CHAPTER 12 MULTIPLE INTEGRALS

CHANGE OF VARIABLES IN MULTIPLE INTEGRALS

CHANGE OF VARIABLES IN SINGLE INTEGRALS

In one-dimensional calculus. we often use a change of variable (a substitution) to simplify an integral.

More generally, we consider a change of variables that is given by a **transformation** T from the *uv*-plane to the *xy*-plane: T(u, v) = (x, y)where x and y are related to u and v by x = g(u, v) y = h(u, v)• We sometimes write these as

$$x = x(u, v) \qquad \qquad y = y(u, v)$$

✤We usually assume that *T* is a *C*¹ transformation.

• This means that g and h have continuous first-order partial derivatives.

A transformation *T* is really just a function whose domain and range are both subsets of \mathbb{R}^2 .

IMAGE & ONE-TO-ONE TRANSFORMATION

- ✤ If $T(u_1, v_1) = (x_1, y_1)$, then the point (x_1, y_1) is called the **image** of the point (u_1, v_1) .
- ✤If no two points have the same image, *T* is called **one-to-one**.

Figure 1 shows the effect of a transformation T on a region S in the *uv*-plane.

T transforms *S* into a region *R* in the *xy*-plane called the **image of** *S*, consisting of the images of all points in *S*.



If *T* is a one-to-one transformation, it has an **inverse transformation** T^{-1} from the *xy*-plane to the *uv*-plane.



FIGURE

Then, it may be possible to solve Equations 3 for *u* and *v* in terms of *x* and *y*:

$$u = G(x, y)$$

$$v = H(x, y)$$

Example 1

A transformation is defined by:

$$x = u^2 - v^2$$
$$y = 2uv$$

Find the image of the square

$$S = \{(u, v) \mid 0 \le u \le 1, 0 \le v \le 1\}$$

The transformation maps the boundary of S into the boundary of the image.

• So, we begin by finding the images of the sides of *S*. The first side, S_1 , is given by: $v = 0 \ (0 \le u \le 1)$

See Figure 2.



From the given equations, we have:

$$x = u^2$$
, $y = 0$, and so $0 \le x \le 1$.

Thus, S₁ is mapped into the line segment from (0, 0) to (1, 0) in the *xy*-plane.

The second side,
$$S_2$$
, is:
 $u = 1 \ (0 \le v \le 1)$

• Putting u = 1 in the given equations, we get: $x = 1 - v^2$ y = 2v



Eliminating v, we obtain: $x = 1 - \frac{y^2}{\Delta} \qquad 0 \le x \le 1$ which is part of a parabola. Similarly, S_3 is given by: $v = 1 \ (0 \le u \le 1)$ Its image is the parabolic arc $x = \frac{y^2}{4} - 1$ $(-1 \le x \le 0)$



Finally,
$$S_4$$
 is given by:
 $u = 0(0 \le v \le 1)$

Its image is:

$$x = -v^2, y = 0$$

that is,

$$-1 \le x \le 0$$



Notice that as, we move around the square in the counterclockwise direction, we also move around the parabolic region in the counterclockwise direction.



Example 1 SOLUTION

- The image of S is the region R (shown in Figure 2) bounded by:
 - The *x*-axis.
 - The parabolas given by Equations 4 and 5.



Now, let's see how a change of variables affects a double integral.

- We start with a small rectangle *S* in the *uv*-plane whose:
 - Lower left corner is the point (u_0, v_0) .
 - Dimensions are Δu and Δv .
 - See Figure 3.



The image of S is a region R in the xy-plane, one of whose boundary points is:

$$(x_0, y_0) = T(u_0, v_0)$$



FIGURE 3

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The vector $\mathbf{r}(u, v) = g(u, v) \mathbf{i} + h(u, v) \mathbf{j}$ is the position vector of the image of the point (u, v).



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FIGURE 3

The equation of the lower side of *S* is:

$$v = v_0$$

Its image curve is given by the vector function
 r(u, v₀).



FIGURE 3

The tangent vector at (x_0, y_0) to this image curve is:

$$\mathbf{r}_{u} = g_{u}(u_{0}, v_{0})\mathbf{i} + h_{u}(u_{0}, v_{0})\mathbf{j} = \frac{\partial x}{\partial u}\mathbf{i} + \frac{\partial y}{\partial u}\mathbf{j}$$



FIGURE 3

Similarly, the tangent vector at (x_0, y_0) to the image curve of the left side of $S(u = u_0)$ is:

$$\mathbf{r}_{v} = g_{v}(u_{0}, v_{0})\mathbf{i} + h_{v}(u_{0}, v_{0})\mathbf{j} = \frac{\partial x}{\partial v}\mathbf{i} + \frac{\partial y}{\partial v}\mathbf{j}$$



FIGURE 3

We can approximate the image region R = T(S)by a parallelogram determined by the secant vectors

$$\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{r}(u_0 + \Delta u, v_0)$$
$$-\mathbf{r}(u_0, v_0)$$
$$\mathbf{b} = \mathbf{r}(u_0, v_0 + \Delta v)$$
$$-\mathbf{r}(u_0, v_0)$$



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✤However,

$$\mathbf{r}_{u} = \lim_{\Delta u \to 0} \frac{\mathbf{r}(u_0 + \Delta u, v_0) - \mathbf{r}(u_0, v_0)}{\Delta u}$$

So,

$$\mathbf{r}(u_0 + \Delta u, v_0) - \mathbf{r}(u_0, v_0) \approx \Delta u \mathbf{r}_u$$

Similarly,

$$\mathbf{r}(u_0, v_0 + \Delta v) - \mathbf{r}(u_0, v_0) \approx \Delta v \, \mathbf{r}_v$$

This means that we can approximate *R* by a parallelogram determined by the vectors $\Delta u \mathbf{r}_u$ and $\Delta v \mathbf{r}_v$

See Figure 5.



Thus, we can approximate the area of *R* by the area of this parallelogram, which, from Section 10.4, is $|(\Delta u \mathbf{r}_u) \times (\Delta v \mathbf{r}_v)| = |\mathbf{r}_u \times \mathbf{r}_v| \Delta u \Delta v$ Computing the cross product, we obtain:

$$\mathbf{r}_{u} \times \mathbf{r}_{v} = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ \frac{\partial x}{\partial u} & \frac{\partial y}{\partial u} & 0 \\ \frac{\partial x}{\partial v} & \frac{\partial y}{\partial u} & 0 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{\partial x}{\partial u} & \frac{\partial y}{\partial u} \\ \frac{\partial x}{\partial v} & \frac{\partial y}{\partial u} \end{vmatrix} \mathbf{k} = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{\partial x}{\partial u} & \frac{\partial x}{\partial v} \\ \frac{\partial y}{\partial u} & \frac{\partial y}{\partial v} \end{vmatrix} \mathbf{k}$$

The determinant that arises in this calculation is called the *Jacobian* of the transformation.

• It is given a special notation.

Definition 7

The **Jacobian** of the transformation *T* given by x = g(u, v) and y = h(u, v) is $\frac{\partial(x, y)}{\partial(u, v)} = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{\partial x}{\partial u} & \frac{\partial x}{\partial v} \\ \frac{\partial y}{\partial u} & \frac{\partial y}{\partial v} \end{vmatrix} = \frac{\partial x}{\partial u} \frac{\partial y}{\partial v} - \frac{\partial x}{\partial v} \frac{\partial y}{\partial u}$ *With this notation, we can use Equation 6 to give an approximation to the area ΔA of *R*:

$$\Delta A \approx \left| \frac{\partial(x, y)}{\partial(u, v)} \right| \Delta u \, \Delta v$$

where the Jacobian is evaluated at (u_0, v_0) .

The Jacobian is named after the German mathematician Carl Gustav Jacob Jacobi (1804–1851).

- The French mathematician Cauchy first used these special determinants involving partial derivatives.
- Jacobi, though, developed them into a method for evaluating multiple integrals.

Next, we divide a region S in the *uv*-plane into rectangles S_{ij} and call their images in the *xy*plane R_{ij} .



FIGURE 6

Applying Approximation 8 to each R_{ij} , we approximate the double integral of f over R as follows.



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$$\iint_{R} f(x, y) \, dA$$

$$\approx \sum_{i=1}^{m} \sum_{j=1}^{n} f(x_i, y_j) \Delta A$$

$$\approx \sum_{i=1}^{m} \sum_{j=1}^{n} f(g(u_i, v_j), h(u_i, v_j)) \left| \frac{\partial(x, y)}{\partial(u, v)} \right| \Delta u \,\Delta v$$

*where the Jacobian is evaluated at (u_i, v_j) .

Notice that this double sum is a Riemann sum for the integral

$$\iint_{S} f(g(u,v),h(u,v)) \left| \frac{\partial(x,y)}{\partial(u,v)} \right| du dv$$

The foregoing argument suggests that the following theorem is true.

• A full proof is given in books on advanced calculus.

Suppose *T* is a *C*¹ transformation whose Jacobian is nonzero and that maps a region *S* in the *uv*-plane onto a region *R* in the *xy*-plane. Suppose *f* is continuous on *R* and that *R* and *S* are type I or type II plane regions. Suppose *T* is one-to-one, except perhaps on the boundary of *S*. Then

$$\iint_{R} f(x, y) dA = \iint_{S} f(x(u, v), y(u, v)) \left| \frac{\partial(x, y)}{\partial(u, v)} \right| du dv$$

Theorem 9 says that we change from an integral in x and y to an integral in u and v by expressing x and y in terms of u and v and writing:

$$dA = \left| \frac{\partial(x, y)}{\partial(u, v)} \right| du \, dv$$

- Notice the similarity between Theorem 9 and the one-dimensional formula in Equation 2.
 - Instead of the derivative dx/du, we have the absolute value of the Jacobian, that is,
 |∂(x, y)/∂(u, v)|

As a first illustration of Theorem 9, we show that the formula for integration in polar coordinates is just a special case.

Here, the transformation *T* from the *rθ*-plane to the *xy*-plane is given by:

$$x = g(r, \theta) = r \cos \theta$$
$$y = h(r, \theta) = r \sin \theta$$

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- The geometry of the transformation is shown in Figure 7.
 - *T* maps an ordinary rectangle in the *rθ*-plane to a polar rectangle in the *xy*-plane.



FIGURE 7

The polar coordinate transformation

The Jacobian of T is:

$$\frac{\partial(x, y)}{\partial(r, \theta)} = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{\partial x}{\partial r} & \frac{\partial x}{\partial \theta} \\ \frac{\partial y}{\partial r} & \frac{\partial x}{\partial \theta} \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} \cos \theta & -r\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & r\cos \theta \end{vmatrix}$$
$$= r\cos^2 \theta + r\sin^2 \theta$$

= r > 0

✤So, Theorem 9 gives:

$$\iint_{R} f(x, y) dx dy$$

=
$$\iint_{S} f(r \cos \theta, r \sin \theta) \left| \frac{\partial(x, y)}{\partial(u, v)} \right| dr d\theta$$

=
$$\int_{\alpha}^{\beta} \int_{a}^{b} f(r \cos \theta, r \sin \theta) r dr d\theta$$

• This is the same as Formula 2 in Section 12.3

Example 2

- Use the change of variables $x = u^2 v^2$, y = 2uvto evaluate the integral $\iint_R y \, dA$ where *R* is the region bounded by:
 - The *x*-axis.
 - The parabolas $y^2 = 4 4x$ and $y^2 = 4 + 4x$, $y \ge 0$.

The region R is pictured in Figure 2.



In Example 1, we discovered that T(S) = R

where *S* is the square $[0, 1] \times [0, 1]$.

 Indeed, the reason for making the change of variables to evaluate the integral is that S is a much simpler region than R. First, we need to compute the Jacobian:

$$\frac{\partial(x, y)}{\partial(u, v)} = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{\partial x}{\partial u} & \frac{\partial x}{\partial v} \\ \frac{\partial y}{\partial u} & \frac{\partial y}{\partial v} \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 2u & -2v \\ 2v & 2u \end{vmatrix}$$
$$= 4u^2 + 4v^2 > 0$$

So, by Theorem 9, $\iint_{R} y \, dA = \iint_{S} 2uv \left| \frac{\partial(x, y)}{\partial(u, v)} \right| dA$ $= \int_{0}^{1} \int_{0}^{1} (2uv) 4(u^{2} + v^{2}) \, du \, dv$ $= 8 \int_{0}^{1} \int_{0}^{1} (u^{3}v + uv^{3}) \, du \, dv$ $= 8 \int_{0}^{1} \left[\frac{1}{4} u^{4} v + \frac{1}{2} u^{2} v^{3} \right]_{u=0}^{u=1} dv$ $= \int_{0}^{1} (2v + 4v^{3}) dv = \left[v^{2} + v^{4} \right]_{0}^{1} = 2$

- Example 2 was not very difficult to solve as we were given a suitable change of variables.
- If we are not supplied with a transformation, the first step is to think of an appropriate change of variables.

•If f(x, y) is difficult to integrate,

- The form of *f*(*x*, *y*) may suggest a transformation.
- If the region of integration R is awkward,
 - The transformation should be chosen so that the corresponding region *S* in the *uv*-plane has a convenient description.

Example 3

Evaluate the integral $\iint_{R} e^{(x+y)/(x-y)} dA$

where *R* is the trapezoidal region with vertices (1, 0), (2, 0), (0, -2), (0, -1)

- •It isn't easy to integrate $e^{(x+y)/(x-y)}$.
- So, we make a change of variables suggested by the form of this function:

$$u = x + y$$
 $v = x - y$

 These equations define a transformation T⁻¹ from the *xy*-plane to the *uv*-plane. Theorem 9 talks about a transformation T from the *uv*-plane to the *xy*-plane.

It is obtained by solving Equations 10 for x and y:

$$x = \frac{1}{2}(u + v)$$
 $y = \frac{1}{2}(u - v)$

The Jacobian of T is:

$$\frac{\partial(x, y)}{\partial(u, v)} = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{\partial x}{\partial u} & \frac{\partial x}{\partial v} \\ \frac{\partial y}{\partial u} & \frac{\partial y}{\partial v} \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \end{vmatrix} = -\frac{1}{2}$$

To find the region S in the uv-plane corresponding to R, we note that:

• The sides of *R* lie on the lines

y = 0 x - y = 2 x = 0 x - y = 1

• From either Equations 10 or Equations 11, the image lines in the *uv*-plane are:

$$u = v \quad v = 2 \quad u = -v \quad v = 1$$

Example 3 SOLUTION

Thus, the region S is the trapezoidal region with vertices (1, 1), (2, 2), (-2, 2), (-1, 1) shown in Figure 8.

$$S = \{(u, v) \mid 1 \le v \le 2, -v \le u \le v \}$$



✤So, Theorem 9 gives:

$$\iint_{R} e^{(x+y)/(x-y)} dA = \iint_{S} e^{u/v} \left| \frac{\partial(x,y)}{\partial(u,v)} \right| du \, dv$$
$$= \int_{1}^{2} \int_{-v}^{v} e^{u/v} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) du \, dv$$
$$= \frac{1}{2} \int_{1}^{2} \left[v e^{u/v} \right]_{u=-v}^{u=v} dv$$
$$= \frac{1}{2} \int_{1}^{2} (e - e^{-1}) v \, dv = \frac{3}{4} (e - e^{-1})$$

There is a similar change of variables formula for triple integrals.

Let *T* be a transformation that maps a region *S* in *uvw*-space onto a region *R* in *xyz*-space by means of the equations

x = g(u, v, w) y = h(u, v, w) z = k(u, v, w)

The **Jacobian** of *T* is this 3×3 determinant:

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

Under hypotheses similar to those in Theorem 9, we have this formula for triple integrals:

$$\iiint_{R} f(x, y, z) dV$$

=
$$\iiint_{S} f(x(u, v, w), y(u, v, w), z(u, v, w)) \left| \frac{\partial(x, y, z)}{\partial(u, v, w)} \right| du dv dw$$

Use Formula 13 to derive the formula for triple integration in spherical coordinates.

SOLUTION

• The change of variables is given by: $x = \rho \sin \phi \cos \theta$ $y = \rho \sin \phi \sin \theta$ $z = \rho \cos \phi$ We compute the Jacobian as follows:

$$\frac{\partial(x, y, z)}{\partial(\rho, \theta, \phi)}$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} \sin\phi\cos\theta & -\rho\sin\phi\sin\theta & \rho\cos\phi\cos\theta \\ \sin\phi\sin\theta & \rho\sin\phi\cos\theta & \rho\cos\phi\sin\theta \\ \cos\phi & 0 & -\rho\sin\phi \end{vmatrix}$$

 $=\cos\phi \begin{vmatrix} -\rho\sin\phi\sin\theta & \rho\cos\phi\cos\theta \\ \rho\sin\phi\cos\theta & \rho\cos\phi\sin\theta \end{vmatrix}$ $-\rho\sin\phi \begin{vmatrix} \sin\phi\cos\theta & -\rho\sin\phi\sin\theta \\ \sin\phi\sin\theta & \rho\sin\phi\cos\theta \end{vmatrix}$ $= \cos \phi (-\rho^2 \sin \phi \cos \phi \sin^2 \theta - \rho^2 \sin \phi \cos \phi \cos^2 \theta)$ $-\rho\sin\phi(\rho\sin^2\phi\cos^2\theta+\rho\sin^2\phi\sin^2\theta)$ $= -\rho^2 \sin\phi \cos^2\phi - \rho^2 \sin\phi \sin^2\phi$ $=-\rho^2\sin\phi$

Since $0 \le \phi \le \pi$, we have $\sin \phi \ge 0$. Therefore,

$$\frac{\partial(x, y, z)}{\partial(\rho, \theta, \phi)} = \left| -\rho^2 \sin \phi \right| = \rho^2 \sin \phi$$

Thus, Formula 13 gives:

$$\iiint_{R} f(x, y, z) dV$$

=
$$\iiint_{S} f(\rho \sin \phi \cos \theta, \rho \sin \phi \sin \theta, \rho \cos \phi)$$
$$\rho^{2} \sin \phi d\rho \ d\theta \ d\phi$$

• This is equivalent to Formula 3 in Section12.7.