

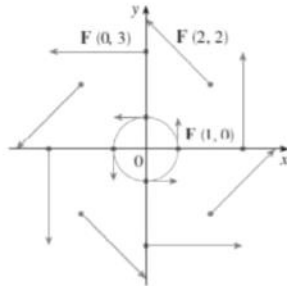
**Wir 9: Sections 16.1, 16.2, 16.3.**

**Section 16.1**

Definition: A vector field in two dimension is a function  $\mathbf{F}$  that assigns to each point  $(x, y)$  in  $D \subset \mathbb{R}^2$  a two dimensional vector,  $\mathbf{F}(x, y)$ .

In two dimension, the vector field lies entirely in the  $xy$  plane.

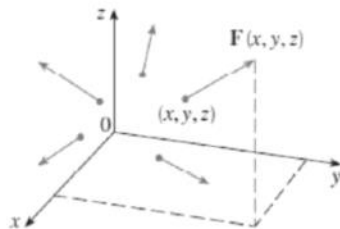
Here is a vector field in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ :



Definition: A vector field in three dimension is a function  $\mathbf{F}$  that assigns to each point  $(x, y, z)$  in  $D \subset \mathbb{R}^3$  a three dimensional vector,  $\mathbf{F}(x, y, z)$ .

In three dimension, the vector field is in space.

Here is a vector field in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ :



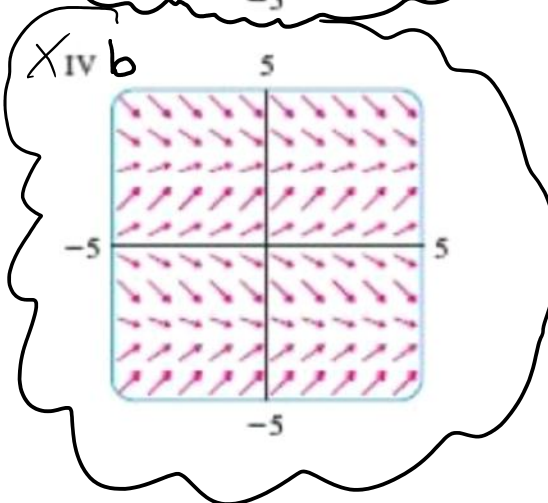
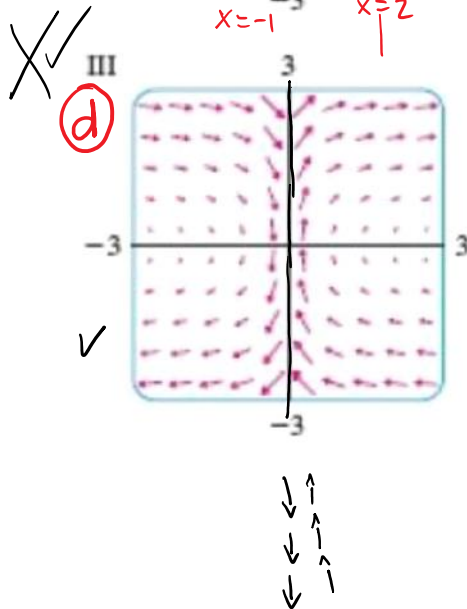
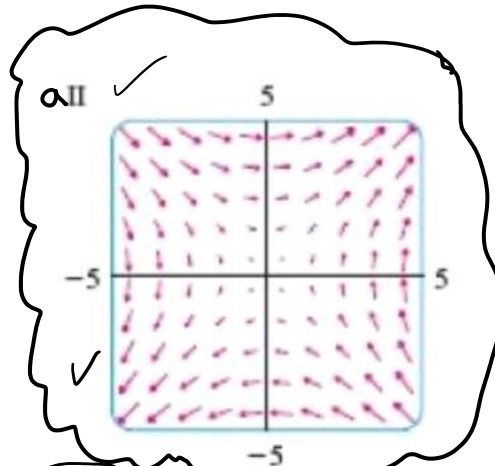
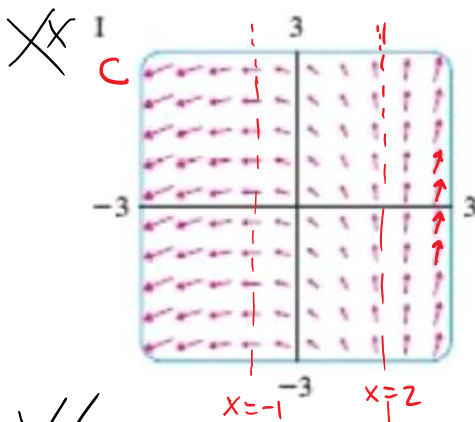
In order to match  $\mathbf{F}$  with its vector field, choose a several points,  $(x, y)$ , in each quadrant, and look at the *direction* of  $\mathbf{F}(x, y)$ . To narrow down further, look at the behavior of the components. Often times, it is a process of elimination.

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**Problem 1.** Match each vector field equation with its graph:

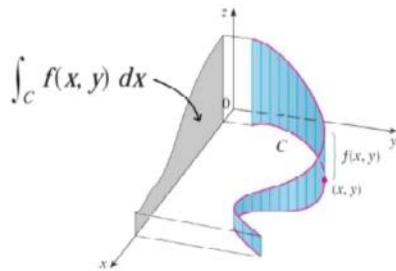
- a)  $F(x,y) = \langle y, 0 \rangle - QI$
- b)  $F(x,y) = \langle 1, \sin y \rangle$
- c)  $F(x,y) = \langle x-2, x+1 \rangle$
- d)  $F(x,y) = \langle y, \frac{1}{x} \rangle$



**Section 16.2**

Definition: If  $f$  is defined on a smooth curve  $C$  defined as  $\mathbf{r}(t) = \langle x(t), y(t) \rangle$ ,  $a \leq t \leq b$ , then the line integral of  $f$  along  $C$  is

$$\int_C f(x, y) ds = \int_a^b (f(x(t), y(t)) \sqrt{\left(\frac{dx}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dy}{dt}\right)^2}) dt = \int_a^b (f(x(t), y(t)) |\mathbf{r}'(t)|) dt$$



need a parametrization

In order to find a line integral along a curve  $C$ , we must first parameterize the curve. Sometimes, the parameterization will be given explicitly, other times you must parameterize the curve.

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set up first

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$$ds = \sqrt{x'(t)^2 + y'(t)^2}$$

Problem 2. Evaluate  $\int_C (2x + y) ds$ , where  $C$  is defined as  $\mathbf{r}(t) = \langle 2 + t, 3 - t \rangle$ ,  $0 \leq t \leq 1$ .

$$\begin{array}{cc} x & y \\ \mathbf{r}(t) = \langle 2 + t, 3 - t \rangle, & 0 \leq t \leq 1. \\ \hline x'(t) = 1 & y'(t) = -1 \end{array}$$

$$\int_0^1 [2(2+t) + 3-t] \sqrt{1^2 + (-1)^2} dt =$$

$$4 + 2t + 3 - t$$

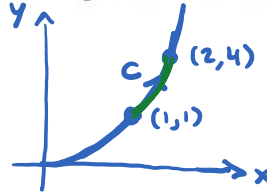
$$\sqrt{2} \int_0^1 (7+t) dt =$$

$$\sqrt{2} \left[ 7 + \frac{1}{2} \right] = \sqrt{2} \frac{15}{2}$$

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Problem 3. Set up but do not evaluate  $\int_C (2x + x^2y) ds$ , where  $C$  is the arc of the curve  $y = x^2$  from  $(1, 1)$  to  $(2, 4)$  using two different parameterizations.



$$y = x^2$$

$$\sqrt{y} = x$$

Sol 1:  $\vec{r}(t) = \langle t, t^2 \rangle \quad 1 \leq t \leq 2$

$$\int_1^2 (2t + t^2 t^2) \sqrt{(1)^2 + (2t)^2} dt = \int_1^2 (2t + t^4) \sqrt{1 + 4t^2} dt$$

$$u = 1 + 4t^2, du = 8t dt$$

$$\int_1^2 2t \sqrt{1 + 4t^2} dt$$

$$\int_1^2 t^4 \sqrt{1 + 4t^2} dt$$

$$\sec^2 x = 1 + \tan^2 x$$

$$u = 1 + 4t^2$$

$$t^2 = \frac{u-1}{4}$$

$$\int_1^4 (2\sqrt{t} + t^2) \sqrt{\left(\frac{1}{2\sqrt{t}}\right)^2 + 1^2} dt$$

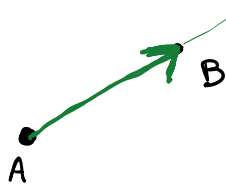
2)  $\vec{r}(t) = \langle \sqrt{t}, t \rangle$

$$\int_1^4 (2\sqrt{t} + t^2) \sqrt{\frac{1}{4t} + 1} dt$$

$$\sqrt{\frac{1 + 4t}{4t}}$$

$$1 + \frac{1}{4t} = u$$





$$A + 3t \overrightarrow{AB}$$

$\overrightarrow{AB}$   
 $0 \leq t \leq \frac{1}{3}$



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Problem 4. Evaluate  $\int_C (x^2 + y) ds$  where  $C$  consists of the line segment from the point  $(1, 4)$  to  $(3, -1)$ .

$$\vec{r}(t) = \langle 1, 4 \rangle + t [\langle 3, -1 \rangle - \langle 1, 4 \rangle] =$$

$$= \langle 1, 4 \rangle + t \langle 2, -5 \rangle = \quad 0 \leq t \leq 1$$

$$\vec{r}(t) = \langle \underbrace{1+2t}_x, \underbrace{4-5t}_y \rangle$$

$$\int_0^1 [(1+2t)^2 + 4 - 5t] \sqrt{2^2 + (-5)^2} dt$$

$$\sqrt{29} \int_0^1 (5 - t + 4t^2) dt =$$

$$1 + 4t + 4t^2 + 4 - 5t$$

$$\sqrt{29} \left[ 5 - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{4}{3} \right] = \sqrt{29} \left( \frac{30 - 3 + 8}{6} \right) = \sqrt{29} \frac{35}{6}$$

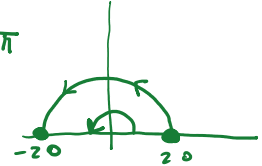


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Problem 5. Evaluate  $\int_C (x + y) ds$ , where  $C$  is the top half of the circle  $x^2 + y^2 = 4$ , oriented counterclockwise.

$$\vec{r}(t) = \langle 2 \cos t, 2 \sin t \rangle \quad 0 \leq t \leq \pi$$



$$\begin{aligned}
 & \int_0^\pi 2 (\cos t + \sin t) \sqrt{(-2 \sin t)^2 + (2 \cos t)^2} dt = \\
 & \qquad \qquad \qquad = \sqrt{4(\sin^2 + \cos^2)} = 2 \\
 & = \int_0^\pi 4 (\cos t + \sin t) dt = 4 \left[ \overset{\text{zero}}{\sin t} - \cos t \right]_0^\pi = \\
 & \qquad \qquad \qquad = 4 [ - - 1 - - 1 ] = 8
 \end{aligned}$$

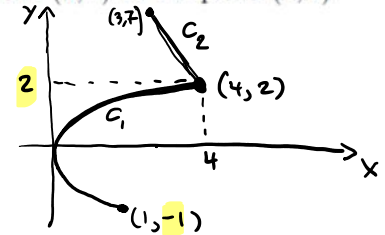


Problem 6. Set up but do not evaluate  $\int_C (2 + x^2y) ds$ , where  $C$  is the arc of the curve  $x = y^2$  from  $(1, -1)$  to  $(4, 2)$  and then along the line segment from the point  $(4, 2)$  to the point  $(3, 7)$ .

$$\vec{r}_1 = \langle t^2, t \rangle \quad -1 \leq t \leq 2$$

$$\vec{r}_2 = \langle 4, 2 \rangle + t[\langle 3, 7 \rangle - \langle 4, 2 \rangle]$$

$$= \langle 4-t, 2+5t \rangle \quad 0 \leq t \leq 1$$



$$\int_C = \int_{C_1} + \int_{C_2}$$

$$\int_{-1}^2 [2 + (t^2)^2 t] \sqrt{(2t)^2 + 1^2} dt + \int_0^1 [2 + (4-t)^2 (2+5t)] \sqrt{(-1)^2 + 5^2} dt$$

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Line Integrals <sup>of</sup> vector fields: Suppose now we are moving a particle along a curve  $C$  through a vector (force) field,  $F$ . We define the line integral of  $F$  along  $C$  to be

$$\text{Work} = \int_c F \cdot dr = \int_a^b \underbrace{(F(r(t))) \cdot \underbrace{r'(t)}_{\text{need a parametrization}} dt$$

Problem 7. Find  $\int_c F \cdot r$ , where  $C$  is defined by  $r(t) = \langle t, t^2, t^4 \rangle$ ,  $0 \leq t \leq 1$ , and  $F(x, y, z) = \langle x, z^2, -4y \rangle$ .

$$\int_0^1 \vec{F}(r(t)) \cdot \vec{r}'(t) dt$$

$$\vec{F}(r(t)) = \langle t, t^8, -4t^2 \rangle$$

$$\vec{r}'(t) = \langle 1, 2t, 4t^3 \rangle$$

$$\vec{F} \cdot \vec{r}' = t + 2t^9 - 16t^5$$

$$\int_0^1 (t + 2t^9 - 16t^5) dt =$$

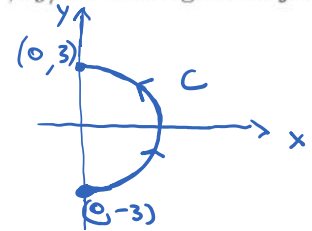
$$= \frac{1}{2} + \frac{2}{10} - \frac{16}{6} = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{5} - \frac{8}{3} = \frac{15+6-80}{30} = -\frac{59}{30}$$

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**Problem 8.** Find the work done by the force field  $\mathbf{F}(x, y) = \langle x^2, xy \rangle$  in moving an object counterclockwise around the right half of the circle  $x^2 + y^2 = 9$ .

$$\vec{r}(t) = \langle 3\cos t, 3\sin t \rangle \quad -\frac{\pi}{2} \leq t \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$$



$$\int_C \vec{F}(\vec{r}(t)) \cdot \vec{r}'(t) dt =$$

$$= \int_{-\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} 0 dt = 0$$

$$\vec{F}(\vec{r}(t)) = \langle 3^2 \cos^2 t, 3 \cdot 3 \cos t \sin t \rangle$$

$$\vec{r}'(t) = \langle -3 \sin t, 3 \cos t \rangle$$

$$\vec{F} \cdot \vec{r}' = -27 \cos^2 t \sin t + 27 \cos^2 t \sin t =$$

$$= 0$$

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**Definition:** Let  $C$  be a smooth curve defined by the parametric equations  $x = x(t)$ ,  $y = y(t)$  for  $a \leq t \leq b$ . The line integral of  $f$  along  $C$  with respect to  $x$  is  $\int_C f(x, y) dx = \int_a^b (f(x(t), y(t)) x'(t) dt$ .

The line integral of  $f$  along  $C$  with respect to  $y$  is  $\int_C f(x, y) dy = \int_a^b (f(x(t), y(t)) y'(t) dt$

**Problem 9.**  $\int_C y dx + x^2 dy$ , where  $C$  is described by  $\mathbf{r}(t) = \langle 3e^t, e^{2t} \rangle$ ,  $0 \leq t \leq 1$ .

$\int \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r}$  where  $\vec{F}(x, y) = \langle y, x^2 \rangle$

$\begin{matrix} x & y \\ \downarrow & \downarrow \\ 3e^t & e^{2t} \end{matrix}$ ,  $0 \leq t \leq 1$   
 $\rightarrow dx = 3e^t dt$        $dy = 2e^{2t} dt$

$$\int_0^1 e^{2t} (3e^t dt) + 9e^{2t} (2e^{2t}) dt = 3e^{3t} + 18e^{4t}$$

$$\int_0^1 (3e^{3t} + 18e^{4t}) dt = e^{3t} + 18 \frac{1}{4} e^{4t} \Big|_0^1 = e^3 + \frac{18}{4} e^4 - (e^0 + \frac{18}{4} e^0) =$$

$$= e^3 + \frac{9}{2} e^4 - (1 + \frac{9}{2}) .$$

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Problem 10. Evaluate  $\int_C x dx + y dy$ , where  $C$  is the arc of the parabola  $x = 4 - y^2$  from  $(-5, -3)$  to  $(3, 1)$ .

$$\vec{r}(t) = \left\langle \underbrace{4 - t^2}_x, \underbrace{t}_y \right\rangle \quad -3 \leq t \leq 1$$

$$dx = -2t dt \quad dy = dt$$

$$\int_{-3}^1 (4 - t^2)(-2t dt) + t dt = \int_{-3}^1 (2t^3 - 7t) dt =$$

$$-8t + 2t^3 + t = 2 \frac{t^4}{4} - 7 \frac{t^2}{2} \Big|_{-3}^1 = \frac{87}{24}$$

$$= \left[ \frac{1}{2} 1 - \frac{7}{2} 1 \right] - \left[ \frac{1}{2} 3^4 - \frac{7}{2} 3^2 \right] =$$

$$= -\frac{6}{2} - \frac{81}{2} + \frac{63}{2} = -\frac{24}{2} = -12$$



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Problem 11. Evaluate  $\int_C (x+y)dz + (y-x)dy + zdx$  where  $C$  is described by  $x = t^4$ ,  $y = t^3$ ,  
 $z = t^2$ ,  $0 \leq t \leq 1$ .  $dx = 4t^3 dt$ ,  $dy = 3t^2 dt$   
 $dz = 2t dt$

$$\int_0^1 (t^4 + t^3)(2t)dt + (t^3 - t^4)(3t^2)dt + t^2 4t^3 dt$$

$$2t^5 + 2t^4 + 3t^5 - 3t^6 + 4t^5$$

$$\int_0^1 (-3t^6 + 9t^5 + 2t^4) dt =$$

$$= -\frac{3}{7} + \frac{9}{6} + \frac{2}{5} = -\frac{3}{7} + \frac{3}{2} + \frac{2}{5} = \frac{-30 + 105 + 28}{70} = \frac{103}{70}$$

**Section 16.3**

In section 16.2, we learned how to find a line integral over a vector field  $\mathbf{F}$  along a curve  $C$  that is parametrized by  $\mathbf{r}(t)$ ,  $a \leq t \leq b$ .

**Problem 1.** Suppose we are moving a particle from the point  $(0, 0)$  to the point  $(2, 4)$  in a force field  $\mathbf{F}(x, y) = \langle \underbrace{y^2}_P, \underbrace{x}_Q \rangle$ . Find  $\int_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r}$ , where  $Q_x - P_y = 1 - 2y$

a.) The particle travels along the line segment from  $(0, 0)$  to  $(2, 4)$ .

b.) The particle travels along the curve  $y = x^2$  from  $(0, 0)$  to  $(2, 4)$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{a)} \quad \vec{r}(t) &= \langle 2t, 4t \rangle \quad 0 \leq t \leq 1 \\
 \int_0^1 \vec{F}(\vec{r}(t)) \cdot \vec{r}'(t) dt &= \dots \\
 \vec{F}(\vec{r}(t)) &= \langle 16t^2, 2t \rangle \\
 \vec{r}'(t) &= \langle 2, 4 \rangle \\
 \vec{F} \cdot \vec{r}' &= 32t^2 + 8t \\
 \int_0^1 (32t^2 + 8t) dt &= \\
 &= \frac{32}{3} + \frac{8}{2} = \frac{32}{3} + 4 = \frac{44}{3}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{b)} \quad \vec{r}(t) &= \langle t, t^2 \rangle \quad 0 \leq t \leq 2 \\
 \vec{F}(\vec{r}(t)) &= \langle t^4, t \rangle \\
 \vec{r}'(t) &= \langle 1, 2t \rangle \\
 \vec{F} \cdot \vec{r}' &= t^4 + 2t^2 \\
 \int_0^2 (t^4 + 2t^2) dt &= \\
 \left. \frac{t^5}{5} + 2 \frac{t^3}{3} \right|_0^2 &= \frac{32}{5} + \frac{16}{3} = \frac{96 + 80}{15} = \frac{176}{15}
 \end{aligned}$$

different numbers.

Note: Although the end points are the same, the value of the line integral is **different** because the **paths** are different. In this section, we will learn under what conditions the line integral is independent of the path taken.

**Definition:** If  $\mathbf{F}$  is a continuous vector field, we say that  $\int_c \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r}$  is **independent of path** if and only if  $\int_{C_1} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} = \int_{C_2} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r}$  for any two paths  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  with the same starting and ending points. In other words, the line integral is the same **no matter what path** you travel on as long as the endpoints are the same.

**Definition:** A vector field  $\mathbf{F}$  is called a **conservative vector field** if it is the gradient of some scalar function  $f$ , that is there exists a function  $f$  so that  **$\mathbf{F} = \nabla f$** . We call  $f$  the **potential function**.



Problem 2. Consider  $f(x, y) = x^2y - y^3$ . Find the gradient and explain why it is conservative.  
What is the potential function?

*potential function*  
*by definition of conservative v. f.*

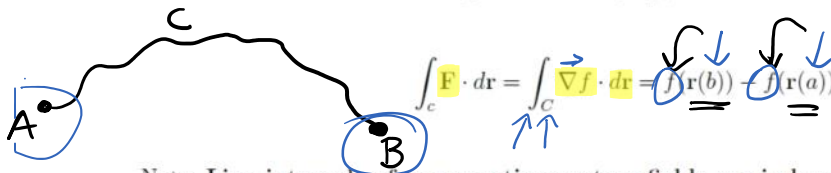
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Recall the Fundamental Theorem of Calculus tells us that  $\int_a^b f'(x)dx = f(b) - f(a)$ .

Since  $\nabla f = \langle f_x, f_y \rangle$ , we can think of the potential function,  $f$ , as some sort of antiderivative of  $\nabla f$ . Hence  $\int_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} = \int_C \nabla f \cdot d\mathbf{r}$ .

**Fundamental Theorem for Line Integrals:** Let  $C$  be a smooth curve given by the vector function  $\mathbf{r}(t)$ ,  $a \leq t \leq b$ . Let  $\mathbf{F}$  be a conservative vector field. Let  $f$  be a differentiable function of two or three variables whose gradient vector,  $\nabla f$ , is continuous on  $C$ . Then



$$\int_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} = \int_C \nabla f \cdot d\mathbf{r} = f(\mathbf{r}(b)) - f(\mathbf{r}(a))$$

Note: Line integrals of conservative vectors fields are independent of path because in a conservative vector field, the line integral is computed by only using the endpoints of the domain! Therefore, if we are in a conservative vector field, the line integral along a curve  $C$  in that vector field will be the same no matter what curve we travel across that connects the endpoints together. **WHICH MEANS WE DON'T EVEN NEED TO PARAMETERIZE THE CURVE!**

Question: How do we determine if a vector field is conservative, and if so, how do we find the potential function? The 'test for conservative' we use depends on whether  $\mathbf{F}$  is in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  or  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

do  $\text{curl } \vec{F} = \vec{0}$ , if it is  $\vec{0}$  then  $\vec{F}$  conserv.  
and irrotational

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**Theorem:**  $\mathbf{F}(x, y) = \langle P(x, y), Q(x, y) \rangle = P\mathbf{i} + Q\mathbf{j}$  is a conservative vector field, where  $P$  and  $Q$  have continuous first-order partial derivatives on a domain  $D$ , if and only if  $\frac{\partial Q}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial P}{\partial y}$ .

Note: This above criteria to determine if a vector field is conservative works only for  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

**Problem 3.** Is  $\mathbf{F}(x, y) = \langle 3x^2 - 4y, 4y^2 - 2x \rangle$  a conservative vector field? If so, find a function  $f$  so that  $\mathbf{F} = \nabla f$ .

(a)  $\text{curl } \vec{F} = \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{F} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ 3x^2 - 4y & 4y^2 - 2x & 0 \end{vmatrix} = (0-0)\hat{i} - (0-0)\hat{j} + (-2--4)\hat{k} = 2\hat{k} \neq 0 \Rightarrow \text{not cons.}$

$Q_x = -2 \neq P_y = -4$

(b) n/a.

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Problem 4. Is  $\vec{F}(x, y) = \langle x+y, x-2 \rangle$  a conservative vector field? If so, find a function  $f$  so that  $\vec{F} = \nabla f$ .

(a)  $Q_x = 1$ ,  $P_y = 1$  so  $\vec{F}$  is conservative.

(b)  $\vec{F} = \nabla f$   
 $\langle x+y, x-2 \rangle = \langle f_x, f_y \rangle$

$$\left. \begin{aligned}
 \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = x+y &\Rightarrow f = \frac{x^2}{2} + xy + g(y) \\
 \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = x-2 &\Rightarrow f = xy - 2y + h(x)
 \end{aligned} \right\} \begin{aligned}
 &\text{Potential function} \\
 &f(x,y) = \frac{x^2}{2} + xy - 2y + C \\
 &\text{Always check!}
 \end{aligned}$$



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Problem 5. Given  $F(x, y) = \langle 2xy^3, 3x^2y^2 \rangle$ . Evaluate  $\int_C F \cdot dr$  where  $C$  is the curve given by  $r(t) = \langle t^3 + 2t^2 - t, 3t^4 - t^2 \rangle$ ,  $0 \leq t \leq 2$

$$Q_x - P_y = 6xy^2 - 6xy^2 = 0 \Rightarrow \text{cons.}$$

Find potential function

$$\langle 2xy^3, 3x^2y^2 \rangle = \langle f_x, f_y \rangle$$

integrate ↙

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} f = x^2y^3 + g(y) \\ f = x^2y^3 + h(x) \end{array} \right\} f(x, y) = x^2y^3 + C \rightarrow \text{Pot. Functn}$$

CHECK! ✓

$$\vec{r}(0) = \langle 0, 0 \rangle$$

$$\vec{r}(2) = \langle 8+8-2, 3*16-4 \rangle = \langle 14, 44 \rangle$$

$$\int_C \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} = f(14, 44) - f(0, 0) = 14^2 * 44^3 - 0$$

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Problem 6. Let  $F(x, y) = \langle 3 + 2xy^2, 2x^2y \rangle$ . Evaluate  $\int_C F \cdot dr$  where  $C$  is the arc of the hyperbola  $y = \frac{1}{x}$  from  $(1, 1)$  to  $(4, \frac{1}{4})$ .

$$Q_x - P_y = 4xy - 4xy = 0 \Rightarrow \text{conservative}$$

Pot. fncn:

$$\langle 3 + 2xy^2, 2x^2y \rangle = \langle f_x, f_y \rangle$$

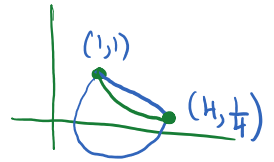
$$\left. \begin{aligned} f &= 3x + x^2y^2 + g(y) \\ f &= x^2y^2 + h(x) \end{aligned} \right\} f(x, y) = x^2y^2 + 3x + C$$

$$\int_C \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} = f(4, \frac{1}{4}) - f(1, 1) = \left(4^2 \frac{1}{4^2} + 12\right) - (1 + 3) = 9$$

$$\vec{r}(t) = \langle t, \frac{1}{t} \rangle \quad 1 \leq t \leq 4$$

$$\vec{F}(\vec{r}(t)) = \langle 3 + 2t \frac{1}{t^2}, 2t^2 \frac{1}{t} \rangle$$

$$\vec{r}'(t) = \langle 1, -\frac{1}{t^2} \rangle$$



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Problem 7. Given  $F(x, y) = \langle \overbrace{3x^2 - 4y}^P, \overbrace{4y^2 - 2x}^Q \rangle$ . Evaluate  $\int_C F \cdot dr$  where  $C$  is the curve given by  $r(t) = \langle t^2, t^2 + t - 2 \rangle$ ,  $0 \leq t \leq 1$ .

$$Q_x - P_y = -2 - (-4) \neq 0 \Rightarrow \text{not cons.}$$

$$\int_C \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} = \int_0^1 \vec{F}(\vec{r}(t)) \cdot \vec{r}'(t) dt$$

$$\vec{F}(\vec{r}(t)) = \langle 3t^4 - 4t^2 - 4t + 8, 4(t^2 + t - 2)^2 - 2t^2 \rangle$$

$$\vec{r}'(t) = \langle 2t, 2t + 1 \rangle$$

$$\text{dot: } \vec{F} \cdot \vec{r}'$$



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