

- We wish to prove $\frac{1}{2} \vec{\nabla} \vec{A}^2 = \vec{A} \times (\vec{\nabla} \vec{A}) + (\vec{A} \cdot \vec{\nabla}) \vec{A}$

Using $\vec{\nabla}(\vec{F} \cdot \vec{G})$ from D04 with $\vec{F} = \vec{A}$ & $\vec{G} = \vec{A}$
we get

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{\nabla} \vec{A}^2 &= (\vec{A} \cdot \vec{\nabla}) \vec{A} + \vec{A} \times (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}) + (\vec{A} \cdot \vec{\nabla}) \vec{A} + \vec{A} \times (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}) \\ &= 2 \left((\vec{A} \cdot \vec{\nabla}) \vec{A} + \vec{A} \times (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}) \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{\frac{1}{2} \vec{\nabla} A^2 = (\vec{A} \cdot \vec{\nabla}) \vec{A} + \vec{A} \times (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A})}$$