Tutorial Notes 11

S is the surface y = log x, 1 ≤ x ≤ e, 0 ≤ z ≤ 1. Let the unit normal vector n point away from the xz-plane. Find the flux of F = (0, 2y, z) across S.
Solutions:

$$\mathrm{d}S = \sqrt{1 + \frac{1}{x^2}} \,\mathrm{d}x \,\mathrm{d}z.$$

and

$$n = \frac{\left(-\frac{1}{x}, 1, 0\right)}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{x^2} + 1}}$$

Then the flux is

$$\int_{0}^{1} \int_{1}^{e} 2y \, \mathrm{d}x \, \mathrm{d}z = \int_{1}^{e} 2\log x \, \mathrm{d}x = 2.$$

2. Find the circulation of $F = (2y, 3x, -z^2)$ around the circle C: $x^2 + y^2 = 9$ in the *xy*-plane, counterclockwise when viewed from above.

Solutions:

By Stokes' theorem,

$$\int_{C} F \cdot \mathrm{d}r = \int_{S} (\nabla \times F) \cdot n \, \mathrm{d}S,$$

where S: $z = 0, x^2 + y^2 \le 9$, with n = (0, 0, 1). $(\nabla \times F)_3 = 1$. Hence the flux is 9π .

3. Let S: $4x^2 + y + z^2 = 4$, $y \ge 0$, with the outer normal vector and let

$$F = \left(-z + \frac{1}{2+x}, \arctan y, x + \frac{1}{4+z}\right).$$

Find

$$\int_{S} (\nabla \times F) \cdot n \, \mathrm{d}S.$$

Solutions:

Applying Stokes' theorem twice, we have

$$\int_{S} (\nabla \times F) \cdot n \, \mathrm{d}S = \int_{C} F \cdot \mathrm{d}r = \int_{S_0} (\nabla \times F) \cdot n \, \mathrm{d}S,$$

where C: $4x^2 + z^2 = 4$, y = 0, clockwise when viewed from y > 0 and S_0 : y = 0, $4x^2 + z^2 \le 4$, with the unit normal vector (0, 1, 0). $(\nabla \times F)_2 = -2$. Hence the integral is -4π .

4. Let F = (2z, 3x, 5y) and S: $(r \cos \theta, r \sin \theta, 4 - r^2), 0 \le r \le 2, 0 \le \theta \le 2\pi$, with the outer normal vector. Find the flux of F across S.

Solutions:

Applying Stokes' theorem twice, we have

$$\int_{S} (\nabla \times F) \cdot n \, \mathrm{d}S = \int_{C} F \cdot \mathrm{d}r = \int_{S_0} (\nabla \times F) \cdot n \, \mathrm{d}S,$$

where C: $x^2 + y^2 = 4$, z = 0, counterclockwise when viewed form above and S_0 : z = 0, $x^2 + y^2 \le 4$, with the unit normal vector (0, 0, 1). $(\nabla \times F)_3 = 3$. Hence the flux is 12π .

5. Let C be a simple closed smooth curve in the plane 2x + 2y + z = 2 counterclockwise when viewed from y > 0. Show that

$$\int_C 2y \,\mathrm{d}x + 3z \,\mathrm{d}y - x \,\mathrm{d}z$$

depends only on the area of the region enclosed by C.

Solutions:

Suppose that S is enclosed by C with the normal vector (2, 2, 1). It follows from Stokes' theorem that

$$\int_{C} 2y \, dx + 3z \, dy - x \, dz = \int_{S} [\nabla \times (2y, 3z, -x)] \cdot n \, dS$$
$$= \int_{S} (-3, 1, -2) \cdot \frac{(2, 2, 1)}{3} \, dS$$
$$= -2|S|.$$