

16.5 Surfaces and Area

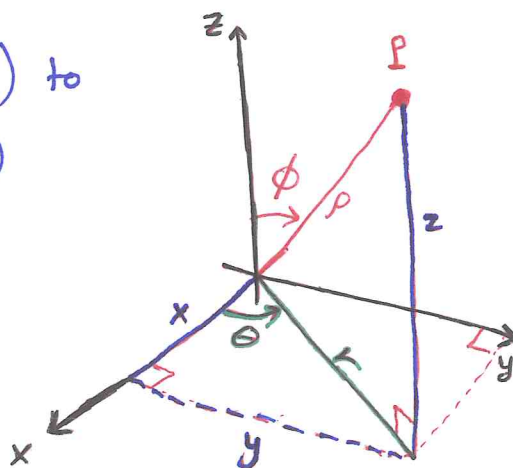
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• Recall the coordinate conversion formulas in section 15.7:

① Cylindrical coordinate $P = (r, \theta, z)$ to
Rectangular coordinate $P = (x, y, z)$

$$x = r \cos \theta, \quad y = r \sin \theta, \quad z = z$$

$$r^2 = x^2 + y^2$$



② Spherical coordinate $P = (\rho, \phi, \theta)$ to
Rectangular coordinate $P = (x, y, z)$

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

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

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

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

$$= \sqrt{r^2 + z^2}$$

$$0 \leq \phi \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$$

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

③ Spherical coordinate $P(\rho, \phi, \theta)$ to
Cylindrical coordinate $P(r, \theta, z)$

$$r = \rho \sin \phi, \quad \theta = \theta, \quad z = \rho \cos \phi$$

• The curve in the plane can be defined in three different ways:

① Explicit form: $y = f(x)$ ② Implicit form: $F(x, y) = 0$

③ Parametric vector form: $\vec{r}(t) = f(t)\vec{i} + g(t)\vec{j}, \quad a \leq t \leq b$

• The surface in space can be defined using:

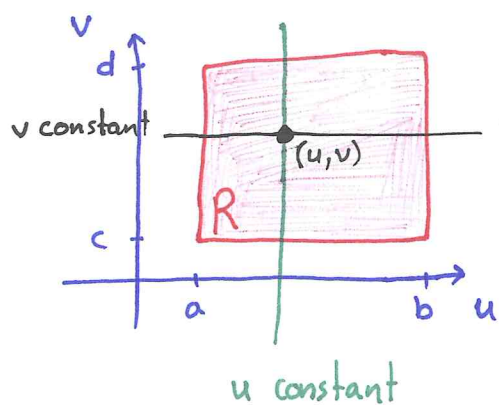
① Explicit form: $z = f(x, y)$

② Implicit form: $F(x, y, z) = 0$

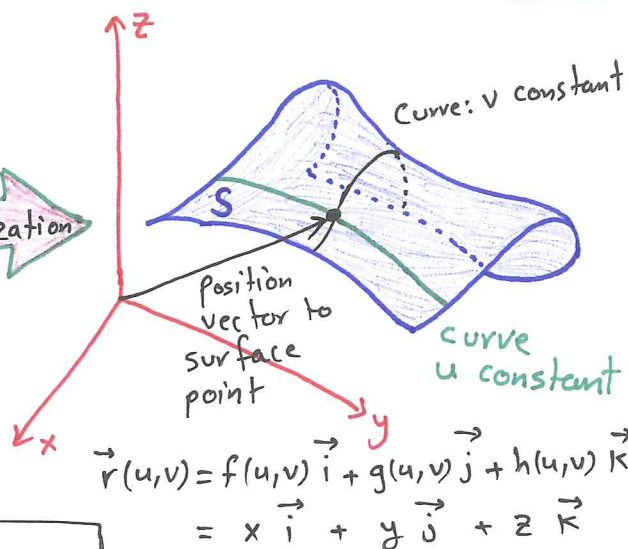
③ Parametric vector form: we discuss this now.

Parametrization of surfaces

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Parametrization



- Suppose $\vec{r}(u, v) = f(u, v)\vec{i} + g(u, v)\vec{j} + h(u, v)\vec{k}$ is continuous vector function on region R in the uv -plane.
 - Suppose \vec{r} is 1-1 on the interior of R to ensure that the surface S does not cross itself.
 - The variables u and v are called the parameters and R is called the parameter domain.
 - To simplify things: we consider R to be a rectangle defined by $a \leq u \leq b$, $c \leq v \leq d$.
 - The vector function $\vec{r}(u, v)$ together with the parameter domain R form a parametrization for the surface S .
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- Note that the vector function $\vec{r}(u, v)$ is equivalent to the following three parametric equations:
 $x = f(u, v)$, $y = g(u, v)$, $z = h(u, v)$

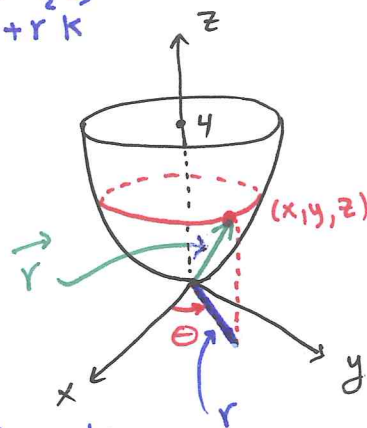
Exp Find parametrization for the

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① The paraboloid $z = x^2 + y^2$, $z \leq 4$

Cylindrical coordinates provide a parametrization:

$$\begin{aligned} x &= r \cos \theta \\ y &= r \sin \theta \\ z &= x^2 + y^2 = r^2 \end{aligned} \quad \left| \quad \begin{aligned} \vec{r}(r, \theta) &= (r \cos \theta) \vec{i} + (r \sin \theta) \vec{j} + r^2 \vec{k} \\ \text{with } 0 &\leq r \leq 2 \\ 0 &\leq \theta \leq 2\pi \end{aligned} \right.$$



② portion of the sphere $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 3$ between the planes $z = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$ and $z = -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$

• Spherical coordinates provide a parametrization:

$$\begin{aligned} x &= \rho \sin \phi \cos \theta = \sqrt{3} \sin \phi \cos \theta \\ y &= \rho \sin \phi \sin \theta = \sqrt{3} \sin \phi \sin \theta \\ z &= \rho \cos \phi = \sqrt{3} \cos \phi \end{aligned} \quad \left| \quad \begin{aligned} \rho &= \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2} \\ &= \sqrt{3} \end{aligned} \right.$$

• when $z = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \Rightarrow \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} = \sqrt{3} \cos \phi \Leftrightarrow \cos \phi = \frac{1}{2} \Leftrightarrow \phi = \frac{\pi}{3}$

$z = -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \Rightarrow -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} = \sqrt{3} \cos \phi \Leftrightarrow \cos \phi = -\frac{1}{2} \Leftrightarrow \phi = \frac{2\pi}{3}$

• Thus, $\vec{r}(\phi, \theta) = x \vec{i} + y \vec{j} + z \vec{k}$

$$= (\sqrt{3} \sin \phi \cos \theta) \vec{i} + (\sqrt{3} \sin \phi \sin \theta) \vec{j} + (\sqrt{3} \cos \phi) \vec{k}$$

with $\frac{\pi}{3} \leq \phi \leq \frac{2\pi}{3}$ and $0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$

③ the portion of the cone $z = 2\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$ between the planes $z = 2$ and $z = 4$

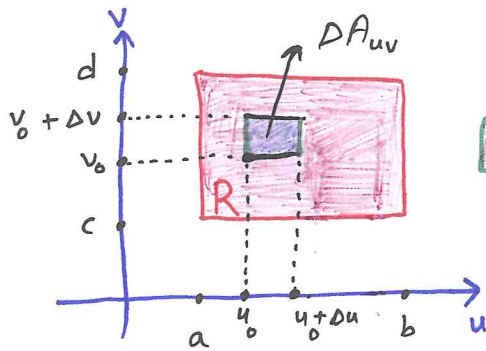
• Using cylindrical coordinates $x = r \cos \theta$, $y = r \sin \theta$, $z = 2r$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Thus, } \vec{r}(r, \theta) &= (r \cos \theta) \vec{i} + (r \sin \theta) \vec{j} + 2r \vec{k} \\ \text{with } 0 &\leq \theta \leq 2\pi \text{ and } 1 \leq r \leq 2 \end{aligned} \quad \left| \quad \begin{aligned} \text{when } 2 &\leq z \leq 4 \\ \text{we have} & \\ 1 &\leq r \leq 2 \end{aligned} \right.$$

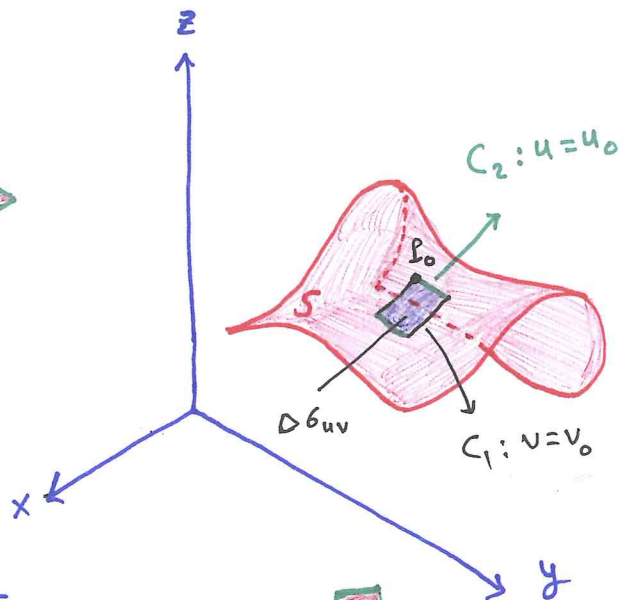
Surface Area

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How to find the surface area S ?



Parametrization



- Small rectangular area element ΔA_{uv} in R (uv -plane) maps onto a curved patch element $\Delta \delta_{uv}$ on S .

- The vertex (u_0, v_0) maps to P_0 .

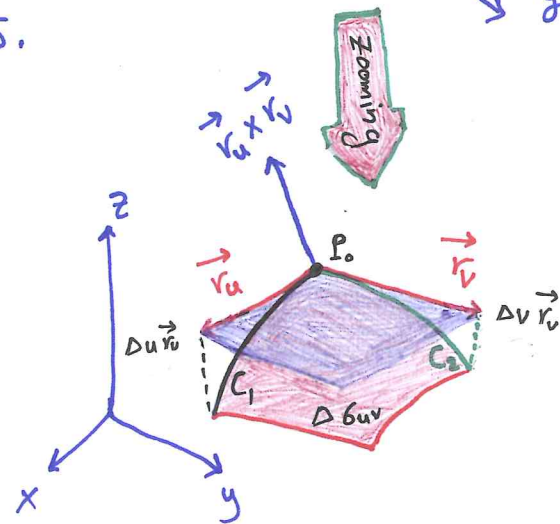
- The surface S is parametrized by

$$\vec{r}(u, v) = f(u, v)\vec{i} + g(u, v)\vec{j} + h(u, v)\vec{k}$$

$$a \leq u \leq b, \quad c \leq v \leq d$$

$$\vec{r}_u = f_u \vec{i} + g_u \vec{j} + h_u \vec{k}$$

$$\vec{r}_v = f_v \vec{i} + g_v \vec{j} + h_v \vec{k}$$



Def A parametrized surface $\vec{r}(u, v) = f(u, v)\vec{i} + g(u, v)\vec{j} + h(u, v)\vec{k}$ is smooth if $\vec{r}_u \times \vec{r}_v \neq \vec{0}$ on the interior of the parameter domain R and \vec{r}_u together with \vec{r}_v are continuous.

- We need \vec{r} to be smooth so that $\vec{r}_u \times \vec{r}_v$ is never zero, which means the two vectors \vec{r}_u and \vec{r}_v are non zero and never lie along the same line. This determine a plane tangent to the surface.

- \vec{r}_u is tangent to C_1 at P_0 and \vec{r}_v is tangent to C_2 at P_0 .

- The cross product $\vec{r}_u \times \vec{r}_v$ is normal to the surface at P_0 .

- We approximate the area of the surface patch element ΔS_{uv} by the parallelogram on the tangent plane whose sides are given by the vector $\Delta u \vec{r}_u$ and $\Delta v \vec{r}_v$. 172

- Hence, the area of the parallelogram is

$$|\Delta u \vec{r}_u \times \Delta v \vec{r}_v| = |\vec{r}_u \times \vec{r}_v| \Delta u \Delta v$$

- Hence, we approximate the surface area of S by

$$\sum_n |\vec{r}_u \times \vec{r}_v| \Delta u \Delta v$$

- $n \rightarrow \infty$ as Δu and $\Delta v \rightarrow 0$. Since \vec{r}_u and \vec{r}_v are continuous, this guarantees

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_n |\vec{r}_u \times \vec{r}_v| \Delta u \Delta v = \int_c^d \int_a^b |\vec{r}_u \times \vec{r}_v| du dv$$

Def The area of the smooth surface

$$\vec{r}(u,v) = f(u,v)\vec{i} + g(u,v)\vec{j} + h(u,v)\vec{k}, \quad a \leq u \leq b, \quad c \leq v \leq d$$

$$\text{is } A = \iint_R |\vec{r}_u \times \vec{r}_v| dA = \int_c^d \int_a^b |\vec{r}_u \times \vec{r}_v| du dv$$

Exp Find the surface area for the portion of the cylinder $x^2 + y^2 = 1$ between the planes $z = 1$ and $z = 4$.

- Cylindrical coordinates provide a parametrization but we use

$$\begin{aligned} x &= r \cos \theta = \cos \theta \\ y &= r \sin \theta = \sin \theta \\ z &= x^2 + y^2 = r^2 = 1 \end{aligned} \quad \left\{ \begin{aligned} & r^2 = x^2 + y^2 = 1 \\ & 0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi \\ & 1 \leq z \leq 4 \end{aligned} \right.$$

$$\vec{r}(z, \theta) = (\cos \theta)\vec{i} + (\sin \theta)\vec{j} + z\vec{k} \quad \text{and not } \vec{r}(r, \theta) \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} \text{to avoid} \\ \vec{r}_r = \vec{0} \end{array} \right)$$

- $\vec{r}_z = \vec{k}$ and $\vec{r}_\theta = (-\sin \theta)\vec{i} + (\cos \theta)\vec{j}$

$$\vec{r}_\theta \times \vec{r}_z = \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ -\sin\theta & \cos\theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = (\cos\theta)\vec{i} + (\sin\theta)\vec{j}$$

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Hence, $|\vec{r}_\theta \times \vec{r}_z| = \sqrt{\cos^2\theta + \sin^2\theta} = 1$

So, $A = \int_0^{2\pi} \int_1^4 1 \, dz \, d\theta = \int_0^{2\pi} 3 \, d\theta = 6\pi$

Exp Find the surface area for the portion of the cone $z = 2\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$ between the planes $z = 2$ and $z = 6$

Cylindrical coordinates provide a parametrization

$$\begin{aligned} x &= r \cos\theta \\ y &= r \sin\theta \\ z &= 2\sqrt{r^2} = 2r \end{aligned} \quad \left| \begin{array}{l} 1 \leq r \leq 3 \quad \text{and} \quad 0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi \\ \vec{r}(r, \theta) = (r \cos\theta)\vec{i} + (r \sin\theta)\vec{j} + 2r\vec{k} \end{array} \right.$$

$\vec{r}_r = (\cos\theta)\vec{i} + (\sin\theta)\vec{j} + 2\vec{k}$ and $\vec{r}_\theta = (-r \sin\theta)\vec{i} + (r \cos\theta)\vec{j}$

$\vec{r}_r \times \vec{r}_\theta = \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ \cos\theta & \sin\theta & 2 \\ -r \sin\theta & r \cos\theta & 0 \end{vmatrix} = (-2r \cos\theta)\vec{i} - (2r \sin\theta)\vec{j} + r\vec{k}$

$|\vec{r}_r \times \vec{r}_\theta| = \sqrt{4r^2 \cos^2\theta + 4r^2 \sin^2\theta + r^2} = \sqrt{5r^2} = \sqrt{5} r$

Hence, $A = \int_0^{2\pi} \int_1^3 \sqrt{5} r \, dr \, d\theta = \int_0^{2\pi} 4\sqrt{5} \, d\theta = 8\pi\sqrt{5}$

Remark: We can use the following abbreviation:

[1] Surface area differential $d\sigma = |\vec{r}_u \times \vec{r}_v| \, du \, dv$

[2] Differential formula for surface area $\iint_S d\sigma$

Implicit Surfaces

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- Some surfaces do not come with an explicit parametrization and are given by

$$F(x, y, z) = c, \quad c \in \mathbb{R}$$

- Such surfaces are called implicitly defined surfaces.
- Thus, the functions f, g, h are difficult to compute in order to parametrize the surface:

$$\vec{r}(u, v) = f(u, v) \vec{i} + g(u, v) \vec{j} + h(u, v) \vec{k}$$

- So, we need to compute the surface area differential $d\sigma$ for implicit surfaces. To do that, we assume that the surface is smooth (F is diff and ∇F is nonzero and continuous on S) and $\nabla F \cdot \vec{p} \neq 0$ so that F never folds back over itself.
- Simple calculation (see the book) will lead to

$$d\sigma = |\vec{r}_u \times \vec{r}_v| du dv = \frac{|\nabla F|}{|\nabla F \cdot \vec{p}|} dx dy, \quad \begin{matrix} u=x \\ v=y \end{matrix}$$

assuming $\vec{p} = \vec{k}$ so that R lies in the xy -plane.

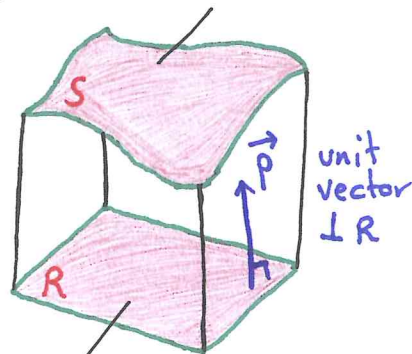
Result (Surface Area of an Implicit Surface)

The area of the surface $F(x, y, z) = c$ over a closed and bounded plane region R is

$$\text{Surface area} = \iint_R \frac{|\nabla F|}{|\nabla F \cdot \vec{p}|} dA,$$

where $\vec{p} = \vec{i}, \vec{j}$ or \vec{k} is normal to R and $\nabla F \cdot \vec{p} \neq 0$.

surface $F(x, y, z) = c$



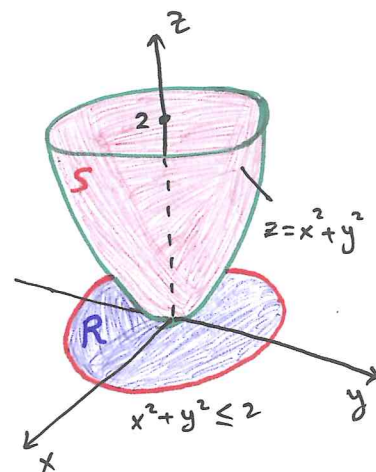
Vertical projection or shadow of S on plane

Exp Find the area of the surface cut from the paraboloid $x^2 + y^2 - z = 0$ by the plane $z = 2$

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• sketch the surface S and the region R in the xy -plane.

• $F(x, y, z) = x^2 + y^2 - z = 0$ and the disk $x^2 + y^2 \leq 2$ is R in xy -plane.



• We can take $\vec{p} = \vec{k}$ as a unit vector $\perp R$.

• $\nabla f = 2x\vec{i} + 2y\vec{j} - \vec{k}$ and $\nabla f \cdot \vec{p} = -1$

• $|\nabla f| = \sqrt{4x^2 + 4y^2 + 1}$ and $|\nabla f \cdot \vec{p}| = 1$

• In the region R we have $dA = dx dy$.

• when $z = 2 \Rightarrow x^2 + y^2 = 2 \Rightarrow r^2 = 2 \Rightarrow r = \sqrt{2}$

• Surface area = $\iint_R \frac{|\nabla f|}{|\nabla f \cdot \vec{p}|} dA = \iint_{x^2 + y^2 \leq 2} \sqrt{4x^2 + 4y^2 + 1} dx dy$

$$= \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{4r^2 + 1} r dr d\theta$$

Polar coordinates
(see page 855)

$$= \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{13}{6} d\theta = \frac{13}{3} \pi$$

Remark For a graph $z = f(x, y)$ over a region R in the xy -plane, the surface area is

$$\text{Surface area} = \iint_R \sqrt{f_x^2 + f_y^2 + 1} dx dy \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} \text{see exp} \\ \text{above: red} \\ \text{color} \end{array} \right)$$