

Worked problems from Chapter 13

Section 13.1

3. Find the divergence and curl of $\mathbf{F}(x, y, z) = \langle x^2, xy, z^3 \rangle$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{F} = (2x) + (y) + (3z^2) = 3x + 3z^2, \quad \nabla \times \mathbf{F} = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ \partial_x & \partial_y & \partial_z \\ x^2 & xy & z^3 \end{vmatrix} = (0)\mathbf{i} - 0\mathbf{j} + (y - 0)\mathbf{k} = y\mathbf{k}$$

21. Find the divergence and curl of $\mathbf{F}(x, y, z) = x^2\mathbf{i} + y^2\mathbf{j} + z^2\mathbf{k}$.

$$\operatorname{div} \mathbf{F} = \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \mathbf{i} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \mathbf{j} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \mathbf{k} \right) \cdot (x^2\mathbf{i} + y^2\mathbf{j} + z^2\mathbf{k}) = 2x + 2y + 2z$$

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{F} = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ \partial_x & \partial_y & \partial_z \\ x^2 & y^2 & z^2 \end{vmatrix} = \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial y}(z^2) - \frac{\partial}{\partial z}(y^2) \right) \mathbf{i} - \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x}(z^2) - \frac{\partial}{\partial z}(x^2) \right) \mathbf{j} + \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x}(y^2) - \frac{\partial}{\partial y}(x^2) \right) \mathbf{k} = 0$$

29. Determine whether the scalar function $u = e^{-x}(\cos(y) - \sin(y))$ is harmonic, i.e. $\Delta u = \operatorname{div}(\nabla u) = u_{xx} + u_{yy} + u_{zz} = 0$. We have $u_x = -e^{-x}(\cos(y) - \sin(y))$, $u_{xx} = e^{-x}(\cos(y) - \sin(y))$, $u_y = e^{-x}(-\sin(y) - \cos(y))$, $u_{yy} = e^{-x}(-\cos(y) + \sin(y))$, $u_{zz} = 0$. Therefore

$$\Delta u = e^{-x}(\cos(y) - \sin(y)) + e^{-x}(-\cos(y) + \sin(y)) + 0 = 0$$

and u is harmonic.

39. If $\mathbf{F} = \langle xy, yz, z^2 \rangle$, $\mathbf{G} = \langle x, y, -z \rangle$, find $\operatorname{div}(\mathbf{F} \times \mathbf{G})$.

$$(\mathbf{F} \times \mathbf{G}) = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ xy & yz & z^2 \\ x & y & -z \end{vmatrix} = (-2yx^2)\mathbf{i} + (xyz + xz^2)\mathbf{j} + (xy^2 - xyz)\mathbf{k}$$

so

$$\operatorname{div}(\mathbf{F} \times \mathbf{G}) = \left(\frac{\partial(-2yx^2)}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial(xyz + xz^2)}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial(xy^2 - xyz)}{\partial x} \right) = x(z - y).$$

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3. Evaluate the line integral $\int_C \frac{1}{3+y} ds$ for $C: x = 2t^{3/2}, y = 3t, 0 \leq t \leq 1$.

We have $ds = \sqrt{x'(t)^2 + y'(t)^2} dt = \sqrt{(3t^{1/2})^2 + (3)^2} dt = 3\sqrt{t+1} dt$ so

$$\int_C \frac{1}{3+y} ds = \int_0^1 \frac{3\sqrt{t+1}}{3+3t} dt = \int_0^1 \frac{1}{\sqrt{t+1}} dt = 2\sqrt{t+1} \Big|_0^1 = 2(\sqrt{2} - 1).$$

7. Evaluate the line integral $\int_C (-y dx + x dy)$ for $C : y = 4x^2$ from $(-1, 4)$ to $(0, 0)$.

Let $x = t$, $y = 4t^2$, $-1 \leq t \leq 0$. Then

$$\int_C (-y dx + x dy) = \int_{-1}^0 [(-4t^2) dt + (t)(8t dt)] = \int_{-1}^0 4t^2 dt = \frac{4}{3} t^3 \Big|_{-1}^0 = \frac{4}{3}.$$

13. Evaluate $\int_C [(x^2 + y^2) dx + 2xy dy]$ for

(a) C the quarter circle $x^2 + y^2 = 1$ from $(1, 0)$ to $(0, 1)$.

Let $x = \cos(\theta)$, $y = \sin(\theta)$ for $0 \leq \theta \leq \pi/2$. Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} [(x^2 + y^2) dx + 2xy dy] &= (1)(-\sin(\theta) d\theta) + (2 \cos(\theta) \sin(\theta))(\cos(\theta) d\theta) \\ &= (-\sin(\theta) + 2 \sin(\theta) \cos^2(\theta)) d\theta. \end{aligned}$$

So we have

$$\int_C [(x^2 + y^2) dx + 2xy dy] = \int_0^{\pi/2} (-1 + 2 \cos^2(\theta)) \sin(\theta) d\theta = -\frac{1}{3}$$

Where to integrate this we set $u = \cos(\theta)$ so that $du = -\sin(\theta) d\theta$ and changed variables.

(b) C is the straight line $y = 1 - x$ from $(1, 0)$ to $(0, 1)$.

Let $x = 1 - t$, $y = 1$, $0 \leq t \leq 1$ and we have

$$\begin{aligned} [(x^2 + y^2) dx + 2xy dy] &= [(1 - t)^2 + t^2] (-dt) + 2(1 - t)(t) dt \\ &= (-1 + 4t - 4t^2) dt. \end{aligned}$$

So we have

$$\int_C [(x^2 + y^2) dx + 2xy dy] = \int_0^1 (-1 + 4t - 4t^2) dt = -\frac{1}{3}.$$