

Q1. Let $A = 3z^2 \sin \varphi \hat{a}_\rho + \rho \cos 2\varphi \hat{a}_\varphi - \rho z \hat{a}_\varphi$ at $P(2\sqrt{3}, \frac{\pi}{6}, 2)$

(a) Determine the vector component of A that is tangential to the surface $\theta = \pi/3$.

[16pts]

(b) Determine the angle that A makes the tangent plane of the surface $r = 4$. [10 pts]

Solution (a) At the point P , $A = 6 \hat{a}_\rho + \sqrt{3} \hat{a}_\varphi - 4\sqrt{3} \hat{a}_z$

The surface given by $G(r, \theta, \varphi) = \theta = \pi/3$.

So the normal to the surface is $\nabla G = \langle 0, 1, 0 \rangle = \hat{a}_\theta$.

Normal in the Cartesian coordinates:

$$\begin{pmatrix} N_x \\ N_y \\ N_z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \varphi \sin \theta & \cos \theta \cos \varphi & -\sin \varphi \\ \sin \theta \sin \varphi & \cos \theta \sin \varphi & \cos \varphi \\ \cos \theta & -\sin \theta & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$3.5 \quad = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta \cos \varphi \\ \cos \theta \sin \varphi \\ -\sin \theta \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{3}/4 \\ 1/4 \\ -\sqrt{3}/2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \left(\theta = \pi/3, \varphi = \frac{\pi}{6} \right)$$

Normal in cylindrical

$$\begin{pmatrix} N_\rho \\ N_\varphi \\ N_z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \varphi & \sin \varphi & 0 \\ -\sin \varphi & \cos \varphi & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{3}/4 \\ 1/4 \\ -\sqrt{3}/2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{3}/2 & 1/2 & 0 \\ -1/2 & \sqrt{3}/2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{3}/4 \\ 1/4 \\ -\sqrt{3}/2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1/2 \\ 0 \\ -\sqrt{3}/2 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \hat{a}_\rho - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \hat{a}_z$$

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Component of A parallel to normal is

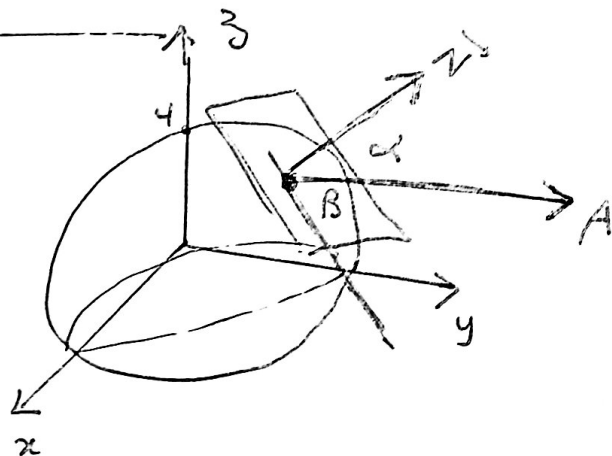
$$2 \quad A_N = \frac{A \cdot N}{\|N\|^2} N = \frac{3 - 0 + 6}{1} N = 9N = \frac{9}{2} \hat{a}_\rho - \frac{9\sqrt{3}}{2} \hat{a}_z$$

Tangent component is $A_T = A - A_N$

$$1 \quad A_T = \frac{3}{2} \hat{a}_\rho + \sqrt{3} \hat{a}_\varphi + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \hat{a}_z$$

(b) The normal to the surface $r = 4 = \psi(r, \theta, \phi)$ is $\nabla\psi = \langle 1, 0, 0 \rangle = \hat{a}_r$ (spherical) 2

Normal in Cartesian



$$N = \begin{pmatrix} \sin\pi/3 \cos\pi/6 & \cos\pi/3 \cos\pi/6 & -\sin\pi/6 \\ \sin\pi/3 \sin\pi/6 & \cos\pi/3 \sin\pi/6 & \cos\pi/6 \\ \cos\pi/3 & -\sin\pi/3 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3/4 \\ \sqrt{3}/4 \\ 1/2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{3}{4} \hat{a}_x + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} \hat{a}_y + \frac{1}{2} \hat{a}_z \quad 3$$

Normal in cylindrical

$$\begin{pmatrix} N_\rho \\ N_\phi \\ N_z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{3}/2 & 1/2 & 0 \\ -1/2 & \sqrt{3}/2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3/4 \\ \sqrt{3}/4 \\ 1/2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{3}/2 \\ 0 \\ 1/2 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \hat{a}_\rho + \frac{1}{2} \hat{a}_z$$

Notice that $\|N\| = 1$ in any coordinates.

Angle that A makes with the normal is α such that

$$\cos \alpha = \frac{A \cdot N}{\|A\| \|N\|} = \frac{\langle 6, \sqrt{3}, -4\sqrt{3} \rangle \cdot \langle \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, 0, \frac{1}{2} \rangle}{\sqrt{87}} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{87}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{29}} \Rightarrow \alpha = \cos^{-1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{29}} \quad 2$$

Angle that A makes with the tangent plane is

$$\boxed{\beta = 90^\circ - \alpha}$$

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Q2.

- (a) Find the directional derivative $T = r^2 \sin \theta \cos \varphi$ in the direction $3\hat{a}_x - 4\hat{a}_z$ at the point $P(1, \frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{\pi}{2})$. [10 pts]
- (b) Find $\nabla^2 V$ where $V = \rho z \cos 2\varphi$ in cylindrical coordinates where $\rho \neq 0$. [7 pts]
- (c) Express ∇V in spherical coordinates. (Cartesian) [8 pts]

Sol. (a) The point P is clearly given in spherical coordinates in the spherical coordinates

$$\nabla T = \frac{\partial T}{\partial r} \vec{a}_r + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial T}{\partial \theta} \vec{a}_\theta + \frac{1}{r \sin \theta} \frac{\partial T}{\partial \varphi} \vec{a}_\varphi$$

$$= 2r \sin \theta \cos \varphi \vec{a}_r + r \cos \theta \cos \varphi \vec{a}_\theta + r \sin \varphi \vec{a}_\varphi$$

$$\nabla T(1, \frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{\pi}{2}) = -\vec{a}_\varphi = \langle 0, 0, -1 \rangle$$

Direction in spherical coordinates:

$$\begin{pmatrix} A_r \\ A_\theta \\ A_\varphi \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1/2 & \sqrt{3}/2 \\ 0 & \sqrt{3}/2 & -1/2 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -2\sqrt{3} \\ 2 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Directional derivative is

$$\frac{dT}{dA}(1, \frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{\pi}{2}) = \frac{\nabla T \cdot A}{\|A\|} = \frac{\langle 0, 0, -1 \rangle \cdot \langle -2\sqrt{3}, 2, -3 \rangle}{5}$$

$$= \frac{3}{5}$$

(b) $\nabla V = \frac{\partial V}{\partial \rho} \vec{a}_\rho + \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial V}{\partial \varphi} \vec{a}_\varphi + \frac{\partial V}{\partial z} \vec{a}_z$

$$= \frac{z}{\rho} \cos 2\varphi \vec{a}_\rho - 2z \sin 2\varphi \vec{a}_\varphi + z \cos 2\varphi \vec{a}_z$$

$$= \langle z \cos 2\varphi, -2z \sin 2\varphi, z \cos 2\varphi \rangle$$

$$\nabla^2 V = \nabla \cdot \nabla V = \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial}{\partial \rho} (\rho z \cos 2\varphi) + \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial}{\partial \varphi} (-2z \sin 2\varphi) + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (z \cos 2\varphi)$$

$$= \frac{z \cos 2\varphi}{\rho} - \frac{4z \cos 2\varphi}{\rho} = -\frac{3z \cos 2\varphi}{\rho}$$

(c) ∇V in Cartesian coordinates

$$\nabla V = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \varphi & -\sin \varphi & 0 \\ \sin \varphi & \cos \varphi & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} z \cos 2\varphi \\ -2z \sin 2\varphi \\ \rho \cos 2\varphi \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} z \cos \varphi \cos 2\varphi + 2z \sin \varphi \sin 2\varphi \\ z \sin \varphi \cos 2\varphi - 2z \cos \varphi \sin 2\varphi \\ \rho \cos 2\varphi \end{pmatrix} \quad 2$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} z \cos \varphi (\cos^2 \varphi - \sin^2 \varphi) + 4z \sin^2 \varphi \cos \varphi \\ z \sin \varphi (\cos^2 \varphi - \sin^2 \varphi) - 4z \sin \varphi \cos^2 \varphi \\ \rho (\cos^2 \varphi - \sin^2 \varphi) \end{pmatrix} \quad 2$$

We know that $\cos \varphi = \frac{x}{\rho}$, $\sin \varphi = \frac{y}{\rho}$. So,

$$\nabla V = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{z x}{\rho} \left(\frac{x^2 - y^2}{\rho^2} \right) + \frac{4 z x y^2}{\rho^3} \\ \frac{z y}{\rho} \left(\frac{x^2 - y^2}{\rho^2} \right) - \frac{4 z y x^2}{\rho^3} \\ \frac{x^2 - y^2}{\rho} \end{pmatrix} \quad 2$$

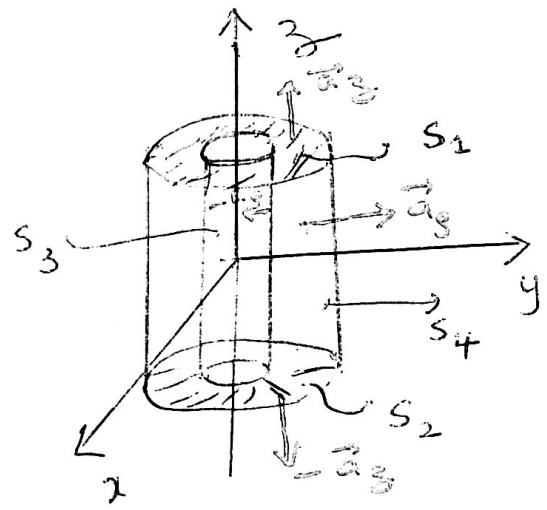
$$= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{z x^3 + 3 x y^2 z}{\rho^3} \\ - \frac{3 x^2 y z + y^3 z}{\rho^3} \\ \frac{x^2 - y^2}{\rho} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{z x^3 + 3 x y^2 z}{(x^2 + y^2) \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} \\ - \frac{z y^3 + 3 x^2 y z}{(x^2 + y^2) \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} \\ \frac{x^2 - y^2}{\sqrt{x^2 - y^2}} \end{pmatrix} \quad 1$$

(-3) for $\sin(\tan^{-1} \frac{y}{x})$ etc.

Q3. Verify the divergence theorem for the function $E = 2\rho z^2 \hat{a}_\rho + \rho \cos^2 \varphi \hat{a}_z$, over region defined by $2 < \rho < 5, -1 < z < 1, 0 < \varphi < 2\pi$. [20 points]

The closed surface S consists of 4 parts:

- ① S_1 : Top given by $z = 1$
- ① S_2 : bottom given by $z = -1$
- $2 \leq \rho \leq 5, 0 \leq \varphi \leq 2\pi$



- ① S_3 : interior cylinder

$\rho = 2, -1 \leq z \leq 1, 0 \leq \varphi \leq 2\pi$

- ① S_4 : external cylinder $\rho = 5, -1 \leq z \leq 1, 0 \leq \varphi \leq 2\pi$.

Divergence theorem

$$\int_S E \cdot ds = \int_V \text{div} E \, dv \quad \text{①}$$

on S_1 : $ds = \rho \, d\rho \, d\varphi \, \hat{a}_z \Rightarrow \int_{S_1} E \cdot ds = \int_0^{2\pi} \int_2^5 \rho^2 \cos^2 \varphi \, d\rho \, d\varphi \quad \text{①}$

$$\int_{S_1} E \cdot ds = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{\cos 2\varphi + 1}{2} \, d\varphi \left[\frac{\rho^3}{3} \right]_{\rho=2}^{\rho=5} = 39 \cdot \frac{2\pi}{2} = \underline{\underline{39\pi}} \quad \text{①} \quad \text{②}$$

on S_2 : $ds = \rho \, d\rho \, d\varphi \, (-\hat{a}_z) \quad \text{③}$

So $\int_{S_2} E \cdot ds = -39\pi$

$$\text{on } S_3: ds = \rho d\varphi dz (-\vec{a}_\rho) = -z d\varphi dz \quad (1)$$

$$\text{So, } \int_{S_3} \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{s} = \int_{-1}^1 \int_0^{2\pi} -8z^2 d\varphi dz \quad (1)$$

$$= -16\pi \left[\frac{z^3}{3} \right]_{z=-1}^{z=1} = -\frac{32}{3}\pi \quad (1.5)$$

$$\text{on } S_4: ds = 5 d\varphi dz \vec{a}_\rho \quad (1)$$

$$\text{So, } \int_{S_4} \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{s} = \int_{-1}^1 \int_0^{2\pi} 5 \rho^2 d\varphi dz = 100\pi \left[\frac{z^3}{3} \right]_{-1}^1 = \frac{200\pi}{3} \quad (1)$$

$$\text{Thus } \oint_S \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{s} = 39\pi - 39\pi - \frac{32\pi}{3} + \frac{200\pi}{3} = \boxed{56\pi} \quad (2)$$

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{E} = 4z^2 \quad (1)$$

$$\text{So, } \int_{-1}^1 \int_0^{2\pi} \int_2^5 4\rho^2 d\rho d\varphi dz \quad (3)$$

$$= 8\pi \left[\frac{\rho^3}{3} \right]_{\rho=2}^{\rho=5} \cdot \left[\frac{z^3}{3} \right]_{z=-1}^{z=1} \quad (2)$$

$$= \frac{4\pi}{3} (25-4) \cdot (1+1) = \boxed{56\pi} \quad (1)$$

Q14 Let $E = (20\rho \sin \phi + 6z)\hat{a}_\rho + 10\rho \cos \phi \hat{a}_\phi + 6\rho \hat{a}_z$ be the electric field on a certain region of space.

- (a) Verify that E is a conservative field. [5 points]
- (b) Find the electric potential function V . [1.5 points]
- (c) Given two points $A(1,0,1)$ and $B(4, \pi/6, 0)$ inside this region, find the electric potential at A , i.e. $V(A)$, given that $V(B) = 5$. [5 points]

Sol.

$$(a) \nabla \times E = \frac{1}{\rho} \begin{vmatrix} \hat{a}_\rho & \rho \hat{a}_\phi & \hat{a}_z \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial \rho} & \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ 20\rho \sin \phi + 6z & 10\rho^2 \cos \phi & 6\rho \end{vmatrix} \quad (2)$$

$$(2) = \frac{1}{\rho} (0 - 0) \hat{a}_\rho - (6 - 6) \rho \hat{a}_\phi + (20\rho \cos \phi - 20\rho \cos \phi) \hat{a}_z = \vec{0} \quad 0.5$$

So, E is conservative (0.5)

(b) A potential is given by

$$-\nabla V = E \iff \left\langle \frac{\partial V}{\partial \rho}, \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial V}{\partial \phi}, \frac{\partial V}{\partial z} \right\rangle = -E \quad (1)$$

$$\frac{\partial V}{\partial \rho} = -20\rho \sin \phi - 6z \quad (1)$$

$$\Rightarrow V = -10\rho^2 \sin \phi - 6\rho z + g(\phi, z) \quad 1.5$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial V}{\partial \phi} = -10\rho \cos \phi - 6z + \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial g}{\partial \phi} = -10\rho \cos \phi - 6z$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial g}{\partial \phi} = 0 \Rightarrow g(\phi, z) = f(z) \quad (0.5)$$

$$\Rightarrow V = -10\rho^2 \sin \phi - 6\rho z + f(z) \quad (1)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial V}{\partial z} = -6\rho + f'(z) = -6\rho \Rightarrow \frac{f'(z)}{1} = 0 \Rightarrow f(z) = c \quad (1)$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{V = -10 \rho^2 \sin \varphi - 6 \rho z + C} \quad 1.5$$

$$(c) \quad V(B) = V\left(4, \frac{\pi}{6}, 0\right) = -80 + C = 5 \quad 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad C = 85 \quad 1$$

$$V(A) = V(1, 0, 1) = 0 - 6 + 85 = 79. \quad 2$$