

① chapter -

# Gradient

The gradient of scalar point function

$\phi(x, y, z)$  denoted by  $\nabla \phi$

(8)

grad  $\phi$  and defined

$$\text{by } \nabla \phi = \left( \hat{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \hat{j} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \hat{k} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right) \phi$$

$$\nabla \phi = \hat{i} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} + \hat{j} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y} + \hat{k} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial z}$$

Note!

→ The directional derivative of  $\phi$  in the direction of  $\vec{a}$  is

$$\vec{a} \cdot \nabla \phi \cdot \frac{\vec{a}}{|\vec{a}|}$$

→ The maximum directional derivative is

$$|\nabla \phi|$$

## ② Formula:-

① The normal vector to the surface  $\phi$  is  $\nabla \phi$

② If  $\vec{n}_1 = \nabla \phi$  is normal at  $P(x_1, y_1, z_1)$   
 $\vec{n}_2 = \nabla \phi$  is normal at  $P(x_2, y_2, z_2)$

then the angle b/w two normals is given by

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\vec{n}_1 \cdot \vec{n}_2}{|\vec{n}_1| |\vec{n}_2|}$$

③ The unit normal vector is  $\frac{\nabla \phi}{|\nabla \phi|}$

④ Find the unit normal vector at the point  $(1, -1, 2)$  to the surface  $x^2y + y^2xz + z^2x$

= 5

⑤:- The unit normal vector is  $\frac{\nabla \phi}{|\nabla \phi|}$

$$\text{let } \phi = x^2y + y^2z + z^2x - 5 = 0$$

$$\text{Now } \nabla \phi = \left( \hat{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \hat{j} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \hat{k} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right)$$

$$(x^2y + y^2z + z^2x - 5)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \hat{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \{x^2y + y^2z + z^2x - 5\} + \hat{j} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \{x^2y + y^2z + z^2x - 5\} \\
 &\quad + \hat{k} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \{x^2y + y^2z + z^2x - 5\} \\
 &= \hat{i} (-2xy + z^2) + \hat{j} (x^2 + 2yz) + \hat{k} (xy^2 + 2zx)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\nabla \phi = (-2xy + z^2)\hat{i} + (x^2 + 2yz)\hat{j} + (xy^2 + 2zx)\hat{k}$$

$$[\nabla \phi]_{(1, -1, 2)} = (-2 + 4)\hat{i} + (1 - 4)\hat{j} + (1 + 2)\hat{k}$$

$$= 2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}$$

$$[\nabla \phi]_{(1, -1, 2)} = 2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}$$

$$\text{Now } |\nabla \phi| = \sqrt{4 + 9 + 25}$$

$$= \sqrt{38}$$

$$\text{unit normal vector} = \frac{2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}}{\sqrt{38}}$$



find the unit normal vector at  $(2, -2, 3)$  to the surface  $x^2y + 2xz = 4$

Sol:  $\phi = x^2y + 2xz - 4 = 0$

$$\nabla \phi = \hat{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (x^2y + 2xz - 4) +$$

$$\hat{j} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (x^2y + 2xz - 4) + \hat{k} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (x^2y + 2xz - 4)$$

$$= \hat{i} (2xy + 2z) + \hat{j} (x^2) + \hat{k} (2x)$$

$$= (2xy + 2z)\hat{i} + x^2\hat{j} + 2x\hat{k}$$

Now  $[\nabla \phi]_{(2, -2, 3)} = (8 + 6)\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$

$$= 2\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$$

$\frac{2(-2)(2)}{4} = 6$

$$|\nabla \phi| = \sqrt{4 + 16 + 16} = \sqrt{36} = 6$$

unit normal vector =  $\frac{2\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}}{6}$

③ find unit <sup>directional derivative</sup> normal vector  $\phi = x^2 y z + 4 x z^2$   
at pt  $(1, -2, -1)$  in the direction  
 $2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$ .

Sol:- let  $\phi = x^2 y z + 4 x z^2$

$$\nabla \phi = \hat{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (x^2 y z + 4 x z^2) + \hat{j} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (x^2 y z + 4 x z^2) + \hat{k} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (x^2 y z + 4 x z^2)$$

$$= (2xy z + 4z^2)\hat{i} + (x^2 z)\hat{j} + (x^2 y + 8xz)\hat{k}$$

$$(\nabla \phi)_{(1, -2, -1)} = (8)\hat{i} + (-2)\hat{j} + (-10)\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{a} = 2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$$

$$|\vec{a}| = \sqrt{4 + 1 + 4} = \sqrt{9} = 3$$

Now directional derivative of  $\phi$  in the  
direction of  $\vec{a}$  is at  $(1, -2, -1)$

$$\nabla \phi \cdot \frac{\vec{a}}{|\vec{a}|}$$

$$= (8\hat{i} - \hat{j} - 10\hat{k}) \cdot (2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k})$$

$$= \frac{16 + 1 - 20}{3} = \frac{-3}{3} = -1$$



Find the maximum directional derivative of surface  $\phi = x^2 y z^3$  at the point  $(1, -1, 2)$

Sol: let  $\phi = x^2 y z^3$

$$\text{Now } \nabla \phi = \hat{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (x^2 y z^3) + \hat{j} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (x^2 y z^3) + \hat{k} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (x^2 y z^3)$$

$$= (2xy z^3) \hat{i} + (x^2 z^3) \hat{j} + (3x^2 y z^2) \hat{k}$$

$$\nabla \phi \big|_{(1, -1, 2)} = -16 \hat{i} + 8 \hat{j} + 12 \hat{k}$$

M.D.D is

$$|\nabla \phi| = \sqrt{256 + 64 + 144}$$

$$|\nabla \phi| = \sqrt{464}$$

Q. Find the directional derivative of the surface  $\phi = x^2 + y^2 + z^2$  at the point  $(1, -1, 1)$  in the direction of  $\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$ .

Sol:

$$\nabla \phi = 2x \hat{i} + 2y \hat{j} + 2z \hat{k}$$

$$(\nabla \phi) \big|_{(1, -1, 1)} = 2\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$$

$$\nabla \phi \cdot \vec{a} = (2\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}) \cdot \frac{\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}}{\sqrt{14}}$$

$$\sqrt{1+9+4}$$

$$= \frac{2+6+4}{\sqrt{14}} = \frac{12}{\sqrt{14}}$$

⑥ find the directional derivative of  $xyz^2$  at the point  $(1, 0, 3)$  in the direction of  $\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$ .

Sol: Let  $\phi = xyz^2$

$$\nabla \phi = yz^2 \hat{i} + xz^2 \hat{j} + 2xyz \hat{k}$$

$$= 9 \hat{j}$$

$$1+1+4$$

$$= 9 \hat{j} \cdot \frac{(\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k})}{\sqrt{6}}$$

$$= \frac{-9}{\sqrt{6}}$$



Angle problems:

Find the angle b/w the normals to the surface  $xy = z^2$  at  $(1, 4, 2)$  and  $(-3, -3, 3)$

Sol: Now let  $\phi = xy - z^2 = 0$ .

$$\text{Now } \nabla \phi = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(xy - z^2) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y}(xy - z^2) + \frac{\partial}{\partial z}(xy - z^2)$$

$$= y\hat{i} + x\hat{j} - 2z\hat{k}$$

$$\nabla \phi = y\hat{i} + x\hat{j} - 2z\hat{k}$$

Now the normal at point  $(1, 4, 2)$

$$(\nabla \phi)_{(1, 4, 2)} = 4\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 4\hat{k}$$

the normal at point  $(-3, -3, 3)$

$$(\nabla \phi)_{(-3, -3, 3)} = -3\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} - 6\hat{k}$$

Now the angle b/w normals is

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\nabla \phi_1 \cdot \nabla \phi_2}{|\nabla \phi_1| |\nabla \phi_2|}$$

$$= \frac{(4\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 4\hat{k}) \cdot (-3\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} - 6\hat{k})}{(\sqrt{16+1+16}) (\sqrt{9+9+36})}$$

$$= \frac{-12 - 3 + 24}{\sqrt{33} \sqrt{54}} = \frac{9}{\sqrt{33} \sqrt{54}}$$

32

36  
18  
4

24  
3



② Find the angle b/w the surface  $\phi = 3x^2y - y^3z^2$  at the point  $(1, -2, -1)$  and  $(1, 2, 0)$

Sol: Let  $\phi = 3x^2y - y^3z^2$

$$\nabla \phi = 6xy\hat{i} - 3y^2z^2\hat{j} - 2y^3z\hat{k}$$

$$= 6xy\hat{i} + (3x^2 - 3y^2z^2)\hat{j} - 2y^3z\hat{k}$$

$$\nabla \phi_{(1, -2, -1)} = -12\hat{i} - 9\hat{j} - 16\hat{k}$$

$$\nabla \phi_{(1, 2, 0)} = 12\hat{i} + 3\hat{j}$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{(\nabla \phi_1) \cdot \nabla \phi_2}{|\nabla \phi_1| |\nabla \phi_2|}$$

$$= \frac{(-12\hat{i} - 9\hat{j} - 16\hat{k}) \cdot (12\hat{i} + 3\hat{j})}{(\sqrt{144 + 81 + 256}) (\sqrt{144 + 9})}$$

$$= \frac{-144 - 27}{\sqrt{481} \sqrt{153}}$$

$$= \frac{-171}{\sqrt{481} \sqrt{153}}$$

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Find the constants  $a, b$  such that the surface  $3x^2 - 2y^2 - 3z^2 + 8 = 0$  is orthogonal to  $ax^2 + y^2 = bz$  at the point  $(-1, 2, 1)$

Sol: let  $\phi_1 = 3x^2 - 2y^2 - 3z^2 + 8 = 0$   
 $\phi_2 = ax^2 + y^2 - bz = 0$

now  $\nabla \phi_1 = \hat{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (3x^2 - 2y^2 - 3z^2 + 8)$

$+ \hat{j} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (3x^2 - 2y^2 - 3z^2 + 8) + \hat{k} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (3x^2 - 2y^2 - 3z^2 + 8)$

$\nabla \phi_1 = 6x \hat{i} - 4y \hat{j} - 6z \hat{k}$

$\nabla \phi_2 = 2ax \hat{i} + 2y \hat{j} - b \hat{k}$

now  $\nabla \phi_1$  is orthogonal to  $\nabla \phi_2$  then

at  $(-1, 2, 1)$  the  $(\nabla \phi_1)(\nabla \phi_2)$

$(\nabla \phi_1)_{(-1, 2, 1)} = -6 \hat{i} - 8 \hat{j} - 6 \hat{k}$

$(\nabla \phi_2)_{(-1, 2, 1)} = -2a \hat{i} + 4 \hat{j} - b \hat{k}$

Now  $(\nabla \phi_1)(\nabla \phi_2) = -12a - 32 + 6b$   
 $\Rightarrow 12a + 6b = 32 = 0$



$(-1, 2, 1)$  lies on  $\phi_2 = ax^2 + y^2 - bz = 0$

$$a + 4 - b = 0$$

$$\boxed{a - b = -4} \quad \text{---} \quad \textcircled{1}$$

$$\textcircled{2} \times 6 = \boxed{6a - 6b = -24}$$

solve  $\textcircled{1}$  &  $\textcircled{3}$

$$6a + 3b = 16$$

$$6a - 6b = -24$$

$$9b = 40$$

$$\boxed{b = \frac{40}{9}}$$

bin  $\textcircled{2}$

$$\cancel{6a - 6\left(\frac{40}{9}\right)}$$

$$a - \frac{40}{9} = -4$$

$$a = -4 + \frac{40}{9}$$

$$= \frac{-36 + 40}{9} = \frac{4}{9}$$

$$\boxed{a = \frac{4}{9}}$$

## Formula Involving Gradient:-

$$\text{If } \vec{r} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}, \quad r = |\vec{r}|$$

$$\text{p.T. i) } \nabla r = \frac{\vec{r}}{r}$$

$$\text{ii) } \nabla f(r) = \frac{f'(r)}{r} \vec{r}$$

$$\text{iii) } \nabla \left( \frac{1}{r} \right) = \frac{-\vec{r}}{r^3}$$

Proof:-

$$\vec{r} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}$$

$$r = |\vec{r}| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$$

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

p. diff w. r. to 'x'

$$2r \frac{\partial r}{\partial x} = 2x$$

$$\boxed{\frac{\partial r}{\partial x} = \frac{x}{r}}$$

2nd. r. to 'y'

$$2r \frac{\partial r}{\partial y} = 2y$$

$$\boxed{\frac{\partial r}{\partial y} = \frac{y}{r}}$$

$$\boxed{\frac{\partial r}{\partial z} = \frac{z}{r}}$$



$$i) \nabla r = \frac{\vec{r}}{r}$$

$$\nabla r = \left( \hat{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \hat{j} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \hat{k} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right) r$$

$$= \hat{i} \frac{\partial r}{\partial x} + \hat{j} \frac{\partial r}{\partial y} + \hat{k} \frac{\partial r}{\partial z}$$

$$= \hat{i} \frac{x}{r} + \hat{j} \frac{y}{r} + \hat{k} \frac{z}{r}$$

$$= \frac{1}{r} [\hat{i}x + \hat{j}y + \hat{k}z]$$

$$\boxed{\nabla r = \frac{\vec{r}}{r}}$$

$$ii) \text{ To prove } \nabla f(r) = \frac{f'(r)}{r} \vec{r}$$

$$\nabla f(r) = \left( \hat{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \hat{j} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \hat{k} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right) f(r)$$

$$= f'(r) \frac{\partial r}{\partial x} \hat{i} + f'(r) \frac{\partial r}{\partial y} \hat{j} + f'(r) \frac{\partial r}{\partial z} \hat{k}$$

$$= f'(r) \left[ \frac{x}{r} \hat{i} + \frac{y}{r} \hat{j} + \frac{z}{r} \hat{k} \right]$$

$$= \frac{f'(r)}{r} [\hat{i}x + \hat{j}y + \hat{k}z]$$

$$\boxed{\nabla f(r) = \frac{f'(r)}{r} \vec{r}}$$

iii) To prove  $\nabla\left(\frac{1}{r}\right) = -\frac{\vec{r}}{r^3}$

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla\left(\frac{1}{r}\right) &= \left(\hat{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \hat{j} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \hat{k} \frac{\partial}{\partial z}\right) \left(\frac{1}{r}\right) \\ &= \hat{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{1}{r}\right) + \hat{j} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{1}{r}\right) + \hat{k} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left(\frac{1}{r}\right) \\ &= \frac{-1}{r^2} \frac{\partial r}{\partial x} \hat{i} + \frac{-1}{r^2} \frac{\partial r}{\partial y} \hat{j} + \frac{-1}{r^2} \frac{\partial r}{\partial z} \hat{k} \\ &= \frac{-1}{r^3} [x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}]\end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{\nabla\left(\frac{1}{r}\right) = -\frac{1}{r^3} \vec{r}} \Rightarrow \boxed{\nabla\left(\frac{1}{r}\right) = -\frac{\vec{r}}{r^3}}$$

① P.T  $\nabla(r^n) = n \cdot r^{n-2} \vec{r}$

sol: Let  $\nabla(r^n) = \left(\hat{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \hat{j} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \hat{k} \frac{\partial}{\partial z}\right) r^n$

$$\begin{aligned}&= \hat{i} n r^{n-1} \frac{\partial r}{\partial x} + \hat{j} n r^{n-1} \frac{\partial r}{\partial y} + \hat{k} n r^{n-1} \frac{\partial r}{\partial z} \\ &= n \cdot r^{n-1} \left[ \frac{x}{r} \hat{i} + \frac{y}{r} \hat{j} + \frac{z}{r} \hat{k} \right]\end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{\nabla(r^n) = \frac{n r^{n-1}}{r} \vec{r}}$$

② P.T  $\nabla^T(\log r) = \frac{\vec{r}}{r^2}$

Proof:- L.H.S.  $\nabla(\log r)$

$$\begin{aligned}&= \left(\hat{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \hat{j} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \hat{k} \frac{\partial}{\partial z}\right) \log r \\ &= \frac{1}{r} \hat{i} \frac{\partial r}{\partial x} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial r}{\partial y} \hat{j} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial r}{\partial z} \hat{k}\end{aligned}$$



$$= \frac{1}{r} [\hat{x} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}]$$

$$\boxed{\nabla(\log r) = \frac{\vec{r}}{r}}$$

(3) P.T.  $\nabla(\vec{r} \cdot \vec{a}) = \vec{a}$

proof: L.H.S. =  $\nabla(\vec{r} \cdot \vec{a})$   
 $= \left( \hat{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \hat{j} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \hat{k} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right) (\vec{r} \cdot \vec{a})$

$$\vec{r} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{a} = a_1\hat{i} + a_2\hat{j} + a_3\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{r} \cdot \vec{a} = a_1x + a_2y + a_3z$$

Now  $\nabla(\vec{r} \cdot \vec{a}) = \hat{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} a_1x + \hat{j} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} a_2x + \hat{k} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} a_3x$   
 $= a_1\hat{i} + a_2\hat{j} + a_3\hat{k}$

$$\boxed{\nabla(\vec{r} \cdot \vec{a}) = \vec{a}}$$

(4) find  $\nabla r^{n-1} = n-1 r^{n-3} \vec{r}$

proof:  $\nabla r^{n-1} = \hat{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} r^{n-1} + \hat{j} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} r^{n-1} + \hat{k} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} r^{n-1}$   
 $= n-1 r^{n-2} \frac{\partial r}{\partial x} \hat{i} + n-1 r^{n-2} \frac{\partial r}{\partial y} \hat{j} + n-1 r^{n-2} \frac{\partial r}{\partial z} \hat{k}$   
 $= n-1 r^{n-2} \left[ \frac{\partial r}{\partial x} \hat{i} + \frac{\partial r}{\partial y} \hat{j} + \frac{\partial r}{\partial z} \hat{k} \right]$   
 $= \frac{n-1}{r} r^{n-2} [x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}]$

$$\nabla r^{n-1} = \frac{n-1}{r} r^{n-2} (\vec{r}) \Rightarrow n-1 r^{n-3} \vec{r}$$

$$\boxed{\nabla r^{n-1} = n-1 r^{n-3} \vec{r}}$$

Q) If  $\phi = x^2 y^3 z^4$  &  $\psi = xy + yz + zx$  Evaluate  $\nabla(\phi\psi)$ .

Sol:- Let  $\nabla(\phi\psi) = (\nabla\phi)\psi + \phi(\nabla\psi)$

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla\phi &= \left(\hat{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \hat{j} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \hat{k} \frac{\partial}{\partial z}\right)(x^2 y^3 z^4) \\ &= 2xy^3z^4 \hat{i} + 3x^2 y^2 z^4 \hat{j} + 4x^2 y^3 z^3 \hat{k}\end{aligned}$$

$$\nabla\psi = \left(\hat{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \hat{j} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \hat{k} \frac{\partial}{\partial z}\right)(xy + yz + zx)$$

$$\nabla\psi = (y+z)\hat{i} + (x+z)\hat{j} + (y+x)\hat{k}$$

Now  $(\nabla\phi)(\psi) + \phi(\nabla\psi) = \nabla(\phi\psi)$

$$\begin{aligned}& (2xy^3z^4 \hat{i} + 3x^2 y^2 z^4 \hat{j} + 4x^2 y^3 z^3 \hat{k})(xy + yz + zx) \\ & + x^2 y^3 z^4 \left[ (y+z)\hat{i} + (x+z)\hat{j} + (x+y)\hat{k} \right]\end{aligned}$$

Q) Show that  $(\vec{a} \cdot \nabla)\phi = \vec{a} \cdot \nabla\phi$

Sol:- Let us consider

$$\vec{a} = a_1 \hat{i} + a_2 \hat{j} + a_3 \hat{k}$$

$$\vec{a} \cdot \nabla = (a_1 \hat{i} + a_2 \hat{j} + a_3 \hat{k}) \left( \hat{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \hat{j} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \hat{k} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right)$$

$$\vec{a} \cdot \nabla = a_1 \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + a_2 \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + a_3 \frac{\partial}{\partial z}$$



$$\Rightarrow (\vec{a} \cdot \nabla) \phi = \left( a_1 \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + a_2 \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + a_3 \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right) \phi$$

$$\left[ (\vec{a} \cdot \nabla) \phi = a_1 \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} + a_2 \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y} + a_3 \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial z} \right]$$

$$(\vec{a} \cdot \nabla) \phi = 0 \Rightarrow (a_1 \hat{i} + a_2 \hat{j} + a_3 \hat{k}) \left( \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} \hat{i} + \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y} \hat{j} + \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial z} \hat{k} \right)$$

$$= \vec{a} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \hat{i} + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \hat{j} + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \hat{k} \right) \phi$$

$$\left[ (\vec{a} \cdot \nabla) \phi = \vec{a} \cdot \nabla \phi \right]$$

② S.T.  $(\vec{a} \cdot \nabla) \bar{\phi} = \vec{a}$

Proof:- Let  $\vec{a} = a_1 \hat{i} + a_2 \hat{j} + a_3 \hat{k}$

$$(\vec{a} \cdot \nabla) = a_1 \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + a_2 \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + a_3 \frac{\partial}{\partial z}$$

$$\text{Now } (\vec{a} \cdot \nabla) \bar{\phi} = \left( a_1 \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + a_2 \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + a_3 \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right)$$

$$(\bar{x} \hat{i} + \bar{y} \hat{j} + \bar{z} \hat{k})$$

$$= a_1 \frac{\partial \bar{\phi}}{\partial x} + a_2 \frac{\partial \bar{\phi}}{\partial y} + a_3 \frac{\partial \bar{\phi}}{\partial z}$$

$$\left[ (\vec{a} \cdot \nabla) \bar{\phi} = a_1 \hat{i} + a_2 \hat{j} + a_3 \hat{k} \right]$$

$$\left[ (\vec{a} \cdot \nabla) \bar{\phi} = \vec{a} \right]$$