

EE2011 Engineering Electromagnetics

Tutorial 3: Field Operators

Q1(a) Find the spherical coordinates of the point P specified by (4, 120°, 3) in the cylindrical coordinate system.

only need to determine 2 coordinates when converting from (r, ϕ, z) to (R, θ, ϕ)

- $R = |\overrightarrow{OP}| = \sqrt{(r \cos \phi)^2 + (r \sin \phi)^2 + z^2} = \sqrt{2^2 + (2\sqrt{3})^2 + 3^2} = 5$
 - $\cos \theta = \frac{z}{R} = \frac{3}{5} \Rightarrow \theta = 53.1^\circ$
 - change position of (unchanged) azimuthal coordinate
- ∴ spherical coordinates of P given by (5, 53.1°, 120°)

Q1(b) Determine the angle between the vectors \vec{E} and \vec{B} at the point P where

$$\vec{E} = \frac{25}{R^2} \hat{u}_R \quad \text{expressed in spherical coordinates}$$

$$\vec{B} = 2\hat{u}_x - 2\hat{u}_y + \hat{u}_z \quad \text{expressed in Cartesian coordinates}$$

$$\overrightarrow{OP} = -3\hat{u}_x + 4\hat{u}_y - 5\hat{u}_z \quad \text{expressed in Cartesian coordinates.}$$

need first to find denominator of \vec{E} at P (-3, 4, -5)

$$R^2 = x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = (-3)^2 + 4^2 + (-5)^2 = 50$$

more convenient to re-write $\vec{E} = \frac{1}{2} \hat{u}_R$ in Cartesian coordinate format

∴ have to find direction of \vec{E} which is parallel to $\overrightarrow{OP} = x\hat{u}_x + y\hat{u}_y + z\hat{u}_z$

- find angle θ between z-axis and $x\hat{u}_x + y\hat{u}_y + z\hat{u}_z$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{z}{R} = \frac{-5}{5\sqrt{2}} = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{2}} \Rightarrow \theta = 135^\circ$$

- find angle ϕ between x-axis and $x\hat{u}_x + y\hat{u}_y$

$$\cos \phi = \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} = \frac{-3}{5} \Rightarrow \phi = 127^\circ$$

can now decompose $\vec{E} = \frac{1}{2} \hat{u}_R$ into components along x, y and z directions

$$E_x = E_R \sin \theta \cos \phi = \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(-\frac{3}{5} \right) = -\frac{3}{10\sqrt{2}}$$

$$E_y = E_R \sin \theta \sin \phi = \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{4}{5} = \frac{2}{5\sqrt{2}}$$

$$E_z = E_R \cos \theta = \frac{1}{2} \left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right) = -\frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}$$

finally use dot product to find angle ψ between vectors \vec{E} and \vec{B}

$$\cos \psi = \frac{\vec{E} \cdot \vec{B}}{|\vec{E}| |\vec{B}|} = \frac{E_x B_x + E_y B_y + E_z B_z}{\sqrt{E_x^2 + E_y^2 + E_z^2} \sqrt{B_x^2 + B_y^2 + B_z^2}} = -0.8957$$

$$\Rightarrow \psi = 153.6^\circ$$

Q1(c) For the vector function $\vec{E} = y\hat{u}_x + x\hat{u}_y$, evaluate the scalar line integral $\int_P^Q \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{s}$ from P (2, 1, -1) to Q (8, 2, -1) along the parabolic contour $x = 2y^2$ on the $z = -1$ plane.

reduce integral to one variable along parabolic contour

- need to substitute $x = 2y^2$
- need to substitute $dx = 4y dy$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_P^Q \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{s} &= \int_P^Q (y\hat{u}_x + x\hat{u}_y) \cdot (dx\hat{u}_x + dy\hat{u}_y) \\ &= \int_{y=1}^{y=2} (y\hat{u}_x + 2y^2\hat{u}_y) \cdot (4ydy\hat{u}_x + dy\hat{u}_y) \\ &= \int_{y=1}^{y=2} 6y^2 dy \\ &= 14 \end{aligned}$$

Q2 Determine the following for the scalar function $V = \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}x\right)\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{3}y\right)e^{-z}$:

(a) grad V at the point P (1, 2, 3)

(b) rate of increase of V at P in the direction of \overrightarrow{PO} (*i.e.* towards the origin).

find components of grad V:

$$\frac{\partial V}{\partial x} = \frac{\pi}{2} \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2}x\right)\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{3}y\right)e^{-z}$$

$$\frac{\partial V}{\partial y} = \frac{\pi}{3} \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}x\right)\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{3}y\right)e^{-z}$$

$$\frac{\partial V}{\partial z} = -\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}x\right)\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{3}y\right)e^{-z}$$

combining components and substituting coordinate values:

$$\nabla V = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\pi}{2} \cos \frac{\pi}{2} \sin \frac{2\pi}{3} \\ \frac{\pi}{3} \sin \frac{\pi}{2} \cos \frac{2\pi}{3} \\ \sin \frac{\pi}{2} \sin \frac{2\pi}{3} \end{pmatrix} e^{-3} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -0.026 \\ -0.043 \end{pmatrix}$$

need to find decompose ∇V to find component in direction of \overrightarrow{PO} :

$$\begin{aligned} \text{rate of change towards origin} &= \nabla V \cdot \frac{\overrightarrow{PO}}{|\overrightarrow{PO}|} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -0.026 \\ -0.043 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -2 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2}} \\ &= 0.049 \text{ m}^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

- Q3 For the vector function $\vec{E} = y^2 z \hat{u}_x + y^3 \hat{u}_y + xz \hat{u}_z$, verify that the Divergence Theorem holds for the cube enclosed by the plane surfaces S1 (where $x = 1$), S2 (where $x = -1$), S3 (where $y = 1$), S4 (where $y = -1$), S5 (where $z = 2$) and S6 (where $z = 0$).

evaluate contour integral in LHS:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{A} &= \iint_{S1} \vec{E} \cdot (dy dz \hat{u}_x) + \iint_{S2} \vec{E} \cdot (-dy dz \hat{u}_x) + \\
 &\quad \iint_{S3} \vec{E} \cdot (dx dz \hat{u}_y) + \iint_{S4} \vec{E} \cdot (-dx dz \hat{u}_y) + \\
 &\quad \iint_{S5} \vec{E} \cdot (dx dy \hat{u}_z) + \iint_{S6} \vec{E} \cdot (-dx dy \hat{u}_z) \\
 &= \iint_{S1} y^2 z dy dz \Big|_{x=1} - \iint_{S2} y^2 z dy dz \Big|_{x=-1} + \\
 &\quad \iint_{S3} y^3 dx dz \Big|_{y=1} - \iint_{S4} y^3 dx dz \Big|_{y=-1} + \\
 &\quad \iint_{S5} xz dx dy \Big|_{z=2} - \iint_{S6} xz dx dy \Big|_{z=0} \\
 &= \int_{y=-1}^{y=1} y^2 dy \int_{z=0}^{z=2} z dz - \int_{y=-1}^{y=1} y^2 dy \int_{z=0}^{z=2} z dz + \\
 &\quad \int_{x=-1}^{x=1} dx \int_{z=0}^{z=2} dz - (-1)^3 \int_{x=-1}^{x=1} dx \int_{z=0}^{z=2} dz + \\
 &\quad 2 \int_{x=-1}^{x=1} x dx \int_{y=-1}^{y=1} dy + 0 \text{ (from S6 because of multiplication by } z=0) \\
 &= \frac{4}{3} - \frac{4}{3} + 4 + 4 + 0 + 0 = 8
 \end{aligned}$$

evaluate area integral in RHS:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \iiint \nabla \cdot \vec{E} dV &= \iiint (0 + 3y^2 + x) dx dy dz \\
 &= \int_{y=-1}^{y=1} \int_{x=-1}^{x=1} (x + 3y^2) dx dy \int_{z=0}^{z=2} dz \\
 &= 2 \int_{y=-1}^{y=1} \left[\frac{1}{2} x^2 + 3y^2 x \right]_{x=-1}^{x=1} dy \\
 &= 2 \int_{y=-1}^{y=1} (6y^2) dy = 8
 \end{aligned}$$

- Q4 For the vector function $\vec{B} = 3x^2y^3\hat{u}_x - x^3y^2\hat{u}_y$, verify that Stoke's Theorem holds for the triangular contour PQR where the Cartesian coordinates of the three vertices are given by P (2, 2, 0), Q (2, 1, 0) and R (1, 1, 0).

evaluate contour integral in LHS:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \oint \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{s} &= \int_P^Q \vec{B} \cdot dy \hat{u}_y \Big|_{x=2} + \int_Q^R \vec{B} \cdot dx \hat{u}_x \Big|_{y=1} + \int_R^P \vec{B} \cdot (dx \hat{u}_x + dy \hat{u}_y) \Big|_{x=y} \\
 &= \int_P^Q (-x^3y^2) dy \Big|_{x=2} + \int_Q^R (3x^2y^3) dx \Big|_{y=1} + \int_R^P \left(\frac{-x^3y^2}{3x^2y^3} \right) \cdot \left(\frac{dx}{dy} \right) \Big|_{x=y} \\
 &= -2^3 \int_P^Q y^2 dy + 3 \int_Q^R x^2 dx + 2 \int_R^P x^5 dx \\
 &= 32 \frac{2}{3}
 \end{aligned}$$

evaluate area integral in RHS:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \iint \nabla \times \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{A} &= \iint \begin{vmatrix} \hat{u}_x & \hat{u}_y & \hat{u}_z \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ B_x & B_y & 0 \end{vmatrix} \cdot (-dx dy \hat{u}_z) \\
 &= \iint \left\{ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (-x^3y^2) - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (3x^2y^3) \right\} (-dx dy) \\
 &= \iint 12x^2y^2 dx dy \\
 &= 12 \int_{y=1}^{y=2} y^2 \left(\int_{x=y}^{x=2} x^2 dx \right) dy \\
 &= 12 \int_{y=1}^{y=2} y^2 \left[\frac{1}{3} x^3 \right]_{x=y}^{x=2} dy \\
 &= 4 \int_{y=1}^{y=2} y^2 [8 - y^3] dy \\
 &= 4 \left[\frac{8}{3} y^3 - \frac{1}{6} y^6 \right]_{y=1}^{y=2} \\
 &= 32 \frac{2}{3}
 \end{aligned}$$

