

This week on the problem set you will get practice thinking about potential functions and calculating line integrals.

**Homework:** The homework will be due on Monday 25 November. It will consist of questions:

$$17.4.41 \quad \text{and} \quad 17.5.22.$$

\*Numbers in parentheses indicate the question has been taken from the textbook:

J. Rogawski, C. Adams, *Calculus, Multivariable*, 3<sup>rd</sup> Ed., W. H. Freeman & Company,

and refer to the section and question number in the textbook.

1. (Section 17.4) 2, 3, 5, 8, 9, 10, 13, 14, 17, 18, 27, 30, 34, 37, 40, 41\*, 46\* 48\*. (questions are the same in previous versions)
2. (Section 17.5) 1, 6, 7, 12, 17, 18, 21, 22, 31\*, 35. (questions are the same in previous versions)
3. Consider the line segment  $(x, 0, 0)$  where  $x \in [-1, 1]$  in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . Imagine this line segment moving up with its centre on the  $z$ -axis, rotating parallel to the  $xy$ -plane at constant speed. It completes one full revolution when it gets to  $z = 2\pi$ . What surface area is swept out by the rotating line segment? You may wish to use the fact that

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left( t\sqrt{1+t^2} + \sinh^{-1}(t) \right) = 2\sqrt{1+t^2}$$

and that  $\sinh^{-1}$  is an odd function and  $\sinh(1) = \ln(1 + \sqrt{2})$ .

**Solution:** We parameterise the surface using the following strategy. Say that at time  $t$  the line segment is at height  $z = t$ , so  $G(s, t) = (?, ?, t)$ . At  $z = t$  for  $t \in [0, 2\pi]$  we know that our line segment is rotated  $t$  radians from its starting point. So its projection onto the  $xy$ -plane is  $(s \cos t, s \sin t)$ . Thus our parameterisation is

$$G(s, t) = (s \cos t, s \sin t, t) \text{ for } (s, t) \in \mathcal{D} = [-1, 1] \times [0, 2\pi].$$

From this we calculate

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{T}_s &= \langle \cos t, \sin t, 0 \rangle \\ \mathbf{T}_t &= \langle -s \sin t, s \cos t, 1 \rangle \\ \mathbf{N} &= \langle \sin t, -\cos t, s \rangle \end{aligned}$$

and so

$$\|\mathbf{N}\| = \sqrt{1+s^2}$$

Thus the surface area is

$$\begin{aligned} \iint_S 1 \, dS &= \iint_{\mathcal{D}} \sqrt{1+s^2} \, dA_{st} \\ &= \int_0^{2\pi} \int_{-1}^1 \sqrt{1+s^2} \, ds \, dt \\ &= \pi \left[ s\sqrt{1+s^2} + \sinh^{-1} s \right]_{-1}^1 \\ &= 2\pi \left( \sqrt{2} + \sinh^{-1}(1) \right) = 2\pi \left( \sqrt{2} + \ln(1 + \sqrt{2}) \right) \end{aligned}$$

4. Let  $\mathbf{F} \langle y(ye^{x+y^2} - 1) + x^2, 2y(1 + y^2)e^{x+y^2} + x \rangle$  and let  $\mathcal{C}$  be the portion of  $y = 1 - x^2$  oriented left to right.

- (a) Parameterise  $\mathcal{C}$  and write  $\int_{\mathcal{C}} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r}$  as a single integral. Do not try and evaluate.

**Solution:** A parameterisation is  $\mathbf{r} = (t, 1 - t^2)$  for  $t \in [-1, 1]$  and so  $\mathbf{r}'(t) = \langle 1, -2t \rangle$ . The integral becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\mathcal{C}} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} &= \int_{-1}^1 (1 - t^2)((1 - t^2)e^{t^4 - 2t^2 + t + 1} - 1) + t^2 - 2t \left( 2(1 - t^2)(2 - 2t^2 + t^4)e^{t^4 - 2t^2 + t + 1} + t \right) dt \\ &= \int_{-1}^1 (4t^7 - 12t^5 + t^4 + 16t^3 - 2t^2 - 8t + 1)e^{t^4 - 2t^2 + t + 1} - 1 dt \end{aligned}$$

- (b) Now let  $\mathcal{L}$  be the straight line from  $(-1, 0)$  to  $(1, 0)$  oriented left to right and let  $\mathcal{D}$  be the region bounded by the  $x$ -axis and  $\mathcal{C}$ . Use Green's theorem to relate the integrals of  $\mathbf{F}$  over  $\mathcal{C}$  and  $\mathcal{L}$  to an integral over  $\mathcal{D}$ . Use this to evaluate  $\int_{\mathcal{C}} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r}$ .

**Solution:** By looking at the picture we see that  $\mathcal{L} - \mathcal{C}$  is a closed curve that is the boundary of  $\mathcal{D}$  (including orientation matching). Thus by Green's theorem

$$\int_{\mathcal{L}} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} - \int_{\mathcal{C}} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} = \int_{\mathcal{L} - \mathcal{C}} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} = \iint_{\mathcal{D}} \nabla \times \mathbf{F} \, dA$$

A calculation shows that  $\nabla \times \mathbf{F} = 2$ . Thus

$$\int_{\mathcal{C}} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} = \int_{\mathcal{L}} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} - \iint_{\mathcal{D}} 2 \, dA$$

The double integral is easy to evaluate:

$$\iint_{\mathcal{D}} 2 \, dA = 2 \int_{-1}^1 \int_0^{1-x^2} dy \, dx = \frac{8}{3}.$$

The curve  $\mathcal{L}$  is parameterised by  $\mathbf{r}(t) = (t, 0)$  for  $t \in [-1, 1]$ . So  $\mathbf{r}'(t) = \langle 1, 0 \rangle$ . So

$$\int_{\mathcal{L}} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} = \int_{-1}^1 t^2 \, dt = \frac{2}{3}.$$

So we get  $\int_{\mathcal{C}} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} = \frac{2}{3} - \frac{8}{3} = -2$

- (c) **Path (almost)-independence for non-conservative vector fields.** More generally, suppose  $\mathcal{C}_1$  and  $\mathcal{C}_2$  are two oriented curves with the same endpoints, and  $\mathbf{F}$  is a vector field that is defined everywhere on the region  $\mathcal{D}$  between  $\mathcal{C}_1$  and  $\mathcal{C}_2$ . If  $\mathbf{F}$  is conservative we know that  $\int_{\mathcal{C}_1} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} - \int_{\mathcal{C}_2} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} = 0$ . If  $\mathbf{F}$  is not conservative, what is

$$\int_{\mathcal{C}_1} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} - \int_{\mathcal{C}_2} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r}?$$

**Solution:** One of  $\mathcal{C}_1 - \mathcal{C}_2$  or  $\mathcal{C}_2 - \mathcal{C}_1$  will be the boundary of  $\mathcal{D}$ . Suppose it is  $\mathcal{C}_1 - \mathcal{C}_2$ . Then by Green's theorem

$$\int_{\mathcal{C}_1} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} - \int_{\mathcal{C}_2} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} = \int_{\mathcal{C}_1 - \mathcal{C}_2} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} = \iint_{\mathcal{D}} \nabla \times \mathbf{F} \, dA.$$

\*The questions marked with an asterisk are more difficult or are of a form that would not appear on an exam. Nonetheless they are worth thinking about as they often test understanding at a deeper conceptual level.