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# **Chapter 4 Problems**

### 4.7

#### Cylindrical Coordinates

In cylindrical coordinates, we have

$$d\mathbf{r} = \rho \cos \phi \,\hat{\mathbf{i}} + \rho \sin \phi \,\hat{\mathbf{j}} + z \,\hat{\mathbf{k}}.$$

We let  $\hat{e}_1 = \hat{\rho}$ ,  $\hat{e}_2 = \hat{\phi}$ , and  $\hat{e}_3 = \hat{z}$ , with  $u_1 = \rho$ ,  $u_2 = \phi$ , and  $u_3 = z$ . Thus, we get

• Line element:

$$\begin{split} (ds)^2 &= \sum_{i,j} \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial u_i} \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial u_j} \left( \hat{\mathbf{e}}_i \cdot \hat{\mathbf{e}}_j \right) du_i du_j \\ &= \sum_{i=1} \left( \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial u_i} \right) (du_i)^2 \\ &= (d\rho)^2 + \rho^2 (d\phi)^2 + (dz)^2 \,. \end{split}$$

The  $\hat{\rho}$ ,  $\hat{\Phi}$ ,  $\hat{z}$  basis is orthogonal

• Area element:

$$d\mathbf{a} = \left(\sum_{k} \varepsilon_{ijk} \hat{e}_{k}\right) \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial u_{i}} \cdot \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial u_{j}} du_{i} du_{j}$$

#### 4.9

Without loss of generality, we have

$$\sum_{\ell} \epsilon_{mn\ell} \epsilon_{ij\ell} = \epsilon_{mn1} \epsilon_{ij1},$$

 $\text{where } m,n,i,j=2,3. \text{ If we have } m=i,n=j, \text{ then } \varepsilon_{mn1}\varepsilon_{ij1}=1; \text{ if } m=j,n=i, \text{ then } \varepsilon_{mn1}\varepsilon_{ij1}=-1; \text{ else, } \varepsilon_{mn1}\varepsilon_{ij1}=0.$ 

### 4.11

(a)

$$\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B} = \sum_{i,j,k} \epsilon_{ijk} A_i B_j \hat{\mathbf{e}}_k$$
$$= -\sum_{i,j,k} \epsilon_{jik} B_j A_i \hat{\mathbf{e}}_k$$
$$= -(\mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{A})$$

(b)

$$\begin{split} \boldsymbol{A} \cdot \left( \boldsymbol{A} \times \boldsymbol{B} \right) &= \sum_{i,j,k} \left( \varepsilon_{ijk} \boldsymbol{A}_i \boldsymbol{B}_j \hat{\boldsymbol{e}}_k \right) \cdot \boldsymbol{A}_i \hat{\boldsymbol{e}}_i \\ &= \sum_{i,j,k} \delta_{ik} \left( \varepsilon_{ijk} \boldsymbol{A}_i^2 \boldsymbol{B}_j \right) \\ &= 0. \end{split}$$

(c)

$$\mathbf{A} \cdot (\mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{C}) =$$

(d)

$$\mathbf{A} \cdot (\mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{C}) = \sum_{i,j,\ell} \epsilon_{ij\ell} A_{\ell} B_{i} C_{j}$$
$$= \sum_{i,j,\ell} (\epsilon_{\ell ij} A_{\ell} B_{i}) C_{j}$$
$$= \mathbf{C} \cdot (\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B})$$

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and

$$\begin{split} \mathbf{A} \cdot (\mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{C}) &= \sum_{i,j,\ell} \varepsilon_{ij\ell} \mathbf{A}_{\ell} \, \mathbf{B}_{i} \, \mathbf{C}_{j} \\ &= \sum_{i,j,\ell} \left( \varepsilon_{j\ell i} \, \mathbf{C}_{j} \, \mathbf{A}_{i} \right) \, \mathbf{B}_{i} \\ &= \mathbf{B} \cdot (\mathbf{C} \times \mathbf{A}) \, . \end{split}$$

(e)

$$\begin{split} \mathbf{A} \times (\mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{C}) &= \sum_{i,j} \varepsilon_{ijk} A_i \left( \sum_{\alpha,\beta} \varepsilon_{\alpha\beta j} B_{\alpha} C_{\beta} \right) \\ &= \sum_{i,j,\alpha,\beta} \varepsilon_{ijk} \varepsilon_{\alpha\beta j} A_i B_{\alpha} C_{\beta} \\ &= - \left( \sum_{i,j,\alpha,\beta} \varepsilon_{ikj} \varepsilon_{\alpha\beta j} A_i B_{\alpha} C_{\beta} \right) \\ &= - \left( \sum_{i,j,\alpha,\beta} \left( \delta_{i\alpha} \delta_{k\beta} - \delta_{i\beta} \delta_{k\alpha} \right) A_i B_{\alpha} C_{\beta} \right) \\ &= \sum_{i,j,\alpha,\beta} \left( \delta_{k\alpha} \delta_{i\beta} - \delta_{i\alpha} \delta_{k\beta} \right) A_i B_{\alpha} C_{\beta} \\ &= \sum_{i,j,\alpha,\beta} \left( \delta_{k\alpha} \delta_{i\beta} - \delta_{i\alpha} \delta_{k\beta} \right) A_i B_{\alpha} C_{\beta} \\ &= \sum_{i,j,\alpha,\beta} \left( B_{\alpha} \delta_{k\alpha} \right) \left( A_i C_{\beta} \delta_{i\beta} \right) - \left( C_{\beta} \delta_{k\beta} \right) \left( A_i B_{\alpha} \delta_{i\alpha} \right) \\ &= \mathbf{B} \left( \mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{C} \right) - \mathbf{C} \left( \mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B} \right). \end{split}$$

# **Chapter 5 Problems**

## 5.1

Let  $f(x) = x^n$ . We use linearity for the general case.

$$\begin{split} \frac{df}{dx} &= \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{(x+h)^n - x^n}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{x^n + n(hx^{n-1}) + \dots + nh^{n-1}x + h^n - x^n}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \to 0} \left( nx^{n-1} + \dots + nh^{n-2}x + h^{n-1} \right) \\ &= nx^{n-1}. \end{split}$$

5.6

$$\begin{split} \cos\left(N\varphi\right) + i\sin\left(N\varphi\right) &= \left(\cos\varphi + i\sin\varphi\right)^{N} \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{N} \binom{N}{k} \left(\cos\varphi\right)^{k} \left(\sin\varphi^{N-k}\right) \left(e^{i\frac{\pi}{2}}\right)^{N-k} \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{N} \binom{N}{k} \left(\cos\varphi\right)^{k} \left(\sin\varphi\right)^{N-k} \left(\cos\left((N-k)\frac{\pi}{2}\right) + i\sin\left((N-k)\frac{\pi}{2}\right)\right) \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{N} \binom{N}{k} \cos\left((N-k)\frac{\pi}{2}\right) \left(\cos\varphi\right)^{k} \left(\sin\varphi\right)^{N-k} + i\left(\sum_{k=0}^{N} \binom{N}{k} \sin\left((N-k)\frac{\pi}{2}\right) (\cos\varphi)^{k} \left(\sin\varphi\right)^{N-k}\right). \end{split}$$

# **Chapter 6 Problems**

## 6.3

(a) Looking at the ratio test first, we find

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• Ratio test:

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = \lim_{n \to \infty} \left| \sqrt{\frac{n}{n+1}} \right|$$

$$= 1,$$

which is an inconclusive result.

• Comparison test:

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} > \frac{1}{n}$$
  $\forall n \ge 1.$ 

Since  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n}$  diverges, so too does  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}$ .

(b) • Ratio test:

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = \lim_{n \to \infty} \left| \left( \frac{n}{n+1} \right) \left( \frac{1}{2} \right) \right|$$
$$= \frac{1}{2}$$
$$< 1,$$

meaning the series converges by the ratio test.

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$$\frac{1}{n2^n} < \frac{1}{2^n} \qquad \qquad \text{for all } n \geqslant 1,$$

and since  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^n}$  converges, it must be the case that  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n2^n}$  converges.

6.9

$$\begin{split} \sum_{n=-N}^{N} e^{\mathrm{i}nx} &= 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{N} e^{-\mathrm{i}nx} + \sum_{n=1}^{N} e^{\mathrm{i}nx} \\ &= \frac{1 - e^{-\mathrm{i}(N+1)x}}{1 - e^{-\mathrm{i}x}} + \frac{1 - e^{\mathrm{i}(N+1)x}}{1 - e^{\mathrm{i}x}} + 1 \\ &= \frac{e^{-\mathrm{i}(N+1)x} - 1}{e^{-\mathrm{i}x} - 1} + \frac{e^{\mathrm{i}(N+1)x} - 1}{e^{\mathrm{i}x} - 1} \end{split}$$