

Fluid Mechanics

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Question: 2.1

For three spatial dimensions, rewrite the following expressions in index notation and evaluate or simplify them using the values or parameters given, and the definitions of δ_{ij} and ϵ_{ijk} wherever possible. In b) through e), \mathbf{x} is the position vector, with components x_i .

- a. $\mathbf{b} \cdot \mathbf{c}$ where $\mathbf{b} = (1, 4, 17)$ and $\mathbf{c} = (-4, -3, 1)$.
- b. $(\mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{x}$ where \mathbf{u} a vector with components u_i .
- c. $\nabla \phi$, where $\phi = \mathbf{h} \cdot \mathbf{x}$ and \mathbf{h} is a constant vector with components h_i .
- d. $\nabla \times \mathbf{u}$, where $\mathbf{u} = \boldsymbol{\Omega} \times \mathbf{x}$ and $\boldsymbol{\Omega}$ is a constant vector with components Ω_i .
- e. $\mathbf{C} \cdot \mathbf{x}$, where

$$\mathbf{C} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

a. $\mathbf{b} \cdot \mathbf{c} = -4 - 12 + 17 = 1$

b.