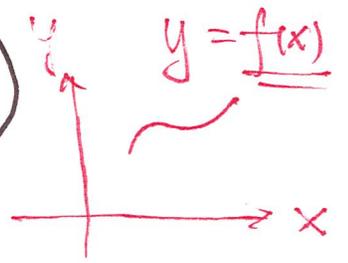


Chapter 16 Vector Calculus (12 lectures)



§16.1 Vector Fields

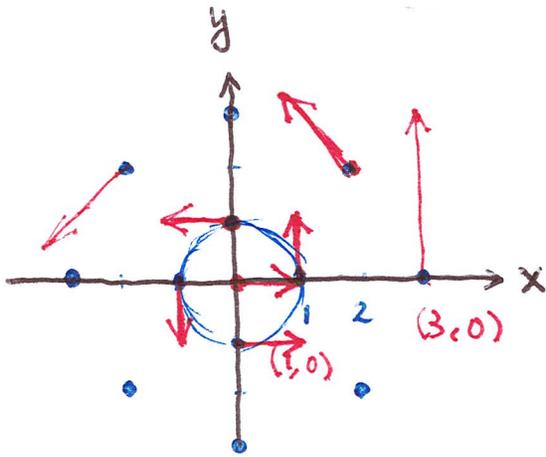
$$\vec{r}(t) = \langle f(t), g(t), h(t) \rangle$$

vector fields

$$\vec{F}(x, y) = P(x, y)\vec{i} + Q(x, y)\vec{j} = \langle P(x, y), Q(x, y) \rangle : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$$

$$\vec{F}(x, y, z) = P\vec{i} + Q\vec{j} + R\vec{k} = \langle P(x, y, z), Q(x, y, z), R(x, y, z) \rangle : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$$

Ex. 1 Describe $\vec{F}(x, y) = \langle -y, x \rangle$ by sketching some of the vectors $\vec{F}(x, y)$ as in Fig. 3.



$P(x, y)$ $Q(x, y)$

$$\vec{F}(1, 0) = \langle 0, 1 \rangle$$

$$\vec{F}(0, 1) = \langle -1, 0 \rangle$$

$$\vec{F}(1, 1) = \langle 0, -1 \rangle$$

$$\vec{F}(0, -1) = \langle 1, 0 \rangle$$

$$\vec{F}(3, 0) = \langle 0, 3 \rangle$$

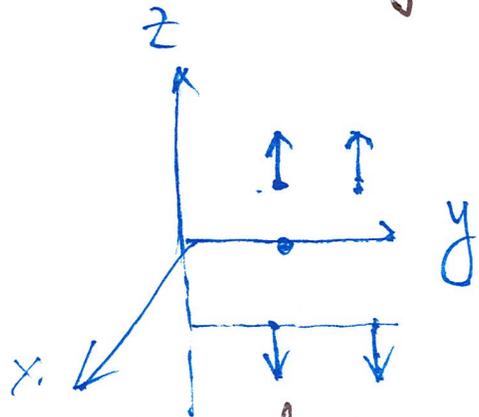
$$\vec{F}(2, 2) = \langle -2, 2 \rangle = 2 \langle -1, 1 \rangle$$

$$\vec{F}(-2, 2) = \langle -2, -2 \rangle = -2 \langle 1, 1 \rangle$$

$$\vec{x} \cdot \vec{F}(\vec{x}) = \langle x, y \rangle \cdot \langle -y, x \rangle = -xy + yx = 0$$

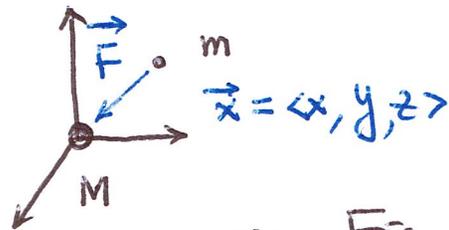
$$|\vec{F}(x, y)| =$$

Ex. 2 Sketch the vector field on \mathbb{R}^3 given by $\vec{F}(x, y, z) = \langle 0, 0, z \rangle$.



Ex. 4 Gravitational Force

$$\vec{F}(\vec{x}) = - \frac{m M G}{|\vec{x}|^3} \vec{x}$$



see Fig. 14

$$= \nabla f, \text{ where } f(x, y, z) = \frac{m M G}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}}$$

• gradient fields

$$\nabla f(x, y) = \left\langle \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right\rangle$$

$$\nabla f(x, y, z) = \left\langle \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} \right\rangle$$

Ex. 6 Find the gradient vector field of $f(x, y) = x^2y - y^3$.
Plot the gradient field together with a contour map of f (see Fig. 15).
How are they related?

$$\nabla f = \langle 2xy, x^2 - 3y^2 \rangle$$

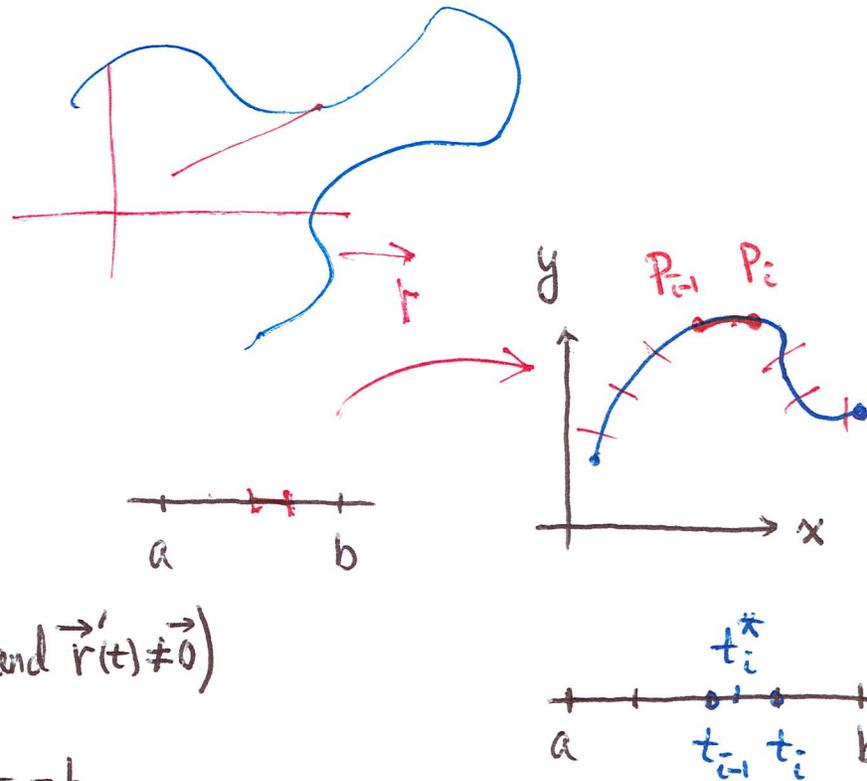
$$f(x, y) = x^2y - y^3 = c$$

Def. \vec{F} is a conservative field $\iff \exists f$ s.t. $\vec{F} = \nabla f$

§16.2 Line Integrals

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scalar function
vector field



• line integral of scalar function

a plane curve $C: \vec{r}(t) = \langle x(t), y(t) \rangle$
 $a \leq t \leq b$

Assume that C is a smooth curve. (\vec{r}' is cont. and $\vec{r}'(t) \neq \vec{0}$)

Partition of $[a, b]$: $a = t_0 < t_1 < t_2 \dots < t_n = b$
 $t_i = a + i \Delta t, \Delta t = \frac{b-a}{n}$

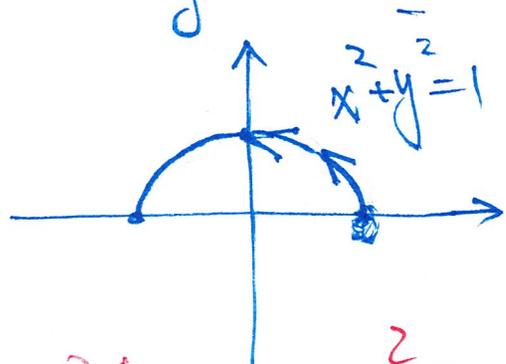
definition the line integral of f along C

$$\int_C f(x, y) ds = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^n f(x_i^*, y_i^*) \Delta s_i$$

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

Examples

(1) Evaluate $\int_C (2 + x^2 y) ds$, where C is the upper half of the unit circle $x^2 + y^2 = 1$



$$\begin{cases} x = \cos t \\ y = \sin t \end{cases} \quad 0 \leq t \leq \pi$$

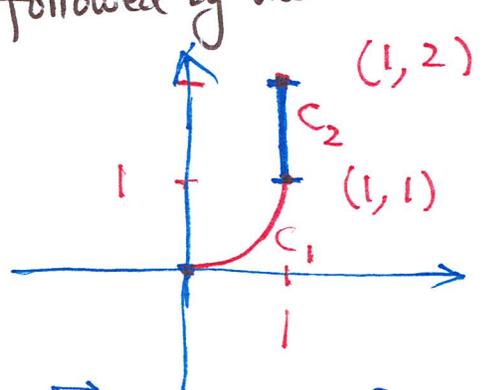
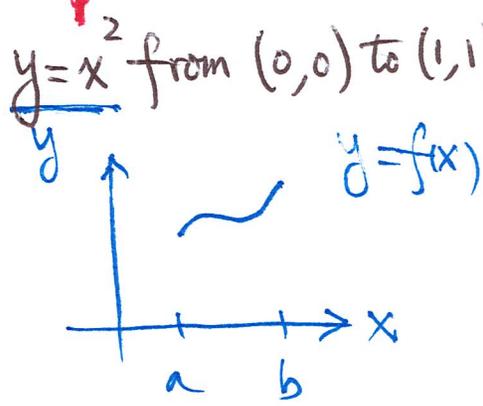
$$\begin{aligned} \vec{r}(t) &= \langle \cos t, \sin t \rangle \\ \vec{r}'(t) &= \langle -\sin t, \cos t \rangle \end{aligned}$$

$$I = \int_0^\pi (2 + \cos^2 t \sin t) \sqrt{(-\sin t)^2 + (\cos t)^2} dt$$

$f(x, y) = 2 + x^2 y$

$$u = \cos t \implies \int_0^\pi (2 + \cos^2 t \sin t) dt = [2t]_0^\pi + \int_{1}^{-1} -u^2 du$$

(2) Evaluate $I = \int_C 2x ds$, where C consists of the arc C_1 of the parabola $y = x^2$ from $(0, 0)$ to $(1, 1)$ followed by the vertical line segment C_2 from $(1, 1)$ to $(1, 2)$.



$$I = \int_{C_1} + \int_{C_2} 2x ds$$

$$= \int_0^1 2 \cdot t \sqrt{1 + (2t)^2} dt + \int_1^2 2 \cdot 1 \sqrt{0} dt$$

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

$x \in [a, b]$

$$C_1: \vec{r}_1(t) = \langle t, t^2 \rangle, \quad t \in [0, 1]$$

$$C_2: \vec{r}_2(t) = \langle 1, t \rangle, \quad t \in [1, 2]$$

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

$$\int_1^5 \frac{1}{4} \frac{1}{u} du + 2$$