

TOPIC PLAN		
Partner organization	Sojuz na istrazuvaci na Makedonija-SIM Skopje	
Topic	Line integrals	
Lesson title	Scalar Line integrals	
Learning objectives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Calculate a scalar line integral along a curve.</li> <li>• Use a line integral to compute the length of a curve.</li> <li>• Use a line integral to calculate the mass of a wire.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Strategies/Activities</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Graphic Organizer</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Think/Pair/Share</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Modeling</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Collaborative learning</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discussion questions</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Project based learning</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Problem based learning</p> <p><b>Assessment for learning</b></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Observations</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Conversations</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Work sample</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Conference</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Check list</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Diagnostics</p> <p><b>Assessment as learning</b></p>
Aim of the lecture / Description of the practical problem	<p><b>Practical problem:</b> Calculate the mass of a spring in the shape of a curve parameterized by</p> $\vec{r}(t) = t\vec{i} + 2\cos t\vec{j} + 2\sin t\vec{k}$ $0 \leq t \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$ <p>, with a density function given by</p> $\rho(x, y, z) = e^x + yz$	
Previous knowledge assumed:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Evaluation of integrals</li> <li>• Parametrization of a plane curve</li> <li>• Parametrization of a space curve</li> </ul>	

## Introduction / Theoretical basics

### Scalar line integrals.

This type of integral we also call it line integral of  $f$  with respect to arc length.

For a formal description of a scalar line integral, let  $C$  be a smooth curve in space given by the parameterization:

$$\vec{r}(t) = x(t)\vec{i} + y(t)\vec{j} + z(t)\vec{k}, \quad a \leq t \leq b.$$

Let

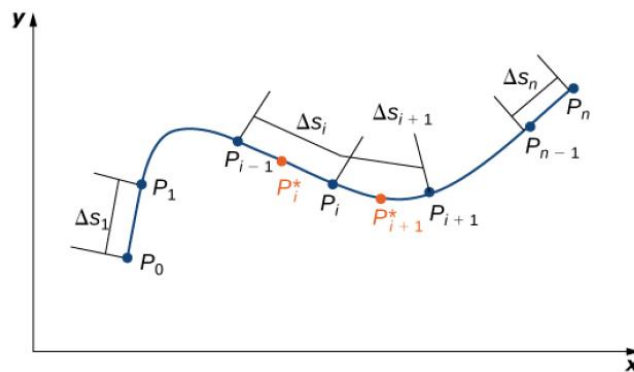
$$f = f(x, y, z)$$

be a function with a domain that includes curve  $C$ : To define the integral we begin as most definitions of an integral begin: we chop the curve into small pieces.

Partition the parameter interval  $[a, b]$  into  $n$  subintervals  $[t_i, t_{i+1}]$  where  $t_0 = a$  and  $t_n = b$ . Let  $t_i^*$  be a value in the subinterval  $[t_i, t_{i+1}]$ . We denote the endpoints

$$\vec{r}(t_0), \vec{r}(t_1), \dots, \vec{r}(t_n)$$

with  $P_0, P_1, \dots, P_n$ , see the figure below.



Points  $P_i$  divide the curve  $C$  into pieces  $C_0, C_1, \dots, C_n$ , with length:

$$\Delta s_0, \Delta s_1, \dots, \Delta s_n.$$

At the end, we evaluate the function for the point  $P_i^*$ , multiply with  $\Delta s_i$  and sum for  $1 \leq i \leq n$ .

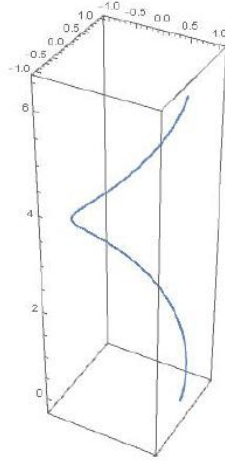
**Definition.** Let  $f$  be a function with a domain that includes the smooth curve  $C$  that is parameterized by

- ☒ Self-assessment
- ☐ Peer-assessment
- ☐ Presentation
- ☐ Graphic Organizer
- ☐ Homework

### Assessment of learning

- ☒ Test
- ☒ Quiz
- ☐ Presentation
- ☐ Project
- ☐ Published work

	$\vec{r}(t) = x(t)\vec{i} + y(t)\vec{j} + z(t)\vec{k}, \quad a \leq t \leq b.$ <p>The scalar line integral of <math>f</math> along <math>C</math> is:</p> $\int_C f(x, y, z) ds = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^n f(P_i^*) \Delta s_i,$ <p>if this limit exists, and <math>P_i^*</math> and <math>\Delta s_i</math> are defined as before.</p>	
<b>Action</b>	<p>Questions to students:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How to calculate the new defined integrals?</li> <li>• How can we connect the length of a given integral with the scalar line integral over the same curve?</li> </ul> <p>The question about how to evaluate the scalar line integral gives the following theorem.  <b>Theorem.</b> Let <math>f</math> be a continuous function with a domain that includes the smooth curve <math>C</math> with parameterization:</p> $\vec{r}(t) = x(t)\vec{i} + y(t)\vec{j} + z(t)\vec{k}, \quad a \leq t \leq b.$ <p>Then</p> $\int_C f(x, y, z) ds = \int_a^b f(x(t), y(t), z(t)) \sqrt{[x'(t)]^2 + [y'(t)]^2 + [z'(t)]^2} dt.$ <p><b>Example.</b> Find</p> $\int_C (x^2 + y^2 + z^2) ds$ <p>where <math>C</math> is given by <math>x=\cos t</math>, <math>y=\sin t</math>, <math>z=t</math> for <math>0 \leq t \leq 2\pi</math> from <math>(1,0,0)</math> to <math>(1,0,2\pi)</math>.  The curve we are about to integrate on is given on the following figure:</p>	



Using the theorem for the evaluation of the line integral we have:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_C f(x, y, z) ds &= \\ &= \int_0^{2\pi} (\cos^2 t + \sin^2 t + t^2) \sqrt{(-\sin t)^2 + (\cos t)^2 + 1^2} dt \\ &= \int_0^{2\pi} (1 + t^2) \sqrt{2} dt = 2\sqrt{2}\pi(1 + 4\pi^2/3). \end{aligned}$$

Next, if we want just to evaluate the length of the curve C, i.e. to calculate the arc length, we have to take:

$$f(x, y, z) = 1$$

and then the arc length of C will be evaluated by:

$$\int_C ds.$$

**Example.** Find the length of a wire with a parametrization:  $x=3t+1$ ,  $y=4-2t$ ,  $z=5+2t$ ,  $0 \leq t \leq 4$ . We have:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_C ds &= \int_0^4 \sqrt{(3)^2 + (-2)^2 + 2^2} dt \\ &= \int_0^4 \sqrt{17} dt = 4\sqrt{17}. \end{aligned}$$

**Properties.** The scalar line integrals have the

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following properties:

$$\int_C k f(x, y, z) ds = k \int_C f(x, y, z) ds ,$$

$$\int_C (f \pm g)(x, y, z) ds = \int_C f(x, y, z) ds \pm \int_C g(x, y, z) ds$$

Since  $\Delta s_i > 0$ , when we switch the direction of the curve, in the line integral will not change.

$$\int_C f(x, y, z) ds = \int_{-C} f(x, y, z) ds .$$

Evaluation of the integral over a piecewise smooth curve is a simple thing to do. We evaluate the integral over each pieces, and then add them up. We have:

$$\int_C f(x, y, z) ds = \int_{C_1} f(x, y, z) ds + \int_{C_2} f(x, y, z) ds .$$

#### Application.

Question to the students:

- Are you familiar with any application of the scalar line integral?

Discussion with the students.

They can be used to calculate the length or mass of a wire, the surface area of a sheet of a given height, or the electric potential of a charged wire given a linear charge density.

#### A mass of a wire.

Suppose that a piece of wire is modeled by curve  $C$  in space. The mass per unit length (the linear density) of the wire is a continuous function

$$\rho(x, y, z) .$$

We can calculate the total mass of the wire using the scalar line integral

$$\int_C \rho(x, y, z) ds .$$

Now, at the end of this class we give the solution of the opening problem calculating the mass of a spring in the shape of a parameterized curve.

We have:

	$\int_C \rho(x, y, z) ds =$ $\int_0^{\pi/2} (e^t + yz) \sqrt{x'^2(t) + y'^2(t) + z'^2(t)} dt =$ $\int_0^{\pi/2} (e^t + 4 \sin t \cos t) \sqrt{1^2 + (-2 \sin t)^2 + (2 \cos t)^2} dt =$ $\sqrt{5} \int_0^{\pi/2} (e^t + 4 \sin t \cos t) dt = \sqrt{5}(e^{\pi/2} + 1).$	
<b>Materials / equipment / digital tools / software</b>	<p><u>The materials for learning</u> are given as a part of references of the end from this topic plan;</p> <p><u>Equipment</u>: classroom, green board, chalk in different colours;</p> <p><u>Digital tools</u>: laptop, projector, smart board;</p> <p><u>Software</u>: Mathematica.</p>	
<b>Consolidation</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Use of materials, equipment, digital tools, software by teachers and students;</li> <li>• The teacher's discussion with the students through appropriate questions;</li> <li>• Independent solving of simple tasks by the students under the supervision of the teacher;</li> <li>• Given of examples by the teacher for introducing a new concept in a cooperation and a discussion with the students;</li> <li>• Assignment of homework by the teacher with a time limit until the next class.</li> </ul>	
<b>Reflections and next steps</b>		
<b>Activities that worked</b>		<b>Parts to be revisited</b>
After the class, the teacher according to his personal perceptions regarding the success of the class fills in this part.		Through the success of the homework done by the students, questions and discussion at the beginning of the next class, the teacher comes to the conclusion which parts of this class should be revised.
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