

# ELEN30011 EDM Task

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## 1.1

$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{F}$  (div  $\mathbf{F}$ ) is a scalar,  $\nabla \times \mathbf{F}$  is a vector field.

Explanation:  $\Downarrow$

## 1.2

Let  $\mathbf{F} : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  be a vector field with

$$\mathbf{F}(x, y, z) = F_x(x, y, z)\hat{\mathbf{x}} + F_y(x, y, z)\hat{\mathbf{y}} + F_z(x, y, z)\hat{\mathbf{z}}$$

The divergence of  $\mathbf{F}$  (div  $\mathbf{F}$ ) is

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla \cdot \mathbf{F} &= \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right) \cdot (F_x, F_y, F_z) \\ &= \frac{\partial F_x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial F_y}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial F_z}{\partial z}\end{aligned}$$

$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{F}$  is a scalar.

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla \times \mathbf{F} &= \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x}\hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{\partial}{\partial y}\hat{\mathbf{y}} + \frac{\partial}{\partial z}\hat{\mathbf{z}} \right) \times (F_x(x, y, z)\hat{\mathbf{x}} + F_y(x, y, z)\hat{\mathbf{y}} + F_z(x, y, z)\hat{\mathbf{z}}) \\ &= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{\mathbf{x}} & \hat{\mathbf{y}} & \hat{\mathbf{z}} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ F_x & F_y & F_z \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \left( \frac{\partial F_z}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial F_y}{\partial z} \right) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \left( \frac{\partial F_x}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial F_z}{\partial x} \right) \hat{\mathbf{y}} + \left( \frac{\partial F_x}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial F_y}{\partial x} \right) \hat{\mathbf{z}}\end{aligned}$$

$\nabla \times \mathbf{F}$  is a vector field.

## 1.3

(a)

$$\operatorname{grad} f = \nabla f = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \hat{\mathbf{y}} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} \hat{\mathbf{z}} = 0 \hat{\mathbf{x}} + 0 \hat{\mathbf{y}} + 0 \hat{\mathbf{z}}$$

(b)

$$\operatorname{grad} f = \nabla f = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \hat{\mathbf{y}} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} \hat{\mathbf{z}} = 1 \hat{\mathbf{x}} + z \hat{\mathbf{y}} + y \hat{\mathbf{z}}$$

(c)

$$\operatorname{grad} f = \nabla f = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \hat{\mathbf{y}} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} \hat{\mathbf{z}} = x \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \left(y + \frac{1}{2} z^2 \sin y\right) \hat{\mathbf{y}} - z \cos y \hat{\mathbf{z}}$$

(d)

$$\operatorname{grad} f = \nabla f = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \hat{\mathbf{y}} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} \hat{\mathbf{z}} = \frac{2x}{x^2 + y^2 + z^2} \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{2y}{x^2 + y^2 + z^2} \hat{\mathbf{y}} + \frac{2z}{x^2 + y^2 + z^2} \hat{\mathbf{z}}$$