

# The Geometry of Euclidean Space

## VECTORS IN $\mathbf{R}^n$

- A vector in  $\mathbf{R}^n$  can be written as  $\mathbf{u} = (u_1, \dots, u_n)$ .

### Definitions

- If  $\mathbf{u} = (u_1, \dots, u_n)$  and  $\mathbf{v} = (v_1, \dots, v_n)$ , then
  - $\alpha \mathbf{u} = (\alpha u_1, \dots, \alpha u_n), \alpha \in \mathbf{R}$ .
- $$\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{v} \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} u_1 = v_1 \\ \vdots \\ u_n = v_n \end{cases}$$

### Some Properties

- $\left. \begin{array}{l} \mathbf{u} \in \mathbf{R}^n \\ \mathbf{v} \in \mathbf{R}^n \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow (\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) \in \mathbf{R}^n$ .
- $\left. \begin{array}{l} \alpha \in \mathbf{R} \\ \mathbf{u} \in \mathbf{R}^n \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \alpha \mathbf{u} \in \mathbf{R}^n$ .
- $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{v} + \mathbf{u}$ .
- $\mathbf{u} + (\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w}) = (\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{u}) + \mathbf{w}$ .
- $-\mathbf{u} = (-u_1, \dots, -u_n)$  and  $\mathbf{u} + (-\mathbf{u}) = \mathbf{0} = (0, \dots, 0) = (-\mathbf{u}) + \mathbf{u}$ .
- $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{0} = \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{0} + \mathbf{u}$ .
- $\alpha(\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) = \alpha \mathbf{u} + \alpha \mathbf{v}$ .
- $(\alpha + \beta)\mathbf{u} = \alpha \mathbf{u} + \beta \mathbf{u}$ .
- $(\alpha\beta)\mathbf{u} = \alpha(\beta \mathbf{u})$ .
- $1\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{u}$ .

## NORM

### Definition

Let  $\mathbf{u} = (u_1, \dots, u_n)$ . The norm is  $\|\mathbf{u}\| = \sqrt{u_1^2 + \dots + u_n^2}$ .

### Properties

- $\|\mathbf{u}\| \geq 0$ .
- $\|\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}\| \leq \|\mathbf{u}\| + \|\mathbf{v}\|$ .
- $\|\alpha \mathbf{u}\| = |\alpha| \|\mathbf{u}\|$ .

## DOT PRODUCT

Let  $\mathbf{u} = (u_1, \dots, u_n)$  and  $\mathbf{v} = (v_1, \dots, v_n)$ , then  $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = u_1 v_1 + \dots + u_n v_n$ .

### Properties

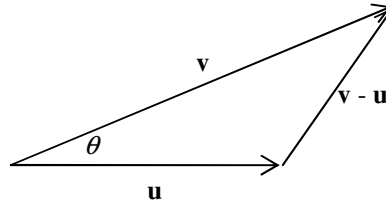
- 1)  $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{u}$ .
- 2)  $(\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) \cdot \mathbf{w} = \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{w} + \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{w}$ .
- 3)  $\alpha(\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}) = \mathbf{u} \cdot (\alpha \mathbf{v})$ .
- 4)  $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u} \geq 0$ , moreover,  $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0 \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{0}$

### More Properties

- 1)  $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u} = \|\mathbf{u}\|^2$ .
- 2)  $|\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}| \leq \|\mathbf{u}\| \|\mathbf{v}\|$  (Cauchy-Schwartz).
- 3)  $(\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) \cdot (\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) = \|\mathbf{u}\|^2 + 2\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} + \|\mathbf{v}\|^2$  and  $(\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}) \cdot (\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}) = \|\mathbf{u}\|^2 - 2\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} + \|\mathbf{v}\|^2$ .
- 4)  $(\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) \cdot (\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}) = \|\mathbf{u}\|^2 - \|\mathbf{v}\|^2$ .

### The Cosine Law

$$\begin{aligned} \|\mathbf{v} - \mathbf{u}\|^2 &= \|\mathbf{v}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{u}\|^2 - 2\|\mathbf{v}\|\|\mathbf{u}\|\cos\theta \\ \Rightarrow (\mathbf{v} - \mathbf{u}) \cdot (\mathbf{v} - \mathbf{u}) &= \|\mathbf{v}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{u}\|^2 - 2\|\mathbf{v}\|\|\mathbf{u}\|\cos\theta \\ \Rightarrow \|\mathbf{v}\|^2 - 2\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} + \|\mathbf{u}\|^2 &= \|\mathbf{v}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{u}\|^2 - 2\|\mathbf{v}\|\|\mathbf{u}\|\cos\theta \\ \Rightarrow \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} &= \|\mathbf{v}\|\|\mathbf{u}\|\cos\theta \end{aligned}$$



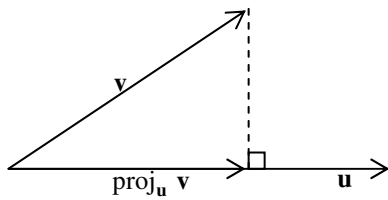
### Theorem

$$\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = \|\mathbf{v}\|\|\mathbf{u}\|\cos\theta, \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \neq \mathbf{0}$$

### Some Basic Consequences

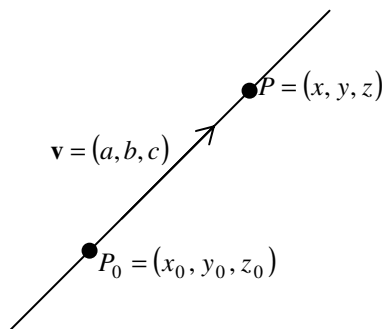
- 1)  $|\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}| \leq \|\mathbf{u}\|\|\mathbf{v}\|$ .
- 2)  $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} > 0$  means  $0 \leq \theta < \frac{\pi}{2}$ .
- $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = 0$  means  $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$ .
- $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} < 0$  means .

## PROJECTION

**Geometry****Theorem**

$$1) \quad \|\text{proj}_{\mathbf{u}} \mathbf{v}\| = \frac{|\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}|}{\|\mathbf{u}\|}.$$

$$2) \quad \text{proj}_{\mathbf{u}} \mathbf{v} = \frac{\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}}{\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u}} \mathbf{u}.$$

**LINES IN  $\mathbb{R}^3$** 

Some ways to characterize the line that passes through a given point  $P_0 = (x_0, y_0, z_0)$  and follows the direction of a non-zero vector  $\mathbf{v} = (a, b, c)$ . If  $P = (x, y, z)$  denotes any point on the line, then:

- $\overrightarrow{P_0 P} = \lambda \mathbf{v}$  (vector equation).  
 $x = x_0 + \lambda a$   
 $y = y_0 + \lambda b$
- $z = z_0 + \lambda c$  (parametric equations).
- If  $a, b, c \neq 0$ ,  $\frac{x - x_0}{a} = \frac{y - y_0}{b} = \frac{z - z_0}{c}$  (symmetric equations).

**THE CROSS PRODUCT****Definition**

If  $\mathbf{u} = (u_1, u_2, u_3)$  and  $\mathbf{v} = (v_1, v_2, v_3)$ , then  $\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v} = (u_2 v_3 - u_3 v_2, u_3 v_1 - u_1 v_3, u_1 v_2 - u_2 v_1)$  is the cross product of  $\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{v}$ .

Note:  $\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v} = \det \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ u_1 & u_2 & u_3 \\ v_1 & v_2 & v_3 \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{i} \begin{vmatrix} u_2 & u_3 \\ v_2 & v_3 \end{vmatrix} - \mathbf{j} \begin{vmatrix} u_1 & u_3 \\ v_1 & v_3 \end{vmatrix} + \mathbf{k} \begin{vmatrix} u_1 & u_2 \\ v_1 & v_2 \end{vmatrix}.$

### Some Basis Properties

- 1)  $\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v} = -(\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{u}).$
- 2)  $\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{0}.$  More general, if  $\mathbf{u} \parallel \mathbf{v}$ , then  $\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{0}.$
- 3)  $(\alpha \mathbf{u}) \times \mathbf{v} = \alpha(\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v}) = \mathbf{u} \times (\alpha \mathbf{v}).$
- 4)  $\mathbf{u} \times (\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w}) = \mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v} + \mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{w}.$

Note: The cross product is not associative.

### The Geometry of the Cross Product

- 1) If  $\mathbf{u} \neq \mathbf{0}$  and  $\mathbf{v} \neq \mathbf{0}$ , then  $\|\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v}\| = \|\mathbf{u}\| \|\mathbf{v}\| \sin \theta.$

- 2)  $\mathbf{u} \cdot (\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{w}) = \det \begin{pmatrix} u_1 & u_2 & u_3 \\ v_1 & v_2 & v_3 \\ w_1 & w_2 & w_3 \end{pmatrix}.$

### Theorem

$\mathbf{u} \cdot (\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v}) = \mathbf{0}$  and  $\mathbf{v} \cdot (\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v}) = \mathbf{0}.$  Geometrically,  $(\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v}) \perp \mathbf{u}$ ,  $(\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v}) \perp \mathbf{v}.$

### Equations of Planes in $\mathbf{R}^3$

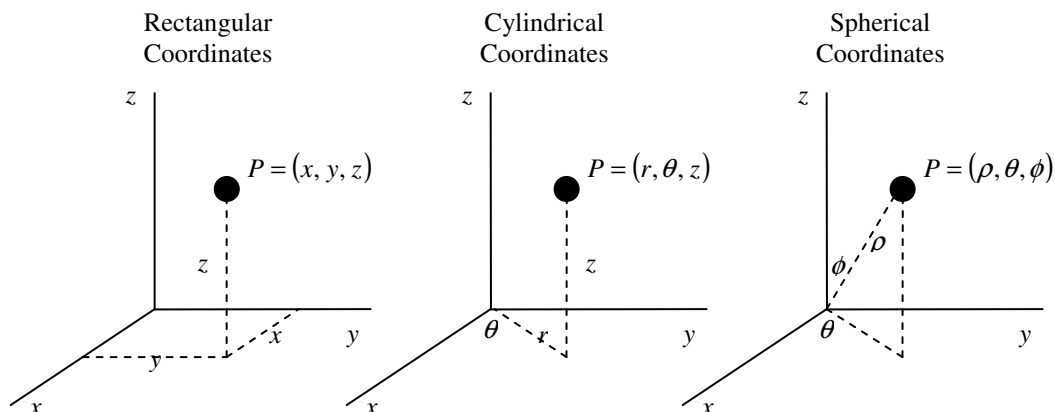
- An equation for the plane that passes through  $P_0 = (x_0, y_0, z_0)$  and is perpendicular (normal) to  $\mathbf{n} = (a, b, c)$  is  $\overrightarrow{P_0P} \cdot \mathbf{n} = 0.$
- In terms of coordinates,  $(x - x_0, y - y_0, z - z_0) \cdot (a, b, c) = 0 \Leftrightarrow a(x - x_0) + b(y - y_0) + c(z - z_0) = 0$ , or  $ax + by + cz = d$  where  $d = ax_0 + by_0 + cz_0.$
- Another way to describe a plane is  $\begin{cases} x = x_0 + su_1 + tv_1 \\ y = y_0 + su_2 + tv_2 \\ z = z_0 + su_3 + tv_3 \end{cases}.$  This is the parametric equation through  $(x_0, y_0, z_0)$  and parallel to  $\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{v}.$

### Theorem

Let  $\mathbf{u} \neq \mathbf{0}$ ,  $\mathbf{v} \neq \mathbf{0}$ ,  $\mathbf{w} \neq \mathbf{0}.$

- 1) The area of the parallelogram generated by  $\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{v}$  is  $\|\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v}\|.$
- 2) The volume of the parallelepiped generated by the vectors  $\mathbf{u}$ ,  $\mathbf{v}$ ,  $\mathbf{w}$  is  $|\mathbf{u} \cdot (\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{w})|.$

## COORDINATES IN $\mathbf{R}^3$

**Example**

Rectangular $(x, y, z)$	Cylindrical $(r, \theta, z)$	Spherical $(\rho, \theta, \phi)$
$(-2, 0, 2)$	$(2, \pi, 2)$	$(2\sqrt{2}, \pi, \frac{\pi}{4})$
$(\frac{3\sqrt{2}}{2}, \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{2}, 0)$	$(3, \frac{\pi}{4}, 0)$	$(3, \frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{\pi}{2})$

**Equations of Transformations**

- Rectangular and Cylindrical:  $x = r \cos \theta$ ,  $y = r \sin \theta$  and  $\theta = \arctan\left(\frac{y}{x}\right)$ .  
 $z = z$
- Rectangular and Spherical:  $x = \rho \cos \theta \sin \phi$ ,  $y = \rho \sin \theta \sin \phi$ ,  $z = \rho \cos \phi$ .

**VECTORS IN  $\mathbf{R}^n$** **Definition**

Let  $\mathbf{u} = (u_1, \dots, u_n) \in \mathbf{R}^n$ . Then the norm of  $\mathbf{u}$  is  $\|\mathbf{u}\| = \sqrt{u_1^2 + \dots + u_n^2}$ .

**Definition**

Let  $P = (p_1, \dots, p_n)$  and  $Q = (q_1, \dots, q_n)$  be two points in  $\mathbf{R}^n$ . Then the distance between  $P$  and  $Q$  is  $\sqrt{(p_1 - q_1)^2 + \dots + (p_n - q_n)^2}$ .

**Definition**

If  $P_0 = (p_1^0, \dots, p_n^0)$  and  $\mathbf{v} = (a_1, \dots, a_n)$ , then the line that passes through the point  $P_0$  and follows the direction of the vector  $\mathbf{v}$  is the set of all points  $(x_1, \dots, x_n)$  such that

$$\begin{cases} x_1 = x_1^0 + ta_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n = x_n^0 + ta_n \end{cases}, t \in \mathbf{R}.$$

### Problem

Suppose that the real numbers  $a, b, c, d$  satisfy the condition  $a^2 + (b-2)^2 + (c+1)^2 + (d-3)^2 = 16$ . Find the values for  $a, b, c, d$  for which  $f(a, b, c, d) = (a-7)^2 + (b-8)^2 + (c+10)^2 + (d-12)^2$  take its maximum and minimum values.

- In this case, we can view  $a^2 + (b-2)^2 + (c+1)^2 + (d-3)^2 = 16$  as a “sphere” centered at  $(0, 2, -1, 3)$  with radius 4, and  $f(a, b, c, d)$  as the distance from  $(a, b, c, d)$  to  $(7, 8, -10, 12)$ .
- Now, the line that joins the center of the “sphere”  $(0, 2, -1, 3)$  with the point  $(7, 8, -10, 12)$  is given by

$$\begin{cases} x_1 = 0 + 7t \\ x_2 = 2 + 6t \\ x_3 = -1 - 9t \\ x_4 = 3 + 9t \end{cases}.$$

- At the intersection with the “sphere”,  $(7t)^2 + (6t)^2 + (-9t)^2 + (9t)^2 = 16 \Rightarrow t = \pm \frac{4}{247}$ . Now one of these two points (which we can solve easily) will give the maximum value for  $f(a, b, c, d)$ , and the other one will give the minimum.

## Limits

### Definition: Limit of One Variable

When we say “the function  $f(x)$  approaches the number  $L$  as  $x$  approaches  $a$ ” (write  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = L$ ), what we mean is:

- Geometrically: For any open interval  $B$  that contains  $L$ , we can always find an open interval  $A$  that contains  $a$  such that for all  $x \in A, x \neq a$ ,  $f(x) \in B$ .
- Algebraically: For every  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists  $\delta > 0$  such that  $0 < |x - a| < \delta \Rightarrow |f(x) - L| < \varepsilon$ .

### Definition: Limit of Two Variables

Let  $f : \mathbf{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ . When we say “the function  $f(x, y)$  approaches the number  $L$  as  $(x, y)$  approaches  $(a, b)$ ” (write  $\lim_{(x, y) \rightarrow (a, b)} f(x, y) = L$ ), what we mean is:

- Geometrically: For any open interval  $B$  that contains  $L$ , we can always find an “open disk”  $D$  centered at  $(a, b)$  such that for all  $(x, y) \in D, (x, y) \neq (a, b)$ ,  $f(x, y) \in B$ .
- Algebraically: For every  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists  $\delta > 0$  such that  $0 < \|(x - a, y - b)\| = \sqrt{(x - a)^2 + (y - b)^2} < \delta \Rightarrow |f(x, y) - L| < \varepsilon$ .

## OPEN AND CLOSED SETS

### Some “Geometric” Definitions

- 1) The set consisting of all  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{R}^n$  such that  $\|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_0\| < r, r > 0$  is called “the disk centered at  $\mathbf{x}_0$  with radius  $r$ ” and is denoted  $D_r(\mathbf{x}_0)$ .
- 2) A set  $A \subseteq \mathbf{R}^n$  is said to be open if for every  $\mathbf{x}_0 \in A$ , there exists  $r > 0$  such that  $D_r(\mathbf{x}_0) \subseteq A$ .
- 3) Let  $A \subseteq \mathbf{R}^n$ .  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{R}^n$  is said to be a boundary point of A if for every  $r > 0$ , the disk  $D_r(\mathbf{x})$  contains at least one point of  $A$  and contains at least one point of  $A^c$ .

### Examples

Are the following sets open?

- 1)  $\{(x, y) \in \mathbf{R}^2 \mid y \geq x\}$  is not open.
- 2)  $\{(x, y) \in \mathbf{R}^2 \mid |x| < 4\}$  is open.
- 3)  $\mathbf{R}^2, \emptyset$  are both open.

### Theorem

If  $A, B$  are open sets, then  $A \cap B$  is open also.

Proof: Let  $\mathbf{x} \in A \cap B$ , then  $\mathbf{x} \in A$  and  $\mathbf{x} \in B$ . Since  $A$  is open, there exists  $r_A > 0$  such that  $D_{r_A}(\mathbf{x}) \subseteq A$ .

Since  $B$  is open, there exists  $r_B > 0$  such that  $D_{r_B}(\mathbf{x}) \subseteq B$ . Now, by taking  $r = \min(r_A, r_B)$ ,

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} D_r(\mathbf{x}) \subseteq D_{r_A}(\mathbf{x}) \subseteq A \\ D_r(\mathbf{x}) \subseteq D_{r_B}(\mathbf{x}) \subseteq B \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow D_r(\mathbf{x}) \subseteq A \cap B.$$

### Theorem

Let  $A \subseteq \mathbf{R}^n$ . If the set  $A$  contains at least one of its boundary points, then  $A$  is not open.

### Definition

A set  $A \subseteq \mathbf{R}^n$  is said to be closed if it contains all of its boundary points.

### Note

$\mathbf{R}^2, \emptyset$  are both open and closed.

## LIMITS IN $\mathbf{R}^n$

### Definition: The General Case

Let  $f : A \subseteq \mathbf{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^n$ , where  $A$  is open. Let  $\mathbf{a} \in A$  or a boundary point of  $A$ . Then  $\lim_{\mathbf{x} \rightarrow \mathbf{a}} f(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{L}$  means for

each open set  $N \subseteq \mathbf{R}^n$  that contains  $\mathbf{L}$ , there exists an open set  $M \subseteq \mathbf{R}^m$  that contains  $\mathbf{a}$  such that  $\mathbf{x} \in M \cap A, \mathbf{x} \neq \mathbf{a} \Rightarrow f(\mathbf{x}) \in N$ .

**Example**

Let  $f(x, y) = \begin{cases} (x, y, 2y), & (x, y) \neq (1, 1) \\ (5, 7, 9), & (x, y) = (1, 1) \end{cases}$ . Then  $\lim_{(x, y) \rightarrow (1, 1)} f(x, y) = (1, 1, 2)$ .

**The Algebra of Limits**

- 1)  $\lim_{\mathbf{x} \rightarrow \mathbf{a}} [f(\mathbf{x}) \pm g(\mathbf{x})] = \lim_{\mathbf{x} \rightarrow \mathbf{a}} f(\mathbf{x}) \pm \lim_{\mathbf{x} \rightarrow \mathbf{a}} g(\mathbf{x})$ .
- 2)  $\lim_{\mathbf{x} \rightarrow \mathbf{a}} [f(\mathbf{x}) \cdot g(\mathbf{x})] = \lim_{\mathbf{x} \rightarrow \mathbf{a}} f(\mathbf{x}) \cdot \lim_{\mathbf{x} \rightarrow \mathbf{a}} g(\mathbf{x})$ .
- 3) If  $\lim_{\mathbf{x} \rightarrow \mathbf{a}} f(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{L}$  and  $\lim_{\mathbf{x} \rightarrow \mathbf{a}} f(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{M}$ , then  $\mathbf{L} = \mathbf{M}$ .
- 4) Let  $f : A \subseteq \mathbf{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^n$ ,  $g : B \subseteq \mathbf{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^p$ , where  $A, B, f(A) \cap B$  are open. If  $\lim_{\mathbf{x} \rightarrow \mathbf{a}} f(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{L} \in B$  and  $\lim_{\mathbf{y} \rightarrow \mathbf{L}} g(\mathbf{y}) = \mathbf{M}$ , then  $\lim_{\mathbf{x} \rightarrow \mathbf{a}} (g \circ f)(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{M}$ .

**Exercise**

Evaluate the limit if it exists.

- 1)  $\lim_{(x, y) \rightarrow (2, 3)} \frac{x^2 + y^2}{x^2 - y} = 7$ .
- 2)  $\lim_{(x, y) \rightarrow (0, 0)} \frac{x^2 + y^2}{\sin(x^2 + y^2)}$ . Let  $f(x, y) = x^2 + y^2$  and  $g(t) = \frac{t}{\sin t}$ . Then  $\lim_{(x, y) \rightarrow (0, 0)} \frac{x^2 + y^2}{\sin(x^2 + y^2)} = \lim_{(x, y) \rightarrow (0, 0)} (g \circ f)(x, y) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{t}{\sin t} = 1$ .
- 3)  $\lim_{(x, y) \rightarrow (0, 0)} \frac{xy}{x^2 + y^2}$ . Approaching  $(0, 0)$  along  $(t, t)$ ,  $\lim_{(x, y) \rightarrow (0, 0)} \frac{xy}{x^2 + y^2} = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{t^2}{2t^2} = \frac{1}{2}$ . Approaching  $(0, 0)$  along  $(t, 2t)$ ,  $\lim_{(x, y) \rightarrow (0, 0)} \frac{xy}{x^2 + y^2} = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{2t^2}{5t^2} = \frac{2}{5}$ . So the limit doesn't exist.
- 4)  $\lim_{(x, y) \rightarrow (0, 0)} \frac{x^6}{x^2 + y^4}$ . Using polar coordinates,  $\lim_{(x, y) \rightarrow (0, 0)} \frac{x^6}{x^2 + y^4} = \lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \frac{r^6 \cos^6 \theta}{r^2 \cos^2 \theta + r^4 \sin^2 \theta} = \lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \frac{r^4 \cos^6 \theta}{\cos^2 \theta + r^2 \sin^2 \theta} = 0$ . Alternately, we know  $0 \leq \frac{x^6}{x^2 + y^4} \leq \frac{x^6}{x^2} = x^4$ . As  $(x, y) \rightarrow (0, 0)$ ,  $x^4 \rightarrow 0$ , so  $\lim_{(x, y) \rightarrow (0, 0)} \frac{x^6}{x^2 + y^4} = 0$ .

**CONTINUITY****Definition**

Let  $f : A \subseteq \mathbf{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^n$ .  $f$  is said to be continuous at  $\mathbf{a} \in A$  if:

- 1)  $f(\mathbf{a})$  is defined.
- 2)  $\lim_{\mathbf{x} \rightarrow \mathbf{a}} f(\mathbf{x})$  exists.
- 3)  $\lim_{\mathbf{x} \rightarrow \mathbf{a}} f(\mathbf{x}) = f(\mathbf{a})$ .



**Theorem**

If  $P(\mathbf{x})$  and  $Q(\mathbf{x})$  are polynomials, then  $\lim_{\mathbf{x} \rightarrow \mathbf{a}} \frac{P(\mathbf{x})}{Q(\mathbf{x})} = \frac{P(\mathbf{a})}{Q(\mathbf{a})}$ ,  $Q(\mathbf{a}) \neq 0$ .

**Example**

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{x^2 + y^2}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}}, & (x, y) \neq 0 \\ 0, & (x, y) = 0 \end{cases} \text{ is continuous everywhere.}$$

## Differentiation

### DERIVATIVE

**Definition: Derivative of a Single-Variable Function**

Let  $f : I \subseteq \mathbf{R} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ ,  $I$  open,  $a \in I$ . We say  $f$  is differentiable at  $x = a$  if  $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h}$  exists. This limit, if it exists, is usually denoted  $f'(a)$  and is called the derivative of  $f(x)$  at  $x = a$ .

If  $f$  is differentiable for all  $x \in I$ , then the function  $f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$  is usually called the derivative of the function  $f$ .

**Definition: The Partial Derivative of a Two-Variable Function**

Let  $f : A \subseteq \mathbf{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ ,  $A$  open,  $(a, b) \in A$ . If  $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(a+h, b) - f(a, b)}{h}$  exists, then it is called the partial derivative of the function  $f$  with respect to  $x$  at  $(a, b)$  and is denoted  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(a, b)$ .

**Geometrically**

- $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(a, b)$  is just the slope of the curve of intersection of the surface  $z = f(x, y)$  with respect to the plane  $y = b$  at the point  $(a, b, f(a, b))$ .
- In general, if  $z = f(x, y)$  is a surface for which a “tangent plane” exists at the point  $(a, b, f(a, b))$ , then the equation for the tangent plane is  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(a, b)(x - a) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(a, b)(y - b) - (z - f(a, b)) = 0$ .

**Application**

If  $z = f(x, y)$  has a tangent plane at the point  $(a, b, f(a, b))$  and  $h$  and  $k$  are “small” numbers, then

$$f(a+h, b+k) \approx f(a, b) + h \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(a, b) + k \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(a, b).$$

**Definition: Partial Derivative in General**

Let  $f : A \subseteq \mathbf{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ . Then

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i}(a_1, \dots, a_{i-1}, a_i, a_{i+1}, \dots, a_n) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(a_1, \dots, a_{i-1}, a_i + h, a_{i+1}, \dots, a_n) - f(a_1, \dots, a_n)}{h}.$$

If the limit exists, then it is the partial derivative of  $f$  with respect to  $x_i$ .

**Some Properties of the Derivative**

- 1) If  $f : \mathbf{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^n$ ,  $g : \mathbf{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^n$ ,  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are constants, then  $D(\alpha f \pm \beta g) = \alpha Df \pm \beta Dg$ .
- 2) If  $f : \mathbf{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^n$ ,  $g : \mathbf{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^p$ , then  $D(f \circ g) = (Dg)(f) \circ Df$ .
- 3) If  $f : \mathbf{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ ,  $g : \mathbf{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ , then  $\nabla\left(\frac{f}{g}\right) = \frac{g \nabla f - f \nabla g}{g^2}$ .

**DIFFERENTIABILITY****Definition: Differentiability of Two Variable Functions**

Let  $f : A \subseteq \mathbf{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ . We say  $f$  is differentiable at  $(a, b) \in A$  if

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (a,b)} \frac{f(x, y) - f(a, b) - \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(a, b)(x - a) - \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(a, b)(y - b)}{\|(x, y) - (a, b)\|} = 0.$$

**Definition: Differentiability in General**

Let  $f : A \subseteq \mathbf{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ . We say  $f$  is differentiable at  $\mathbf{a} \in A$  if all the partial derivatives associated with  $f$  at  $\mathbf{a}$

exist and  $\lim_{\mathbf{x} \rightarrow \mathbf{a}} \frac{\|f(\mathbf{x}) - f(\mathbf{a}) - T(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{a})\|}{\|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{a}\|} = 0$ , where  $T$  is the matrix of partial derivatives associated with  $f$  at  $\mathbf{a}$ .

**PATHS IN  $\mathbf{R}^N$** **Definition**

If  $I$  denotes an interval in  $\mathbf{R}$ , then the function  $f : I \subseteq \mathbf{R} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^n$  is called a path in  $\mathbf{R}^n$ .

**Example**

$f : [0, 4\pi] \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^2, t \mapsto (\cos t, \sin t)$  is a circular path traveled twice.

**Definition**

If  $f : A \subseteq \mathbf{R} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^3, t \mapsto (x(t), y(t), z(t))$  is a path, and  $a \in A$  is such that  $x'(a), y'(a), z'(a)$ , then the vector  $f'(a) = (x'(a), y'(a), z'(a))$  is called the velocity vector of the path at  $x = a$ .

### The Algebra of Path Velocities

Let  $f, g$  be paths,  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  constants,  $h : \mathbf{R} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  an ordinary function. Then:

- 1)  $(f \pm g)' = f' \pm g'$ .
- 2)  $(\alpha f \pm \beta g)' = \alpha f' \pm \beta g'$ .
- 3)  $(f \cdot g)' = f' \cdot g + f \cdot g'$ .
- 4)  $(f \times g)' = f' \times g + f \times g'$ .
- 5)  $(hg)' = h'g + hg'$ .
- 6)  $(g \circ f)'(a) = [g'(f(a))][f'(a)] = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial g}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial g}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial g}{\partial z} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{dx}{dt} \\ \frac{dy}{dt} \\ \frac{dz}{dt} \end{bmatrix} = \frac{\partial g}{\partial x} \frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{\partial g}{\partial y} \frac{dy}{dt} + \frac{\partial g}{\partial z} \frac{dz}{dt}$ . Here  $\begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial g}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial g}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial g}{\partial z} \end{bmatrix}$  is

called the gradient.

### THE CHAIN RULE IN GENERAL

Let  $f : A \subseteq \mathbf{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^n$ ,  $g : B \subseteq \mathbf{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^p$ ,  $\mathbf{a} \in A$  such that  $f(\mathbf{a}) \in B$ . If  $f$  is differentiable at  $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{a}$  and  $g$  is differentiable at  $\mathbf{y} = f(\mathbf{a})$ , then  $[D(g \circ f)](\mathbf{a}) = [[Dg](f(\mathbf{a}))][Df](\mathbf{a})$ .

### Useful Property

If  $F(x_1, \dots, x_n) = 0$  implicitly defines each of the variables  $x_i$  as a function of the remaining variables

$$x_1, \dots, x_{i-1}, x_{i+1}, \dots, x_n, \text{ then } \frac{\partial x_i}{\partial x_j} = - \frac{\partial F / \partial x_j}{\partial F / \partial x_i}, i \neq j.$$

### DIRECTIONAL DERIVATIVE

#### Definition

Let  $f : A \subseteq \mathbf{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ ,  $\mathbf{a} = (a, b) \in A$ , and  $\mathbf{u} = (u_1, u_2)$  unit vector. If  $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(\mathbf{a} + h\mathbf{u}) - f(\mathbf{a})}{h}$  exists, then it is called the directional derivative of the function  $f$  at the point  $(a, b)$  in the direction of the vector  $\mathbf{u}$ . It is denoted  $\mathbf{D}_{\mathbf{u}} f(\mathbf{a})$ .

#### Theorem

$\mathbf{D}_{\mathbf{u}} f(\mathbf{a}) = \nabla f(\mathbf{a}) \cdot \mathbf{u}$ , where  $\nabla f = \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1}, \dots, \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_n} \right)$  the gradient.

#### Example

Consider a domed roof with the shape of the surface  $z = 15 - x^2 - 2y^2$ . A marble is placed at  $(3, 1, 4)$ . In what direction will the marble fall?

- We want the minimum of  $\mathbf{D}_{\mathbf{u}}f(3, 1) = \nabla f(3, 1) \cdot (u_1, u_2)$ .
- $\nabla f(3, 1) = \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(3, 1), \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(3, 1) \right) = (-6, -4)$ .
- Now,  $\nabla f(3, 1) \cdot (u_1, u_2) = \|\nabla f(3, 1)\| \|\mathbf{u}\| \cos(\nabla f, \mathbf{u}) = \sqrt{52} \cos(\nabla f, \mathbf{u})$ . If  $\cos(\nabla f, \mathbf{u}) = -1$ , then we have the minimum. So take  $\mathbf{u} = -\nabla f(3, 1) = (6, 4) = (3, 2)$ .
- So the marble will fall in the direction  $(3, 2)$ .

### Theorem

$$-\|\nabla f(\mathbf{x})\| \leq \mathbf{D}_{\mathbf{u}}f(\mathbf{x}) \leq \|\nabla f(\mathbf{x})\|.$$

### Theorem

- 1)  $\nabla f(\mathbf{x})$  points in the direction of maximum increase of the function  $f$  at the point  $\mathbf{x}$ .
- 2)  $-\nabla f(\mathbf{x})$  points in the direction of maximum decrease of the function  $f$  at the point  $\mathbf{x}$ .

### Theorem

If  $S$  is the level surface given by the equation  $F(x, y, z) = k$  and  $S$  has a tangent plane at  $(x_0, y_0, z_0)$ , then  $\nabla F(x_0, y_0, z_0)$  is a normal vector to the tangent plane to  $S$  at the point  $(x_0, y_0, z_0)$ .

Proof: We just show that if  $\mathbf{r}(t)$  denotes any path on the surface  $S$  that passes through  $(x_0, y_0, z_0)$ , then our gradient  $\nabla F(x_0, y_0, z_0)$  is perpendicular to the tangent vector of  $\mathbf{r}(t)$  at  $(x_0, y_0, z_0)$ . So let  $\mathbf{r}(t)$  be a curve

$$\text{on } S, \text{ so } F(\mathbf{r}(t)) = k, \forall t \in I. \text{ Now } \frac{\partial F}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial F}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial F}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial F}{\partial z} \frac{\partial z}{\partial t} = 0 \Rightarrow \left( \frac{\partial F}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial F}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial F}{\partial z} \right) \cdot \left( \frac{\partial x}{\partial t}, \frac{\partial y}{\partial t}, \frac{\partial z}{\partial t} \right) = 0 \\ \Rightarrow \nabla F \cdot \mathbf{r}'(t) = 0.$$

## Higher-Order Derivatives

### THE TAYLOR THEOREM

#### First Order Taylor Expansion

$$f(x+h) = f(x) + hf'(x) + R_1(x, h) \text{ where } \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{R_1(x, h)}{h} = 0.$$

$$\text{Notice that } \int_x^{x+h} f'(t) dt = f(t) \Big|_x^{x+h}, \text{ so } f(x+h) = f(x) + hf'(x) + \left( \int_x^{x+h} f'(t) dt - hf'(x) \right) = f(x) + hf'(x) + R_1(x, h).$$

### Theorem

$$f(x+h) = f(x) + hf'(x) + \int_x^{x+h} (x+h-t)f''(t)dt.$$

### Second Order Taylor Expansion

$$f(x+h) = f(x) + hf'(x) + \frac{h^2}{2} f''(x) + \frac{1}{2} \int_x^{x+h} (x+h-t)^2 f'''(t)dt.$$

### The General Taylor Expansion

If  $f$  is  $n+1$  times continuously differentiable at  $x$ , then

$$f(x+h) = f(x) + hf'(x) + \frac{h^2}{2} f''(x) + \cdots + \frac{h^n}{n!} f^{(n)}(x) + R_n(x, h), \text{ where}$$

$$R_n(x, h) = \frac{1}{n!} \int_x^{x+h} (x+h-t)^n f^{(n+1)}(t)dt.$$

### Note

Notice that  $f^{(n+1)}$  being continuous is bounded on  $[x, x+h]$ . Let  $M$  denote the maximum of  $f^{(n+1)}$  over  $[x, x+h]$ . Then  $|R_n(x, h)| \leq \frac{M}{n!} \int_x^{x+h} (x+h-t)^n dt$ .

Also notice that when  $x \leq t \leq x+h$ ,  $|x+h-t| \leq |h|$ . So  $|R_n(x, h)| \leq \frac{M}{n!} \int_x^{x+h} |h|^n dt = \frac{M}{n!} \frac{|h|^{n+1}}{n+1}$ .

Therefore  $|R_n(x, h)| \leq \frac{M|h|^{n+1}}{(n+1)!}$ .

### First Order Taylor Expansion for $\mathbf{R}^n$

For  $f: \mathbf{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ ,  $f(\mathbf{x}+\mathbf{h}) = f(\mathbf{x}) + \nabla f(\mathbf{x}) \cdot \mathbf{h} + R_1(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{h})$ , where

$$R_1(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{h}) = \int_0^1 (1-t) \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n h_i h_j \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_i \partial x_j}(\mathbf{x}+t\mathbf{h}) dt.$$

### Theorem: Second Order Taylor Expansion for a Function of Several Variables

If  $f: \mathbf{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  is at least thrice differentiable at  $\mathbf{x}$ , then

$$f(\mathbf{x}+\mathbf{h}) = f(\mathbf{x}) + \sum_{i=1}^n h_i \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i}(\mathbf{x}) + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n h_i h_j \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_i \partial x_j}(\mathbf{x}) + R_n(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{h}), \text{ where}$$

$$R_n(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{h}) = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 (1-t)^2 \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^n h_i h_j h_k \frac{\partial^3 f}{\partial x_i \partial x_j \partial x_k}(\mathbf{x}+t\mathbf{h}) dt.$$

## LOCAL EXTREMA

### Definitions: Local Minima

- 1) The function  $y = f(x)$  has a “local minimum at  $x = x_0$ ” if there exists an open interval  $I$  such that  $x_0 \in I$  and for all  $x \in I$ ,  $f(x) \geq f(x_0)$ .
- 2) Let  $f : A \subseteq \mathbf{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ . The function  $z = f(x, y)$  has a “local minimum at  $x = x_0$ ” if there exists an open interval disc  $D_r(x_0, y_0)$  such that for all  $(x, y) \in D_r(x_0, y_0) \cap A$ ,  $f(x, y) \geq f(x_0, y_0)$ .

**Theorem**

If  $f$  is differentiable at  $(x_0, y_0)$  and  $f$  has a local maximum/minimum at  $(x_0, y_0)$ , then  $\nabla f(x_0, y_0) = (0, 0)$ ,

that is  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x_0, y_0) = \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x_0, y_0) = (0, 0)$ .

**Definition: Critical Point**

The function  $z = f(x, y)$  has a critical point at  $(x_0, y_0)$  if  $\nabla f(x_0, y_0) = (0, 0)$ , or if at least one of

$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x_0, y_0)$  or  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x_0, y_0)$  does not exist.

**Theorem: Second Derivate Test**

If  $f : A \subseteq \mathbf{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  is differentiable at  $(x_0, y_0)$  and  $\nabla f(x_0, y_0) = (0, 0)$ , then:

- 1) If  $\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2}(x_0, y_0) > 0$  and  $\det \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} \\ \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x} & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} \end{pmatrix} > 0$ , then  $f$  has a local minimum at  $(x_0, y_0)$ .
- 2) If  $\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2}(x_0, y_0) < 0$  and  $\det \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} \\ \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x} & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} \end{pmatrix} > 0$ , then  $f$  has a local maximum at  $(x_0, y_0)$ .
- 3) If  $\det \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} \\ \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x} & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} \end{pmatrix} < 0$ , then  $f$  has not a local extrema at  $(x_0, y_0)$ . We say that  $f$  has a saddle point at  $(x_0, y_0)$ .
- 4) If  $\det \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} \\ \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x} & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} \end{pmatrix} = 0$ , then this test is inconclusive.

**LAGRANGE MULTIPLIERS METHOD****Theorem**

Let  $f : \mathbf{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  and  $g : \mathbf{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  be of class  $C^1$ . Let  $S := \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{R}^n \mid g(\mathbf{x}) = 0\}$ . Let

$f|_S : S \rightarrow \mathbf{R}, \mathbf{x} \mapsto f(\mathbf{x})$ . If  $f|_S$  has a local extremum at  $\mathbf{x}_0 \in S$ , then there exists  $\lambda$  such that

$\nabla f(\mathbf{x}_0) = \lambda \nabla g(\mathbf{x}_0)$  where  $\nabla g(\mathbf{x}_0) \neq 0$ .

**THE IMPLICIT FUNCTION THEOREM**

**Theorem: One Variable Implicit Function Theorem**

If  $F : \mathbf{R}^{n+1} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  is a  $C^1$  function. Let  $\mathbf{x}_0 \in \mathbf{R}^n$ ,  $z_0 \in \mathbf{R}$ , and  $F(\mathbf{x}_0, z_0) = 0$ . If  $\frac{\partial F}{\partial z}(\mathbf{x}_0, z_0) \neq 0$ , then there exists an open set  $U \subseteq \mathbf{R}^n$ ,  $\mathbf{x}_0 \in U$ , and a unique function  $z = g(\mathbf{x})$  such that for all  $\mathbf{x} \in U$ ,  $F(\mathbf{x}, g(\mathbf{x})) = 0$ .

**Theorem: The General Implicit Function Theorem**

$F_1 = (x_1, \dots, x_n, z_1, \dots, z_m) = 0$   
 Let  $\vdots$  where  $F_1, \dots, F_m$  are of class  $C^1$ . Let  $\mathbf{x}_0 \in \mathbf{R}^n$  and  $\mathbf{z}_0 \in \mathbf{R}^m$  such that  
 $F_m = (x_1, \dots, x_n, z_1, \dots, z_m) = 0$

$F_i(\mathbf{x}_0, \mathbf{z}_0) = 0, \forall i = 1, \dots, m$ . If the Jacobian Determinant  $\det \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial z_1} & \dots & \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial z_m} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial F_m}{\partial z_1} & \dots & \frac{\partial F_m}{\partial z_m} \end{pmatrix} \neq 0$  (at  $(\mathbf{x}_0, \mathbf{z}_0)$ ), then there

exists an open set  $U \subseteq \mathbf{R}^m$  that contains  $\mathbf{z}_0 \in \mathbf{R}^m$  and  $m$  unique functions  $g_1, \dots, g_m : U \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  such that for each  $\mathbf{z}_0 \in U$ ,  $F_i(\mathbf{x}_0, \mathbf{g}(\mathbf{z}_0)) = 0, \forall i = 1, \dots, m$  where  $\mathbf{g} = (g_1, \dots, g_m)$ .

## Vector Valued Functions

### ARC LENGTH

Suppose  $\mathbf{r}(t) = (x(t), y(t), z(t))$ ,  $a \leq t \leq b$ , then the length of the curve on the interval  $[a, b]$  is  $L = \int_a^b \|\mathbf{r}'(t)\| dt$ .

### VECTOR FIELDS

**Definition**

$\mathbf{F} : \mathbf{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^n$  is a vector field.

**Definition: The Divergence of a Vector Field**

Let  $\mathbf{F} = (F_1, F_2, F_3)$ . Then  $\text{div } \mathbf{F} = \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial F_2}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial F_3}{\partial z}$ .

**Definition: The Curl of a Vector Field**

Let  $\mathbf{F} = (F_1, F_2, F_3)$ . Then  $\text{curl } \mathbf{F} = \left( \frac{\partial F_3}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial F_2}{\partial z}, \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial F_3}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial F_2}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial y} \right)$ .

**Notation**

If  $\nabla = \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right)$ , then  $\text{div } \mathbf{F} = \nabla \cdot \mathbf{F}$  and  $\text{curl } \mathbf{F} = \nabla \times \mathbf{F}$ .

### Laplacian Operator

The Laplacian operator is denoted  $\nabla^2$ . If  $f : \mathbf{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ , then  $\nabla^2 f = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_i^2}$ . If  $\mathbf{F} : \mathbf{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^n$ , then

$$\nabla^2 \mathbf{F} = \left( \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_1^2}, \dots, \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_n^2} \right).$$

### Note

- 1)  $\text{curl}(\nabla f) = 0$ . Proof:  $\nabla \times (\nabla f) = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} \end{vmatrix} = \left( \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial z} - \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial z \partial y}, \dots, \dots \right) = 0$  if  $f \in C^1$ .
- 2)  $\text{div}(\text{curl } F) = 0$ . Proof:  $\nabla \cdot (\nabla \times F) = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ F_1 & F_2 & F_3 \end{vmatrix} = 0$ .

### Some Identities

- 1)  $\nabla(fg) = (\nabla f)g + f(\nabla g)$ .
- 2)  $\text{div}(fF) = f(\text{div } F) + F \cdot (\nabla f)$ .
- 3)  $\text{div}(F \times G) = G \cdot (\text{curl } F) + F \cdot (\text{curl } G)$ .
- 4)  $\text{curl}(fF) = f(\text{curl } F) + (\nabla f) \times F$ .

### Potential Function

If  $\text{curl } F = 0$ , then there exists  $f : \mathbf{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  such that  $F = \text{grad } f$ .

$F(x, y, z) = (F_1(x, y, z), F_2(x, y, z), F_3(x, y, z))$  is the gradient field, and  $f = f(x, y, z)$  is the potential function.

## FLOW LINES

### Definition

A flow curve has tangent vectors that coincides with the vector field.

### Example

Show that  $\mathbf{c}(t) = (t^2, 2t-1, \sqrt{t})$ ,  $t > 0$  is a flow line of the velocity vector field  $F(x, y, z) = \left( y+1, 2, \frac{1}{2z} \right)$ .

Want:  $\mathbf{c}'(t) = F(\mathbf{c}(t))$ . Now,  $\mathbf{c}'(t) = \left( 2t, 2, \frac{1}{2\sqrt{t}} \right)$ , and  $F(\mathbf{c}(t)) = \left( 2t, 2, \frac{1}{2\sqrt{z}} \right) = \mathbf{c}'(t)$ .



## ARC LENGTH PARAMETRIZATION

Let  $\sigma(t) = (x(t), y(t), z(t))$ ,  $a \leq t \leq b$ . Let  $p(s)$  be the same curve parameterized arc length:

$$s = s(t) = \int_a^t \|\sigma'(\tau)\| d\tau.$$

- 1) Then the velocity vector is always a unit vector.

Proof:  $\sigma'(t) = \frac{dp}{ds} \frac{ds}{dt} = \frac{dp}{ds} \|\sigma'(t)\| \Rightarrow \frac{dp}{ds} = \frac{\sigma'(t)}{\|\sigma'(t)\|}$  which is unit.

- 2) Let  $T = \frac{dp}{ds} = \mathbf{v}$ , then  $\kappa = \left\| \frac{dT}{ds} \right\|$  is called the curvature of  $\sigma$  parameterized by  $p(s)$ .

## Integration

### DOUBLE INTEGRAL

#### Definition

Let  $f : \mathbf{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ . Let  $D$  be a bounded region in  $\mathbf{R}^2$ . Let  $P$  be an inner partition. Take all rectangles  $R_{ij} \subset D$ .

Let  $(x_i^*, y_j^*) \in R_{ij}$ . Let  $|P| = \max |d_{ij}|$ , where  $|d_{ij}|$  is the diameter of  $R_{ij}$ .

The Reimann Sum is  $S_n = \sum_{i,j=1}^n f(x_i^*, y_j^*) (\Delta A_{ij})$  where  $\Delta A_{ij}$  is the area of  $R_{ij}$ .

If  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n$  exists and independent of the choice of  $(x_i^*, y_j^*)$ , then  $f$  is integrable and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n = \iint_D f(x, y) dA$ .

#### Note

$\iint_D f(x, y) dA$  is the volume below the surface  $f(x, y)$  over  $D$ .

#### Theorem: Fubini's Theorem

If  $f$  is continuous over  $R = [a, b] \times [c, d]$ , then  $\iint_R f(x, y) dA = \int_a^b \left[ \int_c^d f(x, y) dy \right] dx = \int_c^d \left[ \int_a^b f(x, y) dx \right] dy$  (iterated integrals).

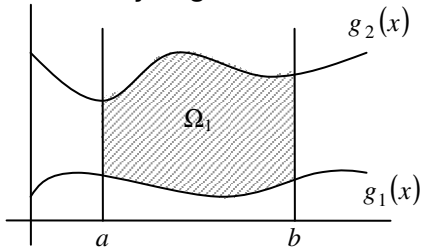
#### Properties

Let  $\Omega = [a, b] \times [c, d]$ ,  $f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  integrable.

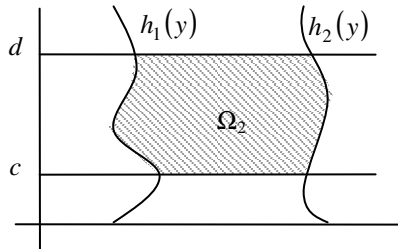
- 1) If  $f(x, y) = 0$  for all  $(x, y) \in \Omega$ , then  $\iint_{\Omega} f(x, y) dA = 0$ .
- 2) If  $f(x, y) = k$ , then  $\iint_{\Omega} f(x, y) dA = k(b-a)(d-c)$ .

- 3) If  $\begin{cases} a < \alpha < b \\ c < \beta < d \end{cases}$ , then  $\iint_{\Omega} f(x, y) dA = \iint_{\substack{a \leq x \leq \alpha \\ c \leq y \leq \beta}} f(x, y) dA + \iint_{\substack{\alpha \leq x \leq \alpha \\ c \leq y \leq \beta}} f(x, y) dA + \iint_{\substack{\alpha \leq x \leq \alpha \\ \beta \leq y \leq d}} f(x, y) dA + \iint_{\substack{\beta \leq x \leq b \\ \beta \leq y \leq d}} f(x, y) dA$ .
- 4) If  $f \geq 0$  over  $\Omega$ , then  $\iint_{\Omega} f(x, y) dA \geq 0$ .
- 5)  $\left| \iint_{\Omega} f(x, y) dA \right| \leq \iint_{\Omega} |f(x, y)| dA$ .
- 6) If  $f$  is continuous over  $\Omega$ , then  $\iint_{\Omega} f(x, y) dA = f(x_0, y_0)(b-a)(d-c)$  for some  $(x_0, y_0) \in \Omega$ . This is the Mean Value Theorem for double integrals.
- 7) If  $m \leq f \leq M$ , then  $m(b-a)(d-c) \leq \iint_{\Omega} f(x, y) dA \leq M(b-a)(d-c)$ .
- 8)  $\iint_{\Omega} (\alpha f(x, y) + \beta g(x, y)) dA = \alpha \iint_{\Omega} f(x, y) dA + \beta \iint_{\Omega} g(x, y) dA$ .
- 9) If  $\begin{cases} a = -b, b > 0 \\ c = -d, d > 0 \end{cases}$ , then  $f(-x, y) = -f(x, y) \Rightarrow \iint_{\Omega} f(x, y) dA = 0$  and  $f(x, -y) = -f(x, y) \Rightarrow \iint_{\Omega} f(x, y) dA = 0$ .

### Elementary Regions



$$\text{Type 1 Elementary Region: } \Omega_1 = \begin{cases} a \leq x \leq b \\ g_1(x) \leq y \leq g_2(x) \end{cases}.$$



$$\text{Type 2 Elementary Region: } \Omega_1 = \begin{cases} a \leq y \leq b \\ h_1(y) \leq x \leq h_2(y) \end{cases}.$$

## CHANGE OF VARIABLES

### Definition: Jacobian Determinant

Let  $T: D^* \subset \mathbf{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^2$  be a  $C^1$  transformation given by  $\begin{cases} x = x(u, v) \\ y = y(u, v) \end{cases}$ . The Jacobian determinant is

$$\frac{\partial(x, y)}{\partial(u, v)} = \det \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial x}{\partial u} & \frac{\partial x}{\partial v} \\ \frac{\partial y}{\partial u} & \frac{\partial y}{\partial v} \end{pmatrix} \quad (\text{the determinant of the derivative matrix } \mathbf{DT}(u, v)).$$

**Theorem: Change of Variables for Double Integrals**

Let  $D$  and  $D^*$  be elementary regions in the plane and let  $T : D^* \rightarrow D$  be of class  $C^1$ ; suppose that  $T$  is one-to-one on  $D^*$ . Furthermore, suppose that  $D = T(D^*)$ . Then for any integrable function  $f : D \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ , we have

$$\iint_D f(x, y) dx dy = \iint_{D^*} f(x(u, v), y(u, v)) \left| \frac{\partial(x, y)}{\partial(u, v)} \right| du dv.$$

**Example: Jacobian Determinants of Popular Transformations**

- 1) Rectangular to polar:  $\begin{cases} x = r \cos \theta \\ y = r \sin \theta \end{cases}, \left| \frac{\partial(x, y)}{\partial(r, \theta)} \right| = \left| \det \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial x}{\partial r} & \frac{\partial y}{\partial r} \\ \frac{\partial x}{\partial \theta} & \frac{\partial y}{\partial \theta} \end{pmatrix} \right| = r.$
- 2) Rectangular to cylindrical:  $\begin{cases} x = r \cos \theta \\ y = r \sin \theta \\ z = z \end{cases}, \left| \frac{\partial(x, y, z)}{\partial(r, \theta, z)} \right| = \left| \det \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial x}{\partial r} & \frac{\partial y}{\partial r} & \frac{\partial z}{\partial r} \\ \frac{\partial x}{\partial \theta} & \frac{\partial y}{\partial \theta} & \frac{\partial z}{\partial \theta} \\ \frac{\partial x}{\partial z} & \frac{\partial y}{\partial z} & \frac{\partial z}{\partial z} \end{pmatrix} \right| = r.$
- 3) Rectangular to spherical:  $\begin{cases} x = \rho \cos \theta \sin \phi \\ y = \rho \sin \theta \sin \phi \\ z = \rho \cos \phi \end{cases}, \left| \frac{\partial(x, y, z)}{\partial(\rho, \theta, \phi)} \right| = \left| \det \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial x}{\partial \rho} & \frac{\partial y}{\partial \rho} & \frac{\partial z}{\partial \rho} \\ \frac{\partial x}{\partial \theta} & \frac{\partial y}{\partial \theta} & \frac{\partial z}{\partial \theta} \\ \frac{\partial x}{\partial \phi} & \frac{\partial y}{\partial \phi} & \frac{\partial z}{\partial \phi} \end{pmatrix} \right| = \rho^2 \sin \phi.$

**SOME BASIC APPLICATIONS**

- 1) If  $\Omega$  is a solid region in  $\mathbf{R}^3$ , then its volume is  $\iiint_{\Omega} dV$ .
- 2) If  $\delta(x, y, z)$  is the density at  $(x, y, z)$  of the solid  $\Omega$ , then its mass is  $M = \iiint_{\Omega} \delta(x, y, z) dV$ .
- 3) If  $f : \Omega \subset \mathbf{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ , then  $\frac{\iiint_{\Omega} f(x, y, z) dV}{\iiint_{\Omega} dV}$  is the average value of  $f$  over  $\Omega$ .
- 4) The center of gravity is given by  $\bar{x} = \frac{\iiint_{\Omega} x \delta(x, y, z) dV}{\iiint_{\Omega} \delta(x, y, z) dV}$ ,  $\bar{y} = \frac{\iiint_{\Omega} y \delta(x, y, z) dV}{\iiint_{\Omega} \delta(x, y, z) dV}$ ,  $\bar{z} = \frac{\iiint_{\Omega} z \delta(x, y, z) dV}{\iiint_{\Omega} \delta(x, y, z) dV}$ .

**PATH INTEGRAL****Problem**

A very thin piece of wire has the shape of the arc  $r(t)$ . It has density  $\delta(x, y, z)$  which changes continuously. What is the mass of the wire?

**Definition: The Path Integral**

$\int_a^b f(x(t), y(t), z(t)) \|r'(t)\| dt$  is called the path integral of the function  $f$  along the path  $r(t)$ ,  $a \leq t \leq b$ .

Notation:  $\int_c f ds := \int_a^b f(r(t)) \|r'(t)\| dt$ .

**Property**

- 1) The line integral of a function  $g(x, y)$  over a curve given as the graph of a function, say  $y = f(x)$ ,  $a \leq x \leq b$ ,

$$\text{is } \int_c g ds = \int_a^b g(x, f(x)) \sqrt{1 + (f'(x))^2} dx.$$

- 2) The line integral of a function  $g(x, y)$  over a curve given as the graph of a function in polar coordinates as

$$r = r(\theta), \theta_1 \leq \theta \leq \theta_2 \text{ is } \int_c g ds = \int_{\theta_1}^{\theta_2} g(r(\theta) \cos \theta, r(\theta) \sin \theta) \sqrt{(r(\theta))^2 + (r'(\theta))^2} d\theta.$$

**LINE INTEGRAL****Work**

The work done is  $W = \vec{F} \cdot \vec{v}$ .

**Problem**

Let  $\mathbf{F} = \mathbf{F}(x, y, z) = (F_1(x, y, z), F_2(x, y, z), F_3(x, y, z))$ . Let  $\mathbf{r}(t) = (x(t), y(t), z(t))$  be a path. What is the total work done by  $\mathbf{F}$  when the object moves from  $r(a)$  to  $r(b)$ ?

**Definition: Line Integral**

Let  $\mathbf{F} : \mathbf{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^3$  be a vector field, and  $c : \mathbf{r}(t) = (x(t), y(t), z(t))$ ,  $a \leq t \leq b$  be a path. If  $\int_a^b \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{r}(t)) \cdot \mathbf{r}'(t) dt$  exists, then it is called the line integral of  $\mathbf{F}$  over  $c$ .

Notation:  $\int_c \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r}$ .

**Theorem**

If  $\mathbf{F} : \mathbf{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^3$  is a gradient vector field (i.e.  $\mathbf{F} = \nabla f$  for some  $f : \mathbf{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ ) and both  $\mathbf{F}$  and  $f$  are continuous, then for smooth path  $c : \mathbf{r}(t) = (x(t), y(t), z(t))$ ,  $a \leq t \leq b$ ,  $\int_c \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} = f(\mathbf{r}(b)) - f(\mathbf{r}(a))$ . Here,  $\mathbf{F}$  is said to be path independent.

**Theorem**

If  $\mathbf{F}$  is path independent and  $c$  is a closed curve, then  $\int_c \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} = 0$ .

**Theorem**

If  $\mathbf{r}(t), a \leq t \leq b$  and  $\delta(u), c \leq u \leq d$  are different parameterizations of the same curve with  $\mathbf{r}(a) = \delta(c)$  and  $\mathbf{r}(b) = \delta(d)$ , and  $\int_c \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r}$  exists, then  $\int_c \mathbf{F} \cdot d\delta$  exists and  $\int_c \mathbf{F} \cdot d\delta = \int_c \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r}$ .

**Remark**

The line integral and path integral are connected.

$\int_c \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} = \int_a^b \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{r}(t)) \cdot \mathbf{r}'(t) dt = \int_a^b \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{r}(t)) \cdot \frac{\mathbf{r}'(t)}{\|\mathbf{r}'(t)\|} \|\mathbf{r}'(t)\| dt = \int_a^b \underbrace{(\mathbf{F} \cdot T)}_f ds$ , where  $T = \frac{\mathbf{r}'(t)}{\|\mathbf{r}'(t)\|}$ ,  $\mathbf{r}'(t) \neq 0$  the unit tangent vector.

**SURFACE INTEGRAL****Definition: Parametric Surface**

Consider  $\Phi : D \subseteq \mathbf{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^3$  where  $(u, v) \mapsto (x(u, v), y(u, v), z(u, v))$ .  $\Phi$  is said to be a parametric surface.

Note:  $\{(x(u, v), y(u, v), z(u, v)) \mid (u, v) \in D\}$  is a surface.

**Property**

Let  $\mathbf{T}_u := \left( \frac{\partial x}{\partial u}(u_0, v_0), \frac{\partial y}{\partial u}(u_0, v_0), \frac{\partial z}{\partial u}(u_0, v_0) \right)$  and  $\mathbf{T}_v := \left( \frac{\partial x}{\partial v}(u_0, v_0), \frac{\partial y}{\partial v}(u_0, v_0), \frac{\partial z}{\partial v}(u_0, v_0) \right)$ . If  $(\mathbf{T}_u \times \mathbf{T}_v)(u_0, v_0) \neq \mathbf{0}$ , then this is a vector normal to the parametric surface  $\Phi(u, v)$  at the point  $(u_0, v_0)$ .

**Definition: Surface Integral**

The surface integral of a function  $f : \mathbf{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  over a parameterized surface  $\Phi(u, v), (u, v) \in D$  is

$$\iint_D f(\Phi(u, v)) \|\mathbf{T}_u \times \mathbf{T}_v\| du dv.$$

**Definition: Flux**

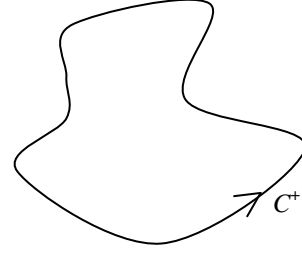
Let  $\mathbf{F} : \mathbf{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^3$  be a vector field. Let  $\Phi(u, v), (u, v) \in D$  be a parameterized surface. The integral

$\iint_D \mathbf{F}(\Phi(u, v)) \cdot (\mathbf{T}_u \times \mathbf{T}_v) du dv$  is called the flux of the vector field  $\mathbf{F}$  (the surface integral of vector field  $\mathbf{F}$ ).

**GREEN'S THEOREM****Orientation**

If  $C$  is a simple closed curve in the plane  $\mathbf{R}^2$ , then there are two ways to go around the curve:

- 1) Counterclockwise (positive):  $C^+$ .
- 2) Clockwise (negative):  $C^-$ .

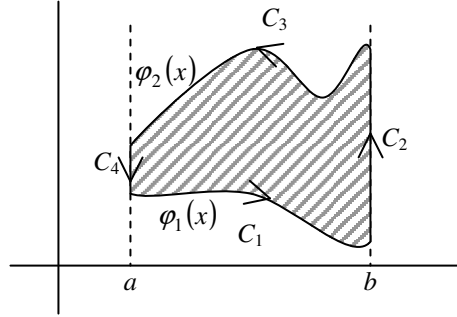


### Lemma

Suppose that  $D$  is a region of type 1 and that  $P : D \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  is of class  $C^1$ . Then  $\int_{C^+} P dx = - \iint_D \frac{\partial P}{\partial y} dx dy$ , where  $C$  the boundary of  $D$ .

Proof:

$D$  is a region of type 1 means there are continuous functions  $\varphi_1, \varphi_2 : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  where  $\varphi_1(x) \leq \varphi_2(x), \forall x \in [a, b]$  such that  $D = \{(x, y) \in \mathbf{R}^2 \mid a \leq x \leq b, \varphi_1(x) \leq y \leq \varphi_2(x)\}$ .



Now,

$$\iint_D \frac{\partial P}{\partial y} dx dy = \int_a^b \int_{\varphi_1(x)}^{\varphi_2(x)} \frac{\partial P}{\partial y}(x, y) dy dx = \int_a^b (P(x, \varphi_2(x)) - P(x, \varphi_1(x))) dx = \int_a^b P(x, \varphi_2(x)) dx - \int_a^b P(x, \varphi_1(x)) dx.$$

Also,  $\int_{C^+} P dx = \int_{C_1^+} P dx + \int_{C_2^+} P dx + \int_{C_3^-} P dx + \int_{C_4^+} P dx$ . Along  $C_2^+$  and  $C_4^+$ ,  $x$  is a constant, so  $\int_{C_2^+} P dx = \int_{C_4^+} P dx = 0$ .

Since  $C_1^+$  is parameterized by  $x \mapsto (x, \varphi_1(x)), x \in [a, b]$ ,  $\int_{C_1^+} P dx = \int_a^b P(x, \varphi_1(x)) dx$ ; since  $C_3^+$  is parameterized

by  $x \mapsto (x, \varphi_2(x)), x \in [a, b]$ ,  $\int_{C_3^+} P dx = \int_a^b P(x, \varphi_2(x)) dx \Rightarrow \int_{C_3^-} P dx = - \int_a^b P(x, \varphi_2(x)) dx$ . So

$$\int_{C^+} P dx = \int_a^b P(x, \varphi_1(x)) dx - \int_a^b P(x, \varphi_2(x)) dx = - \iint_D \frac{\partial P}{\partial y} dx dy.$$

### Lemma

Suppose that  $D$  is a region of type 2 and that  $Q : D \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  is of class  $C^1$ . Then  $\int_{C^+} Q dy = \iint_D \frac{\partial Q}{\partial x} dx dy$ , where  $C$  the boundary of  $D$ .

### Theorem: Green's Theorem

Let  $D$  be a region of type 3 and let  $C$  be its boundary. Suppose that  $P : D \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  and  $Q : D \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  of class  $C^1$ .

$$\text{Then } \int_{C^+} P dx + Q dy = \iint_D \left( \frac{\partial Q}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial P}{\partial y} \right) dx dy.$$

**Theorem**

Let  $D$  be a region of type 3 with boundary  $C = \partial D$ . Then the area of  $D$  is given by  $A = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\partial D} \underbrace{-y dx}_P + \underbrace{x dy}_Q$ .

Proof:  $\int_C -y dx + x dy = \iint_D \left( \frac{\partial Q}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial P}{\partial y} \right) dx dy = \iint_D (1+1) dx dy = 2A$ .

**STOKE'S THEOREM****Theorem: Stoke's Theorem**

Let  $S$  be the oriented surface defined by  $\Phi : \Omega \subset \mathbf{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^3$  of class  $C^1$  and  $\Omega$  type 1 or 2. Let

$\mathbf{F} : \mathbf{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^3$  of class  $C^1$ . Then  $\iint_S \text{curl } \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{S} = \int_{\partial S} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{s}$ .

**Remark**

Let  $\mathbf{F} = (P, Q, 0)$ . Then  $\text{curl } \mathbf{F} = (-Q_z - P_z, Q_x - P_y)$  and  $\mathbf{T}_x \times \mathbf{T}_y = (0, 0, 1)$ , so

$$\iint_S \text{curl } \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{S} = \iint_{\Omega} \left( \frac{\partial Q}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial P}{\partial y} \right) dA. \text{ Now } \int_{\partial \Omega} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{s} = \int_{\partial \Omega} P dx + Q dy. \text{ This is Green's Theorem!}$$

**GAUSSES' THEOREM****Theorem: Gauss's Theorem**

Let  $\mathbf{F} : \mathbf{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^3$  of class  $C^1$ . Let  $\Omega$  be a solid in  $\mathbf{R}^3$  with the a smooth surface  $\partial \Omega$ . Then

$$\iint_{\partial \Omega} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{S} = \iiint_{\Omega} \text{div } \mathbf{F} dV.$$