

### **13.25. SURFACE INTEGRALS**

Any integral which is to be evaluated over a surface is called a surface integral.

Let  $\vec{F}(P)$  be a continuous vector point function and  $S$  a two sided surface. Divide  $S$  into a finite number of sub-surfaces  $\delta S_1, \delta S_2, \dots, \delta S_k$ . Let  $P_i$  be any point in  $\delta S_i$  and  $\hat{n}_i$  be the unit vector at  $P$  in the direction of outward drawn normal to the surface at  $P_i$ . Then the limit of the sum

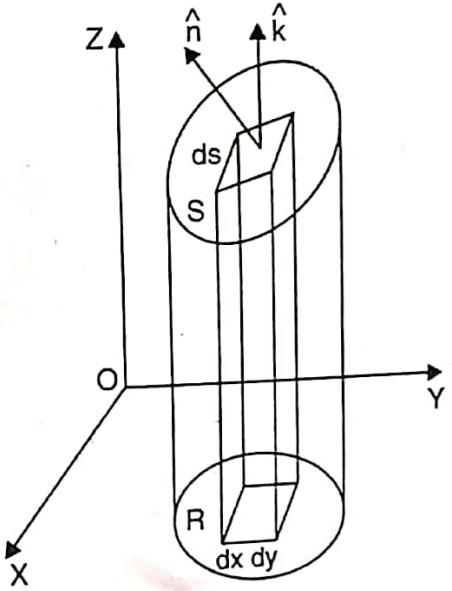
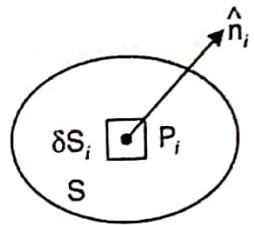
$$\sum_{i=1}^k \vec{F}(P_i) \cdot \hat{n}_i \delta S_i, \text{ as } k \rightarrow \infty \text{ and each } \delta S_i \rightarrow 0 \text{ is called the } \textit{normal}$$

surface integral of  $\vec{F}(P)$  over  $S$  and is denoted by  $\iint_S \vec{F} \cdot \hat{n} dS$ .

The surface element  $\vec{\delta S}$  surrounding any point  $P$  can be regarded as a vector whose magnitude is area  $\delta S$  and the direction that of the outward drawn normal  $\hat{n}$  i.e.  $\vec{\delta S} = \hat{n} \delta S$ . The surface integral may alternatively be written as

$$\iint_S \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{S}.$$

If  $\vec{F}$  represents the velocity of a fluid at any point  $P$  on a closed surface  $S$ , then  $\vec{F} \cdot \hat{n}$  is the normal component of  $\vec{F}$  at  $P$  and  $\iint_S \vec{F} \cdot \hat{n} dS = \iint_S \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{S}$  is a measure of volume emerging from the surface.



ing from S per unit time, i.e. it measures the *flux* of  $\vec{F}$  over S.

Other types of surface integrals are  $\iint_S \vec{F} \times d\vec{S}$ ,  $\iint_S \phi d\vec{S}$ .

**Note.** In order to evaluate surface integrals, it is convenient to express them as double integrals taken over the orthogonal projection of S on one of the coordinate planes. But this is possible only when any line perpendicular to the coordinate plane chosen meets the surface S in not more than one point.

Let R be the orthogonal projection of S on the  $xy$ -plane.

Let  $\hat{n} = \cos \alpha \hat{i} + \cos \beta \hat{j} + \cos \gamma \hat{k}$  where  $\cos \alpha, \cos \beta, \cos \gamma$  are the direction cosines of  $\hat{n}$ .

Now,  $dxdy$  = projection of  $dS$  on the  $xy$ -plane =  $dS \cos \gamma \Rightarrow dS = \frac{dxdy}{\cos \gamma}$

$$\text{Also } |\hat{k} \cdot \hat{n}| = \cos \gamma \quad \therefore \quad dS = \frac{dxdy}{|\hat{k} \cdot \hat{n}|}$$

$$\text{Hence } \iint_S \vec{F} \cdot \hat{n} ds = \iint_R \vec{F} \cdot \hat{n} \frac{dxdy}{|\hat{k} \cdot \hat{n}|}.$$

### 13.26. VOLUME INTEGRALS

Any integral which is to be evaluated over a volume is called a volume integral.

If V is a volume bounded by a surface S, then the triple integrals

$$\iiint_V \phi dV \quad \text{and} \quad \iiint_V \vec{F} dV$$

are called volume integrals. The first of these is a scalar and the second is a vector.

If we sub-divide the volume V into small cuboids by drawing planes parallel to the coordinate planes, then  $dV = dx dy dz$ .

$$\iiint_V \phi dV = \iiint_V \phi(x, y, z) dx dy dz$$

If  $\vec{F} = F_1 \hat{i} + F_2 \hat{j} + F_3 \hat{k}$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} \iiint_V \vec{F} dV &= \hat{i} \iiint_V F_1(x, y, z) dx dy dz + \hat{j} \iiint_V F_2(x, y, z) dx dy dz \\ &\quad + \hat{k} \iiint_V F_3(x, y, z) dx dy dz. \end{aligned}$$

### ILLUSTRATIVE EXAMPLES

**Example 1.** Evaluate  $\iint_S \vec{A} \cdot \hat{n} dS$  where  $\vec{A} = (x + y^2) \hat{i} - 2x \hat{j} + 2yz \hat{k}$  and S is the surface of the plane  $2x + y + 2z = 6$  in the first octant.

**Sol.** A vector normal to the surface S is given by

$$\nabla(2x + y + 2z) = 2\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$$

$\therefore \hat{n}$  = a unit vector normal to surface S

$$= \frac{2\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}}{\sqrt{(2)^2 + 1^2 + (2)^2}} = \frac{2}{3}\hat{i} + \frac{1}{3}\hat{j} + \frac{2}{3}\hat{k}$$

$$\hat{k} \cdot \hat{n} = \hat{k} \cdot \left( \frac{2}{3}\hat{i} + \frac{1}{3}\hat{j} + \frac{2}{3}\hat{k} \right) = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\therefore \iint_S \vec{A} \cdot \hat{n} dS = \iint_R \vec{A} \cdot \hat{n} \frac{dxdy}{|\hat{k} \cdot \hat{n}|},$$

where R is the projection of S, i.e. triangle LMN on the xy-plane. The region R, i.e. triangle OLM is bounded by x-axis, y-axis and the line  $2x + y = 6, z = 0$ .

$$\text{Now } \vec{A} \cdot \hat{n} = [(x + y^2)\hat{i} - 2x\hat{j} + 2yz\hat{k}] \cdot \left( \frac{2}{3}\hat{i} + \frac{1}{3}\hat{j} + \frac{2}{3}\hat{k} \right)$$

$$= \frac{2}{3}(x + y^2) - \frac{2}{3}x + \frac{4}{3}yz = \frac{2}{3}y^2 + \frac{4}{3}yz$$

$$= \frac{2}{3}y^2 + \frac{4}{3}y \left( \frac{6 - 2x - y}{2} \right) \quad \left( \because \text{on the plane } 2x + y + 2z = 6, z = \frac{6 - 2x - y}{2} \right)$$

$$= \frac{2}{3}y(y + 6 - 2x - y) = \frac{4}{3}y(3 - x)$$

$$\text{Hence } \iint_S \vec{A} \cdot \hat{n} dS = \iint_R \vec{A} \cdot \hat{n} \frac{dxdy}{|\hat{k} \cdot \hat{n}|}$$

$$= \iint_R \frac{4}{3}y(3 - x) \cdot \frac{3}{2}dxdy = \int_0^3 \int_0^{6-2x} 2y(3 - x) dydx$$

$$= \int_0^3 2(3 - x) \cdot \left[ \frac{y^2}{2} \right]_2^{6-2x} dx = \int_0^3 (3 - x)(6 - 2x)^2 dx$$

$$= 4 \int_0^3 (3 - x)^3 dx = 4 \cdot \left[ \frac{(3 - x)^4}{4(-1)} \right]_0^3 = -(0 - 81) = 81.$$

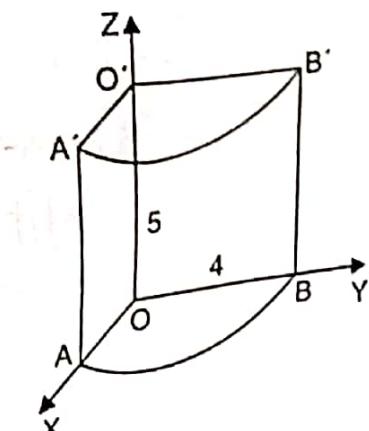
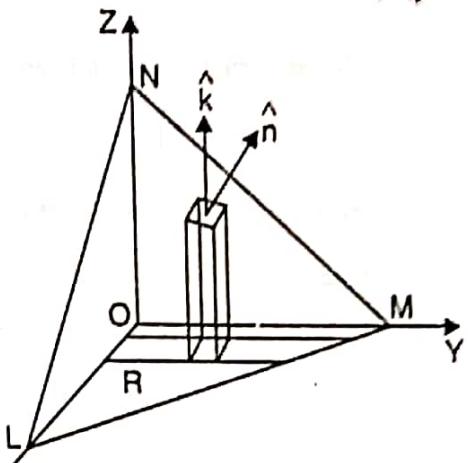
**Example 2.** Evaluate  $\iint_S \vec{A} \cdot \hat{n} dS$ , where  $\vec{A} = z\hat{i} + x\hat{j} - 3y^2z\hat{k}$  and S is the surface of the cylinder  $x^2 + y^2 = 16$  included in the first octant between  $z = 0$  and  $z = 5$ . (M.)

Sol. A vector normal to the surface S is given by

$$\nabla(x^2 + y^2) = 2x\hat{i} + 2y\hat{j}$$

$\hat{n}$  = a unit vector normal to surface S

$$= \frac{2x\hat{i} + 2y\hat{j}}{\sqrt{(2x)^2 + (2y)^2}} = \frac{x\hat{i} + y\hat{j}}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} = \frac{x\hat{i} + y\hat{j}}{4}$$



( $\because$  on the surface of cylinder,  $x^2 + y^2 = 16$ )

Let R be the projection of S on yz-plane, then

$$\iint_S \vec{A} \cdot \hat{n} dS = \iint_R \vec{A} \cdot \hat{n} \frac{dy dz}{|\hat{i} \cdot \hat{n}|}$$

The region R is OBB'O' enclosed by  $y = 0$  to  $y = 4$  and  $z = 0$  to  $z = 5$ .

$$\text{Now } \hat{i} \cdot \hat{n} = \hat{i} \cdot \left( \frac{1}{4}x\hat{i} + \frac{1}{4}y\hat{j} \right) = \frac{1}{4}x$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{A} \cdot \hat{n} &= (z\hat{i} + x\hat{j} - 3y^2z\hat{k}) \cdot \left( \frac{1}{4}x\hat{i} + \frac{1}{4}y\hat{j} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{4}zx + \frac{1}{4}xy = \frac{1}{4}x(y+z). \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Hence } \iint_S \vec{A} \cdot \hat{n} dS &= \iint_R \vec{A} \cdot \hat{n} \frac{dy dz}{|\hat{i} \cdot \hat{n}|} = \iint_R \frac{1}{4}x(y+z) \frac{dy dz}{\frac{1}{4}x} = \int_0^5 \int_0^4 (y+z) dy dz \\ &= \int_0^5 \left[ \frac{y^2}{2} + zy \right]_0^4 dz = \int_0^5 (8+4z) dz = \left[ 8z + 2z^2 \right]_0^5 = 40 + 50 = 90. \end{aligned}$$

**Example 3.** If  $\vec{F} = (2x^2 - 3z)\hat{i} - 2xy\hat{j} - 4x\hat{k}$ , then evaluate  $\iiint_V \nabla \cdot \vec{F} dV$ , where V is bounded by the planes  $x = 0$ ,  $y = 0$ ,  $z = 0$  and  $2x + 2y + z = 4$ .

$$\text{Sol. } \nabla \cdot \vec{F} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (2x^2 - 3z) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (-2xy) + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (-4x) = 4x - 2x = 2x$$

$$\begin{aligned} \iiint_V \nabla \cdot \vec{F} dV &= \iiint_V 2x dx dy dz \\ &= \int_0^2 \int_0^{2-x} \int_0^{4-2x-2y} 2x dz dy dx = \int_0^2 \int_0^{2-x} 2x \left[ z \right]_0^{4-2x-2y} dy dx \\ &= \int_0^2 \int_0^{2-x} 2x(4-2x-2y) dy dx = \int_0^2 \int_0^{2-x} [4x(2-x) - 4xy] dy dx \\ &= \int_0^2 \left[ 4x(2-x)y - 2xy^2 \right]_0^{2-x} dx = \int_0^2 [4x(2-x)^2 - 2x(2-x)^2] dx \\ &= \int_0^2 2x(2-x)^2 dx = 2 \int_0^2 (4x - 4x^2 + x^3) dx \\ &= 2 \left[ 2x^2 - 4 \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{x^4}{4} \right]_0^2 = 2 \left( 8 - \frac{32}{3} + 4 \right) = \frac{8}{3}. \end{aligned}$$

**Example 4.** If  $\vec{A} = 2xz\hat{i} - x\hat{j} + y^2\hat{k}$ , evaluate  $\iiint_V \vec{A} dV$ , where V is the region bounded

by the surface  $x = 0$ ,  $y = 0$ ,  $x = 2$ ,  $y = 6$ ,  $z = x^2$ ,  $z = 4$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Sol. } \iiint_V \vec{A} dV &= \iiint_V (2xz\hat{i} - x\hat{j} + y^2\hat{k}) dx dy dz \\ &= \int_0^2 \int_0^6 \int_{x^2}^4 (2xz\hat{i} - x\hat{j} + y^2\hat{k}) dz dy dx \\ &= \hat{i} \int_0^2 \int_0^6 \int_{x^2}^4 2xz dz dy dx - \hat{j} \int_0^2 \int_0^6 \int_{x^2}^4 x dz dy dx + \hat{k} \int_0^2 \int_0^6 \int_{x^2}^4 y^2 dz dy dx \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \hat{i} \int_0^2 \int_0^6 \left[ xz^2 \right]_{x^2}^4 dy dx - \hat{j} \int_0^2 \int_0^6 \left[ xz \right]_{x^2}^4 dy dx + \hat{k} \int_0^2 \int_0^6 \left[ y^2 z \right]_{x^2}^4 dy dx \\
&= \hat{i} \int_0^2 \int_0^6 (16x - x^5) dy dx - \hat{j} \int_0^2 \int_0^6 (4x - x^3) dy dx + \hat{k} \int_0^2 \int_0^6 y^2 (4 - x^2) dy dx \\
&= \hat{i} \int_0^2 (16x - x^5) \left[ y \right]_0^6 dx - \hat{j} \int_0^2 (4x - x^3) \left[ y \right]_0^6 dx + \hat{k} \int_0^2 (4 - x^2) \left[ \frac{y^3}{3} \right]_0^6 dx \\
&= 6\hat{i} \int_0^2 (16x - x^5) dx - 6\hat{j} \int_0^2 (4x - x^3) dx + 72\hat{k} \int_0^2 (4 - x^2) dx \\
&= 6\hat{i} \left[ 8x^2 - \frac{x^6}{6} \right]_0^2 - 6\hat{j} \left[ 2x^2 - \frac{x^4}{4} \right]_0^2 + 72\hat{k} \left[ 4x - \frac{x^3}{3} \right]_0^2 = 128\hat{i} - 24\hat{j} + 384\hat{k}.
\end{aligned}$$

### EXERCISE 13.4

- If  $\vec{f}(t) = t\hat{i} + (t^2 - 2t)\hat{j} + (3t^2 + 3t^3)\hat{k}$ , find  $\int_0^1 \vec{f}(t) dt$ .
- If  $\vec{r} = t\hat{i} - t^2\hat{j} + (t - 1)\hat{k}$  and  $\vec{S} = 2t^2\hat{i} + 6t\hat{k}$ , evaluate
  - $\int_0^2 \vec{r} \cdot \vec{S} dt$
  - $\int_0^2 \vec{r} \times \vec{S} dt$ .
- Find the value of  $\vec{r}$  satisfying the equation  $\frac{d^2 \vec{r}}{dt^2} = 6t\hat{i} - 24t^2\hat{j} + 4 \sin t\hat{k}$ , given that  $\vec{r} = 2\hat{i} + \hat{j}$  and  $\frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} = -\hat{i} - 3\hat{k}$  at  $t = 0$ .
- The acceleration of a particle at any time  $t$  is given by  $\vec{a} = 12 \cos 2t\hat{i} - 8 \sin 2t\hat{j} + 16t\hat{k}$ . If the velocity  $\vec{v}$  and displacement  $\vec{r}$  are zero at  $t = 0$ , find  $\vec{v}$  and  $\vec{r}$  at any time  $t$ .
- (a) If  $\phi = 2xyz^2$ ,  $\vec{F} = xy\hat{i} - z\hat{j} + x^2\hat{k}$ , and C is the curve  $x = t^2$ ,  $y = 2t$ ,  $z = t^3$  from  $t = 0$  to  $t = 1$ , evaluate the line integrals
  - $\int_C \phi d\vec{r}$
  - $\int_C \vec{F} \times d\vec{r}$ .

### 13.27. DIVERGENCE THEOREM OF GAUSS (Relation between surface and volume integrals)

If  $\vec{F}$  is a vector point function having continuous first order partial derivatives in the region  $V$  bounded by a closed surface  $S$ , then  $\iiint_V \nabla \cdot \vec{F} dV = \iint_S \vec{F} \cdot \hat{n} dS$ , where  $\hat{n}$  is the outwards drawn unit normal vector to the surface  $S$ . [i.e., the volume integral of the divergence of a vector point function  $\vec{F}$  taken over the volume  $V$  enclosed by a surface  $S$ , is equal to the surface integral of the normal component of  $\vec{F}$  taken over the closed surface  $S$ ].

Let  $\vec{F} = F_1 \hat{i} + F_2 \hat{j} + F_3 \hat{k}$ , then

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{F} = \operatorname{div} \vec{F} = \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial F_2}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial F_3}{\partial z}$$

Let  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$  be the angles which the outwards drawn unit normal vector  $\hat{n}$  makes with the positive directions of  $x, y, z$ -axes respectively, then  $\cos \alpha, \cos \beta, \cos \gamma$  are the direction cosines of  $\hat{n}$  and  $\hat{n} = \cos \alpha \hat{i} + \cos \beta \hat{j} + \cos \gamma \hat{k}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \vec{F} \cdot \hat{n} &= (F_1 \hat{i} + F_2 \hat{j} + F_3 \hat{k}) \cdot (\cos \alpha \hat{i} + \cos \beta \hat{j} + \cos \gamma \hat{k}) \\ &= F_1 \cos \alpha + F_2 \cos \beta + F_3 \cos \gamma \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the cartesian equivalent of divergence theorem is

$$\begin{aligned} \iiint_V \left( \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial F_2}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial F_3}{\partial z} \right) dx dy dz \\ = \iint_S (F_1 \cos \alpha + F_2 \cos \beta + F_3 \cos \gamma) dS \\ = \iint_S (F_1 dy dz + F_2 dz dx + F_3 dx dy) \end{aligned} \quad \dots(1)$$

since  $\cos \alpha dS = dy dz$ , etc.

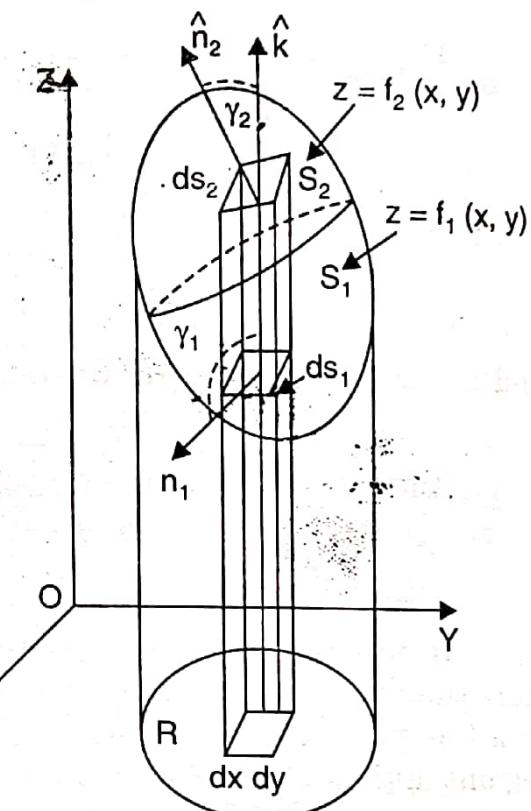
Suppose that  $S$  is such a closed surface that a line parallel to the co-ordinate axes meets it in two points only. Let  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  denote the lower and upper portions of  $S$  with equations  $z = f_1(x, y)$  and  $z = f_2(x, y)$  respectively.

Let  $R$  be the projection of  $S$  on the  $xy$ -plane, then

$$\begin{aligned} \iiint_V \frac{\partial F_3}{\partial z} dx dy dz &= \iint_R \left[ \int_{z=f_1(x,y)}^{z=f_2(x,y)} \frac{\partial F_3}{\partial z} dz \right] dx dy \\ &= \iint_R \left[ F_3(x, y, z) \right]_{f_1}^{f_2} dx dy = \iint_R [F_3(x, y, f_2) - F_3(x, y, f_1)] dx dy \\ &= \iint_R F_3(x, y, f_2) dx dy - \iint_R F_3(x, y, f_1) dx dy \end{aligned} \quad \dots(2)$$

Now for the upper portion  $S_2$  of  $S$ , the normal  $\hat{n}_2$  to  $S_2$  makes an acute angle  $\gamma_2$  with  $\hat{k}$ .

$$dx dy = \cos \gamma_2 dS_2 = \hat{k} \cdot \hat{n}_2 dS_2$$



For the lower portion  $S_1$  of  $S$ , the normal  $\hat{n}_1$  to  $S_1$  makes an obtuse angle  $\gamma_1$  with  $\hat{k}$ .

$$dx dy = -\cos \gamma_1 dS_1 = -\hat{k} \cdot \hat{n}_1 dS_1$$

$$\therefore \iint_R F_3(x, y, f_2) dx dy = \iint_{S_2} F_3 \hat{k} \cdot \hat{n}_2 dS_2 \quad \dots(3)$$

$$\text{and } \iint_R F_3(x, y, f_1) dx dy = -\iint_{S_1} F_3 \hat{k} \cdot \hat{n}_1 dS_1 \quad \dots(4)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Using (3) and (4), (2) becomes } & \iiint_V \frac{\partial F_3}{\partial z} dx dy dz = \iint_{S_2} F_3 \hat{k} \cdot \hat{n}_2 dS_2 + \iint_{S_1} F_3 \hat{k} \cdot \hat{n}_1 dS_1 \\ & = \iint_S F_3 \hat{k} \cdot \hat{n} dS = \iint_R F_3 \cos \gamma dS \end{aligned} \quad \dots(5)$$

Similarly, by considering the projection of  $S$  on  $yz$  and  $zx$ -planes, we have

$$\iiint_V \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial x} dx dy dz = \iint_S F_1 \hat{i} \cdot \hat{n} dS = \iint_S F_1 \cos \alpha dS \quad \dots(6)$$

$$\text{and } \iiint_V \frac{\partial F_2}{\partial y} dx dy dz = \iint_S F_2 \hat{j} \cdot \hat{n} dS = \iint_S F_2 \cos \beta dS \quad \dots(7)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Adding (5), (6) and (7), we get (1) i.e., } & \iiint_V \left( \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial F_2}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial F_3}{\partial z} \right) dx dy dz \\ & = \iint_S (F_1 \cos \alpha + F_2 \cos \beta + F_3 \cos \gamma) dS \quad \text{or} \quad \iiint_V \nabla \cdot \vec{F} dV = \iint_R \vec{F} \cdot \hat{n} dS \end{aligned}$$

In case the region be such that the lines drawn parallel to the coordinate axes meet it in more than two points, then we divide the region into various sub-regions each of which is met by a line parallel to any axis in only two points. Applying the theorem to each of these sub-regions and adding the results, we get the volume integral over the whole region.

## ILLUSTRATIVE EXAMPLES

**Example 1.** For any closed surface  $S$ , prove that  $\iint_S \operatorname{curl} \vec{F} \cdot \hat{n} dS = 0$ .

**Sol.** By the divergence theorem, we have  $\iint_S \operatorname{curl} \vec{F} \cdot \hat{n} dS = \iiint_V (\operatorname{div} \operatorname{curl} \vec{F}) dV$ ,

where  $V$  is the volume enclosed by  $S = 0$ . Since  $\operatorname{div} \operatorname{curl} \vec{F} = 0$ , therefore,  $\iint_S \operatorname{curl} \vec{F} \cdot \hat{n} dS = 0$

**Example 2.** Evaluate  $\iint_S \vec{r} \cdot \hat{n} dS$ , where  $S$  is a closed surface.

**Sol.** By the divergence theorem, we have  $\iint_S \vec{r} \cdot \hat{n} dS = \iiint_V \nabla \cdot \vec{r} dV$ ,

where  $V$  is the volume enclosed by  $S$

$$\begin{aligned} & = \iiint_V 3dV, \text{ since } \nabla \cdot \vec{r} = \operatorname{div} \vec{r} = 3 \\ & = 3V. \end{aligned}$$

**Example 3.** Use divergence theorem to show that  $\oint_S \nabla r^2 \cdot d\vec{S} = 6V$ , where  $S$  is any closed surface enclosing a volume  $V$ .

**Sol.** By the divergence theorem, we have  $\int_S \nabla r^2 d\vec{S} = \int_V \operatorname{div}(\nabla r^2) dV$

$$= \int_V \nabla \cdot (\nabla r^2) dV = \int_V \nabla^2 r^2 dV$$

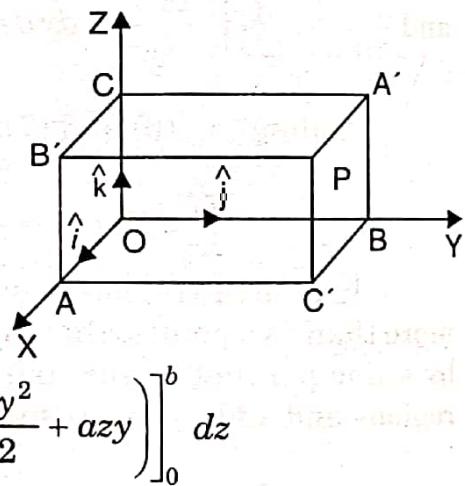
$$= \int_V \left( \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} \right) (x^2 + y^2 + z^2) dV = \int_V 6dV = 6V.$$

**Example 4.** Verify divergence theorem for  $\vec{F} = (x^2 - yz)\hat{i} + (y^2 - zx)\hat{j} + (z^2 - xy)\hat{k}$  taken over the rectangular parallelopiped  $0 \leq x \leq a, 0 \leq y \leq b, 0 \leq z \leq c$

**Sol.** For verification of divergence theorem, we shall evaluate the volume and surface integrals separately and show that they are equal.

Now  $\operatorname{div} \vec{F} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (x^2 - yz) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (y^2 - zx) + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (z^2 - xy)$   
 $= 2(x + y + z)$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \iiint_V \operatorname{div} \vec{F} dV &= \int_0^c \int_0^b \int_0^a 2(x + y + z) dx dy dz \\ &= \int_0^c \int_0^b 2 \left[ \left( \frac{x^2}{2} + yx + zx \right) \right]_0^a dy dz \\ &= \int_0^c \int_0^b 2 \left( \frac{a^2}{2} + ya + za \right) dy dz = \int_0^c 2 \left[ \left( \frac{a^2}{2} y + \frac{ay^2}{2} + azy \right) \right]_0^b dz \\ &= 2 \int_0^c \left( \frac{a^2 b}{2} + \frac{ab^2}{2} + abz \right) dz = 2 \left[ \frac{a^2 b}{2} z + \frac{ab^2}{2} z + ab \frac{z^2}{2} \right]_0^c \\ &= a^2 bc + ab^2 c + abc^2 = abc(a + b + c) \end{aligned} \quad \dots(1)$$



To evaluate the surface integral, divide the closed surface  $S$  of the rectangular parallelopiped into 6 parts.

$S_1$  : the face  $OAC'B$ ,  $S_2$  : the face  $CB'PA'$ ,  $S_3$  : the face  $OBA'C$ ,

$S_4$  : the face  $AC'PB'$ ,  $S_5$  : the face  $OCB'A$ ,  $S_6$  : the face  $BA'PC'$ .

Also  $\iint_S \vec{F} \cdot \hat{n} dS = \iint_{S_1} \vec{F} \cdot \hat{n} dS + \iint_{S_2} \vec{F} \cdot \hat{n} dS + \iint_{S_3} \vec{F} \cdot \hat{n} dS$   
 $+ \iint_{S_4} \vec{F} \cdot \hat{n} dS + \iint_{S_5} \vec{F} \cdot \hat{n} dS + \iint_{S_6} \vec{F} \cdot \hat{n} dS$

On  $S_1 (z = 0)$ , we have  $\hat{n} = -\hat{k}$ ,  $\vec{F} = x^2 \hat{i} + y^2 \hat{j} - xy \hat{k}$

so that  $\vec{F} \cdot \hat{n} = (x^2 \hat{i} + y^2 \hat{j} - xy \hat{k}) \cdot (-\hat{k}) = xy$

$$\therefore \iint_S \vec{F} \cdot \hat{n} dS = \int_0^b \int_0^a xy dx dy = \int_0^b \left[ y \frac{x^2}{2} \right]_0^a dy = \frac{a^2}{2} \int_0^b y dy = \frac{a^2 b^2}{4}$$

On  $S_2$  ( $z = c$ ), we have  $\hat{n} = \hat{k}$ ,  $\vec{F} = (x^2 - cy)\hat{i} + (y^2 - cx)\hat{j} + (c^2 - xy)\hat{k}$

so that  $\vec{F} \cdot \hat{n} = [(x^2 - cy)\hat{i} + (y^2 - cx)\hat{j} + (c^2 - xy)\hat{k}] \cdot \hat{k} = c^2 - xy$

$$\iint_{S_2} \vec{F} \cdot \hat{n} dS = \int_0^b \int_0^a (c^2 - xy) dx dy = \int_0^b \left( c^2 a - \frac{a^2}{2} y \right) dy = abc^2 - \frac{a^2 b^2}{4}$$

On  $S_3$  ( $x = 0$ ), we have  $\hat{n} = -\hat{i}$ ,  $\vec{F} = -yz\hat{i} + y^2\hat{j} + z^2\hat{k}$

so that  $\vec{F} \cdot \hat{n} = (-yz\hat{i} + y^2\hat{j} + z^2\hat{k}) \cdot (-\hat{i}) = yz$

$$\therefore \iint_{S_3} \vec{F} \cdot \hat{n} dS = \int_0^c \int_0^b yz dy dz = \int_0^c \frac{b^2}{2} z dz = \frac{b^2 c^2}{4}$$

On  $S_4$  ( $x = a$ ), we have  $\hat{n} = \hat{i}$ ,  $\vec{F} = (a^2 - yz)\hat{i} + (y^2 - az)\hat{j} + (z^2 - ay)\hat{k}$

so that  $\vec{F} \cdot \hat{n} = [(a^2 - yz)\hat{i} + (y^2 - az)\hat{j} + (z^2 - ay)\hat{k}] \cdot \hat{i} = a^2 - yz$

$$\therefore \iint_{S_4} \vec{F} \cdot \hat{n} dS = \int_0^c \int_0^b (a^2 - yz) dy dz = \int_0^c \left( a^2 b - \frac{b^2}{2} z \right) dz = a^2 bc - \frac{b^2 c^2}{4}$$

On  $S_5$  ( $y = 0$ ), we have  $\hat{n} = -\hat{j}$ ,  $\vec{F} = x^2\hat{i} - zx\hat{j} + z^2\hat{k}$

so that  $\vec{F} \cdot \hat{n} = (x^2\hat{i} - zx\hat{j} + z^2\hat{k}) \cdot (-\hat{j}) = zx$

$$\therefore \iint_{S_5} \vec{F} \cdot \hat{n} dS = \int_0^a \int_0^c zx dz dx = \int_0^a \frac{c^2}{2} x dx = \frac{a^2 c^2}{4}$$

On  $S_6$  ( $y = b$ ), we have  $\hat{n} = \hat{j}$ ,  $\vec{F} = (x^2 - bz)\hat{i} + (b^2 - zx)\hat{j} + (z^2 - bx)\hat{k}$

so that  $\vec{F} \cdot \hat{n} = [(x^2 - bz)\hat{i} + (b^2 - zx)\hat{j} + (z^2 - bx)\hat{k}] \cdot \hat{j} = b^2 - zx$

$$\therefore \iint_{S_6} \vec{F} \cdot \hat{n} dS = \int_0^a \int_0^c (b^2 - zx) dz dx = \int_0^a \left( b^2 c - \frac{c^2}{2} x \right) dx = ab^2 c - \frac{a^2 c^2}{4}$$

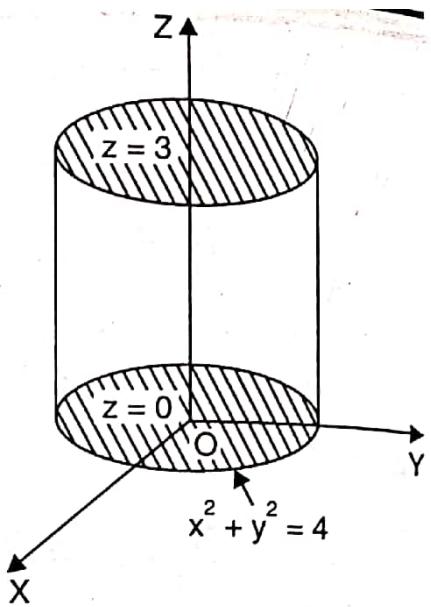
$$\therefore \iint_S \vec{F} \cdot \hat{n} dS = \frac{a^2 b^2}{4} + abc^2 - \frac{a^2 b^2}{4} + \frac{b^2 c^2}{4} + a^2 bc - \frac{b^2 c^2}{4} + \frac{a^2 c^2}{4} + ab^2 c - \frac{a^2 c^2}{4} \\ = abc(a + b + c) \quad \dots(2)$$

The equality of (1) and (2) verifies divergence theorem.

**Example 5.** Verify divergence theorem for  $\vec{F} = 4x\hat{i} - 2y^2\hat{j} + z^2\hat{k}$  taken over the region bounded by the cylinder  $x^2 + y^2 = 4$ ,  $z = 0$ ,  $z = 3$ .

**Sol.** Since  $\operatorname{div} \vec{F} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(4x) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y}(-2y^2) + \frac{\partial}{\partial z}(z^2) = 4 - 4y + 2z$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \iiint_V \operatorname{div} \vec{F} dV &= \iiint_V (4 - 4y + 2z) dx dy dz \\
 &= \int_{-2}^2 \int_{-\sqrt{4-x^2}}^{\sqrt{4-x^2}} \int_0^3 (4 - 4y + 2z) dz dy dx \\
 &= \int_{-2}^2 \int_{-\sqrt{4-x^2}}^{\sqrt{4-x^2}} \left[ 4z - 4yz + z^2 \right]_0^3 dy dx \\
 &= \int_{-2}^2 \int_{-\sqrt{4-x^2}}^{\sqrt{4-x^2}} (12 - 12y + 9) dy dx \\
 &= \int_{-2}^2 \int_{-\sqrt{4-x^2}}^{\sqrt{4-x^2}} 21 dy dx,
 \end{aligned}$$



(Since  $12y$  is an odd function,  $\int_{-a}^a 12y dy = 0$ )

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \int_{-2}^2 42\sqrt{4-x^2} dx = 84 \int_0^2 \sqrt{4-x^2} dx = 84 \left[ \frac{x\sqrt{4-x^2}}{2} + \frac{4}{2} \sin^{-1} \frac{x}{2} \right]_0^2 = 84[2\sin^{-1} 1] \\
 &= 84 \left[ 2 \times \frac{\pi}{2} \right] = 84\pi
 \end{aligned} \quad \dots(1)$$

To evaluate the surface integral, divide the closed surface  $S$  of the cylinder into 3 parts.

$S_1$  : the circular base in the plane  $z = 0$

$S_2$  : the circular top in the plane  $z = 3$

$S_3$  : the curved surface of the cylinder, given by the equation  $x^2 + y^2 = 4$ .

Also  $\iint_S \vec{F} \cdot \hat{n} dS = \iint_{S_1} \vec{F} \cdot \hat{n} dS + \iint_{S_2} \vec{F} \cdot \hat{n} dS + \iint_{S_3} \vec{F} \cdot \hat{n} dS$

On  $S_1$  ( $z = 0$ ), we have  $\hat{n} = -\hat{k}$ ,  $\vec{F} = 4x\hat{i} - 2y^2\hat{j}$

$$\vec{F} \cdot \hat{n} = (4x\hat{i} - 2y^2\hat{j}) \cdot (-\hat{k}) = 0$$

$$\therefore \iint_{S_1} \vec{F} \cdot \hat{n} dS = 0$$

On  $S_2$  ( $z = 3$ ), we have  $\hat{n} = \hat{k}$ ,  $\vec{F} = 4x\hat{i} - 2y^2\hat{j} + 9\hat{k}$

$$\vec{F} \cdot \hat{n} = (4x\hat{i} - 2y^2\hat{j} + 9\hat{k}) \cdot \hat{k} = 9$$

$$\iint_{S_2} \vec{F} \cdot \hat{n} dS = \iint_{S_2} 9 dx dy = 9 \iint_{S_2} dx dy$$

$$= 9 \times \text{area of surface } S_2 = 9(\pi \cdot 2^2) = 36\pi$$

On  $S_3$ ,  $x^2 + y^2 = 4$

A vector normal to the surface  $S_3$  is given by  $\nabla(x^2 + y^2) = 2x\hat{i} + 2y\hat{j}$

$\therefore \hat{n}$  = a unit vector normal to surface  $S_3$

$$= \frac{2x\hat{i} + 2y\hat{j}}{\sqrt{4x^2 + 4y^2}} = \frac{2x\hat{i} + 2y\hat{j}}{\sqrt{4 \times 4}}, \text{ since } x^2 + y^2 = 4$$

$$= \frac{x\hat{i} + y\hat{j}}{2}$$

$$\vec{F} \cdot \hat{n} = (4x\hat{i} - 2y^2\hat{j} + z^2\hat{k}) \cdot \left( \frac{x\hat{i} + y\hat{j}}{2} \right) = 2x^2 - y^3$$

Also, on  $S_3$ , i.e.,  $x^2 + y^2 = 4$ ,  $x = 2 \cos \theta$ ,  $y = 2 \sin \theta$  and  $dS = 2d\theta dz$ .

To cover the whole surface  $S_3$ ,  $z$  varies from 0 to 3 and  $\theta$  varies from 0 to  $2\pi$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \iint_{S_3} \vec{F} \cdot \hat{n} dS &= \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^3 [2(2 \cos \theta)^2 - (2 \sin \theta)^3] 2dz d\theta \\ &= \int_0^{2\pi} 16 (\cos^2 \theta - \sin^3 \theta) \times 3 d\theta = 48 \int_0^{2\pi} (\cos^2 \theta - \sin^3 \theta) d\theta = 48\pi \\ \left( \text{since } \int_0^{2\pi} \cos^2 \theta d\theta = 2 \int_0^\pi \cos^2 \theta d\theta = 4 \int_0^{\pi/2} \cos^2 d\theta = 4 \times \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{\pi}{2} = \pi, \int_0^{2\pi} \sin^3 \theta d\theta = 0 \right) \\ \therefore \iint_S \vec{F} \cdot \hat{n} dS &= 0 + 36\pi + 48\pi = 84\pi \end{aligned} \quad \dots(2)$$

The equality of (1) and (2) verifies divergence theorem.

**Example 6.** Find  $\iint_S \vec{F} \cdot \hat{n} dS$ , where  $\vec{F} = (2x + 3z)\hat{i} - (xz + y)\hat{j} + (y^2 + 2z)\hat{k}$  and  $S$  is the surface of the sphere having centre at  $(3, -1, 2)$  and radius 3.

**Sol.** Let  $V$  be the volume enclosed by the surface  $S$ . Then by Gauss divergence theorem, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \iint_S \vec{F} \cdot dS &= \iiint_V \operatorname{div} \vec{F} dV \\ &= \iiint_V \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (2x + 3z) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (-xz - y) + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (y^2 + 2z) \right] dV \\ &= \iiint_V (2 - 1 + 2) dV = 3 \iiint_V dV = 3V \end{aligned}$$

But  $V$  is the volume of a sphere of radius 3.

$$\therefore V = \frac{4}{3} \pi (3)^3 = 36\pi.$$

$$\text{Hence } \iint_S \vec{F} \cdot dS = 3 \times 36\pi = 108\pi.$$

**Example 7.** Evaluate  $\iint_S (y^2 z^2 \hat{i} + z^2 x^2 \hat{j} + z^2 y^2 \hat{k}) \cdot \hat{n} dS$ , where  $S$  is the part of the sphere  $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1$  above the  $xy$ -plane and bounded by this plane.

**Sol.** Let  $V$  be the volume enclosed by the surface  $S$ . Then by divergence theorem, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \iint_S (y^2 z^2 \hat{i} + z^2 x^2 \hat{j} + z^2 y^2 \hat{k}) \cdot \hat{n} dS &= \iiint_V \operatorname{div} (y^2 z^2 \hat{i} + z^2 x^2 \hat{j} + z^2 y^2 \hat{k}) dV \\ &= \iiint_V \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (y^2 z^2) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (z^2 x^2) + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (z^2 y^2) \right] dV \\ &= \iiint_V 2zy^2 dV = 2 \iiint_V zy^2 dV \end{aligned}$$

Changing to spherical polar coordinates by putting

$$x = r \sin \theta \cos \phi, y = r \sin \theta \sin \phi, z = r \cos \theta$$

$$dV = r^2 \sin \theta \, dr \, d\theta \, d\phi$$

To cover V, the limits of  $r$  will be 0 to 1, those of  $\theta$  will be 0 to  $\frac{\pi}{2}$  and those of  $\phi$  will be 0 to  $2\pi$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore 2 \iiint_V zy^2 \, dV &= 2 \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{\pi/2} \int_0^1 (r \cos \theta) (r^2 \sin^2 \theta \sin^2 \phi) r^2 \sin \theta \, dr \, d\theta \, d\phi \\ &= 2 \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{\pi/2} \int_0^1 r^5 \sin^3 \theta \cos \theta \sin^2 \phi \, dr \, d\theta \, d\phi \\ &= 2 \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{\pi/2} \sin^3 \theta \cos \theta \sin^2 \phi \left[ \frac{r^6}{6} \right]_0^1 \, d\theta \, d\phi \\ &= \frac{2}{6} \int_0^{2\pi} \sin^2 \phi \cdot \frac{2}{4.2} \, d\phi = \frac{1}{12} \int_0^{2\pi} \sin^2 \phi \, d\phi = \frac{\pi}{12}. \end{aligned}$$

### 13.28. GREEN'S THEOREM IN THE PLANE

If  $M(x, y)$  and  $N(x, y)$  be continuous functions of  $x$  and  $y$  having continuous partial derivatives  $\frac{\partial M}{\partial y}$  and  $\frac{\partial N}{\partial x}$  in a region  $R$  of the  $xy$ -plane bounded by a closed curve  $C$ , then

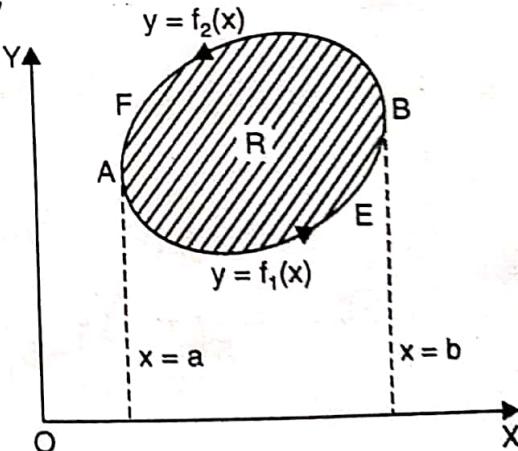
$$\oint_C (Mdx + Ndy) = \iint_R \left( \frac{\partial N}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial M}{\partial y} \right) dx dy$$

where  $C$  is traversed in the counterclockwise direction.

Let us assume that the region  $R$  is such that any line parallel to either axes meets the boundary curve  $C$  in at most two points.

[The proof can be easily extended to other cases.]

Suppose the region  $R$  is bounded between the lines  $x = a$ ,  $x = b$  and two arcs  $AEB$  and  $BFA$  whose equations are  $y = f_1(x)$  and  $y = f_2(x)$  respectively such that  $f_2(x) > f_1(x)$ .



$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Now } \iint_R \frac{\partial M}{\partial y} dx dy &= \int_a^b \left[ \int_{f_1(x)}^{f_2(x)} \frac{\partial M}{\partial y} dy \right] dx \\
 &= \int_a^b \left[ M(x, y) \right]_{f_1(x)}^{f_2(x)} dx = \int_a^b [M(x, f_2) - M(x, f_1)] dx \\
 &= \int_a^b M(x, f_2) dx - \int_a^b M(x, f_1) dx = - \int_b^a M(x, f_2) dx - \int_a^b M(x, f_1) dx \\
 &= - \left[ \int_a^b M(x, f_1) dx + \int_b^a M(x, f_2) dx \right] = - \oint_C M dx
 \end{aligned}$$

or  $\oint_C M dx = - \iint_R \frac{\partial M}{\partial y} dx dy \quad \dots(1)$

Similarly, we can show that  $\oint_C N dy = \iint_R \frac{\partial N}{\partial x} dx dy \quad \dots(2)$

Adding (1) and (2), we have  $\oint_C (M dx + N dy) = \iint_R \left( \frac{\partial N}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial M}{\partial y} \right) dx dy$

This theorem is useful for changing a line integral around a closed curve  $C$  into a double integral over the region  $R$  enclosed by  $C$ .

## ILLUSTRATIVE EXAMPLES

**Example 1.** Verify Green's theorem in the plane for  $\oint_C (3x^2 - 8y^2) dx + (4y - 6xy) dy$  where  $C$  is the boundary of the region defined by

(a)  $y = \sqrt{x}$ ,  $y = x^2$

(b)  $x = 0$ ,  $y = 0$ ,  $x + y = 1$ .

**Sol.** (a)  $y = \sqrt{x}$  i.e.,  $y^2 = x$  and  $y = x^2$  are two parabolas intersecting at  $O(0, 0)$  and  $A(1, 1)$ .

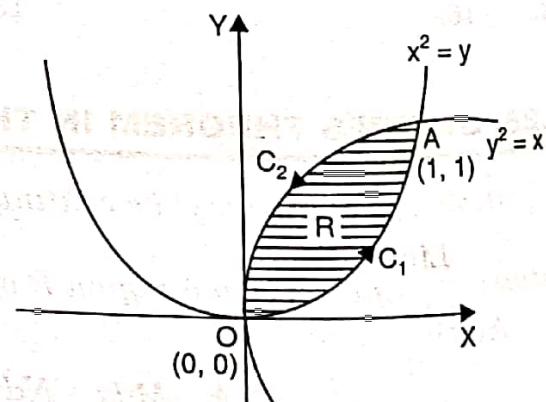
Here  $M = 3x^2 - 8y^2$ ,  $N = 4y - 6xy$

$$\frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = -16y, \quad \frac{\partial N}{\partial x} = -6y$$

$$\therefore \frac{\partial N}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = 10y$$

If  $R$  is the region bounded by  $C$ , then

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\iint_R \left( \frac{\partial N}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial M}{\partial y} \right) dx dy \\
 &= \int_0^1 \int_{x^2}^{\sqrt{x}} 10y dy dx = \int_0^1 5 \left[ y^2 \right]_{x^2}^{\sqrt{x}} dx \\
 &= 5 \int_0^1 (x - x^4) dx = 5 \left[ \frac{x^2}{2} - \frac{x^5}{5} \right]_0^1 \\
 &= 5 \left( \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{5} \right) = 5 \left( \frac{3}{10} \right) = \frac{3}{2}
 \end{aligned} \quad \dots(1)$$



$$\text{Also, } \oint_C (Mdx + Ndy) = \int_{C_1} (Mdx + Ndy) + \int_{C_2} (Mdx + Ndy)$$

Along  $C_1$ ,  $x^2 = y$ ,  $\therefore 2x dx = dy$  and the limits of  $x$  are from 0 to 1.

$$\therefore \text{Line integral along } C_1 = \int_{C_1} (Mdx + Ndy)$$

$$= \int_0^1 (3x^2 - 8x^4) dx + (4x^2 - 6x \cdot x^2) 2x dx = \int_0^1 (3x^2 + 8x^3 - 20x^4) dx$$

$$= \left[ x^3 + 2x^4 - 4x^5 \right]_0^1 = -1$$

Along  $C_2$ ,  $y^2 = x$ ,  $\therefore 2y dy = dx$  and the limits of  $y$  are from 1 to 0.

$$\therefore \text{Line integral along } C_2 = \int_{C_2} (Mdx + Ndy)$$

$$= \int_1^0 (3y^4 - 8y^2) 2y dy + (4y - 6y^2 \cdot y) dy$$

$$= \int_1^0 (4y - 22y^3 + 6y^5) dy = \left[ 2y^2 - \frac{11}{2}y^4 + y^6 \right]_1^0 = \frac{5}{2}$$

$$\therefore \text{Line integral along } C = -1 + \frac{5}{2} = \frac{3}{2} \quad i.e., \quad \oint_C (Mdx + Ndy) = \frac{3}{2} \quad \dots(2)$$

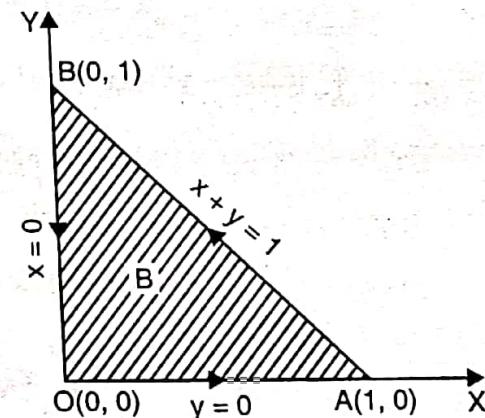
The equality of (1) and (2) verifies Green's theorem in the plane.

$$(b) \text{ Here } \iint_R \left( \frac{\partial N}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial M}{\partial y} \right) dx dy = \int_0^1 \int_0^{1-x} 10y dy dx$$

$$= \int_0^1 5 \left[ y^2 \right]_0^{1-x} dx$$

$$= 5 \int_0^1 (1-x)^2 dx = 5 \left[ \frac{(1-x)^3}{-3} \right]_0^1$$

$$= -\frac{5}{3}(0-1) = \frac{5}{3} \quad \dots(1)$$



Along OA,  $y = 0$   $\therefore dy = 0$  and the limits of  $x$  are from 0 to 1.

$$\therefore \text{Line integral along OA} = \int_0^1 3x^2 dx = \left[ x^3 \right]_0^1$$

Along AB,  $y = 1 - x$   $\therefore dy = -dx$  and the limits of  $x$  are from 1 to 0.

$$\therefore \text{Line integral along AB} = \int_1^0 [3x^2 - 8(1-x)^2] dx + [4(1-x) - 6x(1-x)] (-dx)$$

$$= \int_1^0 (3x^2 - 8 + 16x - 8x^2 - 4 + 4x + 6x - 6x^2) dx = \int_1^0 (-12 + 26x - 11x^2) dx$$

$$= \left[ -12x + 13x^2 - \frac{11}{3}x^3 \right]_1^0 = -\left[ -12 + 13 - \frac{11}{3} \right] = \frac{8}{3}$$

Along BO,  $x = 0$   $\therefore dx = 0$  and the limits of  $y$  are from 1 to 0.

$$\therefore \text{Line integral along BO} = \int_1^0 4y dy = \left[ 2y^2 \right]_1^0 = -2$$

$$\therefore \text{Line integral along } C \text{ (i.e., along OABO)} = 1 + \frac{8}{3} - 2 = \frac{5}{3}$$

i.e.,  $\oint_C (Mdx + Ndy) = \frac{5}{3}$  ... (2)

The equality of (1) and (2) verifies Green's theorem in the plane.

**Example 2.** Use Green's theorem in a plane to evaluate the integral  $\oint_C [(2x^2 - y^2) dx + (x^2 + y^2) dy]$  where  $C$  is the boundary in the  $xy$ -plane of the area enclosed by the  $x$ -axis and the semi circle  $x^2 + y^2 = a^2$  in the upper half  $xy$ -plane.

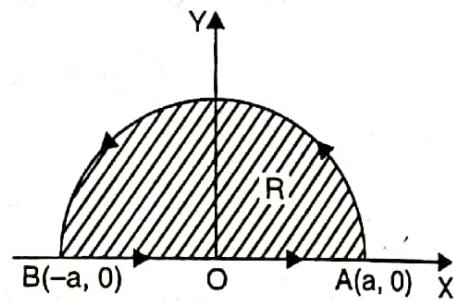
**Sol.** If  $R$  is the region bounded by the closed curve  $C$ , then by Green's theorem in the plane, we have

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

Here  $M = 2x^2 - y^2$ ,  $N = x^2 + y^2$

$$\frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = -2y, \frac{\partial N}{\partial x} = 2x$$

$$\therefore \frac{\partial N}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = 2(x + y)$$



The region  $R$  is bounded by

$$x = -a, x = a, y = 0, y = \sqrt{a^2 - x^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \oint_C [(2x^2 - y^2) dx + (x^2 + y^2) dy] &= \iint_R 2(x + y) dx dy \\ &= \int_{-a}^a \int_0^{\sqrt{a^2 - x^2}} 2(x + y) dy dx = \int_{-a}^a [2xy + y^2]_0^{\sqrt{a^2 - x^2}} dx \\ &= \int_{-a}^a [2x\sqrt{a^2 - x^2} + (a^2 - x^2)] dx \\ &= 2 \int_{-a}^a x\sqrt{a^2 - x^2} dx + \int_{-a}^a (a^2 - x^2) dx \\ &= 2(0) + 2 \int_0^a (a^2 - x^2) dx \end{aligned}$$

[ $\because x\sqrt{a^2 - x^2}$  is an odd function and  $(a^2 - x^2)$  is an even function]

$$= 2 \left[ a^2x - \frac{x^3}{3} \right]_0^a = 2 \left( a^3 - \frac{a^3}{3} \right) = \frac{4a^3}{3}$$

## EXERCISE 13.6

- Verify Green's theorem in the plane for  $\oint_C (xy + y^2) dx + x^2 dy$  where  $C$  is the closed curve of the region bounded by  $y = x$  and  $y = x^2$ .
- Verify Green's theorem in the plane for  $\oint_C (2xy - x^2) dx + (x^2 + y^2) dy$  where  $C$  is the boundary of the region enclosed by  $y = x^2$  and  $y^2 = x$ .

### **13.29. STOKE'S THEOREM** (Relation between line and surface integrals)

If  $S$  be an open surface bounded by a closed curve  $C$  and  $\vec{F} = F_1\hat{i} + F_2\hat{j} + F_3\hat{k}$  be any vector point function having continuous first order partial derivatives, then  $\oint_C \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} = \iint_S \text{curl } \vec{F} \cdot \hat{n} dS$  where  $\hat{n}$  is a unit normal vector at any point of  $S$  drawn in the sense in which a right handed screw would advance when rotated in the sense of description of  $C$ .

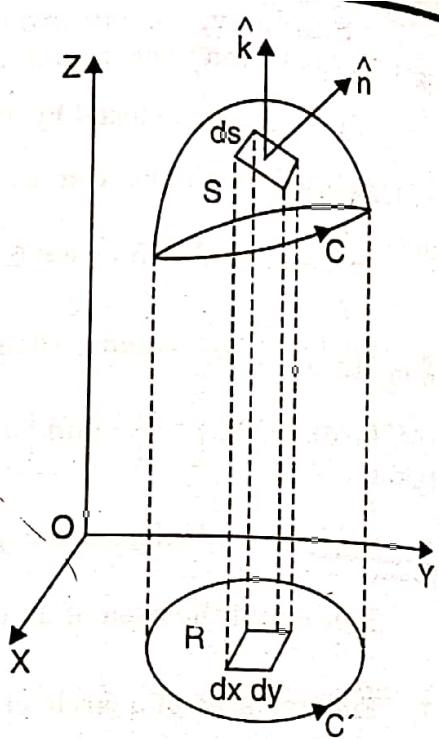
Let  $\hat{n}$  make angles  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$  with positive directions of  $x, y, z$  axes, then  $\hat{n} = \cos \alpha \hat{i} + \cos \beta \hat{j} + \cos \gamma \hat{k}$ .

Also  $\vec{r} = xi\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}$  so that  $d\vec{r} = \hat{i}dx + \hat{j}dy + \hat{k}dz$

$$\text{curl } \vec{F} = \nabla \times \vec{F} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ F_1 & F_2 & F_3 \end{vmatrix} = \left( \frac{\partial F_3}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial F_2}{\partial z} \right) \hat{i} + \left( \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial F_3}{\partial x} \right) \hat{j} + \left( \frac{\partial F_2}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial y} \right) \hat{k}$$

$$\therefore \text{curl } \vec{F} \cdot \hat{n} = \left( \frac{\partial F_3}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial F_2}{\partial z} \right) \cos \alpha + \left( \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial F_3}{\partial x} \right) \cos \beta + \left( \frac{\partial F_2}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial y} \right) \cos \gamma$$

$$\text{Also } \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} = (F_1 \hat{i} + F_2 \hat{j} + F_3 \hat{k}) \times (\hat{i}dx + \hat{j}dy + \hat{k}dz) = F_1 dx + F_2 dy + F_3 dz$$



$\therefore$  Stoke's theorem can be written as  $\oint_C (F_1 dx + F_2 dy + F_3 dz)$

$$= \iint_S \left[ \left( \frac{\partial F_3}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial F_2}{\partial z} \right) \cos \alpha + \left( \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial F_3}{\partial x} \right) \cos \beta + \left( \frac{\partial F_2}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial y} \right) \cos \gamma \right] dS \quad \dots(1)$$

Let  $z = \phi(x, y)$  be the equation of the surface S whose projection on the xy-plane is R. Then the projection of C on the xy-plane is the curve C' which bounds the region R.

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \oint_C F_1(x, y, z) dx &= \oint_{C'} F_1(x, y, \phi) dx = \oint_{C'} [F_1(x, y, \phi) dx + 0 dy] \\ &= - \iint_R \frac{\partial}{\partial y} F_1(x, y, \phi) dx dy \quad \text{by Green's theorem in plane for the region R} \\ &= - \iint_R \left[ \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial z} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y} \right] dx dy \end{aligned} \quad \dots(2)$$

Now the direction ratios of the normal  $\hat{n}$  to the surface  $z = \phi(x, y)$  are  $\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y}, -1$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\cos \alpha}{\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x}} = \frac{\cos \beta}{\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y}} = \frac{\cos \gamma}{-1} \Rightarrow \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y} = - \frac{\cos \beta}{\cos \gamma}$$

Since  $dx dy$  is the projection of  $dS$  on the xy-plane

$$\therefore dx dy = \cos \gamma dS$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{From (2), we have } \oint_C F_1(x, y, z) dx &= - \iint_S \left[ \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial z} \cdot \frac{\cos \beta}{\cos \gamma} \right] \cos \gamma dS \\ &= - \iint_S \left[ \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial y} \cos \gamma - \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial z} \cos \beta \right] dS \\ &= \iint_S \left[ \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial z} \cos \beta - \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial y} \cos \gamma \right] dS \end{aligned} \quad \dots(3)$$

Similarly, we can prove that  $\oint_C F_2(x, y, z) dy$

$$= \iint_S \left[ \frac{\partial F_2}{\partial x} \cos \gamma - \frac{\partial F_2}{\partial z} \cos \alpha \right] dS \quad \dots(4)$$

and  $\oint_C F_3(x, y, z) dz = \iint_S \left[ \frac{\partial F_3}{\partial y} \cos \alpha - \frac{\partial F_3}{\partial x} \cos \beta \right] dS \quad \dots(5)$

Adding (3), (4) and (5), we get (1). Hence the theorem is proved. In words, Stoke's theorem states that "The line integral of the tangential component of a vector point function  $\vec{F}$  taken around a closed curve C is equal to the surface integral of the normal component of  $\vec{F}$  taken over any surface S having C as its boundary".

## ILLUSTRATIVE EXAMPLES

**Example 1.** Verify Stoke's theorem for  $\vec{F} = (x^2 + y^2)\hat{i} - 2xy\hat{j}$  taken round the rectangle bounded by the lines  $x = \pm a, y = 0, y = b$ .

**Sol.** Let C denote the boundary of the rectangle ABED, then

$$\begin{aligned} \oint_C \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} &= \oint_C [(x^2 + y^2)\hat{i} - 2xy\hat{j}] \cdot (\hat{i} dx + \hat{j} dy) \\ &= \oint_C [(x^2 + y^2) dx - 2xy dy] \end{aligned}$$

The curve C consists of four lines AB, BE, ED and DA.

Along AB,  $x = a, dx = 0$  and  $y$  varies from 0 to  $b$ .

$$\therefore \int_{AB} [(x^2 + y^2) dx - 2xy dy] = \int_0^b -2ay dy = -a \left[ y^2 \right]_0^b = -ab^2 \quad \dots(1)$$

Along BE,  $y = b, dy = 0$  and  $x$  varies from  $a$  to  $-a$ .

$$\therefore \int_{BE} [(x^2 + y^2) dx - 2xy dy] = \int_a^{-a} (x^2 + b^2) dx = \left[ \frac{x^3}{3} + b^2 x \right]_a^{-a} = -\frac{2a^2}{3} - 2ab^2 \quad \dots(2)$$

Along ED,  $x = -a, dx = 0$  and  $y$  varies from  $b$  to 0.

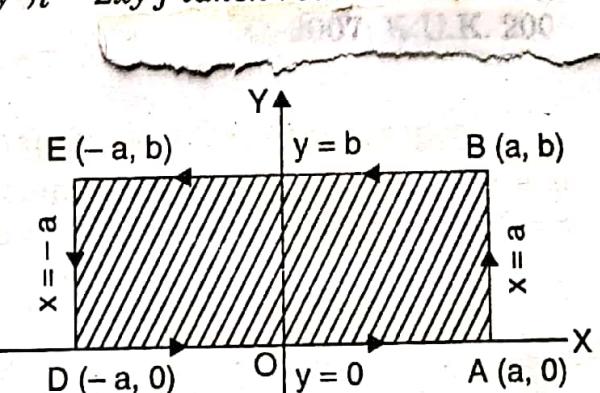
$$\therefore \int_{ED} [(x^2 + y^2) dx - 2xy dy] = \int_a^0 2ay dy = a \left[ y^2 \right]_b^0 = -ab^2 \quad \dots(3)$$

Along DA,  $y = 0, dy = 0$  and  $x$  varies from  $-a$  to  $a$ .

$$\therefore \int_{DA} [(x^2 + y^2) dx - 2dx dy] = \int_{-a}^a x^2 dx = \frac{2a^3}{3} \quad \dots(4)$$

Adding (1), (2), (3) and (4), we get

$$\oint_C \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} = -ab^2 - \frac{2a^3}{3} - 2ab^2 - ab^2 + \frac{2a^3}{3} = -4ab^2 \quad \dots(5)$$



Now  $\operatorname{curl} \vec{F} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ x^2 + y^2 & -2xy & 0 \end{vmatrix} = (-2y - 2y)\hat{k} = -4y\hat{k}$

For the surface S,  $\hat{n} = \hat{k}$

$$\operatorname{curl} \vec{F} \cdot \hat{n} = -4y\hat{k} \cdot \hat{k} = -4y$$

$$\therefore \iint_S \operatorname{curl} \vec{F} \cdot \hat{n} dS = \int_0^b \int_{-a}^a -4y dx dy = \int_0^b -4y \left[ x \right]_{-a}^a dy \\ = -8a \int_0^b y dy = -8a \left[ \frac{y^2}{2} \right]_0^b = -4ab^2 \quad \dots(6)$$

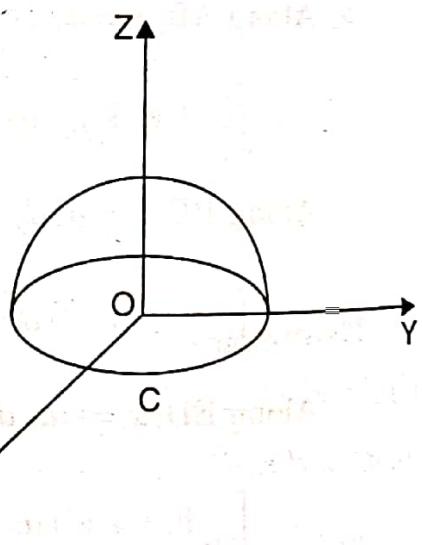
The equality of (5) and (6) verifies Stoke's Theorem.

**Example 2.** Verify Stoke's Theorem for the vector field  $\vec{F} = (2x - y)\hat{i} - yz^2\hat{j} - y^2z\hat{k}$  over the upper half surface of  $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1$ , bounded by its projection on the xy-plane.

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**Sol.** Let S be the upper half surface of the sphere  $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1$ . The boundary C of S is a circle in the xy-plane of radius unity and centre O. The equations of C are  $x^2 + y^2 = 1$ ,  $z = 0$  whose parametric form is  $x = \cos t$ ,  $y = \sin t$ ,  $z = 0$ ,  $0 \leq t < 2\pi$ .

$$\oint_C \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} = \oint_C [(2x - y)\hat{i} - yz^2\hat{j} - y^2z\hat{k}] \cdot (\hat{i} dx + \hat{j} dy + \hat{k} dz) \\ = \oint_C [(2x - y)dx - yz^2dy - y^2zdz] \\ = \oint_C (2x - y)dx, \text{ since on } C, z = 0, dz = 0 \\ = \int_0^{2\pi} (2\cos t - \sin t) \frac{dx}{dt} dt \\ = \int_0^{2\pi} (2\cos t - \sin t)(-\sin t) dt \\ = \int_0^{2\pi} (-\sin 2t + \sin^2 t) dt \\ = \int_0^{2\pi} \left( -\sin 2t + \frac{1 - \cos 2t}{2} \right) dt \\ = \left[ \frac{\cos 2t}{2} + \frac{t}{2} - \frac{\sin 2t}{4} \right]_0^{2\pi} = \frac{1}{2} + \pi - \frac{1}{2} = \pi$$



Also  $\operatorname{curl} \vec{F} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ 2x - y & -yz^2 & -y^2z \end{vmatrix} = (-2yz + 2yz)\hat{i} + (0 - 0)\hat{j} + (0 + 1)\hat{k} = \hat{k}$

$$\operatorname{curl} \vec{F} \cdot \hat{n} = \hat{k} \cdot \hat{n} = \hat{n} \cdot \hat{k}$$

$$\iint_S \operatorname{curl} \vec{F} \cdot \hat{n} dS = \iint_S \hat{n} \cdot \hat{k} dS = \iint_R \hat{n} \cdot \hat{k} \frac{dx dy}{|\hat{n} \cdot \hat{k}|}$$

where R is the projection of S on xy-plane.

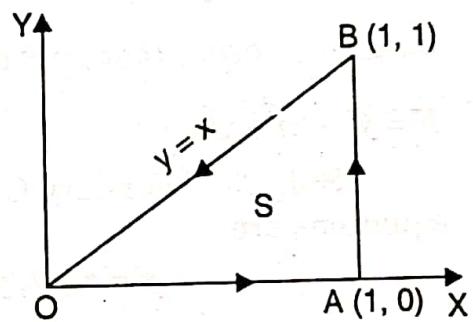
$$\begin{aligned} &= \iint_R dx dy = \int_{-1}^1 \int_{-\sqrt{1-x^2}}^{\sqrt{1-x^2}} dy dx = \int_{-1}^1 2\sqrt{1-x^2} dx = 4 \int_0^1 \sqrt{1-x^2} dx \\ &= 4 \left[ \frac{x\sqrt{1-x^2}}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \sin^{-1} x \right]_0^1 = 4 \left[ \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{\pi}{2} \right] = \pi \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\oint_C \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} = \iint_S \operatorname{curl} \vec{F} \cdot \hat{n} dS$ , Stoke's theorem is verified.

**Example 3.** Evaluate  $\oint_C \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r}$  by Stoke's Theorem, where  $\vec{F} = y^2 \hat{i} + x^2 \hat{j} - (x+z) \hat{k}$  and C is the boundary of the triangle with vertices at (0, 0, 0), (1, 0, 0) and (1, 1, 0).

**Sol.** Since z-coordinates of each vertex of the triangle is zero, therefore, the triangle lies in the xy-plane and  $\hat{n} = \hat{k}$

$$\operatorname{curl} \vec{F} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ y^2 & x^2 & -(x+z) \end{vmatrix} = \hat{j} + 2(x-y)\hat{k}$$



$$\therefore \operatorname{curl} \vec{F} \cdot \hat{n} = [\hat{j} + 2(x-y)\hat{k}] \cdot \hat{k} = 2(x-y)$$

The equation of line OB is  $y = x$ .

By Stoke's theorem,  $\oint_C \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} = \iint_S \operatorname{curl} \vec{F} \cdot \hat{n} dS$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \int_0^1 \int_0^x 2(x-y) dy dx \\ &= \int_0^1 2 \left[ xy - \frac{y^2}{2} \right]_0^x dx = 2 \int_0^1 \left( x^2 - \frac{x^2}{2} \right) dx = \int_0^1 x^2 dx = \frac{1}{3}. \end{aligned}$$

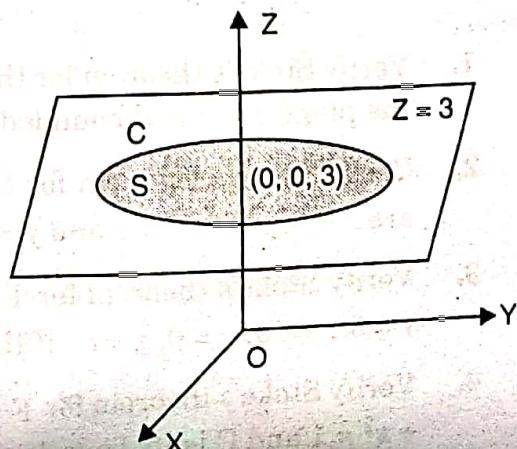
**Example 4.** Using Stoke's theorem for the vector function  $\vec{F} = (2x+y-2z)\hat{i} + (2x-4y+z^2)\hat{j} + (x-2y+z^2)\hat{k}$  evaluate the integral  $\oint_C \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{R}$ , where C is the circle with centre at (0, 0, 3) and radius 5 in the plane  $z = 3$ .

**Sol.** Here  $\vec{F} = (2x+y-2z)\hat{i} + (2x-4y+z^2)\hat{j} + (x-2y+z^2)dz$  and C is the curve given by  $(x-0)^2 + (y-0)^2 + (z-3)^2 = 5^2$ ,  $z = 3$  i.e.,  $x^2 + y^2 + (z-3)^2 = 25$ ,  $z = 3$

[It is a great circle with centre at (0, 0, 3) and radius 5]

By Stoke's theorem

$$\oint_C \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{R} = \iint_S \operatorname{curl} \vec{F} \cdot \hat{n} dS \quad \dots(1)$$



Now  $\operatorname{curl} \vec{F} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ 2x + y - 2z & 2x - 4y + z^2 & x - 2y + z^2 \end{vmatrix}$

$$= \hat{i} \{-2 - 2z\} - \hat{j} \{1 - (-2)\} + \hat{k} \{2 - 1\}$$

$$= (-2 - 2z) \hat{i} - 3 \hat{j} + \hat{k}$$

$\hat{n}$  = a unit vector normal to the plane  $z = 3$

i.e.,

$$\hat{n} = \hat{k}$$

$$\therefore \text{From (1), } \oint_C \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{R} = \iint_S [(-2 - 2z) \hat{i} - 3 \hat{j} + \hat{k}] \cdot \hat{k} dS = \iint_S i dS = S$$

$$= \text{area of circle} = \pi \times 5^2 = 25\pi.$$

**Example 5.** Evaluate the surface integral  $\iint_S \operatorname{curl} \vec{F} \cdot \hat{n} dS$  by transforming it into a line integral,  $S$  being that part of the surface of the paraboloid  $z = 1 - x^2 - y^2$ , for which  $z \geq 0$  and  $\vec{F} = yi\hat{i} + zj\hat{j} + xk\hat{k}$ .

**Sol.** The boundary  $C$  of the surface  $S$  is the circle  $x^2 + y^2 = 1, z = 0$  whose parametric equations are

$$x = \cos t, y = \sin t, z = 0, 0 \leq t < 2\pi.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{By Stoke's theorem, we have } \iint_S \operatorname{curl} \vec{F} \cdot \hat{n} dS &= \oint_C \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} \\ &= \oint_C (yi\hat{i} + zj\hat{j} + xk\hat{k}) \cdot (\hat{i} dx + \hat{j} dy + \hat{k} dz) \\ &= \oint_C (y dx + z dy + x dz) = \oint_C y dx, \text{ since on } C, z = 0, dz = 0 \\ &= \oint_C y \frac{dx}{dt} dt = \int_0^{2\pi} \sin t (-\sin t) dt = - \int_0^{2\pi} \sin^2 t dt \\ &= -2 \int_0^\pi \sin^2 t dt = -4 \int_0^{\pi/2} \sin^2 t dt = -4 \times \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{\pi}{2} = -\pi. \end{aligned}$$