are contained in  $\mathcal{U}$ .

### 3.4 Conservative $\iff$ Gradient: 2D

Let  $\mathcal{U} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  be convex. Let  $F : \mathcal{U} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  be a  $C^1$  vector field. Then

$$F \text{ is conservative} \iff F \text{ is a gradient field}$$

PROOF.

We show this for  $m = 2$ . Fix  $a \in U$ . For any  $x \in U$ , let  $[a, x]$  denote the line segment from  $a$  to  $x$  (oriented). Define  $\varphi : U \rightarrow \mathbb{R} : x \mapsto \int_{[a, x]} F \cdot T ds$ .

We claim that  $\partial_1 \varphi(x) = F_1(x)$ . An identical proof for  $F_2$  will establish  $F = \nabla\varphi$ .

Expanding

$$\begin{aligned}
 x = \langle x_1, x_2 \rangle \implies \partial_1 \varphi(x) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\varphi(x_1 + h, x_2) - \varphi(x_1, x_2)}{h} \\
 &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{h} \left( \int_{[a, x+he_1]} F \cdot T ds - \int_{[a, x]} F \cdot T ds \right) \quad \text{by def.} \\
 &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{h} \int_{[x, x+he_1]} F \cdot T ds \quad \text{by Green}
 \end{aligned}$$

At this point, observe that  $\text{curl}(F) = \partial_1 F_2 - \partial_2 F_1 = 0$ , since  $F$  is conservative, so consider  $C$  the curve bounded by  $a \rightarrow x + he_1 \rightarrow x \rightarrow a$ . Then

$$\int_{[x+he_1, x]} + \int_{[x, a]} + \int_{[a, x+he_1]} = \int_C F \cdot T ds \iint_D \text{curl}(F) = 0$$

Then, continuing from above:

$$\partial_1 \varphi(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \int_{x_1}^{x_1+h} F_1(t, x_2) dt \stackrel{\text{FTC}}{=} F_1(x_1, x_2) = F_1(x) \quad \square$$

## SURFACES

Let  $\mathcal{D} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$  be an elementary region. Then  $\rho : \mathcal{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  be called a *regular, 2D parameterization* if it is injective and  $\|\partial_1 \rho \times \partial_2 \rho\| > 0$ . DEF 3.14

$S \subseteq \mathbb{R}^3$  is called a *regular surface* if it is closed, bounded, and  $\forall x \in S, \exists \varepsilon > 0$  such that  $B(x, \varepsilon) \cap S$  is the image of a 2D parameterization. DEF 3.15

If  $S \subseteq \mathbb{R}^3$  is the image of a regular 2D parameterization, it is a regular surface. PROP 3.6

Let  $S$  be a regular surface with a parameterization  $\rho : \mathcal{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  for some  $\mathcal{D} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$ . Then, for a scalar function  $\varphi : S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , the integral of  $\varphi$  over  $S$  is given by

$$\iint_S \varphi d\sigma = \iint_{\mathcal{D}} (\varphi \circ \rho) \|\partial_1 \rho \times \partial_2 \rho\| dA$$

Given a surface  $S \subseteq \mathbb{R}^3$  which is path-connected,  $\mu : S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  is called an *orientation representative* if it is continuous and  $\mu(\vec{a})$  is nontrivial and normal to  $S$  at  $\vec{a}$  DEF 3.16

$S$  is *orientable* if an orientation representative exists. DEF 3.17

Two orientation representatives  $\mu, \nu$  for  $S$  are *equivalent* if  $\mu(\vec{a}) \cdot \nu(\vec{a}) > 0 \quad \forall \vec{a} \in S$ . DEF 3.18

PROP 3.7

If  $S$  is orientable, then it has exactly 2 distinct orientations  $O$  and  $\overline{O}$ , and hence two unit normal vector fields  $\vec{n}$  and  $-\vec{n}$ , and 2 area elements  $d\sigma$  and  $-d\sigma$ .

DEF 3.19

Fix an orientation  $\vec{n}$  on a regular surface  $S \subseteq \mathbb{R}^3$ , consisting of the unit normal vector field. Let  $\rho : \mathcal{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  be its 2D parameterization. Then

$$\iint_S F \cdot n d\sigma = \iint_{\mathcal{D}} (F \circ \rho) \cdot (\partial_1 \rho \times \partial_2 \rho) dA$$

where, in particular  $n = \partial_1 \rho \times \partial_2 \rho$ . Otherwise, dot instead with  $\partial_2 \rho \times \partial_1 \rho$ .

### 3.5 Stoke's Theorem

Let  $\mathcal{U} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^3$  be open and  $S \subseteq \mathcal{U}$  be a  $C^2$ -regular surface. Let  $F : \mathcal{U} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  be a  $C^1$  vector field. Fix an orientation  $T$  for  $\partial S$ . Then

$$\int_{\partial S} \vec{F} \cdot \vec{T} ds = \iint_S \text{curl}_3(\vec{F}) \cdot n dS$$

where  $\text{curl}_3(\vec{F})$  denotes  $\nabla \times \vec{F}$ , i.e.

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ \partial_1 & \partial_2 & \partial_3 \\ F_1 & F_2 & F_3 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{with } \vec{F} = \langle F_1, F_2, F_3 \rangle$$

### 3.6 Conservative $\iff$ Gradient, 3D

Let  $\mathcal{U} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^3$  be open and convex. Let  $F : \mathcal{U} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  be a  $C^1$  vector field, where  $X$  is finite. Then

$$\text{curl}_3(F) = 0 \iff F = \nabla \varphi$$

for some  $C^2$  function  $\varphi : \mathcal{U} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ .

We call a vector field  $G$  in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  *solenoidal* if  $\text{div}(G) = 0$ .

### 3.7 Solenoidal $\iff$ curl<sub>3</sub>

Let  $\mathcal{U} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^3$  be open and convex. Let  $G : \mathcal{U} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  be a  $C^2$  vector field. Then

$$\text{div}(G) = 0 \iff G = \text{curl}_3(H)$$

for some other  $C^2$  vector field  $H : \mathcal{U} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ .



**3.8 Gauss's Theorem**

Let  $\mathcal{U} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^3$  be open,  $R \subseteq \mathcal{U}$  be elementary, and  $G : \mathcal{U} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  be a  $C^1$  vector field. Then

$$\iint_{\partial R} G \cdot n d\sigma = \iiint_R \operatorname{div}(G) dV$$

**3.9 Stoke's Theorem For Manifolds**

Let  $U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  be open,  $S \subseteq U$  be a regular,  $C^2$  surface. Let  $\omega$  be a  $C^1$  1-form on  $U$ . Then

$$\int_{\partial S} \omega = \iint_S d\omega$$

We also have the even more general form:  $\int_{\partial M} \omega = \int_M d\omega$ .