

This note summarize some useful facts for Math 215 final exam.

Fact 1. The area of the ellipse $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} \leq 1$ is $ab\pi$

* This fact can be used on the exam without proof.

• Explanation :

Let D be the domain given by $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} \leq 1$

Set $u = \frac{x}{a}$, $v = \frac{y}{b} \Rightarrow D$ is given by $u^2 + v^2 \leq 1$.

$$x = ax, y = bv \Rightarrow J(u, v) = \underbrace{\det \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial x}{\partial u} & \frac{\partial x}{\partial v} \\ \frac{\partial y}{\partial u} & \frac{\partial y}{\partial v} \end{bmatrix}}_{\text{Jacobian}} = \det \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & b \end{bmatrix} = ab$$

$$\text{Area}(D) = \iint_D 1 dx dy = \iint_{u^2 + v^2 \leq 1} 1 \cdot \underbrace{ab}_{\text{Jacobian}} du dv = ab \iint_{u^2 + v^2 \leq 1} 1 du dv = ab\pi$$

Fact 2. The outward unit normal vector of the sphere $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = R^2$

is given by $\vec{n} = \left(\frac{x}{R}, \frac{y}{R}, \frac{z}{R} \right)$

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• Explanation :

The sphere $x^2 + y^2 + z^2$ is a level surface of $f(x, y, z) = x^2 + y^2 + z^2$.

A normal vector is $\nabla f = (2x, 2y, 2z)$

The unit normal vector is

$$\vec{n} = \frac{\nabla f}{|\nabla f|} = \frac{(2x, 2y, 2z)}{\sqrt{4x^2 + 4y^2 + 4z^2}} = \frac{(2x, 2y, 2z)}{\sqrt{4R^2}} = \frac{(2x, 2y, 2z)}{2R} = \left(\frac{x}{R}, \frac{y}{R}, \frac{z}{R} \right)$$

which is oriented outward (pointing away from the origin)

Fact 3. The vortex field $\vec{V}(x,y) = \left(-\frac{y}{x^2+y^2}, \frac{x}{x^2+y^2}\right)$ satisfies the following properties:

$$(1) P = -\frac{y}{x^2+y^2}, Q = \frac{x}{x^2+y^2} \Rightarrow \frac{\partial P}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial Q}{\partial x}$$

(2) If C is a circle centered at $(0,0)$ with counterclockwise orientation, then $\int_C \vec{V} \cdot d\vec{r} = 2\pi$.

(3) If C is a simple loop which does not enclose $(0,0)$, then $\int_C \vec{V} \cdot d\vec{r} = 0$.

(4) If C is a simple loop which encloses $(0,0)$ with counterclockwise orientation, then $\int_C \vec{V} \cdot d\vec{r} = 2\pi$.

* This fact cannot be used without justification.

- Explanation of (1):

$$\frac{\partial P}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(-\frac{y}{x^2+y^2} \right) = -\frac{1 \cdot (x^2+y^2) - y \cdot 2y}{(x^2+y^2)^2} = \frac{y^2-x^2}{(x^2+y^2)^2}$$

$$\frac{\partial Q}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{x}{x^2+y^2} \right) = \frac{1 \cdot (x^2+y^2) - x \cdot 2x}{(x^2+y^2)^2} = \frac{y^2-x^2}{(x^2+y^2)^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial P}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial Q}{\partial x}$$

- Explanation of (2):

Let R be the radius of C

$\Rightarrow C$ is parametrized by $\vec{r}(t) = (R \cos t, R \sin t)$ with $0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$.

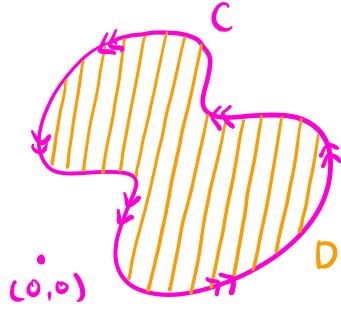
$$\int_C \vec{V} \cdot d\vec{r} = \int_0^{2\pi} \vec{V}(\vec{r}(t)) \cdot \vec{r}'(t) dt$$

$$\vec{V}(\vec{r}(t)) = \left(-\frac{R \sin t}{R^2}, \frac{R \cos t}{R^2} \right), \quad \vec{r}'(t) = (-R \sin t, R \cos t)$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{V}(\vec{r}(t)) \cdot \vec{r}'(t) = -\frac{R \sin t}{R^2} \cdot (-R \sin t) + \frac{R \cos t}{R^2} \cdot R \cos t = \sin^2 t + \cos^2 t = 1.$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_C \vec{V} \cdot d\vec{r} = \int_0^{2\pi} 1 dt = 2\pi.$$

• Explanation of (3) :



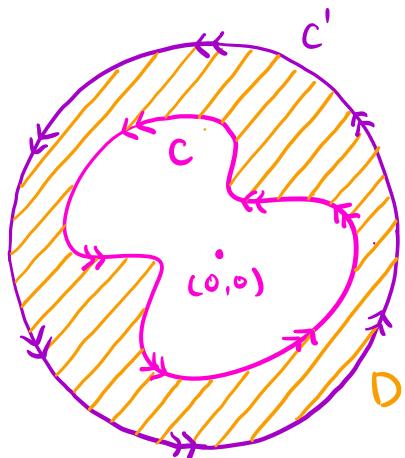
D : the region enclosed by C

$\Rightarrow \partial D = C$ is positively oriented.

\vec{V} is defined on D (D does not contain $(0,0)$).

$$\int_C \vec{V} \cdot d\vec{r} = \int_{\partial D} \vec{V} \cdot d\vec{r} = \iint_D \frac{\partial Q}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial P}{\partial y} dA \stackrel{\text{Green's thm}}{=} 0 \quad (1)$$

• Explanation of (4) :



C' : a circle centered at $(0,0)$ which encloses C with counterclockwise orientation

D : the region bounded by C and C' .

$\Rightarrow \partial D = -C + C'$ is positively oriented.
(C is negatively oriented)

\vec{V} is defined on D (D does not contain $(0,0)$)

$$\int_{\partial D} \vec{V} \cdot d\vec{r} = - \int_C \vec{V} \cdot d\vec{r} + \int_{C'} \vec{V} \cdot d\vec{r}$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_C \vec{V} \cdot d\vec{r} = - \int_{\partial D} \vec{V} \cdot d\vec{r} + \int_{C'} \vec{V} \cdot d\vec{r} \quad (*)$$

$$\int_{\partial D} \vec{V} \cdot d\vec{r} = \iint_D \frac{\partial Q}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial P}{\partial y} dA \stackrel{\text{Green's thm}}{=} 0 \quad (1)$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_C \vec{V} \cdot d\vec{r} = \int_{C'} \vec{V} \cdot d\vec{r} \stackrel{(2)}{=} 2\pi$$

Note You cannot consider the region bounded by C because \vec{V} is not defined at $(0,0)$.

Fact 4 The inverse square field

$$\vec{F}(x, y, z) = \left(\frac{x}{(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{3/2}}, \frac{y}{(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{3/2}}, \frac{z}{(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{3/2}} \right)$$

satisfies the following properties :

$$(1) \operatorname{div}(\vec{F}) = 0$$

(2) If S is a sphere centered at $(0,0,0)$ with outward orientation, then $\iint_S \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{S} = 4\pi$.

(3) If S is a boundary surface which does not enclose $(0,0,0)$, then $\iint_S \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{S} = 0$.

(4) If S is a boundary surface which encloses $(0,0,0)$ with outward orientation, then $\iint_S \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{S} = 4\pi$.

*This fact cannot be used without justification.

- Explanation of (1) :

$$P = \frac{x}{(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{3/2}}, \quad Q = \frac{y}{(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{3/2}}, \quad R = \frac{z}{(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{3/2}}$$

$$P_x = \frac{1 \cdot (x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{3/2} - x \cdot \frac{3}{2} (x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{1/2} \cdot 2x}{(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^3}$$

$$= \frac{(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{1/2} (x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - 3x^2)}{(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^3} = \frac{y^2 + z^2 - 2x^2}{(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{5/2}}$$

$$\text{Similarly, we get } Q_y = \frac{x^2 + z^2 - 2y^2}{(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{5/2}} \text{ and } R_z = \frac{x^2 + y^2 - 2z^2}{(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{5/2}}$$

(We get Q_y from P_x by swapping x and y)

(We get R_z from P_x by swapping x and z)

$$\Rightarrow \operatorname{div}(\vec{F}) = P_x + Q_y + R_z = \frac{(y^2 + z^2 - 2x^2) + (x^2 + z^2 - 2y^2) + (x^2 + y^2 - 2z^2)}{(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{5/2}} = 0.$$

- Explanation of (2) :

Let R be the radius of S .

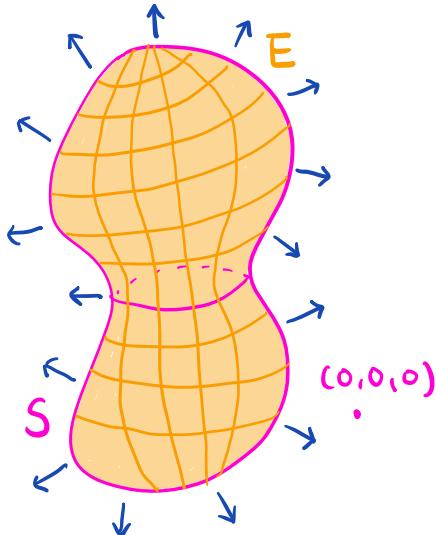
The unit normal vector of S is $\vec{n} = \left(\frac{x}{R}, \frac{y}{R}, \frac{z}{R} \right)$ (Fact 2)

$$\vec{F} \cdot \vec{n} = \frac{x^2}{R(x^2+y^2+z^2)^{3/2}} + \frac{y^2}{R(x^2+y^2+z^2)^{3/2}} + \frac{z^2}{R(x^2+y^2+z^2)^{3/2}} = \frac{x^2+y^2+z^2}{R(x^2+y^2+z^2)^{3/2}} = \frac{R^2}{R \cdot R^3} = \frac{1}{R^2}$$

$x^2+y^2+z^2=R^2 \text{ on } S.$

$$\Rightarrow \iint_S \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{S} = \iint_S \vec{F} \cdot \vec{n} dS = \iint_S \frac{1}{R^2} dS = \frac{1}{R^2} \text{Area}(S) = \frac{1}{R^2} \cdot \frac{4\pi R^2}{\text{Area of sphere}} = 4\pi$$

- Explanation of (3) :



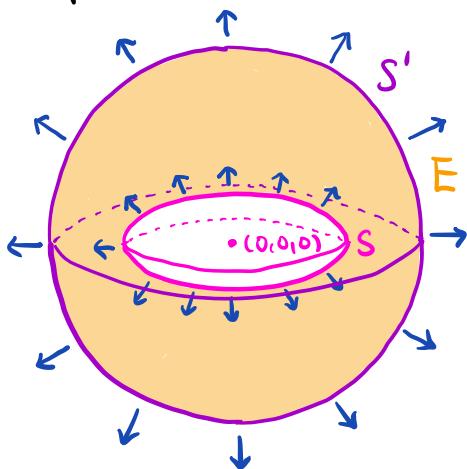
E : the solid bounded by S .

$\Rightarrow \partial E = S$ is oriented outward.

\vec{F} is defined on E (E does not contain $(0,0,0)$)

$$\iint_S \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{S} = \iint_{\partial E} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{S} = \iiint_E \text{div}(\vec{F}) dV \stackrel{\text{div.thm}}{=} 0 \stackrel{(1)}{=}$$

- Explanation of (4) :



S' : a sphere centered at $(0,0,0)$ which encloses S with outward orientation.

E : the solid bounded by S and S' .

$\Rightarrow \partial E = -S + S'$ is oriented outward.

(S is oriented inward with respect to E)

\vec{F} is defined on E (E does not contain $(0,0,0)$)

$$\iint_{\partial E} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{S} = - \iint_S \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{S} + \iint_{S'} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{S} \quad (*)$$

$$\iint_{\partial E} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{S} = \iiint_E \text{div}(\vec{F}) dV \stackrel{(1)}{=} 0 \Rightarrow \iint_S \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{S} = \iint_{S'} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{S} \stackrel{(*)}{=} 4\pi \stackrel{(2)}{=}$$