

MATH 264 Flux

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$$\vec{D} = \epsilon \vec{E}$$

$$\text{Gauss: } \oint_S \vec{D} \cdot d\vec{a} = Q_{\text{enc.}}$$

Flux: scalar that quantifies flow of \vec{Q} through surface S

- need surface in 3D (parametrization of surface)
- need flow field
- sign/direction (from problem)

Simple case: Surface = planar patch S , flow field = const. \vec{E}
surface normal = \hat{n}



$$\therefore \text{flux: } \Psi = (\vec{E} \cdot \hat{n}) \cdot S \rightarrow \text{area of } S$$

Ex. $\vec{E} = \langle A, B, C \rangle$, Find fluxes through faces of a tetrahedron with corners $(0,0,0)$, $(2,0,0)$, $(0,6,0)$ & $(0,0,4)$ using outward normals

① sketch

② Calculate fluxes through 4 faces of tetrahedron

1. Triangle: $(0, P_2, P_3)$

- lies on $x=0$ plane, $\therefore \hat{n} = \pm \hat{a}_x$
- \therefore calculating outward flux, $\therefore \hat{n} = -\hat{a}_x$
- $\Psi_1 = (\vec{E} \cdot \hat{n}) \cdot S = -A \cdot 12 = -12A$

2. Triangle: $(0, P_1, P_3)$

- outward normal $\hat{n} = -\hat{a}_y$
- $\Psi_2 = (\vec{E} \cdot \hat{n}) \cdot S = \vec{E} \cdot (-\hat{a}_y) \cdot S = -4B$

3. Triangle: $(0, P_1, P_2)$

- $\hat{n} = -\hat{a}_z \rightarrow \Psi = -6C$

4. Triangle: (P_1, P_2, P_3)

- Find normal vector:

a) use P_1, P_2, P_3 to find plane eqn, find \hat{n}

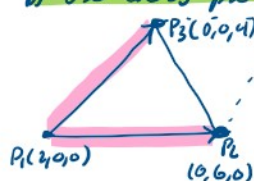
$$\text{eqn: } \frac{x}{2} + \frac{y}{6} + \frac{z}{4} = 1 \rightarrow 6x + 2y + 3z = 12$$

$\therefore \hat{n} = \pm \langle 6, 2, 3 \rangle \rightarrow$ but needs to push it away from origin

- But need to find area using geometry...

or:

b) use cross product



Take $\vec{P_1P_2} \times \vec{P_1P_3} \therefore$ want \hat{n} outward (RHR)

$$(-2, 6, 0) \times (-2, 0, 4)$$

$$= \langle 24, 8, 12 \rangle = 4 \langle 6, 2, 3 \rangle$$

$$\hat{n} = \frac{\vec{P_1P_2} \times \vec{P_1P_3}}{|\vec{P_1P_2} \times \vec{P_1P_3}|} \quad \& \quad S = \frac{1}{2} |\vec{P_1P_2} \times \vec{P_1P_3}| \rightarrow \text{Area of parallelogram}/2$$

$$\therefore \Psi_4 = (\vec{E} \cdot \hat{n}) S = \vec{E} \cdot (\hat{n} \cdot S)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \vec{E} \cdot (\vec{P_1P_2} \times \vec{P_1P_3})$$

$$= 12A + 4B + 6C$$

\therefore Total Flux: $\Psi_1 + \Psi_2 + \Psi_3 + \Psi_4 = 0$

\rightarrow This \vec{E} fits form $\vec{D} = \epsilon \vec{E}$ where $\vec{D} = \frac{Q}{2} \hat{n}$ produced by sheet charge

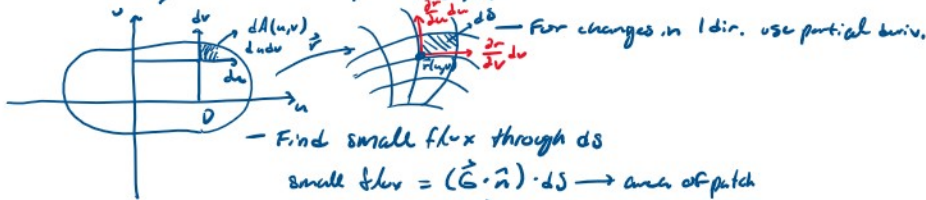
with normal $\hat{n} = \frac{\langle A, B, C \rangle}{|\langle A, B, C \rangle|}$ at dist. from tetrahedron

$\therefore Q_{\text{enc.}} = 0$

General Surfaces and General Flow fields

Surface S parametrized by $\begin{cases} X = x(u, v) \\ Y = y(u, v) \\ Z = z(u, v) \end{cases} \left. \begin{array}{l} u, v \text{ chosen from set } D \\ \text{in } u-v \text{ plane} \end{array} \right\}$
 - use $\vec{r} = \langle x, y, z \rangle = \vec{r}(u, v)$

- increments in du, dv in u, v plane are mapped to increment tangent to S at pt. $\vec{r}(u, v)$



- Find small flux through ds

small flux = $(\vec{G} \cdot \vec{n}) \cdot dS \rightarrow$ area of patch

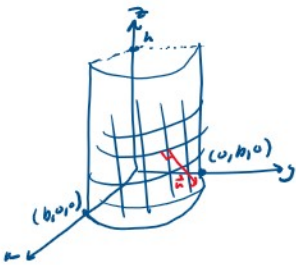
$$\vec{n} = \frac{\left(\frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial u} \times \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial v} \right)}{\left| \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial u} \times \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial v} \right|} \quad \& \quad dS = \left| \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial u} \times \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial v} \right| du dv \rightarrow \text{parallelogram } A$$

$$(\vec{G} \cdot \vec{n}) \cdot dS = \vec{G} \cdot (\vec{n} dS) = \pm \left[\vec{G} \cdot \left(\frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial u} \times \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial v} \right) \right] du dv$$

$$\Psi = \pm \iint_D \left[\vec{G} \cdot \left(\frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial u} \times \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial v} \right) \right] du dv$$

given in question $D \rightarrow$ parametrization domain

ex. Find flux of $\vec{G} = \langle x, y, z \rangle$ into first octant through $S: x^2 + y^2 = b^2$
 $x \geq 0, y \geq 0, 0 \leq z \leq h$



① Sketch

② parametrization

$$\begin{cases} x = b \cos u \\ y = b \sin u \\ z = v \end{cases} \left. \begin{array}{l} 0 \leq u \leq \pi/2 \\ 0 \leq v \leq h \end{array} \right\} \rightarrow \text{independent}$$

③ Partial's

$$\frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial u} = \left\langle \frac{\partial x}{\partial u}, \frac{\partial y}{\partial u}, \frac{\partial z}{\partial u} \right\rangle = \langle -b \sin u, b \cos u, 0 \rangle$$

$$\frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial v} = \left\langle \frac{\partial x}{\partial v}, \frac{\partial y}{\partial v}, \frac{\partial z}{\partial v} \right\rangle = \langle 0, 0, 1 \rangle$$

$$\vec{n} \cdot dS = \pm \left(\frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial u} \times \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial v} \right) du dv = \pm \begin{vmatrix} -b \sin u & b \cos u & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} du dv = \pm \langle b \cos u, b \sin u, 0 \rangle du dv$$

\therefore in radial direction outward, want (+)

$$\therefore \vec{n} \cdot dS = \langle b \cos u, b \sin u, 0 \rangle du dv$$

④ Flux

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi &= \iint_D (\vec{G} \cdot (\vec{n} \cdot dS)) = \iint_D \vec{G} \cdot \langle b \cos u, b \sin u, 0 \rangle du dv \\ &= \int_0^h \int_0^{\pi/2} \vec{G}(\vec{r}(u, v)) \cdot \langle b \cos u, b \sin u, 0 \rangle du dv \\ &= \int_0^h \int_0^{\pi/2} \langle b \cos u, b \sin u, v \rangle \cdot \langle b \cos u, b \sin u, 0 \rangle du dv \\ &= \int_0^h \int_0^{\pi/2} (b^2 \cos^2 u + b^2 \sin^2 u) du dv = b^2 h \pi/2 \end{aligned}$$

* For cylindrical patches $\rho = b$ if use $\phi = u, z = v$,
 get $\vec{n} \cdot dS = b \langle \cos \phi, \sin \phi, 0 \rangle d\phi dz = b^2 d\phi dz$
 \rightarrow surface area form for cylindrical surface w/ radius b