

MAST20009 Vector Calculus

Practice Class 10 Questions

Conservative vector fields

Let \mathbf{F} be a C^1 vector field defined on \mathbb{R}^2 or \mathbb{R}^3 . The following conditions are all equivalent:

- (a) For any oriented simple closed curve C , $\int_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{s} = 0$.
- (b) For any two oriented simple curves C_1 and C_2 with the same endpoints, $\int_{C_1} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{s} = \int_{C_2} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{s}$
- (c) $\mathbf{F} = \nabla\phi$ for some scalar function ϕ .
- (d) $\nabla \times \mathbf{F} = \mathbf{0}$.

A vector field satisfying one (and hence all) of the four conditions is called a conservative vector field.

1. Let

$$\mathbf{F}(x, y, z) = \frac{2}{\pi}x \sin(\pi y)\mathbf{i} + (x^2 \cos(\pi y) - 2ye^{-z})\mathbf{j} + y^2 e^{-z}\mathbf{k}.$$

(a) Show that \mathbf{F} is a conservative vector field.

(b) Find a scalar function $\phi(x, y, z)$ such that $\mathbf{F} = \nabla\phi$.

(c) Evaluate

$$\int_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{s}$$

where C is the curve traced out by the path

$$\mathbf{c}(t) = (\cos t, \cos t, \sin^2 t), \quad 0 \leq t \leq \frac{\pi}{2}.$$

(d) Determine the work done by \mathbf{F} to move a particle around the parallelogram P with vertices $(-1, 1), (0, 2), (3, 1), (4, 2)$.

$$(b) \cdot \nabla\phi = \left(\frac{\partial\phi}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial\phi}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial\phi}{\partial z} \right).$$

$$\frac{\partial\phi}{\partial x} = \frac{2}{\pi}x \sin(\pi y) \Rightarrow \phi = \frac{x^2}{\pi} \sin \pi y + C_1(y, z)$$

$$\frac{\partial\phi}{\partial y} = x^2 \cos(\pi y) - 2ye^{-z} \Rightarrow \phi = \frac{x^2}{\pi} \sin \pi y - y^2 e^{-z} + C_2(x, z)$$

$$\frac{\partial\phi}{\partial z} = y^2 e^{-z} \Rightarrow \phi = -y^2 e^{-z} + C_3(x, y)$$

$$\text{combine: } \phi = \frac{x^2}{\pi} \sin(\pi y) - y^2 e^{-z} + C.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla \times \mathbf{F} &= \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ \frac{2}{\pi}x \sin(\pi y) & x^2 \cos(\pi y) - 2ye^{-z} & y^2 e^{-z} \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \mathbf{i}(2ye^{-z} - 2ye^{-z}) - \mathbf{j}(0 - 0) + \mathbf{k}(\cos(\pi y) \cdot 2x - 2x \cos(\pi y)) \\ &= \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{F} &\text{ is } C^1 \text{ in } \mathbb{R}^3. \end{aligned}$$

(e) since \mathbf{F} is conservative field and $\mathbf{F} = \nabla\phi$

$$\int_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{s} = \phi(\text{end}) - \phi(\text{start})$$

$$t=0$$

$$\mathbf{c}(0) = (1, 1, 0)$$

$$t=\frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\mathbf{c}\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = (0, 0, 1)$$

$$\phi(1, 1, 0) = \frac{1}{\pi} \cdot 0 - 1 = -1$$

$$\phi(0, 0, 1) = 0$$

$$\int_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{s} = 0 - (-1) = 1$$

(d) since \mathbf{E} is conservative field and parallelogram P is closed curve
then $\int_C \mathbf{E} \cdot d\mathbf{s} = 0$

Gauss' Divergence Theorem

$$\iiint_{\Omega} \nabla \cdot \mathbf{F} dV = \iint_{\partial\Omega} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{S}$$

where

- Ω is a solid region in space.
- $\partial\Omega$ is the oriented closed surface that bounds Ω .
- \mathbf{F} is a C^1 vector field on Ω .
- Orientation is defined by the unit outward normal \hat{n} to $\partial\Omega$.

2. Using Gauss' Divergence Theorem, evaluate

$$\iint_{\partial\Omega} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{S}$$

$$\iiint_{\Omega} \nabla \cdot \mathbf{E} dV = \iint_{\partial\Omega} \mathbf{E} \cdot d\mathbf{s}$$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{E} = 0 + 2y + 2z = 2y + 2z.$$

where $\mathbf{F}(x, y, z) = 2\mathbf{i} + y^2\mathbf{j} + z^2\mathbf{k}$ and Ω is the solid sphere

$$x^2 + y^2 + (z-3)^2 \leq 9.$$

use spherical coordinate.

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

$$z = r \cos\theta + 3$$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{E} = 2r \sin\theta \sin\phi + 2r \cos\theta + 6.$$

$$r \in [0, 3]$$

$$\theta \in [0, \pi]$$

$$\phi \in [0, 2\pi]$$

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \int_0^3 (2r \sin\theta \sin\phi + 2r \cos\theta + 6) dr d\theta d\phi$$

$$r^2 \sin\theta.$$

Jacobian

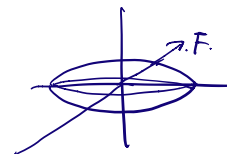
Volume via surface integrals

If $\mathbf{F}(x, y, z) = x\mathbf{i} + y\mathbf{j} + z\mathbf{k}$ and Ω is a region to which Gauss' theorem applies, then

$$\text{Volume of } \Omega = \frac{1}{3} \iint_{\partial\Omega} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{S}.$$

3. Show that the volume of the ellipsoid

$$\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} + \frac{z^2}{c^2} = 1, \quad a > 0, \quad b > 0, \quad c > 0$$



$$\text{is } \frac{4\pi abc}{3}.$$

$$\mathbf{F}(x, y, z) = x\mathbf{i} + y\mathbf{j} + z\mathbf{k}.$$

ellipsoid is closed solid region

$$V = \frac{1}{3} \iint_{\partial\Omega} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{S}$$

$$\text{let } x = a \sin\theta \cos\phi$$

$$y = b \sin\theta \sin\phi$$

$$z = c \cos\theta$$

$$\theta \in [0, \pi]$$

$$\phi \in [0, 2\pi]$$

When you have finished the above questions, continue working on the questions in the Vector Calculus Problem Sheet Booklet.

$$\mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{S} = \mathbf{F} \cdot (\mathbf{T}_u \times \mathbf{T}_v)$$

$$\mathbf{T}_\theta = (a \cos\theta \cos\phi, b \cos\theta \sin\phi, -\sin\theta)$$

$$\mathbf{T}_\phi = (-a \sin\theta \sin\phi, b \sin\theta \cos\phi, 0)$$

$$\mathbf{T}_\theta \times \mathbf{T}_\phi = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ a \cos\theta \cos\phi & b \cos\theta \sin\phi & -\sin\theta \\ -a \sin\theta \sin\phi & b \sin\theta \cos\phi & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$



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$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{1}{3} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\pi a b \sin^2 \theta \cos^2 \phi \, d\theta \, d\phi \quad \underline{10 \times 10} = \begin{vmatrix} a \cos \theta \cos \phi & b \cos \theta \sin \phi & -c \sin \theta \\ -a \sin \theta \sin \phi & b \sin \theta \cos \phi & 0 \end{vmatrix} \\
 &= \frac{abc}{3} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\pi -\cos^2 \theta \, d(\cos \theta) \, d\phi \\
 &= \frac{abc}{3} \int_0^{2\pi} \left[-\frac{1}{3} \cos^3 \theta \right]_0^\pi d\phi \\
 &= \frac{abc}{3} \int_0^{2\pi} \left[\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} \right] d\phi \\
 &= \frac{abc}{3} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{4\pi}{3} d\phi
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \underline{i} (b \sin^2 \theta \cos \phi) - j (-c \sin^2 \theta \sin \phi) \\
 &\quad + k (ab \sin \theta \cos \theta) \\
 &= \underline{i} (b \sin^2 \theta \cos \phi) + j (c \sin^2 \theta \sin \phi) \\
 &\quad + k (ab \sin \theta \cos \theta)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{1}{3} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\pi a b \sin^2 \theta \cos^2 \phi + a b \sin^2 \theta \sin^2 \phi + a b c \sin \theta \cos \theta \, d\theta \, d\phi \\
 &= \frac{abc}{3} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\pi \sin^2 \theta + \sin \theta \cos^2 \theta \, d\theta \, d\phi \\
 &= \frac{abc}{3} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\pi \frac{\sin \theta}{[-\cos \theta]_0^\pi} d\theta \, d\phi \\
 &= \frac{abc}{3} \cdot 2\pi \cdot 2 = \frac{4abc\pi}{3}
 \end{aligned}$$