

MAP of 5.8

Question of existence of antiderivative for derivative operations grad, curl and div

to say given G There is a C^1 function f such that $G = \nabla f$ means f is anti gradient (anti derivative) of G .

answer 1:

5.60 : if G is Cont. on Open (+ Connected) R Then

$$G \text{ is Conservative on } R \iff G = \nabla f \text{ for some } C^1 f$$

line integrals are independent of path

See 5.59

See 5.59 & independence of path

answer 2:

5.62 : if G is C^1 and $R \subset \mathbb{R}^3$ is Convex, open Then

$$\text{Curl } G = 0 \implies G = \nabla f \text{ for some } C^2 \text{ function } f$$

f is anti-gradient of G or potential function for G

See also Simple regions in proof of Green's & Stokes' Theorems

more practical

but 1. more strict condition on R : Convex open (almost like a ball)

2. good for \mathbb{R}^3 only

3. \implies not \iff

but the pay off is that f is C^2

answer 3:

5.63 : if G is C^1 on a Convex open $R \subset \mathbb{R}^3$, Then

$$\text{div } G = 0$$

$$\implies G = \nabla \times F \text{ for some } C^2 \text{ vector field } F$$

This condition means The expanding component of G is nil, That is, G is only rotating

See also 5.64 & 5.65 for more answers

When do we have anti-derivative for a v.f. G ?

This condition means G has no rotational component or effect

or a potential function for G

F is anti-curl of G , or vector potential for G

Proof:

assumption: $G = \nabla f$ in a cent curve $g: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ piecewise

$$\int_C G \cdot dx = \int_C \nabla f \cdot dx = \int_a^b \nabla f(g(t)) \cdot g'(t) dt = \int_a^b \frac{d}{dt} f(g(t)) dt = f(g(b)) - f(g(a)) = 0$$

chain rule 2.26

FTC C is a closed curve: $g(a) = g(b)$

5.60

Let G be cont. on $R \subset \mathbb{R}^n$

R is open & connected

$$G = \nabla f \iff G \text{ is conservative}$$

proof

converse

G is conservative, fix a pt $a \in R$ and define $f: R \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$: $f(x) = \int_C G \cdot dx$

Now read the rest of the proof that shows $\nabla f = G$.

C is any path that connects a to x

fin well-defined

1.30: open + connected \Rightarrow path connected \Rightarrow any two pts of R can be connected by a path C .

Pf of 1.30: Define $S_1 = \{x \in R : x \text{ can be joined to } a \text{ via a curve}\}$
 $S_2 = \{x \in R : x \text{ cannot}\}$

We prove (S_1, S_2) is a disconnection of R , $S_1 \neq \emptyset$ & R is connected

So $S_2 = \emptyset$, no $R = S_1$, no R is path connected.

- $S_1 \cup S_2 = R$, $S_1 \cap S_2 = \emptyset$. Note $\bar{S}_1 \subseteq S_1$, b/c $x \in \bar{S}_1$ & R

\exists no $B(x, \epsilon) \subset R$ & $B \cap S_1 \neq \emptyset$, no let $y \in B \cap S_1$, no

$a \rightsquigarrow y \rightsquigarrow x$ b/c B is convex. Similarly $\bar{S}_2 \subseteq S_2$, no $\bar{S}_1 \cap S_2 = \emptyset$ & $S_1 \cap \bar{S}_2 = \emptyset$

Open ball in \mathbb{R}^n is convex: any two pt can be connected by a straight line

in particular any exterior pt of Ball has a horizontal and a vertical pt through it

See also 4.15
 FTC and $F(x) = \int_a^x f(t) dt$