

Vector Calculus

III: Vector-Valued Functions

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1 Acceleration and Newton's Second Law

1.1 Differentiation of Paths

Recall that a path in \mathbb{R}^n is a map \mathbf{c} of \mathbb{R} . If the path is differentiable, its derivative at each time t is a $n \times 1$ matrix, or

$$\mathbf{c}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \dots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \mathbf{c}'(t) = \begin{bmatrix} dx_1/dt \\ dx_2/dt \\ \dots \\ dx_n/dt \end{bmatrix} \quad (1)$$

Recall that $\mathbf{c}'(t)$ is the tangent vector to the path at point $\mathbf{c}(t)$. If \mathbf{c} represents the path of a moving particle, then the velocity vector is

$$\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{c}'(t), \quad (2)$$

And its speed is

$$s = \|\mathbf{v}\|. \quad (3)$$

Likewise, the corresponding acceleration vector is just

$$\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{v}' = \mathbf{c}'' . \quad (4)$$

Note that a path is considered a regular path if the following property is satisfied

$$\mathbf{v}(t) = \mathbf{r}'(t) \neq 0. \quad (5)$$

1.2 Differentiation Rules for Paths

Let $\mathbf{b}(t)$ and $\mathbf{c}(t)$ be differentiable paths in \mathbb{R}^3 and $p(t)$ and $q(t)$ be differentiable scalar functions:

Sum Rule:	$\frac{d}{dt}[\mathbf{b}(t) + \mathbf{c}(t)] = \mathbf{b}'(t) + \mathbf{c}'(t)$
Scalar Multiplication Rule:	$\frac{d}{dt}[p(t)\mathbf{c}(t)] = p'(t)\mathbf{c}(t) + p(t)\mathbf{c}'(t)$
Dot Product Rule:	$\frac{d}{dt}[\mathbf{b}(t) \cdot \mathbf{c}(t)] = \mathbf{b}'(t) \cdot \mathbf{c}(t) + \mathbf{b}(t) \cdot \mathbf{c}'(t)$
Cross Product Rule:	$\frac{d}{dt}[\mathbf{b}(t) \times \mathbf{c}(t)] = \mathbf{b}'(t) \times \mathbf{c}(t) + \mathbf{b}(t) \times \mathbf{c}'(t)$
Chain Rule:	$\frac{d}{dt}[\mathbf{c}(q(t))] = q'(t)\mathbf{c}'(q(t))$

1.3 Newton's Second Law

Newton's second law states that the acceleration of a path $\mathbf{c}(t)$ is

$$\mathbf{a}(t) = \mathbf{c}''(t), \quad (6)$$

And if \mathbf{F} is the force acting and m is the mass of the particle, then

$$\mathbf{F} = m\mathbf{a}. \quad (7)$$

Circular Orbits

Consider a particle of mass m moving at a constant speed s in a circular path of radius r_0 . Supposing that it moves in the xy plane, we can compress the third component and write its location as

$$\mathbf{r}(t) = \left(r_0 \cos\left(\frac{st}{r_0}\right), r_0 \sin\left(\frac{st}{r_0}\right) \right). \quad (8)$$

Note that this is a circle of radius r_0 and its speed is given by $\|\mathbf{r}'(t)\| = s$. The quantity s/r_0 is the frequency, denoted as ω . Thus,

$$\mathbf{r}(t) = (r_0 \cos(\omega t), r_0 \sin(\omega t)). \quad (9)$$

The acceleration is given by

$$\mathbf{a}(t) = \mathbf{r}''(t) = \left(-\frac{s^2}{r_0} \cos\left(\frac{st}{r_0}\right), -\frac{s^2}{r_0} \sin\left(\frac{st}{r_0}\right) \right) = -\frac{s^2}{r_0^2} \mathbf{r}(t) = -\omega^2 \mathbf{r}(t). \quad (10)$$

Kepler's Law

The square of the period is proportional to the cube of the radius in circular gravitational orbit, or

$$T^2 = r_0^3 \frac{(2\pi)^2}{GM}. \quad (11)$$

Components of Acceleration Vector

Before going into the acceleration vector, note the unit tangent vector $\mathbf{T}(t)$ and unit normal vector $\mathbf{N}(t)$. $\mathbf{T}(t)$ describes the instantaneous velocity and is in the same direction as the velocity. Meanwhile, $\mathbf{N}(t)$ is the unit tangent vector of the unit tangent vector function, used to describe the change in the velocity vector, point towards the "inside" of how a curve is curving.

$$\mathbf{T}(t) = \frac{\mathbf{v}(t)}{\|\mathbf{v}(t)\|}, \quad (12)$$

$$\mathbf{N}(t) = \frac{\mathbf{T}'(t)}{\|\mathbf{T}'(t)\|}. \quad (13)$$

The acceleration vector can be decomposed into the tangential and normal components, through the following equations:

$$a_{\mathbf{T}} = \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{T} = \frac{\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{a}}{\|\mathbf{v}\|}, \quad (14)$$

$$a_{\mathbf{N}} = \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{N} = \frac{\|\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{a}\|}{\|\mathbf{v}\|}, \quad (15)$$

Where

$$\mathbf{a}(t) = a_{\mathbf{T}}\mathbf{T}(t) + a_{\mathbf{N}}\mathbf{N}(t). \quad (16)$$

To prove this, we show that

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{v}(t) &= \|\mathbf{c}'(t)\|\mathbf{T}(t) = v(t)\mathbf{T}(t) \\ \mathbf{a}(t) &= \mathbf{v}'(t) \\ &= v'(t)\mathbf{T}(t) + v(t)\mathbf{T}'(t) \\ &= v'(t)\mathbf{T}(t) + (v(t)\|\mathbf{T}'(t)\|)\mathbf{N}(t) \\ &= \text{Tangential Component} + \text{Normal Component} \end{aligned} \quad (17)$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} a_{\mathbf{T}} &= v'(t) = \frac{d}{dt}\|\mathbf{r}'(t)\| \\ a_{\mathbf{N}} &= v(t)\|\mathbf{T}'(t)\| \end{aligned} \quad (18)$$

1.4 Angular Motion

Angular Momentum

Angular momentum, or \mathbf{L} , is the cross product of linear position \mathbf{r} and linear momentum \mathbf{p} , where momentum $\mathbf{p} = m\mathbf{v}$,

$$\mathbf{L} = \mathbf{r} \times m\mathbf{v}. \quad (19)$$

Torque

When we take the derivative of angular momentum, we get the net torque, or

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt}(\mathbf{r}(t) \times m\mathbf{v}(t)) &= \mathbf{r}'(t) \times m\mathbf{v}(t) + \mathbf{r}(t) \times m\mathbf{v}'(t) \\ &= \mathbf{r}(t) \times m\mathbf{v}'(t) \\ &= \mathbf{r}(t) \times \mathbf{F}(t) \end{aligned} \quad (20)$$

Note that this is true because the $\mathbf{r}'(t) \times m\mathbf{v}(t) = 0$, since the two vectors are in the same direction.

Central Force

The central force $\mathbf{F}(t)$ on an object is the force $f(t)$ that is directed along the line $\mathbf{r}(t)$ joining the object and the origin, or

$$\mathbf{F}(t) = f(t)\mathbf{r}(t). \quad (21)$$

Note that the torque of the central force is zero, because

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Torque} &= \mathbf{F}(t) \times \mathbf{r}(t) \\ &= f(t)\mathbf{r}(t) \times \mathbf{r}(t) \\ &= 0 \end{aligned} \quad (22)$$

Note that the angular momentum for a central force is constant. We show prove this by definition

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Angular Momentum} &= \mathbf{r}(t) \times m\mathbf{v}(t) \\
&= m(r(t)\hat{\mathbf{r}}(t)) \times (r'(t)\hat{\mathbf{r}}(t) + r(t)\theta'(t)\hat{\theta}) \\
&= m(r(t)\hat{\mathbf{r}}(t) \times r(t)\theta'(t)\hat{\theta}) \\
&= mr^2(t)\theta'(t)\hat{z},
\end{aligned} \tag{23}$$

Where $r^2(t)\theta'(t)$ is constant.

1.5 Velocity and Acceleration in Polar Coordinates

Basic Polar Conversions

The position vector \mathbf{r} can be expressed in polar coordinates as

$$\mathbf{r}(t) = r(t)\hat{\mathbf{r}}, \tag{24}$$

Where

$$\hat{\mathbf{r}}(t) = (\cos(\theta(t)), \sin(\theta(t))) = \cos(\theta)\hat{i} + \sin(\theta)\hat{j}. \tag{25}$$

Along with the unit vector $\hat{\mathbf{r}}$, the unit vector $\hat{\theta}$ is

$$\hat{\theta} = (-\sin(\theta(t)), \cos(\theta(t))) = -\sin(\theta(t))\hat{i} + \cos(\theta(t))\hat{j}. \tag{26}$$

Consequently, \hat{i} and \hat{j} can be expressed as

$$\begin{aligned}
\hat{i} &= \cos(\theta(t))\hat{\mathbf{r}} - \sin(\theta(t))\hat{\theta} \\
\hat{j} &= \sin(\theta(t))\hat{\mathbf{r}} + \cos(\theta(t))\hat{\theta}
\end{aligned} \tag{27}$$

Velocity

Recall that $\mathbf{v}(t) = \mathbf{r}'(t)$. Thus,

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbf{v}(t) &= \mathbf{r}'(t) \\
&= (r(t)\hat{\mathbf{r}}(t))' \\
&= r'(t)\hat{\mathbf{r}}(t) + r(t)\hat{\mathbf{r}}'(t) \\
&= r'(t)\hat{\mathbf{r}}(t) + r(t)\theta'(t)\hat{\theta}(t).
\end{aligned} \tag{28}$$

Additionally, note that

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{d\hat{\theta}(t)}{dt} &= (-\theta'(t)\cos(\theta(t)), -\theta'(t)\sin(\theta(t))) \\
&= -\theta'(t)\hat{\mathbf{r}}.
\end{aligned} \tag{29}$$

Acceleration

Recall that $\mathbf{a}(t) = \mathbf{v}'(t)$. Thus,

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbf{a}(t) &= \mathbf{v}'(t) \\
&= r''(t)\hat{\mathbf{r}}(t) + r'(t)\theta'(t)\hat{\theta}(t) \\
&\quad + (r'(t)\theta'(t) + r(t)\theta''(t))\hat{\theta}(t) \\
&\quad + r(t)\theta'(t)(-\theta'(t)\hat{\mathbf{r}}(t)) \\
&= (r''(t) - r(t)(\theta'(t))^2)\hat{\mathbf{r}}(t) \\
&\quad + (r'(t)\theta'(t) + r'(t)\theta'(t) + r(t)\theta''(t))\hat{\theta}(t)
\end{aligned} \tag{30}$$

1.6 Path Curvature

Parameterized Curves

The curvature of a smooth curve describes how a curve is changing directions as a given point. The formal definition of curvature is

$$\kappa = \left| \frac{d\mathbf{T}}{ds} \right|, \tag{31}$$

While two easier alternate formulas are

$$\kappa = \frac{\|\mathbf{T}'(t)\|}{\|\mathbf{r}'(t)\|} = \frac{\|\mathbf{r}'(t) \times \mathbf{r}''(t)\|}{\|\mathbf{r}'(t)\|^3}. \tag{32}$$

Recall that the unit tangent \mathbf{T} is just

$$\mathbf{T}(t) = \frac{\mathbf{r}'(t)}{\|\mathbf{r}'(t)\|}. \tag{33}$$

Regular Cartesian Functions

In the case of functions in the form of $y = f(x)$, the curvature is calculated as

$$\kappa = \frac{x'y'' - y'x''}{(x'^2 + y'^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}}. \tag{34}$$

Note that if $y = f(x)$ is parameterized as $x(t) = t$ and $y(t) = f(x(t))$, then the formula for curvature is simplified into

$$\kappa = \frac{y''}{(1 + y'^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}}. \tag{35}$$

1.7 Integral of Parameterized Curves

Recall that the integral of a function $f(x)$ is computed as

$$\text{Area} = \int_{x_1}^{x_2} f(x)dx = \int_{x_1}^{x_2} ydx. \tag{36}$$

For a parameterized curve, $x(t) = t$ and $y(t) = f(x(t))$. Thus,

$$\text{Area} = \int_{t_0}^{t_1} y(t) dx(t). \quad (37)$$

For example, suppose that $x(t) = \cosh(t)$ and $y(t) = \sinh(t)$, then

$$\text{Area} = \int_{t_0}^{t_1} \sinh(t) \sinh(t) dx, \quad (38)$$

Because

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = \frac{d}{dt} \cosh(t) = \sinh(t) \quad (39)$$

Or

$$dx = \sinh(t) dt. \quad (40)$$

2 Arc Length

2.1 Definition of Arc Length

The length of a path $\mathbf{c}(t)$ is the integral of the speed $\|\mathbf{c}'(t)\|$, or

$$L(\mathbf{c}) = \int_{t_0}^{t_1} \|\mathbf{c}'(t)\| dt. \quad (41)$$

For example, the length of the path $\mathbf{c}(t) = (x(t), y(t), z(t))$ for $t_0 \leq t \leq t_1$, is

$$L(\mathbf{c}) = \int_{t_0}^{t_1} \sqrt{[x'(t)]^2 + [y'(t)]^2 + [z'(t)]^2} dt. \quad (42)$$

Note that if a curve is made up of a finite number of pieces, each of which is C^1 (with bounded derivative), we compute the arc length by adding the lengths of the component pieces. Such curves are called piecewise C^1 , or sometimes "piecewise smooth".

To understand the derivation of the equation above, consider a situation where we have discrete points of a path. to approximate the distance between $\mathbf{c}(t_i)$ and $\mathbf{c}(t_{i+1})$, the distance is

$$\begin{aligned} \|\mathbf{c}(t_{i+1}) - \mathbf{c}(t_i)\| &= \sqrt{(x(t_{i+1}) - x(t_i))^2 + (y(t_{i+1}) - y(t_i))^2 + (z(t_{i+1}) - z(t_i))^2} \\ &= \sqrt{(x'(t_i)(t_{i+1} - t_i))^2 + (y'(t_i)(t_{i+1} - t_i))^2 + (z'(t_i)(t_{i+1} - t_i))^2} \\ &= (t_{i+1} - t_i) \sqrt{x'(t_i)^2 + y'(t_i)^2 + z'(t_i)^2} \end{aligned} \quad (43)$$

We then arrive at

$$\sum_{i=1}^N \left((t_{i+1} - t_i) \sqrt{x'(t_i)^2 + y'(t_i)^2 + z'(t_i)^2} \right) \quad (44)$$

As we take the limit $N \rightarrow \infty$, the sum converted to the integral

$$\text{Arc Length} = \int_{t=a}^{t=b} \sqrt{x'(t)^2 + y'(t)^2 + z'(t)^2} dt. \quad (45)$$

2.2 Differential of Arc Length

An infiniteisimal displacement of a particle following a path $\mathbf{c}(t) = x(t)\mathbf{i} + y(t)\mathbf{j} + z(t)\mathbf{k}$ is

$$d\mathbf{s} = dx\mathbf{i} + dy\mathbf{j} + dz\mathbf{k} = \left(\frac{dx}{dt}\mathbf{i} + \frac{dy}{dt}\mathbf{j} + \frac{dz}{dt}\mathbf{k} \right) dt, \quad (46)$$

Where its length is the differential of the arc length, or

$$ds = \sqrt{dx^2 + dy^2 + dz^2} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{dx}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dy}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dz}{dt}\right)^2} dt. \quad (47)$$

The formula above helps us remember the arc-length formula as

$$\text{Arc Length} = \int_{t_0}^{t_1} ds. \quad (48)$$

The formula can be easy generalized to n -dimensions. Consider a piecewise C^1 path $\mathbf{c}(t) : [t_0, t_1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$, its length is defined as

$$L(\mathbf{c}) = \int_{t_0}^{t_1} \|\mathbf{c}'(t)\| dt = \int_{t_0}^{t_1} \sqrt{(x'_1(t))^2 + (x'_2(t))^2 + \cdots + (x'_n(t))^2} dt. \quad (49)$$

2.3 Arc Length of $y = f(x)$

When we have the function $y = f(x)$ for $a \leq x \leq b$, we can parameterize the function as

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{c}(x) &= (x, f(x)) \\ \mathbf{c}'(x) &= (1, f'(x)) \end{aligned} \quad (50)$$

Hence, the arc length is simply

$$\begin{aligned} L &= \int_a^b \|\mathbf{c}'(x)\| dx \\ &= \int_a^b \sqrt{1^2 + (f'(x))^2} dx \end{aligned} \quad (51)$$

2.4 Reparameterization of a Curve

When reparameterizing a curve, we essentially want to express arc length L as $s(t)$, where we reexpress the original arc length L

$$L(t) = \int_a^b \|\mathbf{r}'(t)\| dt \quad \text{as} \quad s(t) = \int_a^t \|\mathbf{r}'(\tau)\| d\tau. \quad (52)$$

Let $\alpha : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, where it is strictly increasing and is of class C^1 . Let the path $\mathbf{c} : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$. We reparameterize as follows. If a value s is in $[\alpha(a), \alpha(b)]$, then there is a t such that $\alpha(t) = s$. We define the reparameterized as \mathbf{d} , or

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{d}(s) &= \mathbf{c}(t) \\ \mathbf{d}(\alpha(t)) &= \mathbf{c}(t) \end{aligned} \quad (53)$$

Thus,

$$\mathbf{c}'(t) = \mathbf{d}'(\alpha(t))\alpha'(t). \quad (54)$$

Arc length reparameterization

$$\alpha(t) = \int_a^t \|\mathbf{c}'(\tau)\| d\tau. \quad (55)$$

3 Vector Fields

3.1 Concept of Vector Field

A vector field in \mathbb{R}^n is a map $\mathbf{F} : A \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ that assigns to each point \mathbf{x} in its domain A a vector $\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x})$. If $n = 2$ and $n = 3$, \mathbf{F} is a vector field in the plane and in the space, respectively.

A vector field on \mathbf{R}^n has n scalar component fields F_1, F_2, \dots, F_n . For example, a vector field $\mathbf{F}(x, y, z)$ on \mathbf{R}^3 has three component scalar fields F_1 , F_2 , and F_3 , such that

$$\mathbf{F}(x, y, z) = (F_1(x, y, z), F_2(x, y, z), F_3(x, y, z)). \quad (56)$$

3.2 Gradient Vector Fields

A gradient vector field is often denoted as ∇f , which describes the direction and magnitude of a gradient. For example, a three-dimensional gradient vector field in space is defined as

$$\nabla f(x, y, z) = \frac{\delta f}{\delta x}(x, y, z)\mathbf{i} + \frac{\delta f}{\delta y}(x, y, z)\mathbf{j} + \frac{\delta f}{\delta z}(x, y, z)\mathbf{k}. \quad (57)$$

3.3 Flow Lines

If \mathbf{F} is a vector field, a flow line for \mathbf{F} is a path $\mathbf{c}(t)$ such that

$$\mathbf{c}'(t) = \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{c}(t)). \quad (58)$$

In other words, it can be visualized as the pathway a particle takes along a vector field. As the equation above suggests, a flow line can be viewed as a system of differential equations. For example, in a 3D space we can write $\mathbf{c}'(t) = \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{c}(t))$ as

$$\begin{aligned} x'(t) &= P(x(t), y(t), z(t)), \\ y'(t) &= Q(x(t), y(t), z(t)), \\ z'(t) &= R(x(t), y(t), z(t)), \end{aligned} \quad (59)$$

Where $\mathbf{c}(t) = x(t)\mathbf{i} + y(t)\mathbf{j} + z(t)\mathbf{k}$, where

$$\mathbf{F} = P\mathbf{i} + Q\mathbf{j} + R\mathbf{k}. \quad (60)$$

4 Divergence and Curl

4.1 Divergence

We define the divergence of a vector field \mathbf{F} by taking the dot product ∇ with \mathbf{F} . For example, for a 3D field vector,

$$\text{div } \mathbf{F} = \nabla \cdot \mathbf{F} = \frac{\delta F_1}{\delta x} + \frac{\delta F_2}{\delta y} + \frac{\delta F_3}{\delta z}. \quad (61)$$

For a velocity field of a fluid, then $\text{div } \mathbf{F}$ represents the rate of expansion per unit volume under the flow of the fluid. For example, if $\text{div } \mathbf{F} < 0$, the gas is compression. Likewise, in a 2D velocity field, the divergence measures the rate of expansion of area.

4.2 Curl

We define the curl of a vector field \mathbf{F} by taking the cross product of ∇ with \mathbf{F} . For example, for a 3D field vector \mathbf{F} ,

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{curl } \mathbf{F} = \nabla \times \mathbf{F} &= \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ F_1 & F_2 & F_3 \end{vmatrix} \\
&= \left(\frac{\partial F_3}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial F_2}{\partial z} \right) \mathbf{i} + \left(\frac{\partial F_1}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial F_3}{\partial x} \right) \mathbf{j} + \left(\frac{\partial F_2}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial y} \right) \mathbf{k}
\end{aligned} \tag{62}$$

Unlike divergence, which can be defined in \mathbf{R}^n for any n , we define the curl only in 3D space (or for planar vector fields, regarding their third component as zero). The curl is associated with rotational motion for solid objects and fluids.

4.3 Properties of Divergences and Curls

The curl of a gradient for any C^2 function f is zero. In other words, gradients are curl free, or

$$\nabla \times (\nabla f) = \mathbf{0}. \tag{63}$$

If $\mathbf{F} = P(x, y)\mathbf{i} + Q(x, y)\mathbf{j}$ is a vector field in the plane, it can also be regarded as a vector field in space where \mathbf{k} is zero and the other two components are independent of z . The curl of \mathbf{F} then reduces to

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{F} = \left(\frac{\partial Q}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial P}{\partial y} \right) \mathbf{k}. \tag{64}$$

So the curl of \mathbf{F} always points in the \mathbf{k} direction and the value of \mathbf{k} is called the scalar curl of \mathbf{F} .

As you may notice already, the Laplace operator ∇^2 that operates on functions f is the divergence of the gradient, or

$$\nabla^2 f = \nabla \cdot (\nabla f) = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial z^2} \tag{65}$$

Now let us note that basic identities of vector analysis:

1. $\nabla(f + g) = \nabla f + \nabla g$
2. $\nabla(cf) = c\nabla f$, for a constant c
3. $\nabla(fg) = f\nabla g + g\nabla f$

4. $\nabla(f/g) = (g\nabla f - f\nabla g)/g^2$, at points \mathbf{x} where $g(\mathbf{x}) \neq 0$
5. $\operatorname{div} (\mathbf{F} + \mathbf{G}) = \operatorname{div} \mathbf{F} + \operatorname{div} \mathbf{G}$
6. $\operatorname{curl} (\mathbf{F} + \mathbf{G}) = \operatorname{curl} \mathbf{F} + \operatorname{curl} \mathbf{G}$
7. $\operatorname{div} (f\mathbf{F}) = f \operatorname{div} \mathbf{F} + \mathbf{F} \cdot \nabla f$
8. $\operatorname{div} (\mathbf{F} \times \mathbf{G}) = \mathbf{G} \cdot \operatorname{curl} \mathbf{F} - \mathbf{F} \cdot \operatorname{curl} \mathbf{G}$
9. $\operatorname{div} \operatorname{curl} \mathbf{F} = 0$
10. $\operatorname{curl} (f\mathbf{F}) = f \operatorname{curl} \mathbf{F} + \nabla f \times \mathbf{F}$
11. $\operatorname{curl} \nabla f = \mathbf{0}$
12. $\nabla^2(fg) = f\nabla^2 g + g\nabla^2 f + 2(\nabla f \cdot \nabla g)$
13. $\operatorname{div} (\nabla f \times \nabla g) = 0$
14. $\operatorname{div} (f\nabla g - g\nabla f) = f\nabla^2 g - g\nabla^2 f$