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• Parametric Curves.

A map from $[a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is called a parametric curve if it is continuous. For $n=3$,

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{r}(t) &= (f(t), g(t), h(t)) \\ &= f(t) \hat{i} + g(t) \hat{j} + h(t) \hat{k} \quad \text{or} \\ &= (x(t), y(t), z(t)) \\ &= x(t) \hat{i} + y(t) \hat{j} + z(t) \hat{k}.\end{aligned}$$

$\vec{v}(t) \equiv \vec{r}'(t)$ is the velocity of $\vec{r}(t)$

$$= x'(t) \hat{i} + y'(t) \hat{j} + z'(t) \hat{k}$$

$$|\vec{v}(t)| = \sqrt{x'^2(t) + y'^2(t) + z'^2(t)}$$

is the speed of $\vec{r}(t)$.

Imagine a particle moving in space, $\vec{r}(t)$ its position at time t , then $\vec{v}(t)$ is really its velocity.

A parametric curve is C^1 if $x(t), y(t), z(t)$ are C^1 -functions.

It is regular if $x'(t)y'(t)z'(t) \neq 0$, i.e., $|\vec{v}(t)| > 0$, $\forall t \in (a, b)$.
(not nec. at endpoints)

The image of a parametric curve is called a curve.

Some examples.

~ Let \vec{u}_1 and \vec{u}_2 be two distinct points. The line segment

from \vec{u}_1 to \vec{u}_2 is

$$\vec{r}(t) = \vec{u}_1 + t(\vec{u}_2 - \vec{u}_1), \quad t \in [0, 1].$$

~ The circle $x^2 + y^2 = r^2$ can be parametrized by

$$\vec{r}(\theta) = r \cos \theta \hat{i} + r \sin \theta \hat{j}, \quad \theta \in [0, 2\pi]$$

$$|\vec{v}(\theta)| = \sqrt{(r \sin \theta)^2 + (r \cos \theta)^2} = r > 0 \quad \text{constant speed.}$$

~ The semicircle $x^2 + y^2 = r^2, y \geq 0$, admits 2 parametrizations.

$$\vec{r}(\theta) = r \cos \theta \hat{i} + r \sin \theta \hat{j}, \quad \theta \in [0, \pi]$$

Next,

$$\vec{r}_1(x) = (x, \sqrt{r^2 - x^2}), \quad x \in [-r, r]$$

$$= x \hat{i} + \sqrt{r^2 - x^2} \hat{j}$$

~ In general, when f is a function over $[a, b]$, its graph

is a parametric curve

$$\vec{r}(x) = x \hat{i} + f(x) \hat{j}$$

$$|\vec{v}(x)| = \sqrt{1 + f'(x)^2} > 0 \quad \text{always regular.}$$

• Integration.

Let f be a continuous function along C . Want to define

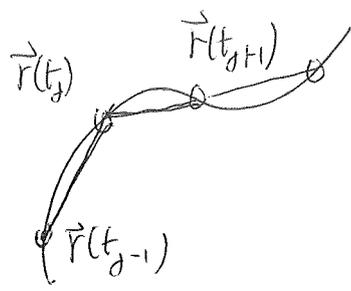
$$\int_C f ds.$$

the motivation: Imagine $f \geq 0$ is the density of the thin wire C .

The approximate mass is the sum

$$\sum_{j=1}^n f(\vec{r}(t_j^*)) |\vec{r}(t_j) - \vec{r}(t_{j-1})|$$

$|\vec{r}(t_j) - \vec{r}(t_{j-1})|$ is the length of the line segment connecting $\vec{r}(t_j)$ and $\vec{r}(t_{j-1})$. $t_j^* \in [t_{j-1}, t_j]$



$$\begin{aligned} \sim |\vec{r}(t_j) - \vec{r}(t_{j-1})| &= \sqrt{(x(t_j) - x(t_{j-1}))^2 + (y(t_j) - y(t_{j-1}))^2} \\ &= \sqrt{x'(t_j^{**})^2 (\Delta t_j)^2 + y'(t_j^*)^2 (\Delta t_j)^2} \end{aligned}$$

by the mean-value theorem, $t_j^{**}, t_j^* \in [t_{j-1}, t_j]$.

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \text{sum} &= \sum_{j=1}^n f(\vec{r}(t_j^*)) \sqrt{x'(t_j^{**})^2 + y'(t_j^*)^2} \Delta t_j \\ &\rightarrow \int_a^b f(\vec{r}(t)) \sqrt{x'(t)^2 + y'(t)^2} dt \end{aligned}$$

So, we define, for any $C \subset \mathbb{R}^n$, the line integral of f along C :

$$\int_C f ds = \int_a^b f(\vec{r}(t)) |\vec{v}(t)| dt$$

When $f \geq 0$, this integral give the mass of the wire with density f
 when $f=1$, $\int_C ds$ gives the length of C .

e.g. Evaluate $\int_C f ds$, $f = x - 3y^2 + z$,
 C : line segment from $(0,0,0)$ to $(1,1,1)$

$$\vec{r}(t) = (0, 0, 0) + t((1, 1, 1) - (0, 0, 0))$$

$$= t(\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k})$$

$$\vec{v}(t) = \hat{i} + \hat{j} + \hat{k}$$

$$|\vec{v}(t)| = \sqrt{3}$$

$$\therefore \int_C f ds = \int_0^1 (t - 3t^2 + t) \sqrt{3} dt = \sqrt{3} \int_0^1 (2t - 3t^2) dt$$

$$= \sqrt{3} (t^2 - t^3) \Big|_0^1$$

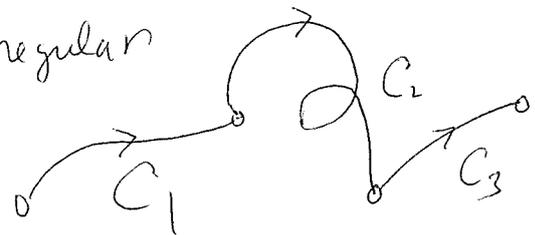
$$= 0$$

A set of curv C_1, C_2, \dots, C_n satisfy: the endpoint of C_{j-1} is the starting point of $C_j, \forall j$. Then we can put them together to form a piecewise curve:

$$C = C_1 + \dots + C_n$$

Call it piecewise regular if each C_j is regular

Define



$$\int_C f ds = \sum_{j=1}^n \int_{C_j} f ds$$

We allow C some non-smooth points.

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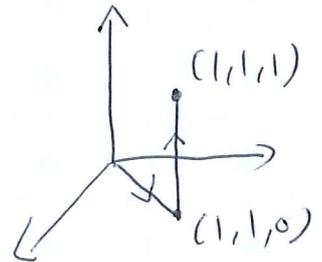
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e.g. Find $\int_C f ds$ when $C = C_1 + C_2$,
 $f = x - 3y^2 + z$

C_1 line segment
 $(0,0,0)$ to $(1,1,0)$
 C_2 line segment
 $(1,1,0)$ to $(1,1,1)$

$$C_1: \vec{r}_1(t) = (0,0,0) + t((1,1,0) - (0,0,0)) \\ = (t, t, 0), \quad t \in [0,1]$$

$$C_2: \vec{r}_2(t) = (1,1,0) + t((1,1,1) - (1,1,0)) \\ = (1,1,t), \quad t \in [0,1]$$

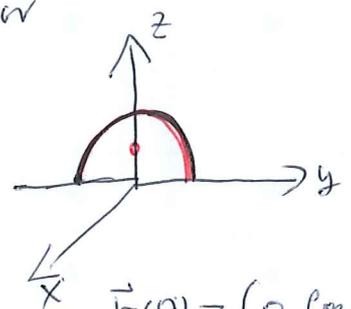


$$\int_{C_1} f ds = \int_0^1 (t - 3t^2 - 0) \sqrt{2} dt = -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

$$\int_{C_2} f ds = \int_0^1 (1 - 3 + t) \sqrt{1} dt = -\frac{3}{2}$$

$$\therefore \int_C f ds = \int_{C_1} f ds + \int_{C_2} f ds = -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} - \frac{3}{2}$$

e.g. Find the mass and center of mass for
the arc $y^2 + z^2 = 1, z \geq 0, \delta = 2 - z$.



$$\vec{r}(\theta) = (0, \cos \theta, \sin \theta)$$

$$\theta \in [0, \pi]$$

$$|\vec{r}'(\theta)| = 1$$

$$M = \int_C \delta ds$$

$$= \int_0^\pi (2 - \sin \theta) \cdot 1 \cdot d\theta = 2\pi - 2$$

$$M_{xy} = \int_C z \delta ds$$

$$= \int_0^\pi (\sin \theta) (2 - \sin \theta) \cdot 1 \cdot d\theta = \frac{8 - \pi}{2}$$

$$\vec{c} = (0, 0, \frac{8 - \pi}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2\pi - 2}) \approx (0, 0, 0.57)$$

Now, we show that $\int_C f ds$ is independent of the parametrization. 6

Theorem Let $\vec{r} = [a, b] \rightarrow C$, $\vec{c} = [\alpha, \beta] \rightarrow C$ are 2 parametrizations of C (ie, 1-1 onto, regular). Then

$$\int_a^b f(\vec{r}(t)) |\vec{r}'(t)| dt = \int_\alpha^\beta f(\vec{c}(\tau)) |\vec{c}'(\tau)| d\tau.$$

Pf. $\forall t \in [a, b]$, $\vec{r}(t)$ is a pt on C , so there is a unique τ s.t. $\vec{r}(t) = \vec{c}(\tau)$. The correspondence $t \mapsto \tau$ set up a map $\tau = \varphi(t)$ from $[a, b]$ 1-1 onto $[\alpha, \beta]$. There are two cases

(a) $\varphi(a) = \alpha, \varphi(b) = \beta$, (b) $\varphi(a) = \beta, \varphi(b) = \alpha$.

Diff. the relation, $\vec{r}(t) = \vec{c}(\varphi(t))$,

$$\vec{r}'(t) = \vec{c}'(\tau) \varphi'(t)$$

$$|\vec{r}'(t)| = |\vec{c}'(\tau)| |\varphi'(t)|.$$

Since \vec{r} and \vec{c} are regular, $|\vec{r}'(t)|, |\vec{c}'(\tau)| > 0$, so

$$|\varphi'(t)| > 0, \forall t.$$

In (a) $\varphi'(t) > 0$, in (b) $\varphi'(t) < 0$.

Using the change of variables $\tau = \varphi(t)$, $d\tau = \varphi'(t) dt$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{In (a)} \quad \int_a^b f(\vec{r}(t)) |\vec{r}'(t)| dt &= \int_\alpha^\beta f(\vec{c}(\tau)) |\vec{c}'(\tau)| |\varphi'(t)| \frac{1}{\varphi'(t)} dt \\ &= \int_\alpha^\beta f(\vec{c}(\tau)) |\vec{c}'(\tau)| d\tau \quad (\because \varphi'(t) > 0) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{In (b)} \quad \int_a^b f(\vec{r}(t)) |\vec{r}'(t)| dt &= \int_\beta^\alpha f(\vec{c}(\tau)) |\vec{c}'(\tau)| |\varphi'(t)| \frac{1}{\varphi'(t)} dt \\ &= - \int_\beta^\alpha f(\vec{c}(\tau)) |\vec{c}'(\tau)| d\tau \quad (\because \varphi'(t) < 0) \end{aligned}$$

$$\vec{F}(x, y, z) = M(x, y, z) \hat{i} + N(x, y, z) \hat{j} + P(x, y, z) \hat{k}$$

where M, N, P are functions $\sim G$. It is C^1 -v.f.
 if M, N, P are C^1 -functions.

Some examples

- velocity of a fluid \sim river
- gravitational force field

magnitude $\frac{GMm}{r^2}$,

direction between M, m

Taking the position of M as the origin,

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{F}(x, y, z) &= \frac{GMm}{(x^2+y^2+z^2)} \times \frac{-(x, y, z)}{(x^2+y^2+z^2)^{1/2}} \\ &= -GMm \frac{(x \hat{i} + y \hat{j} + z \hat{k})}{(x^2+y^2+z^2)^{3/2}}. \end{aligned}$$

\vec{F} is defined \sim the open region

$$\{(x, y, z) : (x, y, z) \neq (0, 0, 0)\}$$

- gradient vector fields.

Let f be a function $\sim G$. Its gradient

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla f &= \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} \right) \\ &= \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \hat{i} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \hat{j} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} \hat{k} \end{aligned}$$

\sim a vector field $\sim G$. It is C^1 if f is C^2 .

The gravitational v.f. is a gradient one.

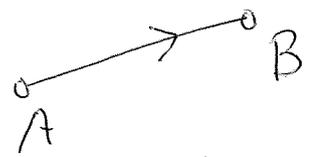
$$\phi = \frac{GMm}{(x^2+y^2+z^2)^{3/2}}$$

you can check

$$\nabla\phi = -GMm \frac{x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}}{(x^2+y^2+z^2)^{3/2}}$$

Integration of a vector field.

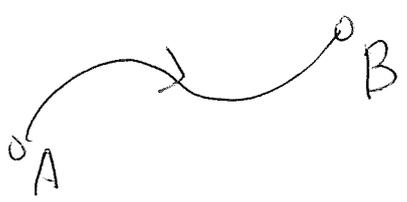
Recall = physics. An object moves from A to B



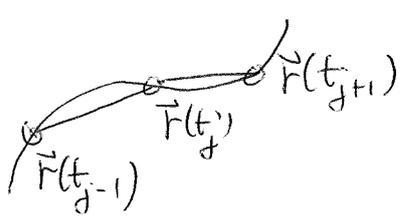
under a constant v.f. \vec{F} , the work done is

$$\vec{F} \cdot (\vec{B} - \vec{A})$$

Now, let \vec{F} be non-constant and A goes to B along a curve C. How to define its work done.



Let $\vec{r}(t) = t \in [a, b] \rightarrow C$ be a parametrization of C, $\vec{r}(a) = A, \vec{r}(b) = B$. Let $a = t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_n = b$.



Moving from $\vec{r}(t_{j-1})$ to $\vec{r}(t_j)$ along C is approx. along the line segment, and the force is approx. $\vec{F}(\vec{r}(t_{j-1}))$.

Hence, the work done is approx.

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_j \vec{F}(\vec{r}(t_{j-1})) \cdot (\vec{r}(t_j) - \vec{r}(t_{j-1})) \\ &= \sum_j \vec{F}(\vec{r}(t_{j-1})) \cdot \vec{r}'(t_j^*) \Delta t_j, \quad t_j^* \text{ some mean value} \\ &\rightarrow \int_a^b \vec{F}(\vec{r}(t)) \cdot \vec{r}'(t) dt. \end{aligned}$$

We define the integral of \vec{F} along C to be

$$\int_C \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} = \int_a^b \vec{F}(\vec{r}(t)) \cdot \vec{r}'(t) dt.$$

We also use the notation

$$\int_C \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} = \int_C M dx + N dy + P dz.$$

e.g. Find the work done $\int_C \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r}$ where $\vec{F} = z\hat{i} + xy\hat{j} - y^2\hat{k}$
 $C = \vec{r}(t) = t^2\hat{i} + t\hat{j} + \sqrt{t}\hat{k}$,
 $t \in [0, 1]$.

$$\vec{F}(\vec{r}(t)) = \sqrt{t}\hat{i} + t^3\hat{j} - t^2\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{r}'(t) = 2t\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \frac{1}{2}t^{-1/2}\hat{k}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{F}(\vec{r}(t)) \cdot \vec{r}'(t) &= \sqrt{t} \times 2t + t^3 \times 1 + (-t^2) \times \frac{1}{2}t^{-1/2} \\ &= \frac{3}{2}t^{3/2} + t^3. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \text{work done} &= \int_0^1 \left(\frac{3}{2}t^{3/2} + t^3 \right) dt \\ &= 17/20 \quad \# \end{aligned}$$