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2.1: Cylinders and Quadric Surfaces

- I: Cylinders: Surfaces with one variable (x, y, or z) missing
 - **Sketching:** sketch 2D curve and extend in missing direction
- II: Quadric surfaces: only the five with elliptical traces
 - Sketching procedure
 - 1. Write in standard form: complete the square
 - 2. Determine cross-sections with elliptical traces: Find traces with
 - Single points
 - No solution
 - Ellipses: include the size of one ellipse
 - **3.** Construct surface by connecting traces: straight or curved
 - Use another cross-section to determine straight or curved
 - Name the surface and label coordinate axes for orientation

Example 2 $x^2 - y^2 + 4z^2 = 0$

- 1. Standard form: already in standard form
- 2. Elliptical traces in xz: $x^2 + 4z^2 = y^2$
 - Single points: $y = 0 \rightarrow (0, 0, 0)$
 - No solution: never
 - Ellipses: $y^2 > 0 \rightarrow y > 0$ or y < 0

Size of one ellipse: at $y = \pm 1$, x-radius 1 and z-radius 1/2Ellipse size increases when |y| increases

- 3. Construct surface
 - Other cross-section: z = 0 gives $x^2 = y^2$ or 2 lines $y = \pm x$, thus straight
 - Shape: Cone (double cone); Oriented along y-axis

Example 3 $x^2 + 4y^2 - z^2 = 1$

- 1. Standard form: already in standard form
- 2. Elliptical traces in xy: $x^2 + 4y^2 = 1 + z^2$
 - Single points: never
 - No solution: never
 - Ellipses: For all z

Size of smallest ellipse: at z = 0, x-radius 1 and y-radius 1/2Ellipse size increases when |z| increases

- 3. Construct surface
 - Other cross-section: y = 0 gives hyperbola $x^2 z^2 = 1$ thus curved
 - Shape: Hyperboloid of 1 sheet (hour glass); Oriented along z-axis

Example 4 $x^2 - 4y^2 - z^2 = 1$

1. Standard form: already in standard form

- 2. Elliptical traces in yz: $4y^2 + z^2 = x^2 1$
 - Single points: $x^2 1 = 0$ or $x = \pm 1 \rightarrow (\pm 1, 0, 0)$
 - No solution: $x^2 1 < 0 \rightarrow -1 < x < 1$
 - Ellipses: $x^2 1 > 0 \rightarrow x > 1$ or x < -1Size of one ellipse: at $x = \pm \sqrt{2}$, y-radius 1/2 and z-radius 1 Ellipse size increases when |x| increases
- 3. Construct surface
 - Other cross-section: y = 0 gives hyperbola $x^2 z^2 = 1$, thus curved
 - Shape: Hyperboloid of 2 sheets (2 lemon skins); Oriented along x-axis

Example 5 $x^2 + y^2/4 + z^2 = 1$

1. Standard form: already in standard form

- 2. Elliptical traces in xz: $x^2 + z^2 = 1 y^2/4$
 - Single points: $1 y^2/4 = 0$ or $y = \pm 2 \rightarrow (0, \pm 2, 0)$
 - No solution: $1 y^2/4 < 0 \rightarrow y > 2 \text{ or } y < -2$
 - Ellipses: $1 y^2/4 > 0 \rightarrow -2 < y < 2$ Largest circle at y = 0, radius 1 Ellipse size decreases when |y| increases
- **3.** Construct surface
 - Other cross-section: z = 0 gives ellipse $x^2 + y^2/4 = 1$; thus curved
 - Shape: Ellipsoid (football); Elongated in y-direction

2.3: Partial Derivatives

• Notation for partial derivatives of $f = f(x_1, \ldots, x_n)$

$$egin{aligned} 1. \ rac{\partial f}{\partial x}, \ rac{\partial f}{\partial y}, ext{ etc.} \ 2. \ rac{\partial f}{\partial x_1}, \ rac{\partial f}{\partial x_2}, ext{ etc.} \end{aligned}$$

3. f_x , f_y , etc.

• Notation for regular derivatives of f = f(x)

$$1. \frac{\mathrm{d}f}{\mathrm{d}x}$$

2. f'

2.3: Partial Derivatives

• Computing partial derivatives of $f = f(x_1, \ldots, x_n)$

 $rac{\partial f}{\partial x_1}$: derivative of f w.r.t. x_1 , keeping other variables x_2, \ldots, x_n constant

etc.

$$egin{aligned} extbf{Example:} & f(x,y) = rac{x}{y} + y \ rac{\partial f}{\partial x} = rac{1}{y} & rac{\partial f}{\partial y} = -rac{x}{y^2} + 1. \end{aligned}$$

Gradient vector of
$$f = f(x_1, \ldots, x_n)$$
: $\underline{\nabla} f = \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1}, \ldots, \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_n} \right)$

Example:
$$f(x,y) = \frac{x}{y} + y$$

 $\underline{\nabla}f = \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}\right) = \left(\frac{1}{y}, -\frac{x}{y^2} + 1\right).$

2.4: Paths and Curves

For a path $\underline{c}(t) = (x(t), y(t), z(t))$ that is sufficiently smooth

- Velocity: $\underline{v}(t) = \underline{c}'(t)$
- Speed: $v(t) = |\underline{c}'(t)|$
- Tangent vector: $\underline{c}'(t)$ For $\underline{c}'(t) \neq \underline{0}$

- Acceleration: $\underline{a}(t) = \underline{c}''(t)$
- Newton's 2nd law: $\underline{F} = m\underline{a}$
- Tangent line: $\underline{l}(t) = \underline{c}(t_0) + t \underline{c}'(t_0)$ For $\underline{c}'(t_0) \neq \underline{0}$
- **Example:** Path $\underline{c}(t) = (t^3, t^2, t)$.
 - Velocity: $\underline{c}'(t) = (3t^2, 2t, 1)$ Acceleration: $\underline{c}''(t) = (6t, 2, 0)$
 - Speed: $|\underline{c}'(t)| = \sqrt{(3t^2)^2 + (2t)^2 + 1^2}$
 - Tangent vector at (8, 4, 2): $\underline{c}(t_0) = (t_0^3, t_0^2, t_0) = (8, 4, 2)$ gives $t_0 = 2$. Tangent vector: $\underline{c}'(2) = (12, 4, 1)$
 - Tangent line at (8, 4, 2): $\underline{l}(t) = \underline{c}(2) + t \underline{c}'(2) = (8, 4, 2) + t(12, 4, 1)$

2.5: Differentiation Rules

For vector functions of several variables of class C^1

• Constant multiple rule for $\underline{f}: \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^m$ and $c \in \mathbb{R}$: $D(c\underline{f}) = cD\underline{f}$

Example: $D(2x^2, 2x + 2y) = 2D(x^2, x + y)$

• Sum rule for $\underline{f}, \underline{g} : \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^m$: $D(\underline{f} + \underline{g}) = D\underline{f} + D\underline{g}$

Example: $D\left[(x^2, y) + (1, x^2)\right] = D(x^2, y) + D(1, x^2)$

Note: $D\underline{f}$ etc. are $m \times n$ matrices.

2.5: Differentiation Rules

For scalar functions of several variables of class C^1

• Product rule for $f, g: \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}$: D(fg) = fDg + gDf

Example: $D\left[x^2(xy)^3\right] = x^2 D(xy)^3 + (xy)^3 Dx^2$

• Quotient rule for
$$f, g: \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}$$
 and $g \neq 0$: $D\left(\frac{f}{g}\right) = \frac{gDf - fDg}{g^2}$

Example:
$$D\left(\frac{x^2+y}{e^{xy}}\right) = \frac{e^{xy}D(x^2+y) - (x^2+y)De^{xy}}{e^{2xy}}$$

Note: Df etc. are $1 \times n$ matrices.

2.5: Chain Rule

■ Chain rule for scalar-valued functions

• Example 1:
$$z(u, v) = u + 2v$$
, $u(x) = x^2$, and $v(x) = x^3$.
Compute dz/dx using the chain rule.
 $\frac{dz}{dx} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial u}\frac{du}{dx} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial v}\frac{dv}{dx} = (1)(2x) + (2)(3x^2)$

• Example 2: z(u, v) = u + 2v, u(x, y) = 3x + 4y, and v(x, y) = xy. Compute $\partial z/\partial x$ and $\partial z/\partial y$ using the chain rule.

$$egin{aligned} &rac{\partial z}{\partial x} = rac{\partial z}{\partial u} rac{\partial u}{\partial x} + rac{\partial z}{\partial v} rac{\partial v}{\partial x} = (1)(3) + (2)(y) \ &rac{\partial z}{\partial y} = rac{\partial z}{\partial u} rac{\partial u}{\partial y} + rac{\partial z}{\partial v} rac{\partial v}{\partial y} = (1)(4) + (2)(x) \end{aligned}$$

2.6/2.3: Tangent Planes

Tangent plane to a level surface F(x, y, z) = constant at (x_0, y_0, z_0)

$$\underline{n} \cdot (x - x_0, y - y_0, z - z_0) = 0 ext{ with } \underline{n} = \underline{\nabla} F(x_0, y_0, z_0) ext{ if } \underline{\nabla} F(x_0, y_0, z_0)
eq 0$$

Example: Tangent plane to $x + y^2 + z^3 = 8$ at (3, 2, 1).

$$F(x, y, z) = x + y^2 + z^3$$
 and $\underline{\nabla}F = (1, 2y, 3z^2)$.
Normal $\underline{n} = \underline{\nabla}F(3, 2, 1) = (1, 4, 3)$.

Tangent plane: $(1, 4, 3) \cdot (x - 3, y - 2, z - 1) = 0$

$$1(x-3) + 4(y-2) + 3(z-1) = 0.$$

Special case: Tangent plane to a graph z = f(x, y) at (x_0, y_0)

$$egin{aligned} F(x,y,z) &= f(x,y) - z & \Longrightarrow & \overline{
abla}F = (f_x,\ f_y,\ 1) ext{ and } z_0 = f(x_0,y_0) \ z &= f(x_0,y_0) + f_x(x_0,y_0)[x-x_0] + f_y(x_0,y_0)[y-y_0] \end{aligned}$$