

## DARIUSZ SIERBIEJUK 4.3 VECTOR FIELDS HOMEWORK #1 (1)

In Exercises 1 to 8, sketch the given vector field or a small multiple of it.

$$7. F(x, y) = \left( \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}}, \frac{y}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} \right)$$

Our vector field is  $f(x, y) = \left( \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}}, \frac{y}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} \right)$ .

We need to sketch the vector field or a small part of it.  
A vector field in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is a map

$F: A \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  that assigns to each point  $x$  in its domain  $A$ , a vector  $F(x)$ .

We can rewrite the given vector field as follows

$$f(x, y) = \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} \hat{i} + \frac{y}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} \hat{j}$$

$$\nabla \cdot F = \left( \hat{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \hat{j} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \hat{k} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right) \cdot \left( \hat{i} \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} + \hat{j} \frac{y}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} \right)$$

$$= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \frac{y}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}}$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \cdot 1 - x \frac{1(2x)}{2\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}}}{(\sqrt{x^2 + y^2})^2} + \frac{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \cdot 1 - y \frac{1(2y)}{2\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}}}{(\sqrt{x^2 + y^2})^2}$$



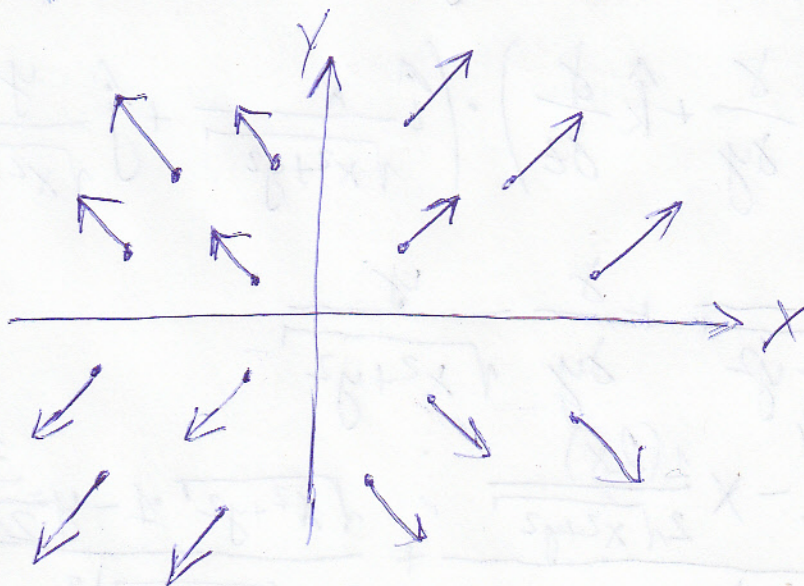
7. CONTINUATION

$$= \frac{\left[ \sqrt{x^2+y^2} - \frac{x^2}{\sqrt{x^2+y^2}} + \sqrt{x^2+y^2} - \frac{y^2}{\sqrt{x^2+y^2}} \right]}{(x^2+y^2)}$$

$$= \frac{\left[ \frac{(\sqrt{x^2+y^2})^2}{\sqrt{x^2+y^2}} - \frac{x^2}{\sqrt{x^2+y^2}} + \frac{(\sqrt{x^2+y^2})^2}{\sqrt{x^2+y^2}} - \frac{y^2}{\sqrt{x^2+y^2}} \right]}{(x^2+y^2)}$$

$$= \frac{\left[ \frac{x^2+y^2-x^2}{\sqrt{x^2+y^2}} + \frac{x^2+y^2-y^2}{\sqrt{x^2+y^2}} \right]}{(x^2+y^2)}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{y^2+x^2}{\sqrt{x^2+y^2}}}{(x^2+y^2)} = \frac{y^2+x^2}{(x^2+y^2)\sqrt{x^2+y^2}} = \frac{\sqrt{x^2+y^2}}{(x^2+y^2)} > 0$$





$$8. F(x, y) = \left( \frac{y}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}}, \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} \right)$$

We are provided with the above vector field  $F(x, y) = \left( \frac{y}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}}, \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} \right)$

We need to sketch the vector field or a small part of it.

We can rewrite the given vector field as follows,

$$F(x, y) = \frac{y}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} \hat{i} + \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} \hat{j}$$

The divergence of the vector field is,

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla \cdot F &= \left( \hat{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \hat{j} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \hat{k} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right) \cdot \left( \hat{i} \frac{y}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} + \hat{j} \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} \right) \\ &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( \frac{y}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} \right) \end{aligned}$$

Rewriting

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

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

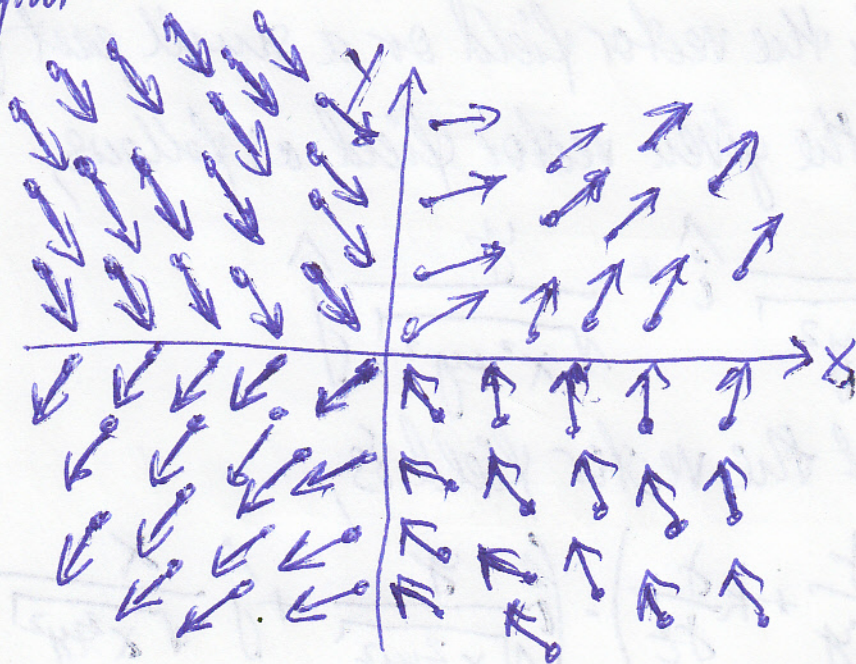
$$= y \left( (x^2 + y^2)^{-\frac{3}{2}} (-x) \right) + x \left( (x^2 + y^2)^{-\frac{3}{2}} (-y) \right)$$

$$= \frac{-xy}{(x^2 + y^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}} - \frac{xy}{(x^2 + y^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}} = - \frac{2xy}{(x^2 + y^2) \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} < 0$$



## 8. CONTINUATION

Since the divergence of the vector field is less than zero, the flow of the given vector field,  $F$ , is directed towards the origin.





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In Exercises 15 to 18, show that the curve  $c(t)$  is a flow line of the given velocity vector field  $F(x, y, z)$ .

$$16. c(t) = (t^2, 2t - 1, \sqrt{t}), t > 0; F(x, y, z) = (y + 1, 2, \frac{1}{2}z)$$

We are given the above curve,

$$c(t) = (t^2, 2t - 1, \sqrt{t}), t > 0$$

and vector field  $F(x, y, z) = (y + 1, 2, \frac{1}{2}z)$

We need to show that the provided curve  $c(t)$  is a flow line of the velocity vector field  $F(x, y, z)$ .

$F(c(t)) = c'(t)$ , then the given curve is a flow line of the given velocity vector field.

$$c(t) = t^2 \hat{i} + (2t - 1) \hat{j} + \sqrt{t} \hat{k}$$

$$c'(t) = 2t \hat{i} + 2 \hat{j} + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{t}} \hat{k}$$

$$F(x, y, z) = (y + 1) \hat{i} + 2 \hat{j} + \frac{1}{2}z \hat{k}$$

$$F(c(t)) = 2t \hat{i} + 2 \hat{j} + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{t}} \hat{k}$$

$$\text{Hence, } c'(t) = F(c(t))$$

This curve  $c(t)$  has a flow line.



$$17. c(t) = (\sin t, \cos t, e^t); F(x, y, z) = (y, -x, z)$$

Our curve and the velocity vector are as provided,

$$c(t) = (\sin t, \cos t, e^t)$$

$$F(x, y, z) = (y, -x, z)$$

Our task is to prove that the given curve  $c(t)$  is a flow line of the provided velocity vector field  $F(x, y, z)$ .

If  $F(c(t)) = c'(t)$ , then the particular curve is a flow line of the particular velocity vector field.

$$c(t) = \sin t \hat{i} + \cos t \hat{j} + e^t \hat{k}$$

$$c'(t) = \frac{d}{dt} (\sin t \hat{i} + \cos t \hat{j} + e^t \hat{k})$$

$$c'(t) = \cos t \hat{i} - \sin t \hat{j} + e^t \hat{k}$$

$$F(x, y, z) = y \hat{i} - x \hat{j} + z \hat{k}$$

$$F(c(t)) = \cos t \hat{i} - \sin t \hat{j} + e^t \hat{k}$$

$$\text{Hence, } c'(t) = F(c(t))$$

Therefore the curve  $c(t)$  has a flow line.



24. (a) Let  $F(x, y, z) = (yz, xz, xy)$ .

Find a function  $f: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  such that  $F = \nabla f$ .

Our vector field here  $F(x, y, z) = (yz, xz, xy)$ .

We need to locate the function  $f: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  such that  $F = \nabla f$ .

The gradient of this function is,

$$\nabla f = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \hat{i} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \hat{j} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} \hat{k}.$$

Let assume that  $F = \nabla f$ , therefore  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = yz$ ,  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = xz$ ,  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial z} = xy$ .

Integrating  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = yz$  with respect to  $x$  partially,

$$f(x, y, z) = xyz + \phi_1(y, z)$$

Integrating  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = xz$  with respect to  $y$  partially,

$$f(x, y, z) = xyz + \phi_2(x, z)$$

Integrating  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial z} = xy$  with respect to  $z$  partially,

$$f(x, y, z) = xyz + \phi_3(x, y)$$

Choosing  $f(x, y, z) = xyz + C$  where  $C$  is a constant.

The function is  $F = \nabla f$ .



24.(a) CONTINUATION

Therefore, a function satisfying the condition

$$f: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ is } \boxed{f(x, y, z) = xyz + C}.$$

24.(b) Let  $F(x, y, z) = (x, y, z)$ .Find a function  $f: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  such that  $F = \nabla f$ .Our vector field here is  $F(x, y, z) = (x, y, z)$ .We have to locate a function  $f: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  such that

$$F = \nabla f.$$

The gradient of this function  $f$  is,

$$\nabla f = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \hat{i} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \hat{j} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} \hat{k}.$$

Let us assume that  $F = \nabla f$ , therefore  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = x$ ,  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = y$ ,  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial z} = z$ .Integrating  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = x$  with respect to  $x$  partially,

$$f(x, y, z) = \frac{x^2}{2} + \phi_1(y, z)$$

Integrating  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = y$  with respect to  $y$  partially,

$$f(x, y, z) = \frac{y^2}{2} + \phi_2(x, z)$$



24. (b) CONTINUATION

Integrating  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial z} = z$  with respect to  $z$  partially,

$$f(x, y, z) = \frac{z^2}{2} + \phi_3(x, y)$$

Selecting  $f(x, y, z) = \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{y^2}{2} + \frac{z^2}{2} + C$  where  $C$  is a constant. The function level is  $F = \mathcal{R}f$ .

Hence, this function meets the condition,

$$f: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ is } \boxed{f(x, y, z) = \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{y^2}{2} + \frac{z^2}{2} + C}$$



24. Let  $c(t)$  be a flow line of a gradient field  $F = -\nabla V$ .

Prove that  $V(c(t))$  is a decreasing function of  $t$ .

Let us assume that  $c(t)$  is a flow line of a gradient field  $F = -\nabla V$ .

We are required to show that  $V(c(t))$  is a decreasing function of  $t$ .

The flow line of a gradient vector field is a path  $c(t)$ .

$$c'(t) = F(c(t)).$$

$$= -\nabla \cdot V(c(t))$$

Where  $\nabla \cdot V(c(t))$  is the gradient vector field of  $V(c(t))$ .

In this instance, here  $-\nabla \cdot V(c(t))$  denotes the decreasing direction of  $V(c(t))$ .

Therefore, the direction  $V(c(t))$  is the decreasing function of  $t$ .



27. Let  $F(x, y, z) = (xe^y, y^2z^2, xyz)$  and suppose  $c(t) = (x(t), y(t), z(t))$  is a flow line for  $F$ .

Find the system of differential equations that the functions  $x(t)$ ,  $y(t)$ , and  $z(t)$  must satisfy.

We are given the following function,

$$F(x, y, z) = (xe^y, y^2z^2, xyz)$$

And our curve is  $c(t) = (x(t), y(t), z(t))$  is a flow line for  $F$ .

Since  $c$  is a flow line for  $F$ , we have  $c'(t) = F(c(t))$ .

Which is our derivative,

$$c'(t) = (x(t)e^{y(t)}, (y(t))^2(z(t))^2, x(t)y(t)z(t))$$

From the above, the system of differential equations that the functions the point  $x(t)$ ,  $y(t)$ ,  $z(t)$  shall meet the following criteria:

$$x'(t) = x(t)e^{y(t)}$$

$$y'(t) = (y(t))^2(z(t))^2$$

$$z'(t) = x(t)y(t)z(t)$$



Find the divergence of the vector fields in Exercises 1 to 4.

$$4_0. V(x, y, z) = x^2 \mathbf{i} + (x+y)^2 \mathbf{j} + (x+y+z)^2 \mathbf{k}$$

Here, we have the following vector field  $V(x, y, z) =$   
 $x^2 \mathbf{i} + (x+y)^2 \mathbf{j} + (x+y+z)^2 \mathbf{k}$

We have to locate/find the divergence of the given vector field.

When  $F = F_1 \mathbf{i} + F_2 \mathbf{j} + F_3 \mathbf{k}$ , what we gonna obtain then is the divergence of  $F$  is the scalar field

$$\operatorname{div} F = \nabla \cdot F = \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial F_2}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial F_3}{\partial z}$$

$$\text{Where } \nabla = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \mathbf{i} + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \mathbf{j} + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \mathbf{k}$$

Divergence of  $V$  is the scalar field and it is given by,

$$\operatorname{div} V = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} x^2 + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (x+y)^2 + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (x+y+z)^2$$

$$= 2x + 2(x+y) + 2(x+y+z)$$

$$= \underbrace{2x} + \underbrace{2x + 2y} + \underbrace{2x + 2y + 2z}$$

$$= 6x + 4y + 2z \quad \text{Factor out 2}$$

$$= 2(3x + 2y + z)$$

This way we obtained the divergence of the given vector field as  $\operatorname{div} V = \boxed{2(3x + 2y + z)}$



7. Sketch a few flow lines for  $F(x, y) = y\hat{i}$ .

Calculate  $\nabla \cdot F$  and explain why your answer is consistent with your sketch.

Here, we have as follows  $F(x, y) = y\hat{i}$ .

As stated in the exercise directions, we need to find  $\nabla \cdot F$  and need to provide our sketch. In addition, the explanation for the value of  $\nabla \cdot F$  and the sketch itself has to be provided.

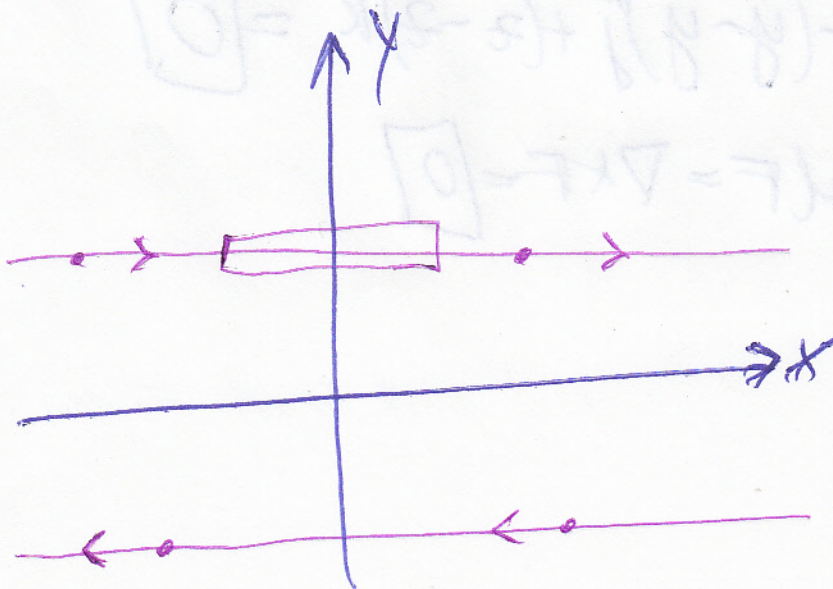
$$\nabla \cdot F = \left( \hat{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \hat{j} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \hat{k} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right) \cdot (y\hat{i})$$

$$= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} y$$

$$\nabla \cdot F = 0$$

In the event, where  $F$  denotes some fluid, we won't observe any expansion or contraction (compression).

As a result the area of small rectangle stays the same.





Compute the curl,  $\nabla \times F$ , of the vector fields in Exercises 13 to 16.

$$14. F(x, y, z) = yz\hat{i} + xz\hat{j} + xy\hat{k}$$

Here we go again with the provided vector fields as

$$F(x, y, z) = yz\hat{i} + xz\hat{j} + xy\hat{k}$$

We have to calculate the curl ( $\nabla \times F$ ) of the above vector field.

$$\text{Curl } F = \nabla \times F = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ yz & xz & xy \end{vmatrix} + \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (yz) - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (xy) \right) \hat{j}$$

$$= \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (xz) - \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (xy) \right) \hat{i} - \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (xy) - \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (yz) \right) \hat{j}$$

$$+ \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (xz) - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (yz) \right) \hat{k} =$$

$$= (x - x)\hat{i} - (y - y)\hat{j} + (z - z)\hat{k} = \boxed{0}$$

$$\text{Therefore, } \text{Curl } F = \nabla \times F = \boxed{0}$$



Calculate the scalar curl of each of the vector fields in Exercises 17 to 20.

$$47. F(x, y) = \sin x \hat{i} + \cos x \hat{j}$$

In this instance, our vector field is  $F(x, y) = \sin x \hat{i} + \cos x \hat{j}$  we have to calculate the scalar curl of the provided vector field.

The curl is

$$\nabla \times F = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ \sin x & \cos x & 0 \end{vmatrix} \quad \text{or} \quad + \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (\sin x) - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (0) \right) \hat{j}$$

$$= \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (0) - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (\cos x) \right) \hat{i} - \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (\cos x) - \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (\sin x) \right) \hat{j}$$

$$+ \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (\cos x) - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (\sin x) \right) \hat{k}$$

$$= (-\sin x) \hat{k}$$

The scalar curl, which is the coefficient of curl's  $\hat{k}$  term  $(-\sin x)$ .

Therefore scalar curl equals to  $\boxed{-\sin x}$



21. (a) Let  $F(x, y, z) = (x^2, x^2y, z + zx)$ .

Verify that  $\nabla \cdot (\nabla \times F) = 0$ .

Our vector field here is as follows,

$$F(x, y, z) = (x^2, x^2y, z + zx)$$

We have to verify that  $\nabla \cdot (\nabla \times F) = 0$  for the given function.

$$\nabla = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \hat{i} + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \hat{j} + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \hat{k}$$

When  $F = F_1 \hat{i} + F_2 \hat{j} + F_3 \hat{k}$ , the curl of  $F$  is the vector field,

$$\text{curl } F = \nabla \times F = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ x^2 & x^2y & z + zx \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (z + zx) - \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (x^2y) \right) \hat{i} - \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (z + zx) - \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (x^2) \right) \hat{j}$$

$$+ \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (x^2y) - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (x^2) \right) \hat{k}$$

$$= -(z) \hat{j} + (2xy) \hat{k}$$

Our curl of  $F$  is  $\nabla \times F$  and equals to  $-(z) \hat{j} + (2xy) \hat{k}$



24.(a) CONTINUATION

Now we have to compute divergence of curl  $F$ , which is  $\text{div curl } F = \nabla \cdot (\nabla \times F)$ .

$$\nabla \cdot (\nabla \times F) = \nabla \cdot (0, -z, 2xy)$$

$$= \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \hat{i} + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \hat{j} + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \hat{k} \right) \cdot ((0)\hat{i} - (z)\hat{j} + (2xy)\hat{k})$$

$$= \boxed{0}$$

24.(b) Can there exist a function  $f: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  such that  $F = \nabla f$ ? Explain.

No, since  $\nabla \times F \neq 0$ .

rationale

$$\nabla \times F = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ x^2 & xy & z+zx \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (z+zx) - \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (xy) \right) \hat{i} - \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (z+zx) - \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (x^2) \right) \hat{j} + \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (xy) - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (x^2) \right) \hat{k}$$

$$\nabla \times F = - (z) \hat{j} + (2xy) \hat{k} \neq 0$$



23. Let  $F(x, y, z) = (e^{xz}, \sin(xy), x^5 y^3 z^2)$ .

(a) Find the divergence of  $F$ .

Here we have the following function

$$F(x, y, z) = (e^{xz}, \sin(xy), x^5 y^3 z^2)$$

When  $F(x, y, z) = F_1 \hat{i} + F_2 \hat{j} + F_3 \hat{k}$  the divergence <sup>of  $F$</sup>  is gonna be the scalar field,

$$\operatorname{div} F = \nabla \cdot F = \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial F_2}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial F_3}{\partial z}$$

Now,  $\operatorname{div} F = \nabla \cdot F$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial F_2}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial F_3}{\partial z} \\ &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (e^{xz}) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (\sin(xy)) + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (x^5 y^3 z^2) \\ &= ze^{xz} + x \cos(xy) + 2x^5 y^3 z \end{aligned}$$

Here, the divergence of  $F$  is  $\operatorname{div} F = \underline{ze^{xz} + x \cos(xy) + 2x^5 y^3 z}$ .



23. Let  $F(x, y, z) = (e^{xz}, \sin(xy), x^5 y^3 z^2)$ .

(b) Find the curl of  $F$ .

Calculating the curl of  $F$ ,

$\text{curl } F = \nabla \times F$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ e^{xz} & \sin(xy) & x^5 y^3 z^2 \end{vmatrix}$$

OR  
 $+ \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (e^{xz}) - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (x^5 y^3 z^2) \right) \hat{j}$

$$= \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (x^5 y^3 z^2) - \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (\sin(xy)) \right) \hat{i} - \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (x^5 y^3 z^2) - \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (e^{xz}) \right) \hat{j}$$

$$+ \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (\sin(xy)) - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (e^{xz}) \right) \hat{k}$$

$$= (3x^5 y^2 z^2) \hat{i} - (5x^4 y^3 z^2 - x e^{xz}) \hat{j} + (y \cos(xy)) \hat{k}$$

Thus, we obtained the curl of  $F$  which in this case is

$$\text{curl } F = (3x^5 y^2 z^2) \hat{i} + (x e^{xz} - 5x^4 y^3 z^2) \hat{j} + (y \cos(xy)) \hat{k}$$



26. Suppose  $f, g, h: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  are differentiable.

Show that the vector field  $F(x, y, z) = (f(x), g(y), h(z))$  is irrotational.

Considering the function  $F(x, y, z) = (f(x), g(y), h(z))$  is differentiable.

Generally,  $F(x, y, z) = F_1 \hat{i} + F_2 \hat{j} + F_3 \hat{k}$  the divergence of  $F$  is the vector field,  $\text{curl } F = \nabla \times F$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ F_1 & F_2 & F_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

A vector field is called irrotational if  $\text{curl } F = 0$ .

Calculating  $\text{curl } F$ ,

$$\text{curl } F = \nabla \times F$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ F_1 & F_2 & F_3 \end{vmatrix}$$



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$$= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ f(x) & g(y) & h(z) \end{vmatrix}$$

as opposed to  
 $-\left(\frac{\partial h(z)}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial f(x)}{\partial z}\right)\hat{j}$   
 flipped

$$\text{curl } F = \left(\frac{\partial h(z)}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial g(y)}{\partial z}\right)\hat{i} + \left(\frac{\partial f(x)}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial h(z)}{\partial x}\right)\hat{j} + \left(\frac{\partial g(y)}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial f(x)}{\partial y}\right)\hat{k}$$

As  $h(z)$  is a function of  $z$  not of  $x$  and  $y$ ,  $g(y)$  is a function of  $y$  not of  $x$  and  $z$  and  $f(x)$  is a function of  $x$  not of  $y$  and  $z$ ,

$$\text{curl } F = (0)\hat{i} + (0)\hat{j} + (0)\hat{k}$$

$$= 0$$

Hence, it is proved/shown that  $F(x, y, z) = (f(x), g(y), h(z))$  is irrotational.



27. Suppose  $f, g, h: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  are differentiable.

Show that the vector field  $F(x, y, z) = (f(y, z), g(x, z), h(x, y))$  has zero divergence.

Here we have the following function  $F(x, y, z) = (f(y, z), g(x, z), h(x, y))$  which is differentiable.

Generally, when  $F(x, y, z) = F_1 \hat{i} + F_2 \hat{j} + F_3 \hat{k}$  the divergence of  $F$  is the scalar field,

$$\operatorname{div} F = \nabla \cdot F = \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial F_2}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial F_3}{\partial z}$$

In order to calculate the divergence of  $F$  we proceed as follows,

$$\operatorname{div} F = \nabla \cdot F$$

$$= \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial F_2}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial F_3}{\partial z}$$

$$\operatorname{div} F = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (f(y, z)) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (g(x, z)) + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (h(x, y))$$

As  $f(y, z)$ ,  $g(x, z)$ , and  $h(x, y)$  are not the functions of  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$  respectively.

$$\operatorname{div} F = 0 + 0 + 0 = \boxed{0}$$

Consequently, we have shown/proved that the given in this exercise vector field  $F(x, y, z) = (f(y, z), g(x, z), h(x, y))$  has no (zero) divergence.