

Lesson 22

Line Integrals

Initializations

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> restart;  
with(VectorCalculus):  
BasisFormat(false):  
with(plots):
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22.1 Line Integrals with respect to Arc Length

Examples

Example 22.1.1

Let C denote the curve

$$\mathbf{r}(t) = \langle t + 1, t^2 - t + 1 \rangle, \quad -2 \leq t \leq 3$$

Compute

$$\int_C x^2 y + 50 \, ds$$

Solution

Code the integrand and the curve C .

```
> f := (x, y) -> x^2*y + 50;  
r := <t+1, t^2-t+1>;
```

$$f := (x, y) \rightarrow x^2 y + 50$$

$$\mathbf{r} := \begin{bmatrix} t + 1 \\ t^2 - t + 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (2.1.1.1)$$

Code the desired integral.

```
> e1 := Int(f(r[1], r[2]) * sqrt(diff(r[1], t)^2 + diff(r[2], t)^2), t = -2..3);
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$$e1 := \int_{-2}^3 ((t+1)^2 (t^2 - t + 1) + 50) \sqrt{2 + 4t^2 - 4t} \, dt \quad (2.1.1.2)$$

Of course this integral can be evaluated using an appropriate trigonometric substitution. You know all about that, right?

```
> answer := value(e1);  
evalf(%);
```

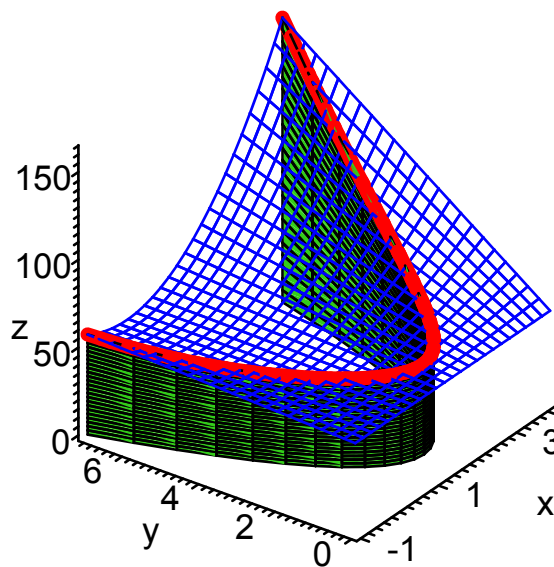
$$\text{answer} := \frac{142835}{768} \sqrt{26} - \frac{6593}{256} \ln(-5 + \sqrt{26})$$

1007.885638

(2.1.1.3)

In the picture below this number is represented as the area of the region on the green parabolic cylinder above the xy plane and below the blue surface $z=f(x, y)$.

```
> p1:=plot3d([r[1], r[2], z], t=-2..3, z=0..f(r[1], r[2]),
color=[0.2, 0.8, 0.1], style=patch, grid=[25, 10]):
p2:=spacecurve([r[1], r[2], f(r[1], r[2])], t=-2..3,
color=red, thickness=4):
p3:=plot3d(f(x, y), x=-1..4, y=0..7, color=blue):
display([p1, p2, p3], orientation=[-144, 60], axes=frame,
labels=[x, y, z], style=wireframe);
```



▼ 22.2 Line Integrals with respect to variables other than Arc Length

▼ Examples

▼ Example 22.2.1

Let C denote the curve

$$\mathbf{r}(t) = \langle \sin t, t^2 \rangle, \quad 0 \leq t \leq \pi$$

Compute

$$\int_C x^2 + y^3 \, dx$$

Solution

Code the integrand and the curve C .

```
> f:=(x, y)->x^2+y^3;
```

```
r:=<sin(t), t^2>;
```

$$f := (x, y) \rightarrow x^2 + y^3$$

$$r := \begin{bmatrix} \sin(t) \\ t^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

(3.1.1.1)

Create and evaluate the desired integral.

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> e1:=Int(f(r[1], r[2])*diff(r[1], t), t=0..Pi);
```

$$e1 := \int_0^{\pi} (\sin(t)^2 + t^6) \cos(t) dt$$

(3.1.1.2)

```
> answer:=value(e1);  
evalf(%);
```

$$\text{answer} := -6\pi^5 + 120\pi^3 - 720\pi - 377.311618$$

(3.1.1.3)

Example 22.2.2

Let C denote the closed curve bounded by

$$y = x^2 \text{ and } y = 9$$

oriented counter clockwise wise. Compute

$$\int_C 5xy^2 dx + x\sqrt{y} dy$$

Solution

Let $f(x, y) = 5xy^2$, $g(x, y) = x\sqrt{y}$ and parametrize the two pieces of the closed curve C .

```
> f:=(x, y)->5*x*y^2;  
g:=(x, y)->x*sqrt(y);  
r1:=<t, 9>;  
r2:=<t, t^2>;
```

$$f := (x, y) \rightarrow 5xy^2$$

$$g := (x, y) \rightarrow x\sqrt{y}$$

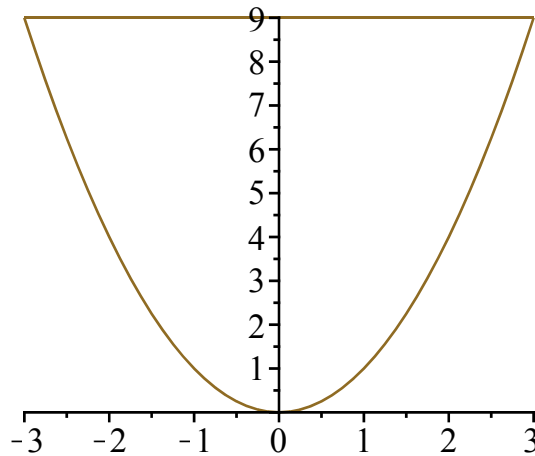
$$r1 := \begin{bmatrix} t \\ 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$r2 := \begin{bmatrix} t \\ t^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

(3.1.2.1)

Plot the curve C .

```
> plot([[r1[1], r1[2], t=3..-3], [r2[1], r2[2], t=-3..3]],  
color=sienna);
```



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> e1:=Int(f(r1[1], r1[2])*diff(r1[1], t), t=3..-3)+Int(g(r2[1], r2[2])*diff(r2[2], t), t=-3..3);
```

$$e1 := \int_3^{-3} 405 t \, dt + \int_{-3}^3 2 t^2 \sqrt{t^2} \, dt \quad (3.1.2.2)$$

```
> answer:=value(e1);
```

$$\text{answer} := 81 \quad (3.1.2.3)$$

Observe that even though we start and end at the same point, the integral is **not** zero. In general, line integrals depend not only on the beginning and end point, but also on the path in between.

Example 22.2.3

Find the work W performed by the force field

$$\mathbf{F} = \langle x^2 + 30, -2xy - x^3 + 2x^2 \rangle$$

when a particle moves one time along the top half of the ellipse

$$9x^2 + 4y^2 = 36$$

in clockwise direction.

Solution

The indicated trajectory C can be parametrized as

$$\mathbf{r}(t) = \langle 2 \cos t, -3 \sin t \rangle, \quad -\pi \leq t \leq 0$$

Display the trajectory and the force field in one picture.

```
> F:=(x,y)-><x^2+30, -2*x*y-x^3+2*x^2>;
F(x,y);
r:=<2*cos(t), -3*sin(t)>;
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$$\begin{bmatrix} x^2 + 30 \\ -2xy - x^3 + 2x^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

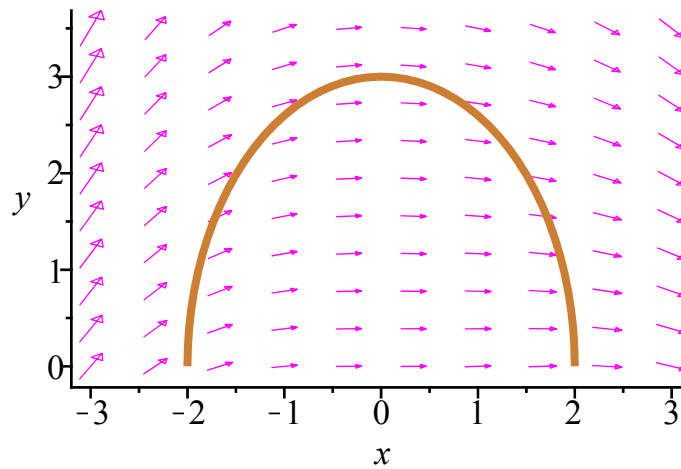
$$r := \begin{bmatrix} 2 \cos(t) \\ -3 \sin(t) \end{bmatrix}$$

(3.1.3.1)

```

> p1:=fieldplot(F(x, y), x=-3..3, y=0..3.5, grid=[10, 10],
arrows=SLIM, color=magenta):
p2:=plot([r[1], r[2], t=-Pi..0], color=gold, thickness=3)
:
display([p1, p2], scaling=constrained, axes=frame);

```



The work done by the force field is given by

$$W = \int_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} = \int_{-\pi}^0 \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{r}(t)) \cdot \mathbf{r}'(t) dt$$

Maple makes quick work of this integral.

```

> e1:=Int(F(r[1], r[2]).diff(r, t), t=-Pi..0);

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$$e1 := \int_{-\pi}^0 \left(-2 (4 \cos(t)^2 + 30) \sin(t) - 3 (12 \cos(t) \sin(t) - 8 \cos(t)^3 + 8 \cos(t)^2) \cos(t) \right) dt \quad (3.1.3.2)$$

```

> W:=value(e1);
evalf(%);

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$$W := \frac{448}{3} + 9\pi \quad (3.1.3.3)$$

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