

# Section 1.4 - Affine Spaces

\* Affine Space - linear space of points

POINTS

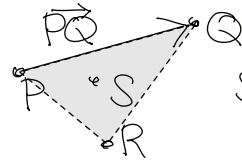
vs

VECTORS

~ operations

$$\begin{aligned} Q - P &= \vec{V} \\ P + \vec{V} &= Q \end{aligned}$$

$$\vec{W} = \alpha \vec{u} + \beta \vec{v}$$



$$\begin{aligned} S &= \alpha P + \beta Q + \gamma R \\ \alpha + \beta + \gamma &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

~ points are invariant under translation of the origin, but coordinates depend on the origin

~ a point may be specified by its 'position vector' (arrow from the origin to the point)

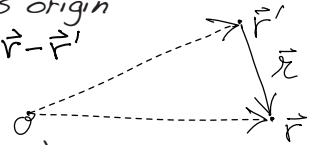
cumbersome picture: many meaningless arrows from a meaningless origin

position field point  $\vec{r} = (x, y, z)$

displacement vector:  $\vec{x} \equiv \vec{r} - \vec{r}'$

vector: source pt  $\vec{r}' = (x', y', z')$

differential:  $d\vec{r} = \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial q} dq = \vec{e}_i dq$



~ the only operation on points is a weighted average (affine combination)

weight  $w=0$  forms a vector and  $w=1$  forms a point

~ transformation: affine vs linear

~ basis (independent):  $N+1$  vs  $N$

~ decomposition: coordinates vs components

- they appear the same for cartesian systems!

- coordinates are scalar fields  $q_i(\vec{r})$

- they parametrize space

$$\begin{pmatrix} R & \vec{E} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \vec{r} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} R\vec{r} + \vec{E} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} R & \vec{E} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \vec{v} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} R\vec{v} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

\* Rectangular, Cylindrical and Spherical coordinate transformations

~ math: 2-d  $\rightarrow$  N-d physics: 3d + azimuthal symmetry

~ singularities on z-axis and origin

$$S_\theta \equiv \sin \theta$$

$$C_\theta \equiv \cos \theta$$

$$(\hat{S}, \hat{\phi}, \hat{z}) = (\hat{x}, \hat{y}, \hat{z}) \begin{pmatrix} C_\phi & -S_\phi & 0 \\ S_\phi & C_\phi & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$x = S \cdot C_\phi$$

$$y = S \cdot S_\phi$$

$$S = r \cdot S_\theta$$

$$z = r \cdot C_\theta$$

rect. cyl. sph.

$$x = S \cdot C_\phi = r \cdot S_\theta C_\phi$$

$$y = S \cdot S_\phi = r \cdot S_\theta S_\phi$$

$$z = z = r \cdot C_\theta$$

$$(\hat{r}, \hat{\theta}, \hat{\phi}) = (\hat{x}, \hat{y}, \hat{z}) \begin{pmatrix} S_\theta & C_\theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ C_\theta & -S_\theta & 0 \end{pmatrix} = (\hat{x}, \hat{y}, \hat{z}) \begin{pmatrix} R_z(\phi) & R_\theta(\theta) \\ & \parallel \\ S_\theta C_\phi & C_\theta C_\phi & -S_\phi \\ S_\theta S_\phi & C_\theta S_\phi & C_\phi \\ C_\theta & -S_\theta & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$d\vec{r}_{\text{rec}} = \hat{x} dx + \hat{y} dy + \hat{z} dz$$

$$d\vec{r}_{\text{cyl}} = \hat{s} ds + \hat{\phi} s d\phi + \hat{z} dz$$

$$d\vec{r}_{\text{sph}} = \hat{r} dr + \hat{\theta} r d\theta + \hat{\phi} r \sin \theta d\phi$$

$$d\vec{a}_{\text{rec}} = \hat{x} dy dz + \hat{y} dz dx + \hat{z} dx dy$$

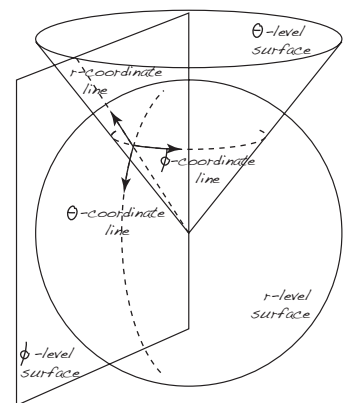
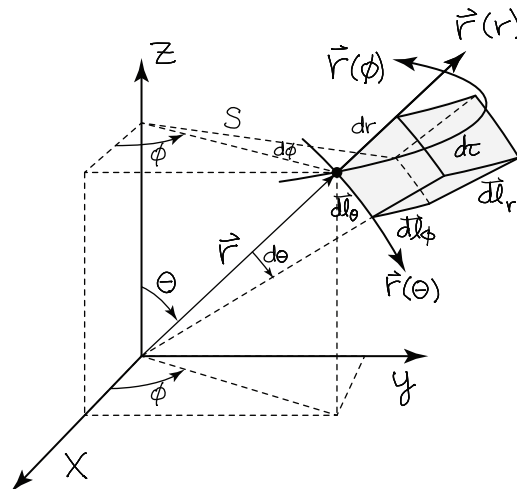
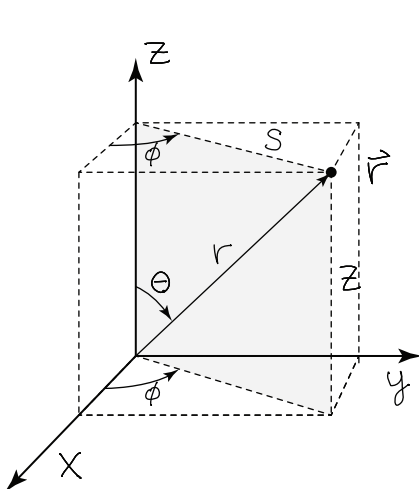
$$d\vec{a}_{\text{cyl}} = \hat{s} s d\phi dz + \hat{\phi} dz ds + \hat{z} ds s d\phi$$

$$d\vec{a}_{\text{sph}} = \hat{r} r d\theta s \sin \theta d\phi + \hat{\theta} r \sin \theta d\phi dr + \hat{\phi} dr r d\theta$$

$$d\tau_{\text{rec}} = dx dy dz$$

$$d\tau_{\text{cyl}} = ds \cdot s d\phi \cdot dz$$

$$\begin{aligned} d\tau_{\text{sph}} &= dr \cdot r d\theta \cdot r \sin \theta d\phi \\ &= r^2 dr d\Omega \end{aligned}$$



# Curvilinear Coordinates

## \* coordinate surfaces and lines

~ each coordinate is a scalar field  $g(\vec{r})$

~ coordinate surfaces: constant  $g^i$

~ coordinate lines: constant  $g^j, g^k$

## \* coordinate basis vectors

$$q^i \sim \{u, v, w\}$$

~ generalized coordinates

$$\vec{b}_i = \left( \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial q^i} \right)_{q^j, q^k} \sim \{\hat{u}_f, \hat{v}_g, \hat{w}_h\}$$

~ contravariant basis

$$\vec{b}^i = \nabla q^i \sim \{\hat{u}_f, \hat{v}_g, \hat{w}_h\}$$

~ covariant basis

$$h_i = |\vec{b}_i| \sim \{f, g, h\}$$

~ scale factor

$$\hat{e}_i = \vec{b}_i / h_i \sim \{\hat{u}, \hat{v}, \hat{w}\}$$

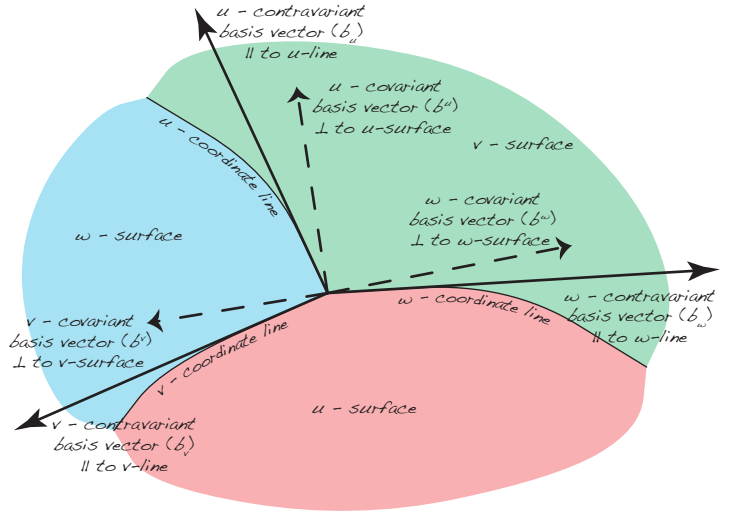
~ unit vector

$$g_{ij} = \vec{b}_i \cdot \vec{b}_j \sim \begin{pmatrix} h_1^2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & h_2^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & h_3^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

~ metric (dot product)

$$\vec{r}_{,ij} = \frac{\partial \vec{b}_j}{\partial q^i} = \vec{b}_k \Gamma_{ij}^k$$

~ Christoffel symbols - derivative of basis vectors



## \* differential elements (orthogonal coords)

$$\begin{aligned} d\vec{r} &= \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial q^1} dq^1 + \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial q^2} dq^2 + \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial q^3} dq^3 = \vec{b}_i dq^i \\ &= \hat{e}_1 \underbrace{h_1 dq^1}_{dl_1} + \hat{e}_2 \underbrace{h_2 dq^2}_{dl_2} + \hat{e}_3 \underbrace{h_3 dq^3}_{dl_3} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} d\vec{a} &= \frac{1}{2} d\vec{r} \times d\vec{r} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{e}_1 & \hat{e}_2 & \hat{e}_3 \\ h_1 dq^1 & h_2 dq^2 & h_3 dq^3 \\ h_1 dq^1 & h_2 dq^2 & h_3 dq^3 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \hat{e}_1 h_2 dq^2 h_3 dq^3 + \hat{e}_2 h_3 dq^3 h_1 dq^1 + \hat{e}_3 h_1 dq^1 h_2 dq^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$d\tau = \frac{1}{2} d\vec{r} \cdot d\vec{a} = \frac{1}{2} d\vec{r} \cdot d\vec{r} \times d\vec{r} = h_1 dq^1 h_2 dq^2 h_3 dq^3$$

## \* formulas for vector derivatives in orthogonal curvilinear coordinates

$$df = \frac{\partial f}{\partial q^i} dq^i = \frac{\partial f}{h_i \partial q^i} \cdot h_i dq^i = \nabla f \cdot d\vec{r}$$

$$\begin{aligned} d(\vec{A} \cdot d\vec{r}) &= d(A_k h_k dq^k) = \frac{\partial}{\partial q^i} (h_k A_k) dq^i dq^k \\ &= \epsilon_{ijk} \frac{\partial (h_k A_k)}{h_j h_k \partial q^k} d\vec{a}_i = (\nabla \times \vec{A}) \cdot d\vec{a} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} d(\vec{B} \cdot d\vec{a}) &= d(B_i h_j dq^j h_k dq^k) = \frac{\partial}{\partial q^i} (h_j h_k B_i) dq^i dq^j dq^k \\ &= \frac{1}{h_1 h_2 h_3} \frac{\partial}{\partial q^i} \frac{\partial (h_j h_k B_i)}{\partial q^i} d\tau = \nabla \cdot \vec{B} d\tau \end{aligned}$$

this formula does not work for  $\nabla^2 \vec{B} \rightarrow$   
instead, use:  $\nabla^2 = \nabla \cdot \nabla - \nabla \times \nabla \times$

## \* example

$$\begin{aligned} x &= s c_\phi & dx &= c_\phi ds - s s_\phi d\phi \\ (c_\phi &= \cos \phi) & y &= s s_\phi & dy &= s_\phi ds + s c_\phi d\phi \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} d\vec{r} &= \hat{x} dx + \hat{y} dy = (\hat{x} c_\phi + \hat{y} s_\phi) ds + (\hat{x} s_\phi - \hat{y} c_\phi) s d\phi \\ &= \hat{s} ds + \hat{\phi} s d\phi & (\hat{s} \hat{\phi}) &= (\hat{x} \hat{y}) \begin{pmatrix} c_\phi & -s_\phi \\ s_\phi & c_\phi \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$s^2 = x^2 + y^2 \quad 2s ds = 2x dx + 2y dy$$

$$y = x \tan \phi \quad dy = dx \tan \phi + x \sec^2 \phi d\phi$$

$$d\phi = \frac{-y}{s^2} dx + \frac{x}{s^2} dy$$

$$\nabla s = \frac{x}{s} \hat{x} + \frac{y}{s} \hat{y} = c_\phi \hat{x} + s_\phi \hat{y} = \hat{s}$$

$$\nabla \phi = \frac{-y}{s^2} \hat{x} + \frac{x}{s^2} \hat{y} = \frac{-s_\phi \hat{x} + c_\phi \hat{y}}{s} = \frac{\hat{\phi}}{s}$$

$$\nabla f = \frac{df}{d\vec{r}} = \frac{\hat{e}_i}{h_i} \frac{\partial}{\partial q^i} f$$

$$\nabla \times \vec{A} = \frac{d(\vec{r} \cdot \vec{A})}{d\vec{r}} = \frac{1}{h_1 h_2 h_3} \begin{vmatrix} h_1 \hat{e}_1 & h_2 \hat{e}_2 & h_3 \hat{e}_3 \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial q^1} & \frac{\partial}{\partial q^2} & \frac{\partial}{\partial q^3} \\ h_1 A^1 & h_2 A^2 & h_3 A^3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{B} = \frac{d(\vec{r} \cdot \vec{B})}{d\vec{r}} = \frac{1}{h_1 h_2 h_3} \sum_i \frac{\partial}{\partial q^i} (h_j h_k B_i) \quad i, j, k \text{ cyclic}$$

$$\nabla^2 f = \frac{1}{h_1 h_2 h_3} \sum_i \frac{\partial}{\partial q^i} \frac{h_j h_k}{h_i} \frac{\partial}{\partial q^i} f$$