

# MATH 332: Vector and Tensor Analysis

## Vector Algebra

### Scalar Product

$$\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B} = |\mathbf{B}| |\mathbf{A}| \cos \theta$$

Commutativity

$$\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B} = \mathbf{B} \cdot \mathbf{A}$$

Magnitude

$$|\mathbf{A}|^2 = \mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{A}$$

### Vector Product

$$\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B} = \mathbf{n} |\mathbf{A}| |\mathbf{B}| \sin \theta$$

Anti-commutativity

$$\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B} = -\mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{A}$$

$$\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{A} = 0$$

### Scalar Triple Product

$$(\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B}) \cdot \mathbf{C}$$

Cyclic symmetry

$$(\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B}) \cdot \mathbf{C} = (\mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{C}) \cdot \mathbf{A} = (\mathbf{C} \times \mathbf{A}) \cdot \mathbf{B}$$

### Vector Triple Product

$$\mathbf{A} \times (\mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{C}) = \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{C}) - \mathbf{C}(\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B})$$

### Kronecker Symbol

$$\delta_{ik} = \delta_k^i = \delta_i^k = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i = k \\ 0 & \text{if } i \neq k \end{cases}$$

Symmetry

$$\delta_{jk} = \delta_{kj}$$

Unity Matrix

$$I = (\delta_{ik}) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

## Transformation of Rectangular Coordinates

$$x'_i = \alpha_{i'k} x_k + x_{(0)i}$$

*Summation from 1 to 3 is assumed over all repeated indices*

Vector Form

$$x' = (x'_i) = \begin{pmatrix} x'_1 \\ x'_2 \\ x'_3 \end{pmatrix}, \quad x = (x_i) = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Transformation matrix

$$\alpha = (\alpha_{i'k}) = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_{1'1} & \alpha_{1'2} & \alpha_{1'3} \\ \alpha_{2'1} & \alpha_{2'2} & \alpha_{2'3} \\ \alpha_{3'1} & \alpha_{3'2} & \alpha_{3'3} \end{pmatrix}$$

Matrix Form of the Transformation

$$x' = \alpha x + x_0$$

Orthonormal Basis  $\mathbf{i}_k$ ,  $(k = 1, 2, 3)$

$$\mathbf{i}_k \cdot \mathbf{i}_j = \delta_{kj}$$

Orientation of Orthonormal Basis:  
 right-handed if  $(\mathbf{i}_1 \times \mathbf{i}_2) \cdot \mathbf{i}_3 = +1$   
 left-handed if  $(\mathbf{i}_1 \times \mathbf{i}_2) \cdot \mathbf{i}_3 = -1$

Transformation of Orthonormal Basis

$$\mathbf{i}'_j = \alpha_{j'k} \mathbf{i}_k, \quad \mathbf{i}_k = \alpha_{j'k} \mathbf{i}'_j$$

$$\alpha_{j'k} = \cos(\mathbf{i}'_j, \mathbf{i}_k)$$

Orthogonality condition

$$\alpha_{i'k} \alpha_{j'k} = \delta_{ij}, \quad \alpha_{k'i} \alpha_{k'j} = \delta_{ij}$$

Matrix Form of Orthogonality Condition

$$\alpha \alpha^T = I$$

T means *transposition* of a matrix (replacement of rows by columns)

*Proper transformation* (no change of orientation)

$$\det(\alpha_{j'k}) = 1$$

*Improper transformation* (changes orientation)

$$\det(\alpha_{j'k}) = -1$$

**Cartesian Vectors**

$$\mathbf{A} = A_k \mathbf{i}_k, \quad A_k = \mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{i}_k$$

Scalar Product in Cartesian Components

$$\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B} = A_i B_i$$

$$|\mathbf{A}|^2 = A_i A_i$$

Vector Product

$$\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B} = \det \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{i}_1 & \mathbf{i}_2 & \mathbf{i}_3 \\ A_1 & A_2 & A_3 \\ B_1 & B_2 & B_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Scalar Triple Product

$$(\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B}) \cdot \mathbf{C} = \det \begin{pmatrix} A_1 & A_2 & A_3 \\ B_1 & B_2 & B_3 \\ C_1 & C_2 & C_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

**Levi-Civita (Alternating) Symbol**

$$\varepsilon_{ijk} = \begin{cases} +1 & \text{if } (i, j, k) = (1, 2, 3), \\ & (2, 3, 1), (3, 1, 2) \\ -1 & \text{if } (i, j, k) = (2, 1, 3), \\ & (3, 2, 1), (1, 3, 2) \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\varepsilon_{ijk} = \varepsilon^{ijk}$$

Anti-symmetry

$$\varepsilon_{ijk} = -\varepsilon_{jik} = -\varepsilon_{ikj} = -\varepsilon_{kji}$$

Cyclic symmetry

$$\varepsilon_{ijk} = \varepsilon_{jki} = \varepsilon_{kij}$$

Orthonormal basis

$$\mathbf{i}_j \times \mathbf{i}_k = \varepsilon_{jkl} \mathbf{i}_l$$

$$(\mathbf{i}_j \times \mathbf{i}_k) \cdot \mathbf{i}_l = \varepsilon_{jkl}$$

Vector Product in Cartesian Components

$$(\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B})_i = \varepsilon_{ijk} A_j B_k$$

Scalar Triple Product

$$(\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B}) \cdot \mathbf{C} = \varepsilon_{ijk} A_i B_j C_k$$

**Tensor Notation**

$$\delta_{ii} = \delta_i^i = 3$$

$$\delta_i^j A_j = A_i$$

$$\delta^{ij} A_i B_j = A_i B_i = \mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B}$$

$$\varepsilon_{ijj} = \varepsilon_{jij} = \varepsilon_{jji} = 0$$

$$\varepsilon_{ijk}\delta_{ij} = \varepsilon_{ijk}\delta_{ik} = \varepsilon_{ijk}\delta_{jk} = 0$$

$$\varepsilon_{ijk}A_jA_k = \varepsilon_{ijk}A_iA_k = \varepsilon_{ijk}A_iA_j = 0$$

$$\varepsilon_{ijk}\varepsilon^{mnl} = \delta_i^m\delta_j^n\delta_k^l + \delta_j^m\delta_k^n\delta_i^l + \delta_k^m\delta_i^n\delta_j^l - \delta_i^m\delta_k^n\delta_j^l - \delta_j^m\delta_i^n\delta_k^l - \delta_k^m\delta_j^n\delta_i^l$$

$$\varepsilon_{ijk}\varepsilon^{mnk} = \delta_i^m\delta_j^n - \delta_j^m\delta_i^n$$

$$\varepsilon_{ijk}\varepsilon^{mjk} = 2\delta_i^m$$

$$\varepsilon_{ijk}\varepsilon^{ijk} = 6$$

## Cartesian Tensors

(tensors in rectangular coordinates)

Scalar: 0-tensor  $\varphi$

Vector: 1-tensor  $A_i$

2-tensor  $A_{ik}$

$n$ -tensor  $A_{i_1\dots i_n}$

Transformation Laws

$$\varphi' = \varphi$$

$$A'_i = \alpha_{i'k}A_k$$

$$A'_{ij} = \alpha_{i'k}\alpha_{j'l}A_{kl}$$

$$A'_{i_1\dots i_n} = \alpha_{i'_1j_1}\cdots\alpha_{i'_nj_n}A_{j_1\dots j_n}$$

Matrix Form of the Transformation Laws

Vector

$$A = (A_i) = \begin{pmatrix} A_1 \\ A_2 \\ A_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A' = \alpha A$$

Matrix Form of a 2-tensor

$$A = (A_{ik}) = \begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} & A_{13} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} & A_{23} \\ A_{31} & A_{32} & A_{33} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A' = \alpha A \alpha^T$$

Stress Tensor  $p_{ik}$

Stress

$$p_i = p_{ik}n_k$$

$n_i$  unit normal

Moment of Inertia Tensor

$$I_{ik} = \sum_{j=1}^N m_j \left[ \delta_{ik}x_l^{(j)}x_l^{(j)} - x_i^{(j)}x_k^{(j)} \right]$$

Angular Momentum

$$L_i = I_{ik}\omega_k$$

$\omega_k$  angular velocity

Deformation Tensor

$$u_{ik} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_k} + \frac{\partial u_k}{\partial x_i} + \frac{\partial u_l}{\partial x_i} \frac{\partial u_l}{\partial x_k} \right)$$

$u_i$  displacement vector

Rate of Deformation Tensor

$$v_{ik} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\partial v_i}{\partial x_k} + \frac{\partial v_k}{\partial x_i} \right)$$

$v_i$  velocity vector field

*Isotropic Tensors* (built from  $\delta_{ik}$  only; no preferred directions)

*Isotropic 2-tensor*

$$A_{ik} = p\delta_{ik}$$

Isotropic 4-tensor

$$A_{iklm} = \rho\delta_{ik}\delta_{lm} + \rho\delta_{il}\delta_{km} + \lambda\delta_{im}\delta_{kl}$$

## Tensor Algebra

Tensor Product

$$C_{ik} = A_i B_k, \quad C_{ijkl} = A_{ij} B_{kl}$$

Contraction

$$D_{jkl} = C_{ijkl}$$

Trace

$$A = A_{ii}$$

Inner Product

$$C_i = A_{ik} B_k, \quad D_{ij} = C_{ijkl} B_{kl}$$

Symmetric Tensors

$$S_{ij} = S_{ji}$$

$$(S_{ik}) = \begin{pmatrix} S_{11} & S_{12} & S_{13} \\ S_{12} & S_{22} & S_{23} \\ S_{13} & S_{23} & S_{33} \end{pmatrix}$$

Anti-symmetric Tensors

$$A_{ij} = -A_{ji}$$

$$(A_{ik}) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & A_{12} & A_{13} \\ -A_{12} & 0 & A_{23} \\ -A_{13} & -A_{23} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Contraction of antisymmetric tensor

$$A_{ii} = 0$$

Symmetrization

$$T_{(ij)} = \frac{1}{2}(T_{ik} + T_{ki})$$

Antisymmetrization

$$T_{[ij]} = \frac{1}{2}(T_{ik} - T_{ki})$$

Decomposition of 2-Tensor

$$T_{ik} = T_{(ik)} + T_{[ij]}$$

Duality

(Equivalence of antisymmetric 2-tensor to an axial vector)

$$\tilde{A}_i = \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon_{ijk}A_{jk}, \quad A_{ij} = \varepsilon_{ijk}\tilde{A}_k$$

$$\tilde{A}_1 = A_{23}, \quad \tilde{A}_2 = A_{31}, \quad \tilde{A}_3 = A_{12},$$

Principal Axes

**Eigenvalues**  $\lambda_{(r)}$  (characteristic values) and **Eigenvectors**  $\mathbf{n}_{(r)}$  (characteristic or principal directions)

$$T_{ik}n_k^{(r)} = \lambda_{(r)}n_i^{(r)}$$

$$|\mathbf{n}_{(r)}| = 1$$

Characteristic Equation

$$\det(T_{ik} - \lambda\delta_{ik}) = 0$$

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} T_{11} - \lambda & T_{12} & T_{13} \\ T_{21} & T_{22} - \lambda & T_{23} \\ T_{31} & T_{32} & T_{33} - \lambda \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

$$\lambda^3 - I_1\lambda^2 + I_2\lambda - I_3 = 0$$

Invariants of a 2-Tensor:  $I_k$

$$I_1 = T_{ii} = T_{11} + T_{22} + T_{33}$$

$$I_2 = \det \begin{pmatrix} T_{22} & T_{23} \\ T_{32} & T_{33} \end{pmatrix} + \det \begin{pmatrix} T_{11} & T_{12} \\ T_{21} & T_{22} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$I_3 = \det(T_{ik}) = \det \begin{pmatrix} T_{11} & T_{12} & T_{13} \\ T_{21} & T_{22} & T_{23} \\ T_{31} & T_{32} & T_{33} \end{pmatrix}$$

The eigenvalues  $\lambda_r$ , ( $r = 1, 2, 3$ ), of a symmetric 2-tensor are *real*

A symmetric 2-tensor has three *orthogonal* principal axes  $\mathbf{n}_{(r)}$ , ( $r = 1, 2, 3$ )

$$\mathbf{n}_{(r)} \cdot \mathbf{n}_{(p)} = \delta_{rp}$$

In the principal axes a symmetric 2-tensor  $T_{ik}$  has *diagonal* matrix

$$(T_{ik}) = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Decomposition in terms of orthonormal eigenvectors  $\mathbf{n}^{(r)}$  and eigenvalues  $\lambda_{(r)}$

$$T_{ik} = \sum_{r=1}^3 \lambda_{(r)} n_i^{(r)} n_k^{(r)}$$

### Traceless Tensors (Deviators)

$$\bar{T}_{ik} = T_{ik} - \frac{1}{3} \delta_{ik} T$$

where  $T = T_{jj}$  (trace)

$$\bar{T} = \bar{T}_{ii} = 0$$

Decomposition

$$T_{ik} = \bar{T}_{ik} + \frac{1}{3} \delta_{ik} T_{jj}$$

## Curvilinear Coordinates

$$q^i = q^i(\mathbf{r}), \quad (i = 1, 2, 3)$$

Cartesian Coordinates

$$x_i = x_i(q)$$

Radius vector

$$\mathbf{r}(q) = x_k(q) \mathbf{i}_k = x_1(q) \mathbf{i}_1 + x_2(q) \mathbf{i}_2 + x_3(q) \mathbf{i}_3$$

**Basis** (tangent vectors to coordinate curves)

$$\mathbf{e}_i = \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial q^i}$$

Transformation of basis

$$\mathbf{e}'_j = \alpha^k_{j'} \mathbf{e}_k, \quad \mathbf{e}_k = \alpha^{j'}_k \mathbf{e}'_j$$

$$\alpha^{i'}_k \alpha^k_{j'} = \delta^i_j, \quad \alpha^i_{k'} \alpha^{k'}_j = \delta^i_j$$

### Orientation:

right-handed if  $(\mathbf{e}_1 \times \mathbf{e}_2) \cdot \mathbf{e}_3 > 0$   
and left-handed if  $(\mathbf{e}_1 \times \mathbf{e}_2) \cdot \mathbf{e}_3 < 0$

### Reciprocal Basis

$$\mathbf{e}^j \cdot \mathbf{e}_k = \delta^j_k$$

$$\mathbf{e}^j = \frac{\mathbf{e}_k \times \mathbf{e}_l}{(\mathbf{e}_1 \times \mathbf{e}_2) \cdot \mathbf{e}_3}$$

where  $(j, k, l) = (1, 2, 3), (2, 3, 1), (3, 1, 2)$

### Contravariant Components

$$\mathbf{A} = A^i \mathbf{e}_i, \quad A^i = \mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{e}^i$$

### Covariant components

$$\mathbf{A} = A_i \mathbf{e}^i, \quad A_i = \mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{e}_i$$

Transformation of components

$$A^i = \alpha^{i'}_k A^k, \quad A'_{i'} = \alpha^k_{i'} A_k$$

**Metric Tensor**

$$g_{ik} = \mathbf{e}_i \cdot \mathbf{e}_k = \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial q^i} \cdot \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial q^k}, \quad g^{ik} = \mathbf{e}^i \cdot \mathbf{e}^k$$

Symmetry

$$g_{ik} = g_{ki}, \quad g^{ik} = g^{ki}$$

$$g_{ik} g^{kn} = \delta_i^n$$

Determinant of the Metric Tensor

$$G = \det(g_{ik}), \quad \det(g^{ik}) = \frac{1}{G}$$

The matrix  $g^{ik}$  is the inverse matrix of the matrix  $g_{ik}$  given by

$$g^{ik} = (-1)^{ik} \frac{\det M^{ik}}{G}$$

where  $M^{ik}$  is a  $2 \times 2$  matrix obtained from the  $3 \times 3$  matrix  $g_{ij}$  by removing the  $i$ -th row and the  $k$ -th column

Relations between components

$$A_i = g_{ik} A^k, \quad A^i = g^{ik} A_k$$

**Displacement**

$$d\mathbf{r} = \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial q^i} dq^i$$

**Line Element (Arc Length)**

$$ds^2 = d\mathbf{r} \cdot d\mathbf{r} = \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial q^i} \cdot \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial q^k} dq^i dq^k$$

$$ds^2 = g_{ik} dq^i dq^k$$

**Volume Element**

$$dV = \sqrt{G} dq^1 dq^2 dq^3, \quad G = \det(g_{ik})$$

**Tensors in Curvilinear Coordinate System**

Contravariant components  $A^{ik}$

Covariant components  $A_{ik}$

Mixed components  $A^i_k, A_i^k$

Relations

$$A_{ik} = g_{in} A^n_k = g_{kn} A_i^n = g_{in} g_{km} A^{nm}$$

$$A^{ik} = g^{in} A_n^k = g^{kn} A^i_n = g^{in} g^{km} A_{nm}$$

$$A^i_k = g^{in} A_{nk} = g_{kn} A^{in}$$

etc

**Orthogonal Coordinate System**

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial q^i} \cdot \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial q^k} = 0, \quad \text{if } i \neq k$$

Basis

$$\mathbf{e}_i \cdot \mathbf{e}_k = \mathbf{e}^i \cdot \mathbf{e}^k = 0 \quad \text{if } i \neq k$$

$$|\mathbf{e}_i| = h_i, \quad |\mathbf{e}^i| = \frac{1}{h_i}$$

Metric

$$g_{ik} = 0, \quad \text{if } i \neq k$$

$$g_{ii} = h_i^2 \quad (\text{no summation!})$$

$$g^{ik} = 0, \quad \text{if } i \neq k$$

$$g^{ii} = \frac{1}{h_i^2} \quad (\text{no summation!})$$

Metric Coefficients

$$h_i = \left| \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial q^i} \right|$$

$$h_i = \sqrt{\left(\frac{\partial x_1}{\partial q^i}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial x_2}{\partial q^i}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial x_3}{\partial q^i}\right)^2}$$

Relation between covariant and contravariant components

$$A_i = h_i^2 A^i \quad (\text{no summation!})$$

### Orthonormal Basis

$$\mathbf{e}^i = \mathbf{e}_i = \frac{\frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial q^i}}{\left|\frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial q^i}\right|}$$

Line Element

$$ds^2 = h_1^2 (dq^1)^2 + h_2^2 (dq^2)^2 + h_3^2 (dq^3)^2$$

Volume Element

$$dV = h_1 h_2 h_3 dq^1 dq^2 dq^3$$

### Cartesian Coordinates

Line Element

$$ds^2 = (dx_1)^2 + (dx_2)^2 + (dx_3)^2$$

Volume Element

$$dV = dx_1 dx_2 dx_3$$

Metric Coefficients

$$h_1 = h_2 = h_3 = 1$$

### Cylindrical Coordinates

$$\rho \geq 0, \quad 0 \leq \varphi < 2\pi, \quad -\infty < z < \infty$$

$$\rho = \sqrt{x_1^2 + x_2^2}, \quad \tan \varphi = \frac{x_2}{x_1}, \quad z = x_3$$

$$x_1 = \rho \cos \varphi, \quad x_2 = \rho \sin \varphi, \quad x_3 = z$$

Radius Vector

$$\mathbf{r} = \rho \cos \varphi \mathbf{i}_1 + \rho \sin \varphi \mathbf{i}_2 + z \mathbf{i}_3$$

Orthonormal basis

$$\mathbf{e}_\rho = \cos \varphi \mathbf{i}_1 + \sin \varphi \mathbf{i}_2$$

$$\mathbf{e}_\varphi = -\sin \varphi \mathbf{i}_1 + \cos \varphi \mathbf{i}_2$$

$$\mathbf{e}_z = \mathbf{i}_3$$

Line Element

$$ds^2 = (d\rho)^2 + \rho^2 (d\varphi)^2 + (dz)^2$$

Volume Element

$$dV = \rho d\rho d\varphi dz$$

Metric Coefficients

$$h_\rho = 1, \quad h_\varphi = \rho, \quad h_z = 1$$

### Spherical Coordinates

$$r \geq 0, \quad 0 \leq \theta \leq \pi, \quad 0 \leq \varphi < 2\pi$$

$$r = \sqrt{x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_3^2}, \quad \tan \theta = \frac{\sqrt{x_1^2 + x_2^2}}{x_3},$$

$$\tan \varphi = \frac{x_2}{x_1}$$

$$x_1 = r \sin \theta \cos \varphi, \quad x_2 = r \sin \theta \sin \varphi,$$

$$x_3 = r \cos \theta$$

Radius Vector

$$\mathbf{r} = r \sin \theta \cos \varphi \mathbf{i}_1 + r \sin \theta \sin \varphi \mathbf{i}_2 + r \cos \theta \mathbf{i}_3$$

Orthonormal Basis

$$\mathbf{e}_r = \sin \theta \cos \varphi \mathbf{i}_1 + \sin \theta \sin \varphi \mathbf{i}_2 + \cos \theta \mathbf{i}_3$$

$$\mathbf{e}_\theta = \cos \theta \cos \varphi \mathbf{i}_1 + \cos \theta \sin \varphi \mathbf{i}_2 - \sin \theta \mathbf{i}_3$$

$$\mathbf{e}_\varphi = -\sin \varphi \mathbf{i}_1 + \cos \varphi \mathbf{i}_2$$

Line Element

$$ds^2 = (dr)^2 + r^2(d\theta)^2 + r^2 \sin^2 \theta (d\varphi)^2$$

Volume Element

$$dV = r^2 \sin \theta \, dr \, d\theta \, d\varphi$$

Metric Coefficients

$$h_r = 1, \quad h_\theta = r, \quad h_\varphi = r \sin \theta$$

## Vector And Tensor Analysis

### Functions of Single variable

Product Rules

$$\frac{d}{dt}(\varphi \mathbf{A}) = \frac{d\varphi}{dt} \mathbf{A} + \varphi \frac{d\mathbf{A}}{dt}$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}(\mathbf{B} \cdot \mathbf{A}) = \frac{d\mathbf{B}}{dt} \cdot \mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B} \cdot \frac{d\mathbf{A}}{dt}$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}(\mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{A}) = \frac{d\mathbf{B}}{dt} \times \mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B} \times \frac{d\mathbf{A}}{dt}$$

Trajectory

$$\mathbf{r}(t) = x_k(t) \mathbf{i}_k, \quad a \leq t \leq b$$

Velocity

$$\mathbf{v} = \frac{d\mathbf{r}}{dt}$$

Unit Tangent Vector

$$\mathbf{u} = \frac{d\mathbf{r}}{ds} = \frac{\frac{d\mathbf{r}}{dt}}{\left| \frac{d\mathbf{r}}{dt} \right|}$$

Speed

$$|\mathbf{v}| = \left| \frac{d\mathbf{r}}{dt} \right| = \frac{ds}{dt}$$

Acceleration

$$\mathbf{a} = \frac{d\mathbf{v}}{dt} = \frac{d^2\mathbf{r}}{dt^2}$$

Arc Length (Line Element)

$$ds = |\mathbf{v}| dt$$

## Fields in Cartesian Coordinates

Partial derivatives

$$\partial_i = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}$$

Nabla (Del) Operator

$$\nabla = \mathbf{i}_k \partial_k = \mathbf{i}_1 \partial_1 + \mathbf{i}_2 \partial_2 + \mathbf{i}_3 \partial_3$$

Gradient

$$\mathbf{grad} f = \nabla f = \mathbf{i}_k \partial_k f$$

$$(\mathbf{grad} f)_i = \partial_i f$$

Directional Derivative

$$\frac{df}{ds} = \frac{d\mathbf{r}}{ds} \cdot \mathbf{grad} f = \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{grad} f$$

Flow Lines

$$\frac{d\mathbf{r}}{dt} = \beta \mathbf{F}$$

$$\frac{dx_1}{F_1} = \frac{dx_2}{F_2} = \frac{dx_3}{F_3}$$

Divergence

$$\text{div } \mathbf{F} = \nabla \cdot \mathbf{F} = \partial_i F_i$$

**Curl**

$$\mathbf{curl} \mathbf{F} = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i}_1 & \mathbf{i}_2 & \mathbf{i}_3 \\ \partial_1 & \partial_2 & \partial_3 \\ F_1 & F_2 & F_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$(\mathbf{curl} \mathbf{F})_i = \varepsilon_{ijk} \partial_j F_k$$

$$\mathbf{curl} \mathbf{F} = \nabla \times \mathbf{F} = \mathbf{i}_l \varepsilon_{ljk} \partial_j F_k$$

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{r} = 0$$

$$r = |\mathbf{r}| = \sqrt{x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_3^2}$$

$$\nabla r = \frac{\mathbf{r}}{r}, \quad |\nabla r| = 1$$

$$\nabla f(r) = \frac{df}{dr} \frac{\mathbf{r}}{r}$$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{F}(r) = \frac{\mathbf{r}}{r} \cdot \frac{d\mathbf{F}}{dr}$$

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{F}(r) = \frac{\mathbf{r}}{r} \times \frac{d\mathbf{F}}{dr}$$

$$(\mathbf{F} \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{r} = \mathbf{F}$$

**Laplacian**

$$\Delta = \text{div grad} = \nabla^2 = \nabla \cdot \nabla$$

$$\Delta = \partial_i \partial_i = \partial_1^2 + \partial_2^2 + \partial_3^2$$

**Vector identities:**

$$\nabla \times (\nabla \times \mathbf{F}) = -\Delta \mathbf{F} + \nabla(\nabla \cdot \mathbf{F})$$

$$\mathbf{curl} \mathbf{curl} \mathbf{F} = -\Delta \mathbf{F} + \mathbf{grad} \text{ div } \mathbf{F}$$

$$\nabla \times \nabla \varphi = 0,$$

$$\mathbf{curl} \mathbf{grad} = 0$$

$$\nabla \cdot (\nabla \times \mathbf{F}) = 0,$$

$$\text{div} \mathbf{curl} = 0$$

$$\nabla(fg) = (\nabla f)g + f(\nabla g)$$

$$\nabla(f\mathbf{F}) = (\nabla f) \cdot \mathbf{F} + f\nabla\mathbf{F}$$

$$\nabla \times (f\mathbf{F}) = (\nabla f) \times \mathbf{F} + f(\nabla \times \mathbf{F})$$

$$\nabla(\mathbf{F} \times \mathbf{G}) = \mathbf{G} \cdot (\nabla \times \mathbf{F}) - \mathbf{F} \cdot (\nabla \times \mathbf{G})$$

$$\nabla f(\varphi) = \frac{df}{d\varphi} \nabla \varphi$$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{F}(\varphi) = \nabla \varphi \cdot \frac{d\mathbf{F}}{d\varphi}$$

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{F}(\varphi) = \nabla \varphi \times \frac{d\mathbf{F}}{d\varphi}$$

$$\nabla \mathbf{r} = 3$$

**Fields in Orthogonal Coordinate System** (in orthonormal basis  $\mathbf{e}_i$ )

Vector Components

$$F_i = \mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{e}_i$$

$$\mathbf{grad} f = \mathbf{e}_1 \frac{1}{h_1} \frac{\partial}{\partial q^1} f + \mathbf{e}_2 \frac{1}{h_2} \frac{\partial}{\partial q^2} f + \mathbf{e}_3 \frac{1}{h_3} \frac{\partial}{\partial q^3} f$$

$$\text{div} \mathbf{F} = \frac{1}{h_1 h_2 h_3} \left\{ \frac{\partial}{\partial q^1} (h_2 h_3 F_1) + \frac{\partial}{\partial q^2} (h_3 h_1 F_2) + \frac{\partial}{\partial q^3} (h_1 h_2 F_3) \right\}$$

$$\mathbf{curl} \mathbf{F} = \mathbf{e}_1 \frac{1}{h_2 h_3} \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial q^2} (h_3 F_3) - \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial q^3} (h_2 F_2) \right] \right] + \mathbf{e}_2 \frac{1}{h_3 h_1} \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial q^3} (h_1 F_1) - \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial q^1} (h_3 F_3) \right] \right]$$

$$+ \mathbf{e}_3 \frac{1}{h_1 h_2} \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial q^1} (h_2 F_2) - \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial q^2} (h_1 F_1) \right] \right]$$

$$\Delta f = \frac{1}{h_1 h_2 h_3} \left\{ \frac{\partial}{\partial q^1} \left( \frac{h_2 h_3}{h_1} \frac{\partial}{\partial q^1} f \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial q^1} \left( \frac{h_2 h_3}{h_1} \frac{\partial}{\partial q^1} f \right) \right\}$$

**Cylindrical Coordinates:**

$$\mathbf{grad} f = \mathbf{e}_\rho \partial_\rho f + \mathbf{e}_\varphi \frac{1}{\rho} \partial_\varphi f + \mathbf{e}_z \partial_z f$$

$$\text{div } \mathbf{F} = \frac{1}{\rho} \partial_\rho (\rho F_\rho) + \frac{1}{\rho} \partial_\varphi F_\varphi + \partial_z F_z$$

$$\mathbf{curl} \mathbf{F} = \frac{1}{\rho} \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{e}_\rho & \rho \mathbf{e}_\varphi & \mathbf{e}_z \\ \partial_\rho & \partial_\varphi & \partial_z \\ F_\rho & \rho F_\varphi & F_z \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\Delta f = \frac{1}{\rho} \partial_\rho (\rho \partial_\rho f) + \frac{1}{\rho^2} \partial_\varphi^2 f + \partial_z^2 f$$

**Spherical Coordinates**

$$\mathbf{grad} f = \mathbf{e}_r \partial_r f + \mathbf{e}_\theta \frac{1}{r} \partial_\theta f + \mathbf{e}_\varphi \frac{1}{r \sin \theta} \partial_\varphi f$$

$$\text{div } \mathbf{F} = \frac{1}{r^2} \partial_r (r^2 F_r) + \frac{1}{r \sin \theta} \partial_\theta (\sin \theta F_\theta) + \frac{1}{r \sin \theta} \partial_\varphi F_\varphi$$

$$\mathbf{curl} \mathbf{F} = \frac{1}{r^2 \sin \theta} \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{e}_r & r \mathbf{e}_\theta & r \sin \theta \mathbf{e}_\varphi \\ \partial_r & \partial_\theta & \partial_\varphi \\ F_r & r F_\theta & r \sin \theta F_\varphi \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\Delta f = \frac{1}{r^2} \partial_r (r^2 \partial_r f) + \frac{1}{r^2 \sin \theta} \partial_\theta (\sin \theta \partial_\theta f) + \frac{1}{r^2 \sin^2 \theta} \partial_\varphi^2 f$$

**Integrals**

Parametrization of a curve  $C$

$$\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{r}(t), \quad a \leq t \leq b$$

**Line Integrals**

$$\int_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} = \int_a^b \mathbf{F}(x(t)) \cdot \frac{d\mathbf{r}}{dt} dt$$

**Circulation** of vector field along a closed contour

$$\oint_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r}$$

Parametrization of a surface  $S$

$$\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{r}(u, v),$$

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

**Unit Normal**

$$\mathbf{n} = \frac{\partial_u \mathbf{r} \times \partial_v \mathbf{r}}{|\partial_u \mathbf{r} \times \partial_v \mathbf{r}|}$$

For a surface given by

$$f(\mathbf{r}) = C$$

the Unit Normal is

$$\mathbf{n} = \frac{\nabla f}{|\nabla f|}$$

**Surface Element**

$$d\mathbf{S} = \mathbf{n} dS = \partial_u \mathbf{r} \times \partial_v \mathbf{r} du dv$$

$$dS = |\partial_u \mathbf{r} \times \partial_v \mathbf{r}| du dv$$

For a surface given by

$$z = f(x, y)$$

$$a \leq x \leq b, y_1(x) \leq y \leq y_2(x)$$

the Surface Element is

$$dS = \sqrt{1 + (\partial_x f)^2 + (\partial_y f)^2} dy dx$$

**Surface Integral** of a scalar field

$$\iint_S \varphi dS = \int_c^d \int_a^b \varphi(\mathbf{r}(u, v)) |\partial_u \mathbf{r} \times \partial_v \mathbf{r}| du dv$$

$$= \int_a^b \int_{y_1(x)}^{y_2(x)} \varphi(x, y, z(x, y)) \sqrt{1 + (\partial_x f)^2 + (\partial_y f)^2} dy dx$$

**Flux** of a Vector Field  $\mathbf{F}$  through the surface  $S$

$$\iint_S \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{S} = \iint_S \mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{n} dS$$

**Line Integral** of a Gradient

$$\int_P^Q \mathbf{grad} \varphi \cdot d\mathbf{r} = \varphi(Q) - \varphi(P)$$

**Circulation** of a Gradient along a closed contour

$$\oint_C \mathbf{grad} \varphi \cdot d\mathbf{r} = 0$$

**Gauss (Divergence) Theorem**

$$\iiint_D \text{div} \mathbf{F} dV = \iint_{\partial D} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{S}$$

$\partial D$  is a closed surface, which is the boundary of the solid region  $D$

**Green's Theorem**

$$\iint_S (\partial_1 F_2 - \partial_2 F_1) dx_1 dx_2 = \oint_{\partial S} (F_1 dx_1 + F_2 dx_2)$$

$\partial S$  is a closed plane curve, which is the boundary of the region  $S$  in the  $x_1 x_2$ -plane

**Stokes' Theorem**

$$\iint_S \mathbf{curl} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{S} = \oint_{\partial S} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r}$$

$\partial S$  is a closed space curve, which is the boundary of the surface  $S$

**Flux** of a curl through a *closed* surface  $S$

$$\iint_S \mathbf{curl} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{S} = 0$$

**Tensor Fields**

**Flux** of a Tensor Field

$$\iint_S T_{ik} n_k dS, \quad \iint_S T_{ik} n_i dS$$

**Divergence** of a Tensor (in Cartesian Coordinates)

$$\partial_i T_{ik}, \quad \partial_k T_{ik}$$

**Directional Derivative** (in Cartesian Coordinates)

$$\frac{dT_{ik}}{ds} = \frac{dx_j}{ds} \partial_j T_{ik}$$

Analog of curl of an antisymmetric 2-tensor

$$\begin{aligned} 3\varepsilon_{ijk} \partial_i A_{jk} &= \partial_1 A_{23} + \partial_2 A_{31} + \partial_3 A_{12} \\ &= \partial_1 \tilde{A}_1 + \partial_2 \tilde{A}_2 + \partial_3 \tilde{A}_3 = \operatorname{div} \tilde{\mathbf{A}} \end{aligned}$$