

Notesheet for Calculus III Final – MATH 2421
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1. 2-D and 3-D Vectors

If $\mathbf{u} = \langle a, b \rangle$, then $\tan(\theta_{\mathbf{u}}) = \frac{b}{a}$. The direction angle is $\theta_{\mathbf{u}}$.

The unit direction vector associated with nonzero \mathbf{u} is $\frac{\mathbf{u}}{|\mathbf{u}|}$.

$\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = |\mathbf{u}| * |\mathbf{v}| * \cos(\alpha)$. The angle of separation is α .

$\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u} = |\mathbf{u}|^2$. $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = 0$ when \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} are orthogonal.

$|\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v}| = |\mathbf{u}| * |\mathbf{v}| * \sin(\alpha)$. The angle of separation is α .

$$\mathbf{Proj}_{\mathbf{v}} \mathbf{u} = \left(\frac{\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}}{\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{v}} \right) \mathbf{v}$$

If a plane in space has normal vector $\langle a, b, c \rangle$ and it passes through the point (x_0, y_0, z_0) , then its standard form is

$$a(x - x_0) + b(y - y_0) + c(z - z_0) = 0.$$

$$\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} + \frac{z^2}{c^2} = 1. \quad \text{Ellipsoid.} \quad z = \frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2}. \quad \text{Elliptic paraboloid.}$$

$$z = \frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2}. \quad \text{Hyperbolic paraboloid. (Saddle-shape.)} \quad \frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = z^2. \quad \text{Elliptic cones.}$$

$$\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} - \frac{z^2}{c^2} = 1. \quad \text{Hyperboloid of ONE sheet. (One negative sign.)}$$

2. Conversions:

$$x = r \cos(\theta) \quad y = r \sin(\theta) \quad \tan(\theta) = \frac{y}{x}$$

$$r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \quad r^2 = x^2 + y^2$$

$$\rho = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2} \quad \rho^2 = x^2 + y^2 + z^2$$

$$z = \rho \cos(\phi) \quad r = \rho \sin(\phi) \quad r^2 = \rho^2 \sin^2(\phi) \quad \cos(\phi) = \frac{z}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}}.$$

$r = a \text{ constant}$ is a circular cylinder.

$\rho = a \text{ constant}$ is a sphere when $0 \leq \phi \leq \pi$ and $0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$.

$\phi = a \text{ constant angle}$ is a cone when $\rho \geq 0$ and $0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$.

3. Arc length, unit normal, and unit tangent.

If the position function is $\mathbf{r}(t) = \langle x(t), y(t), z(t) \rangle$, then $ds = \sqrt{(x'(t))^2 + (y'(t))^2 + (z'(t))^2} dt$.

$$\mathbf{T}(t) = \frac{\mathbf{r}'(t)}{|\mathbf{r}'(t)|} \quad \mathbf{N}(t) = \frac{\mathbf{T}'(t)}{|\mathbf{T}'(t)|}$$

4. Multivariable Functions and Partial Derivatives

Total differential: $dz = \left(\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}\right) dx + \left(\frac{\partial z}{\partial y}\right) dy = z_x dx + z_y dy$

Related rates: $\frac{dz}{dt} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \frac{dy}{dt}$ (You can extend this to three variables...)

$\nabla f(x, y, z) = \langle f_x, f_y, f_z \rangle$. The gradient vector always points in the direction of the greatest directional derivative (best rate of increase in f).

If \mathbf{u} is a unit direction vector $\langle \cos(\theta), \sin(\theta) \rangle$, then the directional derivative is

$$D_{\mathbf{u}}f(x, y) = f_x(x, y) \cos(\theta) + f_y(x, y) \sin(\theta) = \nabla f(x, y) \cdot \mathbf{u}.$$

If we have a surface $F(x, y, z) = 0$, then the implicit derivative $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = -\left(\frac{F_x}{F_z}\right)$.

If $\nabla f = \mathbf{0}$ or any of the components of ∇f is undefined, then we have a critical point.

For 2-D functions, we have $d = f_{xx}f_{yy} - (f_{xy})^2$.

If $d > 0$ and $f_{xx} > 0$, we have a relative minimum.

If $d > 0$ and $f_{xx} < 0$, we have a relative maximum.

If $d < 0$, we have a saddle point.

5. "Del" operator = $\left\langle \frac{\partial}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right\rangle$ is a vector.

$\nabla f(x, y, z) = \langle f_x, f_y, f_z \rangle$ is a vector field.

$$\nabla \cdot \langle P, Q, R \rangle = \left\langle \frac{\partial}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right\rangle \cdot \langle P, Q, R \rangle.$$

$$\nabla \times \langle P, Q, R \rangle = \langle R_y - Q_z, P_z - R_x, Q_x - P_y \rangle.$$

6. Jacobians:

$$dA = dy dx = r dr d\theta$$

$$dV = dz dy dx = r dz dr d\theta = \rho^2 \sin(\phi) d\rho d\phi d\theta$$

7. Conservative Field

A 2-D vector field $\mathbf{F}(x, y) = \langle P, Q \rangle$ is conservative if and only if $Q_x - P_y = 0$.

A 3-D vector field $\mathbf{F}(x, y, z) = \langle P, Q, R \rangle$ is conservative if and only if $\nabla \times \mathbf{F} = \langle 0, 0, 0 \rangle$.

If a vector field \mathbf{F} is conservative, then the value of $\int_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r}$ only depends on the starting point and the ending point of the curve C (path independent).

Furthermore, there must be a potential (scalar) function f such that $\nabla f = \mathbf{F}$ and the value of the line integral must be

$$\int_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} = f(\text{ending point}) - f(\text{starting point}).$$

8. Green's Theorem

If C is a simple closed curve and R is the interior of C , then

$$\oint_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} = \iint_R (Q_x - P_y) dA,$$

where the closed line integral is traced once around C counterclockwise. \mathbf{F} must be continuous in the interior of C .

9. Scalar Surface Integral

If S is some surface defined by $z = g(x, y)$, then let D be the projection of S down onto the xy -plane.

$$\iint_S f(x, y, z) dS = \iint_D f(x, y, g(x, y)) \sqrt{1 + (g_x)^2 + (g_y)^2} dA$$

10. Flux Surface Integral

Consider the vector field $\mathbf{F} = \langle P, Q, R \rangle$. If S is some surface defined by $z = g(x, y)$, then let D be the projection of S down onto the xy -plane. If S is "oriented-upward", e.g., you are trying to find the net flux passing upward through S , then you want

$$\iint_S (\mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{n}) dS = \iint_D (-Pg_x - Qg_y + R) dA.$$

11. Divergence Theorem

If S is a simple closed surface and Q is its interior, then the net outward flux through S is

$$\oint_S \mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{n} dS = \iiint_Q (\nabla \cdot \mathbf{F}) dV.$$

It is assumed that \mathbf{n} is the outward unit normal vector. \mathbf{F} must be continuous in the interior of S .