

# Green's Theorem in a Plane

$$\oint P(x,y)dx + Q(x,y)dy = \iint_R \left( \frac{\partial Q}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial P}{\partial y} \right) dx dy$$

line integral, anti-clockwise  
looking down on xy plane

double region over  
the enclosed region

## Derivation (Khan)

$$\oint_C \underline{P} \cdot d\underline{r} = \oint P(x,y) dx$$

$$= \int_{x_{\min}}^{x_{\max}} P(x, y_1(x)) dx + \int_{x_{\max}}^{x_{\min}} P(x, y_2(x)) dx$$

$$= \int_{x_{\min}}^{x_{\max}} P(x, y_1(x)) - P(x, y_2(x)) dx$$

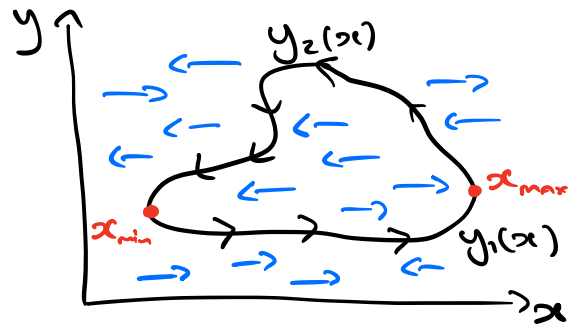
$$= - \int_{x_{\min}}^{x_{\max}} P(x, y_2(x)) - P(x, y_1(x)) dx = - \int_{x_{\min}}^{x_{\max}} P(x, y) \Big|_{y_1(x)}^{y_2(x)} dx$$

$$= - \int_{x_{\min}}^{x_{\max}} \int_{y_1(x)}^{y_2(x)} \frac{\partial P}{\partial y} dy dx$$

$$\oint \underline{q} \cdot d\underline{r} = \oint Q(x,y) dy$$

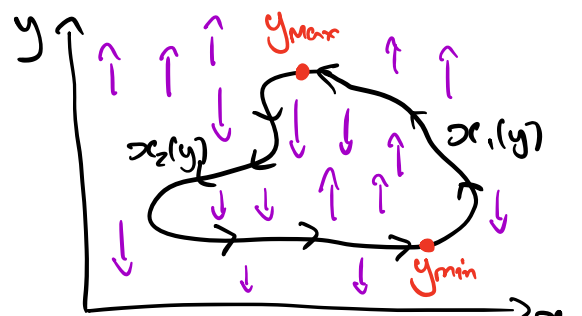
$$= \int_{y_{\min}}^{y_{\max}} Q(x_1(y), y) dy + \int_{y_{\max}}^{y_{\min}} Q(x_2(y), y) dy$$

$$= \int_{y_{\min}}^{y_{\max}} Q(x_1(y), y) - Q(x_2(y), y) dy = \int_{y_{\min}}^{y_{\max}} \int_{x_2(y)}^{x_1(y)} \frac{\partial Q}{\partial x} dx dy$$



$$\underline{P}(x,y) = P(x,y) \hat{i}$$

$$d\underline{r} = dx \hat{i} + dy \hat{j}$$



$$\underline{q}(x,y) = Q(x,y) \hat{j}$$

$$\underline{f}(x,y) = P(x,y)\hat{i} + Q(x,y)\hat{j}$$

$$\oint \underline{f} \cdot d\underline{r} = \oint P(x,y)dx + \oint Q(x,y)dy$$

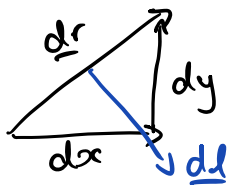
$$= \iint_R \frac{\partial P}{\partial y} dy dx + \iint_R \frac{\partial Q}{\partial x} dx dy$$

$$\oint \underline{f} \cdot d\underline{r} = \iint_R \left( \frac{\partial P}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial Q}{\partial x} \right) dx dy$$

Green's Theorem in a plane!

Example 1 if  $P(x,y)dx + Q(x,y)dy$  is an exact differential, then  $\frac{\partial P}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial Q}{\partial x} \therefore \oint Pdx + Qdy = 0!$

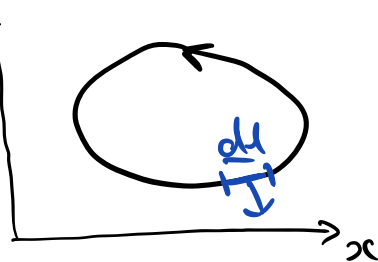
Example 2 Consider the 'flux' out of a closed loop in 2D, vector field  $\underline{B}$ .



$$\underline{dl} = dy\hat{i} - dx\hat{j} - \text{it defines}$$

an outwards facing vector of the

same length - for an ACW loop.



$$\underline{B} \cdot \underline{dl} = (B_x\hat{i} + B_y\hat{j}) \cdot (dy\hat{i} - dx\hat{j}) = B_x dy - B_y dx$$

$$\oint \underline{B} \cdot \underline{dl} = \oint -B_y dx + B_x dy = \iint \frac{\partial B_x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial B_y}{\partial y} dx dy$$

This is just the divergence theorem in two dimensions!

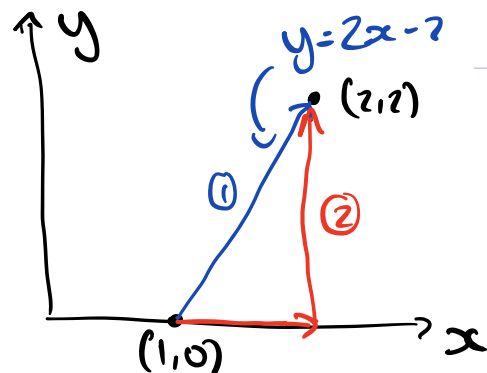
### Example 3

'work done'

$$\oint \underline{F} \cdot d\underline{r} = \oint F_x dx + F_y dy = \iint \left( \frac{\partial F_y}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial F_x}{\partial y} \right) dx dy$$

This is Stokes theorem in 2D!

Example 4  $\underline{F} = 2xy\hat{i} + x^2\hat{j}$



earlier in the notes we computed the path integrals along paths ① & ②,

$$\text{①: } \int_A^B \underline{F} \cdot d\underline{r} = -4/3 \quad \text{②: } \int_A^B \underline{F} \cdot d\underline{r} = -8 \quad \therefore \oint \underline{F} \cdot d\underline{r} = -\frac{20}{3}$$

now lets try using green's theorem:

$$\oint \underbrace{2xy dx}_{\hat{P}} - \underbrace{x^2 dy}_{\hat{Q}} \quad \frac{\partial P}{\partial y} = 2x \quad \frac{\partial Q}{\partial x} = -2x$$

$$\begin{aligned} \oint \underline{F} \cdot d\underline{r} &= \iint \left( \frac{\partial Q}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial P}{\partial x} \right) dx dy = - \iint 4x dx dy \\ &= \int_{x=1}^2 \int_{y=0}^{2x-2} 4x dy dx = \int_{x=1}^2 (8x^2 - 8x) dx = \left[ \frac{8}{3}x^3 - 4x^2 \right]_1^2 \\ &= \left( \frac{64}{3} - 16 \right) - \left( \frac{8}{3} - 4 \right) = -\frac{20}{3} \end{aligned}$$