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MA 105: Calculus

Quiz 10 for D1 & D2

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Max. Marks 3

Question: Let $\mathbf{F}(x, y)$ be the vector field given below (for the respective codes). Compute the line integral of \mathbf{F} by the first principle (that is, only by using the definition of the line integral) along the square $ABCD$ having vertices at $A = (0, 0), B = (1, 0), C = (1, 1), D = (0, 1)$ and oriented counterclockwise.

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| (A) $x^2y^4\mathbf{i} - x^4y^2\mathbf{j}$ | (B) $x^3y^5\mathbf{i} - x^5y^3\mathbf{j}$ |
| (C) $x^4y^6\mathbf{i} - x^6y^4\mathbf{j}$ | (D) $x^2y^5\mathbf{i} - x^5y^2\mathbf{j}$ |

Solution to (A): Let R be the given square with vertices at A, B, C, D . The square R is a piece-wise smooth curve which is union of the line segments $\mathcal{C}_1 = AB, \mathcal{C}_2 = BC, \mathcal{C}_3 = CD$ and $\mathcal{C}_4 = DA$ where $\mathcal{C}_1(t) = (t, 0), \mathcal{C}_2(t) = (1, t), \mathcal{C}_3(t) = (1 - t, 1)$ and $\mathcal{C}_4(t) = (0, 1 - t)$ for $t \in [0, 1]$ (note that the square is oriented counterclockwise so we define the corresponding curves this way).

Then,

$$\int_R \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{s} = \int_{\mathcal{C}_1} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{s} + \int_{\mathcal{C}_2} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{s} + \int_{\mathcal{C}_3} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{s} + \int_{\mathcal{C}_4} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{s}.$$

[1 mark]

We first compute $\int_{\mathcal{C}_1} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{s}$. Since $\mathcal{C}_1(t) = (t, 0)$ and $\mathbf{F}(x, y) = (x^2y^4, -x^4y^2)$, $\mathcal{C}'_1(t) = (1, 0)$ and $\mathbf{F}(\mathcal{C}_1(t)) = \mathbf{F}(t, 0) = (0, 0)$ and hence $\mathbf{F}(\mathcal{C}_1(t)) \cdot \mathcal{C}'_1(t) = 0$

and

$$\int_{\mathcal{C}_1} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{s} = \int_0^1 \mathbf{F}(\mathcal{C}_1(t)) \cdot \mathcal{C}_1'(t) dt = \int_0^1 0 \, dt = 0.$$

We now compute $\int_{\mathcal{C}_2} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{s}$. Since $\mathcal{C}_2(t) = (1, t)$ and $\mathbf{F}(x, y) = (x^2y^4, -x^4y^2)$, $\mathcal{C}_2'(t) = (0, 1)$ and $\mathbf{F}(\mathcal{C}_2(t)) = \mathbf{F}(1, t) = (t^4, -t^2)$ and hence $\mathbf{F}(\mathcal{C}_2(t)) \cdot \mathcal{C}_2'(t) = -t^2$ and

$$\int_{\mathcal{C}_2} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{s} = \int_0^1 \mathbf{F}(\mathcal{C}_2(t)) \cdot \mathcal{C}_2'(t) dt = \int_0^1 -t^2 \, dt = -\frac{1}{3}.$$

[1 mark]

Further, we compute $\int_{\mathcal{C}_3} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{s}$. Since $\mathcal{C}_3(t) = (1 - t, 1)$ and $\mathbf{F}(x, y) = (x^2y^4, -x^4y^2)$, $\mathcal{C}_3'(t) = (-1, 0)$ and $\mathbf{F}(\mathcal{C}_3(t)) = \mathbf{F}(1 - t, 1) = ((1 - t)^2, -(1 - t)^4)$ and hence $\mathbf{F}(\mathcal{C}_3(t)) \cdot \mathcal{C}_3'(t) = -(1 - t)^2$ and

$$\int_{\mathcal{C}_3} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{s} = \int_0^1 \mathbf{F}(\mathcal{C}_3(t)) \cdot \mathcal{C}_3'(t) dt = \int_0^1 -(1 - t)^2 \, dt = -\frac{1}{3}.$$

Finally, we compute $\int_{\mathcal{C}_4} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{s}$. Since $\mathcal{C}_4(t) = (0, 1 - t)$ and $\mathbf{F}(x, y) = (x^2y^4, -x^4y^2)$, $\mathcal{C}_4'(t) = (0, -1)$ and $\mathbf{F}(\mathcal{C}_4(t)) = \mathbf{F}(0, 1 - t) = (0, 0)$ and hence $\mathbf{F}(\mathcal{C}_4(t)) \cdot \mathcal{C}_4'(t) = 0$ and

$$\int_{\mathcal{C}_4} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{s} = \int_0^1 \mathbf{F}(\mathcal{C}_4(t)) \cdot \mathcal{C}_4'(t) dt = \int_0^1 0 \, dt = 0.$$

Thus,

$$\int_R \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{s} = 0 - \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{3} + 0 = -\frac{2}{3}.$$

[1 mark]

Solution to (B):

$$\int_T \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{s} = \int_{\mathcal{C}_1} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{s} + \int_{\mathcal{C}_2} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{s} + \int_{\mathcal{C}_3} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{s} + \int_{\mathcal{C}_4} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{s} = 0 - \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{3} + 0 = -\frac{2}{3}.$$

Solution to (C):

$$\int_T \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{s} = \int_{C_1} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{s} + \int_{C_2} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{s} + \int_{C_3} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{s} + \int_{C_4} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{s} = 0 - \frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{5} + 0 = -\frac{2}{5}.$$

Solution to (D):

$$\int_T \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{s} = \int_{C_1} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{s} + \int_{C_2} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{s} + \int_{C_3} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{s} + \int_{C_4} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{s} = 0 - \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{3} + 0 = -\frac{2}{3}.$$