

1 FUNDAMENTAL THEOREMS OF VECTOR CALCULUS

1. Let \mathbf{F} be a vector field defined on S , the image of a parametrised surface Φ . The surface integral of \mathbf{F} is

$$\iint_{\Phi} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{S} = \iint_D \mathbf{F} \cdot (\mathbf{T}_u \times \mathbf{T}_v) du dv.$$

2. **Green's theorem** Consider a simple region D with bounding curve ∂D . If P and Q are C^1 functions on with domain D , we have

$$\int_{\partial D} P dx + Q dy = \iint_D \left(\frac{\partial Q}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial P}{\partial y} \right) dx dy.$$

3. **Stokes' theorem** Let S be an oriented surface defined by a one-to-one parametrisation $\Phi : D \subset \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow S$, where D is a region to which Green's theorem applies. Let ∂S denote the oriented boundary of S and let \mathbf{F} be a C^1 vector field on S . Then

$$\iint_S (\nabla \times F) \cdot d\mathbf{S} = \int_{\partial S} F \cdot ds.$$

4. If S has no boundary i.e. $\partial S = \emptyset$, then $\int_{\partial S} F \cdot ds = 0$, so the Stokes' theorem reads

$$\iint_S (\nabla \times F) \cdot d\mathbf{S} = 0.$$

5. For a C^1 vector field, F defined on all of \mathbb{R}^3 all of these statements are equivalent:

- (a) The line integral of F around any closed loop is zero.
- (b) $\mathbf{F} = \nabla f$ for some scalar field $f(x, y, z)$.
- (c) $\nabla \times \mathbf{F} = 0$.

Such a vector field is said to be conservative.

6. **Divergence theorem** Let $W \subset \mathbb{R}^3$ be a region with boundary ∂W oriented by the outward pointing unit normal. \mathbf{F} is a smooth vector field defined on W , then

$$\iiint_W (\nabla \cdot F) dV = \iint_{\partial W} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{S}.$$

2 PRACTICE PROBLEMS

1. Consider $D = \{(x, y) | x^2 + y^2 < 0\}$, the open unit disk. Let

$$P(x, y) = \frac{y}{x^2 + y^2} \quad Q(x, y) = \frac{-x}{x^2 + y^2}.$$

- (a) Compute the line integral

$$\int_{\partial D} P dx + Q dy$$

- (b) Apply Green's theorem and compute the relevant integral.
 (c) Do you notice an issue?

2. Use Green's theorem to evaluate the line integral $\int_C y^2 dx + x dy$ when

- (a) C is a square with vertices $(0, 0)$, $(2, 0)$, $(2, 2)$ and $(0, 2)$.
 (b) C is the circle of radius 2 centred at the origin.
 (c) C is parametrised as $\mathbf{r}(t) = 2 \cos^3 t \mathbf{i} + 2 \sin^3 t \mathbf{j}$ $0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$.

3. Let C be the curve $x^2 + y^2 = 1$ $z = 0$ and let S be the surface S_1 together with S_2 where S_1 is defined by $x^2 + y^2 \leq 1$, $z = -1$ and S_2 is defined by $x^2 + y^2 = 1$, $-1 \leq z \leq 0$.

- (a) Draw a figure showing an orientation such that Stokes' theorem applies to the surface S and the curve C .
 (b) If R is another surface with boundary C , show that

$$\iint_S (\nabla \times \mathbf{F}) \cdot d\mathbf{S} = \iint_R (\nabla \times \mathbf{F}) \cdot d\mathbf{S}$$

- (c) If $F(x, y, z) = (y^3 + e^{xz})\mathbf{i} - (x^3 + e^{yz})\mathbf{j} + e^{xyz}\mathbf{k}$, calculate

$$\iint_S (\nabla \times \mathbf{F}) \cdot d\mathbf{S},$$

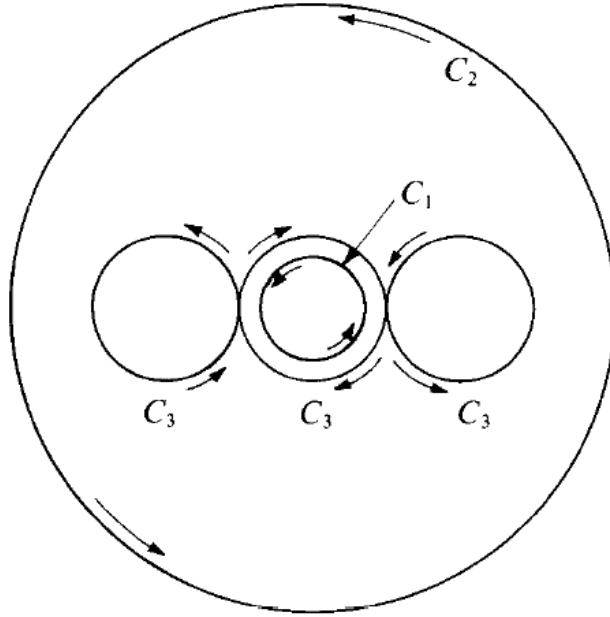
where S is the surface given above.

4. Let $I_k = \int_{C_k} P dx + Q dy$, where

$$P(x, y) = -y \left[\frac{1}{(x-1)^2 + y^2} + \frac{1}{x^2 + y^2} + \frac{1}{(x+1)^2 + y^2} \right]$$

$$Q(x, y) = \frac{x-1}{(x-1)^2 + y^2} + \frac{x}{x^2 + y^2} + \frac{x+1}{(x+1)^2 + y^2}$$

and C_k are the circles shown in the following figure:



C_1 is the smallest circle $x^2 + y^2 = 1/8$ traced anticlockwise, C_2 is the largest, $x^2 + y^2 = 4$ traced anticlockwise and C_3 is the curve made up of the three intermediate circles $(x - 1)^2 + y^2 = 1/4$, $x^2 + y^2 = 1/4$ and $(x + 1)^2 + y^2 = 1/4$ traced out as shown. If $I_2 = 6\pi$ and $I_3 = 2\pi$, find the value of I_1 .