Assignment 9

Coverage: 16.4 in Text.

Exercises: 16.3 no 32, 33, 38; 16.4 no 7, 11, 14, 23, 26, 28, 35, 37, 39.

Hand in 16.4 no 14, 28, 35, 39 and Supplementary Problem no. 1 by April 4.

Supplementary Problems

1. Let D be the parallelogram formed by the lines x+y=1, x+y=3, y=2x-3, y=2x+2. Evaluate the line integral

$$\oint_C dx + 3xy \, dy$$

where C is the boundary of D oriented in anticlockwise direction. Suggestion: Try Green's theorem and then apply change of variables formula.

2. Find a potential for the vector field

$$\frac{-y}{x^2+y^2}\mathbf{i} + \frac{x}{x^2+y^2}\mathbf{j} ,$$

in the region obtained by deleting the line $(x,0), x \leq 0$, from \mathbb{R}^2 .

3. Let $F = M\mathbf{i} + N\mathbf{j}$ be a smooth vector field which is defined in \mathbb{R}^2 except at the origin. Suppose that it satisfies the component test $M_y = N_x$. Show that for any simple closed curve γ enclosing the origin and oriented in positive direction, one has

$$\oint_{\gamma} M dx + N dy = \varepsilon \int_{0}^{2\pi} \left[-M(\varepsilon \cos \theta, \varepsilon \sin \theta) \sin \theta + N(\varepsilon \cos \theta, \varepsilon \sin \theta) \cos \theta \right] d\theta ,$$

for all sufficiently small ε . What happens when γ does not enclose the origin?