

## Lecture 30: Integrals and Vector Fields.

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# Two Forms for Green's Theorem

- A **simple closed curve C** can be traversed in **two possible directions**. (Recall that a curve is simple if it does not cross itself.)
- The curve is **traversed counterclockwise**, and said to be **Tpositively oriented**, if the region it encloses is always to the **left** when moving along the curve.
- If the curve is **traversed clockwise** then the enclosed region is on the **right** when moving along the curve and the curve is said to be **negatively oriented**.
- The line integral of a vector field  $F$  along  $C$  **reverses sign if we change the orientation**.
- We use the notation

$$\oint_C \mathbf{F}(x, y) \cdot d\mathbf{r}$$

- for the line integral when the simple closed curve  $C$  is traversed **counterclockwise**, with its **positive orientation**.

# Two Forms for Green's Theorem

- In **one form**, **Green's Theorem** says that the **counterclockwise circulation** of a vector field around a simple closed curve is the double integral of the **k-component of the curl** of the field over the region enclosed by the curve.

## Circulation and Curl

$$\text{Circulation around } C = \oint_C \mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{T} \, ds$$

$$(\text{curl } \mathbf{F}) \cdot \mathbf{k} = \frac{\partial N}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial M}{\partial y}$$

### THEOREM 4—Green's Theorem (Circulation-Curl or Tangential Form)

Let  $C$  be a piecewise smooth, simple closed curve enclosing a region  $R$  in the plane. Let  $\mathbf{F} = M\mathbf{i} + N\mathbf{j}$  be a vector field with  $M$  and  $N$  having continuous first partial derivatives in an open region containing  $R$ . Then the counterclockwise circulation of  $\mathbf{F}$  around  $C$  equals the double integral of  $(\text{curl } \mathbf{F}) \cdot \mathbf{k}$  over  $R$ .

$$\oint_C \mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{T} \, ds = \oint_C M \, dx + N \, dy = \iint_R \left( \frac{\partial N}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial M}{\partial y} \right) dx \, dy \quad (3)$$

Counterclockwise circulation Curl integral

# Two Forms for Green's Theorem

- A **second form of Green's Theorem** says that the **outward flux** of a vector field across a simple closed curve in the plane equals the **double integral of the divergence** of the field over the region enclosed by the curve.

## Flux and Divergence

$$\text{Flux of } \mathbf{F} \text{ across } C = \oint_C \mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{n} \, ds$$

$$\operatorname{div} \mathbf{F} = \frac{\partial M}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial N}{\partial y}$$

### THEOREM 5—Green's Theorem (Flux-Divergence or Normal Form)

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$$\oint_C \mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{n} \, ds = \oint_C M \, dy - N \, dx = \iint_R \left( \frac{\partial M}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial N}{\partial y} \right) dx \, dy \quad (4)$$

Outward flux

Divergence integral

# Two Forms for Green's Theorem

- The two forms of Green's Theorem are **equivalent**.
- Applying Equation (3) to the field  $G_1 = -N_i + M_j$  gives Equation (4), and applying Equation (4) to  $G_2 = N_i - M_j$  gives Equation (3).
- Both forms of Green's Theorem can be viewed as **two-dimensional generalizations** of the Fundamental Theorem of Calculus.
- The **counterclockwise circulation of  $\mathbf{F}$  around  $\mathbf{C}$** , defined by the **line integral** on the left-hand side of Equation (3), is the integral of its **rate of change (circulation density)** over the region  $R$  enclosed by  $C$ , which is the double integral on the right-hand side of Equation (3).
- Likewise, the **outward flux of  $\mathbf{F}$  across  $\mathbf{C}$** , defined by the **line integral** on the left-hand side of Equation (4), is the integral of its **rate of change (flux density)** over the region  $R$  enclosed by  $C$ , which is the double integral on the right-hand side of Equation (4).

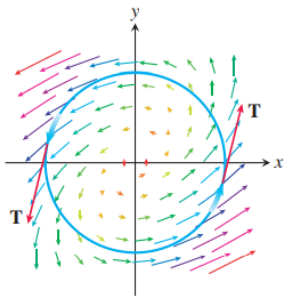
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**EXAMPLE 3** Verify both forms of Green's Theorem for the vector field

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

and the region  $R$  bounded by the unit circle

$$C: \mathbf{r}(t) = (\cos t)\mathbf{i} + (\sin t)\mathbf{j}, \quad 0 \leq t \leq 2\pi.$$



# Two Forms for Green's Theorem

**Solution** First we evaluate the counterclockwise circulation of  $\mathbf{F} = M\mathbf{i} + N\mathbf{j}$  around  $C$ . On the curve  $C$  we have  $x = \cos t$  and  $y = \sin t$ . Evaluating  $\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{r}(t))$  and computing the partial derivatives of the components of  $\mathbf{F}$ , we have

$$M = x - y = \cos t - \sin t, \quad dx = d(\cos t) = -\sin t \, dt,$$

$$N = x = \cos t, \quad dy = d(\sin t) = \cos t \, dt.$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \oint_C \mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{T} \, ds &= \oint_C M \, dx + N \, dy \\ &= \int_{t=0}^{t=2\pi} (\cos t - \sin t)(-\sin t) \, dt + (\cos t)(\cos t) \, dt \\ &= \int_0^{2\pi} (-\sin t \cos t + 1) \, dt = 2\pi. \end{aligned}$$

This gives the left side of Equation (3). Next we find the curl integral, the right side of Equation (3). Since  $M = x - y$  and  $N = x$ , we have

$$\frac{\partial M}{\partial x} = 1, \quad \frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = -1, \quad \frac{\partial N}{\partial x} = 1, \quad \frac{\partial N}{\partial y} = 0.$$

# Two Forms for Green's Theorem

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}\iint_R \left( \frac{\partial N}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial M}{\partial y} \right) dx dy &= \iint_R (1 - (-1)) dx dy \\ &= 2 \iint_R dx dy = 2(\text{area inside the unit circle}) = 2\pi.\end{aligned}$$

Thus, the right and left sides of Equation (3) both equal  $2\pi$ , as asserted by the circulation-flux version of Green's Theorem.

Figure 16.35 displays the vector field and circulation around  $C$ .

Now we compute the two sides of Equation (4) in the flux-divergence form of Green's Theorem, starting with the outward flux:

$$\begin{aligned}\oint_C M dy - N dx &= \int_{t=0}^{t=2\pi} (\cos t - \sin t)(\cos t dt) - (\cos t)(-\sin t dt) \\ &= \int_0^{2\pi} \cos^2 t dt = \pi.\end{aligned}$$

Next we compute the divergence integral:

$$\iint_R \left( \frac{\partial M}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial N}{\partial y} \right) dx dy = \iint_R (1 + 0) dx dy = \iint_R dx dy = \pi.$$

Hence the right and left sides of Equation (4) both equal  $\pi$ , as asserted by the flux-divergence version of Green's Theorem. ■



# Using Green's Theorem to Evaluate Line Integrals

**EXAMPLE 4** Evaluate the line integral

$$\oint_C xy \, dy - y^2 \, dx,$$

where  $C$  is the square cut from the first quadrant by the lines  $x = 1$  and  $y = 1$ .

**Solution** We can use either form of Green's Theorem to change the line integral into a double integral over the square, where  $C$  is the square's boundary and  $R$  is its interior.

1. *With the Tangential Form Equation (3):* Taking  $M = -y^2$  and  $N = xy$  gives the result:

$$\begin{aligned} \oint_C -y^2 \, dx + xy \, dy &= \iint_R \left( \frac{\partial N}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial M}{\partial y} \right) dx \, dy = \iint_R (y - (-2y)) \, dx \, dy \\ &= \int_0^1 \int_0^1 3y \, dx \, dy = \int_0^1 \left[ 3xy \right]_{x=0}^{x=1} dy = \int_0^1 3y \, dy = \left[ \frac{3}{2}y^2 \right]_0^1 = \frac{3}{2}. \end{aligned}$$

2. *With the Normal Form Equation (4):* Taking  $M = xy$ ,  $N = y^2$ , gives the same result:

$$\oint_C xy \, dy - y^2 \, dx = \iint_R \left( \frac{\partial M}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial N}{\partial y} \right) dx \, dy = \iint_R (y + 2y) \, dx \, dy = \frac{3}{2}. \quad \blacksquare$$

# Using Green's Theorem to Evaluate Line Integrals

**EXAMPLE 5** Calculate the outward flux of the vector field  $\mathbf{F}(x, y) = 2e^{xy}\mathbf{i} + y^3\mathbf{j}$  across the square bounded by the lines  $x = \pm 1$  and  $y = \pm 1$ .

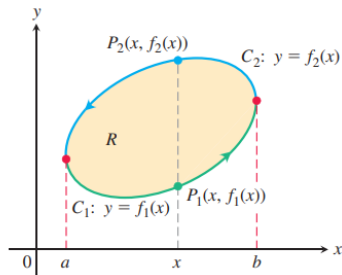
**Solution** Calculating the flux with a line integral would take four integrations, one for each side of the square. With Green's Theorem, we can change the line integral to one double integral. With  $M = 2e^{xy}$ ,  $N = y^3$ ,  $C$  the square, and  $R$  the square's interior, we have

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Flux} &= \oint_C \mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{n} \, ds = \oint_C M \, dy - N \, dx \\&= \iint_R \left( \frac{\partial M}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial N}{\partial y} \right) dx \, dy \quad \text{Green's Theorem, Eq. (4)} \\&= \int_{-1}^1 \int_{-1}^1 (2ye^{xy} + 3y^2) \, dx \, dy = \int_{-1}^1 \left[ 2e^{xy} + 3xy^2 \right]_{x=-1}^{x=1} dy \\&= \int_{-1}^1 (2e^y + 6y^2 - 2e^{-y}) \, dy = \left[ 2e^y + 2y^3 + 2e^{-y} \right]_{-1}^1 = 4.\end{aligned}$$



# Proof of Green's Theorem for Special Regions

- Let  $C$  be a **smooth simple closed curve** in the  $xy$ -plane with the **property** that lines parallel to the axes cut it at no more than two points.
- Let  $R$  be the region enclosed by  $C$  and suppose that  $M$ ,  $N$ , and their **first partial derivatives** are **continuous** at every point of some open region containing  $C$  and  $R$ .



- We want to prove the **circulation-curl form** of Green's Theorem,

$$\oint_C M dx + N dy = \iint_R \left( \frac{\partial N}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial M}{\partial y} \right) dx dy.$$

- Figure shows  $C$  made up of **two directed parts**

$$C_1: y = f_1(x), \quad a \leq x \leq b, \quad C_2: y = f_2(x), \quad b \geq x \geq a.$$

# Proof of Green's Theorem for Special Regions

- For any  $x$  between  $a$  and  $b$ , we can **integrate**  $\partial M/\partial y$  **with respect to**  $y$  from  $y = f_1(x)$  to  $y = f_2(x)$  and obtain

$$\int_{f_1(x)}^{f_2(x)} \frac{\partial M}{\partial y} dy = M(x, y) \Big|_{y=f_1(x)}^{y=f_2(x)} = M(x, f_2(x)) - M(x, f_1(x)).$$

- We can then **integrate** this **with respect to**  $x$  from  $a$  to  $b$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \int_a^b \int_{f_1(x)}^{f_2(x)} \frac{\partial M}{\partial y} dy dx &= \int_a^b [M(x, f_2(x)) - M(x, f_1(x))] dx \\ &= -\int_b^a M(x, f_2(x)) dx - \int_a^b M(x, f_1(x)) dx \\ &= -\int_{C_2} M dx - \int_{C_1} M dx \\ &= -\oint_C M dx. \end{aligned}$$

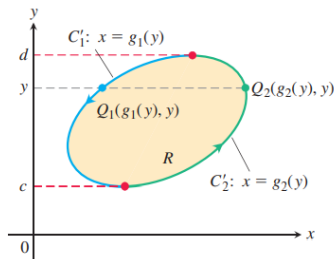
# Proof of Green's Theorem for Special Regions

- Therefore, **reversing the order of the equations**, we have

$$\oint_C M dx = \iint_R \left( -\frac{\partial M}{\partial y} \right) dx dy.$$

- These Equation is **half the result** we need. We derive the other half by **integrating  $\partial N / \partial x$  first with respect to  $x$  and then with respect to  $y$** , as suggested by Figure.

- The curve  $C$  of Figure decomposed into the **two directed parts**



$$C'_1: x = g_1(y), d \geq y \geq c \text{ and } C'_2: x = g_2(y), c \leq y \leq d.$$

- The result of this double integration is

$$\oint_C N dy = \iint_R \frac{\partial N}{\partial x} dx dy.$$