

## Unit 22

curl, div, flux

this is a tool kit for  
Stokes and divergence theorem

① Curl in 2D

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \\ = 6 - 4 \\ = 2$$

$$\vec{F} = \begin{bmatrix} P \\ Q \end{bmatrix}, \text{curl}(F) = Q_x - P_y$$

$$\nabla \times \vec{F}, \quad \nabla = \begin{bmatrix} \partial_x \\ \partial_y \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \partial_x \\ \partial_y \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} P \\ Q \end{bmatrix} = Q_x - P_y$$

Reminder:

$$\nabla \times \nabla f \\ = 0$$

$$\text{curl}(\text{grad}(f)) = 0$$

## ② Curl in 3D

$$\vec{F} = \begin{bmatrix} P \\ Q \\ R \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Curl}(\vec{F}) = \begin{bmatrix} R_y - Q_z \\ Q_x - R_z \\ P_z - R_x \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\nabla \times \vec{F} = \begin{bmatrix} \partial_x \\ \partial_y \\ \partial_z \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} P \\ Q \\ R \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} R_y - Q_z \\ Q_x - R_z \\ P_z - R_x \end{bmatrix}$$

a)

$$\begin{bmatrix} \partial_x \\ \partial_y \\ \partial_z \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} x^2 y \\ y^2 z \\ z + x \\ x + y \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & y^2 \\ 0 & 1 & y^2 \\ -1 & -1 & x^2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & y^2 \\ -1 & -1 & x^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

b)  $\text{curl} \begin{bmatrix} -y \\ x \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

torcido  $\vec{F}$



$$\begin{aligned} \text{curl}(\vec{F}) &= \begin{bmatrix} \partial_x \\ \partial_y \\ \partial_z \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} -y \\ x \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{constant curl} \end{aligned}$$

HW:

$$\text{Curl}(\text{grad } f) = \vec{0}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{bmatrix} \partial_x \\ \partial_y \\ \partial_z \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} f_x \\ f_y \\ f_z \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} f_{zy} - f_{yz} \\ f_{xz} - f_{zx} \\ f_{yx} - f_{xy} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

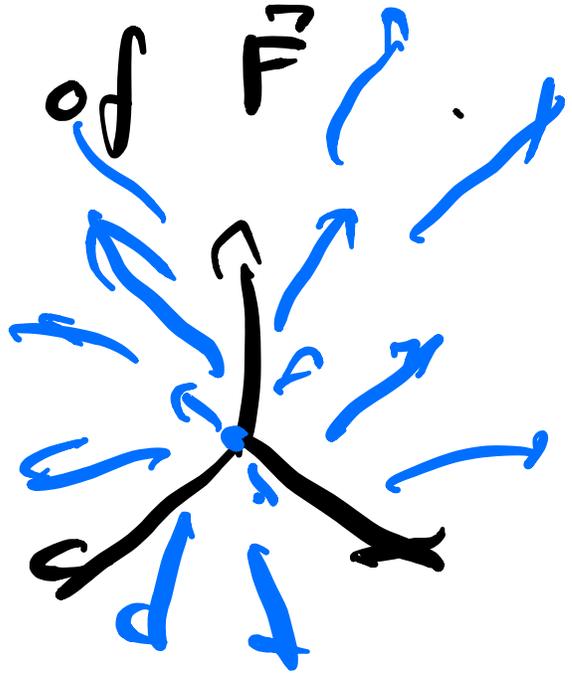
### ③ Divergence

$$\text{div} \begin{pmatrix} P \\ Q \\ R \end{pmatrix} = P_x + Q_y + R_z$$

divergence measures  
expansion of  $\vec{F}$

$$\vec{F} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{div } \vec{F} = 3$$



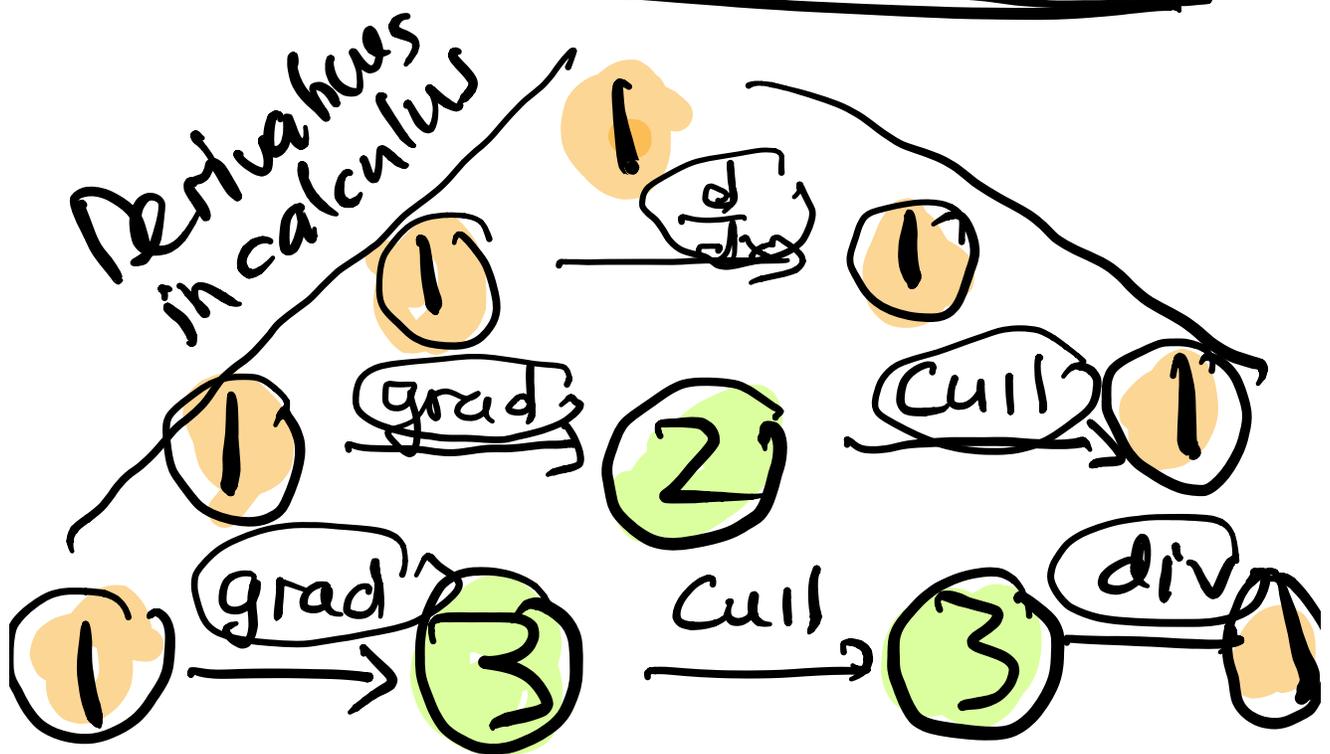
$$\text{div curl}(\vec{F}) = 0$$

$$\text{div } \vec{F} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} P \\ Q \\ R \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{dot}$$

Proof:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial x}{\partial t} \\ \frac{\partial y}{\partial t} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} R_y - Q_z \\ P_z - R_x \\ Q_x - P_y \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= R_{yx} - Q_{zx} + P_{zy} - R_{xy} + Q_{xz} - P_{yz} = 0$$

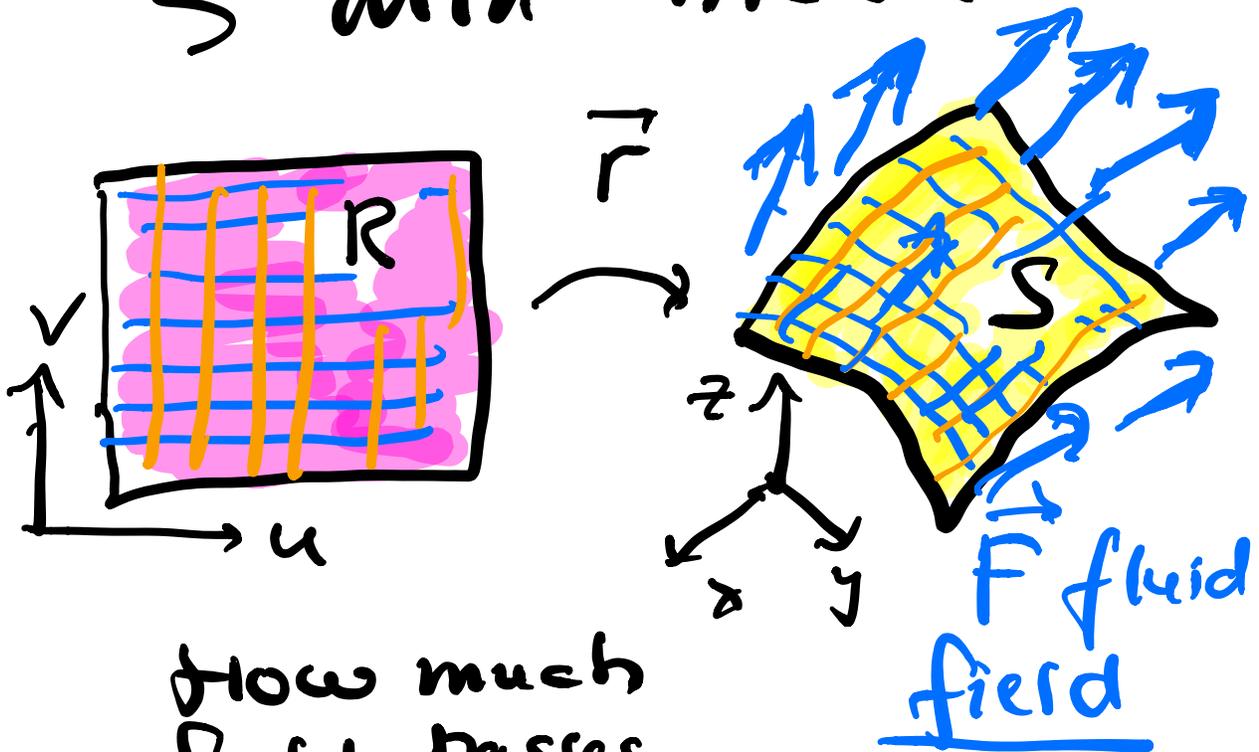


Scalar fields

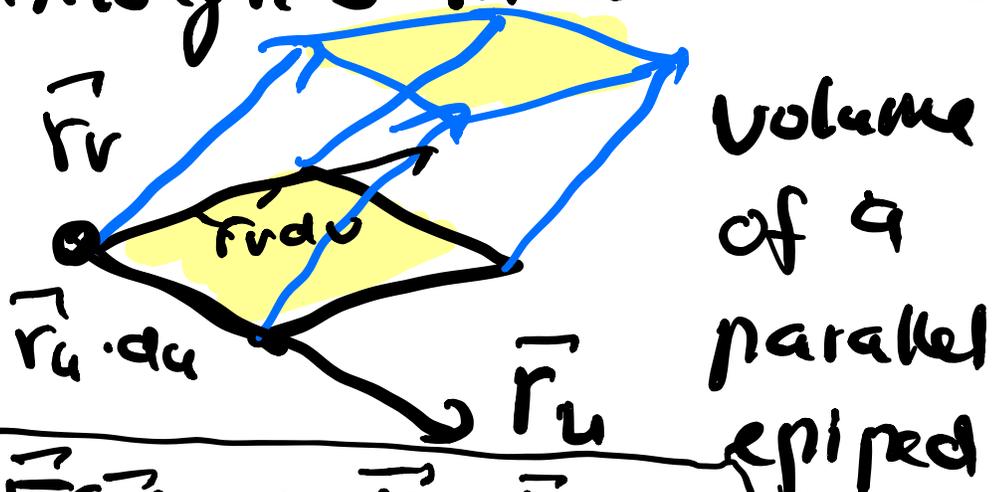
vector field.

# ④ Flux integral

5 min break.



How much field passes through  $S$  in unit time?



$$\int \vec{F}(\vec{r}(u,v)) \cdot \vec{r}_u \times \vec{r}_v \, du \, dv \text{ is}$$

Flux of  $\vec{F}$  through  
S is defined as

$$\iint_R \vec{F}(\vec{r}(u,v)) \cdot \vec{r}_u \times \vec{r}_v \, du \, dv$$

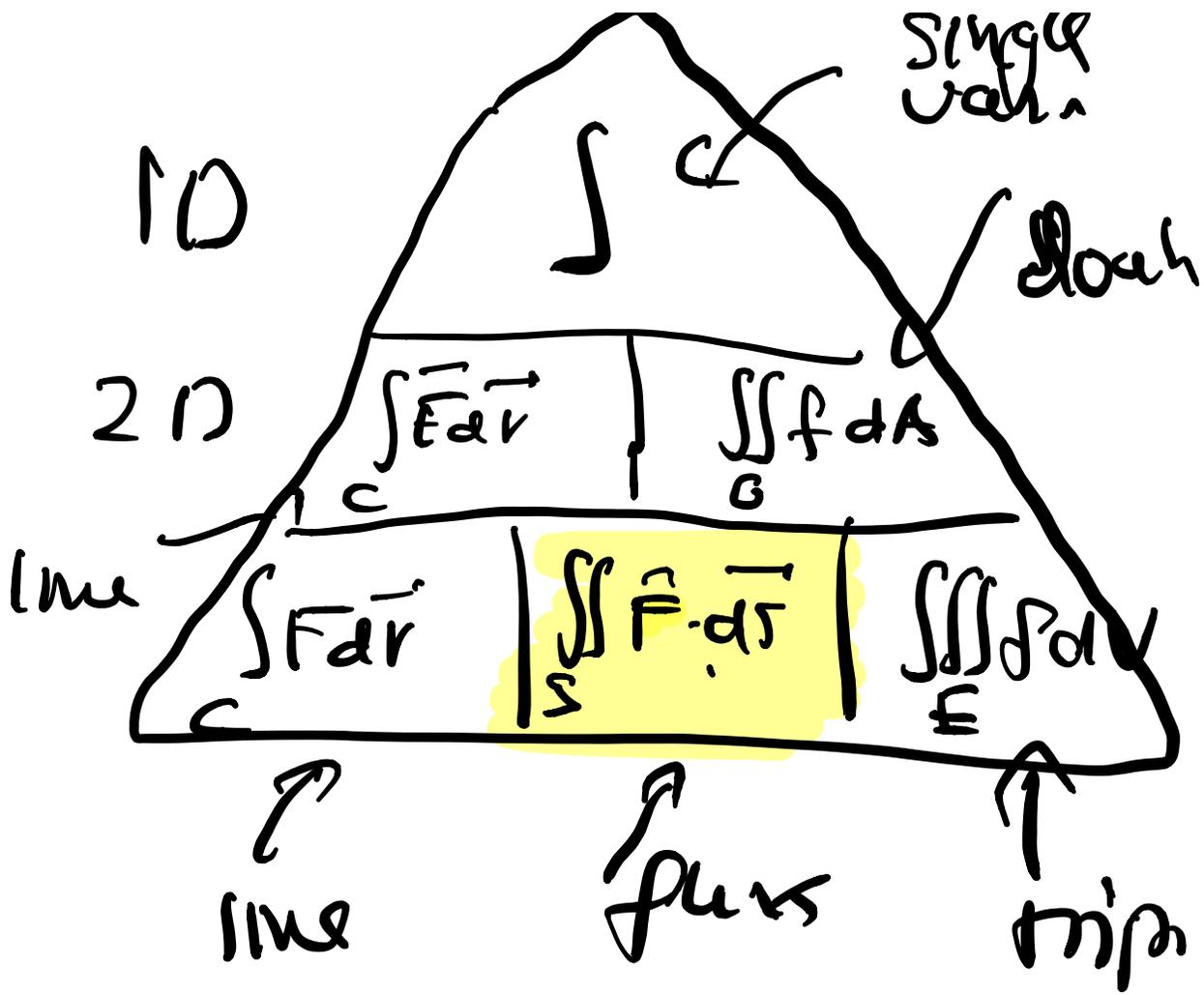
$$= \iint_S \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{S}$$

Compare with  
Surface area

$$dS = |d\vec{S}|$$

$$= |\vec{r}_u \times \vec{r}_v| \, du \, dv$$

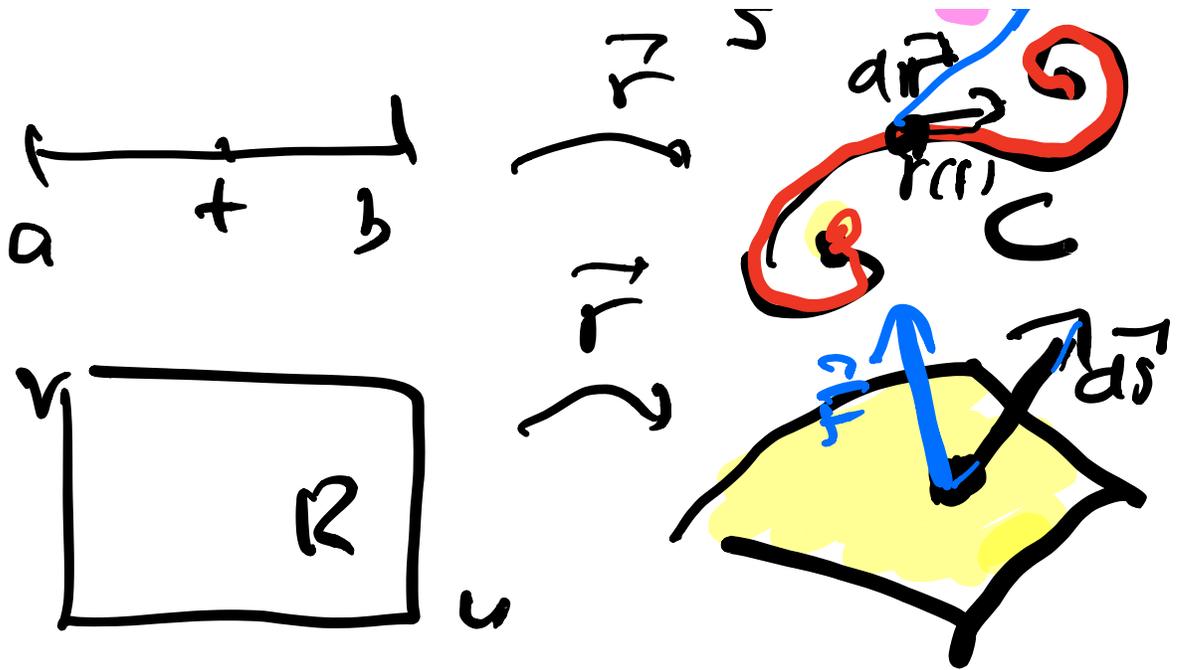




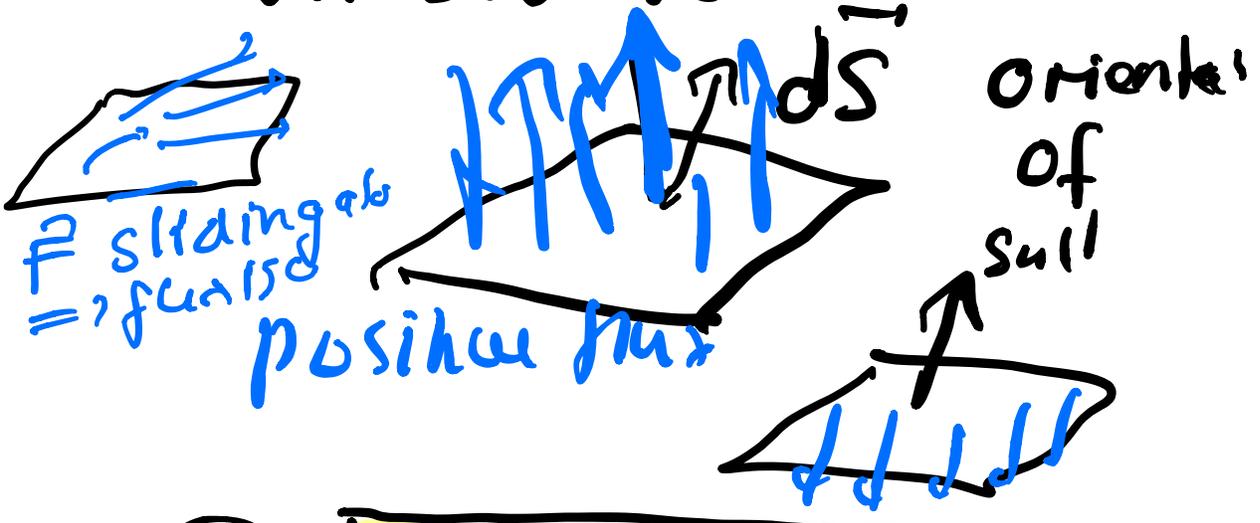
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$$\int_a^b \vec{F}(\vec{r}(t)) \cdot \vec{r}'(t) dt = \int_C \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r}$$

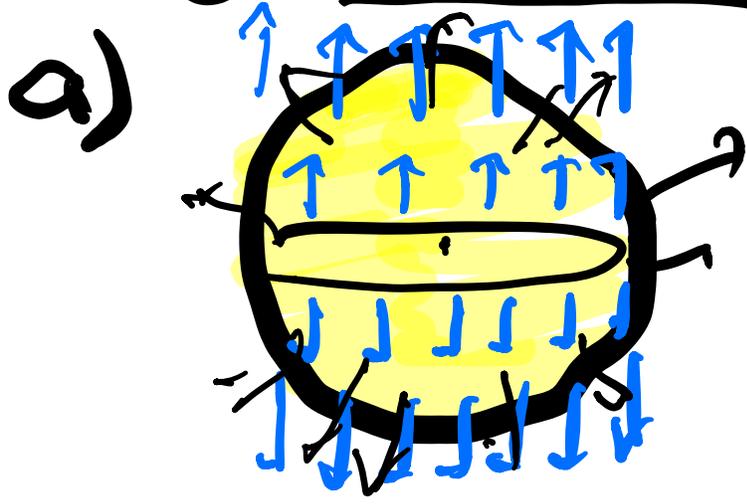
$$\iiint_R \vec{F}(\vec{r}(u,v)) \cdot \vec{r}_u \times \vec{r}_v du dv = \int_S \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{S}$$



The sign of the flux is positive if  $\vec{F}$  and  $d\vec{s}$  are pointing in similar directions



# Examples



oriented surface

$S$  sphere

$$x^2 + y^2 + z^2 \leq 1$$

$$\vec{F} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ z \end{bmatrix}$$

Check your intuition!

$$\vec{r}(\varphi, \theta) = \begin{bmatrix} \sin \varphi \cos \theta \\ \sin \varphi \sin \theta \\ \cos \varphi \end{bmatrix}$$

defines the orientation

is the flux of  $F$  through  $S$

Positive

Negative

0



The angle between  $\vec{r}_u \times \vec{r}_v$  and  $\vec{F}(\vec{r}(u,v))$  is always acute or perpendicular (equal to)

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \cos \theta \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \sin^2 \theta \cos \theta \\ \sin^2 \theta \sin \theta \\ \sin \theta \cos \theta \end{bmatrix} d\theta d\phi$$

0 0

$$\vec{r}(u,v) \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \sin \theta \cos \theta \\ \sin \theta \sin \theta \\ \cos \theta \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\vec{r}_u \times \vec{r}_v = \begin{bmatrix} \sin \theta \cos \theta \\ \sin \theta \sin \theta \\ \cos \theta \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \sin \phi \cos^2 \phi \, d\phi \, d\theta$$

$$= \frac{\cos^3(\phi)}{3} \Big|_0^{\pi} = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$= \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{2}{3} \, d\theta = \boxed{\frac{4\pi}{3}} = \text{Volume}$$

(look ahead:  $\text{div } \vec{F} = \text{div} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ z \end{bmatrix} = 1$ )

$\text{div}(\vec{F})(x, y, z)$  tells  
how much field is  
created at  $(x, y, z)$

→ Divergence theorem will  
make this clear.

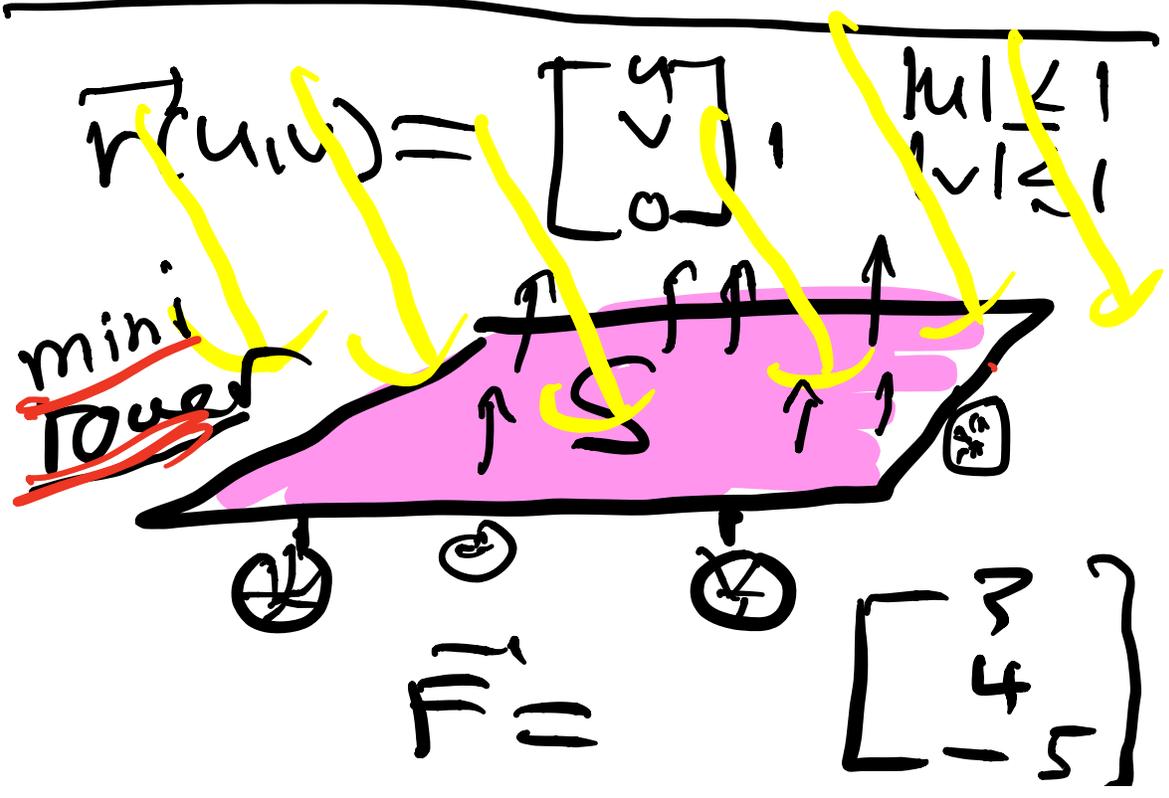
b) Moon tower

My property on the moon side of manhattan for 80 Dollars.

knill estate



"Lunarembassy"



Flux of  $\vec{F}$  through  $S$

$$\int_{-1}^1 \int_{-1}^1 \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} du dv$$

$$\vec{r}_u \times \vec{r}_v = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \int_{-1}^1 \int_{-1}^1 (-5) du dv = \boxed{-20}$$

The orientation of  $S$  is given by the parametrization.

The orientation  
direction is  
given by  $\vec{r}_u \times \vec{r}_v$

The problem usually  
gives you the  
orientation.

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One has just to  
be aware of the  
given orientation  
when computing  
the flux.

C)

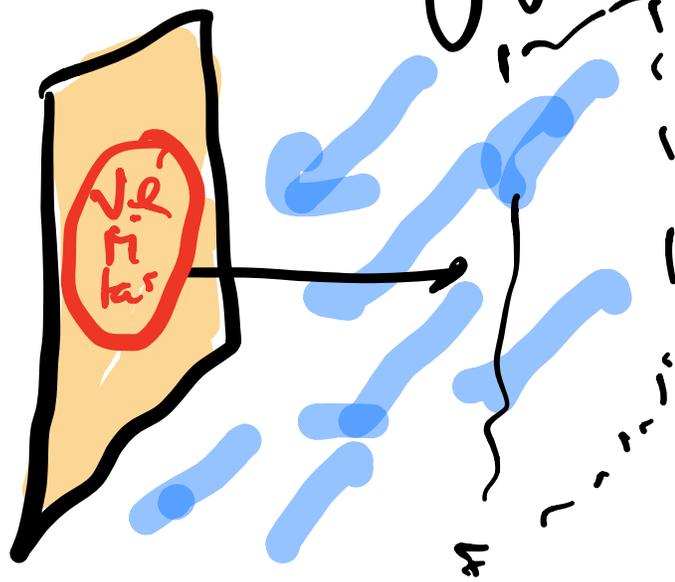
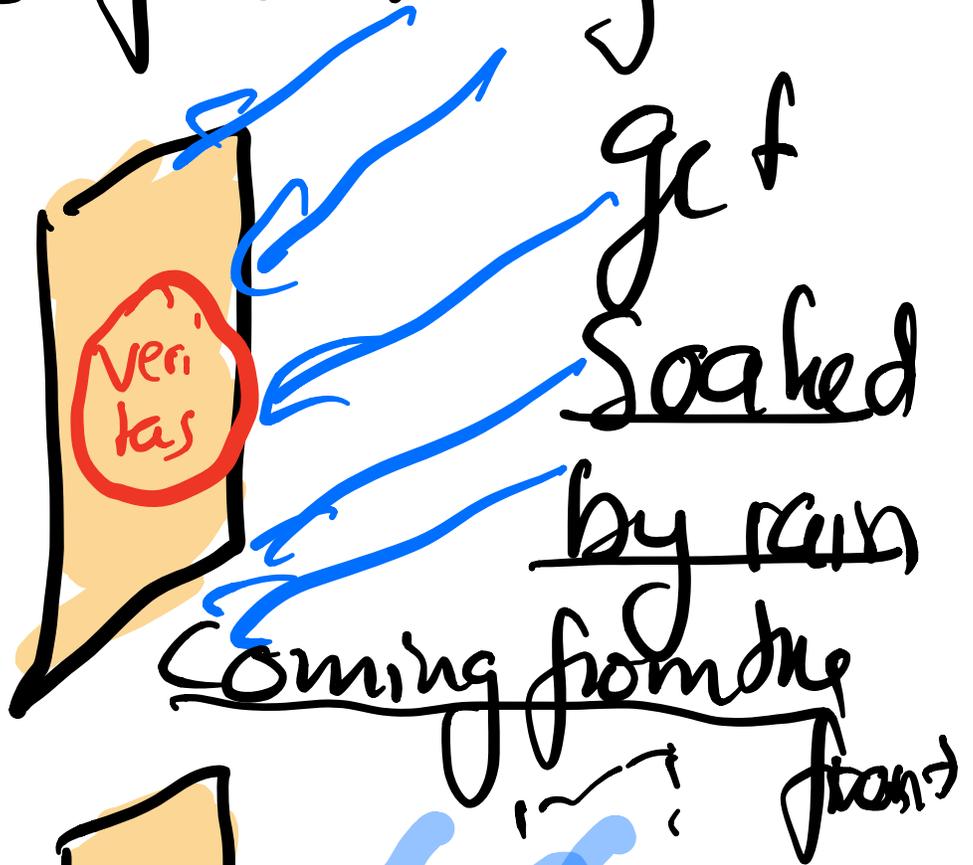
Rain  
problem



A

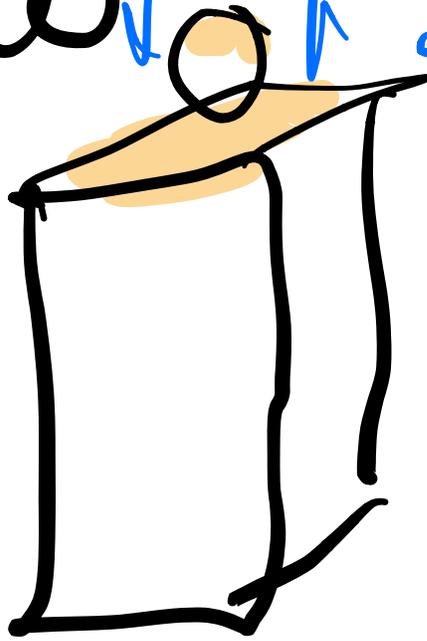
B

Is it better to  
go fast? you



If you go  
slow

then  
you  
only



get wet from the  
top. But

you are also  
longer in the  
rain!

You compute the  
Flux of  $\vec{F}$  through  
 $S$  and multiply  
by time.

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Flux appears  
also in  
electromagnetism

Flux of magnetic  
field.  
for example.

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