

Math. 311
20

P. 169, 3.10 (1,2,4)

3.10.1 > Derive the eqs. of transformation between cylindrical & spherical coordinates.

Cylindrical	Spherical
$x = \rho \cos \theta$	$x = r \sin \phi \cos \theta$
$y = \rho \sin \theta$	$y = r \sin \phi \sin \theta$
$z = z$	$z = r \cos \phi$

$$\theta = \theta$$

$$\rho = r \sin \phi$$

$$z = r \cos \phi$$

\rightarrow

$$r = \sqrt{\rho^2 + z^2}$$

$$\phi = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\rho}{z} \right)$$

3.10.2 > Use:

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} x = \rho \cos \theta \\ y = \rho \sin \theta \\ z = z \end{array} \right\} \rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \rho = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \\ \theta = \tan^{-1}(y/x) \\ z = z \end{array} \right. \text{ and}$$

to der

$$\bar{e}_z = \nabla z / |\nabla z|$$

$$\bar{e}_\rho = \nabla \rho / |\nabla \rho|$$

$$\bar{e}_\theta = \nabla \theta / |\nabla \theta|$$

to derive: $\bar{e}_z = \bar{k}$,

$$\bar{e}_\rho = \frac{x\bar{i} + y\bar{j}}{(x^2 + y^2)^{1/2}}, \quad \bar{e}_\theta = \frac{-y\bar{i} + x\bar{j}}{(x^2 + y^2)^{1/2}}$$

$$\nabla z = \bar{i} \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + \bar{j} \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} + \bar{k} \frac{\partial z}{\partial z} = \bar{k} ; |\nabla z| = |\bar{k}| = 1$$

$$\nabla \rho = \bar{i} \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial x} + \bar{j} \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial y} + \bar{k} \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial z} = \bar{i} \frac{x}{(x^2 + y^2)^{1/2}} + \bar{j} \frac{y}{(x^2 + y^2)^{1/2}} ; |\nabla \rho| = 1$$

$$\nabla \theta = \bar{i} \frac{1}{1 + (y/x)^2} \cdot \left(-\frac{y}{x^2}\right) + \bar{j} \frac{1}{1 + (y/x)^2} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{x}\right) = \left(-\frac{y}{x^2 + y^2} + \frac{x}{x^2 + y^2}\right) \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}}$$

$$|\nabla \theta| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} ; \bar{e}_\theta = \nabla \theta / |\nabla \theta|$$

3.10.4 Use

$$\left. \begin{aligned} x &= r \sin \phi \cos \vartheta \\ y &= r \sin \phi \sin \vartheta \\ z &= r \cos \phi \end{aligned} \right\} \rightarrow \begin{aligned} r &= (x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{1/2} \\ \phi &= \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{z}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}} \right) \\ \vartheta &= \tan^{-1}(y/x) \end{aligned} \quad \text{and} \quad \begin{cases} \vec{e}_r = \nabla r / |\nabla r| \\ \vec{e}_\vartheta = \nabla \vartheta / |\nabla \vartheta| \\ \vec{e}_\phi = \nabla \phi / |\nabla \phi| \end{cases}$$

to derive: $\vec{e}_r = \frac{\vec{R}}{|\vec{R}|}$, $\vec{e}_\phi = \frac{z(\vec{x}\vec{i} + y\vec{j}) - (x^2 + y^2)\vec{k}}{(x^2 + y^2)^{1/2} (x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{1/2}}$

$$\vec{e}_\vartheta = \frac{-y\vec{i} + x\vec{j}}{(x^2 + y^2)^{1/2}}$$

◀ $\nabla r = \frac{x\vec{i} + y\vec{j} + z\vec{k}}{(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{1/2}} ; |\nabla r| = 1$

$$\nabla \vartheta = (-y\vec{i} + x\vec{j}) / (x^2 + y^2)^{1/2} \cdot \frac{1}{(x^2 + y^2)^{1/2}} = \vec{e}_\vartheta |\nabla \vartheta| \quad (\text{like 3.10.2})$$

$$\nabla \phi = \nabla (\cos^{-1}(z/r)) = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - (z/r)^2}} \nabla (z/r)$$

$$= -\frac{r}{\sqrt{r^2 - z^2}} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{r} \nabla z - \frac{z}{r^2} \nabla r \right)$$

$$= -\frac{\vec{k}}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} + \frac{z(x\vec{i} + y\vec{j} + z\vec{k})}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2} (\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2})^2} = \frac{z(x\vec{i} + y\vec{j}) - (x^2 + y^2)\vec{k}}{(x^2 + y^2)^{1/2} (x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{1/2}} \cdot \frac{1}{r}$$

$$|\nabla \phi| = 1/r = (x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{-1/2}$$

$$|\nabla \vartheta| = \frac{1}{(x^2 + y^2)^{1/2}} = \frac{1}{r \sin \phi}$$

$$|\nabla r| = 1$$

(i.e. $ds^2 = dr^2 + r^2 d\phi^2 + r^2 \sin^2 \phi d\vartheta^2$)