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Answer the questions on the worksheet and not on a separate sheet of paper. Please circle your answers and show your work for full credit.

Fill In the Blank. Read Section 15.1 in Strang's book to answer these questions.

1. A vector field assigns a _____ to each point $\{x, y\}$ or $\{x, y, z\}$. In two dimensions $\mathbf{F}(x, y) = \text{_____} \mathbf{i} + \text{_____} \mathbf{j}$. An example is the position field $\mathbf{R} = \text{_____}$. Its magnitude is $|\mathbf{R}| = \text{_____}$ and its direction is _____. It is the gradient field for $f = \text{_____}$. The level curves are _____, and the are _____ to the vectors \mathbf{R} .
2. Reversing this picture, the spin field is $\mathbf{S} = \text{_____}$. Its magnitude is $|\mathbf{S}| = \text{_____}$ and its direction is _____. It is not a gradient field, because no function has $\partial f / \partial x = \text{_____}$ and $\partial f / \partial y = \text{_____}$. \mathbf{S} is the velocity field for flow going _____. The streamlines or _____ lines or integral _____ are _____.
3. A gravity field from the origin is proportional to $\mathbf{F} = \text{_____}$ which has $|\mathbf{F}| = \text{_____}$. This is Newton's _____ square law. It is a gradient field, with potential $f = \text{_____}$. The equipotential curves $f(x, y) = c$ are _____. They are _____ to the field lines which are _____. This illustrates that the _____ of a function $f(x, y)$ is _____ to its level curves.

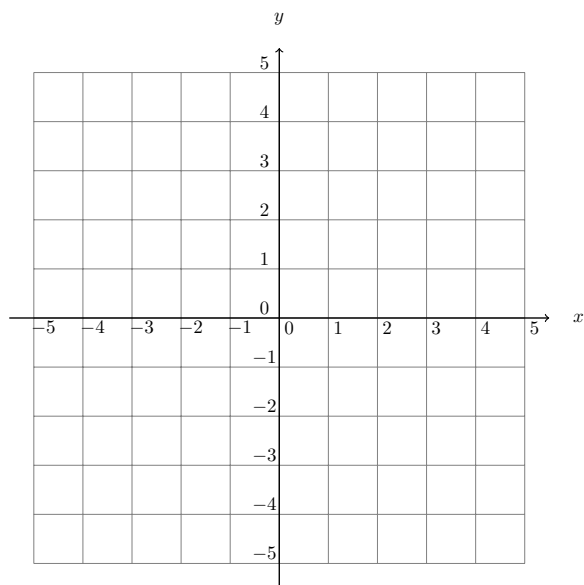
True or False. No work is necessary.

4. The constant field $\mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{k}$ is a gradient field
5. $\text{grad } f$ is a scalar field.
6. $\text{curl } \mathbf{F}$ is a vector field.
7. $\nabla \times (\nabla f) = \mathbf{0}$ for all function $f : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.
8. if \mathbf{F} and \mathbf{G} are gradient fields, then $\mathbf{F} \times \mathbf{G}$ is incompressible.

Short Answer.

9. Write down the the vector field $\mathbf{F} = M\mathbf{i} + N\mathbf{j}$ that points radially away from origin with magnitude 5.

10. Sketch the vector field $\mathbf{F} = x^2\mathbf{i} + x\mathbf{j}$ on \mathbb{R}^2 .



11. Calculate the flow line $\mathbf{x}(t)$ of the vector field $\mathbf{F}(x, y, z) = 2\mathbf{i} + 3y\mathbf{j} + z^3\mathbf{k}$ that passes through $\mathbf{x}(0) = (3, 5, 7)$.

12. Show the vector field $\mathbf{F} = 3\mathbf{i} - 2\mathbf{j} + \mathbf{k}$ is a gradient field and describe the equipotential surfaces of \mathbf{F} in words.

13. The **circulation** of a vector field on a closed curve is given by $\int_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{s}$. Find the circulation of $\mathbf{F} = (x^2 - y)\mathbf{i} + (xy + x)\mathbf{j}$ along the circle $x^2 + y^2 = 16$, oriented counterclockwise.

14. Let C be a level curve of the function $f(x, y)$. Show that $\int_C \nabla f \cdot d\mathbf{s} = 0$.

15. Let \mathbf{B} be a uniform (constant) vector field and $\mathbf{r} = x\mathbf{i} + y\mathbf{j} + z\mathbf{k}$. If we let

$$\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{r}) = -\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{B}),$$

show that $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{A} = 0$ and $\nabla \times \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{B}$. (You can thank Dr. Matt Wright for this problem.)