

Lecture XXXIII: §15.6 Surface integrals

Motivating example: Calculate the average temperature on the surface of a sphere: need to "add up" the continuous temp values on the sphere & divide by the surface area.
 $\hat{=}$ surface integrals!

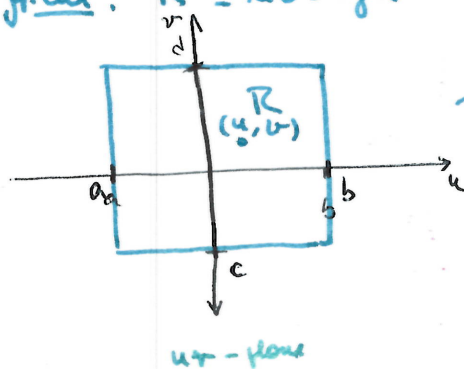
§1: Parameterized surfaces

Recall: Parameterized curves $C: \vec{r}(t) = \langle x(t), y(t), z(t) \rangle$ $a \leq t \leq b$. (1 parameter)

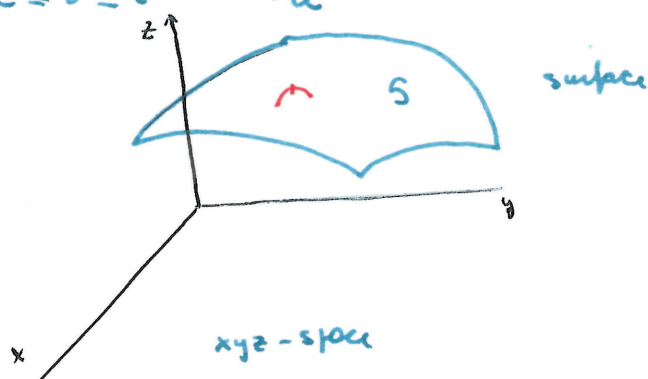
A surface is an object of dimension 2, so we need 2 parameters to define it:

$$\vec{r}(u, v) = \langle x(u, v), y(u, v), z(u, v) \rangle \quad \text{where } (u, v) \text{ in } R \text{ region in } \mathbb{R}^2$$

Typical: $R = \text{rectangle} = \{ (u, v) : a \leq u \leq b, c \leq v \leq d \} = [a, b] \times [c, d]$.



$$\vec{r}(u, v) = \begin{cases} x = x(u, v) \\ y = y(u, v) \\ z = z(u, v) \end{cases}$$



Examples: (a) Planes



$$\vec{w}_1 = \langle a_1, b_1, c_1 \rangle$$

$$\vec{w}_2 = \langle a_2, b_2, c_2 \rangle$$

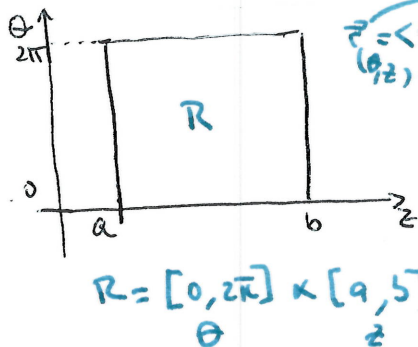
$$P = \langle p_1, p_2, p_3 \rangle$$

Plane has vector eqn: $(x, y, z) = P + t\vec{w}_1 + s\vec{w}_2$

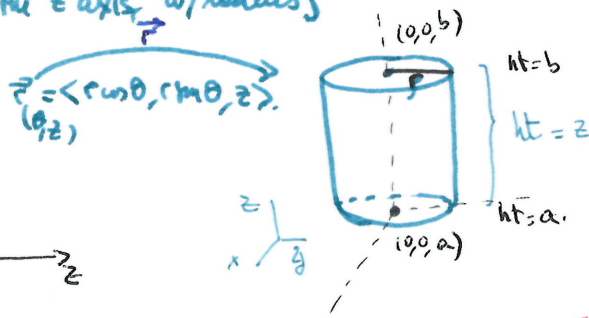
$$R = \mathbb{R}^2$$

$$\vec{r}(s, t) = \langle \underbrace{p_1 + t a_1 + s a_2}_{=x(s, t)}, \underbrace{p_2 + t b_1 + s b_2}_{=y(s, t)}, \underbrace{p_3 + t c_1 + s c_2}_{=z(s, t)} \rangle$$

① Cylinder about the z axis w/ radius ρ



$$R = [0, 2\pi] \times [a, b]$$

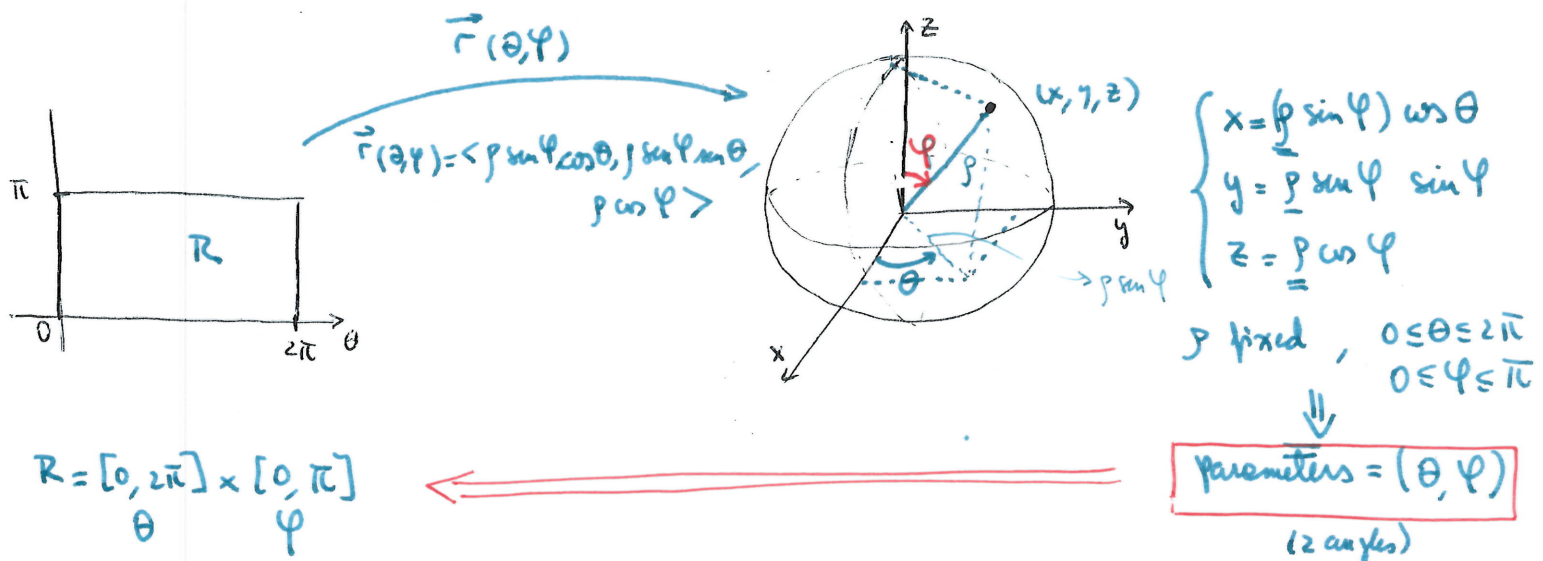


$$\begin{cases} x = \rho \cos \theta & 0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi \\ y = \rho \sin \theta & \rho \text{ fixed} \\ z = z & a \leq z \leq b \end{cases}$$

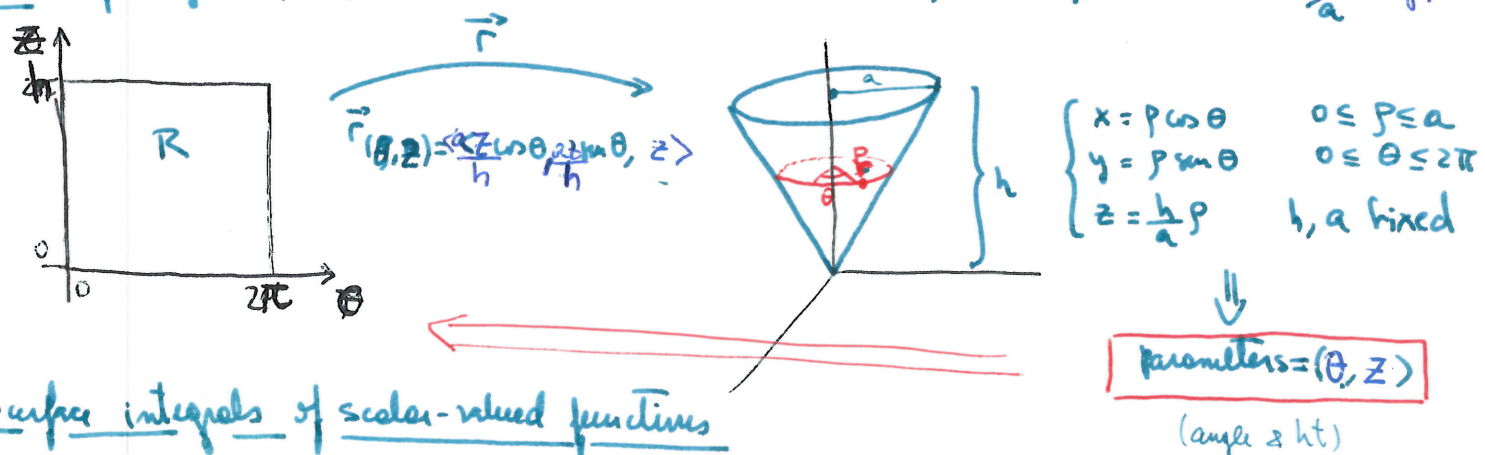
$$\text{parameters} = (\theta, z)$$

(angle & ht)

② Spheres: centered at the origin w/ radius ρ (fixed) \Rightarrow spherical coords



③ Cones of height h & radius a with vertex at $(0, 0, 0)$: Equation: $z = \frac{h}{a}(x^2 + y^2)$



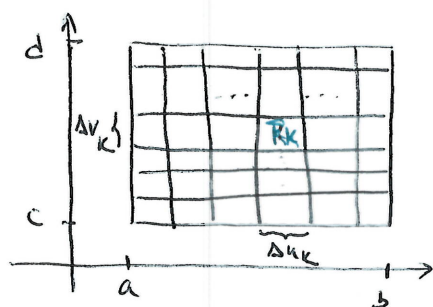
§ 2 Surface integrals of scalar-valued functions

$f = f(x, y, z)$ $S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ function defined on the surface S .

Parameterization of S : $\vec{r}(u, v) = \langle x(u, v), y(u, v), z(u, v) \rangle$ where $(u, v) \in R$ & R is a rectangle $= [a, b] \times [c, d]$

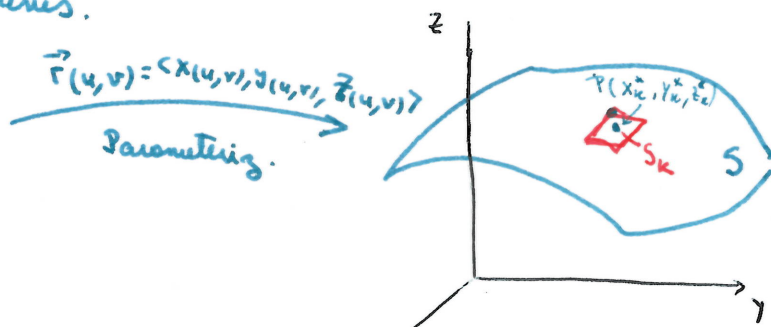
GOAL: Define $\iint_S f(x, y, z) dS$ \rightarrow differential wrt. surface area.

Method: Use Riemann sums.



uv -parameter space

R_k rectangle



xyz -space

S_k surface

STEP 1: Partition R into N rectangles with sides parallel to the u - & v -axes & rectangles R_k has lengths Δu_k & Δv_k , respectively

$$\Rightarrow \text{Area}(R_k) = \Delta u_k \Delta v_k.$$

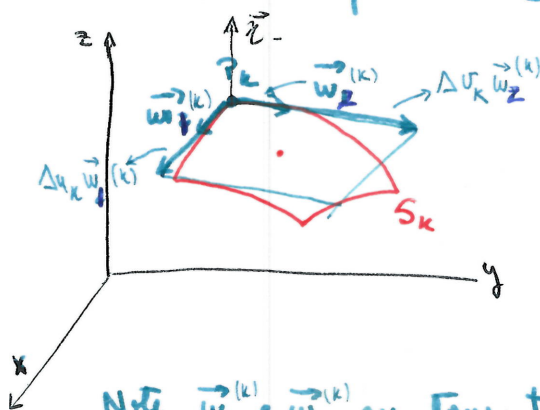
R_k maps to a surface patch S_k of area $\Delta S_k = ?$.

STEP 2: Pick a point $q_k = (u_k^*, v_k^*)$ in $R_k \xrightarrow{\vec{r}} (x_k^*, y_k^*, z_k^*) = \vec{r}(u_k^*, v_k^*)$ is a point in S_k .

We define the Riemann sum:

$$\sum_{i=1}^N f(x(u_k^*, v_k^*), y(u_k^*, v_k^*), z(u_k^*, v_k^*)) \cdot \Delta S_k \quad (*)$$

STEP 3: Compute ΔS_k area of the patch.



Idea: approximate S_k by the tangent plane at the marked point $(x_k^*, y_k^*, z_k^*) = P_k$ (Assume this plane exists at P_k)

We draw the picture when (x_k^*, y_k^*, z_k^*) is the top-left "corner" of the surface patch.

Area of tangent parallelogram $= |\vec{w}_1 \times \vec{w}_2|$

Note: $\vec{w}_1^{(k)}$ & $\vec{w}_2^{(k)}$ are tangent vectors to S_k at the pt P_k .

$\vec{w}_1^{(k)}$ = tangent vector to S corresponding to a change in u with v constant in the uv -plane
 $\vec{w}_2^{(k)}$ = v — u

$$\Rightarrow \vec{w}_2^{(k)} = \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial v} \Big|_{q_k} = \left\langle \frac{\partial x}{\partial v}, \frac{\partial y}{\partial v}, \frac{\partial z}{\partial v} \right\rangle \Big|_{(P_k)} \quad \vec{w}_1^{(k)} = \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial u} \Big|_{q_k} = \left\langle \frac{\partial x}{\partial u}, \frac{\partial y}{\partial u}, \frac{\partial z}{\partial u} \right\rangle \Big|_{(P_k)}$$

By linear approximation: $\frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial u} \Big|_{(P_k)} \approx \frac{1}{\Delta u} (\vec{r}(u_k^* + \Delta u_k, v_k^*) - \vec{r}(u_k^*, v_k^*))$

$$\text{so } \Delta u_k \vec{w}_1^{(k)} \approx \vec{r}(u_k^* + \Delta u_k, v_k^*) - \vec{r}(u_k^*, v_k^*)$$

$$\text{Similarly, } \Delta v_k \vec{w}_2^{(k)} \approx \vec{r}(u_k^*, v_k^* + \Delta v_k) - \vec{r}(u_k^*, v_k^*)$$

\Rightarrow Parallelogram approximating S_k has sides $\Delta u_k \vec{w}_1^{(k)}$ & $\Delta v_k \vec{w}_2^{(k)}$

$$\text{Area}(S_k) \approx |\Delta u_k \vec{w}_1^{(k)} \times \Delta v_k \vec{w}_2^{(k)}| = \Delta u_k \Delta v_k |\vec{w}_1^{(k)} \times \vec{w}_2^{(k)}|$$

(Replace this in $(*)$ and take limits as $\Delta u = \max_k \Delta u_k \rightarrow 0$ must be $\neq 0$
 $\Delta v = \max_k \Delta v_k \rightarrow 0$ (otherwise the Area (S_k) is badly approx.)
 \rightarrow similar story if we pick u_k^*, v_k^* to be any point in R_k .

Definition

$$\iint_S f(x, y, z) dS = \lim_{(\Delta u, \Delta v) \rightarrow (0,0)} \sum_{k=1}^n f(x(u_k^*, v_k^*), y(u_k^*, v_k^*), z(u_k^*, v_k^*)) \left| \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial u} \times \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial v} \right| \Delta u \Delta v$$

$$= \iint_R f(x(u, v), y(u, v), z(u, v)) \left| \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial u} \times \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial v} \right| dA$$

where $\frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial u} = \left\langle \frac{\partial x}{\partial u}, \frac{\partial y}{\partial u}, \frac{\partial z}{\partial u} \right\rangle$ & $\frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial v} = \left\langle \frac{\partial x}{\partial v}, \frac{\partial y}{\partial v}, \frac{\partial z}{\partial v} \right\rangle$ are

assumed to be continuous & $\frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial u} \times \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial v} \neq 0$ in R .

Note: The same definition will work for $R = \text{domain of } \vec{r}(u, v)$ not necessarily a rectangle

Examples: ① cylinder $\vec{r}(\theta, z) = \begin{cases} x = p \cos \theta \\ y = p \sin \theta \\ z = z \end{cases} \Rightarrow \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial \theta} = \langle -p \sin \theta, p \cos \theta, 0 \rangle$

$$\frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial z} = \langle 0, 0, 1 \rangle$$

$f=1$: Area(S) = $\iint_S 1 dS = \int_0^{2\pi} \int_a^b 1 \cdot p d\theta dz = 2\pi p (b-a)$

$$\begin{vmatrix} i & j & k \\ -p \sin \theta & p \cos \theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = \langle p \cos \theta, p \sin \theta, 0 \rangle \rightarrow \text{magnitude} = |p| = p > 0$$

§3 Surface integrals for graphs

Notes: graph of a function $z = f(x, y)$ is a parametric surface $\vec{r}(x, y) = \langle x, y, f(x, y) \rangle$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial x} = \langle 1, 0, \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \rangle, \quad \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial y} = \langle 0, 1, \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \rangle$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial x} \times \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial y} = \begin{vmatrix} i & j & k \\ 1 & 0 & f_x \\ 0 & 1 & f_y \end{vmatrix} = \langle -f_x, -f_y, 1 \rangle \rightarrow \text{magnitude} = \sqrt{f_x^2 + f_y^2 + 1}$$

Conclusion: $\iint_S g(x, y, z) dS = \iint_R g(x, y, f(x, y)) \sqrt{1 + f_x^2 + f_y^2} dA$

Here R is the domain of f , need not be a rectangle.

§4 Surface integrals of vector fields

Need to work with orientable surfaces = continuous choice of outward normal vector

Ex: sphere 

Non-ex: Möbius strip



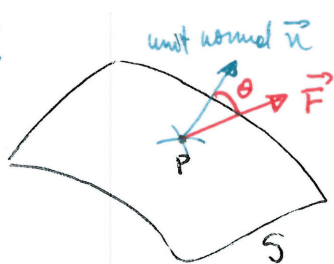
take outward normal = $\frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial u} \times \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial v}$. (or w/ opposite sign if the orientation of S is reversed)

Main example: flux integrals = find net flow of the vector field across the surface

Def Flux ($\vec{F} = \langle f, g, h \rangle$) = $\iint_S \vec{F} \cdot \vec{n} dS$ (same as in \mathbb{R}^2)

↪ unit outer normal

Why?



$$\vec{F} \cdot \vec{n} = |\vec{F}| \cos \theta$$

• $\theta = 0 \Rightarrow$ comp of \vec{F} in the \vec{n} -direction is $\vec{F} \cdot \vec{n} = |\vec{F}|$
all of \vec{F} flow across S in the direction of \vec{n}

• $\theta = \pi \Rightarrow$ All of \vec{F} flows across S opposite to \vec{n} .
[$\vec{F} \cdot \vec{n} = -|\vec{F}|$]

• $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2} \Rightarrow \vec{F} \cdot \vec{n} = 0$ no flow through S at P .

\Rightarrow Flux just adds up these components of \vec{F} normal to the surface at all points of S

Q: How to compute the flux?

\vec{n} is unit vector w/ direction $\frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial u} \times \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial v}$

(we assume this direction is compatible w/ the orientation of S)

$$\vec{n} = \frac{\frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial u} \times \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial v}}{|\frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial u} \times \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial v}|}$$

Conclusion: Flux (\vec{F}) = $\iint_S \vec{F} \cdot \vec{n} \, dS = \iint_R \vec{F} \cdot \frac{\frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial u} \times \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial v}}{|\frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial u} \times \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial v}|} |\frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial u} \times \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial v}| \, dA$

$$= \iint_R \vec{F}(\vec{r}(u,v)) \cdot \left(\frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial u} \times \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial v} \right) \, dA$$

Special case: $S = \text{graph of } f(x,y) \Rightarrow \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial u} \times \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial v} = \langle -f_x, -f_y, 1 \rangle$

If $\vec{F} = \langle g, h, p \rangle_{(x,y,z)}$ then, Flux (\vec{F}) = $\iint_R (g(x,y,f(x,y))f_x(x,y) - h(x,y,f(x,y))f_y(x,y) + p(x,y,f(x,y))) \, dA$