

HOMEWORK #1 (Chapter 9 Vector Calculus)

(1). Suppose $\nabla f(a,b) = 4\mathbf{i} + 3\mathbf{j}$. Find a unit vector \mathbf{u} so that: (Exercises 9.5 problem 33).

(a). $D_{\mathbf{u}}f(a,b) = 0$.

(b). $D_{\mathbf{u}}f(a,b)$ is a maximum.

(c). $D_{\mathbf{u}}f(a,b)$ is a minimum.

Ans: (a) $\mathbf{u} = \pm(3\mathbf{i} - 4\mathbf{j}) / \sqrt{(9+16)} = \pm(\frac{3}{5}\mathbf{i} - \frac{4}{5}\mathbf{j})$, (b) $\mathbf{u} = (4\mathbf{i} + 3\mathbf{j}) / \sqrt{(9+16)} = (\frac{4}{5}\mathbf{i} + \frac{3}{5}\mathbf{j})$,

(c) $\mathbf{u} = -(\frac{4}{5}\mathbf{i} + \frac{3}{5}\mathbf{j})$

(2). Let $\mathbf{r} = x\mathbf{i} + y\mathbf{j} + z\mathbf{k}$ be the position vector of a mass m_1 and let the mass m_2 be

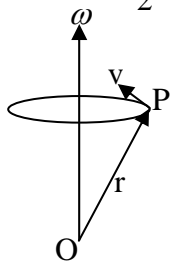
located at the origin. If the force of gravitational attraction is $\mathbf{F} = -\frac{Gm_1m_2}{\|\mathbf{r}\|^3}\mathbf{r}$, verify that $\text{curl } \mathbf{F} = 0$

and $\text{div } \mathbf{F} = 0$, $\mathbf{r} \neq 0$. (Exercises 9.7 problem 39).

Ans: $\text{curl } \mathbf{F} = -Gm_1m_2 \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ \frac{x}{|\mathbf{r}|^3} & \frac{y}{|\mathbf{r}|^3} & \frac{z}{|\mathbf{r}|^3} \end{vmatrix} = 0, \quad \text{div } \mathbf{F} = 0$

(3). Suppose a body rotates with a constant angular velocity $\boldsymbol{\omega}$ about an axis. If \mathbf{r} is the position vector of a point \mathbf{P} on the body measured from the origin, then the linear velocity vector \mathbf{v} of rotation is $\mathbf{v} = \boldsymbol{\omega} \times \mathbf{r}$. See Figure. If $\mathbf{r} = x\mathbf{i} + y\mathbf{j} + z\mathbf{k}$ and $\boldsymbol{\omega} = \omega_1\mathbf{i} + \omega_2\mathbf{j} + \omega_3\mathbf{k}$,

show that $\boldsymbol{\omega} = \frac{1}{2} \text{curl } \mathbf{v}$. (Exercises 9.7 problem 40).



Ans: $\frac{1}{2} \text{curl } \mathbf{v} = \frac{1}{2} \text{curl}(\boldsymbol{\omega} \times \mathbf{r}) = \frac{1}{2} \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ \omega_2 z - \omega_3 y & \omega_3 x - \omega_1 z & \omega_1 y - \omega_2 x \end{vmatrix} = \boldsymbol{\omega}$

In problem 4, Find the length of the curve traced by the given vector function on the indicated

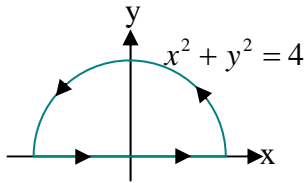
interval. (Exercises 9.1 problem 44).

$$(4). r(t) = 3t \underline{i} + \sqrt{3}t^2 \underline{j} + \frac{2}{3}t^3 \underline{k}; \quad 0 \leq t \leq 1.$$

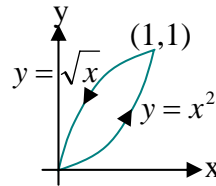
$$\text{Ans: } r'(t) = 3 \underline{i} + 2\sqrt{3}t \underline{j} + 2t^2 \underline{k}, \quad \|r'(t)\| = 3 + 2t^2, \quad s = \int_0^1 (3 + 2t^2) dt = \frac{11}{3}$$

In problem 5-6, evaluate $\oint_C (x^2 + y^2)dx - 2xydy$ on the given closed curve C. (Exercises 9.8 problem 19 and 20).

(5).



(6).



Ans: (5) From $(-2,0)$ to $(2,0)$, $y = dy = 0$. From $(2,0)$ to $(-2,0)$, $x = 2 \cos \theta$, $y = 2 \sin \theta$.

$$\oint_C (x^2 + y^2)dx - 2xydy = \int_{-2}^2 x^2 dx + \int_0^\pi 4(-2 \sin \theta)d\theta - \int_0^\pi 8 \cos \theta \sin \theta (2 \cos \theta)d\theta = \frac{-64}{3}$$

$$(6) \oint_C (x^2 + y^2)dx - 2xydy$$

$$= \int_0^1 (x^2 + x^4)dx - 2 \int_0^1 x x^2 (2x dx) + \int_1^0 (x^2 + x)dx - 2 \int_1^0 x \sqrt{x} \left(\frac{x^{-1/2}}{2}\right)dx = \frac{-3}{5}$$