

## MTH201-6

### 1. VECTORS IN $\mathbb{R}^3$

**Definition 1.** An element of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is called a vector in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

Some properties of vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ :

- (i) Let  $\bar{v} = (x, y, z), \bar{w} = (a, b, c)$ . Then  $\bar{v} - \bar{w} = (x - a, y - b, z - c)$ ;  $\lambda\bar{v} = (\lambda x, \lambda y, \lambda z)$ , for  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ .
- (ii) Let  $\bar{v} = (x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3$ . Then the norm of  $\bar{v}$  is  $\|\bar{v}\| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$ .
- (iii) distance between  $\bar{v}$  and  $\bar{w}$  is  $\|\bar{v} - \bar{w}\|$ .
- (iv) Dot product  $\bar{v} \cdot \bar{w} = ax + by + cz$ , also called scalar product.  $\theta$  is the angle between  $\bar{v}$  and  $\bar{w}$ , then  $\bar{v} \cdot \bar{w} = \|\bar{v}\| \|\bar{w}\| \cos \theta$ .
- (v) Projection of a vector  $\bar{v}$  along  $\bar{w}$  is  $\frac{\bar{v} \cdot \bar{w}}{\bar{w} \cdot \bar{w}} \bar{w}$ .
- (vi) cross product is defined by  $\bar{v} \times \bar{w} = \det \begin{pmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ x & y & z \\ a & b & c \end{pmatrix}$

**Definition 2.** A function  $f$  is called a vector valued function in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ . And similarly, a function  $g : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  is called a vector valued function in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

**Example 3.** Let  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3, f(t) = t(a, b, c)$  for a point  $(a, b, c)$  is a vector valued function. It represents a line passing through  $(0, 0, 0)$  along the point  $(a, b, c)$ .

**Definition 4.** We say that  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  is continuous at  $t_0$  if for every  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists  $\delta > 0$  such that  $|t - t_0| < \delta \implies \|f(t) - f(t_0)\| < \epsilon$ . If  $f$  is continuous at every point of  $\mathbb{R}$ , then  $f$  is continuous on  $\mathbb{R}$ .

**Example 5.** Let  $f(t) = (\sin t, \cos t)$ . Then  $f$  is continuous on  $\mathbb{R}$ . In fact, if  $t_0 \in \mathbb{R}$ , then there exists  $\delta_1 > 0, \delta_2 > 0$ , such that  $|t - t_0| < \delta_1 \implies |\sin t - \sin t_0| < \epsilon$  and  $|t - t_0| < \delta_2 \implies |\cos t - \cos t_0| < \epsilon$ . Therefore, for  $\delta = \min\{\delta_1, \delta_2\}$ , we have  $|t - t_0| < \delta \implies \|(\sin t, \cos t) - (\sin t_0, \cos t_0)\| \leq |\sin t - \sin t_0| + |\cos t - \cos t_0| < 2\epsilon$ . Hence,  $f$  is continuous at  $t_0 \in \mathbb{R}$ .

### 2. LIMIT AND CONTINUITY IN $\mathbb{R}^2$ AND $\mathbb{R}^3$

Let  $X_n = (x_n, y_n, z_n) \in \mathbb{R}^3$ .

**Definition 6.** The sequence  $X_n$  converges to  $X \in \mathbb{R}^3$ , if for any  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , such that  $\|X_n - X\| < \epsilon$  whenever  $n \geq N$ . We write  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} X_n = X$ .

**Example 7.** (i)  $(1/n + 1, 1/n - 1) \rightarrow (1, -1)$   
(ii)  $X_n \rightarrow X = (x, y, z)$  if and only if  $x_n \rightarrow x, y_n \rightarrow y, z_n \rightarrow z$ .

**Definition 8.** Let  $f : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a function. Then  $f$  has a limit  $L$  as  $X$  tends to  $X_0$  if for any  $\epsilon > 0$  there exists  $\delta > 0$  such that  
 $X \neq X_0, ||X - X_0|| < \delta \implies |f(X) - L| < \epsilon$ .  
 We write  $\lim_{X \rightarrow X_0} f(X) = L$ .

**Definition 9.** Let  $f : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a function. Then  $f$  is continuous at  $X_0$  if  
 $\lim_{X \rightarrow X_0} f(X) = f(X_0)$ .

**Example 10.** Let  $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , be defined by  $f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{\sin^2(x - y)}{|x| + |y|} & \text{if } (x, y) \neq (0, 0) \\ 0 & \text{if } (x, y) = (0, 0) \end{cases}$ .

Then  $f$  is continuous at  $(0, 0)$ .

Consider the difference  $|f(x, y) - f(0, 0)| \leq \frac{(x - y)^2}{|x| + |y|} \leq |x| + |y|$ .

As  $(x, y) \rightarrow (0, 0)$ ,  $|x| + |y| \rightarrow 0$ .

Therefore,  $\lim_{(x, y) \rightarrow (0, 0)} f(x, y) = f(0, 0)$ , and  $f$  is continuous at  $(0, 0)$ .

**Example 11.** Let  $f(x, y) = \frac{2xy}{x^2 + y^2}$ , if  $(x, y) \neq (0, 0)$ .

Then  $f(x, mx) = 2m/(1 + m^2)$  and as  $x \rightarrow 0$  the  $\lim_{(x, mx) \rightarrow (0, 0)} f(x, mx) = m/(1 + m^2)$ .  
 Hence the limit does not exist as  $(x, y) \rightarrow (0, 0)$

### 3. DIFFERENTIATION IN $\mathbb{R}^2$ AND $\mathbb{R}^3$

**Definition 12.** Let  $f : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ . Then the partial derivative of  $f$  at  $(x_0, y_0, z_0)$  with respect to  $x$  is defined to be limit

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(X_0) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x_0 + h, y_0, z_0) - f(x_0, y_0, z_0)}{h} \text{ provided the limit exists.}$$

Similarly, we define

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(X_0) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x_0, y_0 + h, z_0) - f(x_0, y_0, z_0)}{h} \text{ provided the limit exists, and}$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial z}(X_0) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x_0, y_0, z_0 + h) - f(x_0, y_0, z_0)}{h} \text{ provided the limit exists.}$$

**Example 13.** Consider the function  $f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{2xy}{x^2 + y^2}, & \text{if } (x, y) \neq (0, 0) \\ 0, & \text{if } (x, y) = (0, 0). \end{cases}$  Then as seen

in the previous example this function is not continuous at  $(0, 0)$ , but check that the partial derivatives with respect to both  $x$  and  $y$  exist.

One situation where continuity happens is given below.

**Theorem 14.** Let  $S := (a, b) \times (c, d)$ , and  $f : S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  such that the partial derivatives exist and are bounded in  $S$ . Then  $f$  is continuous in  $S$ .

**Definition 15.** Let  $f : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  and  $X = (a, b, c)$ . Then  $f$  is differentiable at  $X$ , if there exists  $\alpha = (\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3) \in \mathbb{R}^3$  such that the error function

$$e(H) := \frac{f(X + H) - f(X) - \alpha \cdot H}{||H||} \rightarrow 0, \text{ as } ||H|| \rightarrow 0.$$

$\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^3$  is called the derivative of  $f$  at  $X$ .

**Theorem 16.** *Let  $f : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be differentiable at  $X$ . then  $f$  is continuous at  $X$ .*

*Proof.*  $|f(X + H) - f(X) - \alpha \cdot H| = \|H\|e(H)$  and  $e(H) \rightarrow 0$ .

Therefore,  $|f(X + H) - f(X)| \leq \|H\|(\alpha_1^2 + \alpha_2^2 + \alpha_3^2) + \|H\|e(H)$

As  $\|H\| \rightarrow 0$  and  $e(H) \rightarrow 0$ ,  $f(X + H) \rightarrow f(X)$ .

Therefore,  $f$  is continuous at  $X$ . □

**Theorem 17.** *Let  $f : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be differentiable at  $X$ . Then  $\partial f / \partial x(X), \partial f / \partial y(X), \partial f / \partial z(X)$  exists and the derivative*

$$f'(X) = (\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3) = \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(X), \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(X), \frac{\partial f}{\partial z}(X) \right).$$

*Proof.* Take  $H = (t, 0, 0)$ , we have

$$e(H) = \frac{f(X + H) - f(X) - \alpha_1 t}{|t|} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } t \rightarrow 0,$$

$$\text{i.e., } \frac{f(X + H) - f(X) - \alpha_1 t}{|t|} \rightarrow 0$$

$$\text{Therefore } \alpha_1 = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(X).$$

$$\text{Similarly, } \alpha_2 = \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(X), \text{ and } \alpha_3 = \frac{\partial f}{\partial z}(X). \quad \square$$

$$\textbf{Example 18. } f(x, y) = \begin{cases} xy \frac{x^2 - y^2}{x^2 + y^2} & \text{if } (x, y) \neq (0, 0) \\ 0, & \text{if } (x, y) = (0, 0) \end{cases}.$$

Then  $f$  is differentiable at  $(0, 0)$ .

It is easy to see that  $(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(X), \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(X))$  exists and equal to  $(0, 0)$ .

Therefore, it is enough to prove that  $e(H) \rightarrow 0$  as  $H \rightarrow 0$ .

$$|e(H)| = \frac{|f(0 + H) - f(0) - (0, 0) \cdot H|}{\|H\|} \leq \frac{|hk|}{\sqrt{h^2 + k^2}} \leq \sqrt{h^2 + k^2} \rightarrow 0, \text{ as } H \rightarrow 0.$$

Therefore  $f$  is differentiable at  $(0, 0)$  and  $f'(0, 0) = (0, 0)$ .

The previous theorem requires  $f$  to be differentiable at  $X$ . The next theorem does not need differentiability at  $X$ , but the partial derivatives have to exist and they have to be continuous.

**Theorem 19.** *Let  $f : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  with all partial derivatives existing in a neighborhood of  $X_0$  and continuous at  $X_0$ . Then  $f$  is differentiable at  $X_0$ .*

**Theorem 20.** *Let  $f$  be differentiable at  $(x_0, y_0)$ . Then*

$$f((x_0, y_0) + (h, k)) - f(x_0, y_0) = f_x(x_0, y_0)h + f_y(x_0, y_0)k + h\epsilon_1(h, k) + k\epsilon_2(h, k),$$

where  $\epsilon_1(h, k) \rightarrow 0$  and  $\epsilon_2(h, k) \rightarrow 0$  as  $h \rightarrow 0$  and  $k \rightarrow 0$ .

*Proof.* Put  $H = (h, k)$ . Then, as  $f$  is differentiable at  $(x_0, y_0)$

$$f((x_0, y_0) + (h, k)) - f(x_0, y_0) = f_x(x_0, y_0)h + f_y(x_0, y_0)k + \|H\|e(H) \text{ where } e(H) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } H \rightarrow 0.$$

Claim:  $\|H\|e(H) = h\epsilon_1 + k\epsilon_2$  for some  $\epsilon_1, \epsilon_2$ .

Note  $\|H\|e(H) = \frac{e(H)}{\|H\|}(h^2 + k^2) = (h\frac{e(H)}{\|H\|})h + (k\frac{e(H)}{\|H\|})k$

Take  $\epsilon_1 = h\frac{e(H)}{\|H\|}, \epsilon_2 = k\frac{e(H)}{\|H\|}$

and  $|\epsilon_1| = |h\frac{e(H)}{\|H\|}| \leq |e(H)| \rightarrow 0$  as  $H \rightarrow 0$ .

Similarly,  $\epsilon_2(H) \rightarrow 0$  as  $H \rightarrow 0$ . □

**Theorem 21** (Chain rule). *Let  $f(x, y)$  be differentiable and  $x = u(t), y = v(t)$  be also differentiable with respect to  $t$ . Let  $X_0 = (x_0, y_0) = (u(t_0), v(t_0))$ . Then  $f(u(t), v(t))$  is differentiable at  $t$  and*

$$\frac{df}{dt}(X_0) = \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial t} \right)(X_0).$$

*Proof.*  $f(X_0 + H) - f(X_0) = f_x(X_0)h + f_y(X_0)k + h\epsilon_1 + k\epsilon_2$ , where  $\epsilon_1, \epsilon_2 \rightarrow 0$  as  $H = (h, k) \rightarrow 0$ .

Therefore  $\frac{f(X_0 + H) - f(X_0)}{t - t_0} = \left( f_x \frac{h}{t - t_0} + f_y \frac{k}{t - t_0} + \frac{h}{t - t_0}\epsilon_1 + \frac{k}{t - t_0}\epsilon_2 \right)(X_0)$ .

As  $t \rightarrow t_0$ , we have  $h \rightarrow 0, k \rightarrow 0$  and  $\epsilon_1 \rightarrow 0, \epsilon_2 \rightarrow 0$ .

Therefore,  $\frac{df}{dt}(X_0) = \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial t} \right)(X_0)$ . □

**Definition 22** (Gradient).  $(f_x(X_0), f_y(X_0), f_z(X_0))$  is called the gradient of  $f$  at  $X_0$  and is denoted by  $(\nabla f)(X_0)$ .

If  $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , then  $f_x : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  and we can calculate  $f_{x,x} := (f_x)_x$  and  $f_{x,y} := (f_x)_y$ , etc.

In general  $f_{x,y} \neq f_{y,x}$ .

**Example 23** (Classic example).  $f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{xy(y^2 - x^2)}{x^2 + y^2}, & \text{if } (x, y) \neq (0, 0) \\ 0, & \text{if } (x, y) = (0, 0) \end{cases}$ .

For  $(x, y) \neq (0, 0)$ :  $f_x(x, y) = \frac{-x^4y - 4x^2y^3 + y^5}{(x^2 + y^2)^2}$

For  $(x, y) = (0, 0)$ :  $f_x(0, 0) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(h, 0) - f(0, 0)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{0}{h} = 0$

For  $(x, y) \neq (0, 0)$ :  $f_y(x, y) = \frac{-x^5 + 4x^3y^2 + xy^4}{(x^2 + y^2)^2}$

For  $(x, y) = (0, 0)$ :  $f_y(0, 0) = 0$

Now,  $f_{x,y}(0, 0) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f_x(0, h) - f_x(0, 0)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{h^5/h^4}{h} = 1$ , and

$f_{y,x}(0, 0) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f_y(h, 0) - f_y(0, 0)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{-h^5/h^4}{h} = -1$ .

Therefore  $f_{x,y}(0, 0) \neq f_{y,x}(0, 0)$ .

**Theorem 24.** *If  $f(x, y)$  and its partial derivatives  $f_x, f_y, f_{x,y}, f_{y,x}$  exists in a neighbourhood of  $(x_0, y_0)$  and are all continuous, then  $f_{x,y}(x_0, y_0) = f_{y,x}(x_0, y_0)$ .*

**Theorem 25.** *Let  $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  and  $X_0 = (x_0, y_0)$ . Then there exists a point  $C$  in the line joining  $X_0$  and  $X$  such that*

$$f(X) - f(X_0) = f'(C) \cdot (X - X_0).$$

Equivalently, if  $H = (h, k)$ , then there exists  $t_0 \in (0, 1)$  such that  $f(x_0 + h, y_0 + k) - f(x_0, y_0) = hf_x(C) + kf_y(C)$ , where  $C = (x_0 + t_0h, y_0 + t_0k)$ .

*Proof.* Define  $\phi : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  by  $\phi(t) = f(x_0 + th, y_0 + tk)$ .

By Chain rule,  $\phi$  is differentiable and

$$\phi'(t) = f_x \frac{dx}{dt} + f_y \frac{dy}{dt} = hf_x + kf_y.$$

Therefore by Mean Value theorem for one variable, there exists  $t_0 \in (0, 1)$  such that  $\phi(1) - \phi(0) = \phi'(t_0)$ .

The theorem follows from this. □

**Corollary 26.**  $f(x, y)$  defined on  $[a, b] \times [c, d]$  is a constant if and only if  $f_x = 0 = f_y$  on  $[a, b] \times [c, d]$ .

*Proof.*  $f(x_0 + h, y_0 + k) - f(x_0, y_0) = hf_x(C) + kf_y(C) = 0$  for every  $(h, k)$ .

Therefore  $f$  is a constant. □

#### 4. EXTREMUM POINTS IN $\mathbb{R}^2$ AND $\mathbb{R}^3$ AND LAGRANGE MULTIPLIER METHOD

**Theorem 27** (Existence of Maxima/Minima). Let  $D$  be a closed and bounded subset of  $\mathbb{R}^2$  and  $f : D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be continuous. Then  $f$  has a maximum and a minimum in  $D$ .

**Theorem 28** (Condition for local max/min). Let  $(x_0, y_0)$  be in the interior of the region  $D$ . Let  $f_x, f_y$  exists at  $(x_0, y_0)$ . If  $f$  has a local maximum or minimum at  $(x_0, y_0)$ , then  $f_x(x_0, y_0) = 0 = f_y(x_0, y_0)$ .

*Proof.*  $f(x, y_0)$  and  $f(x_0, y)$  are one-variable functions with maximum/ minimum at  $x_0$  and  $y_0$  respectively.

Therefore  $f_x(x_0, y_0) = 0 = f_y(x_0, y_0)$ . □

**Remark 29.** Condition above is not sufficient. For example,  $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, f(x, y) = xy$ .  $f_x(0, 0) = 0 = f_y(0, 0)$  but  $(0, 0)$  is neither local maximum nor minimum for  $f$ .

**Definition 30** (Lagrange Multiplier Method). Let  $f(x, y, z)$  be a continuous function with partial derivatives which are continuous. Consider the set  $S : \{(x, y, z) : g(x, y, z) = 0\}$ , where  $g$  is a function with continuous partial derivatives. This set  $S$  is the set of constraints. Assume that  $(\nabla g)(x_0, y_0, z_0) \neq 0$  where  $(x_0, y_0, z_0)$  is a point in  $S$ .

If  $f$  has a local extremum point at  $(x_0, y_0, z_0)$ , then there exists  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $(\nabla f)(x_0, y_0, z_0) = \lambda(\nabla g)(x_0, y_0, z_0)$ .

To implement this method, consider the following equations:

$$\begin{aligned} (\nabla f)(x, y, z) &= \lambda(\nabla g)(x, y, z) \\ g(x, y, z) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Solve these set of equations for  $\lambda, x, y, z$ . The local extremum points are found among the solutions of these equations.

If we write  $\mathcal{L}(x, y, z, \lambda) = f(x, y, z) - \lambda g(x, y, z)$ , then we solve the equations

$$\begin{aligned}(\nabla \mathcal{L})(x, y, z) &= 0 \\ g(x, y, z) &= 0\end{aligned}$$

**Example 31.** Minimize  $f(x, y) = x^2 + y^2$  subject to the constraints  $g(x, y) = x + y - 1$ . Put  $\mathcal{L}(x, y, \lambda) = f(x, y) - \lambda g(x, y) = x^2 + y^2 - \lambda(x + y - 1)$ .

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial x} &= 2x - \lambda = 0 \quad \implies \quad 2x = \lambda \\ \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial y} &= \lambda(\nabla g)(x, y, z)2y - \lambda = 0 \quad \implies \quad 2y = \lambda \\ \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \lambda} &= -(x + y - 1) = 0 \quad \implies \quad x + y = 1\end{aligned}$$

Solving we get  $x = y = 1/2$  and  $\lambda = 1$ .

Therefore the minimum value is  $f(1/2, 1/2) = 1/2$ .

**Example 32.** Let  $S : 2x = 3y - z = 5$ . Find a point nearest to the origin that lies on  $S$ , i.e., minimize  $f(x, y, z) = x^2 + y^2 + z^2$  with the constraint  $g(x, y, z) = 2x + 3y - z - 5 = 0$ . Here  $\nabla g(X) \neq 0$  in  $S$ . Then the equations are as follows:

$$2x = 2\lambda, 2y = 3\lambda, 2z = -\lambda, 2x + 3y - z - 5 = 0.$$

$$\text{Therefore } x = \lambda, y = 3\lambda/2, z = -\lambda/2, 2\lambda + 9\lambda/2 + \lambda/2 - 5 = 0.$$

$$\text{Therefore, } \lambda = 5/7 \text{ and } (x, y, z) = (5/7, 15/14, -5/14).$$

Since  $f$  attains its minimum on the plane, therefore by the Lagrange multiplier method  $(5/7, 15/14, -5/14)$  has to be the nearest point.

## 5. PRINCIPAL NORMAL AND CURVATURE

**Definition 33** (Parametric curves). Consider the vector valued function  $I \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ . Then the set of points  $\{(t, f(t)) : t \in I\}$  is called the graph of the function  $f$ . If  $f$  is a continuous function then we say that  $f$  is called a curve or a curve parametrized by  $f$ , or simply that  $f$  is a parametric curve with parameter  $t$ .

Let  $r : (a, b) \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  be a parametric curve, which we write as  $r(t) = (x(t), y(t), z(t))$ . For  $t \in (a, b)$ , the directed distance measured along  $C$  from  $r(t_0)$  to  $r(t)$  is

$$s(t) := \int_{t_0}^t \sqrt{x'(\tau)^2 + y'(\tau)^2 + z'(\tau)^2} d\tau.$$

By the fundamental theorem of calculus,  $ds/dt = ||dr/dt||$ .

Recall that the unit tangent vector at  $t$  is  $\bar{T} = r'(t)/||r'(t)||$  whenever  $r'(t) \neq 0$ .

$$\text{i.e., } \bar{T} = \frac{dr/dt}{ds/dt} = dr/ds.$$

**Theorem 34.** Let  $u, v : \mathbb{R} \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  be vector valued functions, which are differentiable, then  $(u \cdot v)' = u' \cdot v + u \cdot v'$ .

**Theorem 35.** Let  $r : (a, b) \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  such that  $\|r(t)\| = a$  constant  $\forall t \in (a, b)$ . Then  $r \cdot r' = 0$  on  $(a, b)$ , i.e,  $r \perp r'$ .

Let  $u(t) = r(t)/\|r(t)\|$ , then  $u(t) = 1$ ,  $\forall t \in (a, b)$ . Hence  $u \perp u'$ .

**Definition 36.** Principal normal to the curve at  $t$  is defined by  $N(t) = u'/\|u'\|$ , whenever  $u'(t) \neq 0$ .

**Definition 37.** Curvature of a curve at  $t$  is defined by  $\kappa(t) = \|d\bar{T}/ds\|$ . As  $d\bar{T}/ds = T'(t)/\|dr/dt\|$ , so we have  $\kappa(t) = \|\bar{T}'(t)/r'(t)\|$ .

**Example 38.**  $C : r(t) = a \cos t \hat{i} + a \sin t \hat{j}$ . Then  $r'(t) = -a \sin t \hat{i} + a \cos t \hat{j}$ . Hence,  $\bar{T}(t) = -\sin t \hat{i} + \cos t \hat{j}$ . Therefore  $\kappa(t) = \|\bar{T}'(t)/r'(t)\| = 1/a$ , i.e, the circle has constant curvature, and it is the reciprocal of the radius of the circle.

Note that the curvature decreases as the radius of the circle increases.

**Theorem 39.** Let  $v(t)$  and  $a(t)$  denote the velocity and the acceleration vectors of the motion of a particle along a curve given by  $r(t)$ . Then

$$\kappa(t) = \frac{\|a(t) \times v(t)\|}{\|v(t)\|^3}.$$

**Example 40.**  $C$  be defined by  $y = f(x)$ , where  $f$  is twice differentiable. Then curvature at  $(x, f(x))$  is  $\frac{|f''(x)|}{|1 + f'(x)|^{3/2}}$ .

*Proof.*  $v(t) = r'(t) = \hat{i} + f'(t)\hat{j}$ ,  $a(t) = f''(t)\hat{j}$ . Therefore  $a(t) \times v(t) = f''(t)\hat{k}$ , so  $\|a(t) \times v(t)\| = |f''(t)|$ , and  $\|v(t)\| = \sqrt{1 + f'(t)^2}$ . Hence  $\kappa(t) = \frac{|f''(x)|}{|1 + f'(x)|^{3/2}}$ .  $\square$

## 6. DOUBLE AND TRIPLE INTEGRALS

**6.1. Double Integrals.** Let  $Q = [a, b] \times [c, d]$  and  $f : Q \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be bounded.

Let  $P_1$  be a partition of  $[a, b]$  into  $m$  points,

and  $P_2$  be a partition of  $[c, d]$  into  $n$  points.

Then  $P = P_1 \times P_2$  decomposes  $Q$  into  $mn$  rectangles.

Define  $m_{i,j} = \min\{f(x, y) : (x, y) \in [x_{i-1}, x_i] \times [y_{j-1}, y_j]\}$

and  $M_{i,j} = \max\{f(x, y) : (x, y) \in [x_{i-1}, x_i] \times [y_{j-1}, y_j]\}$ .

Then the lower sum is denoted by  $L(P, f) = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^m m_{i,j} \Delta y_j \Delta x_i$ .

Similarly, define the upper sum by  $U(P, f) = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^m M_{i,j} \Delta y_j \Delta x_i$ .

The limit of these sums as the partition size increases are called the lower integrals and the upper integrals.

**Definition 41.**  $f$  is integrable if both the lower and upper integrals exists and are equal.

If  $f$  is integrable on  $Q$ , then the double integral is denoted by  $\iint_Q f(x, y) dx dy$  or  $\iint_Q f(x, y) dA$ , where  $dA = dx dy$ .

In general, calculation of this integral is difficult. It is simplified by the following theorem due to Fubini.

**Theorem 42** (Fubini's theorem). Let  $f : Q = [a, b] \times [c, d] \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a continuous function. Then

$$\iint_Q f(x, y) dx dy = \int_c^d \left( \int_a^b f(x, y) dx \right) dy = \int_a^b \left( \int_c^d f(x, y) dy \right) dx.$$

Following is another generalization of Fubini's theorem.

**Theorem 43** (Fubini's theorem). Let  $f(x, y)$  be a function bounded on a domain  $D$ , which can be defined as follows:

(i)  $D := \{(x, y) : a \leq x \leq b, f_1(x) \leq y \leq f_2(x)\}$  for some continuous functions  $f_1, f_2 : [a, b] \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$ . Then

$$\iint_D f(x, y) dx dy = \int_a^b \left( \int_{f_1(x)}^{f_2(x)} f(x, y) dy \right) dx.$$

(ii)  $D := \{(x, y) : c \leq y \leq d, g_1(y) \leq x \leq g_2(y)\}$  for some continuous functions  $g_1, g_2 : [a, b] \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$ . Then

$$\iint_D f(x, y) dx dy = \int_c^d \left( \int_{g_1(y)}^{g_2(y)} f(x, y) dx \right) dy.$$

**Example 44.** Let  $D = [2, 4] \times [1, 2]$ . Then  $\iint_D 6xy^2 dx dy = \int_2^4 \left( \int_1^2 6xy^2 dy \right) dx = \int_2^4 (2xy^3)|_1^2 dx = \int_2^4 (16x - 2x) dx = 7x^2|_2^4 = 84$ .

**Example 45.** Let  $D$  be the region bounded by the lines joining  $(0, 0)$ ,  $(2, 0)$ ,  $(2, 2)$ . Calculate  $\iint_D (x + y)^2 dx dy$ .

Take  $a = 0, b = 2, f_1(x) = x, f_2(x) = 1$ .

$$\text{Then } \iint_D (x + y)^2 dx dy = \int_0^2 \left( \int_x^2 (x + y)^2 dy \right) dx = \int_0^2 \frac{(x + y)^3|_x^2}{3} dx.$$

**6.2. Triple integrals.** Let  $Q = [a, b] \times [c, d] \times [s, t]$  and  $f : Q \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be bounded.

Let  $P_1$  be a partition of  $[a, b]$  into  $m$  points,

and  $P_2$  be a partition of  $[c, d]$  into  $n$  points.

and  $P_3$  be a partition of  $[s, t]$  into  $p$  points.

Then  $P = P_1 \times P_2 \times P_3$  decomposes  $Q$  into  $mnp$  rectangles.

Define  $m_{i,j,k} = \min\{f(x, y, z) : (x, y, z) \in [x_{i-1}, x_i] \times [y_{j-1}, y_j] \times [z_{k-1}, z_k]\}$

and  $M_{i,j,k} = \max\{f(x, y, z) : (x, y, z) \in [x_{i-1}, x_i] \times [y_{j-1}, y_j] \times [z_{k-1}, z_k]\}$ .

Then the lower sum is denoted by  $L(P, f) = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{k=1}^p m_{i,j,k} \Delta y_j \Delta x_i \Delta z_k$ .

Similarly, define the upper sum by  $U(P, f) = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{k=1}^p M_{i,j,k} \Delta y_j \Delta x_i \Delta z_k$ .

The limit of these sums as the partition size increases are called the lower integrals and the upper integrals.

**Definition 46.**  $f$  is integrable if both the lower and upper integrals exist and are equal.

If  $f$  is integrable on  $Q$ , then the double integral is denoted by  $\iiint_Q f(x, y) dx dy dz$  or  $\iiint_Q f(x, y) dV$ , where  $dV = dx dy dz$ .

## 7. CHANGE OF VARIABLE

**7.1. Two variables.** Let  $f : S \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$  for a subset  $S \subset \mathbb{R}^2$  be a continuous function. Let  $x = X(u, v), y = Y(u, v)$ .

Define  $T := \{(u, v) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : x, y \in S\}$ .

Assume the following:



- (i) The map  $T \longrightarrow S$  defined by  $(u, v) \mapsto (X(u, v), Y(u, v))$  is an injective map.
- (ii)  $X, Y$  are continuous and the partial derivatives  $\frac{\partial X}{\partial u}, \frac{\partial X}{\partial v}, \frac{\partial Y}{\partial u}, \frac{\partial Y}{\partial v}$  are also continuous.
- (iii) The Jacobian which is defined by the determinant  $J(u, v) = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{\partial X}{\partial u} & \frac{\partial Y}{\partial u} \\ \frac{\partial X}{\partial v} & \frac{\partial Y}{\partial v} \end{vmatrix} \neq 0$ .

Then  $\iint_S f(x, y) dx dy = \iint_T f(X(u, v), Y(u, v)) |J(u, v)| du dv$ .

**Example 47.** Let  $S$  be the region bounded by  $xy = 1, xy = 2, xy^2 = 3, xy^2 = 4$ .

We can calculate the area of the region  $S$ , which is  $\iint_S dx dy$ .

Put  $u = xy, v = xy^2$

Then  $x = u^2/v, y = v/u$ .

The region  $T$  is given by  $1 \leq u \leq 2, 3 \leq v \leq 4$ .

Here  $J(u, v) = 1/v \neq 0$ .

Therefore, by the change of variable formula:

$$\text{Area of } S = \iint_S dx dy = \iint_T \frac{1}{v} du dv = \int_3^4 \int_1^2 \frac{1}{v} du dv = \int_3^4 \log v |_1^2 du = \int_3^4 \log 2 du = \log 2.$$

**7.2. Three variables.** As in the case above for two variables, consider now  $S \subset \mathbb{R}^3$ , and a function  $f : S \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , with  $x = X(u, v, w), y = Y(u, v, w), z = Z(u, v, w)$ .

Define  $T := \{(u, v, w) \in \mathbb{R}^3 : x, y, z \in S\}$ .

Assume the following:

- (i) The map  $T \longrightarrow S$  defined by  $(u, v, w) \mapsto (X(u, v, w), Y(u, v, w), Z(u, v, w))$  is an injective map.
- (ii)  $X, Y, Z$  are continuous and the partial derivatives  $\frac{\partial X}{\partial u}, \frac{\partial X}{\partial v}, \frac{\partial X}{\partial w}, \frac{\partial Y}{\partial u}, \frac{\partial Y}{\partial v}, \frac{\partial Y}{\partial w}, \frac{\partial Z}{\partial u}, \frac{\partial Z}{\partial v}, \frac{\partial Z}{\partial w}$  are also continuous.
- (iii) The Jacobian which is defined by the determinant  $J(u, v, w) = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{\partial X}{\partial u} & \frac{\partial Y}{\partial u} & \frac{\partial Z}{\partial u} \\ \frac{\partial X}{\partial v} & \frac{\partial Y}{\partial v} & \frac{\partial Z}{\partial v} \\ \frac{\partial X}{\partial w} & \frac{\partial Y}{\partial w} & \frac{\partial Z}{\partial w} \end{vmatrix} \neq 0$ .

$$\text{Then } \iiint_S f(x, y, z) dx dy dz = \iiint_T f(X(u, v, w), Y(u, v, w), Z(u, v, w)) |J(u, v, w)| du dv dw.$$

## 8. LINE INTEGRALS

Consider a parametric curve  $r : [a, b] \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ , and let  $C = \{r(t) : t \in [a, b]\}$  be the parametric curve parametrized by  $t$ . Let  $f : C \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  be a bounded function.

**Definition 48.** Let  $r(t)$  be a differentiable function of  $t$ . Then the integral of  $f$  along  $C$  is defined as

$$\int_C f \cdot dr = \int_a^b f(r(t)) \cdot r'(t) dt.$$

Note here that  $f(r(t))$  and  $r'(t)$  both are elements in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  and the product between them is the dot product.

If we write  $f = (f_1, f_2) = f_1\hat{i} + f_2\hat{j}$  and  $r(t) = (x(t), y(t))$ , then  $\int_C f \cdot dr$  is also written as  $\int_C (f_1 dx + f_2 dy)$ .

**Example 49.** Let  $f = x^2\hat{i} + y\hat{j}$  and  $C$  be the line joining  $(0, 0)$  to  $(1, 2)$ . We can parametrize this line as  $x = t, y = 2t$ . Then

$$\int_C f \cdot dr = \int_0^1 t^2 dt + 2t d(2t) = \int_0^1 (t^2 + 4t) dt = (t^3/3 + 2t^2)|_0^1 = 7/3.$$

Recall the second fundamental theorem for integrals. If  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  such that  $f$  is differentiable, then  $\int_a^b f'(x) dx = f(b) - f(a)$ . Here is the theorem for line integrals.

**Theorem 50.** Let  $S \subset \mathbb{R}^2$  and  $f : S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be differentiable on  $S$ . Also assume that the gradient  $\nabla f = (f_x, f_y)$  is continuous on  $S$ . Let  $A$  and  $B$  be two points on  $S$ , and let  $C := \{r(t) : t \in [a, b]\}$  be the line or contour lying in  $S$  and joining the two points  $A$  and  $B$ , i.e.,  $A = r(a), B = r(b)$ . Also assume that  $r'(t)$  is continuous on  $[a, b]$ . Then

$$\int_C (\nabla f) \cdot dr = f(B) - f(A).$$

**Theorem 51** (Green's theorem). Let  $C$  be a curve defined by  $r(t)$ . Let  $r(t)$  be a differentiable function, and  $D$  denote the region enclosed by  $C$ . Suppose  $M, N, \partial N/\partial x, \partial M/\partial y$  be all continuous functions on an open set containing  $D$ . Then

$$\iint_D (\partial N/\partial x - \partial M/\partial y) dx dy = \int_C (M\hat{i} + N\hat{j}) \cdot dr = \int_C M dx + N dy,$$

where the integral is taken along the counterclockwise direction.

Let  $F : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  be a function given by  $F(x, y, z) = P(x, y, z)\hat{i} + Q(x, y, z)\hat{j} + R(x, y, z)\hat{k}$ .

**Definition 52.** The curl is defined by

$$\text{curl} F = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ P & Q & R \end{vmatrix} = \nabla \times F,$$

where the product of  $\frac{\partial}{\partial x}$  with, say  $Q$ , means  $\frac{\partial Q}{\partial x}$ .

**Definition 53.** The divergence of  $F$  is defined by

$$\text{div} F = \frac{\partial P}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial Q}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial R}{\partial z} = \nabla \cdot F.$$

Recall that maps  $\mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  are called vector valued functions or vector fields, and maps  $\mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  are scalar fields. Finally, we have

- (i) the gradient of a scalar field  $\nabla f$ , that gives a function in  $\mathbb{R}^3$
- (ii) the curl of a vector field  $\nabla \times F$ , that gives a vector field in  $\mathbb{R}^3$
- (iii) the divergence of a vector field  $\nabla \cdot F$ , that gives a scalar field in  $\mathbb{R}$ .

Green's theorem can now be stated as

**Theorem 54** (Green's theorem).  $\iint_D (\nabla \times F) \cdot \hat{k} dx dy = \int_C F \cdot dr$ .

**Theorem 55** (Stokes' theorem). Let  $\hat{n}$  denote the unit normal to a smooth surface  $S$  whose boundary is given by a smooth curve  $C$ . Let  $F : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  be a vector field given by  $F(x, y, z) = P(x, y, z)\hat{i} + Q(x, y, z)\hat{j} + R(x, y, z)\hat{k}$ , where  $P, Q, R$  are all continuous and their partial derivatives are all continuous in  $S$ . Then

$$\iint_S (\text{curl} F) \cdot \hat{n} d\sigma = \int_C F \cdot dr,$$

where the line integral is taken around  $C$  in the direction of the orientation of  $C$  w.r.t  $\hat{n}$ .

**Theorem 56** (Divergence theorem). Let  $D$  be a region in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  whose boundary is a smooth orientable surface  $S$ . Let  $F : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  be a vector field given by  $F(x, y, z) = P(x, y, z)\hat{i} + Q(x, y, z)\hat{j} + R(x, y, z)\hat{k}$ , where  $P, Q, R$  are all continuous and their partial derivatives are all continuous in  $D$ . Then

$$\iiint_D (\text{div} F) \cdot \hat{n} dV = \iint_S F \cdot \hat{n} d\sigma,$$

where the line integral is taken on  $S$  in the direction of the orientation of  $S$  w.r.t  $\hat{n}$ .

**Example 57** (Area expressed by a line integral). Consider a smooth simple closed curve, and  $D$  be the region enclosed by  $C$ . Take  $N(x, y) = x/2, M(x, y) = -y/2$ . Then, by Green's theorem, we have

$$\text{Area of } D = \iint_D dx dy = \iint_D (\partial N / \partial x - \partial M / \partial y) dx dy = \int_a^b M dx + N dy = \frac{1}{2} \int_C -y dx + x dy.$$

**Example 58** (Area bounded by a circle of radius  $a$ ).  $C : x^2 + y^2 = a^2$

Parametrize  $C$  by  $(a \cos t, a \sin t), 0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$ .

Then by the previous example, area bounded by the circle  $C$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{1}{2} \int_C -a \sin t (-a \sin t) dt + a \cos t (a \cos t) dt = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{2\pi} -a \sin t (-a \sin t) dt + a \cos t (a \cos t) dt \\ &= \pi a^2 \end{aligned}$$

**Example 59.** The potential difference between two points ( $A$  and  $B$ ) is the negative of the line integral of the electric field ( $\vec{E}$ ) along a path connecting those points, expressed as  $V_{AB} = V_A - V_B = - \int_A^B \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{r}$ . This equation shows that potential difference is the work done per unit charge to move a charge from  $A$  to  $B$  against the electric field, or equivalently, the negative of the work done by the electric field.