

Ch. 6 The Change of Variables Formula and Applications

6.1 The Geometry of Maps from \mathbb{R}^2 to \mathbb{R}^2

1. A **mapping** T of a region D^* in \mathbb{R}^2 to \mathbb{R}^2 associates to each point $(u, v) \in D^*$ a point $(x, y) = T(u, v)$. The set of all such (x, y) is the **image** domain $D = T(D^*)$.
2. If T is **linear**, i.e. if $T(u, v) = A \begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \end{bmatrix}$, where A is a 2×2 matrix, then T maps parallelograms to parallelograms, mapping the sides and vertices in the domain to those in the image.
3. A map T is called **one-to-one** if different points get sent to different points.
4. If T is linear, determined by a 2×2 matrix A , then T is one-to-one when $\det A \neq 0$.
5. When D is the image of T ; that is, $D = T(D^*)$, we say T maps D^* **onto** D .

6.2 The Change of Variables Theorem

1. The **Jacobian determinant** of a C^1 mapping $T: D^* \subset \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$; $T(u, v) = (x(u, v), y(u, v))$ is defined by

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

2. The two-variable change of variables formula states for a C^1 map $\tau: D^* \rightarrow D$ that is one-to-one and onto D , and an integrable function $f: D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$,

$$\iint_D f(x, y) dx dy = \iint_{D^*} f(x(u, v), y(u, v)) \left| \frac{\partial(x, y)}{\partial(u, v)} \right| du dv.$$

3. Polar Coordinates: $x = r \cos \theta$, $y = r \sin \theta$, the change of variable formula reads

$$\iint_D f(x, y) dx dy = \iint_{D^*} f(r \cos \theta, r \sin \theta) r dr d\theta$$

4. The triple-variable change of variables formula states for a C^1 map $\tau: W^* \rightarrow W$ that is one-to-one and onto W , and an integrable function $f: W \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$,

$$\begin{aligned} \iiint_W f(x, y, z) dx dy dz \\ = \iiint_{W^*} f(x(u, v, w), y(u, v, w), z(u, v, w)) \left| \frac{\partial(x, y, z)}{\partial(u, v, w)} \right| du dv dw. \end{aligned}$$

5. Cylindrical Coordinates. For $x = r \cos \theta$, $y = r \sin \theta$, $z = z$,

$$\iiint_W f(x, y, z) dx dy dz = \iiint_{W^*} f(r \cos \theta, r \sin \theta, z) r dr d\theta dz$$

6. Spherical Coordinates. For $x = \rho \sin \phi \cos \theta$, $y = \rho \sin \phi \sin \theta$, $z = \rho \cos \phi$,

$$\begin{aligned} \iiint_W f(x, y, z) dx dy dz \\ = \iiint_{W^*} f(\rho \sin \phi \cos \theta, \rho \sin \phi \sin \theta, \rho \cos \phi) \rho^2 \sin \phi d\rho d\theta d\phi \end{aligned}$$