

$$\vec{V} = \langle P, Q, R \rangle$$

$$\vec{V} \cdot \vec{V} = \partial_x P + \partial_y Q + \partial_z R$$

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curl  $\vec{V}$

$\nabla \times \vec{V}$

# How to compute?

$$\begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ \partial_x & \partial_y & \partial_z \\ P & Q & R \end{vmatrix} = (R_y - Q_z)\hat{i} - (R_x - P_z)\hat{j} + (Q_x - P_y)\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{V} = \langle P, Q \rangle$$

$$= -\frac{\partial P}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial Q}{\partial x}$$

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$$\vec{V} = \langle xz, xy^2z, -e^{xy} \rangle$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{V} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ xz & xy^2z & -e^{xy} \end{vmatrix} = (-2e^{xy} - xy^2) \hat{i} - (-x) \hat{j} + (y^2z) \hat{k}$$

Two identities:

$$\vec{\nabla} \times (\vec{\nabla} f) = \vec{0}$$

$$\vec{\nabla} f = \langle f_x, f_y, f_z \rangle$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{\nabla} f = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ \partial_x & \partial_y & \partial_z \\ f_x & f_y & f_z \end{vmatrix} = (f_{zy} - f_{yz}) \hat{i} - (f_{zx} - f_{xz}) \hat{j}$$

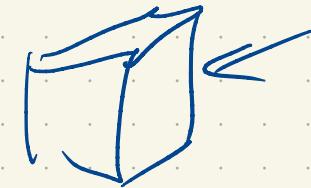
$$(f_{yx} - f_{xy}) \hat{k} = \vec{0}$$

$$\vec{W} = \vec{\nabla} f$$

↳ "a potential"

If  $\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{W} \neq 0$  then  $\vec{W}$  is not conservative.

Conversely if  $\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{W} = 0$  and the domain of  $\vec{W}$  is simply connected (no hole) then  $\vec{W}$  is conservative  
(boxes and balls are always ok)



$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{V}) = 0 \quad \partial^2 P \quad \partial^2 Q \quad \partial^2 R$$

$$\partial P \quad \partial Q \quad \partial R$$

If  $\vec{W}$  satisfies  $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{W} = 0$  then on boxes or balls there exists a vector field  $\vec{V}$  where  $\vec{W} = \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{V}$

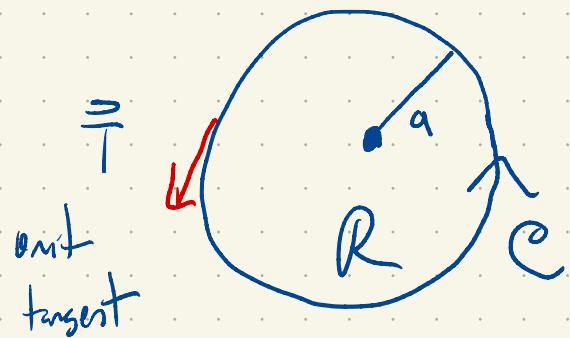
$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot (\vec{\nabla} f) = \Delta f = \partial_x^2 f + \partial_y^2 f + \partial_z^2 f$$

↑  
Lapacian

$\Delta f = 0$  is rare and special ("harmonic")



$$\vec{V} = \langle P, Q \rangle \quad (\text{velocity})$$



$$\frac{1}{2\pi a} \oint_C \vec{V} \cdot d\vec{r} = \frac{1}{2\pi a} \oint_C [\vec{V} \cdot \vec{T}] ds$$

amount of  $\vec{V}$  tangential  
to the circle  
(with sign)

average velocity around  
the circle

distance around is  $2\pi a$

$$\frac{1}{(2\pi a)^2} \oint_C \vec{V} \cdot d\vec{r} = \frac{1}{\text{time to go}} \quad \text{around the circle}$$

rotations per time  
kind of angular velocity

$$\frac{1}{(2\pi a)^2} \oint_C \vec{V} \cdot d\vec{r} = \frac{1}{(2\pi a)^2} \iint_R -P_y + Q_x \, dx \, dy$$

$$= \frac{1}{4\pi} \left[ \frac{1}{\pi a^2} \iint_R (-P_y + Q_x) \, dx \, dy \right]$$

$\text{area}(R) = \pi a^2$

average value of  $(-P_y + Q_x)$

over the circle.

$\frac{1}{4\pi} (-P_y + Q_x)$  is the angular velocity in cycles/time  
over an infinitesimally small circle.

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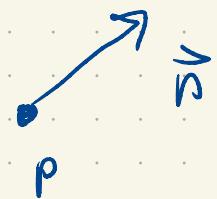
$\frac{1}{2} (-P_y + Q_x)$  is angular velocity in radians/time  
over an infinitesimally small circle

"circulation"

cont.  $\vec{V}$  has a job:

pick a location  $P$

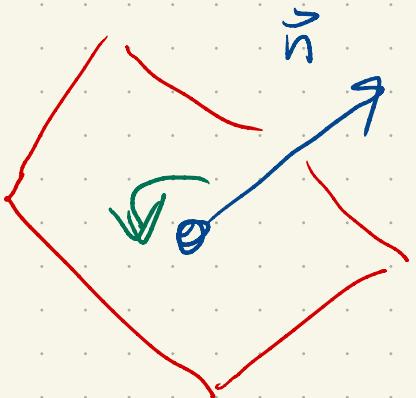
pick a unit normal vector at  $P$ , call it  $\vec{n}$



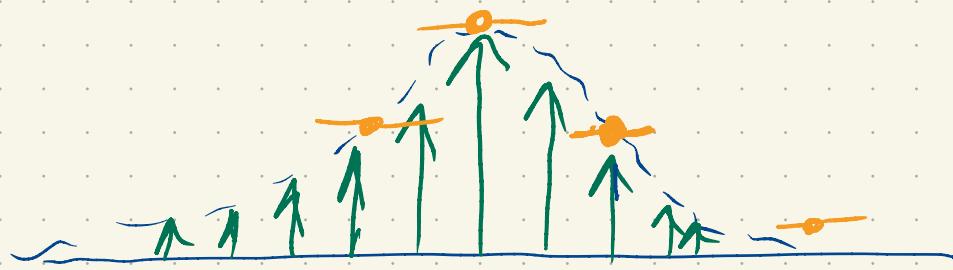
$$\frac{1}{2} (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{V}) \cdot \vec{n}$$
 is the circulation (vortex) (vortex)

of the fluid in the plane  
perpendicular to  $\vec{n}$

as seen from  $\vec{n}$ .



$$\vec{V} = e^{-x^2} \hat{j}$$



$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{V} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ 0 & e^{-x^2} & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 0\hat{i} + 0\hat{j} - 2x e^{-x^2} \hat{k}$$

$$= -2x e^{-x^2} \hat{k}$$

$$(\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{V}) \cdot \hat{k} = -2x e^{-x^2}$$