

5.8

indefinite integrals of vector derivatives or

Thm 5.60

If $\int_C G \cdot dx$ is independent
of path on S
(i.e. it depends
only on the
initial &
terminal
pts)

Then
 $G = \nabla f$ for
some f ,
namely, fix $a \in S$,
 $f(x) = \int_a^x G \cdot dx$

= $\int_C G \cdot dx$ any curve C
that connects
 a to x

Note: This definition is unique
since G has indep of path
property.

VS

Thm 5.62

instead of
 G has indep
of path we
assume $\nabla \times G = 0$
or on general (\mathbb{R}^n)
 $(\frac{\partial F_k}{\partial x_j} - \frac{\partial F_j}{\partial x_k}) = 0$

& S is convex

anti derivatives
of vector derivatives

Question: given G
Solve $\nabla f = G$

i.e. find $f(x)$ st. $\text{grad} f = G$
This is like indefinite integral
or anti derivative

Note: 1. if $G = \nabla f$ for some f
Then necessarily

$$\int_C \nabla f \cdot dx = f(\text{terminal pt}) - f(\text{initial pt})$$

$$\text{or } \int_C \nabla f \cdot dx = 0$$

$C \leftarrow$ closed curve

both
mean
independence
of path on line
integrals

Question (See Thm 5.60)

does $\int_C G \cdot dx = 0 \Rightarrow G = \nabla f$ for
some f ?

$C \leftarrow$ closed
curve

Note 2

if $G = \nabla f$ Then $\nabla \times G = \nabla \times \nabla f = 0$

Question (See Thm 5.61)

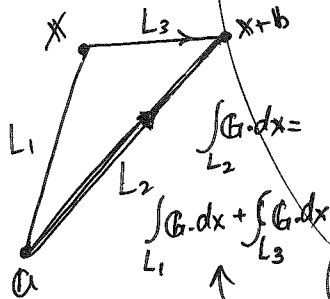
does $\nabla \times G = 0$ imply $G = \nabla f$ for
some f ?

path
connected
1.30

Such a path
exists

$$f(x) = \int_{L(a,x)} G \cdot dx$$

on the proof



Using
Green's
Thm

or Stokes
Thm

b/c $(\frac{\partial F_k}{\partial x_j} - \frac{\partial F_j}{\partial x_k}) = 0$
on the triangle

Straight line
is unique among
all curves

independence
of path

