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*MATH0024 – Modeling with PDEs*

Notations and review of background  
Intrinsic formulations in physics and mechanics

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# Notations

## General notations

- A lowercase letter, for example,  $a$ , is a scalar.
- A boldface lowercase letter, for example,  $\mathbf{a} = (a_1, \dots, a_m)$ , is a vector.
- A boldface uppercase letter, for example,  $\mathbf{A}$ , is a linear mapping (“application linéaire” in French).
- An uppercase letter between square brackets, for example,  $[A]$ , is a matrix.

## Notations for matrices

- We denote by  $A_{ij}$  the  $(i, j)$ -th entry of the matrix  $[A]$ .
- $\text{tr}[A]$  = trace of the matrix  $[A]$ .
- $\det[A]$  = determinant of the matrix  $[A]$ .
- $[A]^T$  = transpose of the matrix  $[A]$ .

## “Big-oh” and “little-oh” notation

- If  $f(h)$  and  $g(h)$  are two functions of  $h$ , then we say that

$$f(h) = O(g(h)) \quad \text{as } h \rightarrow 0$$

if there is a constant  $c$  such that

$$\frac{f(h)}{g(h)} < c \quad \text{for all } h \text{ sufficiently small.}$$

This means that  $f(h)$  decays to zero at least as fast as the function  $g(h)$  does.

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if

$$\frac{f(h)}{g(h)} \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } h \rightarrow 0.$$

This is slightly **stronger** and means that  $f(h)$  decays to zero faster than  $g(h)$ .

- Examples:

$$2h^3 = O(h^2) \quad \text{as } h \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{because } \frac{2h^3}{h^2} = 2h < 1 \text{ for all } h < \frac{1}{2}.$$

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## Notations for derivatives

- Let  $f : \Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R} : \mathbf{x} \mapsto f(\mathbf{x})$  be a function from  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^m$  into  $\mathbb{R}$ .
- We denote by  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_j}(\mathbf{x})$  the  $j$ -th partial derivative of  $f$  evaluated at  $\mathbf{x}$ .
- We sometimes denote  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_j}$  by  $f_{x_j}$  or  $\partial_{x_j} f$ .
- Similarly,  $\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} = f_{x_i x_j} = \partial_{x_i} \partial_{x_j} f$ ,  $\frac{\partial^3 f}{\partial x_i \partial x_j \partial x_k} = f_{x_i x_j x_k} = \partial_{x_i} \partial_{x_j} \partial_{x_k} f$ , and so forth.
- Multi-index notation:
  - ◆ We call a vector  $\alpha = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_m)$ , where each component  $\alpha_j$  is a nonnegative integer, a multi-index of order  $|\alpha| = \alpha_1 + \dots + \alpha_m$ .
  - ◆ For a multi-index  $\alpha$ , we define

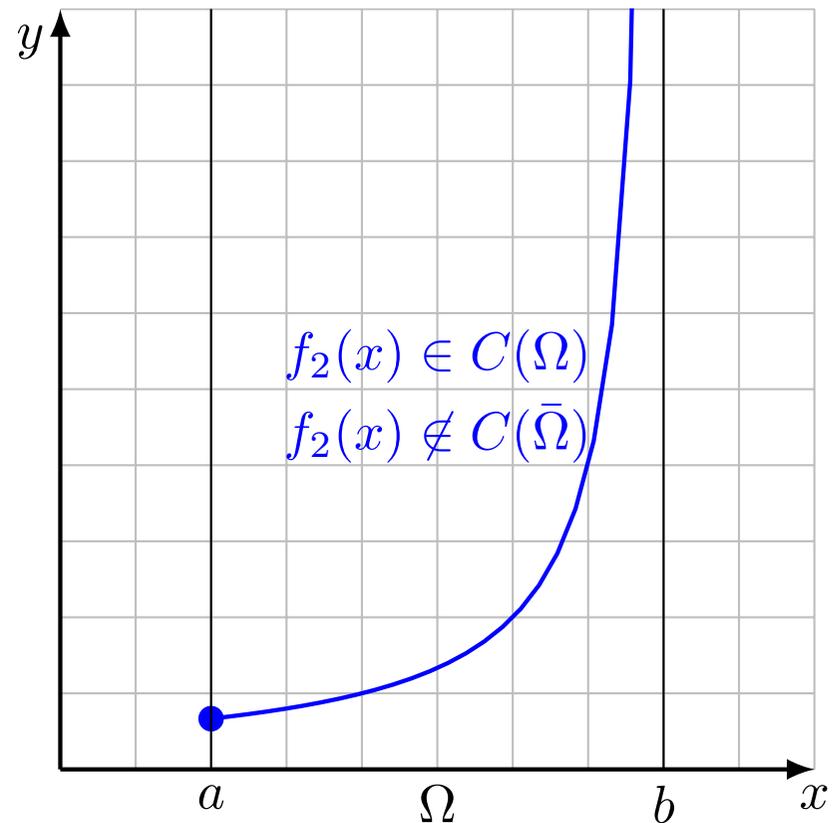
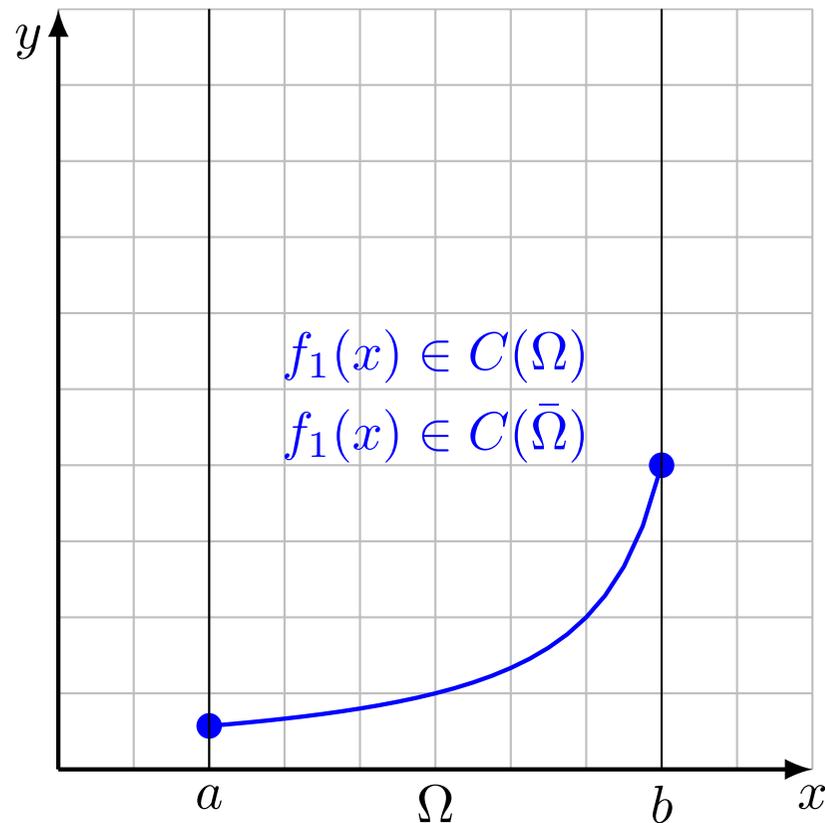
$$\partial_{\mathbf{x}}^{\alpha} f = \frac{\partial^{|\alpha|} f}{\partial x_1^{\alpha_1} \dots \partial x_m^{\alpha_m}} = \partial_{x_1}^{\alpha_1} \dots \partial_{x_m}^{\alpha_m} f.$$

- ◆ Example:

$$\partial_{(x_1, x_2, x_3)}^{(1, 2, 1)} f = \frac{\partial^4}{\partial x_1 \partial x_2^2 \partial x_3} f.$$

## Notations for function spaces

- Let  $\Omega$  be an open subset of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Let  $\partial\Omega$  denote the boundary of  $\Omega$ .
- $C(\Omega) = \{f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R} : f \text{ is continuous}\}$  space of continuous functions.
- $C(\bar{\Omega}) = \{f \in C(\Omega) : f \text{ admits a continuous extension to } \bar{\Omega} = \Omega \cup \partial\Omega\}$ .



## Notations for function spaces (continued)

- $C^k(\Omega) = \{f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R} : \partial_{\mathbf{x}}^{\alpha} f \text{ is continuous, } |\alpha| \leq k\}$  space of  $k$  times continuously differentiable functions.
- $C^k(\overline{\Omega}) = \{f \in C^k(\Omega) : \partial_{\mathbf{x}}^{\alpha} f \text{ admits a continuous extension to } \overline{\Omega} = \Omega \cup \partial\Omega, |\alpha| \leq k\}$ .
- $L^1(\Omega) = \{f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R} : \int_{\Omega} |f(\mathbf{x})| d\mathbf{x} < +\infty\}$  space of integrable functions.
- $L^2(\Omega) = \{f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R} : \int_{\Omega} |f(\mathbf{x})|^2 d\mathbf{x} < +\infty\}$  space of square-integrable functions.
- Although we will avoid the use of these notations for function spaces as much as possible, we list them here because they are encountered often in the literature.

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## Review of vector calculus

This is not a lecture but rather a summary of key elements of vector calculus. For a more complete treatment of vector calculus, please refer to MATH0007 Analyse Mathématique II (F. Bastin).

## Vectors

- Let us consider the  **$m$ -dimensional Euclidean vector space**  $\mathbb{R}^m$ .
- For two vectors  $\mathbf{a}$  and  $\mathbf{b}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^m$ , the (Euclidean) **inner product** is the scalar denoted by  $\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b}$ .
- We denote by  $\{\mathbf{e}_1, \dots, \mathbf{e}_m\}$  an **orthonormal basis** for  $\mathbb{R}^m$ , that is, a basis such that  $\mathbf{e}_i \cdot \mathbf{e}_j = \delta_{ij}$ ,  $1 \leq i, j \leq m$ , where  $\delta_{ij}$  is the **Kronecker delta** equal to 1 if  $i = j$  and 0 otherwise.
- Given an orthonormal basis  $\{\mathbf{e}_1, \dots, \mathbf{e}_m\}$  for  $\mathbb{R}^m$ , we have that

any **vector**  $\mathbf{a}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^m$  can be represented by a **column matrix**  $\begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_m \end{bmatrix}$

of its components  $a_j$  such that  $\mathbf{a} = \sum_{j=1}^m a_j \mathbf{e}_j$  with  $a_j = \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{e}_j$ ,  $1 \leq j \leq m$ .

- For two vectors  $\mathbf{a}$  and  $\mathbf{b}$ , the inner product  $\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b}$  is the scalar  $\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} = \sum_{j=1}^m a_j b_j$ .
- If  $m = 3$ , for two vectors  $\mathbf{a}$  and  $\mathbf{b}$ , the vector product  $\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}$  is the vector  $\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b} = (a_2 b_3 - a_3 b_2)\mathbf{e}_1 + (a_3 b_1 - a_1 b_3)\mathbf{e}_2 + (a_1 b_2 - a_2 b_1)\mathbf{e}_3$ .

## Linear mappings

- A **linear mapping**  $\mathbf{A}$  from  $\mathbb{R}^m$  into  $\mathbb{R}^m$  is a function that maps any vector  $\mathbf{a}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^m$  onto a vector  $\mathbf{b} = \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{a})$  in  $\mathbb{R}^m$  in a manner that satisfies additivity ( $\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{a}_1 + \mathbf{a}_2) = \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{a}_1) + \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{a}_2)$ ,  $\forall \mathbf{a}_1, \mathbf{a}_2 \in \mathbb{R}^m$ ) and homogeneity ( $\mathbf{A}(\alpha \mathbf{a}) = \alpha \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{a})$ ,  $\forall \alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\forall \mathbf{a} \in \mathbb{R}^m$ ) properties.

- Given an orthonormal basis  $\{\mathbf{e}_1, \dots, \mathbf{e}_m\}$  for  $\mathbb{R}^m$ , we have that

any **linear mapping**  $\mathbf{A}$  from  $\mathbb{R}^m$  into  $\mathbb{R}^m$  can be represented by a **matrix**

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & \dots & a_{1m} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & \dots & a_{mm} \end{bmatrix}$$

of its components  $a_{ij}$  such that  $a_{ij} = \mathbf{e}_i \cdot \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{e}_j)$ ,  $1 \leq i, j \leq m$ .

- We have for two vectors  $\mathbf{a}$  and  $\mathbf{b}$  and a linear mapping  $\mathbf{A}$  with  $\mathbf{b} = \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{a})$  that

$$\begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ \vdots \\ b_m \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & \dots & a_{1m} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & \dots & a_{mm} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_m \end{bmatrix}.$$

## Linear mappings (continued)

- The **sum** of two linear mappings  $A$  and  $B$  is the linear mapping  $C = A + B$  with components  $c_{ij} = a_{ij} + b_{ij}$ ,  $1 \leq i, j \leq m$ .
- We denote by  $A : B$  the **inner product** of two linear mappings  $A$  and  $B$  such that  $A : B = \sum_{i,j=1}^m a_{ij} b_{ij}$ .
- The **composition** of two linear mappings  $A$  and  $B$  is the linear mapping  $C$  such that  $C(a) = A(B(a))$ ,  $\forall a \in \mathbb{R}^m$ .
- The **transpose** of a linear mapping  $A$  is the linear mapping  $A^T$  such that  $A^T(a) \cdot b = a \cdot A(b)$ ,  $\forall a, b \in \mathbb{R}^m$ .
- The **inverse** of a linear mapping  $A$  (if it exists) is the linear mapping  $A^{-1}$  such that  $a = A^{-1}(b)$ ,  $b = A(a)$ ,  $\forall a \in \mathbb{R}^m$ . Thus, the inverse satisfies  $A^{-1}A = I$ , where  $I$  is the **identity linear mapping**.
- The **trace** of a linear mapping  $\text{tr}(A)$  is defined by  $\text{tr}(A) = A : I = \sum_{j=1}^m a_{jj}$ . We have that  $\text{tr}(AB) = A : B^T = A^T : B$ .
- The composition, transpose, inverse, and trace can be made explicit in terms of the components of the linear mapping.

## Differential operators

- We consider scalar-, vector-, and linear-mapping-valued functions  $\varphi$ ,  $\mathbf{a}$ , and  $\mathbf{A}$  from  $\mathbb{R}^m$  into  $\mathbb{R}$ ,  $\mathbb{R}^m$ , and the space of linear mappings from  $\mathbb{R}^m$  into  $\mathbb{R}^m$ , respectively, that is,

$$\mathbf{x} \mapsto \varphi(\mathbf{x}), \quad \mathbf{x} \mapsto \mathbf{a}(\mathbf{x}), \quad \mathbf{x} \mapsto \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{x}).$$

- The **gradient** of  $\varphi$  with respect to  $\mathbf{x}$  at  $\mathbf{x}$  (if it exists) is the vector  $\nabla_{\mathbf{x}}\varphi(\mathbf{x})$  such that

$$\underbrace{\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\varphi(\mathbf{x} + h\mathbf{y}) - \varphi(\mathbf{x})}{h}}_{\text{directional derivative of } \varphi \text{ at } \mathbf{x} \text{ in direction } \mathbf{y}} = \underbrace{\nabla_{\mathbf{x}}\varphi(\mathbf{x})}_{\text{gradient of } \varphi \text{ w.r.t. } \mathbf{x} \text{ at } \mathbf{x}} \cdot \underbrace{\mathbf{y}}_{\text{direction } \mathbf{y}}, \quad \forall \mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^m.$$

- The **gradient** of  $\mathbf{a}$  with respect to  $\mathbf{x}$  at  $\mathbf{x}$  (if it exists) is the linear mapping  $\mathbf{D}_{\mathbf{x}}\mathbf{a}(\mathbf{x})$  such that

$$\underbrace{\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\mathbf{a}(\mathbf{x} + h\mathbf{y}) - \mathbf{a}(\mathbf{x})}{h}}_{\text{directional derivative of } \mathbf{a} \text{ at } \mathbf{x} \text{ in direction } \mathbf{y}} = \underbrace{(\mathbf{D}_{\mathbf{x}}\mathbf{a}(\mathbf{x}))}_{\text{gradient of } \mathbf{a} \text{ w.r.t. } \mathbf{x} \text{ at } \mathbf{x}} \underbrace{(\mathbf{y})}_{\text{direction } \mathbf{y}}, \quad \forall \mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^m.$$

- The **divergence** of  $\mathbf{a}$  with respect to  $\mathbf{x}$  (if it exists) is the scalar  $\text{div}_{\mathbf{x}}\mathbf{a}$  such that

$$\text{div}_{\mathbf{x}}\mathbf{a} = \text{tr}(\mathbf{D}_{\mathbf{x}}\mathbf{a}).$$

- The **divergence** of  $\mathbf{A}$  with respect to  $\mathbf{x}$  (if it exists) is the vector  $\mathbf{div}_{\mathbf{x}}\mathbf{A}$  such that

$$\mathbf{div}_{\mathbf{x}}\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{b} = \text{div}_{\mathbf{x}}(\mathbf{A}^{\text{T}}(\mathbf{b})), \quad \forall \mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^m.$$

## Differential operators (continued)

- The **Curl** of  $\mathbf{a}$  with respect to  $\mathbf{x}$  (if it exists) is the linear mapping  $\mathbf{Curl}_x \mathbf{a}$  such that

$$\mathbf{Curl}_x \mathbf{a} = \mathbf{D}_x \mathbf{a} - \mathbf{D}_x \mathbf{a}^T.$$

If  $m = 3$ , we can associate to  $\mathbf{Curl}_x \mathbf{a}$  the vector  $\mathbf{curl}_x \mathbf{a}$  such that

$$\mathbf{curl}_x \mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{Curl}_x \mathbf{a}(\mathbf{b}), \quad \forall \mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^m.$$

- The **Laplacian** of  $\varphi$  with respect to  $\mathbf{x}$  (if it exists) is the scalar  $\Delta_x \varphi$  such that

$$\Delta_x \varphi = \operatorname{div}_x \nabla_x \varphi.$$

## Differential operators (properties)

- $\mathbf{curl}_x \nabla_x \varphi = \mathbf{0}$ .
- $\operatorname{div}_x \mathbf{curl}_x \mathbf{a} = 0$ .
- $\operatorname{div}_x (\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}) = \mathbf{b} \cdot \mathbf{curl}_x \mathbf{a} - \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{curl}_x \mathbf{b}$ .
- $\nabla_x \operatorname{div}_x \mathbf{a} = \operatorname{div}_x (\mathbf{D}_x \mathbf{a}^T)$ .
- $\nabla_x \operatorname{div}_x \mathbf{a} = \operatorname{div}_x \mathbf{D}_x \mathbf{a} + \mathbf{curl}_x \mathbf{curl}_x \mathbf{a}$ .
- $\operatorname{div}_x (\mathbf{A}^T(\mathbf{a})) = \mathbf{A} : \mathbf{D}_x \mathbf{a} + \mathbf{a} \cdot \operatorname{div}_x \mathbf{A}$ .
- $\operatorname{div}_x (\varphi \mathbf{a}) = \mathbf{a} \cdot \nabla_x \varphi + \varphi \operatorname{div}_x \mathbf{a}$ .
- $\operatorname{div}_x (\varphi \mathbf{A}) = \mathbf{A}(\nabla_x \varphi) + \varphi \operatorname{div}_x \mathbf{A}$ .

## Coordinate system

- We consider again scalar-, vector-, and linear-mapping-valued functions  $\varphi$ ,  $\mathbf{a}$ , and  $\mathbf{A}$  from  $\mathbb{R}^m$  into  $\mathbb{R}$ ,  $\mathbb{R}^m$ , and the space of linear mappings from  $\mathbb{R}^m$  into  $\mathbb{R}^m$ , respectively, that is,

$$\mathbf{x} \mapsto \varphi(\mathbf{x}), \quad \mathbf{x} \mapsto \mathbf{a}(\mathbf{x}), \quad \mathbf{x} \mapsto \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{x}).$$

- A **coordinate system** is a one-to-one correspondence between vectors  $\mathbf{x}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^m$  (“position”) and  $m$ -tuples  $(\xi_1, \dots, \xi_m)$  in  $\mathbb{R}^m$  (“coordinates”):

$$(\xi_1, \dots, \xi_m) \mapsto \mathbf{x}(\xi_1, \dots, \xi_m).$$

- If a Cartesian coordinate system is used, its basis vectors are most often reused for the representation of vectors ( $\mathbf{a}$ ), linear mappings ( $\mathbf{A}$ ), and differential operators. However, if a curvilinear coordinate system is used, basis vectors are sometimes redefined locally for use for the representation of vectors ( $\mathbf{a}$ ), linear mappings ( $\mathbf{A}$ ), and differential operators.
- A coordinate system also allows us to define volume, surface, and line integrals.

## Volume, surface, and line integrals

- For a volume  $V$  parameterized as

$$\begin{cases} x_1 = x_1(\xi_1, \dots, \xi_m) \\ \vdots \\ x_m = x_m(\xi_1, \dots, \xi_m) \end{cases}, \quad \underline{\xi}_m \leq \xi_m \leq \bar{\xi}_m, \dots, \underline{\xi}_1 \leq \xi_1 \leq \bar{\xi}_1,$$

the **volume integral** of a scalar-valued function  $\varphi$  over the volume  $V$  is given by

$$\int_V \varphi dV = \int_{\underline{\xi}_m}^{\bar{\xi}_m} \dots \int_{\underline{\xi}_1}^{\bar{\xi}_1} \varphi(\mathbf{x}(\xi_1, \dots, \xi_m)) \begin{vmatrix} \frac{\partial x_1}{\partial \xi_1} & \dots & \frac{\partial x_1}{\partial \xi_m} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial x_m}{\partial \xi_1} & \dots & \frac{\partial x_m}{\partial \xi_m} \end{vmatrix} d\xi_1 \dots d\xi_m.$$

- For a surface  $S$  parameterized as

$$\begin{cases} x_1 = x_1(\xi_1, \dots, \xi_{m-1}) \\ \vdots \\ x_m = x_m(\xi_1, \dots, \xi_{m-1}) \end{cases}, \quad \underline{\xi}_{m-1} \leq \xi_{m-1} \leq \bar{\xi}_{m-1}, \dots, \underline{\xi}_1 \leq \xi_1 \leq \bar{\xi}_1,$$

## Volume, surface, and line integrals (continued)

- the **surface integral** of a vector-valued function  $\mathbf{a}$  over the surface  $S$  is given by

$$\int_S \mathbf{a} \cdot d\mathbf{S} = \int_{\underline{\xi}_{m-1}}^{\bar{\xi}_{m-1}} \cdots \int_{\underline{\xi}_1}^{\bar{\xi}_1} \begin{vmatrix} \frac{\partial x_1}{\partial \xi_1} & \cdots & \frac{\partial x_1}{\partial \xi_{m-1}} & a_1(\mathbf{x}(\xi_1, \dots, \xi_{m-1})) \\ \vdots & & \vdots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial x_m}{\partial \xi_1} & \cdots & \frac{\partial x_m}{\partial \xi_{m-1}} & a_m(\mathbf{x}(\xi_1, \dots, \xi_{m-1})) \end{vmatrix} d\xi_1 \cdots d\xi_{m-1}.$$

If  $m = 3$ , then the surface integral reads, equivalently, as follows:

$$\int_S \mathbf{a} \cdot d\mathbf{S} = \int_{\underline{\xi}_2}^{\bar{\xi}_2} \int_{\underline{\xi}_1}^{\bar{\xi}_1} \mathbf{a}(\mathbf{x}(\xi_1, \dots, \xi_{m-1})) \cdot \left( \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}}{\partial \xi_1} \times \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}}{\partial \xi_2} \right) d\xi_1 d\xi_2.$$

- For a curve  $C$  parameterized as

$$\begin{cases} x_1 = x_1(\xi) \\ \vdots \\ x_m = x_m(\xi) \end{cases}, \quad \underline{\xi} \leq \xi \leq \bar{\xi},$$

the **line integral** of a vector-valued function  $\mathbf{a}$  over the curve  $C$  is given by

$$\int_C \mathbf{a} \cdot d\ell = \int_{\underline{\xi}}^{\bar{\xi}} \sum_{j=1}^m a_j(\mathbf{x}(\xi)) \frac{dx_j}{d\xi} d\xi = \int_{\underline{\xi}}^{\bar{\xi}} \mathbf{a}(\mathbf{x}(\xi)) \cdot \frac{d\mathbf{x}}{d\xi} d\xi.$$

## Volume, surface, and line integrals (properties)

- **Stokes's theorem for a volume:** Let  $\Omega$  be a bounded open subset of  $\mathbb{R}^m$  with  $m \geq 2$  with a sufficiently regular boundary  $\partial\Omega$ . Let  $\mathbf{a}$  be a sufficiently regular function from  $\Omega$  into  $\mathbb{R}^m$  (specifically, let  $\mathbf{a}$  be in  $C(\overline{\Omega}, \mathbb{R}^m) \cap C^1(\Omega, \mathbb{R}^m)$ ). Then, we have

$$\int_{\Omega} \operatorname{div}_{\mathbf{x}} \mathbf{a} \, dV = \int_{\partial\Omega} \mathbf{a} \cdot d\mathbf{S}.$$

- **Green's identities:** Let  $\Omega$  be a bounded open subset of  $\mathbb{R}^m$  with  $m \geq 2$  with a sufficiently regular boundary  $\partial\Omega$ . Let  $\varphi$  and  $\psi$  be a sufficiently regular function from  $\Omega$  into  $\mathbb{R}$  (specifically, let  $\varphi$  and  $\psi$  be in  $C^1(\overline{\Omega}) \cap C^2(\Omega)$ ). Then, we have

$$\begin{cases} \int_{\partial\Omega} \psi \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \varphi \cdot d\mathbf{S} = \int_{\Omega} (\psi \Delta_{\mathbf{x}} \varphi + \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \psi \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \varphi) dV, \\ \int_{\partial\Omega} (\psi \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \varphi - \varphi \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \psi) \cdot d\mathbf{S} = \int_{\Omega} (\psi \Delta_{\mathbf{x}} \varphi - \varphi \Delta_{\mathbf{x}} \psi) dV. \end{cases}$$

## Cartesian coordinates

- $\mathbf{x} = x\mathbf{i}_x + y\mathbf{i}_y + z\mathbf{i}_z.$

Coordinates  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$ .

Orthonormal basis  $\mathbf{i}_x$ ,  $\mathbf{i}_y$ , and  $\mathbf{i}_z$ .

- $\mathbf{a} = a_x\mathbf{i}_x + a_y\mathbf{i}_y + a_z\mathbf{i}_z.$

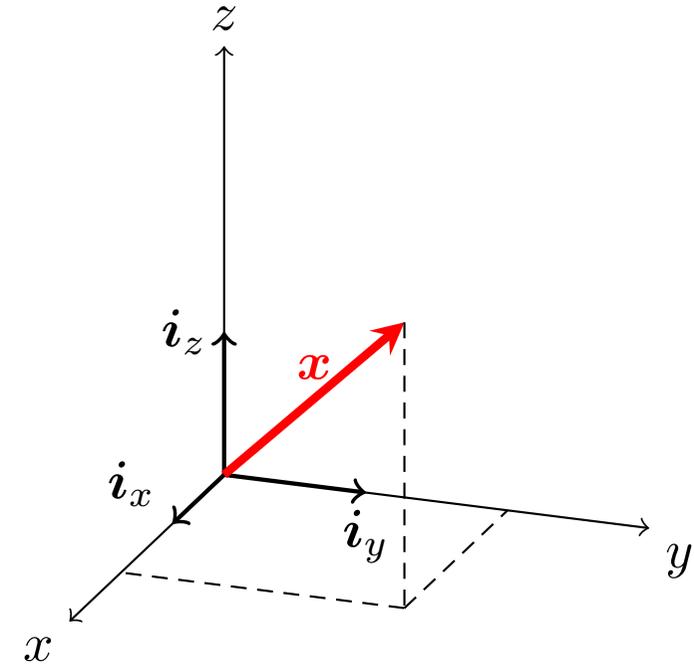
- $\nabla_{\mathbf{x}}\varphi = \frac{\partial\varphi}{\partial x}\mathbf{i}_x + \frac{\partial\varphi}{\partial y}\mathbf{i}_y + \frac{\partial\varphi}{\partial z}\mathbf{i}_z.$

- $\operatorname{div}_{\mathbf{x}}\mathbf{a} = \frac{\partial a_x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial a_y}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial a_z}{\partial z}.$

- $\operatorname{curl}_{\mathbf{x}}\mathbf{a} = \left(\frac{\partial a_z}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial a_y}{\partial z}\right)\mathbf{i}_x + \left(\frac{\partial a_x}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial a_z}{\partial x}\right)\mathbf{i}_y + \left(\frac{\partial a_y}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial a_x}{\partial y}\right)\mathbf{i}_z.$

- $\Delta_{\mathbf{x}}\varphi = \frac{\partial^2\varphi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2\varphi}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2\varphi}{\partial z^2}.$

- $dV = dx dy dz.$



## Cylindrical coordinates

- $\mathbf{x} = r \cos(\theta) \mathbf{i}_x + r \sin(\theta) \mathbf{i}_y + z \mathbf{i}_z.$

Coordinates  $r$ ,  $\theta$ , and  $z$ .

Orthonormal basis  $\mathbf{i}_x$ ,  $\mathbf{i}_y$ , and  $\mathbf{i}_z$ .

- $\mathbf{a} = a_r \mathbf{i}_r(\theta) + a_\theta \mathbf{i}_\theta(\theta) + a_z \mathbf{i}_z.$

$$\mathbf{i}_r(\theta) = \cos(\theta) \mathbf{i}_x + \sin(\theta) \mathbf{i}_y.$$

$$\mathbf{i}_\theta(\theta) = -\sin(\theta) \mathbf{i}_x + \cos(\theta) \mathbf{i}_y.$$

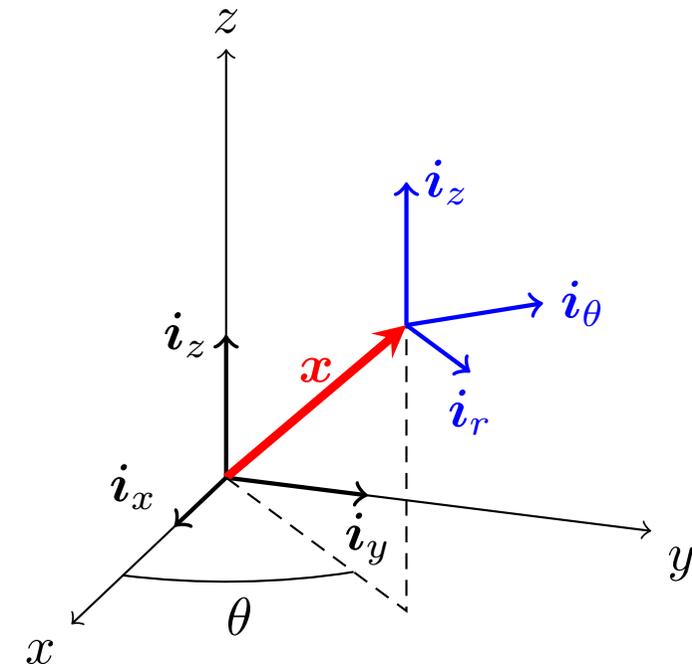
- $\nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \varphi = \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial r} \mathbf{i}_r(\theta) + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial \theta} \mathbf{i}_\theta(\theta) + \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial z} \mathbf{i}_z.$

- $\operatorname{div}_{\mathbf{x}} \mathbf{a} = \frac{\partial a_r}{\partial r} + \frac{a_r}{r} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial a_\theta}{\partial \theta} + \frac{\partial a_z}{\partial z}.$

- $\operatorname{curl}_{\mathbf{x}} \mathbf{a} = \left( \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial a_z}{\partial \theta} - \frac{\partial a_\theta}{\partial z} \right) \mathbf{i}_r(\theta) + \left( \frac{\partial a_r}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial a_z}{\partial r} \right) \mathbf{i}_\theta(\theta) + \left( \frac{\partial a_\theta}{\partial r} + \frac{a_\theta}{r} - \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial a_r}{\partial \theta} \right) \mathbf{i}_z.$

- $\Delta_{\mathbf{x}} \varphi = \frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial r} + \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial \theta^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial z^2}.$

- $dV = r dr d\theta dz.$



## Spherical coordinates

- $\mathbf{x} = r \sin(\chi) \cos(\theta) \mathbf{i}_x + r \sin(\chi) \sin(\theta) \mathbf{i}_y + r \cos(\chi) \mathbf{i}_z.$

Coordinates  $r$ ,  $\theta$ , and  $\chi$ .

Orthonormal basis  $\mathbf{i}_x$ ,  $\mathbf{i}_y$ , and  $\mathbf{i}_z$ .

- $\mathbf{a} = a_r \mathbf{i}_r(\theta, \chi) + a_\theta \mathbf{i}_\theta(\theta) + a_\chi \mathbf{i}_\chi(\theta, \chi).$

$$\mathbf{i}_r(\theta, \chi) = \sin(\chi) \cos(\theta) \mathbf{i}_x + \sin(\chi) \sin(\theta) \mathbf{i}_y + \cos(\chi) \mathbf{i}_z.$$

$$\mathbf{i}_\theta(\theta) = -\sin(\theta) \mathbf{i}_x + \cos(\theta) \mathbf{i}_y.$$

$$\mathbf{i}_\chi(\theta, \chi) = \cos(\chi) \cos(\theta) \mathbf{i}_x + \cos(\chi) \sin(\theta) \mathbf{i}_y - \sin(\chi) \mathbf{i}_z.$$

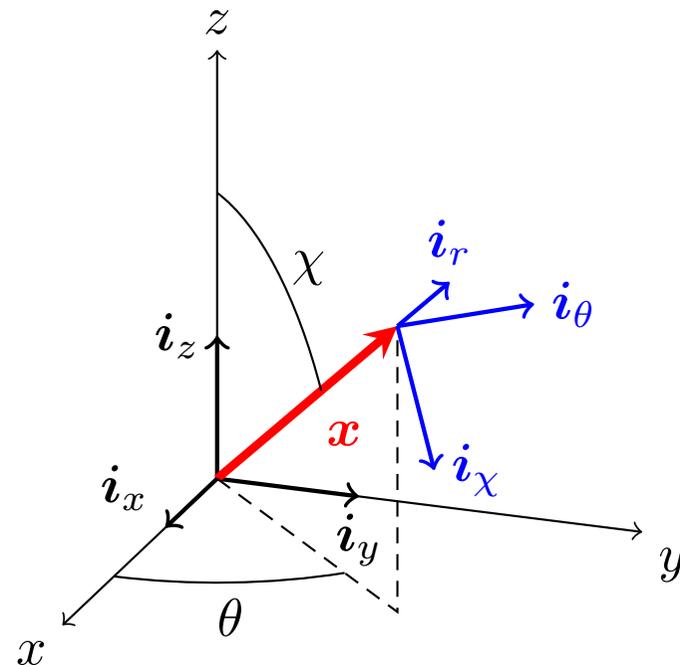
- $\nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \varphi = \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial r} \mathbf{i}_r(\theta, \chi) + \frac{1}{r \sin(\chi)} \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial \theta} \mathbf{i}_\theta(\theta) + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial \chi} \mathbf{i}_\chi.$

- $\operatorname{div}_{\mathbf{x}} \mathbf{a} = \frac{\partial a_r}{\partial r} + 2 \frac{a_r}{r} + \frac{1}{r \sin(\chi)} \frac{\partial a_\theta}{\partial \theta} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial a_\chi}{\partial \chi} + \frac{\cot(\chi)}{r} a_\chi.$

- $\operatorname{curl}_{\mathbf{x}} \mathbf{a} = \left( \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial a_\theta}{\partial \chi} + \frac{\cot(\chi)}{r} a_\theta - \frac{1}{r \sin(\chi)} \frac{\partial a_\chi}{\partial \theta} \right) \mathbf{i}_r(\theta, \chi) + \left( \frac{\partial a_\chi}{\partial r} + \frac{a_\chi}{r} - \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial a_r}{\partial \chi} \right) \mathbf{i}_\theta(\theta)$   
 $+ \left( \frac{1}{r \sin(\chi)} \frac{\partial a_r}{\partial \chi} - \frac{\partial a_\theta}{\partial r} - \frac{a_\theta}{r} \right) \mathbf{i}_\chi(\theta, \chi).$

- $\Delta_{\mathbf{x}} \varphi = \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( r^2 \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{1}{r^2 \sin(\chi)^2} \frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial \theta^2} + \frac{1}{r^2 \sin(\chi)} \frac{\partial}{\partial \chi} \left( \sin(\chi) \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial \chi} \right).$

- $dV = r^2 \sin(\chi) dr d\theta d\chi.$



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## Review of Fourier analysis

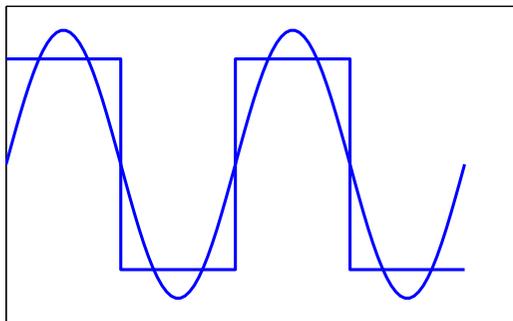
This is not a lecture but rather a summary of key elements of Fourier analysis. For a more complete treatment of Fourier analysis, please refer to MATH0007 Analyse Mathématique II (F. Bastin) and SYST0002 Modélisation et analyse des systèmes (R. Sepulchre).

- This slide recalls the Fourier series of a periodic function.
- Let  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a nonconstant **periodic function** that has period  $a$  and is square-integrable on  $[-a/2, a/2]$ , that is,  $\int_{-a/2}^{a/2} |f(t)|^2 dt < +\infty$ . Then, the **Fourier series** of  $f$  reads as follows:

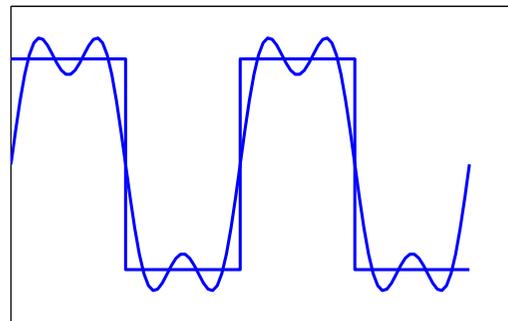
$$\begin{cases} f(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{+\infty} f_k \exp\left(ik \frac{2\pi}{a} t\right), \\ f_k = \frac{1}{a} \int_{-a/2}^{a/2} f(t) \exp\left(-ik \frac{2\pi}{a} t\right) dt. \end{cases}$$

- It has the following approximation property:

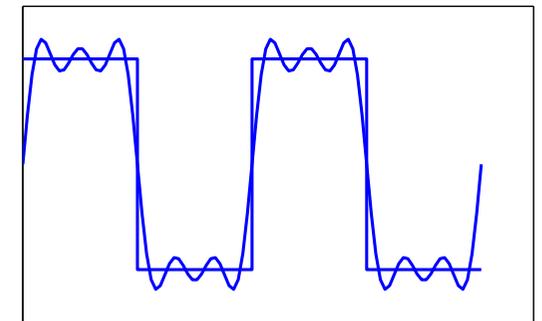
$$\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \int_{-a/2}^{a/2} \left| f(t) - \sum_{k=-n}^n f_k \exp\left(ik \frac{2\pi}{a} t\right) \right|^2 dt = 0.$$



$n = 1.$



$n = 3.$



$n = 5.$

- This slide recalls the Fourier transform of a function (which need not be periodic).

- Let  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be an **integrable function**, that is,  $\int_{\mathbb{R}} |f(t)| dt < +\infty$ . Then, the **Fourier transform** (FT)  $\hat{f}$  of  $f$  is the bounded, continuous function  $\hat{f}$  from  $\mathbb{R}$  into  $\mathbb{C}$  such that

$$\hat{f}(\omega) = \mathcal{F}f(\omega) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} \exp(-i\omega t) f(t) dt.$$

The Fourier transform of an integrable function is not necessarily integrable itself.

- Let  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a **square-integrable function**, that is,  $\int_{\mathbb{R}} |f(t)|^2 dt < +\infty$ . Then, the **Fourier transform**  $\hat{f}$  of  $f$  is the square-integrable function  $\hat{f}$  from  $\mathbb{R}$  into  $\mathbb{C}$  such that

$$\begin{cases} \hat{f}(\omega) = \mathcal{F}f(\omega) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} \exp(-i\omega t) f(t) dt, \\ f(t) = \mathcal{F}^{-1}\hat{f}(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \exp(i\omega t) \hat{f}(\omega) d\omega. \end{cases}$$

- This slide recalls properties of the Fourier transform of a function (which need not be periodic).

- The Fourier transform interchanges **differentiation** and multiplication by a monomial:

$$d^k \widehat{f} / d\omega^k = \widehat{(-it)^k f} \quad \text{and} \quad \widehat{d^k f / dt^k} = (i\omega)^k \widehat{f}.$$

- The Fourier transform interchanges **convolution** and multiplication of functions. This means that if

$$(f \star g)(t) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(t-s)g(s)ds = \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(s)g(t-s)ds,$$

where  $\star$  denotes the convolution operation, then

$$\widehat{f \star g}(\omega) = \widehat{f}(\omega) \widehat{g}(\omega).$$

- Lastly, we recall the application of Fourier analysis to linear ordinary differential equations (ODEs).
- **Ordinary Differential Equation (ODE):**

$$\sum_{k=0}^q b_k \frac{d^k u_f}{dt^k}(t) = f(t), \quad t \in \mathbb{R}, \quad b_q \neq 0, \quad q \geq 1.$$

- **Algebraic equation** obtained by FT (if it exists):

$$\sum_{k=0}^q b_k (i\omega)^k \hat{u}_f(\omega) = \hat{f}(\omega), \quad \omega \in \mathbb{R}.$$

- **Frequency Response Function (FRF):**

$$\hat{u}_f(\omega) = \hat{h}(\omega) \hat{f}(\omega) \quad \text{where} \quad \hat{h}(\omega) = \frac{1}{p(i\omega)} = \frac{1}{\sum_{k=0}^q b_k (i\omega)^k}.$$

If  $1/p$  has no poles on the imaginary axis,  $\hat{h} : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is a bounded, square-integrable function.

- **Impulse response function:**

$$h = \mathcal{F}^{-1}(\hat{h}).$$

If  $1/p$  has no poles on the imaginary axis,  $h : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is an integrable, square-integrable, and bounded function that decays rapidly at infinity and is continuous (except perhaps at the origin).

- **Generalized solution :**

$$u_f = h \star f, \quad \text{that is,} \quad u_f(t) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} h(s) f(t-s) ds, \quad (\text{using convolution that makes sense}).$$

## Suggested reading material

- F. Bastin. MATH0007 Analyse Mathématique II. ULg. Lecture notes.
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