

Math 263 Assignment 9 - Solutions

1. Find the flux of $\vec{F} = (x^2 + y^2)\vec{k}$ through the disk of radius 3 centred at the origin in the xy plane and oriented upward.

Solution The unit normal vector to the surface is $\vec{n} = \vec{k}$. The flux is thus given by:

$$\begin{aligned} \iint_S \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{S} &= \iint_S \vec{F} \cdot \vec{n} \, dS = \iint_S x^2 + y^2 \, dS \\ &= \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^3 r^2 \, r \, dr \, d\theta = 2\pi \frac{3^4}{4} = \frac{81\pi}{2} \end{aligned}$$

2. For each of these situations, (i) Sketch S , (ii) Parametrize S , (iii) find the vector and scalar elements $d\vec{S}$ and dS for your parametrization, (iv) calculate the indicated surface or flux integral.

- (a) S given by $z = x^2y^2$, $-1 \leq x \leq 1$, $-1 \leq y \leq 1$ oriented positive up. Calculate $\iint_S \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{S}$ for $\vec{F} = x\vec{i} + y\vec{j} + z\vec{k}$.
- (b) S is the surface of $4x^2 + 4y^2 + z^2 - 6z + 5 = 0$ oriented inward. Calculate the surface area of S .
- (c) S is the surface of intersection of the sphere $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 \leq 4$ and the plane $z = 1$ oriented away from the origin. Calculate the flux through the surface of the electrical field $\vec{E}(\vec{r}) = \frac{\vec{r}}{|\vec{r}|^3}$.

Solution

- (a) We parameterize S by $\vec{r}(x, y) = x\vec{i} + y\vec{j} + x^2y^2\vec{k}$ over $-1 \leq x \leq 1$, $-1 \leq y \leq 1$. The vector area element is given by

$$d\vec{S} = \pm (\vec{r}_x \times \vec{r}_y) \, dx \, dy = \pm \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ 1 & 0 & 2xy^2 \\ 0 & 1 & 2x^2y \end{vmatrix} dx \, dy = \pm \begin{pmatrix} -2xy^2 \\ -2x^2y \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} dx \, dy$$

Since we want this to be oriented upwards, we have to pick the plus option. The scalar area element is $dS = \sqrt{4x^2y^4 + 4x^4y^2 + 1} \, dx \, dy$.

$$\iint_S \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{S} = \iint_D \begin{pmatrix} x \\ 1 \\ x^2y^2 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} -2xy^2 \\ -2x^2y \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} dA = \int_{-1}^1 \int_{-1}^1 x^2(-y^2 - 2y) \, dx \, dy = \dots = -\frac{4}{9}$$

- (b) Completing the square gives $4x^2 + 4y^2 + (z - 3)^2 = 4$ so S is an ellipsoid centred at $(0, 0, 3)$. In cylindrical coordinates, S consists of the points (r, θ, z) where $0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$, $1 \leq z \leq 5$, and $4r^2 + (z - 3)^2 = 4$, or equivalently, $r = \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{4 - (z - 3)^2}$. Therefore, we can parametrize the surface using θ and z by

$$\vec{r}(\theta, z) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \cos \theta \sqrt{4 - (z - 3)^2} \\ \frac{1}{2} \sin \theta \sqrt{4 - (z - 3)^2} \\ z \end{pmatrix}.$$

The vector area element is given by

$$\begin{aligned} d\vec{S} = \pm (\vec{r}_\theta \times \vec{r}_z) d\theta dz &= \pm \begin{pmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ -\frac{1}{2} \sin \theta \sqrt{4 - (z-3)^2} & \frac{1}{2} \cos \theta \sqrt{4 - (z-3)^2} & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{2} \cos \theta \frac{z-3}{\sqrt{4-(z-3)^2}} & -\frac{1}{2} \sin \theta \frac{z-3}{\sqrt{4-(z-3)^2}} & 1 \end{pmatrix} d\theta dz \\ &= \pm \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \cos \theta \frac{z-3}{\sqrt{4-(z-3)^2}} \\ \frac{1}{2} \sin \theta \frac{z-3}{\sqrt{4-(z-3)^2}} \\ \frac{1}{4}(z-3) \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

We want the orientation inward, so we have to pick the version that, say, gives us downward orientation at the upper tip of the ellipse $(0, 0, 5)$, thus we pick the negative sign.

The scalar area element is

$$dS = |d\vec{S}| = \frac{1}{4} \sqrt{-3z^2 + 18z - 11} r^2 dr d\theta$$

and therefore the surface area is just the integral of this over the parameterization,

$$\begin{aligned} A(S) &= \iint_S 1 dS = \int_0^{2\pi} \int_1^5 \left[\frac{1}{4} \sqrt{-3z^2 + 18z - 11} \right] dz d\theta \\ &= 2\pi \frac{1}{4} \int_1^5 \sqrt{16 - 3(z-3)^2} dz. \end{aligned}$$

Now do the substitution $u = \sqrt{3}(z-3)$:

$$\begin{aligned} A(S) &= \frac{\pi}{2} \int_{-2\sqrt{3}}^{2\sqrt{3}} \sqrt{16 - u^2} \frac{du}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{\pi}{2\sqrt{3}} \left[\frac{1}{2} u \sqrt{16 - u^2} + 8 \sin^{-1} \frac{u}{4} \right]_{-2\sqrt{3}}^{2\sqrt{3}} \\ &= \frac{\pi}{2\sqrt{3}} \left[\left(2\sqrt{3} + \frac{8\pi}{3} \right) - \left(-2\sqrt{3} - \frac{8\pi}{3} \right) \right] = \frac{\pi}{2\sqrt{3}} \left(4\sqrt{3} + \frac{16\pi}{3} \right) \\ &= 2\pi \left(1 + \frac{4\pi}{3\sqrt{3}} \right). \end{aligned}$$

- (c) The surface is a disk of radius $\sqrt{3}$ centred at $(0, 0, 1)$ and lying in the plane $z = 1$. The easiest parameterization is in the cylindrical coordinates (r, θ, z) but with $z = 1$:

$$\vec{r}(r, \theta) = \begin{pmatrix} r \cos \theta \\ r \sin \theta \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad 0 \leq r \leq \sqrt{3}, \quad 0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi.$$

The vector area element is

$$d\vec{S} = \pm (\vec{r}_r \times \vec{r}_\theta) dr d\theta = \pm \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ \cos \theta & \sin \theta & 0 \\ -r \sin \theta & r \cos \theta & 0 \end{vmatrix} dr d\theta = \pm \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ r \end{pmatrix} dr d\theta.$$

The scalar area element is

$$dS = |d\vec{S}| = r^2 dr d\theta$$

Finally, the flux through the surface is

$$\begin{aligned}\iint_S \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{S} &= \int_0^{\sqrt{3}} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{1}{(r^2+1)^{3/2}} \begin{pmatrix} r \cos \theta \\ r \sin \theta \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ r \end{pmatrix} dr d\theta = 2\pi \int_0^{\sqrt{3}} \frac{r}{(r^2+1)^{3/2}} dr \\ &= 2\pi \left[\frac{-1}{(r^2+1)^{1/2}} \right]_0^{\sqrt{3}} = \pi\end{aligned}$$

3. For constants a, b, c, m , consider the vector field

$$\vec{F} = (ax + by + 5z)\vec{i} + (x + cz)\vec{j} + (3y + mx)\vec{k}.$$

- (a) Suppose that the flux of \vec{F} through any closed surface is 0. What does this tell you about the value of the constants a, b, c and m ?
- (b) Suppose instead that the line integral of \vec{F} around any closed curve is 0. What does this tell you about the values of the constants a, b, c and m ?

Solution

- (a) If the flux of \vec{F} through any closed surface is 0, then by the divergence theorem, the vector field must have zero divergence.

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{F} = a = 0$$

This tells us that $a = 0$ but it does not tell us anything about b, c or m .

- (b) If the line integral of \vec{F} around any closed curve is 0, this means that the vector field has curl equal to zero everywhere.

$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{F} = (3 - c)\vec{i} + (5 - m)\vec{j} + (1 - b)\vec{k}$$

This tells us that $c = 3, m = 5$ and $b = 1$. It does not tell us anything about a .

4. Let $\vec{r} = x\vec{i} + y\vec{j} + z\vec{k}$. Consider the vector field

$$\vec{E} = \frac{\vec{r}}{|\vec{r}|^3}.$$

Find $\int_S \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{A}$ where S is the ellipsoid $x^2 + 2y^2 + 3z^2 = 6$. Give reasons for your calculation.

Solution The divergence of \vec{E} is zero (check it!). However, the divergence theorem does not apply because \vec{E} is not defined at $(0, 0, 0)$. To get around this, we can define the sphere B by $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 \leq a^2$ for some small a , with normal vector oriented towards $(0, 0, 0)$ and apply the divergence theorem to the region R in between S and B :

$$\begin{aligned}\iint_S \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{S} + \iint_B \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{S} &= \iiint_R \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E} dV = 0 \\ \iint_S \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{S} &= - \iint_B \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{S}\end{aligned}$$

The integral over B is easy to do. The inward-facing unit normal vector to B is

$$\vec{n} = -\frac{x\vec{i} + y\vec{j} + z\vec{k}}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}} = -\frac{\vec{r}}{|\vec{r}|}$$

and so the surface integral is

$$\begin{aligned} \int \int_S \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{S} &= - \int \int_B \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{S} = + \int \int_B \frac{\vec{r}}{|\vec{r}|^3} \cdot \frac{\vec{r}}{|\vec{r}|} dS \\ &= \int \int_B \frac{\vec{r} \cdot \vec{r}}{|\vec{r}|^4} dS = \int \int_B \frac{1}{|\vec{r}|^2} dS \end{aligned}$$

On B , $|\vec{r}| = a$.

$$\begin{aligned} \int \int_S \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{S} &= \int \int_B \frac{1}{|\vec{r}|^2} dS = \int \int_B \frac{1}{a^2} dS = \frac{1}{a^2} \int \int_B 1 dS \\ &= \frac{1}{a^2} 4\pi a^2 = 4\pi. \end{aligned}$$

5. Use geometric reasoning to find $I = \int \int_S \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{S}$ by inspection for the following three situations. Explain your answers. In each case, a and b are positive constants.

- $\vec{F}(x, y, z) = x\vec{i} + y\vec{j} + z\vec{k}$ and S is the surface consisting of three squares with one corner at the origin and positive sides facing the first octant. The squares have sides $(b\vec{i}$ and $b\vec{j})$, $(b\vec{j}$ and $b\vec{k})$, and $(b\vec{i}$ and $b\vec{k})$, respectively.
- $\vec{F}(x, y, z) = (x\vec{i} + y\vec{j}) \ln(x^2 + y^2)$, and S is the surface of the cylinder (including top and bottom) where $x^2 + y^2 \leq a^2$ and $0 \leq z \leq b$.
- $\vec{F}(x, y, z) = (x\vec{i} + y\vec{j} + z\vec{k})e^{-(x^2+y^2+z^2)}$, and S is the spherical surface $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = a^2$.

Solution

- The square with sides $b\vec{i}$ and $b\vec{j}$ has normal $\hat{N} = \vec{k}$ and lies in the plane where $z = 0$. Thus $\vec{F} \cdot \vec{N} = 0$ on this part of the surface. The same thing happens on the other two squares so we have that the whole flux integral is zero.
- On the flat top of the cylinder, the outward normal is $\vec{N} = \vec{k}$, and we have $\vec{F} \cdot \vec{N} = 0$ on this part of the surface. The same thing happens on the bottom. On the sides, the outward unit normal at (x, y, z) is $\vec{N} = (\frac{x}{a}, \frac{y}{a}, 0)$, so we have

$$\vec{F} \cdot \vec{N} = \left(x \left(\frac{x}{a} \right) + y \left(\frac{y}{a} \right) \right) \ln(x^2 + y^2) = a \ln(a^2) = 2a \ln a.$$

It follows that

$$\int \int_S \vec{F} \cdot \vec{N} dS = 2a \ln a A(\text{cylinder} - \text{side}) = 2a \ln a [2\pi ab] = 4\pi a^2 b \ln a.$$

(c) On the surface of the sphere, the outward-facing unit normal vector is

$$\vec{n} = \frac{x\vec{i} + y\vec{j} + z\vec{k}}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}} = \frac{\vec{r}}{|\vec{r}|}$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{F} \cdot \vec{N} &= \vec{r}e^{-a^2} \cdot \frac{\vec{r}}{a} = ae^{-a^2}. \\ \int \int_S \vec{F} \cdot \vec{N} dS &= ae^{-a^2} \int \int_S 1 dS = ae^{-a^2} [4\pi a^2] = 4\pi a^3 e^{-a^2}.\end{aligned}$$

$\vec{F}(x, y, z) = (x\vec{i} + y\vec{j} + z\vec{k})e^{-(x^2+y^2+z^2)}$, and S is the spherical surface $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = a^2$.

6. Let S be the boundary surface of the solid given by $0 \leq z \leq \sqrt{4-y^2}$ and $0 \leq x \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$.

(a) Find the outward unit normal vector field \vec{N} on each of the four sides of S .

(b) Find the total outward flux of $\vec{F} = 4 \sin x \vec{i} + z^3 \vec{j} + yz^2 \vec{k}$ through S .

Do the calculation directly (don't use the Divergence theorem).

Solution

(a) On the surface $z = 0$ (the bottom), $\vec{N} = -\vec{k}$. On the side $x = 0$, $\vec{N} = -\vec{i}$. On the side $x = \pi/2$, $\vec{N} = \vec{i}$. On the top surface ($z = \sqrt{4-y^2}$), we have to calculate. Parameterizing this surface as $\vec{r}(x, y) = x\vec{i} + y\vec{j} + \sqrt{4-y^2}\vec{k}$, we can use

$$\vec{N} = \frac{\vec{r}_x \times \vec{r}_y}{|\vec{r}_x \times \vec{r}_y|} = \frac{1}{|\vec{r}_x \times \vec{r}_y|} \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{-y}{\sqrt{4-y^2}} \end{vmatrix} = \frac{\sqrt{4-y^2}}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ y \\ \sqrt{4-y^2} \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ y \\ \sqrt{4-y^2} \end{pmatrix}$$

Note that this has the correct (upward) orientation.

(b) Now we have to integrate over each surface in turn and add them up.

i. On the bottom surface S_1 , we have $z = 0$, $\vec{N} = -\vec{k}$.

$$\int \int_{S_1} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{S} = \int \int_{S_1} \begin{pmatrix} 4 \sin x \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} dS = 0.$$

ii. On the left surface S_2 , we have $x = 0$, $\vec{N} = -\vec{i}$.

$$\int \int_{S_2} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{S} = \int \int_{S_2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ z^3 \\ yz^2 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} dS = 0.$$

iii. On the right surface S_3 , we have $x = \pi/2$, $\vec{N} = \vec{i}$.

$$\int \int_{S_3} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{S} = \int \int_{S_2} \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ z^3 \\ yz^2 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} dS = 4A(S_3).$$

7. Evaluate, both by direct integration and by Stokes' Theorem, $\int_C (z dx + x dy + y dz)$ where C is the circle $x + y + z = 0$, $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1$. Orient C so that its projection on the xy -plane is counterclockwise.

Solution *By direct integration:* We need a parameterization of C . C is the intersection of the plane $x + y + z = 0$ and the sphere $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1$. The projection of C on the xy -plane is $x^2 + y^2 + (-x - y)^2 = 1$ or $2x^2 + 2xy + 2y^2 = 1$ or $\frac{3}{2}(x + y)^2 + \frac{1}{2}(x - y)^2 = 1$. This looks a bit like an ellipse, so we can use $x + y = \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \cos \omega$, $x - y = -\sqrt{2} \sin \omega$, for instance. (The minus sign in the expression for $x - y$ is chosen so that the motion is counterclockwise.) Solving these equations for x and y , and using $z = -x - y$, we get

$$\vec{r}(\theta) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \cos \theta - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sin \theta \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \cos \theta + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sin \theta \\ \frac{2}{\sqrt{6}} \cos \theta \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \vec{r}'(\theta) = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \sin \theta - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \cos \theta \\ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \sin \theta + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \cos \theta \\ \frac{2}{\sqrt{6}} \sin \theta \end{pmatrix}.$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} \int_C (z dx + x dy + y dz) &= \int_0^{2\pi} \vec{F}(\vec{r}(\theta)) \cdot \vec{r}'(\theta) d\theta \\ &= \int_0^{2\pi} \left[\frac{-2}{\sqrt{6}} \cos \theta \left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \sin \theta - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \cos \theta \right) + \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \cos \theta - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sin \theta \right) \left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \sin \theta + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \cos \theta \right) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \cos \theta + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sin \theta \right) \left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{6}} \sin \theta \right) \right] d\theta \\ &= \int_0^{2\pi} \left[\frac{3}{\sqrt{12}} \cos^2 \theta + \frac{3}{\sqrt{12}} \sin^2 \theta + \left(\frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{6} - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} \right) \sin \theta \cos \theta \right] d\theta \\ &= \sqrt{3} \pi \end{aligned}$$

Using Stokes theorem: To apply Stokes, we need a surface S that has C as its boundary. Choose S to be the portion of the plane $x + y + z = 0$ interior to the sphere. The unit normal to S is then $\hat{n} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}(\vec{i} + \vec{j} + \vec{k})$. Also $\text{curl} \vec{F} = \vec{i} + \vec{j} + \vec{k}$ so, applying Stokes theorem,

$$\int_C \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} = \int \int_S \text{curl} \vec{F} \cdot \hat{n} dS = \int \int_S \frac{3}{\sqrt{3}} dS = \sqrt{3} A(S) = \sqrt{3} \pi.$$

8. Evaluate $\int_C (x \sin y^2 - y^2) dx + (x^2 y \cos y^2 + 3x) dy$ where C is the counterclockwise boundary of the trapezoid with vertices $(0, -2)$, $(1, -1)$, $(1, 1)$ and $(0, 2)$.

Solution Use Green's theorem to convert the line integral to an area integral.

$$\begin{aligned} \int_C (x \sin y^2 - y^2) dx + (x^2 y \cos y^2 + 3x) dy &= \iint_{\text{trapezoid}} (2xy \cos y^2 + 3 - 2xy \cos y^2 - 2y) dA \\ &= \iint_{\text{trapezoid}} (3 - 2y) dA = 3A(\text{trapezoid}) = 9 \end{aligned}$$

The integral of $2y$ is zero by symmetry (draw a picture of the trapezoid to see this).

9. Evaluate $\int_C \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r}$ where $\vec{F} = ye^x \vec{i} + (x + e^x) \vec{j} + z^2 \vec{k}$ and C is the curve

$$\vec{r}(t) = (1 + \cos t) \vec{i} + (1 + \sin t) \vec{j} + (1 - \sin t - \cos t) \vec{k}$$

Solution First check if \vec{F} is conservative by taking the curl.

$$\text{curl} \vec{F} = \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ \partial_x & \partial_y & \partial_z \\ ye^x & (x + e^x) & z^2 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 + e^x - e^x \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \neq 0.$$

\vec{F} is not conservative, but the curl is simple. This suggests using Stokes theorem. To use Stokes, we have to come up with a surface that has C as its boundary. The projection of C in the x-y plane is just a circle of radius one, centred at $(1,1)$. We can write $x = 1 + \cos t$ and $y = 1 + \sin t$ and then $z = 1 - (y - 1) - (x - 1) = 3 - x - y$ on the curve. The simplest way to come up with the surface, then, is to parameterize it as $\vec{r}(x, y) = x \vec{i} + y \vec{j} + (3 - x - y) \vec{k}$, taken over the disk of radius one centred at $(1, 1)$. Let's call this surface S . By Stokes' theorem,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_C \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} &= \iint_S \text{curl} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{S} = \iint_{\text{disk}} \vec{k} \cdot (\vec{r}_x \times \vec{r}_y) dA = \iint_{\text{disk}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{vmatrix} dA \\ &= \iint_{\text{disk}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} dA = \iint_{\text{disk}} 1 dA = A(\text{disk}) = \pi. \end{aligned}$$