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Change of Variables in Double Integrals Examples

- Example: Change a double integral from rectangular to polar coordinates
 - $x = r \cos \theta, y = r \sin \theta$
 - $J = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{\partial x}{\partial r} & \frac{\partial x}{\partial \theta} \\ \frac{\partial y}{\partial r} & \frac{\partial y}{\partial \theta} \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} \cos \theta & -r \sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & r \cos \theta \end{vmatrix} = r \cos^2 \theta + r \sin^2 \theta = r$
 - $\iint_R f(x, y) dA = \iint_S f(r \cos \theta, r \sin \theta) \left| \frac{\partial(x, y)}{\partial(r, \theta)} \right| dr d\theta = \iint_S f(r \cos \theta, r \sin \theta) r dr d\theta$

Change of Variables in Triple Integrals

Definition

The Jacobian for a 3D transformation $x = g(u, v, w), y = h(u, v, w), z = l(u, v, w)$ is

$$\frac{\partial(x, y, z)}{\partial(u, v, w)} = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{\partial x}{\partial u} & \frac{\partial x}{\partial v} & \frac{\partial x}{\partial w} \\ \frac{\partial y}{\partial u} & \frac{\partial y}{\partial v} & \frac{\partial y}{\partial w} \\ \frac{\partial z}{\partial u} & \frac{\partial z}{\partial v} & \frac{\partial z}{\partial w} \end{vmatrix}$$

Important

Under a change of variables $x = g(u, v, w), y = h(u, v, w), z = l(u, v, w)$,

$$\iiint_R f(x, y, z) dV = \iiint_S f(g(u, v, w), h(u, v, w), l(u, v, w)) \left| \frac{\partial(x, y, z)}{\partial(u, v, w)} \right| du dv dw$$

with the same assumptions as in the double integral case

Successive Transformations

- If $x = x(u, v), y = y(u, v)$ and $u = u(s, t), v = v(s, t)$, we can transform from x, y to s, t
- $\frac{\partial(x, y)}{\partial(s, t)} = \frac{\partial(x, y)}{\partial(u, v)} \frac{\partial(u, v)}{\partial(s, t)}$

Back Transformations

- The Jacobian associated with the inverse of a transformation is the inverse of the Jacobian of that transformation
- $\frac{\partial(x, y)}{\partial(u, v)} = \frac{1}{\frac{\partial(u, v)}{\partial(x, y)}}$
- Knowing the backward transformation $u = f(x, y), v = g(x, y)$ we can calculate $\frac{\partial(u, v)}{\partial(x, y)}$ and use that to find $\frac{\partial(x, y)}{\partial(u, v)}$ without having to explicitly calculate $x(u, v), y(u, v)$