

Chapter 4 Problems

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

- Line element:

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

- Area element:

$$d\mathbf{a} = \left(\sum_k \epsilon_{ijk} \hat{\mathbf{e}}_k \right) \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial u_i} \cdot \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial u_j} du_i du_j$$

Chapter 6 Problems

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

- Ratio test:

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \sqrt{\frac{n}{n+1}} \right| \\ &= 1, \end{aligned}$$

which is an inconclusive result.

- Comparison test:

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} > \frac{1}{n} \quad \forall n \geq 1.$$

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

(b) • Ratio test:

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \left(\frac{n}{n+1} \right) \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) \right| \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \\ &< 1, \end{aligned}$$

meaning the series converges by the ratio test.

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$$\frac{1}{n2^n} < \frac{1}{2^n} \quad \text{for all } n \geq 1,$$

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.