

Math 2500 - Lecture 4 - Lines and planes.

The equation of a line through \vec{r}_0 parallel to \vec{v} , $\vec{r}(t) = \vec{r}_0 + t\vec{v}$

Note: parametric equation with parameter t .

Examples. $\vec{r}_0 = (1, 2)$, $\vec{v} = (1, 1)$, line segment from \vec{u} to \vec{v} .

Definition. A linear combination of $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_n$ is any sum in the form $a_1\vec{v}_1 + \dots + a_n\vec{v}_n$ where a_i are scalars

Proposition. Every vector in \mathbb{R}^n is a linear combination of $\vec{e}_1 = (1, 0, \dots, 0), \dots, \vec{e}_n = (0, \dots, 0, 1)$.

Examples. $\vec{i}, \vec{j}, \vec{k}$, plane spanned by \vec{u}, \vec{v} (through origin)

"Parametric" equation for a plane through \vec{p}_0 parallel to plane spanned by \vec{u} and \vec{v} : $\vec{r}(s, t) = \vec{p}_0 + s\vec{u} + t\vec{v}$.

Definition. The vector \vec{n} is normal to the plane P through \vec{p}_0 iff $\vec{n} \cdot (\vec{p} - \vec{p}_0) = 0$ for every $\vec{p} \in P$.

Implicit equation for a plane: $ax + by + cz = d$. (in \mathbb{R}^3)

Example. $\vec{n} = (3, 4, 5)$, $\vec{p}_0 = (1, 1, 1)$

Proposition. P is spanned by $\vec{u}, \vec{v} \iff \vec{u} \times \vec{v}$ is normal

Classical examples.

Line of intersection of 2 planes.

Distance from point to plane.

Distance from point to line.

Distance between lines.

Challenge question. Distance from point to line segment.

Math 2500 - Lecture 5 - Vector valued functions & Derivatives.

Definition. A parametrized curve is a function

$$\vec{v}(t) = (v_1(t), \dots, v_n(t)).$$

Examples. circle, helix, cycloid, (mathematica demo).

Definition. The tangent vector to $\vec{v}(t)$ ~~is~~ is

$$\vec{v}'(t) = (v_1'(t), \dots, v_n'(t)).$$

If $t = \text{time}$, $\vec{v}'(t) = \underline{\text{velocity vector}}$.

Examples. circle, helix, cycloid.

Definition. The second derivative ~~curvature vector~~ of $\vec{v}(t)$ is

$$\vec{v}''(t) = (v_1''(t), \dots, v_n''(t)).$$

If $t = \text{time}$, $\vec{v}''(t) = \underline{\text{acceleration vector}}$.

Definition. If $t = \text{time}$, speed = $\|\vec{v}'(t)\|$, acceleration = $\|\vec{v}''(t)\|$.

Rules for vector-valued derivatives.

$$\frac{d}{dt} \vec{c} = \vec{0}$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} c \vec{u}(t) = c \vec{u}'(t)$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} c(t) \vec{u}(t) = c'(t) \vec{u}(t) + c(t) \vec{u}'(t).$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} [\vec{u}(t) + \vec{v}(t)] = \vec{u}'(t) + \vec{v}'(t).$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} [\vec{u}(t) \cdot \vec{v}(t)] = \vec{u}'(t) \cdot \vec{v}(t) + \vec{u}(t) \cdot \vec{v}'(t)$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} [\vec{u}(t) \times \vec{v}(t)] = \vec{u}'(t) \times \vec{v}(t) + \vec{u}(t) \times \vec{v}'(t).$$

derivative of curve on sphere.

Math 2500 - Lecture 6 - Arc Length and Curvature.

Idea: distance = integral of speed w.r.t. time.

Definition. The length of the portion of $\vec{r}(t)$ between $t=a$ and $t=b$ is $\int_a^b \|\vec{r}'(t)\| dt$.

Example. helix.

Definition. The unit tangent vector $\vec{T}(t) = \frac{\vec{r}'(t)}{\|\vec{r}'(t)\|}$.

Example. helix.

~~Definition. The curvature of $\vec{r}(t)$ is~~

Definition. $\vec{r}(t)$ is parametrized by arclength when $\vec{T}(t) = \vec{r}'(t)$. (In this case, we usually use s instead of t for ~~the~~ parameter).

It is true that $ds/dt = \|\vec{r}'(t)\|$, $dt/ds = \frac{1}{\|\vec{r}'(t)\|}$.
↑ be careful here

Example. helix.

Definition. The curvature of $\vec{r}(t)$ is $\left\| \frac{d\vec{T}}{ds} \right\| = \kappa$.

Proposition. $\kappa(t) = \frac{1}{\|\vec{r}'(t)\|} \left\| \frac{d\vec{T}}{dt} \right\|$.

Example. curvature of parabola, (mathematica demo.)

$$\frac{\|\gamma' \times \gamma''\|}{\|\gamma'\|^3}$$

Math 2500 - Lecture 6 - ~~Partial Derivatives~~ Functions in \mathbb{R}^n

Definition. ~~Suppose~~ Let $D \subset \mathbb{R}^n$. A function $f: D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a rule which assigns a value $f(\vec{x}) \in \mathbb{R}$ to each $\vec{x} \in D$.
A function $F: D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ is a collection of functions

$$F(\vec{x}) = (f_1(\vec{x}), \dots, f_m(\vec{x})), \quad f_i: D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}.$$

Examples. ~~$f(\vec{x}) = x_1 x_2 \sin(x_3) + 3$~~ $F(\vec{x}) = (x_1 x_2, x_1 + x_3, 3)$.
 $f: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ $F: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$

Domain and range. $f(x_1, x_2) = \sqrt{1 - x_1^2 - x_2^2}$.

Level curves. Graphs. Level surfaces. Mathematica demos

Definition. Given $\vec{x}, \vec{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n$, we let $d(\vec{x}, \vec{y}) = \|\vec{x} - \vec{y}\|$.

Definition. Given $F: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$, we say $\lim_{\vec{x} \rightarrow \vec{x}_0} F(\vec{x}) = \vec{L}$ if for ~~each~~ $\epsilon > 0$ \exists a corresponding $\delta > 0$ so that if $d(\vec{x}, \vec{x}_0) < \delta$ then $d(F(\vec{x}), \vec{L}) < \epsilon$.

Examples. Multivariable mathematica demo. (!)

Definition. Continuous function.

Bad Example. $f(x, y) = 2x^2y / (x^4 + y^2)$.

Definition. A set $D \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ is ~~closed~~ open if for every $\vec{x} \in D$ there is some $\epsilon > 0$ so that if $d(\vec{x}, \vec{y}) < \epsilon$, $\vec{y} \in D$.
A set $D \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ is closed if $\mathbb{R}^n - D$ is open.

Examples. Inequalities. Pictures. Sets are not doors.

Definition. A set D is bounded if \exists some N so that $d(\vec{x}, \vec{0}) < N$ for all $\vec{x} \in D$.

Theorem. A continuous function $f: D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ on a closed, bounded D has a max and min.

Math 2500 - Lecture 1 - Partial Derivatives.

~~Definition~~

Definition. The partial derivative $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i}$ of the function $f: D \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is the derivative of the function $g(x) = f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_i, x_{i+1}, \dots, x_n)$ with respect to x_i .

Examples. $f(x, y) = y \sin x$, $f(x_1, \dots, x_n) = x_1^2 + x_2^3 + \dots + x_n^{n+1}$.

Notation. $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i}(\vec{x}_0)$, $f_{x_i}(\vec{x}_0)$, $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i} \Big|_{\vec{x}_0}$, f_{x_i} , $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i}$.

Higher order partials. Definition of $\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y}$, $\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2}$, $\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2}$.

Theorem. If $f(x, y)$, f_x , f_y , f_{xy} , f_{yx} are continuous in an open set around (x_0, y_0) then $f_{xy}(x_0, y_0) = f_{yx}(x_0, y_0)$.

Examples. $\cos^2(3x - y^2)$, $x \sin y + e^y$, $x \ln xy$.

~~Definition~~

$$\Delta f(\vec{x}_0, \vec{\Delta x}) = f(\vec{x}_0 + \vec{\Delta x}) - f(\vec{x}_0)$$

Definition. A function $f: D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is differentiable at \vec{x} if

$$\Delta f = (f_{x_1}(\vec{x}_0))(\Delta x)_1 + \dots + (f_{x_n}(\vec{x}_0))(\Delta x)_n + \epsilon_1(\Delta x)_1 + \dots + \epsilon_n(\Delta x)_n$$

where $\epsilon_1, \dots, \epsilon_n \rightarrow 0$ as $\vec{\Delta x} \rightarrow \vec{0}$.

Theorem. If all partials of f are cts on an open D , then f is differentiable at each $\vec{x} \in D$.

Theorem. If f is differentiable at \vec{x} , f is cts at \vec{x} .

More computational examples. Applications! Lunocet.