

## Examination III

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Instructions: Give brief, clear answers. Use Green's Theorem whenever possible.

- I. (6) Let  $\vec{F}$  be the vector field  $\frac{-y}{x^2+y^2}\vec{i} + \frac{x}{x^2+y^2}\vec{j}$ . Verify by calculation (direct or indirect) that  $\int_C \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r}$  is not path-independent on the domain  $\{(x, y) \mid (x, y) \neq (0, 0)\}$ .

Take  $C$  to be the unit circle, on which  $\vec{F}$  is simply  $-y\vec{i} + x\vec{j}$ . Here it is the unit tangent vector, since it has length  $\sqrt{(-y)^2 + x^2} = 1$  and is perpendicular to the position vectors  $x\vec{i} + y\vec{j}$  which are radii of the circle. So  $\int_C \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} = \int_C \vec{F} \cdot \vec{T} ds = \int_C ds = 2\pi$ . Since  $C$  is a closed loop, but  $\int_C \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r}$  is not 0,  $\int_C \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r}$  is not path-independent. [Of course, one can also calculate directly by parameterizing  $C$  as  $\vec{r}(t) = \cos(t)\vec{i} + \sin(t)\vec{j}$ ]

- II. (12) (a) Evaluate the line integral  $\int_C xy dx + x^2y dy$  directly, where  $C$  is the triangle with vertices  $(0, 0)$ ,  $(1, 0)$ , and  $(1, 2)$ .

Let  $C_1$  be the line segment from  $(0, 0)$  to  $(1, 0)$ ,  $C_2$  the line segment from  $(1, 0)$  to  $(1, 2)$ , and  $C_3$  the line segment from  $(1, 2)$  to  $(0, 0)$ . On  $C_1$ ,  $y = 0$  so the integrand is 0 and therefore the integral is 0. On  $C_2$ , putting  $x = 1$  and  $y = t$  for  $0 \leq t \leq 2$ , we have  $dx = 0 dt$ ,  $dy = dt$ , so  $\int_{C_2} xy dx + x^2y dy = \int_0^2 0 + t dt =$

2. Parameterizing  $-C_3$  by  $x = t$  and  $y = 2t$ , we have  $\int_{C_3} xy dx + x^2y dy = - \int_0^1 t \cdot 2t + t^2 \cdot 2t \cdot 2 dt = -\frac{2}{3} - 1 = -\frac{5}{3}$ . Therefore  $\int_C xy dx + x^2y dy = \frac{1}{3}$ .

- (b) Evaluate it using Green's Theorem.

For the triangle  $T$  bounded by  $C$ ,  $\int_C xy dx + x^2y dy = \iint_T \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(x^2y) - \frac{\partial}{\partial y}(xy) dA = \iint_T 2xy - x dA = \int_0^1 \int_0^{2x} 2xy - x dy dx = \int_0^1 xy^2 - xy \Big|_0^{2x} dx = \int_0^1 4x^3 - 2x^2 dx = 1 - \frac{2}{3} = \frac{1}{3}$ .

- III. (7) The figure to the right shows a vector field  $P\vec{i} + Q\vec{j}$  on a portion of the plane. Based on its appearance there:

- (a) Explain geometrically why  $\frac{\partial P}{\partial x}$  is positive.

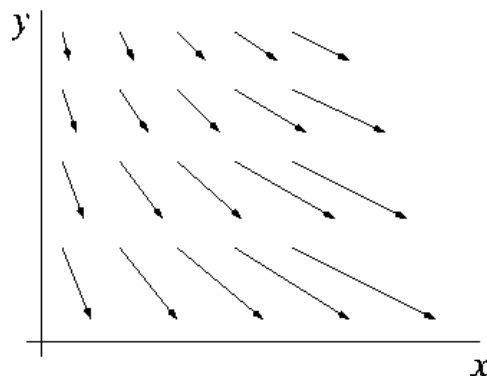
As you move to the right, the horizontal components are increasing.

- (b) Explain geometrically why  $\frac{\partial P}{\partial y}$  is negative.

As you move upward, the horizontal components are decreasing.

- (c) Explain geometrically why  $\frac{\partial Q}{\partial x}$  is zero.

As you move to the right, the vertical components do not change.



(d) Explain geometrically why  $\frac{\partial Q}{\partial y}$  is positive.

As you move upward, the vertical components, although negative, are nonetheless increasing.

(e) Determine whether  $\text{div}(P\vec{i} + Q\vec{j})$  is positive or negative.

$\text{div}(P\vec{i} + Q\vec{j}) = \frac{\partial P}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial Q}{\partial y}$  is the sum of two positive terms.

(f) Determine whether  $\text{curl}(P\vec{i} + Q\vec{j}) \cdot \vec{k}$  is positive or negative.

$\text{curl}(P\vec{i} + Q\vec{j}) \cdot \vec{k} = \frac{\partial Q}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial P}{\partial y}$ , with the first term 0 and  $\frac{\partial P}{\partial x}$  negative, so  $\text{curl}(P\vec{i} + Q\vec{j}) \cdot \vec{k}$  is positive.

**IV.** Let  $f$  be a scalar function of three variables and let  $\vec{F}$  be a vector field on a 3-dimensional domain. Writing

(6)  $\vec{F}$  as  $P\vec{i} + Q\vec{j} + R\vec{k}$ , verify that  $\text{div}(f\vec{F}) = f \text{div}(\vec{F}) + \vec{F} \cdot \nabla f$ .

$$\text{div}(f\vec{F}) = \text{div}(fP\vec{i} + fQ\vec{j} + fR\vec{k}) = (fP)_x + (fQ)_y + (fR)_z = f_x P + f P_x + f_y Q + f Q_y + f_z R + f R_z = f(P_x + Q_y + R_z) + (P\vec{i} + Q\vec{j} + R\vec{k}) \cdot (f_x\vec{i} + f_y\vec{j} + f_z\vec{k}) = f \text{div}(\vec{F}) + \vec{F} \cdot \nabla f.$$

**V.** (a) Sketch the vector field  $\frac{-y}{x^2 + y^2} \vec{i} + \frac{x}{x^2 + y^2} \vec{j}$ .

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(see your class notes)

(b) Explain the important phenomenon (related to Clairaut's Theorem) that the vector field  $\frac{-y}{x^2 + y^2} \vec{i} + \frac{x}{x^2 + y^2} \vec{j}$  illustrates.

It satisfies the necessary condition  $\frac{\partial Q}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial P}{\partial x}$  to be conservative, but (as seen in problem I above) it is not conservative on its domain  $\mathbb{R}^2 - \{(0, 0)\}$ . It illustrates that the hypothesis that the domain is simply-connected is needed for the necessary condition to be sufficient.

**VI.** Let  $D$  be a connected planar domain.

(5) (a) Define what it means to say that  $D$  is simply-connected (do better than "no holes").

If  $C$  is any simple (no self-crossings) loop in  $D$ , then every point in the plane that is enclosed by  $C$  is also in  $D$ .

(b) State the theorem discussed in class that uses the hypothesis that  $D$  is simply-connected.

If  $D$  is simply-connected and  $P\vec{i} + Q\vec{j}$  is a vector field on  $D$  that satisfies  $\frac{\partial Q}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial P}{\partial y}$ , then  $P\vec{i} + Q\vec{j}$  is conservative.

- VII.** Suppose that  $\vec{F} = P\vec{i} + Q\vec{j}$  is a vector field on the plane and let  $C$  be the unit circle. Suppose that at (6) points on  $C$  (but not necessarily on the rest of  $D$ ),  $\vec{F}(x, y) = x\vec{i} + y\vec{j}$ .
- (a) Verify that on  $C$ ,  $\vec{F}$  equals the outward unit normal  $\vec{n}$ .

Since  $\vec{F}$  is the position vector of  $(x, y)$ , that is, it looks like a radius of the circle, it is perpendicular to the circle at the point  $(x, y)$ . Therefore it is normal and points outward. Also, on  $C$  it has length  $\sqrt{x^2 + y^2} = 1$ , so it has unit length.

(b) Calculate  $\iint_D \frac{\partial Q}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial P}{\partial y} dA$ .

By the Tangential Form for Green's Theorem, we have  $\iint_D \frac{\partial Q}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial P}{\partial y} dA = \iint_D \text{curl}(\vec{F}) \cdot \vec{k} dA = \int_C \vec{F} \cdot \vec{T} ds = \int_C 0 ds = 0$ .

(c) Calculate  $\iint_D \frac{\partial P}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial Q}{\partial y} dA$ .

By the Normal Form for Green's Theorem, we have  $\iint_D \frac{\partial P}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial Q}{\partial y} dA = \int_C \vec{F} \cdot \vec{n} ds = \int_C ds = 2\pi$ .

- VIII.** Calculate  $\int_C (y\vec{i} - x\vec{j}) \cdot d\vec{r}$ , where  $C$  is the equilateral triangle that has one side equal to the straight line (6) from  $(1, 1)$  to  $(201, 1)$  but does not lie completely in the first quadrant.

Let  $T$  be the triangle enclosed by  $C$ . Using Green's Theorem,  $\int_C y\vec{i} \cdot d\vec{r} = \iint_T \frac{\partial(-x)}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial(y)}{\partial y} dA = \iint_T -2 dA$ , which is  $-2$  times the area of  $T$ . Since  $T$  has base of length 200, a little geometry shows that the area of  $T$  is  $(\sqrt{3}/2)(200)^2/2 = 10,000\sqrt{3}$ , so the answer is  $-20,000\sqrt{3}$ .