

This is part 2 (of 3) of the weekly homework. It is due on Monday, August 11 at 6 PM in SC102B at the review.

## SUMMARY.

- $\text{curl}(P, Q, R) = (R_y - Q_z, P_z - R_x, Q_x - P_y)$  the **curl** of  $F = (P, Q, R)$ .
- The curl of a gradient field vanishes:  $\text{curl}\nabla f = (0, 0, 0)$ .
- $D : (u, v) \mapsto r(u, v) = (x(u, v), y(u, v), z(u, v))$  **surface**  $S = r(D)$ .
- $\int \int_S F \cdot dS = \int_D F(r(u, v)) \cdot (r_u \times r_v) dA$  **flux integral**.
- $\boxed{\int \int_S \text{curl}(F) \cdot dS = \int_C F \cdot dr}$  **Stokes theorem**,  $C$ : boundary of  $S$ , oriented so that "surface is to your left" if your head points in the normal direction.

## Homework Problems

- 1) (4 points) Evaluate the flux integral  $\int \int_S (0, 0, yz) \, dS$ , where  $S$  is the surface with parametric equation  $x = uv, y = u + v, z = u - v$  on  $R : u^2 + v^2 \leq 1$ .

**Solution:**

$\vec{r}_u = (v, 1, 1), \vec{r}_v = (u, 1, -1)$  so that  $\vec{r}_u \times \vec{r}_v = (-2, u + v, -u + v)$ . The flux integral is  $\int \int_R (0, 0, u^2 - v^2) \cdot (-2, u + v, -u + v) \, dudv = \int \int_R v^2 u - u^3 - v^3 + u^2 v \, dudv$  which is best evaluated using polar coordinates:  $\int_0^1 \int_0^{2\pi} r^4 (\sin^2(\theta) \cos(\theta) - \cos^3(\theta) - \sin^3(\theta) + \cos^2(\theta) \sin(\theta)) \, d\theta dr = 0$ .

- 2) (4 points) Evaluate the flux integral  $\int \int_S \text{curl}(F) \cdot dS$  for  $F(x, y, z) = (xy, yz, zx)$ , where  $S$  is the part of the paraboloid  $z = 4 - x^2 - y^2$  that lies above the square  $[1, 0] \times [0, 1]$  and has upward orientation.

**Solution:**

$\text{curl}(F) = (-y, -z, -x)$ . The parametrization  $\vec{r}(u, v) = (u, v, 4 - u^2 - v^2)$  gives  $r_u \times r_v = (2u, 2v, 1)$  and  $\text{curl}(F)(r(u, v)) = (-v, u^2 + v^2 - 4, -u)$ . The flux integral is  $\int_0^1 \int_0^1 (-2uv + 2v(u^2 + v^2 - 4) - u) \, dvdu = -1/2 + 1/3 + 1/2 - 4 - 1/2 = -25/6$ .

- 3) (4 points) Evaluate the same flux integral as in the previous question but using Stokes theorem.

**Solution:**

The boundary  $C$  consists of 4 curves

$$C_1 : \vec{r}(t) = (t, 0, 4t^2), \vec{r}'(t) = (1, 0, -2t).$$

$$C_2 : \vec{r}(t) = (1, t, 3 - t^2), \vec{r}'(t) = (0, 1, -2t).$$

$$C_3 : \vec{r}(t) = (t, 1, 4 - t^2 - 1), \vec{r}'(t) = (1, -, -2t).$$

$$C_4 : \vec{r}(t) = (0, t, 4 - t^2), \vec{r}'(t) = (0, 1, -2t).$$

$$I : \int_{C_1} (0, 0, 4t - t^3) \cdot (1, 0, -2t) \, dt = -8/3 + 2/5.$$

$$II : \int_{C_2} (t, 3t - t^3, 3 - t^2) \cdot (0, 1, -2t) \, dt = 1/4 - 3/2.$$

$$III : \int_{C_3} (t, 3 - t^2, 3t - t^3) \cdot (1, 0, -2t) \, dt = -11/10.$$

$$IV : \int_{C_4} (t, 0, 0) \cdot (0, 1, -2t) = 0$$

$$I + II - III - IV = (-8/3 + 2/5) + (-5/4) + 11/10 + 0 = -25/6. \text{ (The line integrals along } C_3, C_4 \text{ were taken negative because the curves are traced backwards.)}$$

- 4) (4 points) Use Stokes theorem to evaluate  $\int_C F \cdot dr$ , where  $F(x, y, z) = (x^2y, x^3/3, xy)$  and  $C$  is the curve of intersection of the hyperbolic paraboloid  $z = y^2 - x^2$  and the cylinder  $x^2 + y^2 = 1$ , oriented counterclockwise as viewed from above.

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned} r_u \times r_v &= (-2u^2 \cos(v), 2u^2 \sin(v), u). & F(r(u, v)) &= \\ (u^3 \cos(v) \sin(v), u^3 \cos^3(v)/3, u^2 \cos(v) \sin(v)) & F(r(u, v)) \cdot (r_u \times r_v) &= u^3 \cos(v) \sin(v)(3 - \\ 6u^2 \cos(v) + 2u^2 \cos^2(v)) & \text{which gives zero when integrated over } [0, 2\pi]. \end{aligned}$$

- 5) (4 points) If  $S$  is the surface  $x^6 + y^6 + z^6 = 1$  and assume  $F$  is a smooth vector field. Show that  $\int_S \text{curl}(F) \cdot dS = 0$ .

**Solution:**

The flux of  $\text{curl}(F)$  through a closed surface is zero by Stokes theorem and the fact that the surface does not have a boundary. One can see this also by cutting the surface in two pieces and apply Stokes to both pieces.

## Challenge Problems

(Solutions to these problems are **not** turned in with the homework.)

- 1) Solve Nash's problem distributed as an "in-class-exercise".
- 2) Use Stokes theorem to show that  $\int_C (f\nabla g + g\nabla f) \cdot dr = 0$  for any closed curve  $C$  in space and any two functions  $f, g$ .  
(Hint: the identity also follows from the fundamental theorem of line integrals).
- 3) Try to figure out, how Stokes theorem would look like in higher dimensions: in four dimensions, it is useful in special relativity.

Start: In dimension  $d$ , the curl is a field  $\text{curl}(F)_{ij} = \partial_{x_j} F_i - \partial_{x_i} F_j$  with  $\binom{d}{2}$  components. In 4 dimensions, it has 6 components. In  $d$  dimensions, a surface element in the  $i - j$  plane is written as  $dS_{ij}$ . The flux integral of the curl of  $F$  through  $S$  is defined as  $\int \int \text{curl}(F) \cdot dS$ , where the dot product is  $\sum_{i < j} \text{curl}(F)_{ij} dS_{ij}$ . If  $S$  is given by a map  $r$  from a planar domain  $D$  to  $\mathbb{R}^d$ ,  $U = \partial_u X$  and  $V = \partial_v X$  are tangent vectors to that plane and  $dS_{ij}(u, v) = (U_i V_j - U_j V_i) du dv$ .