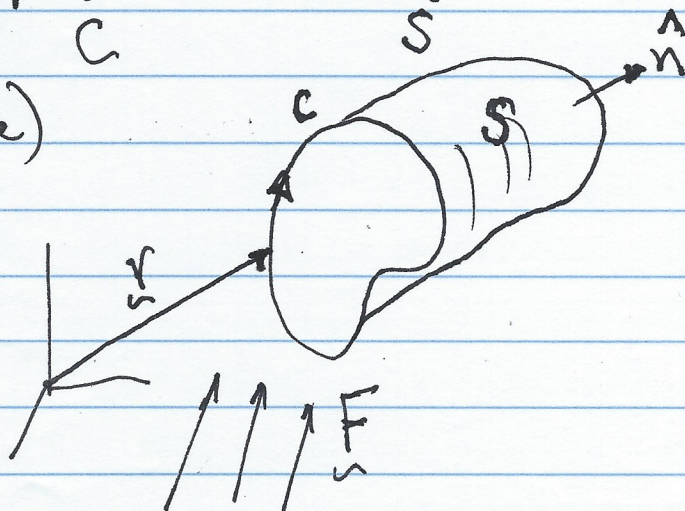


14.7 Stokes' Theorem

$$\oint_C \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} = \int_S (\nabla \times \vec{F}) \cdot d\vec{S}$$

"The circulation"
(traditional name)



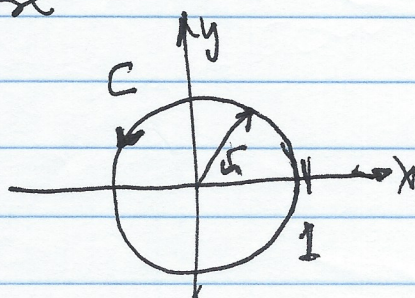
$$d\vec{S} = \hat{n} ds$$

S is the surface enclosed by the closed curve C

$\hat{n}$ is the "right-hand" normal: curl your right hand fingers in the direction of the path C , the normal points in the direction of the extended thumb.

ex) Verify Stokes' Theorem: $\vec{F} = \frac{-y}{x^2+y^2} \hat{i} + \frac{x}{x^2+y^2} \hat{j}$

The path is a circle of radius 1, traversed counter clockwise



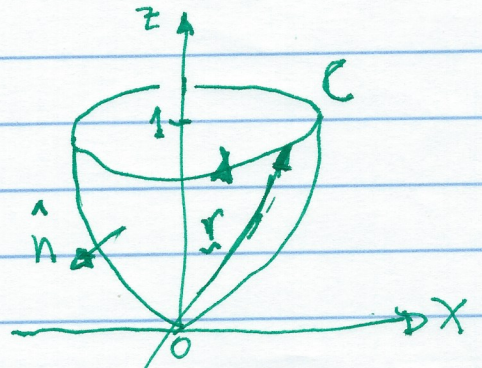
Try this!

11. ex) Verify Stokes' Theorem $\oint_C \underline{F} \cdot d\underline{r} = \int_S (\nabla \times \underline{F}) \cdot d\underline{S}$

$$\underline{F} = y^2 \hat{i} + x \hat{j} + z^2 \hat{k}$$

$$(1) S_1 = \{z = x^2 + y^2; 0 \leq z \leq 1\}$$

$$(2) S_2 = \{1 = x^2 + y^2\}$$



We expect that using either S_1 or S_2 yields the same answer as well as the outcome of the line integral.

(I) Do the line integral (note the direction of the path)

$$\text{Let } \underline{r}(t) = \cos t \hat{i} + \sin t \hat{j} + \hat{k} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \underline{v}(t) = -\sin t \hat{i} + \cos t \hat{j} \\ \underline{F}(t) = \sin^2 t \hat{i} + \cos^2 t \hat{j} + z^2 \hat{k} \end{array} \right\}$$

$$\oint_C \underline{F} \cdot d\underline{r} = \int_0^{2\pi} \underline{F}(t) \cdot \underline{v}(t) dt = \int_0^{2\pi} dt [-\sin^3 t + \cos^3 t]$$

$$= -\int_0^{2\pi} \frac{1}{2} (1 + \cos 2t) dt = -\pi$$

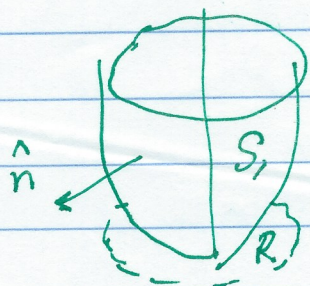
Using S_1 : we let $g = x^2 + y^2 - z = 0$; Use $\int_{S_1} \nabla \phi \cdot \hat{n} dS$

$$\text{Then } \hat{n} = \frac{\nabla g}{|\nabla g|} = \frac{2x\hat{i} + 2y\hat{j} - \hat{k}}{\sqrt{4x^2 + 4y^2 + 1}}$$

$$\nabla \phi = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ y^2 & x & z^2 \end{vmatrix} = +k(1-2y)$$

$$\cancel{\nabla \phi} dS = \hat{n} dS$$

$$(\nabla \phi) \cdot \hat{n} dS = -(1-2y)\hat{k} \cdot \hat{n} dS = \frac{(1-2y) dS}{\sqrt{4x^2 + 4y^2 + 1}} \therefore \int_{S_1} \frac{(1-2y) dS}{\sqrt{4x^2 + 4y^2 + 1}}$$



$$dS = \frac{dx dy}{|\hat{n} \cdot \hat{k}|}$$

$$-\int_{S_1} dS = -\iint_R \frac{(1-2y)}{|\hat{n} \cdot \hat{k}|} \hat{n} \cdot \hat{k} dx dy = -\iint_R (1-2y) dx dy$$

$$= -\int_{-1}^1 dx \int_{-(1-x^2)^{1/2}}^{(1-x^2)^{1/2}} dy (1-2y) = -\int_{-1}^1 dx \left[y - y^2 \right]_{y=-(1-x^2)^{1/2}}^{y=(1-x^2)^{1/2}} = -\pi //$$

Now, try S_2 :

$$\int_{S_2} (\nabla \times \underline{F}) \cdot d\underline{S}$$

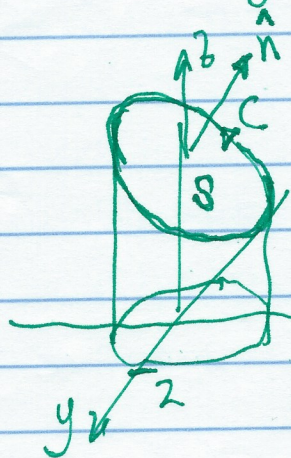
$$d\underline{S} = -\hat{k} dx dy$$

$$\nabla \times \underline{F} = \hat{k} (1-2y)$$

$$-\int_{S_2} (1-2y) dx dy = - \int_{-1}^1 dx \int_{-(1-x^2)^{1/2}}^{(1-x^2)^{1/2}} dy (1-2y) = -\pi //$$

ex) Use Stokes' Theorem to find $\oint_C \underline{F} \cdot d\underline{r}$

$\underline{F} = \langle -y, x^2, z^2 \rangle$, C is the intersection of $x^2 + y^2 = 4$ and $x+z=3$ plane



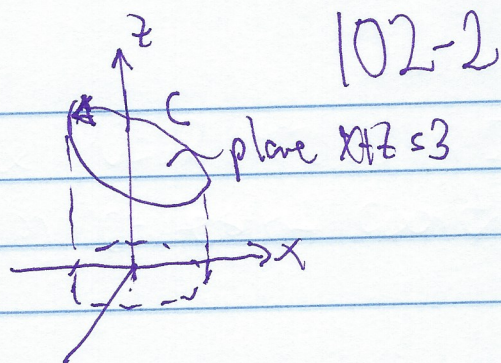
C is not difficult to parametrize but the surface integral involving S might be easy to ~~evaluate~~ evaluate.

$$\text{let } g = x + z - 3 = 0$$

$$\text{then } \hat{n} = \frac{\nabla g}{|\nabla g|} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \langle 1, 0, 1 \rangle$$

The line integral

$$\oint_C \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} = \oint_C \vec{F} \cdot \frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} dt$$



$$\vec{r} = \langle 2\cos t, 2\sin t, z(t) \rangle$$

in the plane $z(t) = 3 - x(t) = 3 - 2\cos t$

$$\vec{r} = \langle 2\cos t, 2\sin t, 3 - 2\cos t \rangle \quad 0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$$

$$\frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} = \langle -2\sin t, 2\cos t, +2\sin t \rangle$$

$$\vec{F} = \langle y, x^2, z^2 \rangle = \langle 2\sin t, 2\cos^2 t, (3 - 2\cos t)^2 \rangle$$

$$\vec{F} \cdot \frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} = 4\sin^2 t + 8\cos^3 t + 2\sin t(9 - 12\cos t + 4\cos^2 t)$$

~~$$\int_0^{2\pi} \vec{F} \cdot \frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} dt$$~~

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \vec{F} \cdot \frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} dt = \int_0^{2\pi} (4\sin^2 t + 8\cos^3 t + 18\sin t - 24\sin t \cos t + 8\sin t \cos^2 t) dt$$

$$= \int_0^{2\pi} 4\sin^2 t dt = 2 \int_0^{2\pi} (1 + \cos 2t) dt = 2 \int_0^{2\pi} dt = 4\pi //$$

Now, as a surface integral:

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$$\nabla \times \underline{F} = (2x+1)\hat{k} \quad \text{and} \quad d\underline{S} = \hat{n} \frac{dx dy}{|\hat{n} \cdot \hat{k}|}$$

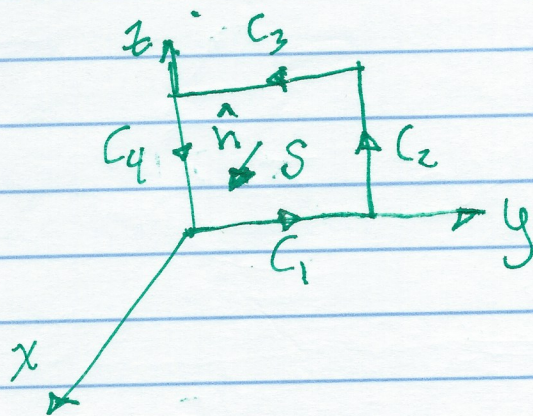
$$\int_S (\nabla \times \underline{F}) \cdot d\underline{S} = \iint_R (2x+1) \frac{\hat{k} \cdot \hat{n}}{|\hat{k} \cdot \hat{n}|} dx dy$$

$$= \int dy \int_R dx (2x+1) = \int_0^{2\pi} d\theta \int_0^2 r dr (2r \cos \theta + 1)$$

$$= \int_0^2 r dr \left(-2r \sin \theta \Big|_0^{2\pi} + \theta \Big|_0^{2\pi} \right) = 2\pi \int_0^2 r dr = \frac{2\pi}{2} r^2 \Big|_0^2 = \pi 4 //$$

ex) Verify Stokes Theorem, $\underline{F} = \hat{i} + 2y^2 \hat{j}$

on a flat surface bounded by $(0,0,0), (0,1,0), (0,1,1), (0,0,1)$



$$\oint_C \underline{F} \cdot d\underline{r} = \int_{C_1} + \int_{C_2} + \int_{C_3} + \int_{C_4}$$

$$= \int_S (\nabla \times \underline{F}) \cdot d\underline{S} = \int_S (\nabla \times \underline{F}) \cdot \hat{i} dy dz$$

$$\underline{F} = \hat{i} + zy^2 \hat{j}$$

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$$\oint_C = \int_{C_1} + \dots + \int_{C_4}$$

$$\text{let } \underline{r} = y \hat{j} + z \hat{k}$$

$$d\underline{r} = dy \hat{j} + dz \hat{k}$$

C_1 :

$$\int_{C_1} \underline{F} \cdot d\underline{r} = \int_0^1 z y^2 dy = 0$$

$$C_2: \int_{C_2} \underline{F} \cdot d\underline{r} = \int_0^1 0 dz = 0$$

$$C_3: \int_{C_3} \underline{F} \cdot d\underline{r} = \int_0^1 z y^2 dy = \int_0^1 y^2 dy = - \int_0^1 dy y^2 = - \frac{1}{3} y^3 \Big|_0^1 = -\frac{1}{3}$$

$$C_4: \int_{C_4} \underline{F} \cdot d\underline{r} = \int_0^1 z y^2 dy = 0 \quad \therefore \oint_C = -\frac{1}{3}$$

The Surface integral:

$$\nabla \times \underline{F} = - \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (zy^2) \hat{i} = -y^2 \hat{i}$$

$$\nabla \times \underline{F} \cdot \hat{n} dy dz = -y^2 dy dz$$

$$\int_S (\nabla \times \underline{F}) \cdot \hat{n} dy dz = - \int_0^1 \int_0^1 y^2 dy dz = - \int_0^1 y^2 dy = -\frac{1}{3} //$$

Just as there might exist a scalar potential ϕ such that $\underline{F} = \nabla\phi$ (i.e. if $\nabla \times \underline{F} = 0$) there is a vector potential associated with certain vector fields.

Before showing this, let's note the following about a scalar potential and a conservative field:

Take a scalar potential ϕ and define another one $\underline{\Phi} = \phi + K$, where K is a constant. Then

$$\nabla\phi = \nabla\underline{\Phi} = \nabla(\phi + K) \Rightarrow \text{in the absence of}$$

further constraints the scalar potential that defines a vector field $\underline{F}$ is not unique: $\underline{F} = \nabla\underline{\Phi} = \nabla(\phi + K) = \nabla\phi$.

In physics we say that we choose a "Gauge" when we choose or pin down the value of K via some constraint in the physics.

The Vector Potential

Suppose a vector $\underline{B}$ has the property that

$$\nabla \cdot \underline{B} = 0$$

We recall the identity $\nabla \cdot (\nabla \times \underline{F}) = 0$ for any $\underline{F}$ that's twice differentiable.

$$\text{So we could set } \nabla \cdot \underline{B} = \nabla \cdot (\nabla \times \underline{A}) = 0$$

We call $\underline{A}$ the vector potential. We say that any vector $\underline{B}$ that has zero divergence can be associated with a vector potential $\underline{A}$, such that $\underline{B} = \nabla \times \underline{A}$ (given some differentiability requirements).

Given $\underline{B}$ how do we find $\underline{A}$?

Let $\underline{B} = b_1 \hat{i} + b_2 \hat{j} + b_3 \hat{k}$ be known.

Let $\underline{A} = a_1 \hat{i} + a_2 \hat{j} + a_3 \hat{k}$ be unknown.

by definition $\nabla \times \underline{A} = \underline{B}$ means that

$$(*) \quad \begin{cases} \frac{\partial a_3}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial a_2}{\partial z} = b_1 \\ \frac{\partial a_1}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial a_3}{\partial x} = b_2 \\ \frac{\partial a_2}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial a_1}{\partial y} = b_3 \end{cases}$$

3 equations for 3 unknowns a_1, a_2, a_3 .

The procedure is to solving these via integrations.

Sometimes these integrals are difficult, but even if we succeed, we'll find that the resulting $\underline{A}$ is not uniquely defined unless ~~there~~ there are extra constraints imposed.

We will find that $\underline{\tilde{A}} = \underline{A} + \nabla\psi$ is also a vector potential of $\underline{B}$ if $\nabla \cdot \underline{B} = 0$ why?

$$\nabla \times \underline{\tilde{A}} = \nabla \times (\underline{A} + \nabla\psi) = \nabla \times \underline{A} \quad \text{since } \nabla \times \nabla\psi = 0 \text{ always.}$$

For simple cases we can find $\underline{A}$:

ex) let $\underline{B} = B_3 \hat{k}$, where B_3 is a constant.

Clearly $\nabla \cdot \underline{B} = 0$. let's use (*):

$$\textcircled{1} \frac{\partial a_3}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial a_2}{\partial z} = 0 \quad \textcircled{2} \frac{\partial a_1}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial a_3}{\partial x} = 0$$

$$\textcircled{3} \frac{\partial a_3}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial a_1}{\partial y} = B_3$$

a little trial and error helps: assume $a_1 = 0$, i.e.
 $\underline{A} = a_2 \hat{j} + a_3 \hat{k}$

by $\textcircled{2}$ $-\frac{\partial a_3}{\partial x} = 0$ and by $\textcircled{3}$ $\frac{\partial a_3}{\partial x} = B_3$

$$\hookrightarrow a_3 = a_3(y, z)$$

by $\textcircled{1}$ $\frac{\partial a_3}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial a_2}{\partial z}$ if we assume $a_3 = a_3(z)$

$$\therefore \frac{\partial a_2}{\partial z} = 0 \therefore a_2 = a_2(x, y)$$

by $\textcircled{3}$ $\frac{\partial a_2(x, y)}{\partial x} = B_3 \Rightarrow a_2(x, y) = B_3 x + f(y)$

we could set $f(y) = 0$ and still get consistency

$$\therefore \underline{A} = \hat{j} x B_3$$

We could have chosen $a_3 = 0$

$$\text{Re } \frac{\partial a_2}{\partial z} = 0 \quad \frac{\partial a_1}{\partial z} = 0$$

$$a_2 = a_2(x, y) \quad a_1 = a_1(x, y)$$

by ③, if $a_2 = a_2(y)$

$$-\frac{\partial a_1}{\partial y} = B$$

$$a_1 = -By + f(x)$$

set $f(x) = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{A}} = -By \hat{i}$$

for either case $\underline{\underline{A}} = \underline{\underline{A}} + \nabla\psi$ is also a
vector potential to $\underline{\underline{B}} = B\hat{k}$

Choosing or constraining $\nabla\psi$ means choosing
a "Gauge"