

## 16.1 Line Integrals

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- How to calculate total mass of a wire ( $dl$ ) lying along a curve  $C$  in space.
- How to find the work done by a variable force acting along such curve  $C$ .

• We need to integrate a given function  $f(x, y, z)$  over a curve  $C$  rather than over an interval  $[a, b]$ .

• Suppose that we need to integrate a real-valued function  $f(x, y, z)$  over the curve  $C$  ( $f$  is defined on  $C$ ).

• Suppose also that the curve  $C$  is parametrically given by  $\vec{r}(t) = g(t)\vec{i} + h(t)\vec{j} + k(t)\vec{k}$  where  $a \leq t \leq b$ .

• Then, the line "path" integral of  $f$  over  $C$  is

$$\int_C f(x, y, z) ds = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=1}^n f(x_k, y_k, z_k) \Delta S_k$$

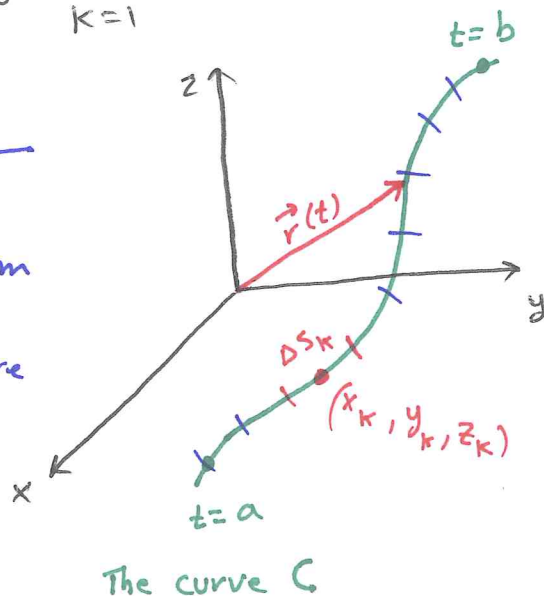
provided the limit exists.

• We partition  $C$  into finite number  $n$  of subarcs  $\Delta S_k$  and form the sum

$$S_n = \sum_{k=1}^n f(x_k, y_k, z_k) \Delta S_k \quad \text{where}$$

The point  $(x_k, y_k, z_k) \in \Delta S_k$

•  $\Delta S_k \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$



• If the curve  $C$  is smooth for  $a \leq t \leq b$

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then  $\vec{v} = \frac{d\vec{r}}{dt}$  is continuous and never  $\vec{0}$ ,  
and so  $f$  is cont. on  $C$ ,  
and thus, the limit in  $*$  exists.

• From section 13.3 we know that the arc length:

$$L = s(t) = \int_a^t |\vec{v}(u)| du$$

Hence,

$$ds = |\vec{v}(t)| dt$$

where

$$\vec{r}(t) = g(t)\vec{i} + h(t)\vec{j} + k(t)\vec{k}$$

and  $\vec{v}(t) = \frac{dx}{dt}\vec{i} + \frac{dy}{dt}\vec{j} + \frac{dz}{dt}\vec{k}$

$$\begin{aligned} x &= g(t) \\ y &= h(t) \\ z &= k(t) \end{aligned}$$

with  $|\vec{v}(t)| = \frac{ds}{dt} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{dx}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dy}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dz}{dt}\right)^2}$

So  $*$ <sup>1</sup> becomes  $\int_C f(x,y,z) ds = \int_a^b f(g(t), h(t), k(t)) |\vec{v}(t)| dt$   $*$ <sup>2</sup>

Thus, to evaluate a line integral of a continuous function  $f(x,y,z)$  over a curve  $C$ :

① Find a smooth parametrization of  $C$  by

$$\vec{r}(t) = g(t)\vec{i} + h(t)\vec{j} + k(t)\vec{k}, \quad a \leq t \leq b$$

② Evaluate  $*$ <sup>2</sup> above.

Exp<sup>1</sup> Integrate  $f(x, y, z) = x - 3y^2 + z$   
 over the line segment  $C$  joining  
 the origin to the point  $(1, 1, 1)$

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- Choose the simplest parametrization of  $C$

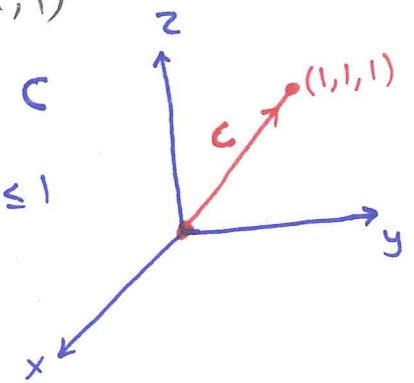
$$\vec{r}(t) = t\vec{i} + t\vec{j} + t\vec{k}, \quad 0 \leq t \leq 1$$

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

$$|\vec{v}(t)| = \sqrt{1^2 + 1^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{3} \quad (\text{never } \vec{0})$$

$$\int_C f(x, y, z) ds = \int_0^1 f(t, t, t) \sqrt{3} dt$$

$$= \int_0^1 (t - 3t^2 + t) \sqrt{3} dt = 0$$



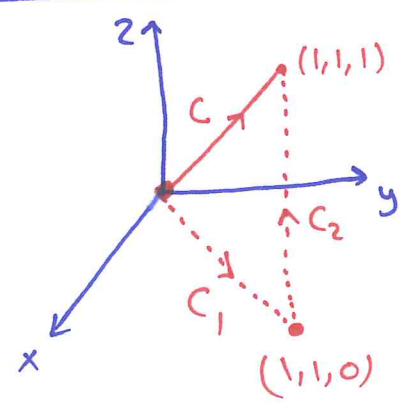
Remark<sup>1</sup>: If  $f$  is defined on a piecewise smooth curve  $C$   
 made by a finite number of smooth curves  
 $C_1, C_2, \dots, C_n$ , then

$$\int_C f ds = \int_{C_1} f ds + \int_{C_2} f ds + \dots + \int_{C_n} f ds \quad (\text{Additivity})$$

In Exp<sup>1</sup> we can choose another path  
 from origin to  $(1, 1, 1)$ , which is  
 the union of  $C_1$  and  $C_2$ .

Now, integrate  $f(x, y, z) = x - 3y^2 + z$   
 over  $C_1 \cup C_2$ .

- Choose the simplest parametrization  
 for  $C_1$  and  $C_2$ :



$$C_1: \vec{r}_1(t) = t\vec{i} + t\vec{j}, \quad 0 \leq t \leq 1$$

$$\vec{v}_1(t) = \vec{i} + \vec{j} \Rightarrow |\vec{v}_1| = \sqrt{1+1} = \sqrt{2}$$

$$C_2: \vec{r}_2(t) = \vec{i} + \vec{j} + t\vec{k}, \quad 0 \leq t \leq 1$$

$$\vec{v}_2(t) = \vec{k} \Rightarrow |\vec{v}_2| = \sqrt{1} = 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{C_1 \cup C_2} f(x, y, z) ds &= \int_{C_1} f(x, y, z) ds + \int_{C_2} f(x, y, z) ds \\ &= \int_0^1 f(t, t, 0) \sqrt{2} dt + \int_0^1 f(1, 1, t) dt \\ &= \int_0^1 (t - 3t^2 + 0) \sqrt{2} dt + \int_0^1 (1 - 3 + t) dt \\ &= -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} - \frac{3}{2} \end{aligned}$$

Remark<sup>2</sup>: The value of the line integral along a path joining two points can change if we change the path between them. (see exp above)

## Mass and Moment Calculations

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- We treat coil springs (نوابض لولبية) and wires (سلك) as masses distributed along smooth curves in space.
- The distribution is described by a continuous density function  $\delta(x, y, z)$  representing mass per unit length.

- Given a parametrization of a curve  $C$ :

$$\vec{r}(t) = x(t)\vec{i} + y(t)\vec{j} + z(t)\vec{k}, \quad a \leq t \leq b$$

- The density is the function  $\delta(x(t), y(t), z(t))$ .

- The arc length differential is then given by

$$ds = |\vec{v}(t)| dt = \sqrt{\left(\frac{dx}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dy}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dz}{dt}\right)^2} dt$$

- The spring's mass (or wire's mass) becomes

$$M = \int_C \delta ds$$

$dm = \delta ds$  is element of mass

- First moments about the planes coordinate:

$$M_{yz} = \int_C x \delta ds, \quad M_{xz} = \int_C y \delta ds, \quad M_{xy} = \int_C z \delta ds$$

- Coordinates of the center of mass:

$$\bar{x} = \frac{M_{yz}}{M}, \quad \bar{y} = \frac{M_{xz}}{M}, \quad \bar{z} = \frac{M_{xy}}{M}$$

§: The moment of inertia is defined as  $I = m r^2$  where  $m$  is mass and  $r$  is distance to the rotation axis.

- Moments of inertia (العزوم) about axes:

$$I_x = \int_C (y^2 + z^2) \delta ds, \quad I_y = \int_C (x^2 + z^2) \delta ds, \quad I_z = \int_C (x^2 + y^2) \delta ds$$

- Moment of inertia about lines:

$$I_L = \int_C r^2 \delta ds \quad \text{where } r(x, y, z) \text{ is distance from point } (x, y, z) \text{ to line } L.$$

Exp

A slender metal arch (قوس معدني نحيل) with denser at the bottom than top, (أكثر كثافة في الجزء السفلي) lies along the semicircle  $y^2 + z^2 = 1, z \geq 0$  in the  $yz$ -plane. Suppose the density at point  $(x, y, z)$  on the arch is  $\delta(x, y, z) = 2 - z$ . Find

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1) Mass

The parametrization of the semicircle is

$$\vec{r}(t) = (\cos t) \vec{j} + (\sin t) \vec{k}$$

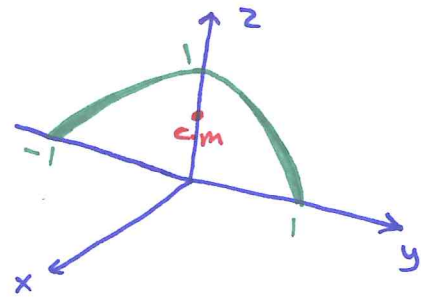
$$\vec{v}(t) = (-\sin t) \vec{j} + (\cos t) \vec{k}$$

$$|\vec{v}(t)| = \sqrt{\sin^2 t + \cos^2 t} = 1$$

where  $0 \leq t \leq \pi$

with

Hence,  $ds = |\vec{v}| dt = dt$



$$M = \int_C \delta ds = \int_C (2 - z) ds = \int_0^\pi (2 - \sin t) dt = 2\pi - 2.$$

2) First moments  $M_{xy}, M_{yz}, M_{xz}$

$$M_{xy} = \int_C z \delta ds = \int_C z(2 - z) ds = \int_0^\pi \sin t (2 - \sin t) dt = \frac{8 - \pi}{2}$$

$$M_{yz} = \int_C x \delta ds = \int_C 0 \delta ds = 0$$

$$M_{xz} = \int_C y \delta ds = \int_C \cos t (2 - z) ds = \int_0^\pi \cos t (2 - \sin t) dt = \left[ 2 \sin t + \frac{1}{2} \cos 2t \right]_0^\pi = 0$$

3) Center of the arch's mass

$$\bar{x} = \frac{M_{yz}}{M} = 0 \quad \bar{y} = \frac{M_{xz}}{M} = 0 \quad \bar{z} = \frac{M_{xy}}{M} = \frac{4 - \frac{\pi}{2}}{2\pi - 2} \approx 0.57$$

4) Moment of inertia  $I_x$  for the arch.

$$I_x = \int_C (y^2 + z^2) \delta ds = \int_0^\pi (\cos^2 t + \sin^2 t) (2 - \sin t) dt = \int_0^\pi (2 - \sin t) dt = 2\pi - 2$$