

Vector Calculus – 2

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Derivatives in Vector Calculus

In calculus, derivatives map a scalar field onto another scalar field.

In vector calculus, derivatives are used to create the following mappings:

- ▶ The gradient maps a scalar field onto a vector field.
- ▶ The divergence maps a vector field onto a scalar field.
- ▶ The curl maps a vector field onto a vector field.

The Gradient of a Scalar Field

Given: $f(x, y, z)$: a scalar function defined over a domain in 3D space (\mathbb{R}^3). f is differentiable.

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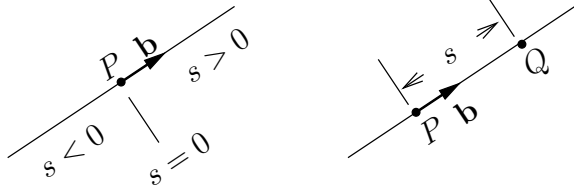
$$\text{grad} f = \nabla f \equiv \underbrace{\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \mathbf{i} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \mathbf{j} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} \mathbf{k}}_{\text{This is a vector.}}$$

$$\underbrace{\nabla}_{\text{"nabla"}} \equiv \underbrace{\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \mathbf{i} + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \mathbf{j} + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \mathbf{k}}_{\text{The gradient operator.}}$$

What is the utility of the gradient?

Directional Derivative

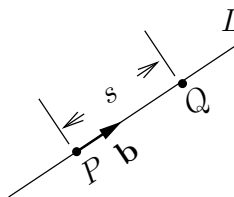
straight line in the direction of \mathbf{b}



s is measured from P in the direction of \mathbf{b} .

$$D_{\mathbf{b}}f = \left. \frac{df}{ds} \right|_{\mathbf{b}} \equiv \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(Q) - f(P)}{s}$$

Directional Derivative and Gradient



L : st line through P

Equation of L

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{r}(s) &= \mathbf{p}_0 + \mathbf{b}s \\ &= x(s)\mathbf{i} + y(s)\mathbf{j} + z(s)\mathbf{k}\end{aligned}$$

Assume f has partial derivatives which are continuous.

$$\text{Then } \frac{df}{ds} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \frac{dx}{ds} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \frac{dy}{ds} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} \frac{dz}{ds},$$

$$\text{but } \frac{d\mathbf{r}}{ds} = \frac{dx}{ds}\mathbf{i} + \frac{dy}{ds}\mathbf{j} + \frac{dz}{ds}\mathbf{k} = \mathbf{b} \quad (\text{why?})$$

$$\therefore D_{\mathbf{b}}f = \left. \frac{df}{ds} \right|_{\mathbf{b}} = \nabla f \cdot \mathbf{b}$$

Direction of Maximum Increase

Theorem

Let $f(P) = f(x, y, z)$ be a scalar function, with first partial derivatives which are continuous, defined over some domain B . Then ∇f exists, ∇f is a vector, its length independent of the choice of coordinates, and if $\nabla f \neq 0$, then the direction of ∇f is the direction of the maximum rate of increase of f .

Proof

$$D_{\mathbf{b}}f = \nabla f \cdot \mathbf{b} = |\nabla f| |\mathbf{b}| \cos \gamma$$

where γ is the included \angle between ∇f and \mathbf{b} .

But f and s are scalar functions of the position P .

\therefore their values do not depend on the choice of the coordinate system.

Direction of Maximum Increase (cont)

Proof (cont)

$$\therefore D_{\mathbf{b}}f = \left. \frac{df}{ds} \right|_{\mathbf{b}} : \text{independent of choice of coordinate system.}$$

Hence, the length and direction of ∇f does not depend on the choice of the coordinate system; this makes ∇f a proper vector.

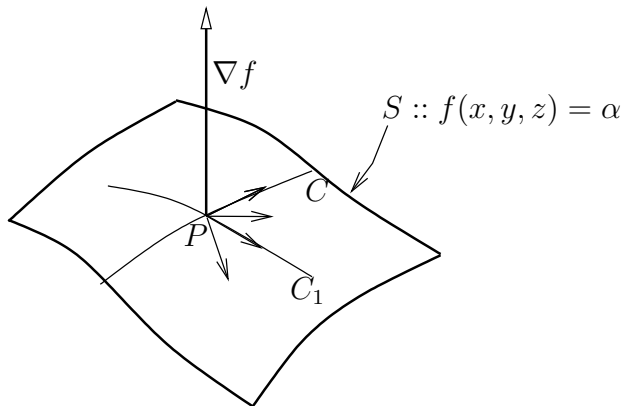
$D_{\mathbf{b}}f = \nabla f$ will be maximum when $\cos \gamma = 1$, i.e. when \mathbf{b} is chosen in the direction of ∇f .

\therefore , direction of ∇f : direction of maximum rate of increase,
and $|\nabla f|$: magnitude of the maximum rate of increase in f .

Gradients and Surfaces

Let $f(x, y, z)$: a scalar function, differentiable.

Then $f(x, y, z) = \alpha$ (a constant) represents a surface, called a "level surface of f ".



Gradients and Surfaces (cont)

P : a point on S .

C : a curve on S passing through P , represented by

$$\mathbf{r}(t) = x(t)\mathbf{i} + y(t)\mathbf{j} + z(t)\mathbf{k}.$$

$\therefore C$ lies on S , components of \mathbf{r} satisfy the relation for S :

$$[1] \quad f(x(t), y(t), z(t)) = \alpha.$$

A tangent vector of C will be $\mathbf{r}'(t) = x'(t)\mathbf{i} + y'(t)\mathbf{j} + z'(t)\mathbf{k}$.

For different curves on S passing through P , the set of tangent vectors at P forms a surface tangent to S at P .

A normal to this plane at P will then be the surface-normal of S at P .

Gradients and Surfaces (cont)

Differentiating [1] w.r.t. t :

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}x'(t) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}y'(t) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial z}z'(t) = 0$$
$$\therefore \nabla f \cdot \mathbf{r}' = 0$$

$\therefore \nabla f$ is normal to all vectors \mathbf{r}' in the tangent plane of S .
 $\implies \nabla f$ is the normal vector of S at P .

\implies **Theorem:**

Let $f(x, y, z)$: a differentiable function in space.

Let $f(x, y, z) = \alpha = (\text{const})$: a surface in that space.

Then ∇f at a point P on S is either 0 or a normal vector of S at P .

Potential

Nomenclature in science and engineering:

If $f(P) = f(x, y, z)$ is a scalar field, and
 $\mathbf{V}(P) = \mathbf{V}(x, y, z) = \nabla f$ is a vector field, then, often
 f is known as the **potential** for the vector field $\mathbf{V}(= \nabla f)$.

Sometimes, a negative sign and a scale factor is included.

The Divergence of a Vector Field

Let $\mathbf{V}(x, y, z) = v_1\mathbf{i} + v_2\mathbf{j} + v_3\mathbf{k}$ be a differentiable vector field, with v_1, v_2, v_3 functions of (x, y, z) . Then

$$\operatorname{div}\mathbf{V} = \nabla \cdot \mathbf{V} \equiv \frac{\partial v_1}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v_2}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial v_3}{\partial z},$$

where ∇ is the same scalar-to-vector operator used in the definition of the gradient.

Divergence (cont)

Theorem

Given a vector function $\mathbf{V}(x, y, z)$ on a domain in space, $\text{div}\mathbf{V}(= \nabla \cdot \mathbf{V})$ is a scalar function, whose values depend on \mathbf{V} and the location in space, but not on the choice of the coordinate system.

What is the physical significance of divergence?

Divergence – Significance

In many physical situations, divergence has a meaning:

- ▶ In fluid mechanics, $\rho \mathbf{V}$ represents the mass flux.
 $\nabla \cdot (\rho \mathbf{V})$ equals the net outflow of mass per unit volume.
- ▶ In heat conduction, \mathbf{q} represents the heat flux.
 $\nabla \cdot (\mathbf{q})$ equals the net heat outflow per unit volume.

The Laplacian

Let $f(x, y, z)$ be a scalar function in space. Its gradient

$$\nabla f = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \mathbf{i} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \mathbf{j} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} \mathbf{k}$$

is a vector function. If we take the divergence of this, we will get another scalar function:

$$\nabla \cdot (\nabla f) = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial z^2} = \nabla^2 f.$$

This function is known as the Laplacian of f , and is denoted by $\nabla^2 f$.

∇^2 is known as the Laplacian operator.

Use of the Laplacian

Fourier's Law of heat conduction states that $\mathbf{q} = -k\nabla T$, where T is the temperature and k the thermal conductivity. The First Law states that "rate of storage of energy equals the net inflow of energy". Hence, we get the heat conduction equation:

$$\rho c_p \frac{\partial T}{\partial t} = -\nabla \cdot \mathbf{q} = -\nabla \cdot (-k\nabla T) = \nabla \cdot (k\nabla T)$$

If k is constant, this reduces to the 'heat conduction equation':

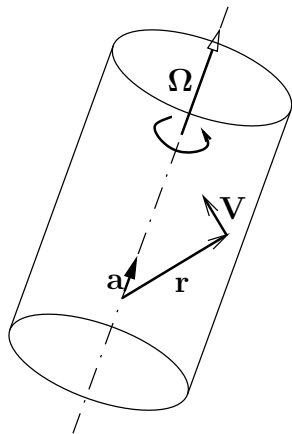
$$\rho c_p \frac{\partial T}{\partial t} = k \nabla^2 T$$

Curl of a Vector Field

Let $\mathbf{V}(x, y, z) = v_1\mathbf{i} + v_2\mathbf{j} + v_3\mathbf{k}$ be a differentiable vector field, with v_1, v_2, v_3 functions of (x, y, z) . Then

$$\begin{aligned}\operatorname{curl}\mathbf{V} &\equiv \nabla \times \mathbf{V} \\ &= \left(\frac{\partial v_3}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial v_2}{\partial z}\right)\mathbf{i} + \left(\frac{\partial v_1}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial v_3}{\partial x}\right)\mathbf{j} + \left(\frac{\partial v_2}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial v_1}{\partial y}\right)\mathbf{k} \\ &= \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ v_1 & v_2 & v_3 \end{vmatrix}\end{aligned}$$

Rotation of a Solid Body



$$\mathbf{\Omega} = \omega \mathbf{a}$$

$$\mathbf{V} = \mathbf{\Omega} \times \mathbf{r}$$

If $\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{k}$ (choice of direction),
then $\mathbf{\Omega} = [0, 0, \omega]$.

$$\begin{aligned}\text{If } \mathbf{r} &= [x, y, z], \\ \text{then } \mathbf{V} &= \mathbf{\Omega} \times \mathbf{r} \\ &= [-\omega y, \omega x, 0] \\ &= -\omega y \mathbf{i} + \omega x \mathbf{j}.\end{aligned}$$

Rotation of a Solid Body (cont)

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Thus, } \text{curl} \mathbf{V} \equiv \nabla \times \mathbf{V} &= \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ -\omega y & \omega x & 0 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= 2\omega \mathbf{k} = 2\boldsymbol{\Omega}\end{aligned}$$

Thus, solid body rotation leads to a \mathbf{V} -field such that $\nabla \times \mathbf{V}$ is in the direction of $\boldsymbol{\Omega}$ and its magnitude $= |2\boldsymbol{\Omega}| = 2\omega$.

Properties of Curl

1. Curl of a gradient

Let f be a scalar field, differentiable.

Let ∇f , a vector field, be also differentiable.

Then $\nabla \times (\nabla f) = \mathbf{0}$ (vector).

That is, the gradient field of a scalar field has zero curl.

We say that that the gradient field is irrotational.

Note: $\nabla \cdot (\nabla f) = \nabla^2 f$, is a scalar field, and need not be zero.

Properties of Curl (cont)

2. Divergence of a curl

Let \mathbf{V} be a vector field, twice differentiable.

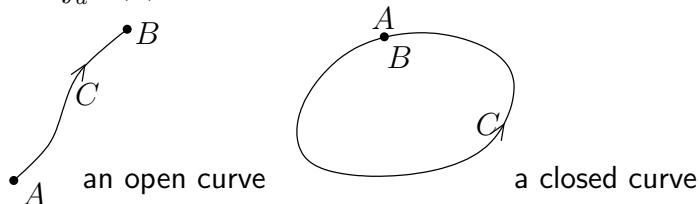
Then $\nabla \times \mathbf{V}$ is another vector field.

Then $\nabla \cdot (\nabla \times \mathbf{V}) = 0$.

We say that the divergence of the curl of a vector field is zero.

Integral Calculus of Vectors

Integration of vectors is a generalisation of ordinary integrals like $\int_a^b f(x)dx$. Line integrals are defined over a curve in space:



The curve C can be parametrically represented:

$$\mathbf{r}(t) = x(t)\mathbf{i} + y(t)\mathbf{j} + z(t)\mathbf{k}; \quad a \leq t \leq b,$$

where A at $\mathbf{r}(a)$ is the initial point,

and B at $\mathbf{r}(b)$ is the terminal point.

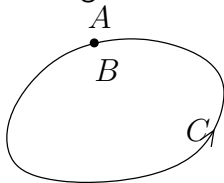
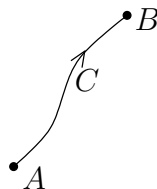
t increases from a to b : the positive direction of C .

If points A and B coincide, then we have a closed curve.

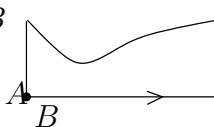
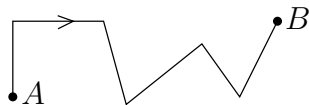
Smooth Curves

C is called a smooth curve if:

- 1: at each point, a unique tangent exists, and
- 2: the direction of this tangent varies continuously.



smooth curves



non-smooth,
but piecewise-smooth,
curves

Henceforth, all curves are assumed piecewise smooth.

Line Integral

Line integral of a vector function:

$$\begin{aligned}\int_C \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{r}) \cdot d\mathbf{r} &= \int_a^b \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{r}(t)) \cdot \underbrace{\frac{d\mathbf{r}}{dt}}_{\mathbf{r}'(t)} dt \\ &= \int_C (F_1 dx + F_2 dy + F_3 dz) \\ &= \int_C (F_1 x' + F_2 y' + F_3 z') dt\end{aligned}$$

If C is closed, \int_C may be written as \oint_C .

Line Integral (cont)

The integral is scalar (\cdot : dot product).

$$\int_C \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{r}) \cdot d\mathbf{r} = \int_a^b \underbrace{\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{r}(t)) \cdot \frac{\mathbf{r}'}{|\mathbf{r}'|}}_{F_{\text{tan}}} \underbrace{|\mathbf{r}'| dt}_{ds}$$

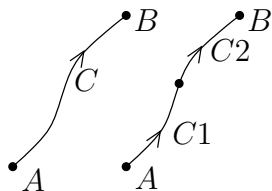
Rules for line integrals:

$$\int_C \alpha \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{r}) \cdot d\mathbf{r} = \alpha \int_C \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{r}) \cdot d\mathbf{r}, \quad (\alpha : \text{const})$$

$$\int_C (\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{r}) + \mathbf{G}(\mathbf{r})) \cdot d\mathbf{r} = \int_C \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{r}) \cdot d\mathbf{r} + \int_C \mathbf{G}(\mathbf{r}) \cdot d\mathbf{r}$$

Line Integral (cont)

If C is partitioned into C_1 and C_2 , and all three have the same direction, then:



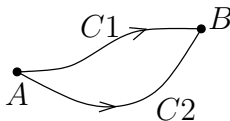
$$\int_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} = \int_{C_1} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} + \int_{C_2} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r}$$

If the direction of traverse (orientation) is reversed, then the value of the integral changes sign.

Vector Line Integral

$$\begin{aligned}\int_C \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{r}) dt &= \left[\int_C F_1(\mathbf{r}) dt \right] \mathbf{i} + \left[\int_C F_2(\mathbf{r}) dt \right] \mathbf{j} \\ &\quad + \left[\int_C F_3(\mathbf{r}) dt \right] \mathbf{k}\end{aligned}$$

Path Dependence



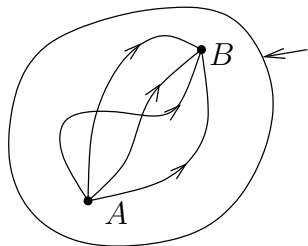
Generally, $\int_A^B \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r}$ depends on (1) the end points A and B , and (2) the path from A to B .

Hence, different paths (curves) from A to B may lead to different values of the integral.

Some integrals may be path-independent.

These are important items in physics.

Path-Independence of Line Integrals



domain D over which
 $\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{r})$ is defined
(A, B , any curve,
must be inside D)

Theorem

The following statements are equivalent.

1. $\int_A^B \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{r}) \cdot d\mathbf{r}$ is path-independent.
2. $\mathbf{F} = \nabla f$; i.e. a potential (f) exists.
3. $\oint \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{r}) \cdot d\mathbf{r} = 0$ for any closed curve in D .
4. If D is simply-connected, $\nabla \times \mathbf{F} = 0$.

Path-Independence of Line Integrals (cont)

From [2.], we can deduce:

$$\int_B^A \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} = f(B) - f(A), \text{ where } \mathbf{F} = \nabla f.$$

Note the similarity to definite integrals.

[3.] is used interchangeably with [1.], as in Thermodynamics (where it is used twice — once for the First Law, and once for the Second Law).

Path-Independence of Line Integrals (cont)

[4.] is based on the Pfaffian¹ form:

$$\mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} = F_1 dx + F_2 dy + F_3 dz.$$

This form is called **exact**; the RHS is called an **exact differential** (or Pfaffian differential), if we do have a differentiable function $f(x, y, z)$ s.t.

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} &= F_1 dx + F_2 dy + F_3 dz \\ &= df = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} dx + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} dy + \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} dz \\ &= \nabla f \cdot d\mathbf{r}\end{aligned}$$

That means, $\mathbf{F} = \nabla f$,

$$\therefore F_1 = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}, F_2 = \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}, F_3 = \frac{\partial f}{\partial z}.$$

¹Johann Friedrich Pfaff (1765–1825), German mathematician.

Path-Independence of Line Integrals (cont)

For simply connected domains²

$$\text{if } \mathbf{F} = \nabla f$$

$$\text{then } \nabla \times \mathbf{F} = \nabla \times (\nabla f) = 0$$

By this, or by cross-differentiation,

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x} \implies \frac{\partial F_2}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial y} \implies \frac{\partial F_2}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial y} = 0,$$

etc. \therefore each component of $\nabla \times \mathbf{F} = 0$.

$$\therefore \nabla \times \mathbf{F} = 0.$$

²A SCD is one in which any closed curve can be continuously shrunk to a point without leaving that domain.

Path-Independence of Line Integrals (cont)

A spacial case: *Flatland*, which is a domain in (x, y) -plane.

$$\int_C \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{r}) \cdot d\mathbf{r} = \int_C (F_1 dx + F_2 dy)$$

will be path independent

iff $F_1 dx + F_2 dy$ is an exact differential,

$$i.e. \text{ iff } \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial F_2}{\partial x},$$

$$i.e. \text{ iff } \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial F_2}{\partial x} = 0,$$

$$i.e. \text{ iff } \nabla \times \mathbf{F} = \left(\frac{\partial F_1}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial F_2}{\partial x} \right) \mathbf{k} = 0.$$

Vector Integral Theorems

- ▶ Help us convert integrals from one form to another.
- ▶ volume integral \longleftrightarrow surface integral.
- ▶ surface integral \longleftrightarrow volume integral.

These are useful

- ▶ for their convenience — often lead to ease of evaluation, and
- ▶ by making all integrals in an equation of the same type, often help convert integral equations into differential equations.

Green's Theorem in the Plane (x, y)

R : closed, bounded region in (x, y) plane (need not be simply-connected).

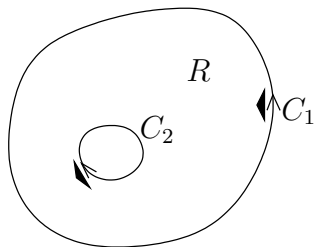
C : boundary of R , consisting of finitely many smooth curves.

$F_1(x, y)$ and $F_2(x, y)$: continuous functions, s.t. the partial derivatives $\partial F_1/\partial y$ and $\partial F_2/\partial x$ exist and are continuous everywhere in R .

Then

$$\iint_R (\partial F_2/\partial x - \partial F_1/\partial y) dx dy = \oint_C (F_1 dx + F_2 dy).$$

Green's Theorem (cont)

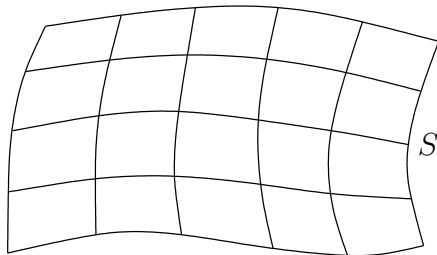


The line-integral on the RHS is on the entire C , traversed in such a way that R is on the left as C is traversed.

If $\mathbf{F} \equiv F_1\mathbf{i} + F_2\mathbf{j}$, then we get the vector form of Green's Theorem:

$$\iint_R (\nabla \times \mathbf{F}) \cdot \mathbf{k} \, dx \, dy = \oint_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r}.$$

Surface Integrals in 3-D



Surface in 3-D
(assumed piecewise smooth)
 $\mathbf{r}(u, v)$: definition of the surface

$$\mathbf{r}(u, v) = x(u, v)\mathbf{i} + y(u, v)\mathbf{j} + z(u, v)\mathbf{k},$$

where (u, v) : defined over R in the u, v plane.

Surface Integrals in 3-D (cont)

At any point on S ,

$$\mathbf{r}_u = \left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial u} \right)_v : \text{tangent vector along a const-}u \text{ line,}$$

$$\mathbf{r}_v = \left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial v} \right)_u : \text{tangent vector along a const-}v \text{ line}$$

$\therefore \mathbf{N} = \mathbf{r}_u \times \mathbf{r}_v$ is a normal vector, and

and $\mathbf{n} = \frac{\mathbf{N}}{|\mathbf{N}|}$ is a unit normal vector.

All of these will exist, except perhaps at edges and corners.

Surface Integrals in 3-D (cont)

For \mathbf{F} : a vector function,

$$\iint_S \mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{n} \, dA \equiv \iint_R \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{r}(u, v)) \cdot \mathbf{N}(u, v) \, du \, dv$$

is the definition of the surface integral of \mathbf{F} over S .

$|\mathbf{r}_u \times \mathbf{r}_v| = |\mathbf{N}| = \text{area of parallelogram of sides } \mathbf{r}_u \text{ and } \mathbf{r}_v.$

$\therefore \mathbf{n} \, dA = \mathbf{n} |\mathbf{N}| \, du \, dv = \mathbf{N} \, du \, dv.$

$\mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{n} = \text{normal component of } \mathbf{F} \text{ (normal to surface } S).$

Surface Integrals in 3-D (cont)

$$\mathbf{F} = F_1\mathbf{i} + F_2\mathbf{j} + F_3\mathbf{k},$$

$$\mathbf{N} = N_1\mathbf{i} + N_2\mathbf{j} + N_3\mathbf{k},$$

$$\mathbf{n} = \cos \alpha \mathbf{i} + \cos \beta \mathbf{j} + \cos \gamma \mathbf{k}.$$

$\cos \alpha = \mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{i}$, $\cos \beta = \mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{j}$, $\cos \gamma = \mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{k}$, are the direction cosines for \mathbf{n} .

Surface Integrals in 3-D (cont)

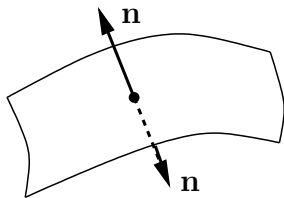
Thus,

$$\begin{aligned}\iint_S \mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{n} \, dA &= \iint_S (F_1 N_1 + F_2 N_2 + F_3 N_3) \, du \, dv \\ &= \iint_S (F_1 \cos \alpha + F_2 \cos \beta + F_3 \cos \gamma) \, dA\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{But } \cos \alpha \, dA &= dy \, dz \\ \cos \beta \, dA &= dz \, dx \\ \cos \gamma \, dA &= dx \, dy\end{aligned}$$

$$\iint_S \mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{n} \, dA = \iint_S (F_1 \, dy \, dz + F_2 \, dz \, dx + F_3 \, dx \, dy)$$

Effect of Orientation



We have a choice of normals \mathbf{n} or $-\mathbf{n}$ (\mathbf{N} or $-\mathbf{N}$).

This changes the value of the integral by a factor of (-1)

A smooth surface S is **orientable** if the positive normal direction at some point P on S can be moved in a continuous and unique way over the entire surface.

We assume our surfaces to be smooth and orientable.

Triple Integrals

- ▶ These are integrals over a volume ($dV = dx \, dy \, dz$)
- ▶ We consider a 3-D region T

Divergence Theorem of Gauss

Perhaps the most important and celebrated theorem in Vector Calculus.

Transforms a **triple integral over a volume** into a **surface integral over the surface bounding the volume**, and *vice-versa*.

Divergence Theorem of Gauss (cont)

T : a closed, bounded region in space.

S : the bounding surface of T , piecewise smooth and orientable.

$\mathbf{F}(x, y, z)$: a vector function, continuous, with continuous first partial derivatives all over T (and S , and maybe beyond).

Then

$$\iiint_T \nabla \cdot \mathbf{F} \, dV = \iint_S \mathbf{F} \cdot \underbrace{\mathbf{n} \, dA}_{d\mathbf{S}} = \iint_S \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{S}$$

Divergence Theorem of Gauss (cont)

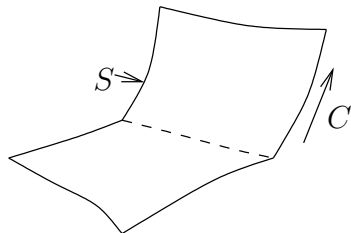
If $\mathbf{F} = [F_1, F_2, F_3]$ and $\mathbf{n} = [\cos \alpha, \cos \beta, \cos \gamma]$, then the theorem becomes:

$$\begin{aligned} \iiint_T \left(\frac{\partial F_1}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial F_2}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial F_3}{\partial z} \right) dV \\ = \iint_S (F_1 \cos \alpha + F_2 \cos \beta + F_3 \cos \gamma) dA \\ = \iint_S (F_1 dydz + F_2 dzdx + F_3 dxdy) \end{aligned}$$

Stokes' Theorem

Stokes' Theorem is the 3-dimensional version of Green's Theorem.

It relates a surface-integral over a 3-D surface to a line-integral over the bounding line in 3-D.



S : surface in 3-D,
piecewise smooth, and oriented

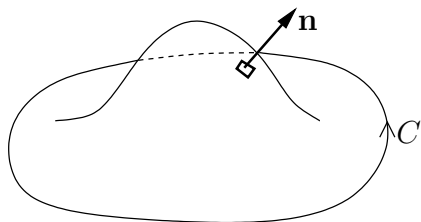
C : boundary of S ,
piecewise smooth, simple, closed

$\mathbf{F}(x, y, z)$: vector function, defined over S , continuous, with continuous (first) partial derivatives.

Stokes' Theorem (cont)

Then

$$\iint_S (\nabla \times \mathbf{F}) \cdot \underbrace{\mathbf{n}}_{d\mathbf{S}} dA = \oint_C \mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{r}'(s) ds$$



\mathbf{n} : unit normal vector to S

$\mathbf{r}'(s)$: unit tangential vector to C

Direction of \oint : s.t. topologically, a vertically upwards \mathbf{n} is to the left of the traverse.

Stokes' Theorem (cont)

Stokes' Theorem relates directly to path independence:

If the RHS equals zero everywhere (\because path independent),
then the LHS equals zero everywhere.

$$\implies \nabla \times F = 0 \text{ everywhere.}$$