

Calculus - Period 3

Functions of Multiple Variables

Definitions:

The domain D is the set (x, y) for which $f(x, y)$ exists. The range is the set of values z for which there are x, y such that $z = f(x, y)$. The level curves are the curves with equations $f(x, y) = k$ where k is a constant.

Checking for Limits:

If $f(x, y) \rightarrow L_1$ as $(x, y) \rightarrow (a, b)$ along a path C_1 and $f(x, y) \rightarrow L_2$ as $(x, y) \rightarrow (a, b)$ along a path C_2 , where $L_1 \neq L_2$ then $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (a,b)} f(x, y)$ does not exist. Also f is continuous at (a, b) if $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (a,b)} f(x, y) = f(a, b)$

Partial Derivatives:

The partial derivative of f with respect to x at (a, b) is:

$$f_x(a, b) = g'(a) \quad \text{where} \quad g(x) = f(x, b) \quad (1)$$

In words, to find f_x , regard y as constant and differentiate $f(x, y)$ with respect to x . f_y is defined similarly. If f_{xy} and f_{yx} are both continuous on D , then $f_{xy} = f_{yx}$.

Tangent Planes:

For points close to $z_0 = f(x_0, y_0)$ the curve of $f(x, y)$ can be approximated by:

$$z - z_0 = f_x(x_0, y_0)(x - x_0) + f_y(x_0, y_0)(y - y_0) \quad (2)$$

The plane described by this equation is the plane tangent to the curve of $f(x, y)$ at (x_0, y_0) .

Differentials:

$$dz = f_x(x, y)dx + f_y(x, y)dy = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x}dx + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y}dy \quad (3)$$

If $z = f(x, y)$, $x = g(s, t)$ and $y = h(s, t)$ then:

$$\frac{dz}{ds} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \frac{dx}{ds} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \frac{dy}{ds} \quad (4)$$

Directional Derivatives:

The directional derivative of f at (x_0, y_0) in the direction of a unit vector (meaning, $|\mathbf{u}| = 1$) $\mathbf{u} = \langle a, b \rangle$ is:

$$D_{\mathbf{u}}f(x_0, y_0) = f_x(x, y)a + f_y(x, y)b = \nabla f \cdot \mathbf{u} \quad (5)$$

$$\text{grad } f = \nabla f = \langle f_x(x, y), f_y(x, y) \rangle \quad (6)$$

The maximum value of $D_{\mathbf{u}}f(x, y)$ is $|\nabla f(x, y)|$ and occurs when the vector $\mathbf{u} = \langle a, b \rangle$ has the same direction as $\nabla f(x, y)$.

Local Maxima and Minima:

If f has a local maximum or minimum at (a, b) , then $f_x(a, b) = 0$ and $f_y(a, b) = 0$. If $f_x(a, b) = 0$ and $f_y(a, b) = 0$ then (a, b) is a critical point. If (a, b) is a critical point, then let D be defined as:

$$D = D(a, b) = f_{xx}(a, b)f_{yy}(a, b) - (f_{xy}(a, b))^2 \quad (7)$$

- If $D > 0$ then:
 - If $f_{xx}(a, b) > 0$, then $f(a, b)$ is a minimum.
 - If $f_{xx}(a, b) < 0$, then $f(a, b)$ is a maximum.
- If $D < 0$, then $f(a, b)$ is a saddle point.

Absolute Maxima and Minima:

To find the absolute maximum and minimum values of a continuous function f on a closed bounded set D , first find the values of f at the critical points of f in D . Then find the extreme values of f on the boundary of D . The largest of these values is the absolute maximum. The lowest is the minimum.

Multiple Integrals

Integrals over Rectangles:

If R is the rectangle such that $R = \{(x, y) | a \leq x \leq b, c \leq y \leq d\}$, then:

$$\iint_R f(x, y) dA = \int_a^b \int_c^d f(x, y) dy dx \quad (8)$$

$$\iint_R f(x, y) dA = \int_c^d \int_a^b f(x, y) dx dy \quad (9)$$

Integrals over Regions:

If D_1 is the region such that $D_1 = \{(x, y) | a \leq x \leq b, g_1(x) \leq y \leq g_2(x)\}$, then:

$$\iint_{D_1} f(x, y) dA = \int_a^b \int_{g_1(x)}^{g_2(x)} f(x, y) dy dx \quad (10)$$

If D_2 is the region such that $D_2 = \{(x, y) | a \leq y \leq b, h_1(y) \leq x \leq h_2(y)\}$, then:

$$\iint_{D_2} f(x, y) dA = \int_a^b \int_{h_1(y)}^{h_2(y)} f(x, y) dx dy \quad (11)$$

Integrating over Polar Coordinates

$$r^2 = x^2 + y^2 \quad \tan \theta = \frac{y}{x} \quad (12)$$

$$x = r \cos \theta \quad y = r \sin \theta \quad (13)$$

If R is the polar rectangle such that $R = \{(r, \theta) | 0 \leq a \leq r \leq b, \alpha \leq \theta \leq \beta\}$ where $0 \leq \beta - \alpha \leq 2\pi$, then:

$$\iint_R f(x, y) dA = \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} \int_a^b f(r \cos \theta, r \sin \theta) r dr d\theta \quad (14)$$

If D is the polar rectangle such that $D = \{(r, \theta) | 0 \leq h_1(\theta) \leq r \leq h_2(\theta), \alpha \leq \theta \leq \beta\}$ where $0 \leq \beta - \alpha \leq 2\pi$, then:

$$\iint_R f(x, y) dA = \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} \int_{h_1(\theta)}^{h_2(\theta)} f(r \cos \theta, r \sin \theta) r dr d\theta \quad (15)$$

Applications:

If m is the mass, and $\rho(x, y)$ the density, then:

$$m = \iint_D \rho(x, y) dA \quad (16)$$

The x -coordinate of the center of mass is:

$$\bar{x} = \frac{\iint_D x \rho(x, y) dA}{\iint_D \rho(x, y) dA} \quad (17)$$

The moment of inertia about the x -axis is:

$$I_x = \iint_D y^2 \rho(x, y) dA \quad (18)$$

The moment of inertia about the origin is:

$$I_0 = \iint_D (x^2 + y^2) \rho(x, y) dA = I_x + I_y \quad (19)$$

Triple Integrals

If E is the volume such that $E = \{(x, y, z) | a \leq x \leq b, g_1(x) \leq y \leq g_2(x), h_1(x, y) \leq z \leq h_2(x, y)\}$, then:

$$\iiint_E f(x, y, z) dV = \int_a^b \int_{g_1(x)}^{g_2(x)} \int_{h_1(x, y)}^{h_2(x, y)} f(x, y, z) dz dy dx \quad (20)$$