

## LINE INTEGRALS [SST 13.2]

### • LINE INTEGRAL OF A SCALAR FIELD:

- Given smooth curve  $C : \begin{cases} x = x(t) \\ y = y(t) \\ t \in [a, b] \end{cases}$  and continuous scalar field  $f(x, y)$

Then the **line integral** of  $f$  over curve  $C$  is defined to be

$$\int_C f(x, y) ds := \int_{\text{Starting } t\text{-value in } C}^{\text{Ending } t\text{-value in } C} f[x(t), y(t)] \sqrt{[x'(t)]^2 + [y'(t)]^2} dt = \int_a^b f[x(t), y(t)] \sqrt{[x'(t)]^2 + [y'(t)]^2} dt$$

$$\int_C f(x, y) dx = \int_{\text{Starting } t\text{-value in } C}^{\text{Ending } t\text{-value in } C} f[x(t), y(t)] x'(t) dt = \int_a^b f[x(t), y(t)] x'(t) dt$$

$$\int_C f(x, y) dy = \int_{\text{Starting } t\text{-value in } C}^{\text{Ending } t\text{-value in } C} f[x(t), y(t)] y'(t) dt = \int_a^b f[x(t), y(t)] y'(t) dt$$

- Given smooth curve  $\Gamma : \begin{cases} x = x(t) \\ y = y(t) \\ z = z(t) \\ t \in [a, b] \end{cases}$  and continuous scalar field  $f(x, y, z)$ .

Then the **line integral** of  $f$  over curve  $\Gamma$  is defined to be

$$\int_{\Gamma} f(x, y, z) ds := \int_a^b f[x(t), y(t), z(t)] \sqrt{[x'(t)]^2 + [y'(t)]^2 + [z'(t)]^2} dt$$

$$\int_{\Gamma} f(x, y, z) dx = \int_a^b f[x(t), y(t), z(t)] x'(t) dt$$

$$\int_{\Gamma} f(x, y, z) dy = \int_a^b f[x(t), y(t), z(t)] y'(t) dt$$

$$\int_{\Gamma} f(x, y, z) dz = \int_a^b f[x(t), y(t), z(t)] z'(t) dt$$

### • LINE INTEGRAL OF A VECTOR FIELD:

- Let vector function  $\vec{\mathbf{R}}(t) = \langle x(t), y(t) \rangle$  trace out a smooth curve  $C$  in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

Let vector field  $\vec{\mathbf{F}}(x, y) = \langle u(x, y), v(x, y) \rangle$  be continuous on  $C$ .

Then the **line integral of  $\vec{\mathbf{F}}$  along  $C$**  is defined by

$$\int_C \vec{\mathbf{F}} \cdot d\vec{\mathbf{R}} := \int_C [u(x, y) dx + v(x, y) dy]$$

where  $d\vec{\mathbf{R}} = \langle dx, dy \rangle$

- Let vector function  $\vec{\mathbf{R}}(t) = \langle x(t), y(t), z(t) \rangle$  trace out a smooth curve  $\Gamma$  in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

Let vector field  $\vec{\mathbf{F}}(x, y, z) = \langle u(x, y, z), v(x, y, z), w(x, y, z) \rangle$  be continuous on  $\Gamma$ .

Then the **line integral of  $\vec{\mathbf{F}}$  along  $\Gamma$**  is defined by

$$\int_{\Gamma} \vec{\mathbf{F}} \cdot d\vec{\mathbf{R}} := \int_{\Gamma} [u(x, y, z) dx + v(x, y, z) dy + w(x, y, z) dz]$$

where  $d\vec{\mathbf{R}} = \langle dx, dy, dz \rangle$

- **MASS OF A THIN WIRE:** Mass =  $\int_C \rho(x, y, z) ds$ , where wire is in the shape of curve  $C$  and has density  $\rho(x, y, z)$ .

- **WORK AS A LINE INTEGRAL:** Work =  $\int_{\Gamma} \vec{\mathbf{F}} \cdot d\vec{\mathbf{R}}$ , where  $\vec{\mathbf{F}}$  is a **force field** and object is moved along curve  $\Gamma$ .

**EX 13.2.1:** Compute the line integral  $\int_C \frac{1}{x+1} ds$ , where curve  $C : \begin{cases} x = 2t \\ y = t \\ 0 \leq t \leq 1 \end{cases}$

**EX 13.2.2:** Compute the line integral  $\int_{\Gamma} \frac{y^2}{x^3} ds$ , where curve  $\Gamma : \begin{cases} x = 2t \\ y = t^4 \\ t \in [0, 1] \end{cases}$

**EX 13.2.3:** Compute  $\int_C (-xy^2 dx + x^2 dy)$ , where  $C$  is the path from  $(-1, 1)$  to  $(0, 1)$  along line  $y = 1$  and then from  $(0, 1)$  to  $(1, 0)$  along quarter-circle  $x^2 + y^2 = 1$ .

**EX 13.2.4:** Compute  $\int_{\Gamma} (-y \, dx + x \, dy + xz \, dz)$ , where curve  $\Gamma : \begin{cases} x = \cos t \\ y = \sin t \\ z = t \\ t \in [0, 2\pi] \end{cases}$

**EX 13.2.5:** Compute  $\int_C \vec{\mathbf{F}} \cdot d\vec{\mathbf{R}}$ , where  $\vec{\mathbf{F}}(x, y) = \langle 5x + y, x \rangle$  and  $C$  is the curve traced by  $\vec{\mathbf{R}}(t) = \langle t^2, -t \rangle$  for  $0 \leq t \leq 1$ .

**EX 13.2.6:** Find the work done by the force field  $\vec{\mathbf{F}}(x, y, z) = \langle 2xy, x^2 + 2, y \rangle$  on an object moving along  $\Gamma$ , where  $\Gamma$  is the line segment from  $(1, 0, 2)$  to  $(3, 4, 1)$ .

**EX 13.2.7:** Find the total mass of a thin wire with density  $\rho(x, y, z) = 3xyz$  in the shape of curve  $C$  : 
$$\begin{cases} x = 2t \\ y = t^2 \\ z = \frac{1}{3}t^3 \\ t \in [0, 2] \end{cases}$$