

Problem 1

Let γ be the curve obtained by intersecting the cylinder $x^2 + z^2 = 1$ with the plane $x = -y$.

1. Find a parametric representation of the curve.

Solution:

Since the curve lies on the cylinder we can consider the parametrisation $x(t) = \cos(t)$, $z(t) = \sin(t)$ for $t \in [0, 2\pi]$. By the relation on the plane we get $y(t) = -x(t) = -\cos(t)$. Therefore the final representation is $\gamma(t) = (\cos(t), -\cos(t), \sin(t))$, for $t \in [0, 2\pi]$.

2. Show that the curve lies on the ellipsoid $x^2 + y^2 + 2z^2 = 2$.

Solution: We only need to show that the coordinates satisfy this equation for each t . That is

$$x(t)^2 + y(t)^2 + 2z(t)^2 = \cos^2(t) + (-\cos(t))^2 + 2\sin^2(t) = 2$$

for each $t \in [0, 2\pi]$.

3. Find the *unit* tangent vector of γ at each point.

Solution:

$$\gamma'(t) = (-\sin(t), \sin(t), \cos(t)) \quad t \in [0, 2\pi]$$

$\|\gamma'(t)\| = \sqrt{2\sin^2(t) + \cos^2(t)} = \sqrt{1 + \sin^2(t)}$ so that the unit tangent vector becomes

$$T(t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + \sin^2(t)}}(-\sin(t), \sin(t), \cos(t)) \quad t \in [0, 2\pi]$$

4. Write an expression for its arclength. The arclength is given by

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \sqrt{1 + \sin^2(t)} dt$$

Problem 2

For each of the following surfaces, write a parametrization as a surface of revolution, express its grid curves and find its unit normal vector.

1. $x^2 - y^2 + z^2 = 0$.

Solution:

$$s(u, v) = (u \cos(v), u, u \sin(v)) \quad u \in \mathbb{R}, v \in [0, 2\pi]$$

u -curves are lines passing through the origin with angle given by v_0 , v -curves are circles of height u_0 on the y -axis.

$$s_u(u, v) = (\cos(v), 1, \sin(v))$$

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$$s_v(u, v) = (-u \sin(v), 0, u \cos(v))$$

so that

$$s_u \times s_v = (u \cos(v), -u, u \sin(v))$$

and the unit normal vector is given by

$$\vec{n}(u, v) = \frac{1}{|u|\sqrt{2}}(u \cos(v), -u, u \sin(v))$$

2. $x^2 + y^2 - z^2 = 1$. *Solution:*

We consider a branch of hyperbola $x = f(z) = \sqrt{z^2 + 1}$. Therefore we have

$$s(u, v) = (\sqrt{u^2 + 1} \cos(v), \sqrt{u^2 + 1} \sin(v), u) \quad u \in \mathbb{R}, v \in [0, 2\pi]$$

u-curves are one branch of hyperbola on a plane passing through the z -axis with angle given by v_0 , v-curves are circles of height $\sqrt{u_0^2 + 1}$ on the y -axis.

$$s_u(u, v) = \left(\frac{u}{\sqrt{u^2 + 1}} \cos(v), \frac{u}{\sqrt{u^2 + 1}} \sin(v), 1 \right)$$

$$s_v(u, v) = (-\sqrt{u^2 + 1} \sin(v), \sqrt{u^2 + 1} \cos(v), 0)$$

so that

$$s_u \times s_v = (-\sqrt{u^2 + 1} \cos(v), -\sqrt{u^2 + 1} \sin(v), u)$$

and the unit normal vector is given by

$$\vec{n}(u, v) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2u^2 + 1}}(-\sqrt{u^2 + 1} \cos(v), -\sqrt{u^2 + 1} \sin(v), u)$$

3. $z^2 - y^2 - x^2 = 1$.

Solution:

We consider a branch of hyperbola $x = f(z) = \sqrt{z^2 - 1}$. Therefore we have

$$s(u, v) = (\sqrt{u^2 - 1} \cos(v), \sqrt{u^2 - 1} \sin(v), u) \quad u \in (-\infty, -1] \cup [1, +\infty), v \in [0, 2\pi]$$

u-curves are two half-branches of hyperbola on a plane passing through the z -axis with angle given by v_0 , v-curves are circles of height u on the z -axis.

$$s_u(u, v) = \left(\frac{u}{\sqrt{u^2 - 1}} \cos(v), \frac{u}{\sqrt{u^2 - 1}} \sin(v), 1 \right)$$

$$s_v(u, v) = (-\sqrt{u^2 - 1} \sin(v), \sqrt{u^2 - 1} \cos(v), 0)$$

so that

$$s_u \times s_v = (-\sqrt{u^2 - 1} \cos(v), -\sqrt{u^2 - 1} \sin(v), u)$$

and the unit normal vector is given by

$$\vec{n}(u, v) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2u^2 - 1}}(-\sqrt{u^2 - 1} \cos(v), -\sqrt{u^2 - 1} \sin(v), u)$$

4. $x = z^2 + y^2$.

Solution: This is a circular paraboloid around the x -axis. One possible parametrization is given by

$$s(u, v) = (u, \sqrt{u} \cos(v), \sqrt{u} \sin(v)) \quad u \in [0, +\infty) \quad v \in [0, 2\pi]$$

or equivalently, to make it more regular

$$s(u, v) = (u^2, u \cos(v), u \sin(v)) \quad u \in [0, +\infty) \quad v \in [0, 2\pi]$$

In both cases, u -curves are half-parabolas on planes through the x -axis with angle given by v_0 , while v -curves are circle of height $\sqrt{x(u_0)}$. Let's use the second parametrisation which is more regular:

$$s_u(u, v) = (2u, \cos(v), \sin(v))$$

$$s_v(u, v) = (0, -u \sin(v), u \cos(v))$$

so that

$$s_u \times s_v = (u, -2u^2 \cos(v), -2u^2 \sin(v))$$

and the unit normal vector is given by

$$\vec{n}(u, v) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + 4u^2}}(1, -2u \cos(v), -2u \sin(v))$$

Problem 3

Let S be the surface obtained by intersecting the cone S_1 given by the equation $z = 2 - \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$ with the paraboloid S_2 of equation $z = x^2 + y^2$. Evaluate the surface area of S .

Solution:

We notice that the two surfaces intersect on the circle $\gamma(t) = (\cos(t), \sin(t), 1)$, so we can parametrize the two surfaces in the following way:

$$s_1(u, v) = (u \cos(v), u \sin(v), 2 - u) \quad u \in [1, 2] \quad v \in [0, 2\pi]$$

$$s_2(u, v) = (u \cos(v), u \sin(v), u^2) \quad u \in [0, 1], v \in [0, 2\pi]$$

Now we calculate the normals:

$$\vec{n}_1 = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ \cos(v) & \sin(v) & -1 \\ -u \sin(v) & u \cos(v) & 0 \end{vmatrix} = (u \cos(v), u \sin(v), u)$$

whose norm is $\sqrt{2u^2}$. Since we are integrating u in a positive domain, we have

$$A(S_1) = \int_0^1 \int_0^{2\pi} u\sqrt{2} \, dv \, du = \pi\sqrt{2}$$

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On the other hand we have

$$\vec{n}_1 = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ \cos(v) & \sin(v) & 2u \\ -u \sin(v) & u \cos(v) & 0 \end{vmatrix} = (-2u^2 \cos(v), -2u^2 \sin(v), u)$$

whose norm is $\sqrt{4u^4 + u^2}$. Since we are integrating u in a positive domain, we have

$$A(S_2) = \int_1^2 \int_0^{2\pi} u \sqrt{4u^2 + 1} \, dv \, du = \frac{5\sqrt{5} - 1}{6} \pi$$

where the last integral is solved by substitution $t = 4u^2$. The total area is therefore $A = \frac{5\sqrt{5} + 6\sqrt{2} - 1}{6} \pi$

Problem 4

Let $\mathbf{F}(x, y) = (x^2 - y)\mathbf{i} + (x + y^2)\mathbf{j}$.

1. Compute the line integral

$$\int_{\gamma} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r}$$

for γ the segment from $(0, -1)$ to $(0, 1)$.

Solution:

We parametrize the segment as $\gamma(t) = (0, 2t - 1)$, for $t \in [0, 1]$. The line integral becomes:

$$\int_0^1 2(2t - 1)^2 \, dt = \left[\frac{(2t - 1)^3}{3} \right]_0^1 = 2$$

2. Compute the same integral for γ the unit semicircle for $x \geq 0$ from $(0, -1)$ to $(0, 1)$.

Solution:

Now we parametrize the curve as $c(t) = (\sin(t), -\cos(t))$ for $t \in [0, \pi]$, so that $\gamma'(t) = (\cos(t), \sin(t))$. In this way the integral becomes

$$\int_0^{\pi} [(\sin^2(t) + \cos(t)) \cos(t) + (\sin(t) + \cos^2(t)) \sin(t)] \, dt = \pi + \frac{2}{3}$$

3. Is \mathbf{F} conservative? Explain.

Solution:

F cannot be conservative or the integral would only depend on the endpoints. In this case two different curves with the same endpoints give two different values for the integral.

Problem 5

Consider the integral given by

$$\int_{\gamma} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r}$$

where $\mathbf{F}(x, y) = \frac{x}{x^2+y^2}\mathbf{i} + y\frac{1-x^2-y^2}{x^2+y^2}\mathbf{j}$ and γ is a curve in the domain of F .

1. What is the domain of \mathbf{F} ? Is it simply connected?

Solution:

The domain is \mathbb{R}^2 minus the origin. It is not simply connected because for example the unit circle contains the origin, which is not in the domain.

2. Is \mathbf{F} conservative? If so, what is its potential?

Solution:

We know that the partial derivative in x is given by $\frac{x}{x^2+y^2}$, so that by integrating we get $f(x, y) = \frac{1}{2} \ln(x^2 + y^2) + C(y)$. By deriving this expression in y we get $C'(y) + \frac{y}{x^2+y^2} = y\frac{1-x^2-y^2}{x^2+y^2}$, which gives us $C'(y) = -\frac{y^3+x^2y}{x^2+y^2} = y$, which is solved for $C(y) = -\frac{y^2}{2}$. The potential is therefore $f(x, y) = \frac{1}{2} \ln(x^2 + y^2) - \frac{y^2}{2}$.

3. Evaluate the integral for γ the circle of radius 1 in \mathbb{R}^2 .

Solution:

By the fundamental theorem of calculus for line integrals, since F is conservative we have that the integral on a closed curve is equal to 0.

4. Evaluate the integral when γ is the parabola $y = 1 - x^2$ starting at $(-1, 0)$ and ending at $(1, 0)$.

Solution:

By the fundamental theorem of calculus for line integrals the value of the integral is equal to the difference between the values of the potential at the boundary, that is

$$\int_{\gamma} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} = f(1, 0) - f(-1, 0) = 0$$