

6 | VECTOR CALCULUS

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56. Evaluate $\int_{\gamma} (x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{-1} ds$, where γ is the helix $x = \cos t$, $y = \sin t$, $z = t$ ($0 \leq t \leq T$).

$$ds = \sqrt{x'(t)^2 + y'(t)^2 + (z'(t))^2} dt$$
$$= \sqrt{\sin^2 t + \cos^2 t + 1} dt = \sqrt{2} dt$$

$$\int_0^T \frac{1}{\cos^2 t + \sin^2 t + t^2} \sqrt{2} dt$$

$$= \int_0^T \frac{1}{1+t^2} \sqrt{2} dt = \arctan t \Big|_0^T \sqrt{2}.$$

$$= \sqrt{2} [\arctan T - \arctan 0]$$

$$= \sqrt{2} \arctan T$$

$$\tan 0 = 0$$
$$\arctan 0 = 0$$

57. Evaluate $\int_C yz \underline{dx} + xz \underline{dy} + xy \underline{dz}$ over the line segment from $(1, 1, 1)$ to $(3, 2, 0)$.

$\vec{u} = \langle 3-1, 2-1, 0-1 \rangle = \langle 2, 1, -1 \rangle$ direction vector

$l: \langle 1, 1, 1 \rangle + t \langle 2, 1, -1 \rangle$
 $= \langle 1+2t, 1+t, 1-t \rangle$

$x(t) = 1+2t$ $dx = 2dt$

$y(t) = 1+t$ $dy = dt$

$z(t) = 1-t$ $dz = -dt$

from $\underline{\underline{t=0}}$ ^{beginning} to $\underline{\underline{t=1}}$

$\int_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} = \int_C \langle M, N \rangle \cdot \langle dx, dy \rangle$

$\int_C \langle P, Q, R \rangle \cdot \langle dx, dy, dz \rangle$

$\int_0^1 \left[(1+t)(1-t) 2dt + (1+2t)(1-t) dt + (1+2t)(1-t)(-dt) \right]$

$= \int_0^1 \left[2 - 2t^2 + 1 + t - 2t^2 + 1 - 3t - 2t^2 \right] dt$

$= \int_0^1 (-6t^2 - 2t + 2) dt = -1$

$$= \left(-2t^3 - t^2 + 2t \right) \Big|_0^1 = -2 - 1 + 2 = \underline{-1}$$

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



Theorem 6.5: Properties of Vector Line Integrals

Let \mathbf{F} and \mathbf{G} be continuous vector fields with domains that include the oriented smooth curve C . Then

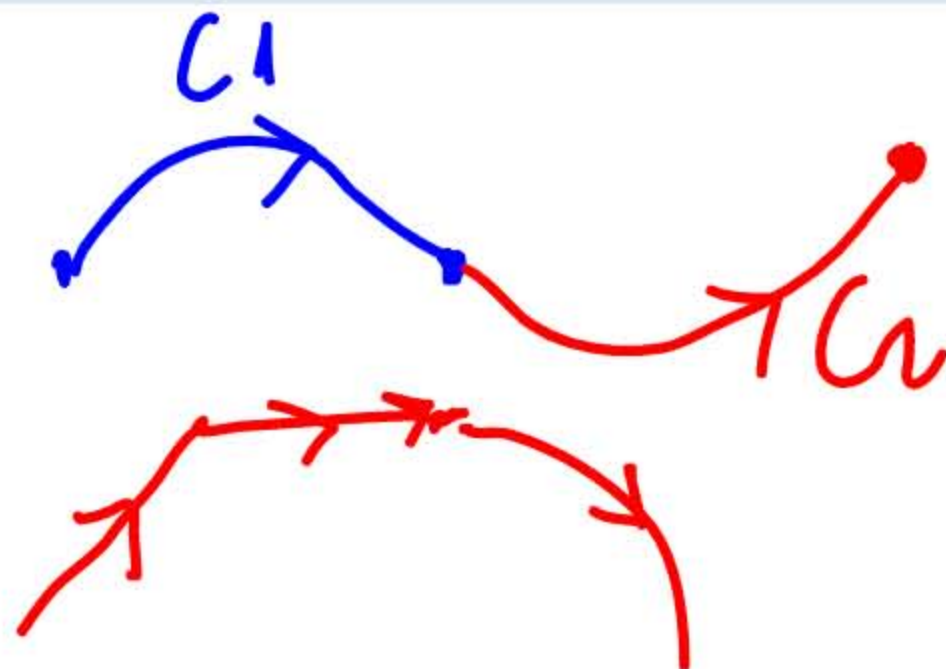
i. $\int_C (\mathbf{F} + \mathbf{G}) \cdot d\mathbf{r} = \int_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} + \int_C \mathbf{G} \cdot d\mathbf{r}$

ii. $\int_C k\mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} = k \int_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r}$, where k is a constant

iii. $\int_{-C} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} = -\int_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r}$

iv. Suppose instead that C is a piecewise smooth curve in the domains of \mathbf{F} and \mathbf{G} , where $C = C_1 + C_2 + \dots + C_n$ and C_1, C_2, \dots, C_n are smooth curves such that the endpoint of C_i is the starting point of C_{i+1} . Then

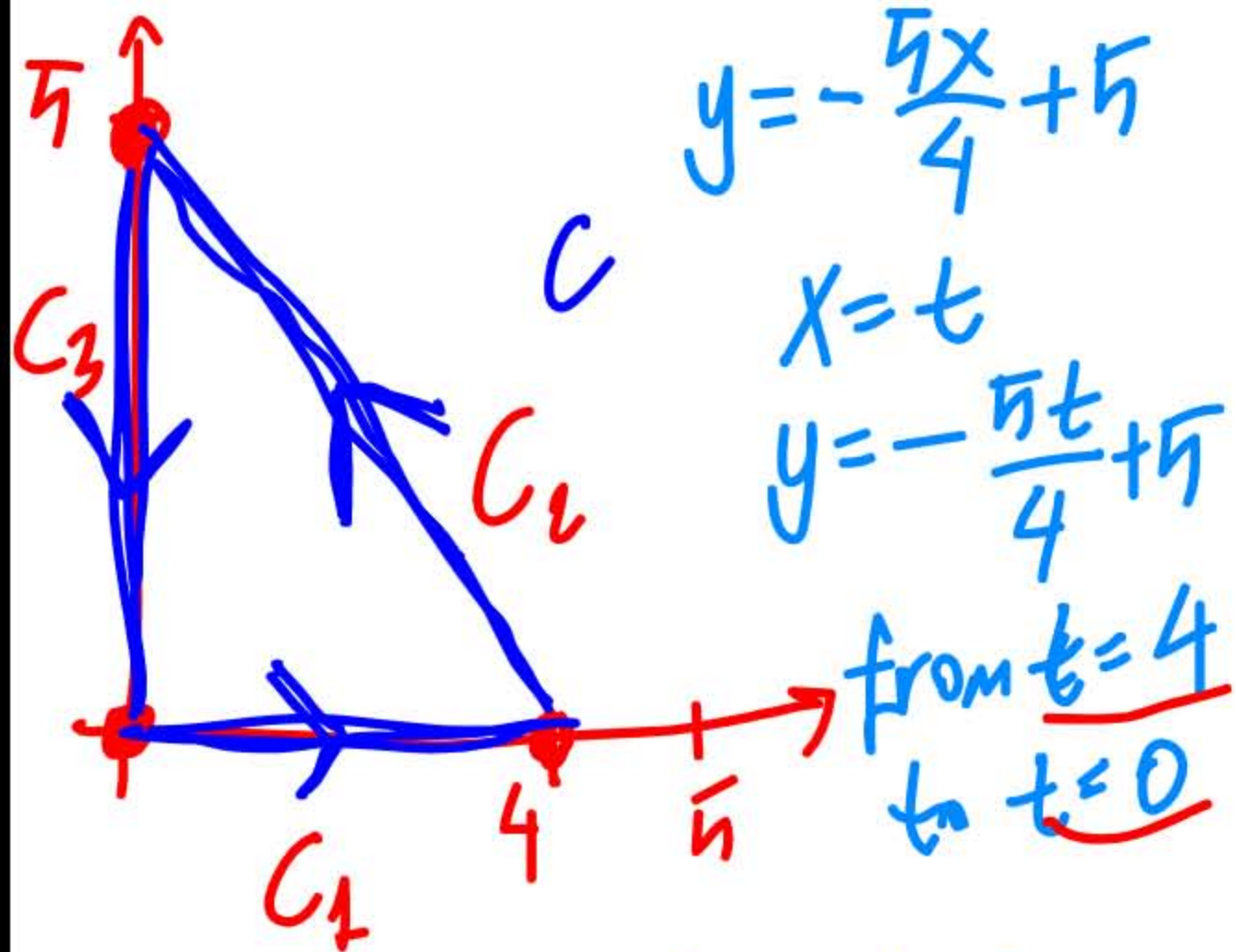
$$\int_C \mathbf{F} \cdot ds = \int_{C_1} \mathbf{F} \cdot ds + \int_{C_2} \mathbf{F} \cdot ds + \dots + \int_{C_n} \mathbf{F} \cdot ds.$$



$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = \int_a^c f(x) dx + \int_c^b f(x) dx$$



6.19 Calculate line integral $\int_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r}$, where \mathbf{F} is vector field $\langle y^2, 2xy + 1 \rangle$ and C is a triangle with vertices $(0, 0)$, $(4, 0)$, and $(0, 5)$, oriented counterclockwise.



$$y = -\frac{5x}{4} + 5$$

$$x = t$$

$$y = -\frac{5t}{4} + 5$$

from $t=4$
to $t=0$

$$y=0$$

$$x=t$$

$$0 \leq t \leq 4$$

$$C_3: x=0$$

$$y=t$$

t is from 5
to 0 .

$$\int_0^4 \langle 0, t \rangle \cdot \langle dt, 0 \rangle = \int_0^4 0 dt = 0 = \int_{C_1} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r}$$

$$\int_4^0 \langle \left(-\frac{5t}{4} + 5\right)^2, 2t\left(-\frac{5t}{4} + 5\right) + 1 \rangle \cdot \langle dt, -\frac{5dt}{4} \rangle = \int_{C_2} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r}$$

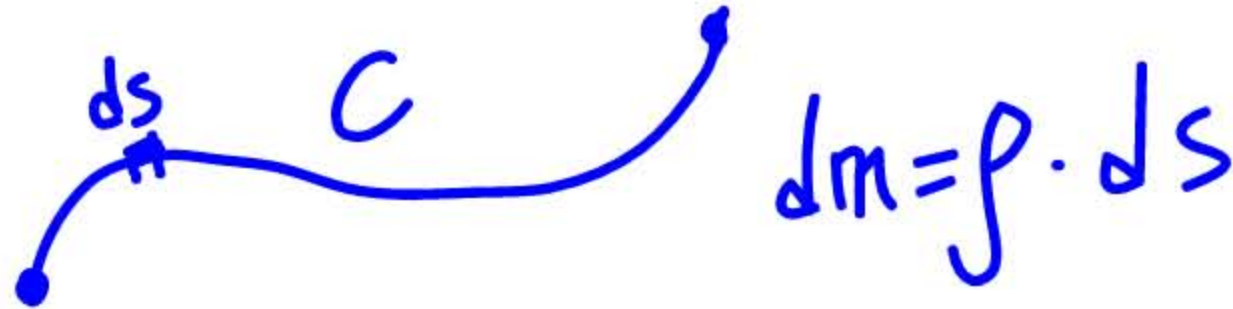
$$\int_{C_3} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} = \int_5^0 \langle t^2, t \rangle \cdot \langle 0, dt \rangle = \int_5^0 dt = t \Big|_5^0 = -5$$

$x=0, dx=0$
 $y=t, dy=dt$

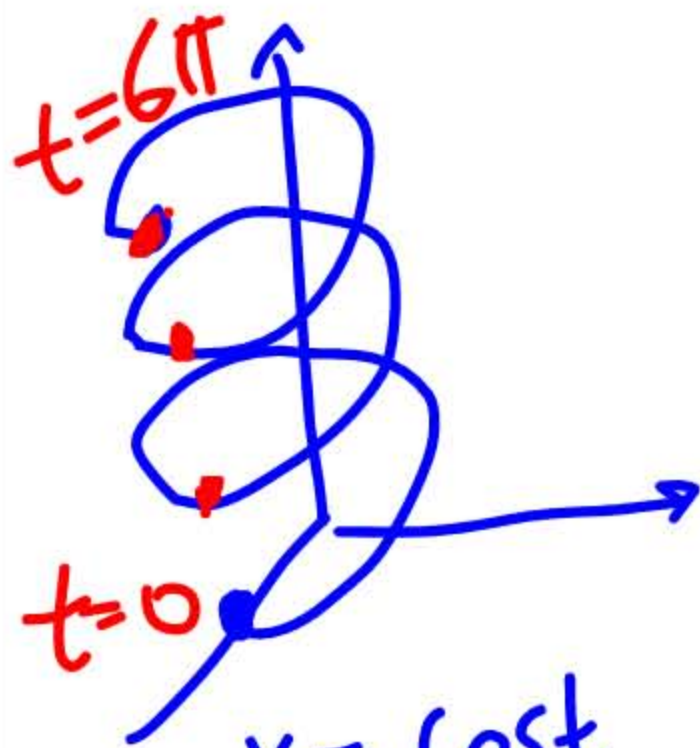
Applications of Line Integrals

Calculating the Mass of a Wire

$$M = \int_C \rho(x, y, z) ds.$$



6.20 Calculate the mass of a spring in the shape of a helix parameterized by $\mathbf{r}(t) = \langle \cos t, \sin t, t \rangle$, $0 \leq t \leq 6\pi$, with a density function given by $\rho(x, y, z) = x + y + z$ kg/m.



$$\begin{aligned}x &= \cos t \\y(t) &= \sin t \\z &= t\end{aligned}$$

$$ds = \sqrt{\sin^2 t + \cos^2 t + 1^2} dt$$

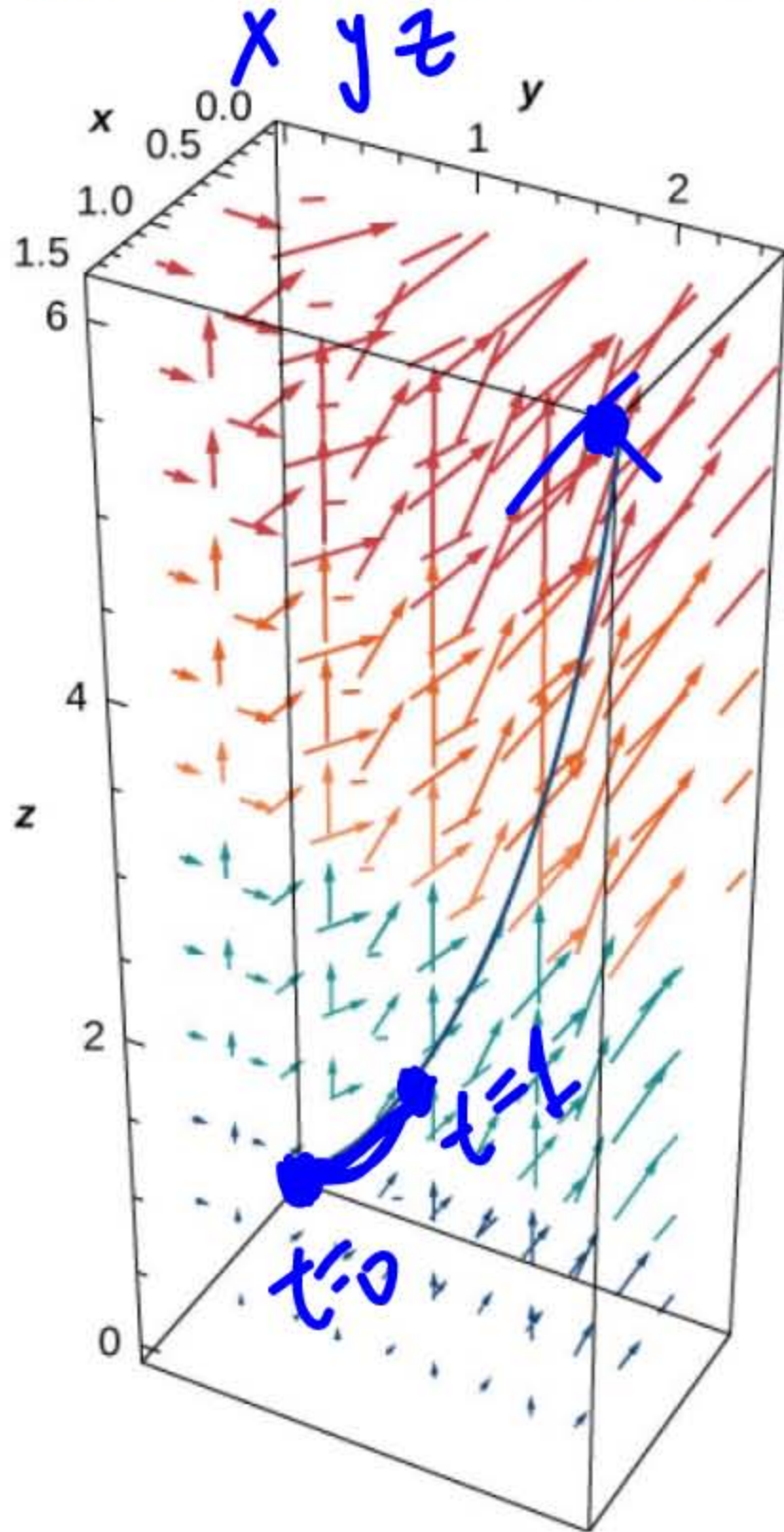
$$\int_0^{6\pi} (\cos t + \sin t + t) \sqrt{2} dt$$

$$= \sqrt{2} \left[\sin t - \cos t + \frac{t^2}{2} \right] \Big|_0^{6\pi}$$

$$= \sqrt{2} \left[0 - 1 + 18\pi^2 - (0 - 1 + 0) \right] = 18\sqrt{2} \pi^2 \text{ kg}$$

Calculating Work

How much work is required to move an object in vector force field $\mathbf{F} = \langle yz, xy, xz \rangle$ along path $\mathbf{r}(t) = \langle t^2, t, t^4 \rangle$, $0 \leq t \leq 1$? See **Figure 6.22**.



Work = Force \times distance

$$F \cdot dr$$

$$(0,0,0) \int_0^1 \langle t^5, t^3, t^6 \rangle \cdot \langle 2t, 1, 4t^3 \rangle dt$$

$$\begin{aligned} x &= t^2 & dx &= 2t dt \\ y &= t & dy &= dt \\ z &= t^4 & dz &= 4t^3 dt \end{aligned}$$

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

$$\left(\frac{2t^7}{7} + \frac{t^4}{4} + \frac{2t^{10}}{5} \right) \Big|_0^1 = \frac{131}{140}$$
$$= \frac{2}{7} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{2}{5} = \frac{40 + 35 + 56}{140}$$

Flux and Circulation

Flux is used in applications to calculate fluid flow across a curve

$$\mathbf{r}(t) = \langle x(t), y(t) \rangle, \quad a \leq t \leq b. \quad \text{Let } \mathbf{n}(t) = \langle y'(t), -x'(t) \rangle$$

$$\int_C \mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{N} ds$$

$$\mathbf{N}(t) = \frac{\mathbf{n}(t)}{\|\mathbf{n}(t)\|} \text{ is the unit normal vector to } C$$

Definition

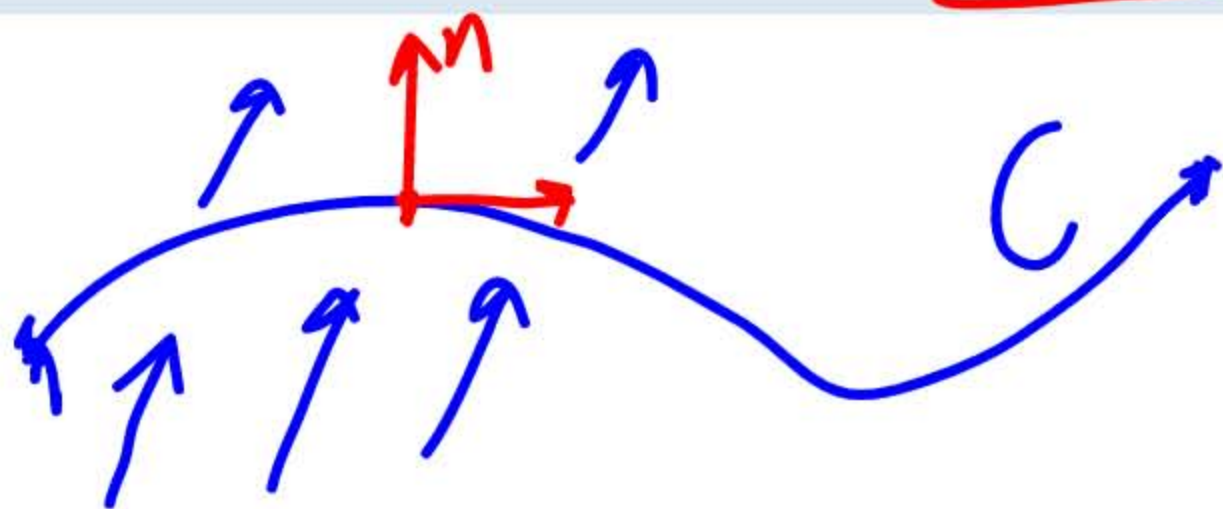
The flux of \mathbf{F} across C is line integral $\int_C \mathbf{F} \cdot \frac{\mathbf{n}(t)}{\|\mathbf{n}(t)\|} ds$.

tangent $\langle x'(t), y'(t) \rangle$
normal $\langle y'(t), -x'(t) \rangle$

Theorem 6.6: Calculating Flux across a Curve

Let \mathbf{F} be a vector field and let C be a smooth curve with parameterization $\mathbf{r}(t) = \langle x(t), y(t) \rangle, a \leq t \leq b$. Let $\mathbf{n}(t) = \langle y'(t), -x'(t) \rangle$. The flux of \mathbf{F} across C is

$$\int_C \mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{N} ds = \int_a^b \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{r}(t)) \cdot \mathbf{n}(t) dt \quad (6.11)$$



$$\frac{\mathbf{n}(t)}{\sqrt{(y'(t))^2 + (x'(t))^2}} \cdot \sqrt{(x'(t))^2 + (y'(t))^2} dt$$



6.21 Calculate the flux of $\mathbf{F} = \langle x + y, 2y \rangle$ across the line segment from $(0, 0)$ to $(2, 3)$, where the curve is oriented from left to right.

$$\vec{u} = \langle 2, 3 \rangle$$

$$l: \langle 0, 0 \rangle + t \langle 2, 3 \rangle$$

$$x = 2t$$

$$y = 3t$$

$$0 \leq t \leq 1$$

$$r(t) = \langle 2t, 3t \rangle$$

$$n(t) = \langle 3, -2 \rangle$$

$$\int_0^1 \mathbf{F}(r(t)) \cdot \mathbf{n}(t) dt$$

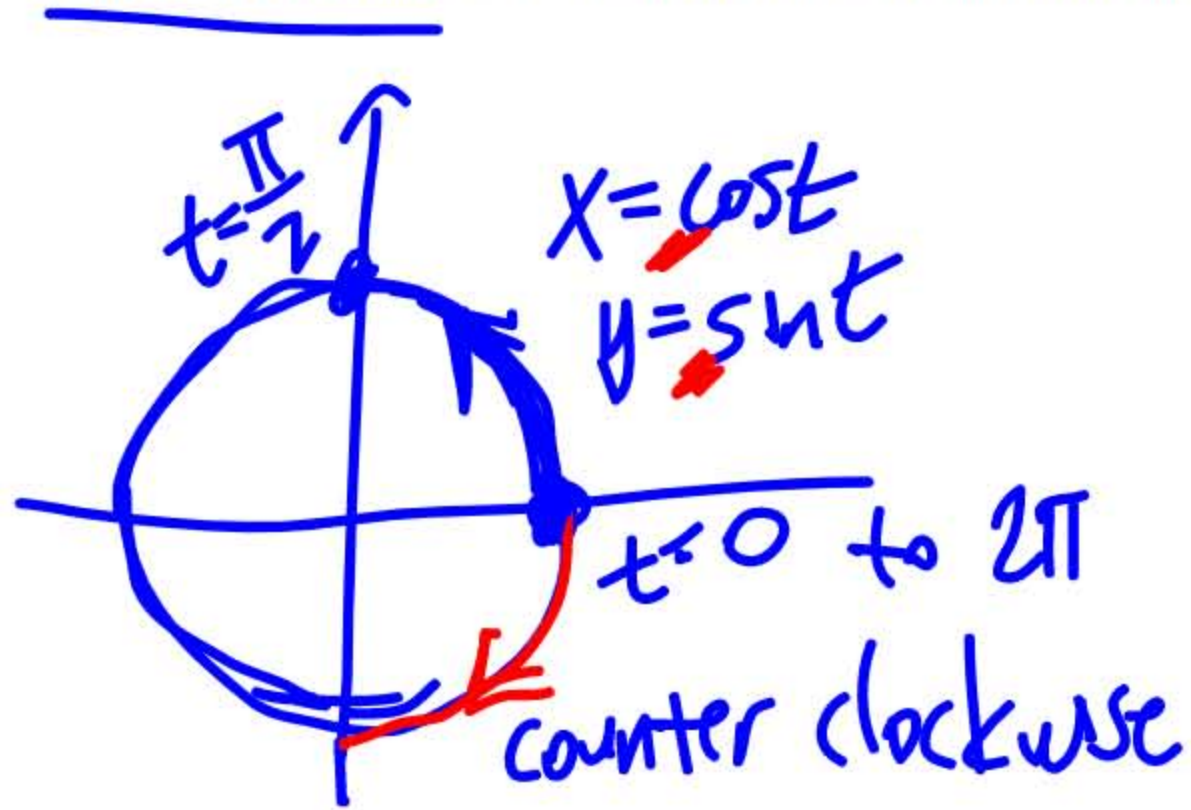
$$\int_0^1 \langle 2t+3t, 6t \rangle \cdot \langle 3, -2 \rangle dt$$

$$\int_0^1 3t dt = \left. \frac{3t^2}{2} \right|_0^1 = \frac{3}{2}$$

The line integral of vector field \mathbf{F} along an oriented closed curve is called the **circulation** of \mathbf{F} along C .

Circulation line integrals have their own notation: $\oint_C \mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{T} ds$.

Let $\mathbf{F} = \langle -y, x \rangle$ be the vector field from **Example 6.16** and let C represent the unit circle oriented counterclockwise. Calculate the circulation of \mathbf{F} along C .



$$r(t) = \langle \cos t, \sin t \rangle$$
$$r'(t) = \langle -\sin t, \cos t \rangle$$
$$h(t) = \langle \cos t, \sin t \rangle$$

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \langle -\sin t, \cos t \rangle \cdot \langle \cos t, \sin t \rangle dt$$
$$= \int_0^{2\pi} 0 dt$$
$$= 0$$

$\langle \cos t, -\sin t \rangle$ clockwise

$$\oint_C \mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{T} ds = 0$$

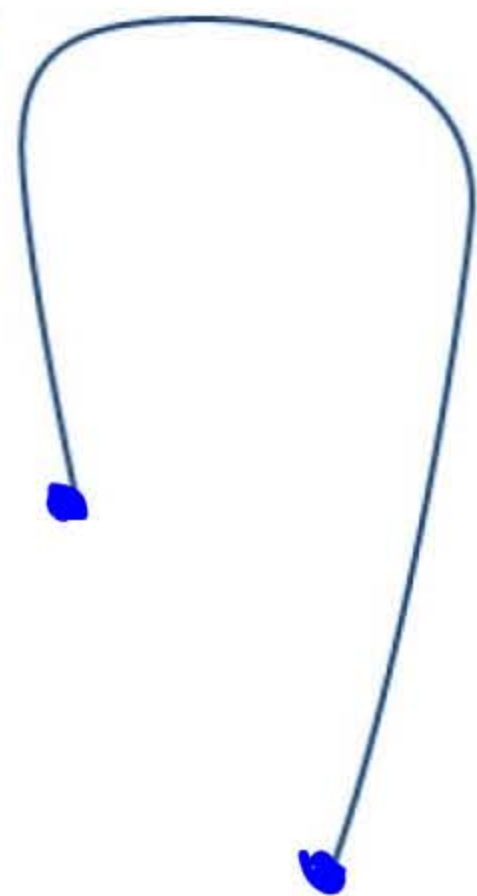
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$F = \nabla f$ then F is conservative

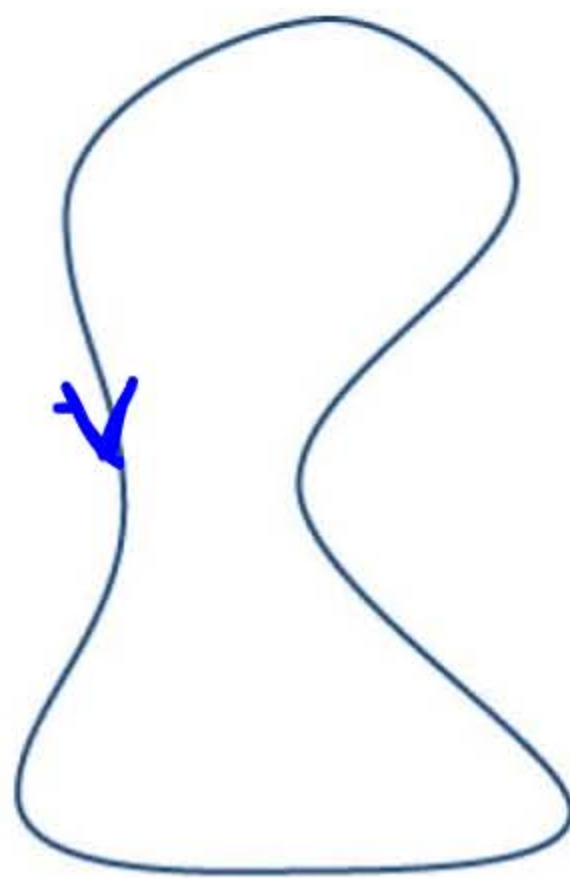
Definition

Curve C is a **closed curve** if there is a parameterization $\mathbf{r}(t)$, $a \leq t \leq b$ of C such that the parameterization traverses the curve exactly once and $\mathbf{r}(a) = \mathbf{r}(b)$. Curve C is a **simple curve** if C does not cross itself. That is, C is simple if there exists a parameterization $\mathbf{r}(t)$, $a \leq t \leq b$ of C such that \mathbf{r} is one-to-one over (a, b) . It is possible for $\mathbf{r}(a) = \mathbf{r}(b)$, meaning that the simple curve is also closed.

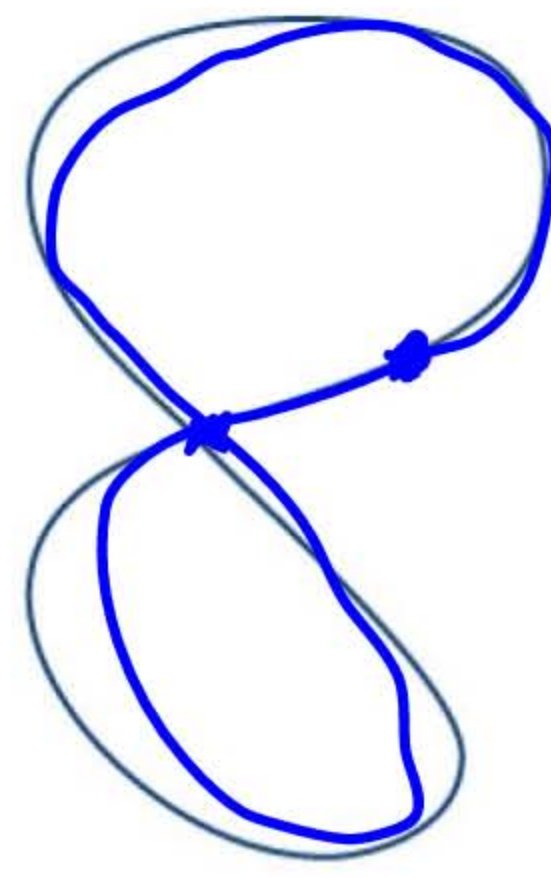
$F = \langle P, Q \rangle$
 $P_y = Q_x$
 \downarrow
potential
function



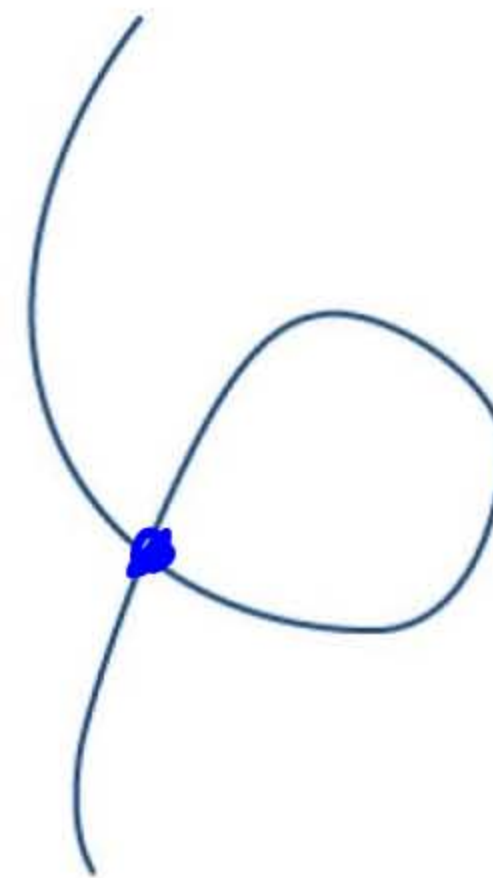
(a) Simple, not closed



(b) Simple, closed



(c) Not simple, closed



(d) Not simple, not closed



6.24 Is the curve given by parameterization $\mathbf{r}(t) = \langle 2 \cos t, 3 \sin t \rangle$, $0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$ a simple closed curve?

ellipse

YES, it is simple and closed.

$$x = 2 \cos t$$

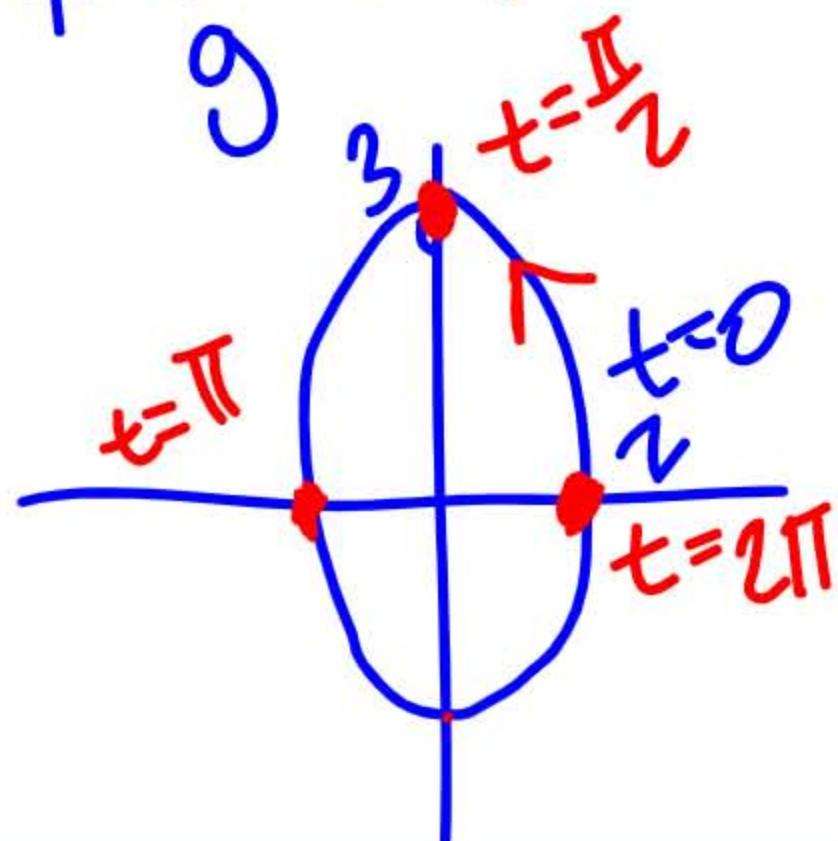
$$y = 3 \sin t$$

$$\left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{y}{3}\right)^2 = 1$$

$0 \leq t \leq 4\pi$, closed but not simple

$$\frac{x^2}{4} + \frac{y^2}{9} = 1$$

$0 \leq t \leq 3\pi$ not closed not simple.



$$\mathbf{r}(0) = (2, 0)$$

$$\mathbf{r}(3\pi) = (-2, 0)$$

Theorem 6.7: The Fundamental Theorem of Calculus for Line Integrals

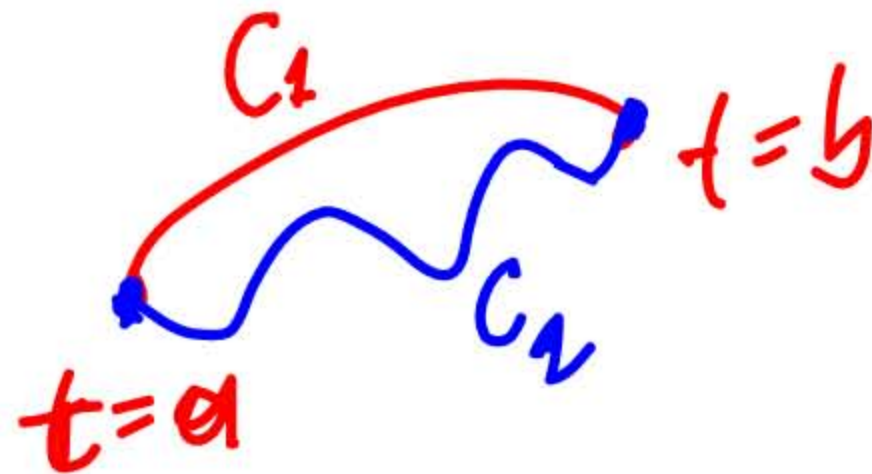
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Let C be a piecewise smooth curve with parameterization $\mathbf{r}(t)$, $a \leq t \leq b$. Let f be a function of two or three variables with first-order partial derivatives that exist and are continuous on C . Then,

$$\int_C \nabla f \cdot d\mathbf{r} = f(\mathbf{r}(b)) - f(\mathbf{r}(a)). \quad (6.12)$$

If gradient.

Observe that RHS (right hand side) is independent of path.



Calculus 1

$$f'(x) = F(x)$$

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

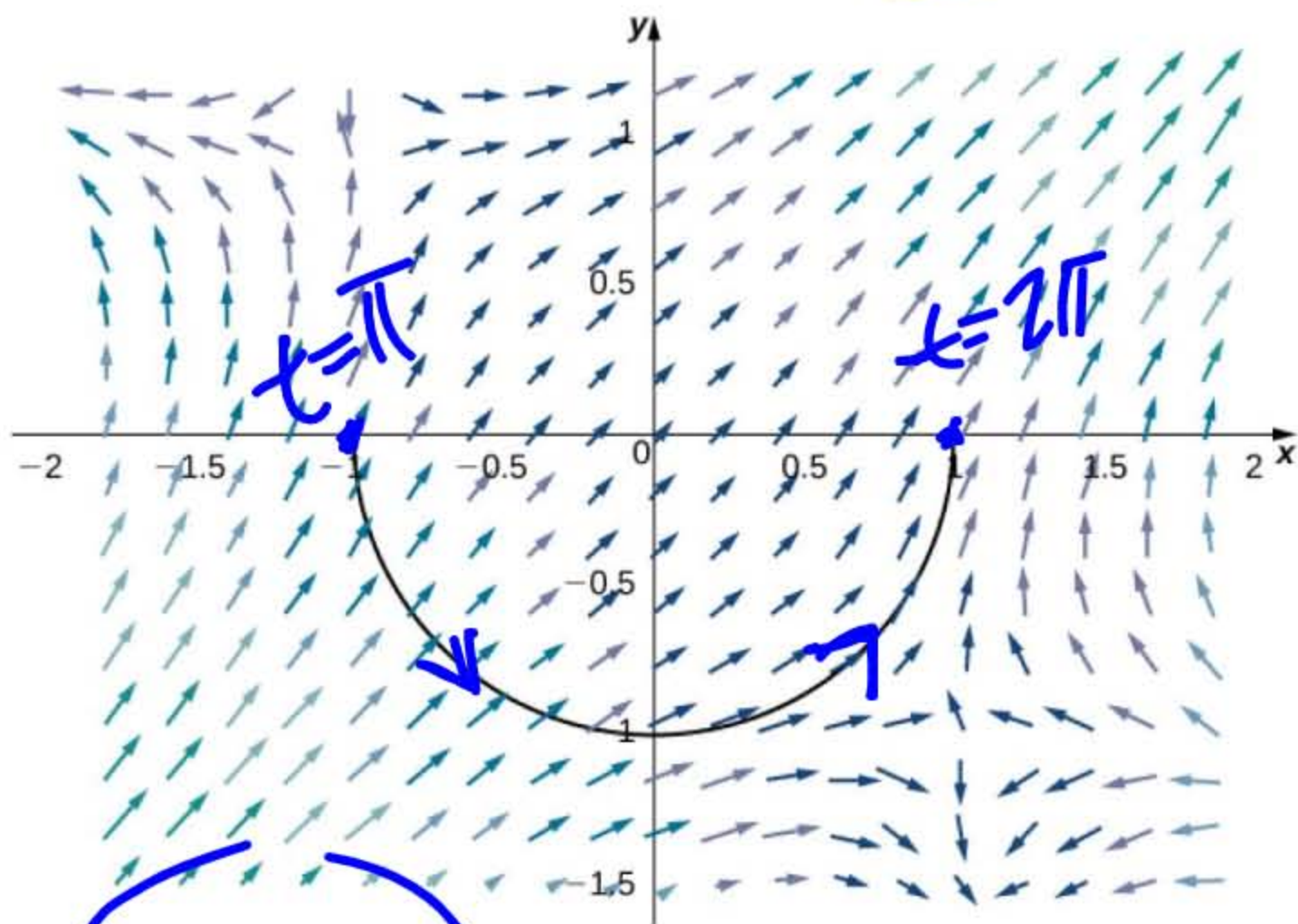


6.26 Given that

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potential function for

$\mathbf{F} = \langle 2xy - 2y + (y + 1)^2, (x - 1)^2 + 2yx + 2x \rangle$, calculate integral $\int_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r}$, where C is the lower half of the unit circle oriented counterclockwise.



$$\nabla f = \mathbf{F} = \langle f_x, f_y \rangle$$

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

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

$$= 0 + 1 - ((-2)^2 \cdot 0 + 1^2 \cdot (-1))$$

$$= \underline{2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x &= \cos t \\ y &= \sin t \end{aligned}$$

$$\pi \leq t < 2\pi$$

$$\mathbf{r}(t) = \left\langle \begin{matrix} \cos t \\ \sin t \end{matrix}, \begin{matrix} x \\ y \end{matrix} \right\rangle$$

Definition

Let \mathbf{F} be a vector field with domain D . The vector field \mathbf{F} is independent of path (or path independent) if

$$\int_{C_1} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} = \int_{C_2} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} \text{ for any paths } C_1 \text{ and } C_2 \text{ in } D \text{ with the same initial and terminal points.}$$

Theorem 6.8: Path Independence of Conservative Fields

If \mathbf{F} is a conservative vector field, then \mathbf{F} is independent of path.

$$\mathbf{F} = \langle \overset{P_x}{y}, \overset{P_y}{x} \rangle$$

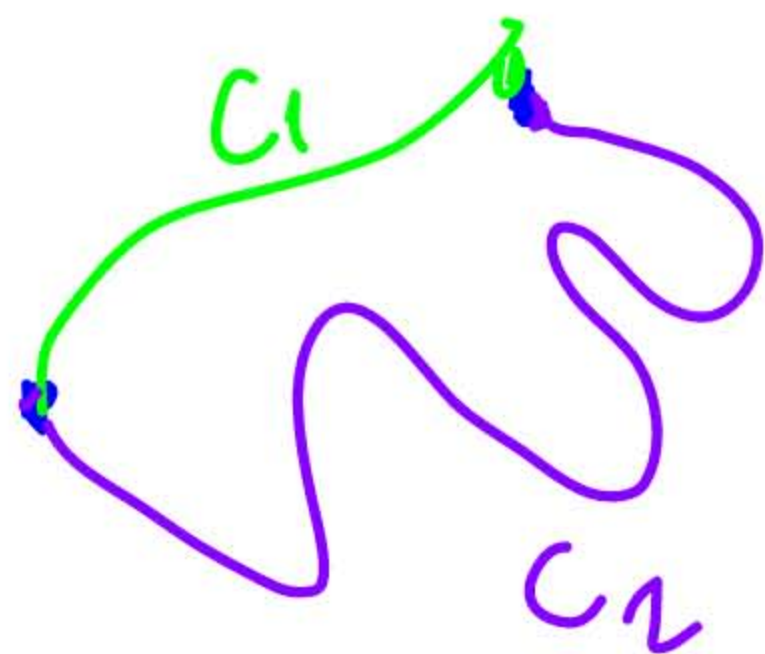
$P \quad Q$

$$P_y = Q_x ?$$

$$1 = 1$$

$$\nabla f = \mathbf{F}$$

$$\int_{C_1} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} = \int_{C_2} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} = f(r(b)) - f(r(a))$$



integrate P

$$f = yx + h(y)$$

$$f_y = x + h'(y) = Q$$
$$= x$$

$$h'(y) = 0$$

$$h(y) = C$$

$$f(x, y) = yx + C$$

$$F = \langle P, Q \rangle$$

$f_x \quad f_y$

Problem-Solving Strategy: Finding a Potential Function for a Conservative Vector Field

$$\mathbf{F}(x, y) = \langle P(x, y), Q(x, y) \rangle$$

1. Integrate P with respect to x . This results in a function of the form $g(x, y) + h(y)$, where $h(y)$ is unknown.
2. Take the partial derivative of $g(x, y) + h(y)$ with respect to y , which results in the function $g_y(x, y) + h'(y)$.
3. Use the equation $g_y(x, y) + h'(y) = Q(x, y)$ to find $h'(y)$.
4. Integrate $h'(y)$ to find $h(y)$.
5. Any function of the form $f(x, y) = g(x, y) + h(y) + C$, where C is a constant, is a potential function for \mathbf{F} .

6.28 Find a potential function for $\mathbf{F}(x, y) = \langle \overset{P}{e^x y^3 + y}, \overset{Q}{3e^x y^2 + x} \rangle = \nabla f$

integrate with respect to x

$$e^x y^3 + xy + h(y)$$

diff. with respect to y

$$3e^x y^2 + x + h'(y) = Q$$

$$h'(y) = 0$$

$$\underline{\underline{h(y) = C.}}$$

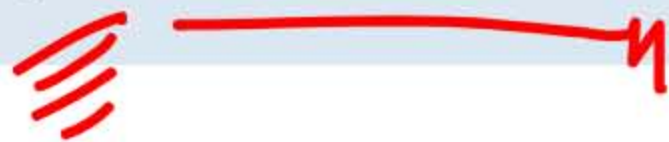
$$\underline{\underline{f(x, y) = e^x y^3 + xy + C}}$$

Test: $f_y = Q_x?$

then F is conservative
there is a potential
function f .

Theorem 6.10: The Cross-Partial Test for Conservative Fields

If $\mathbf{F} = \langle P, Q, R \rangle$ is a vector field on an open, simply connected region D and $P_y = Q_x$, $P_z = R_x$, and $Q_z = R_y$ throughout D , then \mathbf{F} is conservative.



Theorem 6.11: Cross-Partial Property of Conservative Fields

Let $\mathbf{F} = \langle P, Q, R \rangle$ be a vector field on an open, simply connected region D . Then $P_y = Q_x$, $P_z = R_x$, and $Q_z = R_y$ throughout D if and only if \mathbf{F} is conservative.

conservative $\Rightarrow P_y = Q_x, P_z = R_x, Q_z = R_y$
for open and simply connected.

