

§ 13.3 FUNDAMENTAL THM FOR LINE INTEGRALS

RECALL F.T.C. PART II (EVALUATION THM) FOR FUNCTIONS f OF
1 VARIABLE INTEGRATED OVER AN INTERVAL $I = [a, b]$

$$\int_I f'(x) dx = \int_a^b f'(x) dx = f(b) - f(a)$$

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 DERIVATIVE OF f SCALAR MULTIPLICATION

Now, in HIGHER DIMENSIONS, f IS A FUNCTION OF SEVERAL
VARIABLES INTEGRATED OVER A CURVE $C = \vec{r}(t), a \leq t \leq b$.

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

PROOF:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_C \nabla f \cdot d\vec{r} &= \int_a^b \left\langle \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} \right\rangle \cdot \left\langle \frac{dx}{dt}, \frac{dy}{dt}, \frac{dz}{dt} \right\rangle dt \\ &= \int_a^b \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \frac{dy}{dt} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} \frac{dz}{dt} \right) dt \\ &= \int_a^b \frac{d}{dt} \left[f(\vec{r}(t)) \right] dt = f(\vec{r}(b)) - f(\vec{r}(a)) \end{aligned}$$


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ex. FIND WORK DONE BY FORCE FIELD $\vec{F}(\vec{r}) = \frac{k\vec{r}}{|\vec{r}|^3}$, k CONSTANT,

AS PARTICLE MOVES ALONG STRAIGHT LINE FROM $(2, 0, 0)$ TO $(2, 1, 5)$.

OBSERVE THAT FOR $f(x, y, z) = \frac{-k}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}}$ WE HAVE

$$\nabla f = \frac{-k}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}^3} \langle x, y, z \rangle = \frac{-k\vec{r}}{|\vec{r}|^3}$$

$$\text{THUS, } W = \int_C \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} = \int_C \nabla f \cdot d\vec{r}$$

$$= f(\vec{r}(b)) - f(\vec{r}(a))$$

$$= f(2, 1, 5) - f(2, 0, 0)$$

$$= \frac{-k}{\sqrt{2^2 + 1^2 + 5^2}} + \frac{k}{\sqrt{4 + 0 + 0}} = k \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{30}} \right)$$

NOTE THAT WE DID NOT HAVE TO PARAMETERIZE THE CURVE!

WHEN OUR VECTOR FIELD IS A GRADIENT VECTOR FIELD (CONSERVATIVE)

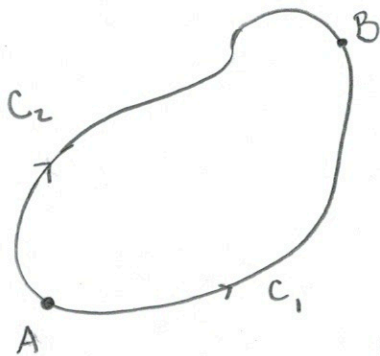
LINE INTEGRALS ARE PATH INDEPENDENT : ANY SMOOTH CURVE

WITH SAME BEGINNING & END POINTS YIELDS SAME

LINE INTEGRAL.

A curve is called CLOSED IF ITS TERMINAL POINT = INITIAL POINT.

IF \vec{F} IS $\int_C \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r}$ IS ^{PATH IND.} $\forall C$ & C IS CLOSED, WHAT IS $\int_C \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r}$?



SUPPOSE $A = \text{INIT. PNT.} = \text{TERM. PNT. OF } C$.

CHOOSE ANOTHER POINT B ON C , ARBITRARY.

CALL THE 2 CURVES CONNECTING A AND B

C_1 & C_2 . WE KNOW $\int_{C_1} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} = \int_{C_2} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r}$.

FURTHERMORE $\int_{-C_2} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} = - \int_{C_2} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r}$, SO

$$\int_C \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} = \int_{C_1} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} + \int_{-C_2} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} = 0.$$

IF $\int_C \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} = 0$ WHENEVER C IS CLOSED, THEN TAKE A, B

ARBITRARY PNTS & LET C_1, C_2 BE ANY TWO PATHS CONNECTING

A & B , AND $C = C_1 \oplus -C_2$ (AS ABOVE) SO C IS CLOSED.

$$0 = \int_C \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} = \int_{C_1} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} + \int_{-C_2} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} = \int_{C_1} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} - \int_{C_2} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r}$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_{C_1} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} = \int_{C_2} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r}.$$

IN SUMMARY,

THM: $\int_C \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r}$ IS INDEPENDENT OF PATH IN D (DOMAIN)

IFF $\int_C \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} = 0$ FOR EVERY CLOSED PATH C IN D .

AND, THE ONLY VECTOR FIELDS THAT ARE INDEPENDENT OF PATH ARE CONSERVATIVE (GRADIENT VECTOR FIELDS.)

THM: SUPPOSE \vec{F} IS A VECTOR FIELD THAT IS CONTINUOUS ON AN OPEN CONNECTED REGION D . IF $\int_C \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r}$ IS IND. OF PATH IN D , THEN \vec{F} IS A CONSERVATIVE VECTOR FIELD IN D ; THAT IS, $\exists f$ S.T. $\nabla f = \vec{F}$.

PROOF: LET $A(a,b)$ BE FIXED PNT IN D .

WE CONSTRUCT POTENTIAL FUNCTION f S.T. $\nabla f = \vec{F}$ BY

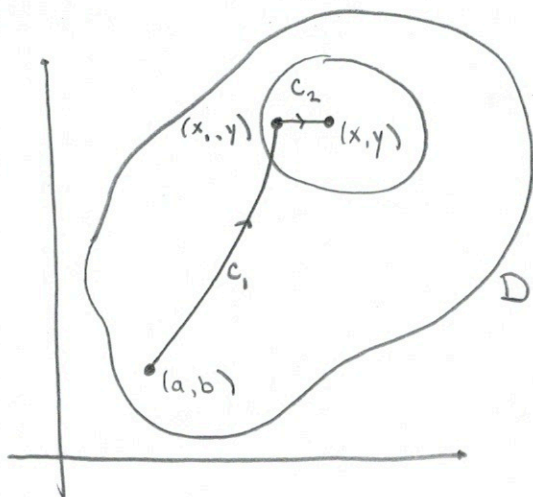
SETTING

$$f(x,y) = \int_{(a,b)}^{(x,y)} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r}$$

(PATH IND \Rightarrow PATH FROM (a,b) TO (x,y) IS INCONSEQUENTIAL)

SINCE D IS OPEN \exists DISK WITH CENTER (x,y) ,

CONTAINED IN D



CHOOSE (x, y) IN THE DISK WITH $x_1 < x$

& LET $C = C_1 \oplus C_2$ (SEE FIGURE)

THEN

$$f(x, y) = \int_{C_1} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} + \int_{C_2} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} = \int_{(a, b)}^{(x, y)} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} + \int_{(x, y)}^{(x, y)} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r}$$



DOES NOT DEPEND ON x

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial x} f(x, y) = 0 + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \int_{C_2} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r}$$

WRITE $\vec{F}(x, y) = \langle P(x, y), Q(x, y) \rangle$. THEN

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} f(x, y) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \int_{C_2} P(x, y) dx + Q(x, y) dy$$

ON C_2 , y IS CONSTANT SO $dy = 0$

$$x = t, \quad x_1 \leq t \leq x$$

$$dx = dt$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial x} f(x, y) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \int_{x_1}^x P(t, y) dt = P(x, y) \quad (\text{F.T.C. PART 1})$$

SIMILAR ARGUMENT USING VERTICLE SEGMENT SHOWS THAT

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial y} f(x,y) = Q(x,y)$$

THEUS, $\vec{F} = \langle P, Q \rangle = \langle f_x, f_y \rangle = \nabla f$ (CONSERVATIVE) \square

HOW DO WE KNOW WHEN A VECTOR FIELD IS CONSERVATIVE?

THM: IF $\vec{F}(x,y) = \langle P(x,y), Q(x,y) \rangle$ IS A CONSERVATIVE VECTOR FIELD, WHERE P & Q HAVE CONTINUOUS 1ST ORDER PARTIAL DERIVATIVES ON D , THEN THROUGHOUT D WE HAVE

$$\frac{\partial P}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial Q}{\partial x}$$

NOTE: THIS SAYS $\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x} = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y}$ [CLAIRAUT'S THM]

ex. $\vec{F}(x,y) = \langle x^2 + xy, y^2 - xy \rangle$ NOT CONSERVATIVE.

THE CONVERSE STATEMENT REQUIRES SOME DEFINITIONS.

Def: A SIMPCE CURVE IS A CURVE THAT DOES NOT INTERSECT ITSELF ANYWHERE BETWEEN ITS ENDPONTS. IF ENDPONTS INTERSECT \Rightarrow SIMPCE CLOSED CURVE



Def: A SIMPLY CONNECTED REGION IN THE PLANE IS A CONNECTED REGION D SUCH THAT EVERY SIMPLE CLOSED CURVE IN D ENCLOSES ONLY PARTS IN D .

(i.e. ONE PIECE WITH NO HOLES)

THM LET $\vec{F} = \langle P, Q \rangle$ BE VECTOR FIELD ON OPEN SIMPLY-CONNECTED REGION D . SUPPOSE P, Q HAVE CONTINUOUS 1ST ORDER PARTIAL DERIVATIVES AND

$$\frac{\partial P}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial Q}{\partial x} \quad \text{THROUGHOUT } D.$$

THEN \vec{F} IS CONSERVATIVE.

(PROOF: DELAYED TILL §13.4)

ex. DETERMINE WHETHER OR NOT $\vec{F}(x, y) = \langle 3 + 2xy, x^2 - 3y^2 \rangle$ IS CONSERVATIVE.

(YES, $\frac{\partial P}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial Q}{\partial x} = 2x$ & $D = \mathbb{R}^2$ SIMP. CONN.
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CONTINUOUS ON \mathbb{R}^2)

ex. FIND f S.T. $\vec{F} = \nabla f$.

ex. IF $\vec{F}(x, y, z) = \langle y^2, 2xy + e^{3z}, 3ye^{3z} \rangle$,

FIND f S.T. $\nabla f = \vec{F}$.

READ ON YOUR OWN LAST SECTION: "CONSERVATION OF ENERGY" p.785-6.