

10/6 - Change of Variables

Change of variable is like u-substitution for multiple integrals.

A function $G: X \rightarrow Y$ (from X to Y) is sometimes called a map. X is the domain and Y is the codomain. Given a subset of X , U , $G(U) = \{G(x) : x \in U\}$. $G(U)$ is called the image of U under G , and $G(X)$ is the range of G . $G(X) = G(\{x\})$, which is called the image of X .

For change of variables, we're given some $D \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ and thinking about maps $G: D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$. u, v will be variables in the domain, and x, y will be variables in the codomain. I.e., $G(u, v) = (x(u, v), y(u, v))$.



Ex: $P(r, \theta) = (r \cos \theta, r \sin \theta)$ (or $(r \cos \theta, r \sin \theta)$)

$$\text{Ex: } P(\mathbf{c}[\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2] \times P(\theta_1, \theta_2)) =$$

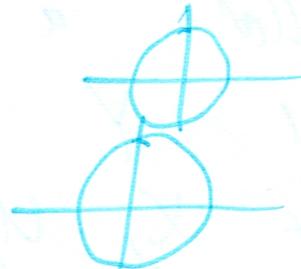


$$P(\mathbf{c}[\mathbf{r}_1]) = (\mathbf{r}_1 \cos \theta, \mathbf{r}_1 \sin \theta)$$

$$P(\mathbf{c}[\mathbf{r}_2]) = (\mathbf{r}_2 \cos \theta, \mathbf{r}_2 \sin \theta)$$

$$P(\theta_1) = (\mathbf{r}_1 \cos \theta_1, \mathbf{r}_1 \sin \theta_1)$$

$$P(\theta_2) = (\mathbf{r}_2 \cos \theta_2, \mathbf{r}_2 \sin \theta_2)$$



The simplest types of maps

$$\text{maps: } G(u, v) = (\text{Aut } Bv, \text{Cut } Dv).$$

The nice property of linear maps is that $G(cu, cv) = cG(u, v)$ and

$$G(u_1 + u_2, v_1 + v_2) = G(u_1, v_1) + G(u_2, v_2).$$

That is, lines go to lines. (and thus parallelograms go to parallelograms.)

Ex: Let T be the triangle with vertices $(2, 1), (3, 4)$ and $(8, 0)$. Let $G = (2u - v, u + v)$.

Find $G(T)$.

Sol: As G is linear, we know lines go to lines, so we just need to look at

$$G(2,1), G(3,4), \text{ and } G(8,0)$$

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 (3,3) (2,7) (16,8)



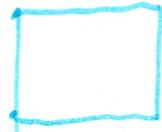
For non-linear maps, we look at the images of curves $V = f(C)$. Usually, the curves we pick are lines, but it depends on D .

Ex. $G(u,v) = (u^2 - v^2, u^2 + v^2)$. Find the image of $[0,1] \times [3,4]$.

Sol: $G(0,v) = (-v^2, v^2)$, or $y = -x, x \leq 0$

$G(1,v) = ((-v^2), 1+v^2)$, or $y = -x+2, x \leq 1$

$v=4$



$v=3$

$u=0$

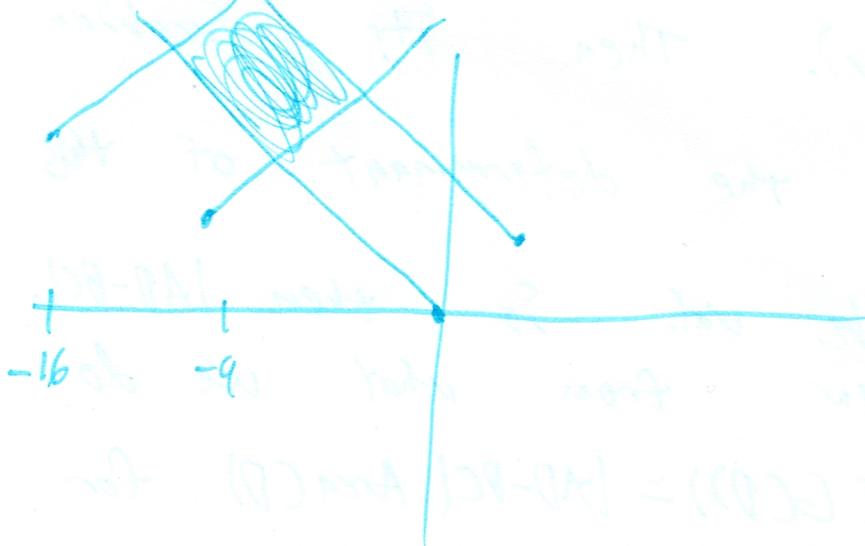
$u=1$

or

$y = x+18, x \geq -9$

$G(u,3) = (u^2-9, u^2+9)$

$G(u,4) = (u^2-16, u^2+16)$, or $y = x+32, x \geq -16$



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