

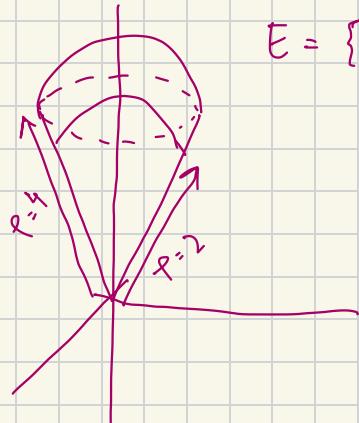
Hints for WebAssign:

10. Write the equation  $x^2 - y^2 - z^2 = 1$  in spherical coordinates
11. E lies above the cone  $\phi = \pi/3$  and below the sphere  $\rho = 1$
14. E lies above the cone  $z = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$  and between the spheres  $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 4$  and  $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 16$
- 15 Part of the ball  $\rho \leq a$  that lies between the cones  $\phi = \pi/6$  and  $\phi = \pi/3$

$$10. \quad x^2 - y^2 - z^2 = 1 \Rightarrow (\rho \sin \phi \cos \theta)^2 - (\rho \sin \phi \sin \theta)^2 - (\rho \cos \phi)^2 = 1$$

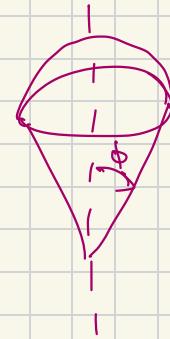
$$11. \quad E = \{(\rho, \theta, \phi) : 0 \leq \rho \leq 1, 0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi, 0 \leq \phi \leq \pi/3\}$$

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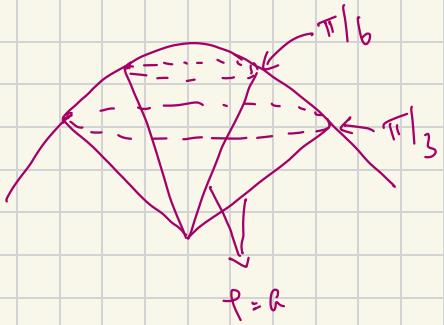


$$E = \{(\rho, \theta, \phi) : 2 \leq \rho \leq 4, 0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi, 0 \leq \phi \leq \pi/4\}$$

$y=0 \Rightarrow z^2 = x^2$   
 $\Rightarrow z = x$



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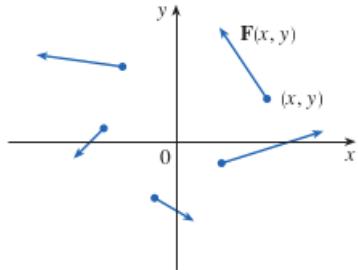
$$E = \{(\varphi, \theta, \phi); 0 \leq \varphi \leq \alpha, 0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi, \frac{\pi}{6} \leq \phi \leq \frac{\pi}{3}\}$$

# 16. Vector Calculus

## Vector Fields

### 1. Vector Fields in $\mathbb{R}^2$ and $\mathbb{R}^3$

**Definition** Let  $D$  be a set in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  (a plane region). A **vector field** on  $\mathbb{R}^2$  is a function  $\mathbf{F}$  that assigns to each point  $(x, y)$  in  $D$  a two-dimensional vector  $\mathbf{F}(x, y)$



To picture a vector field: to draw the arrow representing the vector  $\mathbf{F}(x, y)$  starting at the point  $(x, y)$ .

Since  $\mathbf{F}(x, y)$  is a two-dimensional vector, we can write it in terms of its **component functions**  $P$  and  $Q$ :

$$\mathbf{F}(x, y) = P(x, y)\mathbf{i} + Q(x, y)\mathbf{j} = \langle P(x, y), Q(x, y) \rangle$$

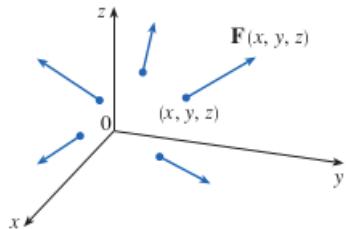
or

$$\mathbf{F} = P\mathbf{i} + Q\mathbf{j}$$

**Note:** both  $P$  and  $Q$  are scalar functions of two variables and are sometimes called **scalar fields** to distinguish them from vector fields.

Vector fields are used to model velocity vector fields, force fields, electric fields, fluid flow, etc.

**Definition** Let  $E$  be a subset of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . A **vector field** on  $\mathbb{R}^3$  is a function  $\mathbf{F}$  that assigns to each point  $(x, y, z)$  in  $E$  a three-dimensional vector  $\mathbf{F}(x, y, z)$ .



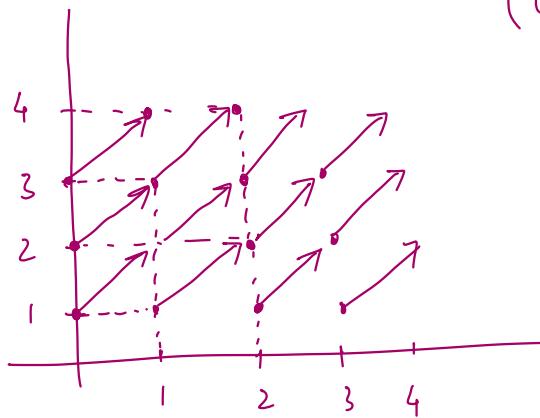
A vector field in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  is a function  $\mathbf{F}$  of the form

$$\mathbf{F}(x, y, z) = P(x, y, z)\mathbf{i} + Q(x, y, z)\mathbf{j} + R(x, y, z)\mathbf{k} = \langle P(x, y, z), Q(x, y, z), R(x, y, z) \rangle$$

$\mathbf{F}$  is continuous if and only if its component functions  $P$ ,  $Q$ , and  $R$  are continuous.

**Example:**  $\mathbf{F}(x, y) = \langle 1, 1 \rangle$

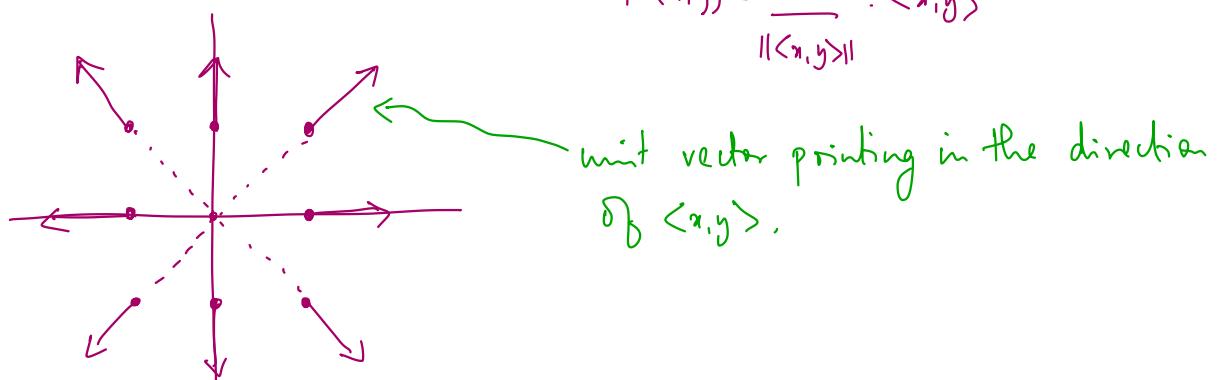
(Constant vector field)



**Example:**  $\mathbf{F}(x, y) = \frac{\langle x, y \rangle}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}}$

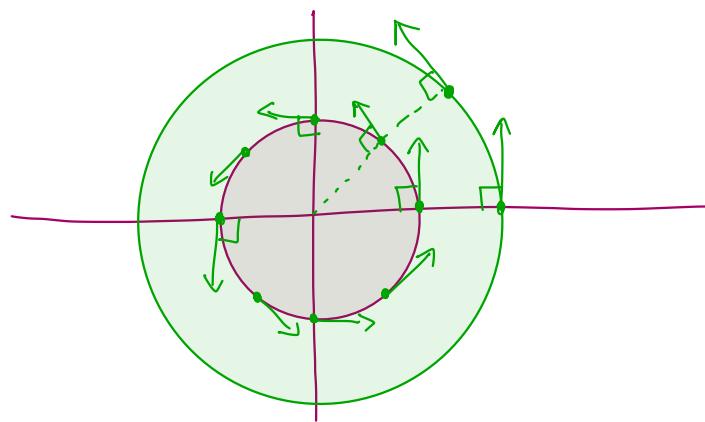
Recall:  $\|\langle x, y \rangle\| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{F}(x, y) = \frac{1}{\|\langle x, y \rangle\|} \cdot \langle x, y \rangle$$



**Example:**  $\mathbf{F}(x, y) = \langle -y, x \rangle$

Note:  $\langle -y, x \rangle \cdot \langle x, y \rangle = -xy + xy = 0 \Rightarrow f(x, y) \perp \langle x, y \rangle$



## 2. Gradient Fields

If  $f$  is a scalar function of two variables, its gradient  $\nabla f$  (or grad  $f$ ) is defined by

$$\nabla f(x, y) = f_x(x, y)\mathbf{i} + f_y(x, y)\mathbf{j}$$

Therefore,  $\nabla f$  is really a vector field on  $\mathbb{R}^2$  and is called a **gradient vector field**.

Similarly, if  $f$  is a scalar function of three variables, its gradient  $\nabla f$  (or grad  $f$ ) is defined by

$$\nabla f(x, y, z) = f_x(x, y, z)\mathbf{i} + f_y(x, y, z)\mathbf{j} + f_z(x, y, z)\mathbf{k}$$

is a vector field on  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

**Example:** Find the gradient vector field of  $f(x, y) = ax + by$ .

$$f_x = a, \quad f_y = b \Rightarrow \nabla f = \langle f_x, f_y \rangle = \underbrace{\langle a, b \rangle}_{\text{constant}}$$

A vector field  $\mathbf{F}$  is called a **conservative vector field** if it is the gradient of some scalar function, that is, if there exists a function  $f$  such that  $\mathbf{F} = \nabla f$ . In this situation  $f$  is called a **potential function** for  $\mathbf{F}$ .

**Example:** Every constant vector field is conservative.

Let  $\mathbf{F}(x, y) = \langle a, b \rangle$  then  $\mathbf{F} = \nabla f$  where  $f(x, y) = ax + by$

Also,  $g(x, y) = ax + by + c \Rightarrow \mathbf{F} = \nabla f$ .

**Remark:** Not all vector fields are conservative.

**Example:**  $\mathbf{F}(x, y) = \langle x^2, xy \rangle$  is not conservative.

i.e., there is no scalar valued  $f$  such that  $\mathbf{F} = \nabla f$ .

Proof by contradiction:

Suppose that there was. Then  $f_x = x^2$  and  $f_y = xy$ .

$\Rightarrow f_{xy} = 0$  and  $f_{yx} = y$   $\Rightarrow f_{xy} \neq f_{yx}$  But  $f_{xy}$  and  $f_{yx}$  are continuous  $\Rightarrow$  highlighted assumption contradicts Clairaut's theorem.

Recall: Clairaut's theorem said that if  $f_{xy}$  and  $f_{yx}$  are CTS then  $f_{xy} = f_{yx}$ .