

§ Integral Calculus on Surfaces.

We have talked about differential calculus on surfaces.

Now, we move on to integration.

Question: Given a function $f: S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ on a surface S ,

how to define $\int_S f$?

Some properties about integration on \mathbb{R}^2 :

(1) For any bounded subset $U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$,

$$\int_U 1 = \text{Area}(U)$$

(2) Change of variable formula:

$$\int_U f(x,y) dx dy = \int_{U'} f(u,v) |\text{Jac } \phi| du dv$$

where $\phi: U' \rightarrow U$ is the change of coordinate transformation

$$\phi(u,v) = (x(u,v), y(u,v))$$

with Jacobian determinant

$$\text{Jac } \phi := \det(d\phi) = \det \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial x}{\partial u} & \frac{\partial x}{\partial v} \\ \frac{\partial y}{\partial u} & \frac{\partial y}{\partial v} \end{pmatrix}$$

E.g. $|\text{Jac } \phi| = r$ for polar coordinates r, θ

(3) \exists various "Fundamental Theorems of Calculus"

Green's Theorem, Stokes' Theorem, Divergence Theorem

$$\int_{\Omega} "d" \omega = \int_{\partial \Omega} \omega$$

Defⁿ: The support of a function $f: S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is defined as

$$\text{spt}(f) := \overline{\{x \in S : f(x) \neq 0\}} \quad \leftarrow \text{closure in } S$$

Defⁿ: Let $\Sigma: U \xrightarrow{\cong} V \subseteq S$ be a parametrization of S

and $f: S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a function st. $\text{spt}(f) \subseteq V$

Define

$$(*) \dots \int_S f := \int_U f \circ \Sigma \left\| \frac{\partial \Sigma}{\partial u} \times \frac{\partial \Sigma}{\partial v} \right\| du dv$$

Remark: The defⁿ is independent of the choice of Σ , i.e.

if $\Sigma': U' \xrightarrow{\cong} V$ is another parametrization, then

$$\int_U f \circ \Sigma \left\| \frac{\partial \Sigma}{\partial u} \times \frac{\partial \Sigma}{\partial v} \right\| du dv = \int_{U'} f \circ \Sigma' \left\| \frac{\partial \Sigma'}{\partial u'} \times \frac{\partial \Sigma'}{\partial v'} \right\| du' dv'$$

\therefore Change of variable formula (Ex: Prove this!)

Note: If the function f is not supported on a single coordinate neighborhood, i.e. $\text{spt}(f) \not\subseteq V$, one can use a "partition of unity" to decompose into a (finite) sum

$$f = \sum_{\alpha} f_{\alpha} \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \text{spt}(f_{\alpha}) \subseteq V_{\alpha}$$

s.t. each f_{α} is contained in a single coord. nbd. V_{α} . Then,

$$\int_S f := \sum_{\alpha} \int_S f_{\alpha}$$

In practice, if $\Sigma: U \rightarrow S$ is a parametrization which covers almost all of S (except a set of "measure zero") then (*) is still applicable.

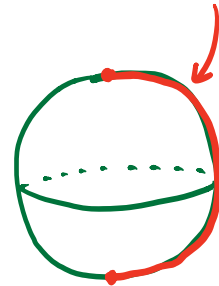
Example: (Area of the sphere)

The parametrization $\Sigma: (0, 2\pi) \times (0, \pi) \rightarrow S^2(r)$

$$\Sigma(\theta, \varphi) := (r \sin \varphi \cos \theta, r \sin \varphi \sin \theta, r \cos \varphi)$$

covers almost the whole sphere $S^2(r)$ except for a latitude

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Area}(S^2(r)) &= \int_{S^2(r)} 1 \\ &= \int_0^{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} 1 \cdot \underbrace{r^2 \sin \varphi}_{\left\| \frac{\partial \Sigma}{\partial \theta} \times \frac{\partial \Sigma}{\partial \varphi} \right\|} d\theta d\varphi \\ &= 4\pi r^2. \end{aligned}$$



§ First Fundamental Form

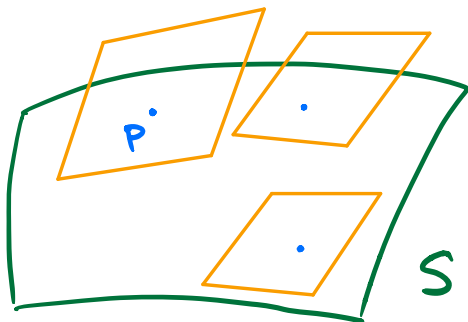
Recall that we have defined at each p on a surface S the tangent plane $T_p S$, which is a 2-dimensional subspace of \mathbb{R}^3 .

By putting all these tangent planes together, we get

tangent
bundle
of S

$$TS := \{ (p, v) : p \in S, v \in T_p S \}$$

Note: We can think of TS as a 2-parameter family of 2-dimensional vector spaces (i.e. $T_p S$) parametrized by points p on S .



"disjoint union"

$$TS = \bigsqcup_{p \in S} T_p S$$

Since each $T_p S$ is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^3 , it inherits the inner product from \mathbb{R}^3 as well. Therefore, we have the following:

Defⁿ: The **first fundamental form** (1st f.f.) of a surface at a point $p \in S$ is a positive definite, symmetric bilinear form (i.e. an inner product) defined on $T_p S$ by

$$g_p : T_p S \times T_p S \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$g_p(u, v) := \langle u, v \rangle_{\mathbb{R}^3}$$

standard inner product in \mathbb{R}^3

Note: TS is then a smooth family of inner product spaces parametrized by S .

We can express the 1st f.f. locally as 2×2 matrices (g_{ij}) using coordinate systems as follows:

Given a parametrization $\Sigma(u_1, u_2) : U \rightarrow S$,

$$T_p S = \text{Span} \left\{ \frac{\partial \Sigma}{\partial u_1}, \frac{\partial \Sigma}{\partial u_2} \right\}$$

We can express g_p by a matrix as

$$(g_{ij}) = \begin{pmatrix} g_{11} & g_{12} \\ g_{21} & g_{22} \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{where } g_{ij} = \left\langle \frac{\partial \Sigma}{\partial u_i}, \frac{\partial \Sigma}{\partial u_j} \right\rangle$$

$(i, j = 1, 2)$

\hookrightarrow 2×2 symmetric matrix

Therefore, if $u = a \frac{\partial}{\partial u_1} + b \frac{\partial}{\partial u_2}$ where $\frac{\partial}{\partial u_i} = \frac{\partial \Sigma}{\partial u_i}$

$v = c \frac{\partial}{\partial u_1} + d \frac{\partial}{\partial u_2}$

then

$$g(u, v) = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} g_{11} & g_{12} \\ g_{21} & g_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c \\ d \end{pmatrix} .$$

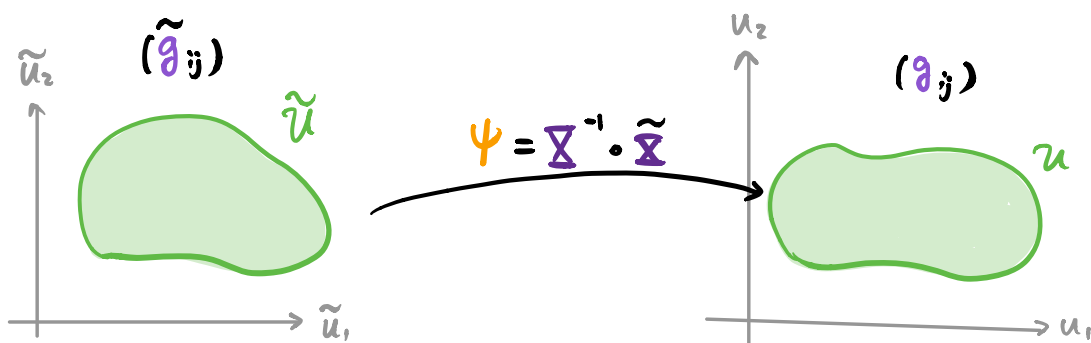
Question: How does the matrix (g_{ij}) transform when we change local coordinates?

Lemma: (Transformation law for (g_{ij}))

Suppose (g_{ij}) and (\tilde{g}_{ij}) are the 1st f.f. expressed in local coordinates $\Sigma(u_1, u_2): U \rightarrow S$ and $\tilde{\Sigma}(\tilde{u}_1, \tilde{u}_2): \tilde{U} \rightarrow S$ respectively. Then,

$$(\tilde{g}_{ij}) = (D\Psi)^T (g_{ij}) (D\Psi)$$

where $\Psi = \Sigma^{-1} \circ \tilde{\Sigma}: \tilde{U} \rightarrow U$ is the transition map.



Proof: First of all,

$$\begin{aligned}
 (g_{ij}) &= \begin{pmatrix} \langle \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}}{\partial u_1}, \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}}{\partial u_1} \rangle & \langle \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}}{\partial u_1}, \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}}{\partial u_2} \rangle \\ \langle \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}}{\partial u_2}, \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}}{\partial u_1} \rangle & \langle \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}}{\partial u_2}, \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}}{\partial u_2} \rangle \end{pmatrix} \quad 2 \times 2 \\
 &= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}}{\partial u_1} \\ \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}}{\partial u_2} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}}{\partial u_1} & \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}}{\partial u_2} \end{pmatrix} = (D\mathbf{x})^T (D\mathbf{x}) \\
 &\quad \quad \quad 2 \times 3 \qquad \quad \quad 3 \times 2
 \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand,

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\tilde{g}_{ij}) &= (D\tilde{\mathbf{x}})^T (D\tilde{\mathbf{x}}) \\
 &= (D\psi)^T (D\mathbf{x})^T (D\mathbf{x}) (D\psi) \quad (\because \tilde{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{x} \circ \psi) \\
 &= (D\psi)^T (g_{ij}) (D\psi)
 \end{aligned}$$

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Corollary: $\sqrt{\det(\tilde{g}_{ij})} = \sqrt{\det(g_{ij})} | \text{Jac } \psi |$

Note: $\sqrt{\det(g_{ij})} = \left\| \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}}{\partial u_1} \times \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}}{\partial u_2} \right\|$

$$\Rightarrow \int_S f \stackrel{\text{locally}}{=} \int_U f \underbrace{\sqrt{\det(g_{ij})}}_{dA} du_1 du_2$$

dA : area form.