

# MATH 32B Problem Set 6

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## 17.3 Question 17

Find a potential function for  $\mathbf{F}$  or determine that  $\mathbf{F}$  is not conservative

$$\mathbf{F} = \langle 2xy + 5, x^2 - 4z, -4y \rangle$$

Compute the curl

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{F} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ 2xy + 5 & x^2 - 4z & -4y \end{vmatrix}$$

For the  $\hat{i}$  component

$$\frac{\partial(-4y)}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial(x^2 - 4z)}{\partial z} = (-4) - (-4) = 0$$

For the  $\hat{j}$  component

$$\frac{\partial(2xy + 5)}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial(-4y)}{\partial x} = 0 - 0 = 0$$

For the  $\hat{k}$  component

$$\frac{\partial(x^2 - 4z)}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial(2xy + 5)}{\partial y} = (2x) - (2x) = 0$$

Since  $\nabla \times \mathbf{F} = \mathbf{0}$ ,  $\mathbf{F}$  is conservative

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = 2xy + 5$$

Integrate with respect to  $x$

$$f(x, y, z) = x^2y + 5x + g(y, z)$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = x^2 - 4z$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial y}(x^2y + 5x + g(y, z)) = x^2 + \frac{\partial g}{\partial y} = x^2 - 4z$$

$$\frac{\partial g}{\partial y} = -4z$$

Integrate with respect to  $y$

$$g(y, z) = -4yz + h(z)$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial z} = -4y$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial z}(x^2y + 5x - 4yz + h(z)) = -4y + h'(z) = -4y$$

$$h'(z) = 0 \Rightarrow h(z) = C$$

$$f(x, y, z) = x^2y + 5x - 4yz + C$$

## 17.3 Question 18

Find a potential function for  $\mathbf{F}$  or determine that  $\mathbf{F}$  is not conservative

$$\mathbf{F} = \langle yze^{xy}, xze^{xy}, e^{xy} - y \rangle$$

Compute the curl

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{F} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ yze^{xy} & xze^{xy} & e^{xy} - y \end{vmatrix}$$

For the  $\hat{i}$  component

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial y}(e^{xy} - y) - \frac{\partial}{\partial z}(xze^{xy})$$

$$xe^{xy} - 0 = xe^{xy}$$

For the  $\hat{j}$  component

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial z}(yze^{xy}) - \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(e^{xy} - y)$$

$$ye^{xy} - (yze^{xy} + xye^{xy}) = ye^{xy} - yze^{xy} - xye^{xy}$$

For the  $\hat{k}$  component

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x}(xze^{xy}) - \frac{\partial}{\partial y}(yze^{xy})$$

$$z(e^{xy} + xye^{xy}) - z(xe^{xy} + yze^{xy}) = ze^{xy} + xzye^{xy} - xze^{xy} - yz^2e^{xy}$$

Since  $\nabla \times \mathbf{F} \neq \mathbf{0}$ , the field is not conservative

## 17.3 Question 19

Evaluate

$$\int_C 2xyz \, dx + x^2z \, dy + x^2y \, dz$$

over the path  $\mathbf{r}(t) = (t^2, \sin(\pi t/4), e^{t^2-2t})$  for  $0 \leq t \leq 2$

$$\mathbf{F} = (2xyz, x^2z, x^2y)$$

Check if  $\mathbf{F}$  is conservative:

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = 2xyz, \quad \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = x^2z, \quad \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} = x^2y$$

$$f(x, y, z) = x^2yz + g(y, z)$$

Differentiate with respect to  $y$ :

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial y}(x^2yz + g(y, z)) = x^2z + g_y(y, z)$$

$$g_y(y, z) = 0 \Rightarrow g(y, z) = h(z)$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial z}(x^2yz + h(z)) = x^2y + h'(z)$$

$$h'(z) = 0 \Rightarrow h(z) = C$$

Potential function:

$$f(x, y, z) = x^2yz + C$$

Evaluate at endpoints:

$$\mathbf{r}(2) = (4, 1, 1), \quad \mathbf{r}(0) = (0, 0, 1)$$

$$f(4, 1, 1) = 16, \quad f(0, 0, 1) = 0$$

Compute the result:

$$f(\mathbf{r}(2)) - f(\mathbf{r}(0)) = 16 - 0 = 16$$

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Evaluate

$$\oint_{\mathcal{C}} \sin x \, dx + z \cos y \, dy + \sin y \, dz$$

where  $\mathcal{C}$  is the ellipse  $4x^2 + 9y^2 = 36$ , oriented clockwise.

By Stokes' Theorem,

$$\oint_{\mathcal{C}} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} = \iint_S (\nabla \times \mathbf{F}) \cdot d\mathbf{S}$$

where  $\mathbf{F} = (\sin x, z \cos y, \sin y)$

Compute the curl of  $\mathbf{F}$ :

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{F} = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ \sin x & z \cos y & \sin y \end{vmatrix} = \mathbf{0}$$

Since  $\nabla \times \mathbf{F} = \mathbf{0}$ ,

$$\oint_{\mathcal{C}} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} = 0$$

**Answer:**

$$\boxed{0}$$

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The vector field has a uniform curl, which means it might not be conservative. Vector fields are only conservative if their curl is zero.

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{F} = 0$$

From the diagram, it looks like there's a rotational component, there is likely a consistent shear in one direction, meaning the curl is non0. As a result, the vector field is not conservative.

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- a) v
- b) iii
- c) i
- d) iv
- e) ii

## 2

Show that  $G(r, \theta) = (r \cos \theta, r \sin \theta, 1 - r^2)$  parameterizes the paraboloid  $z = 1 - x^2 - y^2$ . Describe the grid curves of this parameterization

$$x = r \cos \theta, \quad y = r \sin \theta, \quad z = 1 - r^2$$

The equation of the paraboloid is

$$z = 1 - x^2 - y^2$$

Substituting

$$x^2 + y^2 = r^2$$

$$z = 1 - r^2$$

which matches the third component of  $G(r, \theta)$

For constant  $r$ , the parameterization describes horizontal circles

$$x = r \cos \theta, \quad y = r \sin \theta, \quad z = 1 - r^2$$

For constant  $\theta$ , the parameterization describes vertical parabolas

$$x = r \cos \theta, \quad y = r \sin \theta, \quad z = 1 - r^2$$

## 7

Calculate  $\mathbf{T}_u$ ,  $\mathbf{T}_v$  and  $\mathbf{N}(u, v)$  for the parameterized surface at the given point. Then find the equation of the tangent plane to the surface at that point

$$G(u, v) = (2u + v, u - 4v, 3u); \quad u = 1, \quad v = 4$$

Using the determinant:

$$\mathbf{N} = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & -4 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

Expanding:

$$\mathbf{N} = (12, 3, -9).$$

Substituting  $u = 1, v = 4$  into  $G(u, v)$ :

$$G(1, 4) = (6, -15, 3).$$

The equation of the tangent plane is:

$$A(x - x_0) + B(y - y_0) + C(z - z_0) = 0.$$

Using  $(x_0, y_0, z_0) = (6, -15, 3)$  and  $(A, B, C) = (12, 3, -9)$ :

$$12(x - 6) + 3(y + 15) - 9(z - 3) = 0.$$

Expanding:

$$12x + 3y - 9z = 0.$$

Dividing by 3:

$$4x + y - 3z = 0.$$

Thus, the equation of the tangent plane is:

$$4x + y - 3z = 0.$$

$$\mathbf{T}_u = \langle 2, 1, 3 \rangle, \mathbf{T}_v = \langle 1, -4, 0 \rangle \mathbf{N}(u, v) = 3\langle 4, 1, -3 \rangle$$



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Calculate  $\mathbf{T}_u$ ,  $\mathbf{T}_v$  and  $\mathbf{N}(u, v)$  for the parameterized surface at the given point. Then find the equation of the tangent plane to the surface at that point

$$G(\theta, \phi) = (\cos \theta \sin \phi, \sin \theta \sin \phi, \cos \phi); \quad \theta = \frac{\pi}{2}, \quad \phi = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

Compute  $\mathbf{T}_\theta$  and  $\mathbf{T}_\phi$ :

$$\mathbf{T}_\theta = \frac{\partial G}{\partial \theta} = (-\sin \theta \sin \phi, \cos \theta \sin \phi, 0)$$

$$\mathbf{T}_\phi = \frac{\partial G}{\partial \phi} = (\cos \theta \cos \phi, \sin \theta \cos \phi, -\sin \phi)$$

Evaluate at  $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$ ,  $\phi = \frac{\pi}{4}$ :

$$\mathbf{T}_\theta = \left( -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}, 0, 0 \right)$$

$$\mathbf{T}_\phi = \left( 0, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}, -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \right)$$

Compute  $\mathbf{N}(\theta, \phi) = \mathbf{T}_\theta \times \mathbf{T}_\phi$ :

$$\mathbf{N} = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} & -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \end{vmatrix} = \left( 0, -\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2} \right)$$

Find the tangent plane at  $G\left(\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{4}\right) = \left(0, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}\right)$ :

$$\mathbf{N} \cdot (x - x_0, y - y_0, z - z_0) = 0$$

$$0(x - 0) - \frac{1}{2} \left( y - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \right) - \frac{1}{2} \left( z - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \right) = 0$$

Simplify:

$$y + z - \sqrt{2} = 0$$

$$\mathbf{N} = \mathbf{i}(\cos \theta \sin \phi \cdot (-\sin \phi) - 0 \cdot \sin \theta \cos \phi)$$

$$-\mathbf{j}(-\sin \theta \sin \phi \cdot (-\sin \phi) - 0 \cdot \cos \theta \cos \phi)$$

$$+\mathbf{k}(-\sin \theta \sin \phi \cdot \sin \theta \cos \phi - \cos \theta \sin \phi \cdot \cos \theta \cos \phi)$$

Simplify:

$$\mathbf{N} = \mathbf{i}(-\cos \theta \sin^2 \phi) - \mathbf{j}(\sin \theta \sin^2 \phi) + \mathbf{k}(-\sin^2 \theta \sin \phi \cos \phi - \cos^2 \theta \sin \phi \cos \phi)$$

$$y + z - \sqrt{2} = 0,$$

$$\mathbf{T}_\theta = \langle -\sin \theta \sin \phi, \cos \theta \sin \phi, 0 \rangle, \mathbf{T}_\phi = \langle \cos \theta \cos \phi, \sin \theta \cos \phi, -\sin \phi \rangle, \mathbf{N}(u, v) = -\cos \theta \sin^2 \phi \mathbf{i} - \sin \theta \sin^2 \phi \mathbf{j} - \sin \phi \cos \phi \mathbf{k}$$

## 10

Calculate  $\mathbf{T}_u$ ,  $\mathbf{T}_v$  and  $\mathbf{N}(u, v)$  for the parameterized surface at the given point. Then find the equation of the tangent plane to the surface at that point

$$G(r, \theta) = (r \cos \theta, r \sin \theta, 1 - r^2); \quad r = \frac{1}{2}, \quad \theta = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

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First, compute the partial derivatives of  $G(r, \theta)$  with respect to  $r$  and  $\theta$ :

$$\mathbf{T}_r = \frac{\partial G}{\partial r} = (\cos \theta, \sin \theta, -2r),$$

$$\mathbf{T}_\theta = \frac{\partial G}{\partial \theta} = (-r \sin \theta, r \cos \theta, 0).$$

At  $r = \frac{1}{2}$  and  $\theta = \frac{\pi}{4}$ :

$$\mathbf{T}_r = \left( \cos \frac{\pi}{4}, \sin \frac{\pi}{4}, -2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} \right) = \left( \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}, -1 \right),$$

$$\mathbf{T}_\theta = \left( -\frac{1}{2} \sin \frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{1}{2} \cos \frac{\pi}{4}, 0 \right) = \left( -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{4}, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4}, 0 \right).$$

Next, compute the normal vector  $\mathbf{N}(r, \theta)$  as the cross product of  $\mathbf{T}_r$  and  $\mathbf{T}_\theta$ :

$$\mathbf{N}(r, \theta) = \mathbf{T}_r \times \mathbf{T}_\theta.$$

Calculating the cross product:

$$\mathbf{N}(r, \theta) = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} & \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} & -1 \\ -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{4} & \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4} & 0 \end{vmatrix}.$$

Expanding the determinant:

$$\mathbf{N}(r, \theta) = \mathbf{i} \left( \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \cdot 0 - (-1) \cdot \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4} \right) - \mathbf{j} \left( \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \cdot 0 - (-1) \cdot \left( -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{4} \right) \right) + \mathbf{k} \left( \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4} - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \cdot \left( -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{4} \right) \right).$$

Simplifying:

$$\mathbf{N}(r, \theta) = \mathbf{i} \left( \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4} \right) - \mathbf{j} \left( -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{4} \right) + \mathbf{k} \left( \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} \right).$$

Thus:

$$\mathbf{N}(r, \theta) = \left( \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4}, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4}, \frac{1}{2} \right).$$

$$G\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{\pi}{4}\right) = \left( \frac{1}{2} \cos \frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{1}{2} \sin \frac{\pi}{4}, 1 - \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 \right) = \left( \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4}, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4}, \frac{3}{4} \right).$$

The equation of the tangent plane is given by:

$$\mathbf{N} \cdot (\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}_0) = 0,$$

$$\left( \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4}, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4}, \frac{1}{2} \right) \cdot \left( x - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4}, y - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4}, z - \frac{3}{4} \right) = 0.$$

Expanding the dot product:

$$\frac{\sqrt{2}}{4} \left( x - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4} \right) + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4} \left( y - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4} \right) + \frac{1}{2} \left( z - \frac{3}{4} \right) = 0.$$

Simplifying:

$$\frac{\sqrt{2}}{4}x + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4}y + \frac{1}{2}z - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4} - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4} - \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{3}{4} = 0.$$

Further simplification:

$$\frac{\sqrt{2}}{4}x + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4}y + \frac{1}{2}z - \frac{2}{16} - \frac{2}{16} - \frac{3}{8} = 0.$$

Combine constants:

$$\frac{\sqrt{2}}{4}x + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4}y + \frac{1}{2}z - \frac{1}{8} - \frac{1}{8} - \frac{3}{8} = 0.$$

$$\frac{\sqrt{2}}{4}x + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4}y + \frac{1}{2}z - \frac{5}{8} = 0.$$

$$2\sqrt{2}x + 2\sqrt{2}y + 4z - 5 = 0.$$

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$$\mathbf{T}_r = \left( \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}, -1 \right), \quad \mathbf{T}_\theta = \left( -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{4}, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4}, 0 \right), \quad \mathbf{N}(r, \theta) = \left( \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4}, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4}, \frac{1}{2} \right).$$