

Divergence Theorem (Gauss' Theorem)

Let  $S$  be a closed surface, with outward unit normal  $\mathbf{n}$ , bounding the volume  $V$ . Then if  $\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x},t)$  is a *vector* field, the divergence theorem is

$$\int_S \mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{F} dA = \int_V \nabla \cdot \mathbf{F} dV \quad (\text{B.29})$$

where  $dA$  is an increment of area on  $S$  and  $dV$  is an increment of volume in  $V$ . This can also be written

$$\int_S n_i F_i dA = \int_V F_{i,i} dV \quad (\text{B.30})$$

If  $F(\mathbf{x},t)$  is a *scalar* field, the divergence theorem is

$$\int_S \mathbf{n} F dA = \int_V \nabla F dV \quad (\text{B.31})$$

This can be derived directly from (B.29). The corresponding indicial form is

$$\int_S \mathbf{e}_i n_i F dA = \int_V \mathbf{e}_i F_{,i} dV \quad (\text{B.32})$$

with the component statements

$$\int_S n_i F dA = \int_V F_{,i} dV \quad (\text{B.33})$$

If  $\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x},t)$  is a *tensor* field, the divergence theorem in dyadic notation is [compare (B.29)]

$$\int_S \mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{F} dA = \int_V \nabla \cdot \mathbf{F} dV \quad (\text{B.34})$$

This can be put in indicial notation from the correspondences  $\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{F} \sim n_i F_{ik}$  and  $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{F} \sim F_{ik,i}$ , yielding [compare (B.30)]

$$\int_S n_i F_{ik} dA = \int_V F_{ik,i} dV \quad (\text{B.35})$$

#### Stokes' Theorem

Let  $S$  be a surface bounded by the simple closed curve  $C$ . Then if  $\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x},t)$  is a continuous vector field, Stokes' theorem is

$$\oint_C \mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{t} dl = \int_S (\nabla \times \mathbf{F}) \cdot \mathbf{n} dA \quad (\text{B.36})$$

where  $\mathbf{n}$  is a unit vector normal to  $S$ ,  $\mathbf{t}$  is a unit vector tangential to  $C$ , and  $dl$  is an increment of length along  $C$ .

#### Determinant Expansion for the Curl

In Cartesian coordinates, if  $\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x},t)$  is a vector field

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{F} = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{e}_1 & \mathbf{e}_2 & \mathbf{e}_3 \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} & \frac{\partial}{\partial x_2} & \frac{\partial}{\partial x_3} \\ F_1 & F_2 & F_3 \end{vmatrix} \quad (\text{B.37})$$

#### Vector Identities<sup>1</sup>

$$\nabla(uv) = u \nabla v + v \nabla u \quad (\text{B.38})$$

$$\nabla \cdot (\phi \mathbf{v}) = \phi \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v} + \nabla \phi \cdot \mathbf{v} \quad (\text{B.39})$$

$$\nabla \times (\phi \mathbf{v}) = \phi \nabla \times \mathbf{v} + \nabla \phi \times \mathbf{v} \quad (\text{B.40})$$

$$\nabla \times (\nabla \phi) = 0 \quad (\text{B.41})$$

$$\nabla \cdot (\nabla \times \mathbf{v}) = 0 \quad (\text{B.42})$$

$$\nabla \cdot (\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v}) = (\nabla \times \mathbf{u}) \cdot \mathbf{v} - (\nabla \times \mathbf{v}) \cdot \mathbf{u} \quad (\text{B.43})$$

$$\nabla \times (\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v}) = (\mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v} (\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u}) + \mathbf{u} (\nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}) - (\mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{v} \quad (\text{B.44})$$

$$\nabla \times (\nabla \times \mathbf{v}) = \nabla (\nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}) - \nabla^2 \mathbf{v} \quad (\text{B.45})$$

$$\nabla(\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}) = \mathbf{u} \times (\nabla \times \mathbf{v}) + \mathbf{v} \times (\nabla \times \mathbf{u}) + (\mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla)\mathbf{v} + (\mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla)\mathbf{u} \quad (\text{B.46})$$

$$(\mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla)\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{v} \quad (\text{B.47})$$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{r} = 3 \quad (\text{B.48})$$

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{r} = 0 \quad (\text{B.49})$$

$$\nabla \cdot (r^{-3}\mathbf{r}) = 0 \quad (\text{B.50})$$

$$d\mathbf{f} = (d\mathbf{r} \cdot \nabla)\mathbf{f} + \frac{\partial \mathbf{f}}{\partial t} dt \quad (\text{B.51})$$

$$d\phi = d\mathbf{r} \cdot \nabla\phi + \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t} dt \quad (\text{B.52})$$