

## Divergence of a vector

- ① The Divergence of a vector point function  $\vec{F}$  is denoted by "div  $\vec{F}$ " or  $\nabla \cdot \vec{F}$  and is defined as

$$\text{div } \vec{F} = \nabla \cdot \vec{F} = \left( \vec{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \vec{j} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \vec{k} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right) \cdot \vec{F}$$

$$\text{div } \vec{F} = \vec{i} \cdot \frac{\partial \vec{F}}{\partial x} + \vec{j} \cdot \frac{\partial \vec{F}}{\partial y} + \vec{k} \cdot \frac{\partial \vec{F}}{\partial z} = \sum_{i,j,k} \vec{i} \cdot \frac{\partial \vec{F}}{\partial x}$$

② if  $\vec{F} = F_1 \vec{i} + F_2 \vec{j} + F_3 \vec{k}$

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{F} = \left( \vec{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \vec{j} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \vec{k} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right) \cdot (F_1 \vec{i} + F_2 \vec{j} + F_3 \vec{k})$$

$$\boxed{\nabla \cdot \vec{F} = \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial F_2}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial F_3}{\partial z}}^*$$

## ③ solenoidal vector function

A vector point function  $\vec{F}$  is said to be solenoidal if  $\boxed{\text{div } \vec{F} = 0}^*$ ; for such vector, there is no loss or gain of fluid.

④  $\nabla \cdot \vec{F} \neq \vec{F} \cdot \nabla$

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problems:-

① if  $\vec{A} = x^2z\vec{i} - 2y^3z^2\vec{j} + xy^2z\vec{k}$ , find  $\nabla \cdot \vec{A}$  at the point  $(1, -1, 1)$ .

Sol<sup>n</sup>:- if  $\vec{A} = A_1\vec{i} + A_2\vec{j} + A_3\vec{k}$  then  $\nabla \cdot \vec{A} = \frac{\partial A_1}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial A_2}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial A_3}{\partial z}$ .

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{A} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(x^2z) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y}(-2y^3z^2) + \frac{\partial}{\partial z}(xy^2z)$$

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{A} = 2xz - 6y^2z^2 + xy^2$$

$$(\nabla \cdot \vec{A})_{\text{at } (1, -1, 1)} = 2(1)(1) - 6(-1)^2(1)^2 + 1(-1)^2 = 2 - 6 + 1 = -3.$$

② show that  $\vec{A} = 3y^4z^2\vec{i} + 4x^3z^2\vec{j} - 3x^2y^2\vec{k}$  is solenoidal.

Sol<sup>n</sup>:- given  $\vec{A} = 3y^4z^2\vec{i} + 4x^3z^2\vec{j} - 3x^2y^2\vec{k}$

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{A} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(3y^4z^2) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y}(4x^3z^2) + \frac{\partial}{\partial z}(-3x^2y^2)$$

$$= 0 + 0 + 0$$

$$= 0.$$

$\therefore \vec{A}$  is solenoidal.

③ Find 'a' such that  $(x+3y)\vec{i} + (y-2z)\vec{j} + (x+az)\vec{k}$  is solenoidal.

Sol<sup>n</sup>:- let  $\vec{F} = (x+3y)\vec{i} + (y-2z)\vec{j} + (x+az)\vec{k}$ ,

since  $\vec{F}$  is solenoidal,

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{F} = 0.$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x}(x+3y) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y}(y-2z) + \frac{\partial}{\partial z}(x+az) = 0.$$

$$1 + 1 + a = 0.$$

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$$a = -2$$

④ Show that  $r^n \bar{r}$  is solenoidal vector if  $n = -3$   
 (b)  $\bar{r}$

prove that  $\text{div}(r^n \bar{r}) = 0$  if  $n = -3$ .

proof let  $\bar{r} = x\bar{i} + y\bar{j} + z\bar{k}$

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

$$\text{i.e. } r^2 = x^2 + y^2 + z^2$$

p.d. it w.r.to  $\bar{i}, \bar{j}, \bar{k}$

$$\begin{array}{l} 2r \cdot \frac{\partial r}{\partial x} = 2x \quad \left| \quad 2r \cdot \frac{\partial r}{\partial y} = 2y \quad \left| \quad 2r \cdot \frac{\partial r}{\partial z} = 2z \right. \right. \\ \frac{\partial r}{\partial x} = \frac{x}{r} \quad \left| \quad \frac{\partial r}{\partial y} = \frac{y}{r} \quad \left| \quad \frac{\partial r}{\partial z} = \frac{z}{r} \right. \right. \end{array}$$

$$r^n \bar{r} = r^n (x\bar{i} + y\bar{j} + z\bar{k}) = r^n x \bar{i} + r^n y \bar{j} + r^n z \bar{k}$$

we know that  $\nabla \cdot \bar{F} = \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial F_2}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial F_3}{\partial z}$   $(F_1\bar{i} + F_2\bar{j} + F_3\bar{k})$

$$\text{div}(r^n \bar{r}) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(r^n x) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y}(r^n y) + \frac{\partial}{\partial z}(r^n z)$$

$$= \sum \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(r^n x)$$

$$= \sum \left[ n \cdot r^{n-1} \cdot \frac{\partial r}{\partial x} \cdot x + r^n \cdot 1 \right]$$

$$\sum_{x,y,z} \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(uv) = u \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}$$

$$= \sum n \cdot r^{n-1} \cdot \frac{x}{r} \cdot x + \sum r^n$$

$$= n \cdot r^{n-2} \sum x^2 + (r^n + r^n + r^n)$$



$$= n \cdot r^{n-2} (x^2 + y^2 + z^2) + 3r^n.$$

$$= n \cdot r^{n-2} \cdot r^2 + 3r^n$$

$$= n \cdot r^n + 3r^n.$$

$$\text{div}(r^n \vec{r}) = (n+3)r^n. \quad \text{--- } (*)$$

if  $n = -3$ , then.  $\text{div}(r^n \vec{r}) = 0.$

$\therefore r^n \vec{r}$  is solenoidal vector.

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i.e. if  $n = -3$  in  $(*)$

$$\text{div}(\vec{r}^{-3} \vec{r}) = (-3+3)r^n = 0.$$

$$\text{div}\left(\frac{\vec{r}}{r^3}\right) = 0.$$

$\therefore \frac{\vec{r}}{r^3}$  is solenoidal. always.

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(5) if  $\vec{A} = (ax^2y + yz)\vec{i} + (xy^2 - xz^2)\vec{j} + (2xyz - x^2y^2)\vec{k}$  is solenoidal, find constant  $a$ .

(6) prove that  $\text{div } \vec{r} = 3.$

(7) Find  $b$  such that  $\vec{A} = (bx + 4y^2z)\vec{i} + (x^3 \sin z - 3y)\vec{j} - (e^x + 4\cos x^2y)\vec{k}$  is solenoidal.

## "curl" of vector point function.

- ① The curl of a vector point function  $\vec{F}$  is ~~defined~~ denoted by  $\text{curl } \vec{F}$  or  $\nabla \times \vec{F}$  and is defined as

$$\text{curl } \vec{F} = \nabla \times \vec{F} = \left( \vec{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \vec{j} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \vec{k} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right) \times (F_1 \vec{i} + F_2 \vec{j} + F_3 \vec{k}).$$

$$\text{curl } \vec{F} = \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ F_1 & F_2 & F_3 \end{vmatrix}.$$

(or)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{curl } \vec{F} = \nabla \times \vec{F} &= \left( \vec{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \vec{j} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \vec{k} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right) \times \vec{F} \\ &= \vec{i} \times \frac{\partial \vec{F}}{\partial x} + \vec{j} \times \frac{\partial \vec{F}}{\partial y} + \vec{k} \times \frac{\partial \vec{F}}{\partial z} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{curl } \vec{F} = \sum \vec{i} \times \frac{\partial \vec{F}}{\partial x}.$$

- ② Irrrotational vector function (Conservative field)

A vector point function  $\vec{F}$  is said to be irrotational.

if  $\text{curl } \vec{F} = 0$ .

- ③ if  $\vec{F}$  is irrotational vector  $\Leftrightarrow$  then there exist a scalar function  $\phi$  such that  $\boxed{\vec{F} = \nabla \phi}$ .

- ④  $\text{curl}(\nabla \phi) = 0$ . i.e.  $\text{curl}(\text{grad } \phi) = 0$ .  $\forall \phi$  - scalar f<sup>n</sup>.

problems:-

① Find curl of the vector  $\vec{F} = xyz\vec{i} + 3xy\vec{j} + (xz^2 - y^2z)\vec{k}$  at the point  $(1, -1, 1)$ .

soln:- given,  $\vec{F} = xyz\vec{i} + 3xy\vec{j} + (xz^2 - y^2z)\vec{k}$

$$\text{curl } \vec{F} = \nabla \times \vec{F} = \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ xyz & 3xy & xz^2 - y^2z \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\text{curl } \vec{F} = \vec{i} \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (xz^2 - y^2z) - \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (3xy) \right] - \vec{j} \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (xz^2 - y^2z) - \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (xyz) \right] + \vec{k} \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (3xy) - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (xyz) \right]$$

$$\text{curl } \vec{F} = \vec{i} (-2yz - 0) - \vec{j} [z^2 - xy] + \vec{k} [6xy - xz]$$

$$(\text{curl } \vec{F})_{\text{at } (1, -1, 1)} = \vec{i} [-2(1)(1)] - \vec{j} [1^2 - (1)(-1)] + \vec{k} [6(1)(-1) - (1)(1)]$$

$$\text{curl } \vec{F} = -2\vec{i} - \vec{j} - 7\vec{k}$$

② Find the values of  $a, b, c$  so that  $\vec{F} = (x+y+az)\vec{i} + (bx+2y-z)\vec{j} + (-x+cy+2z)\vec{k}$  is irrotational.

soln:- given  $\vec{F} = (x+y+az)\vec{i} + (bx+2y-z)\vec{j} + (-x+cy+2z)\vec{k}$  is irrotational.

$$\text{curl } \vec{F} = \vec{0}$$

$$\text{curl } \vec{F} = \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ (x+y+az) & (bx+2y-z) & (-x+cy+2z) \end{vmatrix} = \vec{0} = 0\vec{i} + 0\vec{j} + 0\vec{k}$$



③ Prove that  $\vec{F} = (6xy + z^3)\vec{i} + (3xz^2 - y)\vec{j} + (3xz^2 - y)\vec{k}$  is irrotational vector and find the scalar potential such that  $\vec{F} = \nabla\phi$ .

Soln: given  $\vec{F} = (6xy + z^3)\vec{i} + (3xz^2 - y)\vec{j} + (3xz^2 - y)\vec{k}$ .

$$\nabla \times \vec{F} = \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ 6xy + z^3 & 3xz^2 - y & 3xz^2 - y \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\nabla \times \vec{F} = \vec{i} \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial y}(3xz^2 - y) - \frac{\partial}{\partial z}(3xz^2 - y) \right] - \vec{j} \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(3xz^2 - y) - \frac{\partial}{\partial z}(6xy + z^3) \right] + \vec{k} \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(6xy + z^3) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y}(3xz^2 - y) \right]$$

$$\nabla \times \vec{F} = \vec{i} [(-1) - (-1)] - \vec{j} [3z^2 - 3z^2] + \vec{k} [-6x + 6x]$$

$$\nabla \times \vec{F} = 0 \quad \therefore \vec{F} \text{ is irrotational vector.}$$

given  $\vec{F} = \nabla\phi$

$$(6xy + z^3)\vec{i} + (3xz^2 - y)\vec{j} + (3xz^2 - y)\vec{k} = \vec{i} \frac{\partial\phi}{\partial x} + \vec{j} \frac{\partial\phi}{\partial y} + \vec{k} \frac{\partial\phi}{\partial z}$$

Equating coefficients of  $\vec{i}, \vec{j}, \vec{k}$

$$\frac{\partial\phi}{\partial x} = 6xy + z^3 \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$\frac{\partial\phi}{\partial y} = 3xz^2 - y \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

$$\frac{\partial\phi}{\partial z} = 3xz^2 - y \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

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integrate ① w.r to 'x'

$$\phi = 6y \cdot \frac{x^2}{2} + 2z^3x + C_1$$

$$\phi = 3yx^2 + xz^3 + C_1 \quad \text{--- (4)}$$

integrate ② w.r to 'y'

$$\phi = 3xz^3y - yz + C_2 \quad \text{--- (5)}$$

integrate ③ w.r to 'z'

$$\phi = 3xz^3 - yz + C_3$$

$$\phi = xz^3 - yz + C_3 \quad \text{--- (6)}$$

∴ From (4), (5), (6), required scalar potential function.

$$\boxed{\phi = 3xy + xz^3 - yz + C}$$

④ prove that  $x^n \vec{r}$  is an irrotational vector.

prove that  $\text{curl}(x^n \vec{r}) = 0$ .

Soln:-  $\vec{F} = x^n \vec{r} = x^n (x\vec{i} + y\vec{j} + z\vec{k})$

$$\vec{F} = x^n x \vec{i} + x^n y \vec{j} + x^n z \vec{k}$$

$$\nabla \times \vec{F} = \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ x^n x & x^n y & x^n z \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\nabla \times \vec{F} = \vec{i} \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (x^n z) - \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (x^n y) \right] - \vec{j} \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (x^n z) - \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (x^n x) \right] + \vec{k} \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (x^n y) - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (x^n x) \right]$$



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$$\begin{aligned}\nabla \times \vec{F} &= \sum \vec{i} \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial y}(x^n z) - \frac{\partial}{\partial z}(x^n y) \right] \\ &= \sum \vec{i} \left[ z n \cdot x^{n-1} \frac{\partial x}{\partial y} - y n \cdot x^{n-1} \frac{\partial x}{\partial z} \right] \\ &= \sum \vec{i} \left[ z n \cdot x^{n-1} \frac{y}{x} - y n \cdot x^{n-1} \frac{z}{x} \right] \\ &= \sum \vec{i} \left[ y z n \cdot x^{n-2} - y z n \cdot x^{n-2} \right]\end{aligned}$$

$x \rightarrow y \rightarrow z$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial x}{\partial y} &= \frac{y}{x} \\ \frac{\partial x}{\partial z} &= \frac{z}{x}\end{aligned}$$

$$\nabla \times \vec{F} = 0$$

$\therefore \vec{F} = x^n \vec{r}$  is irrotational vector //

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- ⑤ If  $\vec{F} = xz^3 \vec{i} + 2xy \vec{j} + xz \vec{k}$ , find  $\text{div} \vec{F}$  &  $\text{curl} \vec{F}$  at  $(1, 2, 0)$ .
- ⑥ Find  $\text{div} \vec{F}$  &  $\text{curl} \vec{F}$  where  $\vec{F} = \text{grad}(x^3 + y^3 + z^3 - 3xyz)$
- ⑦ Show that  $\vec{F} = (x^2 - y^2 - x) \vec{i} - (2xy + y) \vec{j}$  is irrotational & find its scalar potential.
- ⑧ Find  $a, b$  such that  $(2xy + 3yz) \vec{i} + (x^2 + axz - 4z^2) \vec{j} + (3xy + 2byz) \vec{k}$  is irrotational vector. (or) conservative field.

Laplacian operator,  $(\nabla^2) = \nabla \cdot \nabla$ .

$\nabla^2 = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2}$  is called 'Laplacian operator'

$$\nabla^2 \phi = \nabla \cdot \nabla \phi = \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial z^2}$$

$$\nabla^2 \phi = \nabla \cdot \nabla \phi = \text{div}(\nabla \phi) = \text{div}(\text{grad } \phi).$$

\* if  $\nabla^2 \phi = 0$  then  $\phi$  is called 'harmonic function'.  
it is called 'Laplacian Equation'.

Theorem, if  $r = x\bar{i} + y\bar{j} + z\bar{k}$ , prove that  $\text{div}(\text{grad } r^n) = n(n+1)r^{n-2}$

Proof, Let  $r = x\bar{i} + y\bar{j} + z\bar{k}$ ,  $r = |r| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$   
 $r^2 = x^2 + y^2 + z^2$   
P.d.w.  $r$  to  $\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z}$

$$\begin{array}{c|c|c} 2r \cdot \frac{\partial r}{\partial x} = 2x & 2r \cdot \frac{\partial r}{\partial y} = 2y & 2r \cdot \frac{\partial r}{\partial z} = 2z \\ \hline \frac{\partial r}{\partial x} = \frac{x}{r} & \frac{\partial r}{\partial y} = \frac{y}{r} & \frac{\partial r}{\partial z} = \frac{z}{r} \end{array}$$

w.k. that  $\nabla \phi = \bar{i} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} + \bar{j} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y} + \bar{k} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial z} = \text{grad } \phi = \sum \bar{i} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x}$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{grad}(r^n) &= \sum \bar{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (r^n) \\ &= \sum \bar{i} n r^{n-1} \frac{\partial r}{\partial x} \end{aligned}$$

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if  $F = f_1 \bar{i} + f_2 \bar{j} + f_3 \bar{k}$   
 $\text{div } F = \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial f_3}{\partial z}$

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$$= \sum \vec{i} n \cdot r^{n-1} \frac{r}{r}$$

$$= n \cdot r^{n-2} \sum x \vec{i}$$

$$= n \cdot r^{n-2} (x\vec{i} + y\vec{j} + z\vec{k})$$

$$\text{grad } r^n = n \cdot \left[ r^{n-2} \frac{x}{r} \vec{i} + r^{n-2} \frac{y}{r} \vec{j} + r^{n-2} \frac{z}{r} \vec{k} \right]$$

$$\text{div}(\text{grad } r^n) = n \cdot \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( r^{n-2} \frac{x}{r} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( r^{n-2} \frac{y}{r} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left( r^{n-2} \frac{z}{r} \right) \right]$$

compare  $\vec{i} + \vec{j} + \vec{k}$

$$= n \cdot \sum \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( r^{n-2} \frac{x}{r} \right)$$

$$= n \cdot \left[ 1 \cdot r^{n-2} + x \cdot (n-2) \cdot r^{n-3} \cdot \frac{\partial r}{\partial x} \right]$$

$$= n \cdot \left[ \sum r^{n-2} + \sum x(n-2) \cdot r^{n-3} \cdot \frac{x}{r} \right]$$

$$= n \cdot \left[ (r^{n-2} + r^{n-2} + r^{n-2}) + (n-2) \cdot r^{n-4} \sum x^2 \right]$$

$$= n \cdot \left[ 3 \cdot r^{n-2} + (n-2) \cdot r^{n-4} \cdot r^2 \right]$$

$$= n \cdot \left[ 3 \cdot r^{n-2} + (n-2) \cdot r^{n-2} \right]$$

$$= n \cdot r^{n-2} [3 + n - 2]$$

$$\left[ \begin{aligned} \because \sum x^2 &= \\ x^2 + y^2 + z^2 &= \\ &= r^2 \end{aligned} \right]$$

$$\text{div}(\text{grad } r^n) = n(n+1) r^{n-2}$$



\* Prove that  $\nabla^2 f(r) = \text{div}(\text{grad } f(r)) = f''(r) + \frac{2}{r} f'(r)$ .

$$\nabla^2 f(r) = \frac{d^2 f}{dr^2} + \frac{2}{r} \cdot \frac{df}{dr} \quad \text{where } \vec{r} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}$$

proof: w. that  $\vec{r} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}$ ,  $r = |\vec{r}| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$ .

$$\boxed{r^2 = x^2 + y^2 + z^2}, \quad \frac{\partial r}{\partial x} = \frac{x}{r}, \quad \frac{\partial r}{\partial y} = \frac{y}{r}, \quad \frac{\partial r}{\partial z} = \frac{z}{r}.$$

$$\nabla^2 f(r) = \nabla \cdot \nabla [f(r)] = \text{div} [\text{grad } f(r)].$$

$$\text{grad } [f(r)] = \sum \hat{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} [f(r)]$$

$$= \sum \hat{i} f'(r) \cdot \frac{\partial r}{\partial x}$$

$$= f'(r) \sum \hat{i} \frac{x}{r}$$

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

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

$$\text{div} [\text{grad } f(r)] = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left[ \frac{x f'(r)}{r} \right] + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left[ \frac{y f'(r)}{r} \right] + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left[ \frac{z f'(r)}{r} \right]$$

$$= \sum_{x,y,z} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left[ \frac{x f'(r)}{r} \right]$$

$$\boxed{\frac{d}{dx} \left( \frac{u}{v} \right) = \frac{u'v - uv'}{v^2}}$$

$$= \sum \frac{\frac{\partial}{\partial x} [x f'(r)] \cdot r - x f'(r) \cdot \frac{\partial r}{\partial x}}{r^2}$$

$$= \sum \frac{1}{r^2} [r (f'(r) + x f''(r) \cdot \frac{\partial r}{\partial x}) - x f'(r) \cdot \frac{x}{r}]$$

$$= \sum \frac{1}{r} \left[ f'(r) + r \cdot f''(r) \cdot \frac{r}{r} \right] - \sum \frac{r^2}{r^3} f'(r)$$

$$= \sum \frac{1}{r} f'(r) + \sum \frac{r^2}{r^2} f''(r) - \sum \frac{r^2}{r^3} f'(r)$$

$$= \frac{3}{r} f'(r) + \frac{f''(r)}{r^2} \leq r^2 - \frac{f'(r)}{r^3} \leq r^2$$

$$= \frac{3}{r} f'(r) + \frac{f''(r)}{r^2} \cdot r^2 - \frac{f'(r)}{r^3} (r^2)$$

$$= f''(r) + \frac{3}{r} f'(r) - \frac{1}{r} f'(r)$$

$$\boxed{\text{div} [\text{grad} f(r)] = f''(r) + \frac{2}{r} f'(r)} \quad \begin{matrix} * \\ * \end{matrix}$$

\* Prove that  $\nabla \left[ \nabla \cdot \frac{\vec{r}}{r} \right] = -\frac{2}{r^3} \vec{r}$

$$\begin{cases} \nabla \cdot \vec{F} = \text{div } \vec{F} \\ \nabla \phi = \text{grad } \phi \end{cases}$$

proof:-  $\frac{\vec{r}}{r} = \frac{x\vec{i} + y\vec{j} + z\vec{k}}{r} = \frac{x}{r} \vec{i} + \frac{y}{r} \vec{j} + \frac{z}{r} \vec{k}$

$$\nabla \cdot \frac{\vec{r}}{r} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( \frac{x}{r} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( \frac{y}{r} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left( \frac{z}{r} \right)$$

$$= \sum \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( \frac{x}{r} \right)$$

$$= \sum \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( \underbrace{x}_u \cdot \underbrace{\frac{1}{r}}_v \right)$$

$$= \sum \left[ u \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( \frac{1}{r} \right) + \frac{1}{r} \cdot \frac{\partial x}{\partial x} \right]$$

$$= \sum \frac{1}{r} \cdot - \sum \left( \frac{x}{r^2} \cdot \frac{r}{r} \right)$$

$$= \left( \frac{1}{r} + \frac{1}{r} + \frac{1}{r} \right) - \frac{1}{r^3} \cdot \sum x^2$$

$$\left[ \because \sum x^2 = r^2 \right]$$

$$\nabla \cdot \frac{\vec{r}}{r} = \frac{3}{r} - \frac{r^2}{r^3} = \frac{3}{r} - \frac{1}{r} = \frac{2}{r}.$$

$$\nabla \cdot \frac{\vec{r}}{r} = \frac{2}{r}.$$

$$\left( \nabla \cdot \frac{\vec{r}}{r} \right) = \nabla \left( \frac{2}{r} \right) = \sum \vec{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( \frac{2}{r} \right).$$

$$\nabla \phi = \sum \vec{i} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x}$$

$$= \sum \vec{i} - \frac{2}{r^2} \cdot \frac{\partial r}{\partial x}$$

$$= -\frac{2}{r^2} \cdot \sum \vec{i} \cdot \frac{x}{r}$$

$$= -\frac{2}{r^3} \sum x \vec{i}$$

$$= -\frac{2}{r^3} (x\vec{i} + y\vec{j} + z\vec{k})$$

$$\nabla \left( \nabla \cdot \frac{\vec{r}}{r} \right) = -\frac{2}{r^3} \vec{r}$$



## Important formulae

$$(1) \nabla = \sum \vec{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x}$$

$$(2) \nabla \phi = \sum \vec{i} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} = \text{grad } \phi$$

$$(3) \nabla \cdot \vec{f} = \sum \vec{i} \cdot \frac{\partial \vec{f}}{\partial x} = \text{div } \vec{f}$$

$$(4) \nabla \times \vec{f} = \sum \vec{i} \times \frac{\partial \vec{f}}{\partial x} = \text{curl } \vec{f}$$

$$(5) \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = \vec{b} \cdot \vec{a}$$

$$(6) \vec{a} \times \vec{b} = -(\vec{b} \times \vec{a})$$

$$(7) \vec{a} \times (\vec{b} \times \vec{c}) = (\vec{a} \cdot \vec{c}) \vec{b} - (\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}) \vec{c}$$

$$(8) \vec{a} \cdot (\vec{b} \times \vec{c}) = (\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) \cdot \vec{c}$$

$$(9) \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}) = \frac{\partial \vec{a}}{\partial x} \cdot \vec{b} + \vec{a} \cdot \frac{\partial \vec{b}}{\partial x}$$

$$(10) \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) = \frac{\partial \vec{a}}{\partial x} \times \vec{b} + \vec{a} \times \frac{\partial \vec{b}}{\partial x}$$

## Theorems

$$(1) \text{ Prove that } \text{div}(\phi \vec{a}) = (\text{grad } \phi) \cdot \vec{a} + \phi (\nabla \cdot \vec{a}) \quad (11)$$

$$\nabla \cdot (\phi \vec{a}) = (\nabla \phi) \cdot \vec{a} + \phi (\nabla \cdot \vec{a})$$

Proof

$$\text{div}(\phi \vec{a}) = \nabla \cdot (\phi \vec{a}) = \sum \vec{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (\phi \vec{a}) = \sum \vec{i} \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (\phi \vec{a})$$

$$\text{div}(\phi \vec{a}) = \sum \vec{i} \cdot \left( \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} \vec{a} + \phi \frac{\partial \vec{a}}{\partial x} \right)$$

$$= \sum \vec{i} \cdot \left( \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} \vec{a} \right) + \sum \vec{i} \cdot \left( \phi \frac{\partial \vec{a}}{\partial x} \right)$$

$$= \sum \vec{i} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} \cdot \vec{a} + \phi \sum \vec{i} \cdot \frac{\partial \vec{a}}{\partial x}$$

$$= \nabla \phi \cdot \vec{a} + \phi (\nabla \cdot \vec{a})$$

$$\text{div}(\phi \vec{a}) = \text{grad } \phi \cdot \vec{a} + \phi \text{div } \vec{a}$$

② prove that  $\text{curl}(\phi \vec{a}) = (\text{grad } \phi) \times \vec{a} + \phi \text{curl } \vec{a}$   
 $\nabla \times (\phi \vec{a}) = (\nabla \phi) \times \vec{a} + \phi (\nabla \times \vec{a})$ .

proof,  $\text{curl}(\phi \vec{a}) = \nabla \times (\phi \vec{a}) = \sum \vec{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \times (\phi \vec{a}) = \sum \vec{i} \times \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (\phi \vec{a})$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{curl}(\phi \vec{a}) &= \sum \vec{i} \times \left( \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} \vec{a} + \phi \frac{\partial \vec{a}}{\partial x} \right) \\ &= \sum \vec{i} \times \left( \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} \vec{a} \right) + \sum \vec{i} \times \left( \phi \frac{\partial \vec{a}}{\partial x} \right) \\ &= \sum \vec{i} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} \times \vec{a} + \phi \sum \vec{i} \times \frac{\partial \vec{a}}{\partial x} \\ &= \nabla \phi \times \vec{a} + \phi (\nabla \times \vec{a}) \end{aligned}$$

$\text{curl}(\phi \vec{a}) = (\text{grad } \phi) \times \vec{a} + \phi \text{curl } \vec{a}$

③ prove that  $\text{grad}(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}) = (\vec{b} \cdot \nabla) \vec{a} + (\vec{a} \cdot \nabla) \vec{b} + \vec{b} \times \text{curl } \vec{a} + \vec{a} \times \text{curl } \vec{b}$

proof, consider,  $\vec{a} \times \text{curl } \vec{b} = \vec{a} \times (\nabla \times \vec{b})$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \vec{a} \times \left( \sum \vec{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \times \vec{b} \right) \\ &= \vec{a} \times \sum \vec{i} \times \frac{\partial \vec{b}}{\partial x} \\ &= \sum \vec{a} \times \left( \vec{i} \times \frac{\partial \vec{b}}{\partial x} \right) \\ &= \sum \left\{ (\vec{a} \cdot \frac{\partial \vec{b}}{\partial x}) \vec{i} - (\vec{a} \cdot \vec{i}) \frac{\partial \vec{b}}{\partial x} \right\} \quad [\because \vec{a} \times \vec{b} = (\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}) \vec{i} - (\vec{a} \cdot \vec{i}) \vec{b}] \\ &= \sum \vec{i} \left( \vec{a} \cdot \frac{\partial \vec{b}}{\partial x} \right) - \sum (\vec{a} \cdot \vec{i}) \frac{\partial \vec{b}}{\partial x} \\ &= \sum \vec{i} \left( \vec{a} \cdot \frac{\partial \vec{b}}{\partial x} \right) - \left( \vec{a} \cdot \sum \vec{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \right) \vec{b} \\ \vec{a} \times \text{curl } \vec{b} &= \sum \vec{i} \left( \vec{a} \cdot \frac{\partial \vec{b}}{\partial x} \right) - (\vec{a} \cdot \nabla) \vec{b} \quad \text{--- (1)} \end{aligned}$$



$$\vec{b} \times \text{curl } \vec{a} = \sum \vec{i} \left( \vec{b} \cdot \frac{\partial \vec{a}}{\partial x_i} \right) - (\vec{b} \cdot \nabla) \vec{a} \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

(1) + (2)

$$\vec{a} \times \text{curl } \vec{b} + \vec{b} \times \text{curl } \vec{a} = \sum \vec{i} \left( \vec{a} \cdot \frac{\partial \vec{b}}{\partial x_i} \right) + \sum \vec{i} \left( \vec{b} \cdot \frac{\partial \vec{a}}{\partial x_i} \right) - (\vec{a} \cdot \nabla) \vec{b} - (\vec{b} \cdot \nabla) \vec{a}$$

$$\vec{a} \times \text{curl } \vec{b} + \vec{b} \times \text{curl } \vec{a} + (\vec{a} \cdot \nabla) \vec{b} + (\vec{b} \cdot \nabla) \vec{a} = \sum \vec{i} \left( \vec{a} \cdot \frac{\partial \vec{b}}{\partial x_i} + \vec{b} \cdot \frac{\partial \vec{a}}{\partial x_i} \right)$$

$$= \sum \vec{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} (\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b})$$

$$= \text{grad}(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b})$$

④ Prove that  $\text{div}(\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) = \vec{b} \cdot \text{curl } \vec{a} - \vec{a} \cdot \text{curl } \vec{b}$

Proof,

$$\text{div}(\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) = \nabla \cdot (\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) = \sum \vec{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} (\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) = \sum \vec{i} \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} (\vec{a} \times \vec{b})$$

$$\text{div}(\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) = \sum \vec{i} \cdot \left( \frac{\partial \vec{a}}{\partial x_i} \times \vec{b} + \vec{a} \times \frac{\partial \vec{b}}{\partial x_i} \right)$$

$$= \sum \vec{i} \cdot \left( \frac{\partial \vec{a}}{\partial x_i} \times \vec{b} \right) + \sum \vec{i} \cdot \left( \vec{a} \times \frac{\partial \vec{b}}{\partial x_i} \right)$$

$$= \sum \left( \vec{i} \times \frac{\partial \vec{a}}{\partial x_i} \right) \cdot \vec{b} + \sum \vec{i} \cdot \left( \frac{\partial \vec{b}}{\partial x_i} \times \vec{a} \right)$$

$$[\vec{i} \cdot \vec{a}]$$

$$[\vec{i} \cdot \vec{b}]$$

$$= \left( \sum \vec{i} \times \frac{\partial \vec{a}}{\partial x_i} \right) \cdot \vec{b} - \left( \sum \vec{i} \times \frac{\partial \vec{b}}{\partial x_i} \right) \cdot \vec{a}$$

$$[\vec{i} \cdot \vec{a}]$$

$$\text{div}(\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) = \vec{b} \cdot \text{curl } \vec{a} - \vec{a} \cdot \text{curl } \vec{b}$$



⑤ prove that  $\nabla \times (\nabla \times \vec{a}) = \nabla(\nabla \cdot \vec{a}) - \nabla^2 \vec{a}$

proof:-  $\nabla \times (\nabla \times \vec{a}) = \sum \hat{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (\nabla \times \vec{a}) = \sum \hat{i} \times \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (\nabla \times \vec{a})$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{now, } \hat{i} \times \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (\nabla \times \vec{a}) &= \hat{i} \times \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( \hat{i} x \frac{\partial \vec{a}}{\partial x} + \hat{j} x \frac{\partial \vec{a}}{\partial y} + \hat{k} x \frac{\partial \vec{a}}{\partial z} \right) \\ &= \hat{i} x \left( \hat{i} x \frac{\partial^2 \vec{a}}{\partial x^2} + \hat{j} x \frac{\partial^2 \vec{a}}{\partial x \partial y} + \hat{k} x \frac{\partial^2 \vec{a}}{\partial x \partial z} \right) \\ &= \hat{i} x \left( \hat{i} x \frac{\partial^2 \vec{a}}{\partial x^2} \right) + \hat{i} x \left( \hat{j} x \frac{\partial^2 \vec{a}}{\partial x \partial y} \right) + \hat{i} x \left( \hat{k} x \frac{\partial^2 \vec{a}}{\partial x \partial z} \right) \\ &= \left( \hat{i} \cdot \frac{\partial^2 \vec{a}}{\partial x^2} \right) \hat{i} - \frac{\partial^2 \vec{a}}{\partial x^2} + \left( \hat{i} \cdot \frac{\partial^2 \vec{a}}{\partial x \partial y} \right) \hat{j} - 0 + \left( \hat{i} \cdot \frac{\partial^2 \vec{a}}{\partial x \partial z} \right) \hat{k} - 0 \end{aligned}$$

[ $\because \hat{i} \cdot \hat{i} = 1, \hat{i} \cdot \hat{j} = \hat{i} \cdot \hat{k} = 0$ ]

$$= \hat{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( \hat{i} \cdot \frac{\partial \vec{a}}{\partial x} \right) + \hat{j} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( \hat{i} \cdot \frac{\partial \vec{a}}{\partial x} \right) + \hat{k} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left( \hat{i} \cdot \frac{\partial \vec{a}}{\partial x} \right) - \frac{\partial^2 \vec{a}}{\partial x^2}$$

$$= \nabla \left( \hat{i} \cdot \frac{\partial \vec{a}}{\partial x} \right) - \frac{\partial^2 \vec{a}}{\partial x^2} \quad [\because \textcircled{2} = \text{grad} \phi]$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum \hat{i} x \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (\nabla \times \vec{a}) &= \nabla \left( \sum \hat{i} \cdot \frac{\partial \vec{a}}{\partial x} \right) - \sum \frac{\partial^2 \vec{a}}{\partial x^2} = \nabla(\nabla \cdot \vec{a}) - \left( \frac{\partial^2 \vec{a}}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \vec{a}}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \vec{a}}{\partial z^2} \right) \\ &= \nabla(\nabla \cdot \vec{a}) - \nabla^2 \vec{a} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \boxed{\nabla \times (\nabla \times \vec{a}) = \nabla(\nabla \cdot \vec{a}) - \nabla^2 \vec{a}}$$

Laplacian operator:-  $(\nabla^2)$

$$\nabla^2 = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2}$$

$$\phi, \quad \nabla^2 \phi = \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial z^2}$$

$$\nabla \phi = \nabla \cdot \nabla \phi$$

$$\nabla^2 \phi = \nabla \cdot (\text{grad} \phi)$$

$$\nabla^2 \phi = \text{div}(\text{grad} \phi)$$

⑥ prove that  $\boxed{\text{div curl } \vec{F} = 0}$

Proof Let  $\vec{F} = f_1 \vec{i} + f_2 \vec{j} + f_3 \vec{k}$

$$\text{curl } \vec{F} = \nabla \times \vec{F} = \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ f_1 & f_2 & f_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\text{curl } \vec{F} = \vec{i} \left( \frac{\partial f_3}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial z} \right) - \vec{j} \left( \frac{\partial f_3}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial z} \right) + \vec{k} \left( \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial y} \right)$$

$$\text{div}(\text{curl } \vec{F}) = \nabla \cdot (\text{curl } \vec{F}) = \left( \vec{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \vec{j} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \vec{k} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right) \cdot (\text{curl } \vec{F})$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{div}(\text{curl } \vec{F}) &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( \frac{\partial f_3}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial z} \right) - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( \frac{\partial f_3}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial z} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left( \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial y} \right) \\ &= \cancel{\frac{\partial^2 f_3}{\partial x \partial y}} - \cancel{\frac{\partial^2 f_2}{\partial x \partial z}} - \cancel{\frac{\partial^2 f_3}{\partial y \partial x}} + \cancel{\frac{\partial^2 f_1}{\partial y \partial z}} + \cancel{\frac{\partial^2 f_2}{\partial z \partial x}} - \cancel{\frac{\partial^2 f_1}{\partial z \partial y}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{div}(\text{curl } \vec{F}) = 0 \quad \text{//}$$

⑦ prove that  $\boxed{\text{curl}(\text{grad } \phi) = 0}$

Proof we know that  $\nabla \phi = \vec{i} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} + \vec{j} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y} + \vec{k} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial z}$

$$\text{curl}(\nabla \phi) = \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial z} \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \vec{i} \left[ \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial y \partial z} - \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial z \partial y} \right] - \vec{j} \left[ \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x \partial z} - \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial z \partial x} \right] + \vec{k} \left[ \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x \partial y} - \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial y \partial x} \right] = 0$$

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Theorem

⑧ Prove that

$$\text{curl}(\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) = \vec{a} \text{div} \vec{b} - \vec{b} \text{div} \vec{a} + (\vec{b} \cdot \nabla) \vec{a} - (\vec{a} \cdot \nabla) \vec{b}$$

$$\nabla \times (\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) = \vec{a} (\nabla \cdot \vec{b}) - \vec{b} (\nabla \cdot \vec{a}) + (\vec{b} \cdot \nabla) \vec{a} - (\vec{a} \cdot \nabla) \vec{b}$$

proof

$$\begin{aligned} \text{curl}(\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) &= \sum i \times \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) = \sum i \times \left( \frac{\partial \vec{a}}{\partial x} \times \vec{b} + \vec{a} \times \frac{\partial \vec{b}}{\partial x} \right) \\ &= \sum i \times \left( \frac{\partial \vec{a}}{\partial x} \times \vec{b} \right) + \sum i \times \left( \vec{a} \times \frac{\partial \vec{b}}{\partial x} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{curl}(\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) &= \sum \left\{ (\vec{i} \cdot \vec{b}) \frac{\partial \vec{a}}{\partial x} - (\vec{i} \cdot \frac{\partial \vec{a}}{\partial x}) \vec{b} \right\} + \sum \left\{ (\vec{i} \cdot \frac{\partial \vec{b}}{\partial x}) \vec{a} - (\vec{i} \cdot \vec{a}) \frac{\partial \vec{b}}{\partial x} \right\} \\ &= \sum (\vec{b} \cdot \vec{i}) \frac{\partial \vec{a}}{\partial x} - \sum (\vec{i} \cdot \frac{\partial \vec{a}}{\partial x}) \vec{b} + \sum (\vec{i} \cdot \frac{\partial \vec{b}}{\partial x}) \vec{a} - \sum (\vec{a} \cdot \vec{i}) \frac{\partial \vec{b}}{\partial x} \end{aligned}$$

$$\vec{i} \cdot \vec{a} = \frac{\vec{b} \cdot \vec{a}}{\vec{b} \cdot \vec{a}}$$

$$= (\vec{b} \cdot \sum i \frac{\partial}{\partial x}) \vec{a} - (\nabla \cdot \vec{a}) \vec{b} + (\nabla \cdot \vec{b}) \vec{a} - (\vec{a} \cdot \sum i \frac{\partial}{\partial x}) \vec{b}$$

$$= (\vec{b} \cdot \nabla) \vec{a} - \vec{b} \text{div} \vec{a} + \vec{a} \text{div} \vec{b} - (\vec{a} \cdot \nabla) \vec{b}$$

① Prove that  $\nabla[f(r)] = \frac{f'(r)}{r} \vec{r}$  where  $\vec{r} = x\vec{i} + y\vec{j} + z\vec{k}$

proof Let  $\vec{r} = x\vec{i} + y\vec{j} + z\vec{k}$ ,  $r = |\vec{r}| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$

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

P.d. it w.r to  $\vec{r}$ ,  $\vec{i}$ ,  $\vec{j}$ ,  $\vec{k}$

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

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

$$2r \frac{\partial r}{\partial z} = 2z \Rightarrow \frac{\partial r}{\partial z} = \frac{z}{r}$$



$$\begin{aligned}\nabla[f(r)] &= \sum i \frac{\partial}{\partial x} [f(r)] = \sum i f'(r) \cdot \frac{\partial r}{\partial x} \\ &= \sum i f'(r) \cdot \frac{x}{r} \\ &= \frac{f'(r)}{r} \sum x i \\ &= \frac{f'(r)}{r} (xi + yj + zk)\end{aligned}$$

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

2) Prove that  $\boxed{\nabla(r^n) = n r^{n-2} \vec{r}}$

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla(r^n) &= \sum i \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (r^n) = \sum i n \cdot r^{n-1} \cdot \frac{\partial r}{\partial x} \\ &= n \cdot r^{n-1} \sum i \frac{x}{r} \\ &= n \cdot r^{n-2} \sum x i \\ &= n r^{n-2} (xi + yj + zk) \\ &= n \cdot r^{n-2} \vec{r}\end{aligned}$$

3) Prove that  $r^n \vec{r}$  is solenoidal if  $n = -3$ .

Proof  $r^n \vec{r} = r^n (xi + yj + zk) = x^n i + y^n j + z^n k$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{div}(r^n \vec{r}) &= \nabla \cdot (r^n \vec{r}) = \left( i \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + j \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + k \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right) \cdot (x^n i + y^n j + z^n k) \\ &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (x^n) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (y^n) + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (z^n) \\ &= \sum_{x,y,z} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (x^n)\end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 \operatorname{div}(r^n \bar{r}) &= \sum \left( 1 \cdot r^n + r \cdot n \cdot r^{n-1} \frac{\partial r}{\partial x} \right) \\
 &= \sum r^n + \sum r \cdot n \cdot r^{n-1} \cdot \frac{r}{r} \\
 &= r^n \sum 1 + n r^{n-2} \sum r^2 \\
 &= r^n (1+1+1) + n \cdot r^{n-2} (x^2 + y^2 + z^2) \\
 &= 3r^n + n \cdot r^{n-2} \cdot r^2 \\
 &= 3r^n + n \cdot r^n \\
 \operatorname{div}(r^n \bar{r}) &= (3+n)r^n \\
 \text{if } n &= -3, \operatorname{div}(r^n \bar{r}) = 0 \\
 \text{i.e. } \operatorname{div}(r^{-3} \bar{r}) &= 0. \\
 \therefore \frac{\bar{r}}{r^3} &\text{ is solenoidal.}
 \end{aligned}$$

Prove that  $\nabla^2(r^m) = m \cdot (m+2) \cdot r^{m-2}$

$$\operatorname{div}(\operatorname{grad} r^m) = m(m+2)r^{m-2}$$

v.v. Imp :- (3), (4), (5), (8), ~~(10)~~