

1. $\vec{F}(x, y, z) = (y, z, x)$ is a vector field. \vec{S} is the unit sphere $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1$ with outward orientation. Compute

$$\iint_S \vec{F} \times d\vec{S}$$

Solution: The sphere is parameterized by $\vec{r}(\phi, \theta) = (\sin \phi \cos \theta, \sin \phi \sin \theta, \cos \phi)$, which agrees with the outward orientation.

$$\begin{aligned} & \iint_S \vec{F} \times d\vec{S} \\ &= \iint_D \vec{F}(\vec{r}) \times \left(\frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial \phi} \times \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial \theta} \right) dA \\ &= \iint_D (\sin \phi \sin \theta, \cos \phi, \sin \phi \cos \theta) \times (\sin^2 \phi \cos \theta, \sin^2 \phi \sin \theta, \sin \phi \cos \phi) dA \\ &= \left(\int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\pi \sin \phi \cos^2 \phi - \sin^3 \phi \sin \theta \cos \theta d\phi d\theta, \right. \\ & \quad \left. \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\pi \sin^3 \phi \cos^2 \theta - \sin^2 \phi \cos \phi \sin \theta d\phi d\theta, \right. \\ & \quad \left. \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\pi \sin^3 \phi \sin^2 \theta - \sin^2 \phi \cos \phi \cos \theta d\phi d\theta \right) \\ &= \left(\frac{4\pi}{3}, \frac{4\pi}{3}, \frac{4\pi}{3} \right) \end{aligned}$$

2. $\vec{F}(x, y, z) = x + y + z$ is a scalar function. C is the oriented intersection curve of the paraboloid $z = x^2 + y^2$ and the plane $x + y = 0$ from $(0, 0, 0)$ to $(1, -1, 2)$. Compute

$$\int_C f d\vec{r}$$

Solution:

The curve can be parameterized by $\vec{r}(t) = (t, -t, 2t^2)$, $0 \leq t \leq 1$.

$$\begin{aligned}
& \int_C f d\vec{r} \\
&= \int_0^1 f(\vec{r}(t))(\vec{r}(t))' dt \\
&= \int_0^1 2t^2(1, -1, 4t) dt \\
&= \int_0^1 (2t^2, -2t^2, 8t^3) dt \\
&= \left(\int_0^1 2t^2 dt, \int_0^1 -2t^2 dt, \int_0^1 8t^3 dt \right) \\
&= \left(\frac{2}{3}, -\frac{2}{3}, 2 \right)
\end{aligned}$$

3. If $f(x, y, z)$ is a scalar function and $\vec{F}(x, y, z)$ is a vector field, prove

$$\vec{\nabla} \times (f\vec{F}) = f(\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{F}) + \vec{\nabla}f \times \vec{F}$$

Solution: Let $\vec{F} = (P, Q, R)$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \vec{\nabla} \times (f\vec{F}) \\
&= \vec{\nabla} \times (fP, fQ, fR) \\
&= ((fR)_y - (fQ)_z, (fP)_z - (fR)_x, (fQ)_x - (fP)_y) \\
&= f(R_y - Q_z, P_z - R_x, Q_x - P_y) + (f_y R - f_z Q, f_z P - f_x R, f_x Q - f_y P) \\
&= f(R_y - Q_z, P_z - R_x, Q_x - P_y) + (f_x, f_y, f_z) \times (P, Q, R) \\
&= f(\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{F}) + \vec{\nabla}f \times \vec{F}
\end{aligned}$$

4. If $f(x, y, z)$ and $g(x, y, z)$ are scalar functions, $\vec{F} = g\vec{\nabla}f$, show that

$$\vec{F} \cdot \text{Curl}(\vec{F}) = 0$$

Solution: By Problem 3, we have

$$\vec{\nabla} \times (g\vec{\nabla}f) = g(\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{\nabla}f) + \vec{\nabla}g \times \vec{\nabla}f = \vec{\nabla}g \times \vec{\nabla}f$$

So

$$(g\vec{\nabla}f) \cdot (\vec{\nabla} \times (g\vec{\nabla}f)) = g\vec{\nabla}f \cdot (\vec{\nabla}g \times \vec{\nabla}f) = 0$$

5. Show that $\vec{F}(x, y, z) = (y, z, x)$ is not a conservative vector field.

Solution:

$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{F} = (-1, -1, -1) \neq \vec{0}$, so the vector field is not conservative.