

Homework answers, week of April 13, 2009

Section 7.6 (p. 497)

6. A calculation shows $\nabla \times \mathbf{F} = (0, -2z, 3y - 1)$. Since the hemisphere of interest has radius 4, the usual spherical coordinates

$$x = 4 \sin \phi \cos \theta, \quad y = 4 \sin \phi \sin \theta, \quad z = 4 \cos \phi$$

give $\mathbf{F} = (0, -8 \cos \phi, 12 \sin \phi \sin \theta - 1)$ and the surface normal

$$\mathbf{T}_\theta \times \mathbf{T}_\phi = -16 \sin \phi (\sin \phi \cos \theta, \sin \phi \sin \theta, \cos \theta),$$

which points inward. Thus, we take the negative of this expression for the outward-pointing normal. Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \iint_S \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{S} &= \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{\pi/2} \mathbf{F} \cdot (-\mathbf{T}_\theta \times \mathbf{T}_\phi) d\phi d\theta \\ &= \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{\pi/2} 16 \sin \phi \cos \phi (4 \sin \phi \sin \theta - 1) d\phi d\theta \\ &= -16\pi. \end{aligned}$$

Note: Stokes' theorem implies that this integral must equal $\int_{\partial S} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r}$, where ∂S is the boundary of the hemisphere, i.e., the circle of radius 4 in the xy plane. The theorem can be used to double-check the original computation.

10. A unit vector to each point of this surface is $(x, y, 0)$, so that $\mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{n} = x + y$, which gives

$$\iint_S \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{S} = \int_0^1 \int_0^{2\pi} (\cos \theta + \sin \theta) d\theta dz = 0.$$

16. (a) A calculation (or see formula (4) on p. 495) shows that

$$\mathbf{T}_x \times \mathbf{T}_y = \left(\frac{-x}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}}, \frac{-y}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}}, 1 \right)$$

so that $\mathbf{F} \cdot (\mathbf{T}_x \times \mathbf{T}_y) = -1$. Therefore, since S the graph of a function over the unit disk,

$$\iint_S \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{S} = \iint_S \mathbf{F} \cdot (\mathbf{T}_x \times \mathbf{T}_y) dx dy = \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^1 -r dr d\theta = -\pi.$$

(b) We have

$$\mathbf{F} \cdot (\mathbf{T}_x \times \mathbf{T}_y) = \frac{x}{\sqrt{2(x^2 + y^2)}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}},$$

so that

$$\iint_S \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{S} = \int_0^1 \int_0^{2\pi} \left(\frac{\cos \theta}{\sqrt{2}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right) r d\theta dr = -\frac{\pi}{\sqrt{2}}.$$

Section 8.1 (p. 528)

2. Parametrize the disk as $\mathbf{r}(\theta) = (D \cos \theta, D \sin \theta)$. Theorem 2 states that the area enclosed by ∂D is $\frac{1}{2} \int_{\partial D} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r}$ where $\mathbf{F} = -y\mathbf{i} + x\mathbf{j}$. Hence,

$$A = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\partial D} (-y, x) \cdot d\mathbf{r} = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{2\pi} (-D \sin \theta, D \cos \theta) \cdot (-D \sin \theta, D \cos \theta) d\theta = \pi D^2.$$

10. The vector field is $\mathbf{F} = P\mathbf{i} + Q\mathbf{j} = (\partial f / \partial y)\mathbf{i} - (\partial f / \partial x)\mathbf{j}$ on D . By Green's theorem,

$$\int_{\partial D} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} = \iint_D \left(-\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right) dA = 0$$

since f is harmonic.