

Lecture 6 - COV for Spherical Coordinates; Vector Fields

- (Re)read section 4.3 on vector fields
- Read section 7.1 on path integrals for next time
- OH today from 9 am to 10 and tomorrow 11 am - 12

Recall 3D C.O.V

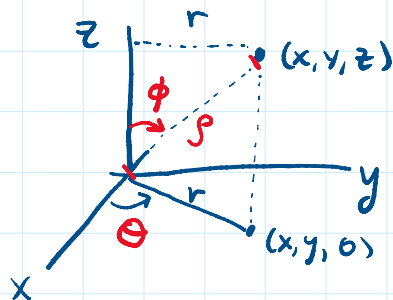
Let $T: W^* \rightarrow W$ be a cont. diff. bijection, then

$$\iiint_W f(x,y,z) dx dy dz = \iiint_{W^*} f(T(u,v,w)) |\det DT(u,v,w)| du dv dw$$

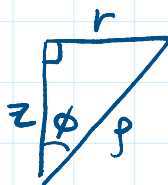
or, if $T(u,v,w) = (x(u,v,w), y(u,v,w), z(u,v,w))$

$$= \iiint_{W^*} f(x(u,v,w), y(u,v,w), z(u,v,w)) \left| \frac{\partial(x,y,z)}{\partial(u,v,w)} \right| du dv dw$$

Spherical Coordinates



(ρ, θ, ϕ)



$$z = \rho \cos \phi$$

$$r = \rho \sin \phi$$

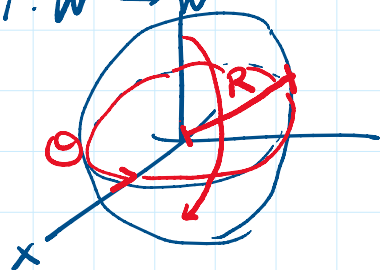
$$x = r \cos \theta = \rho \sin \phi \cos \theta$$

$$y = r \sin \theta = \rho \sin \phi \sin \theta$$

$$T: (\rho, \theta, \phi) \mapsto (\underbrace{\rho \sin \phi \cos \theta}_{x(\rho, \theta, \phi)}, \underbrace{\rho \sin \phi \sin \theta}_{y(\rho, \theta, \phi)}, \underbrace{\rho \cos \phi}_{z(\rho, \theta, \phi)})$$

Ball of radius R in xyz : $\{x^2 + y^2 + z^2 \leq R^2\} = W$

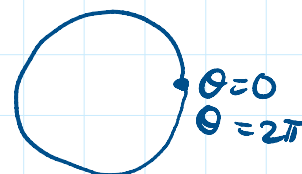
$T: W^* \rightarrow W$



$$0 \leq \rho \leq R$$

$$0 \leq \theta < 2\pi$$

$$0 \leq \phi \leq \pi$$



$$W^* = [0, R] \times [0, 2\pi) \times [0, \pi]$$

$$\int \dots \int \rho^2$$



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Jacobian determinant

$$\int_{[a,b]} \int_a^b$$

$$|\det DT(\rho, \theta, \phi)| = \left| \frac{\partial(x, y, z)}{\partial(\rho, \theta, \phi)} \right| = \rho^2 \sin \phi.$$

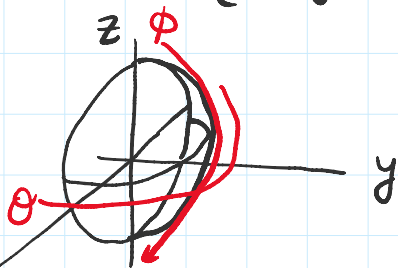
ex/ Volume of a ball of radius $R = W$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Vol}(W) &= \iiint_W 1 \, dx \, dy \, dz \\ &= \int_0^\pi \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^R 1 \cdot \overset{\text{Jacobian}}{\rho^2 \sin \phi} \, d\rho \, d\theta \, d\phi \\ &= \underbrace{\int_0^\pi \sin \phi \, d\phi}_2 \cdot \underbrace{\int_0^{2\pi} d\theta}_{2\pi} \cdot \underbrace{\int_0^R \rho^2 \, d\rho}_{\frac{R^3}{3}} = \frac{4\pi}{3} R^3. \end{aligned}$$

ex/ $\iiint_W \exp((x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{3/2}) \, dV$

$y=0 \Leftrightarrow xz$ plane

where $W = \{(x, y, z) : \overline{x^2 + y^2 + z^2} \leq 1 \text{ and } y \geq 0\}$



$$\left. \begin{cases} 0 \leq \rho \leq 1 \\ 0 \leq \theta \leq \pi \\ 0 \leq \phi \leq \pi \end{cases} \right\} = W^*$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\iiint_W e^{(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{3/2}} \, dV \\ &= \iiint e^{\underbrace{(x(\rho, \theta, \phi))^2 + y(\rho, \theta, \phi)^2 + z(\rho, \theta, \phi)^2}_{\rho^2}}^{3/2} \, dV \end{aligned}$$

. $|\det DT(\rho, \theta, \phi)| \, d\rho \, d\theta \, d\phi$

$$= \iiint_{W^*} e^{(x(\rho, \theta, \phi) + y(\rho, \theta, \phi) + z(\rho, \theta, \phi))^{1/2}} \cdot |\det DT(\rho, \theta, \phi)| d\rho d\theta d\phi$$

$$(\rho \sin \phi \cos \theta)^2 + (\rho \sin \phi \sin \theta)^2 + (\rho \cos \phi)^2$$

$$= \rho^2 \sin^2 \phi (\underbrace{\cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta}_{=1}) + \rho^2 \cos^2 \phi = \rho^2$$

$$= \int_0^\pi \int_0^\pi \int_0^1 e^{(\rho^2)^{3/2}} \cdot \rho^2 \sin \phi d\rho d\theta d\phi$$

$$= \underbrace{\int_0^\pi \sin \phi d\phi}_2 \underbrace{\int_0^\pi d\theta}_\pi \int_0^1 \underbrace{e^{\rho^3} \rho^2 d\rho}_{\frac{d}{d\rho} \left(\frac{1}{3} e^{\rho^3} \right)}$$

$$= 2\pi \left. \frac{1}{3} e^{\rho^3} \right|_0^1 = \frac{2\pi}{3} (e-1).$$

Change of Variables

2D Linear Transformations (Bijection/Invertible)

Polar Coordinates

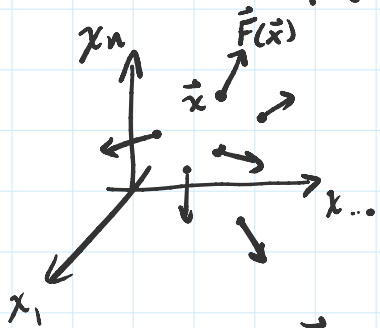
3D Cylindrical Coordinates

Spherical Coordinates

Vector Fields (read section 4.3)

Def: A vector field on (a subset of) \mathbb{R}^n is a map $\vec{F}: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$; assigning to each $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ a vector $\vec{F}(\vec{x})$.

$f: \mathbb{K} \rightarrow \mathbb{K}$; assigning to each $x \in \mathbb{K}$ a vector $\vec{F}(x)$.



describe for ex,
velocity of a fluid
electric field

In components, $\vec{F}(\vec{x}) = (F_1(\vec{x}), F_2(\vec{x}), \dots, F_n(\vec{x}))$

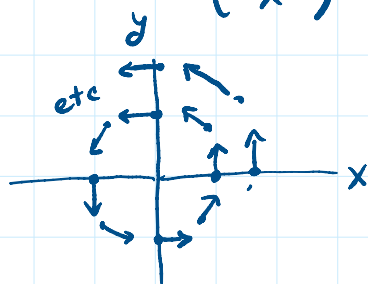
$$n=2 \quad \vec{F}(x,y) = (F_1(x,y), F_2(x,y))$$

$$n=3 \quad \vec{F}(x,y,z) = (F_1(x,y,z), F_2(x,y,z), F_3(x,y,z)).$$

(if the components are cont., diff., etc, then we say \vec{F} is as well. Generally, we'll assume continuously differentiable (C¹) vector fields)

$$\text{ex/ } \vec{F}(x,y) = (-y, x) = -y\hat{i} + x\hat{j} \quad \hat{i} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} -y \\ x \end{pmatrix} \quad \hat{j} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$



$$\vec{F}(1,0) = (0,1)$$

Important class of vector fields

Gradient Vector Fields

\mathbb{R}^n
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Recall for a differentiable function $f: A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

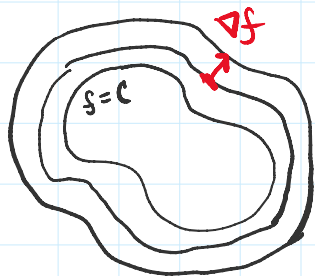
$$\nabla f(\vec{x}) = \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x^1}(\vec{x}), \dots, \frac{\partial f}{\partial x^n}(\vec{x}) \right)$$

$$n=3 \quad \nabla f(x,y,z) = \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x,y,z), \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x,y,z), \frac{\partial f}{\partial z}(x,y,z) \right)$$

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Important?

• Optimization



gradient points in steepest ascent.

• Conservation of Energy

In physics, a force is called conservative

if $\vec{F} = -\nabla V$ ↪ scalar function: potential energy

Newton's 2nd law force = mass × accel.

$$m \vec{x}''(t) = \vec{F}(\vec{x}(t)) = -\nabla V(\vec{x}(t))$$

claim:

The energy Kinetic potential

$$E = \frac{1}{2} m \vec{x}'(t) \cdot \vec{x}'(t) + V(\vec{x}(t))$$

is conserved

pf:

$$\frac{d}{dt} E = m \vec{x}'(t) \cdot \vec{x}''(t) + \nabla V(\vec{x}(t)) \cdot \vec{x}'(t)$$

$$= \vec{x}'(t) \cdot \underbrace{\left(m \vec{x}''(t) + \nabla V(\vec{x}(t)) \right)}_{=0} = 0$$