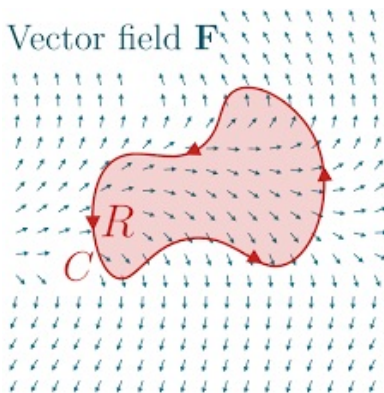


# MATH 223: Multivariable Calculus



Class 32: Friday, May 2025



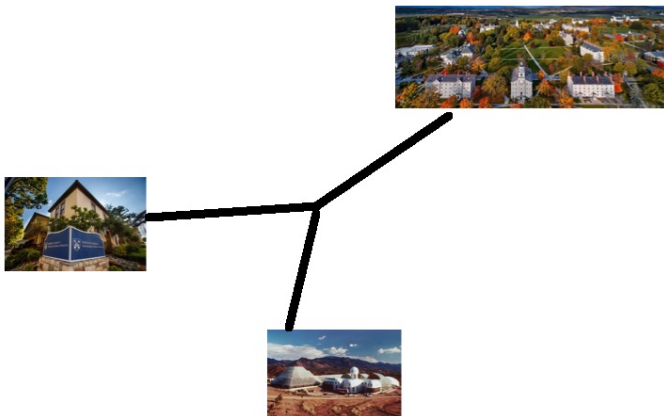
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Green's Theorem  
Using MATLAB to Locate and Identify Extreme  
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## Rough Weights for Course Components

Exam1	20%
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**Final Exam**  
**Thursday, May 15**  
**7 PM – 10 PM**

# Location Problem



Due: Friday, May 9

Announcements

**Today**

**More Green's Theorem**

**Conservative Vector Fields**

## Divergence of a Vector Field

Definition  $\operatorname{div} \mathbf{F} = \text{trace of } \mathbf{F}'$ , the Jacobi Matrix

In general,  $\operatorname{div} \mathbf{F}$  is a real -valued function of  $n$  variables.

## Curl of a Vector Field

**Curl** measures local tendency of a vector field and its flow lines to circulate around some axis.

The curl of a vector field is itself a vector field.

Setting;  $\mathbf{F} : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  is our vector field

$$\mathbf{F} = (F_1, F_2, F_3) \text{ so } \mathbf{F}(x, y, z) = (F_1(x, y, z), F_2(x, y, z), F_3(x, y, z))$$

$$\text{Formal Definition: } \text{curl } \mathbf{F} = \left( \frac{\partial F_3}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial F_2}{\partial z}, \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial F_3}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial F_2}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial y} \right)$$

Mnemonic Device:

$$\text{curl } \mathbf{F} = \det \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ F_1 & F_2 & F_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Expand along first row:

$$\text{curl } \mathbf{F} = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ F_2 & F_3 \end{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} - \begin{vmatrix} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ F_1 & F_3 \end{vmatrix} \mathbf{j} + \begin{vmatrix} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \\ F_1 & F_2 \end{vmatrix} \mathbf{k}$$

## Scalar Curl for Vector Fields in Plane

$\mathbf{F} = (F, G, 0)$  where  $F(x, y)$  and  $G(x, y)$  are functions only of  $x$  and  $y$ .

$$\text{Then } \text{curl } \mathbf{F} = (0, 0, G_x - F_y)$$

Note: Curl and Conservative Vector Field

Suppose  $\mathbf{F} = (F, G, 0)$  is gradient field with  $\mathbf{F} = \nabla f$ .

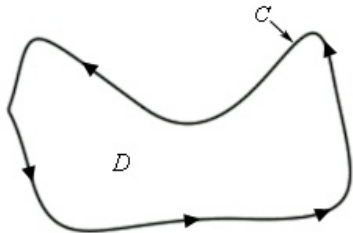
$$\text{Then } F = f_x \text{ and } G = f_y$$

In this case,  $\text{Curl } \mathbf{F} = (0, 0, f_{yx} - f_{xy}) = (0, 0, 0)$   
by Clairaut's Theorem on Equality of Mixed Partial.



## Green's Theorem in the Plane

$$\iint_D \text{curl } \mathbf{F} = \int_{\gamma} \mathbf{F}$$



$D$  is bounded plane region.

$C = \gamma$  is piecewise smooth boundary of  $D$

$F$  and  $G$  are continuously differentiable functions defined on  $D$

Then

$$\int \int (G_x - F_y) dx dy = \int_{\gamma} (F, G)$$

where  $\gamma$  is parametrized so it is traced once with  $D$  on the left.

## Application of Green's Theorem in the Plane

$$\iint_D \text{curl } \mathbf{F} = \int_{\gamma} \mathbf{F}$$

Example  $\mathbf{F}(x, y) = (0, x)$  implies  $\text{curl} \mathbf{F} = 1 - 0 = 1$

$$\text{Hence } \iint_D \text{curl } \mathbf{F} = \iint_D 1 = \text{area of } D$$

Green's Theorem enables us to find the area of a planar region if we can develop a parametrization of its boundary.

Example Consider the unit disk  $D$  of radius  $r$  centered at origin.

$$\text{Let } g(t) = (r \cos t, r \sin t), 0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$$

$$\text{So } g'(t) = (-r \sin t, r \cos t)$$

$$\text{and } \mathbf{F}(g(t)) = (0, r \cos t)$$

$$\text{Then } \mathbf{F}(g(t)) \cdot g'(t) = r^2 \cos^2 t$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Thus area of } D &= \iint_D 1 = \iint_D \text{curl } \mathbf{F} = \int_{\gamma} \mathbf{F} = \int_0^{2\pi} r^2 \cos^2 t \, dt \\ \int_0^{2\pi} r^2 \cos^2 t \, dt &= r^2 \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{1+\cos 2t}{2} \, dt = \frac{r^2}{2} \left[ t + \frac{1}{2} \sin 2t \right]_0^{2\pi} = \pi r^2 \end{aligned}$$

## Using Green's Theorem

(1) Compute  $\iint_D \text{curl } \mathbf{F}$  by using  $\int_\gamma \mathbf{F}$

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## Using Green's Theorem

Compute  $\int_{\gamma} \mathbf{F}$  by using  $\iint_D \text{curl } \mathbf{F}$

Example Let  $\mathbf{F}(x, y) = (\frac{1}{y} \cos \frac{x}{y}, -\frac{x}{y^2} \cos \frac{x}{y})$

Compute  $\int_{\gamma} \mathbf{F}$  as  $\iint_D (G_x - F_y)$

Here  $G_x = (-\frac{x}{y^2})_x \cos \frac{x}{y} + -\frac{x}{y^2} (\cos \frac{x}{y})_x$

$$\begin{aligned} &= -\frac{1}{y^2} \cos \frac{x}{y} - \frac{x}{y^2} (-\sin \frac{x}{y}) (\frac{1}{y}) \\ &= -\frac{1}{y^2} \cos \frac{x}{y} + \frac{x}{y^3} (\sin \frac{x}{y}) \end{aligned}$$

Similarly,  $F_y = -\frac{1}{y^2} \cos \frac{x}{y} + \frac{1}{y} (-\sin \frac{x}{y}) (\frac{-x}{y^2})$

$$= -\frac{1}{y^2} \cos \frac{x}{y} + \frac{x}{y^3} (+\sin \frac{x}{y})$$

So  $G_x - F_y = 0$ .

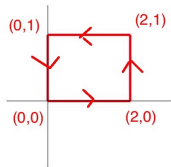
Hence  $\int_{\gamma} \mathbf{F} = 0$

### Example

Find

$$\int_{\gamma} (1 + 10xy + y^2) dx + (6xy + 5x^2) dy = \int_{\gamma} (1 + 10xy + y^2, 6xy + 5x^2)$$

where  $\gamma$  is boundary of the rectangle with vertices  $(0,0)$ ,  $(2,0)$ ,  $(2,1)$ , and  $(0,1)$ .



Note: Direct Computation requires 4 integrals.

$$F(x, y) = 1 + 10xy + y^2. \quad G(x, y) = 6xy + 5x^2$$

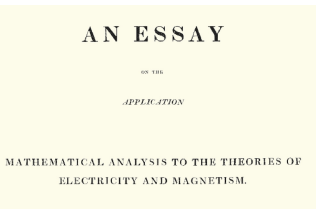
$$F_y = 10x + 2y \quad . \quad G_x = 6y + 10x$$

$$G_x - F_y = 6y + 10x - 10x - 2y = 4y$$

$$\int_{\gamma} \mathbf{F} = \iint_D \text{curl } \mathbf{F} = \int_0^2 \int_0^1 4y \, dy \, dx = \int_0^2 [2y^2]_0^1 = \int_0^2 2 \, dx = 4$$



George Green  
1793 – 1841



Mikhail Ostrogradsky  
1801 – 1861

## Gauss' Theorem

$$\text{Green: } \iint_D \text{curl } \mathbf{F} = \int_{\gamma} \mathbf{F}$$

$$\text{If } \mathbf{F} = (F_1, F_2) \text{ then } \text{curl } \mathbf{F} = \frac{\partial F_2}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial y}$$

Apply Green's Theorem to  $\mathbf{H} = (-G, F)$  where  $\mathbf{F} = (F, G)$   
 $\int_{\gamma} \mathbf{H} = \iint_D \text{curl } (F_x - (-G_y)) = \iint_D (F_x + G_y) = \iint_D \text{div } \mathbf{F}$  On

the other hand,  $\int_{\gamma} \mathbf{H} = \int_a^b \mathbf{H} \cdot \mathbf{g}' = \int_a^b (-G, F) \cdot (g'_1, g'_2)$

$$\int_a^b (-G, F) \cdot (g'_1, g'_2) = \int_a^b -G g'_1 + F g'_2 = \int_a^b (F, G) \cdot (g'_2, -g'_1)$$

$$\text{Observe } (g'_2, -g'_1) \cdot (g'_1, g'_2) = g'_1 g'_2 - g'_1 g'_2 = 0$$

So  $(g'_2, -g'_1)$  is orthogonal to the tangent vector so it is a normal vector  $\mathbf{N}$ .

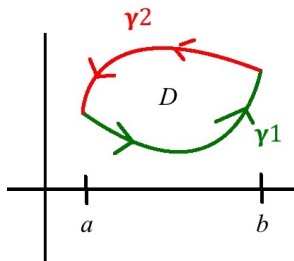
$$\text{Thus } \int_{\gamma} \mathbf{H} = \int_a^b (F, G) \cdot (g'_2, -g'_1) = \int_a^b (F, G) \cdot \mathbf{N} = \int_{\gamma} \mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{N}$$

Putting everything together:

$$\boxed{\iint_D \text{div } \mathbf{F} = \int_{\gamma} \mathbf{H} = \int_{\gamma} \mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{N}}$$

## Proof of Green's Theorem in an Elementary Case

Case : Boundary of  $D$  is made up of the graphs of two functions defined on interval  $[a, b]$ .



Ingredients:

Vector Field  $\mathbf{F} = (F, G) = (F, 0) + (0, G)$

$\gamma_1 = \text{image of } g_1$

$\gamma_2 = \text{image of } g_2$

Need to show  $\iint_D [G_x - F_y] = \int_{\gamma} \mathbf{F} = \int_{\gamma} [(F, 0) + (0, G)]$

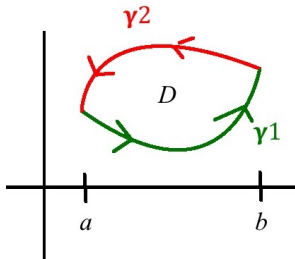
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Need to show  $\iint_D [G_x - Fy] = \int_\gamma \mathbf{F} = \int_\gamma [(F, 0) + (0, G)]$

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We tackle the line integral first. Start with  $\gamma_1$



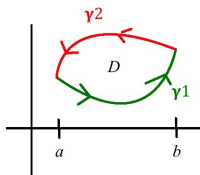
We can parametrize  $\gamma_1$  by a function  $g(t) = (t, \phi(t))$  for  $a \leq t \leq b$

Then  $g'(t) = (1, \phi_1'(t))$

Now  $(F, 0) \cdot g'(t) = (F, 0) \cdot (1, \phi_1'(t)) = F = F(t, \phi_1(t))$

so  $\int_{\gamma_1} (F, 0) = \int_a^b F(t, \phi_1(t)) dt$

Now we take up  $\gamma_2$



Consider Parametrization of  $\gamma_2$  as  $g(t) = (t, \phi_2(t))$ ,  $a \leq t \leq b$ .  
This would actually traces out  $\gamma_2$  in the opposite direction. It is  
the parametrization of  $-\gamma_2$

Again we have  $g'(t) = (1, \phi_2'(t))$  and  $(F, 0) \cdot g'(t) = F(t, \phi_2(t))$   
so  $\int_{-\gamma_2} (F, 0) = \int_a^b F(t, \phi_2(t)) dt$ .

Thus  $\int_{-\gamma_2} (F, 0) = - \int_{\gamma_2} (F, 0) = - \int_a^b F(t, \phi_2(t)) dt$ .

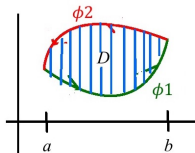
Finally,  $\int_{\gamma} (F, 0) = \int_{\gamma_1} (F, 0) + \int_{\gamma_2} (F, 0)$   
 $= \int_a^b F(t, \phi_1(t)) dt - \int_a^b F(t, \phi_2(t)) dt$

$$\boxed{\int_{\gamma} (F, 0) = \int_a^b F(t, \phi_1(t)) - F(t, \phi_2(t)) dt}$$

Goal: Show  $\iint_D -F_y = \int_\gamma (F, 0)$

So far:  $\int_\gamma (F, 0) = \int_a^b F(t, \phi_1(t)) - F(t, \phi_2(t)) dt$

**Now turn to the curl part:**



$$\begin{aligned}\iint_D -F_y &= - \iint_D F_y = \int_{x=a}^{x=b} \int_{y=\phi_1(x)}^{y=\phi_2(x)} -F_y(x, y) dy dx \\ &= - \int_a^b [F(x, \phi_2(x)) - F(x, \phi_1(x))] dx \\ &= - \int_a^b [F(t, \phi_2(t)) - F(t, \phi_1(t))] dt \text{ (let } t = x) \\ &= \int_a^b [F(t, \phi_1(t)) - F(t, \phi_2(t))] dt\end{aligned}$$

## Conservative Vector Fields

$\mathbf{F}$  is continuously differentiable vector field in the plane  
 $\mathbf{F} : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  with  $\mathbf{F}(x, y) = (F(x, y), G(x, y))$  where  $F$  and  $G$  are each real-valued functions.

Here  $\text{curl } \mathbf{F}$  is a real-valued function  $G_x - F_y$

Green's Theorem:  $\int_D \text{curl } \mathbf{F} = \int_\gamma \mathbf{F}$

## Three Important Properties of Vector Fields

**A:**  $\mathbf{F}$  is **CONSERVATIVE** means  $\mathbf{F} = \nabla f$  for some  $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^1$

**B:**  $\mathbf{F}$  is **IRROTATIONAL** means  $\text{curl } \mathbf{F} = 0$

**C:**  $\mathbf{F}$  is **PATH INDEPENDENT** means  $\int_{\gamma_1} \mathbf{F} = \int_{\gamma_2} \mathbf{F}$  for any paths  $\gamma_1$  and  $\gamma_2$  from  $\mathbf{a}$  to  $\mathbf{b}$  where  $\mathbf{a}$  and  $\mathbf{b}$  are any points in the plane.

Major Goal: Show THESE PROPERTIES ARE EQUIVALENT

**A** implies **B**

**A** **F** is **CONSERVATIVE** means  $\mathbf{F} = \nabla f$  for some  $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^1$

**B** **F** is **IRROTATIONAL** means  $\text{curl } \mathbf{F} = 0$

Suppose **F** is Conservative

Then  $(F, G) = \mathbf{F} = \nabla f = (f_x, f_y)$  so  $f_x = F$  and  $f_y = G$

Then  $G_x = f_{yx}$  and  $F_y = f_{xy}$

so  $\text{curl } \mathbf{F} = G_x - F_y = f_{yx} - f_{xy} = 0$

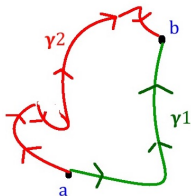
by equality of mixed partials.

**B** implies **C** will follow from Green's Theorem

**B** **F** is **IRROTATIONAL** means  $\text{curl } \mathbf{F} = 0$

**C** **F** is **PATH INDEPENDENT** means  $\int_{\gamma_1} \mathbf{F} = \int_{\gamma_2} \mathbf{F}$  for any paths  $\gamma_1$  and  $\gamma_2$  from **a** to **b** where **a** and **b** are any points in the plane.

Let **a** and **b** are any points in the plane and  $\gamma_1$  and  $\gamma_2$  two paths from **a** to **b**. Then  $-\gamma_1$  runs from **b** to **a**



and  $\gamma = \gamma_1 - \gamma_2$  is a loop that begins and ends at **a**

Let  $D$  be the enclosed region.

By Green's Theorem  $\int_{\gamma} \mathbf{F} = \iint_D \text{curl } \mathbf{F} = \iint_D 0 = 0$

$$\text{Thus } 0 = \int_{\gamma} \mathbf{F} = \int_{\gamma_1 - \gamma_2} \mathbf{F} = \int_{\gamma_1} \mathbf{F} - \int_{\gamma_2} \mathbf{F}$$

$$\text{Hence } \int_{\gamma_2} \mathbf{F} = \int_{\gamma_1} \mathbf{F}$$

**C** implies **A**

**C** **F** is **PATH INDEPENDENT** means  $\int_{\gamma_1} \mathbf{F} = \int_{\gamma_2} \mathbf{F}$  for any paths  $\gamma_1$  and  $\gamma_2$  from **a** to **b** where **a** and **b** are any points in the plane.

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