

NAME and Major: BRIEF SOLUTIONS

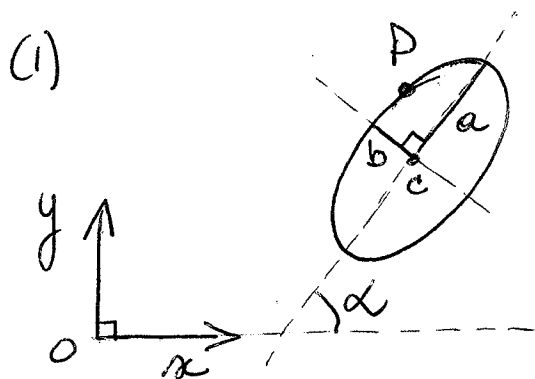
1. An ellipse in the (x, y) plane is centered at (x_c, y_c) , its major axis is a and points in a direction that makes an angle α counterclockwise from the x -axis, its minor axis is b .

(1) SKETCH, showing all data

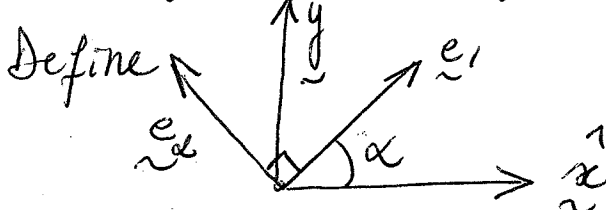
(2) What is the vector parametric equation $\vec{r} = \vec{r}(t)$ for the ellipse? Make sure to properly define/indicate on your sketch everything that is needed.

(3) What are the explicit cartesian parametric equations $x = x(t)$, $y = y(t)$ for the ellipse? specify $x(t)$ and $y(t)$, what is the range of t ?

(4) What is the t -integral that one needs to compute to find the length of the ellipse?



$$P \equiv (x, y), \quad C \equiv (x_c, y_c)$$



$$\text{so } \begin{cases} \tilde{e}_1 = \cos \alpha \hat{x} + \sin \alpha \hat{y} \\ \tilde{e}_2 = -\sin \alpha \hat{x} + \cos \alpha \hat{y} \end{cases}$$

$$(2) \quad \vec{r} = \vec{OP} = \vec{OC} + \tilde{e}_1 a \cos t + \tilde{e}_2 b \sin t, \quad t = 0 \rightarrow 2\pi$$

$$(3) \quad \begin{aligned} x &= \vec{r} \cdot \hat{x} = x_c + a \cos \alpha \cos t - b \sin \alpha \sin t \\ y &= \vec{r} \cdot \hat{y} = y_c + a \sin \alpha \cos t + b \cos \alpha \sin t \end{aligned}$$

$$(4) \quad L = \int_C |d\vec{r}| = \int_0^{2\pi} \left| \frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} \right| dt = \int_0^{2\pi} \sqrt{\left(\frac{dx}{dt} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{dy}{dt} \right)^2} dt$$

or from (2) directly: $|d\vec{r}| = \sqrt{a^2 \sin^2 t + b^2 \cos^2 t} dt$

$$\Rightarrow L = \int_0^{2\pi} \sqrt{a^2 \sin^2 t + b^2 \cos^2 t} dt$$

$(x_c, y_c, \alpha \text{ drop out of } L!)$

2. (a) Complete the following expression

$$\epsilon_{ijk}\epsilon_{lmk} = \delta_{il}\delta_{jm} - \delta_{im}\delta_{jl}$$

(b) use it to DERIVE a vector identity for $\vec{\nabla} \times (\vec{v} \times \vec{w})$ that has no cross products

$$\vec{\nabla} \times (\vec{v} \times \vec{w}) \triangleq \vec{u} \quad (\text{vector field})$$

$$\Rightarrow u_i = \epsilon_{ijk} \partial_j (\epsilon_{klm} v_l w_m)$$

$$= \epsilon_{ijk} \epsilon_{klm} \partial_j (v_l w_m)$$

$$= (\delta_{il}\delta_{jm} - \delta_{im}\delta_{jl}) (w_m \partial_j v_l + v_l \partial_j w_m)$$

$$= w_j \partial_j v_i - w_i \partial_j v_j + v_i \partial_j w_j - v_j \partial_j w_i$$

$$\equiv (\vec{w} \cdot \vec{\nabla}) \vec{v} - \vec{w} (\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{v}) + \vec{v} (\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{w}) - (\vec{v} \cdot \vec{\nabla}) \vec{w}$$

3.

$$\vec{r} = r\hat{r} = \rho\hat{\rho} + z\hat{z} = x\hat{x} + y\hat{y} + z\hat{z}$$

is the position vector (a.k.a. radius vector) in spherical (r, θ, φ) , cylindrical (ρ, φ, z) and cartesian (x, y, z) coordinates, respectively.

Write ρ and r in terms of cartesian coordinates (x, y, z) :

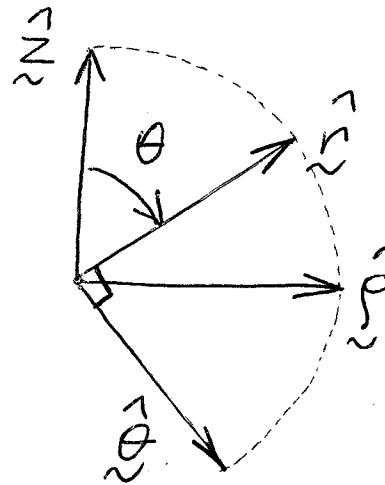
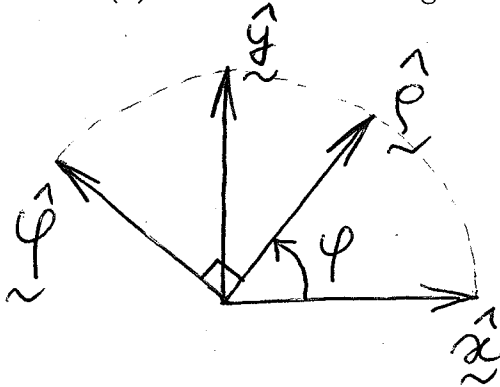
$$(a) \rho = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$$

$$(b) r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2} = \sqrt{\rho^2 + z^2}$$

Draw side by side:

(c) a 2D sketch showing the relationship between $\hat{\rho}$ and \hat{x} , \hat{y} . Indicate φ and $\hat{\varphi}$.

(d) a 2D sketch showing the relationship between \hat{r} and $\hat{\rho}$, \hat{z} . Indicate θ and $\hat{\theta}$.



Write $\hat{\rho}$ and $\hat{\varphi}$ in terms of ρ, φ, z and the cartesian basis vectors $\hat{x}, \hat{y}, \hat{z}$.

$$(e) \hat{\rho} = \cos \varphi \hat{x} + \sin \varphi \hat{y} \quad (f) \hat{\varphi} = -\sin \varphi \hat{x} + \cos \varphi \hat{y}$$

Calculate and express in cylindrical coordinates ρ, φ, z with cylindrical basis vectors $\hat{\rho}, \hat{\varphi}, \hat{z}$

$$(g) \frac{\partial \hat{\rho}}{\partial \varphi} = -\sin \varphi \hat{x} + \cos \varphi \hat{y} = \hat{\varphi} \quad (h) \frac{\partial \hat{\varphi}}{\partial \varphi} = -\cos \varphi \hat{x} - \sin \varphi \hat{y} = -\hat{\rho}$$

4. $\vec{r} = r\hat{r} = \rho\hat{\rho} + z\hat{z} = x\hat{x} + y\hat{y} + z\hat{z}$ is the position vector in spherical, cylindrical and cartesian coordinates, respectively, $\vec{\nabla}$ is the del operator such that $\vec{\nabla}f$ is the gradient of f , Santa Claus told you that $\vec{\nabla} \times (\hat{\varphi}/\rho) = 0$, except on the polar axis (of course, Ho! Ho! Ho!), and α is a scalar constant.

Calculate (JUSTIFY/SHOW STEPS!)

$$(a) \vec{\nabla} r^\alpha, \quad (b) \vec{\nabla} \rho^\alpha, \quad (c) \vec{\nabla} \cdot \hat{r}, \quad (d) \vec{\nabla} \cdot \left(\frac{\hat{r}}{r^3} \right), \quad (e) \vec{\nabla} \times \left(\frac{\hat{\varphi}}{\rho^3} \right)$$

write the results in whatever coordinates and basis are most appropriate or convenient.

$$(a) \vec{\nabla} r^\alpha = \hat{r} \frac{d}{dr} r^\alpha = \alpha r^{\alpha-1} \hat{r} \quad \text{spherical function} \\ \text{isosurfaces} \equiv \text{spheres}$$

$$(b) \vec{\nabla} \rho^\alpha = \hat{\rho} \frac{d}{d\rho} \rho^\alpha = \alpha \rho^{\alpha-1} \hat{\rho} \quad \text{cylindrical function} \\ \text{isosurfaces} \equiv \text{cylinders}$$

$$(c) \vec{\nabla} \cdot \hat{r} = \vec{\nabla} \cdot (\hat{r}/r) = \frac{1}{r} \vec{\nabla} \cdot \hat{r} + \hat{r} \cdot \vec{\nabla} r^{-1} \\ = \frac{3}{r} - \frac{\hat{r} \cdot \hat{r}}{r^2} = \frac{3}{r} - \frac{1}{r} = \boxed{\frac{2}{r}}$$

$$(d) \vec{\nabla} \cdot \left(\frac{\hat{r}}{r^3} \right) = \frac{1}{r^4} \vec{\nabla} \cdot \hat{r} + \hat{r} \cdot \vec{\nabla} r^{-4} \\ = \frac{3}{r^4} - \frac{4}{r^5} \hat{r} \cdot \hat{r} = \boxed{-1/r^4}$$

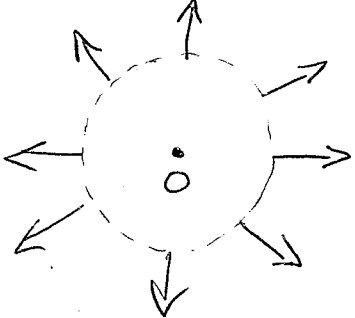
$$(e) \vec{\nabla} \times \left(\frac{\hat{\varphi}}{\rho^3} \right) = \vec{\nabla} \times \left(\hat{\varphi}/\rho^2 \right) = \underbrace{\frac{1}{\rho^2} \vec{\nabla} \times \hat{\varphi}}_{=0} + \underbrace{\left(\vec{\nabla} \rho^{-2} \right) \times \hat{\varphi}}_{-\frac{2}{\rho^3} \hat{\rho} \times \hat{\varphi}} \\ \left(\text{with } \hat{\varphi} = \frac{1}{\rho} \hat{\varphi} \right) \\ = -\frac{2}{\rho^4} \hat{\rho} \times \hat{\varphi} = \boxed{-\frac{2}{\rho^4} \hat{z}}$$


5. Calculate the flux $F = \oint_S \vec{v} \cdot \vec{dS}$ where $\vec{v} = \hat{r}/r^3$ as in problem 2(d) and \vec{dS} is pointing outward,

(a) when S is the sphere of radius R centered at $r = 0$. JUSTIFY/SHOW STEPS

(b) Is F positive, negative or zero when S is the sphere of radius R centered at the point $x = 2R, y = 0, z = 0$? JUSTIFY

(c) Specify *completely* what Fundamental Theorem you are using if any.

(a) 
$$\vec{dS} = \hat{r} dS \text{ for this sphere}$$
$$\Rightarrow \vec{v} \cdot \vec{dS} = \frac{1}{R^3} dS$$
$$F = \frac{4\pi R^2}{R^3} = \boxed{4\pi/R}$$

(b)  Now \vec{v} and \hat{n} are NOT parallel. But singular point o is outside sphere

by (c)
$$F = \int_V \nabla \cdot \vec{v} dV = \int_V \left(-\frac{1}{r^4}\right) dV < 0$$

(c) Divergence Theorem:

$$\int_V \nabla \cdot \vec{v} dV = \oint_S \vec{v} \cdot \hat{n} dS$$


where S is surface enclosing volume V and \hat{n} is unit outward normal.

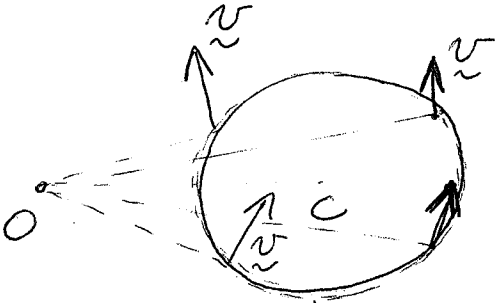
6. Calculate the circulation $\Gamma = \oint_C \vec{v} \cdot d\vec{r}$ where $\vec{v} = \hat{\phi}/\rho^3$ as in problem 2(e)

(a) when C is the circle of radius R in the x, y plane, centered at $x = 0, y = 0, z = 0$ and oriented counterclockwise in (x, y) ? JUSTIFY/SHOW STEPS

(b) is Γ positive, negative or zero when C is a circle of radius R centered at $x = 2R, y = 0, z = 0$ and oriented counterclockwise in (x, y) ? JUSTIFY

(c) Specify *completely* what Fundamental Theorem you are using if any.

(a)  on $C: \vec{v} \parallel d\vec{r} \Rightarrow \vec{v} \cdot d\vec{r} = \frac{1}{R^3} |d\vec{r}|$
 $\Rightarrow \Gamma = \frac{1}{R^3} \oint_C |d\vec{r}| = \frac{2\pi R}{R^3} = \boxed{\frac{2\pi}{R^2}}$

(b)  Now \vec{v} is NOT $\parallel d\vec{r}$ but from C

$$\Gamma = \int_A \nabla \times \vec{v} \cdot \hat{z} dA$$

$$= \int_A -\frac{2}{\rho^4} dA < 0$$

(c) Stokes Theorem:

$$\int_S (\nabla \times \vec{v}) \cdot \hat{n} dS = \oint_C \vec{v} \cdot d\vec{r}$$

where C is the boundary curve of the surface S and the orientation of C matches \hat{n} for S by the right hand rule