

Section 16.2

Definition: We start with a plane curve C given by the parametric equations

$$x = x(t) \quad y = y(t) \quad a \leq t \leq b$$

If f is defined on a smooth curve C given by the equation above, then the **line integral of f along C** is

$$\int_C f(x, y) ds = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^n f(x_i^*, y_i^*) \Delta s_i$$

if this limit exists.

Line Integral Formula: $\int_C f(x, y) ds = \int_a^b f(x(t), y(t)) \sqrt{\left(\frac{dx}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dy}{dt}\right)^2} dt$

Exercise 1. Evaluate $\int_C xy^2 ds$ if C has the parametrization

$$x = \cos t, \quad y = \sin t; \quad 0 \leq t \leq \pi/2.$$

(Swok Sec 18.2 Ex 1)

Exercise 2. Evaluate $\int_C (xy + 2z) ds$ on the following line segments.

(a) The line segment from $P(1, 0, 0)$ to $Q(0, 1, 1)$ (b) The line segment from $Q(0, 1, 1)$ to $P(1, 0, 0)$
(Briggs Sec 14.2 Ex 3)

Class Exercise 1. Evaluate the line integral, where C is the given curve. (#2,4)

(a) $\int_C xy ds$, C : $x = t^2$, $y = 2t$, $0 \leq t \leq 1$

(b) $\int_C x \sin y ds$, C is the line segment from $(0,3)$ to $(4,6)$

Definition: The **line integrals of f along C with respect to x and y :**

$$\int_C f(x, y) dx = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^n f(x_i^*, y_i^*) \Delta x_i \quad \int_C f(x, y) dy = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^n f(x_i^*, y_i^*) \Delta y_i$$

Formula: Suppose $x = x(t)$ and $y = y(t)$

$$\int_C f(x, y) dx = \int_a^b f(x(t), y(t)) x'(t) dt$$
$$\int_C f(x, y) dy = \int_a^b f(x(t), y(t)) y'(t) dt$$

Line Integral Abbreviation: $\int_C P(x, y) dx + \int_C Q(x, y) dy = \int_C P(x, y) dx + Q(x, y) dy.$

Exercise 3. Evaluate $\int_C xy dx + x^2 dy$ if

(a) C consists of line segments from $(2,1)$ to $(4,1)$ and from $(4,1)$ to $(4,5)$

(b) C is the line segment from $(2,1)$ to $(4,5)$. (Swok Sec 18.2 Ex 4)

Class Exercise 2. Evaluate the line integral, where C is the given curve. (#6,8)

(a) $\int_C e^x dx$, C is the arc of the curve $x = y^3$ from $(-1, -1)$ to $(1, 1)$

(b) $\int_C x^2 dx + y^2 dy$, C consists of the arc of the circle $x^2 + y^2 = 4$ from $(2,0)$ to $(0,2)$ followed by the line segment from $(0,2)$ to $(4,3)$

Definition: In general, a given parametrization $x = x(t)$, $y = y(t)$, $a \leq t \leq b$, determines an **orientation** of a curve C , with the positive direction corresponding to increasing values of the parameter t .

Line Integrals in Space: We now suppose that C is a smooth space curve given by the parametric equations: $x = x(t)$ $y = y(t)$ $z = z(t)$ $a \leq t \leq b$.

Definition: We define the **line integral of f along C** in a manner similar to that for plane curves:

$$\int_C f(x, y, z) ds = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^n f(x_i^*, y_i^*, z_i^*) \Delta s_i.$$

Formula

$$\int_C f(x, y, z) ds = \int_a^b f(x(t), y(t), z(t)) \sqrt{\left(\frac{dx}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dy}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dz}{dt}\right)^2} dt.$$

Line integrals along C with respect to x , y , and z can also be defined. For example,

$$\int_C f(x, y, z) dz = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(x_i^*, y_i^*, z_i^*) \Delta z_i = \int_a^b f(x(t), y(t), z(t)) z'(t) dt.$$

Line Integral Abbreviation: We evaluate integrals of the form

$$\int_C P(x, y, z) dx + Q(x, y, z) dy + R(x, y, z) dz$$

by expressing everything (x, y, z, dx, dy, dz) in terms of the parameter t .

Exercise 4. Evaluate the line integral $\int_C -y dx + z dy + 2x dz$, where C is the helix $\vec{r}(t) = (\cos t)\vec{i} + (\sin t)\vec{j} + t\vec{k}$, $0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$. (Hass Sec 16.2 Ex 3)

Exercise 5. Evaluate $\int_C y \sin z ds$, where C is circular helix given by the equations $x = \cos t$, $y = \sin t$, $z = t$, $0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$. (Stew Sec 16.2 Ex 5)

Exercise 6. Evaluate $\int_C yz dx + xz dy + xy dz$ if C is given by

$$x = t, y = t^2, z = t^3; 0 \leq t \leq 2. \text{ (Swok Sec 18.2 Ex 5)}$$

Class Exercise 3. Evaluate the line integral, where C is the given curve. (#10-16 even)

(a) $\int_C xyz^2 ds$, C is the line segment from $(-1, 5, 0)$ to $(1, 6, 4)$

(b) $\int_C (x^2 + y^2 + z^2) ds$, $C: x = t, y = \cos 2t, z = \sin 2t, 0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$

(c) $\int_C y dx + z dy + x dz$, $C: x = \sqrt{t}, y = t^2, z = t^3, 1 \leq t \leq 4$

(d) $\int_C (y+z) dx + (x+z) dy + (x+y) dz$, C consists of line segments from $(0,0,0)$ to $(1,0,1)$ and from $(1,0,1)$ to $(0,1,2)$.

Definition: The **work** W done by the force field \vec{F} is the limit of Riemann sums:

$$W = \int_C \vec{F}(x, y, z) \cdot \vec{T}(x, y, z) ds = \int_C \vec{F} \cdot \vec{T} ds.$$

Here is the computational formula: $W = \int_a^b \vec{F}(\vec{r}(t)) \cdot \vec{r}'(t) dt$.

Definition: Let \vec{F} be a continuous vector field defined on a smooth curve C given by a vector function $\vec{r}(t)$, $a \leq t \leq b$. Then, the **line integral of \vec{F} along C** is

$$\int_C \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} = \int_a^b \vec{F}(\vec{r}(t)) \cdot \vec{r}'(t) dt = \int_C \vec{F} \cdot \vec{T} ds.$$

Exercise 7. Evaluate $\int_C \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r}$, where $\vec{F}(x, y, z) = z\vec{i} + xy\vec{j} - y^2\vec{k}$ along the curve C given by $\vec{r}(t) = t^2\vec{i} + t\vec{j} + \sqrt{t}\vec{k}$, $0 \leq t \leq 1$. (Hass Sec 16.2 Ex 2)

Class Exercise 4. Evaluate the line integral $\int_C \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r}$, where C is given by the vector function $\vec{r}(t)$. (#20,22)

(a) $\vec{F}(x, y, z) = (x+y)\vec{i} + (y-z)\vec{j} + z^2\vec{k}$, $\vec{r}(t) = t^2\vec{i} + t^3\vec{j} + t^2\vec{k}$, $0 \leq t \leq 1$

(b) $\vec{F}(x, y, z) = x\vec{i} + y\vec{j} + xy\vec{k}$, $\vec{r}(t) = \cos t\vec{i} + \sin t\vec{j} + t\vec{k}$, $0 \leq t \leq \pi$

Exercise 8. Find the work done by the force field $\vec{F} = (y-x^2)\vec{i} + (z-y^2)\vec{j} + (x-z^2)\vec{k}$ along the curve $\vec{r}(t) = t\vec{i} + t^2\vec{j} + t^3\vec{k}$, $0 \leq t \leq 1$, from $(0,0,0)$ to $(1,1,1)$. (Hass Sec 16.2 Ex 4)

Exercise 9. Find the work done by the force field $\vec{F} = x\vec{i} + y\vec{j} + z\vec{k}$ in moving an object along the curve C parametrized by $\vec{r}(t) = \cos(\pi t)\vec{i} + t^2\vec{j} + \sin(\pi t)\vec{k}$, $0 \leq t \leq 1$. (Hass Sec 16.2 Ex 5)

Class Exercise 5. Find the work done by the force field $\vec{F}(x, y) = x^2\vec{i} + ye^x\vec{j}$ on a particle that moves along the parabola $x = y^2 + 1$ from $(1,0)$ to $(2,1)$. (#40)

Class Exercise 6. The force exerted by an electric charge at the origin on a charged particle at a point (x, y, z) with position vector $\vec{r} = \langle x, y, z \rangle$ is $\vec{F}(\vec{r}) = K\vec{r}/|\vec{r}|^3$ where K is a constant. Find the work done as the particle moves from a straight line from $(2,0,0)$ to $(2,1,5)$. (#42)

Connection Between Line Integrals of Vector Fields and Line Integrals of Scalar Fields:

$$\int_C \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} = \int_C P dx + Q dy + R dz, \text{ where } \vec{F} = P\vec{i} + Q\vec{j} + R\vec{k}.$$