

Section 16.5 - Curl and Divergence

Recall: Two operations of vectors; Two properties of a vector

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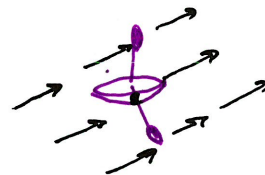
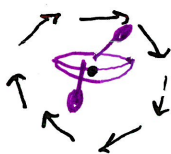
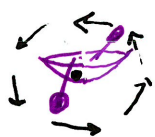
★ Want to talk about two rates of change for vectors

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• Curl: $\vec{F} = \langle P, Q, R \rangle$ on \mathbb{R}^3 , Partial of P, Q, R exist then:

• Understanding Curl with paddle boats:



★ Work on Vector field worksheet

Do they have positive, negative or zero curl?

If $\text{Curl } \vec{F} = \vec{0}$, \vec{F} is called

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Theorem If f is a function of 3 variables with continuous second order partial derivatives then: $\text{Curl}(\nabla f) =$

Proof:

★ \vec{F} Conservative \Rightarrow

Theorem (Partial converse to above statement)

\vec{F} defined on D , components have continuous first partials
and $\text{Curl}(\vec{F}) = \vec{0}$ then

Example (a) Show $\vec{F} = \langle y^2 z^3, 2xyz^3, 3xy^2 z^2 \rangle$ is conservative.
(b) Find f so that $\nabla f = \vec{F}$.

• Green's Theorem Rewritten: $\int_C P dx + Q dy = \iint_D \frac{\partial Q}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial P}{\partial y} dA$
 $\vec{F} = \langle P, Q, 0 \rangle$ $\text{Curl}(\vec{F}) =$

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• Divergence: $\vec{F} = \langle P, Q, R \rangle$ defined on \mathbb{R}^3 , Partial of P, Q, R exist then:

• Understanding Divergence:

★ Work on Vector field worksheet If $\text{div } \vec{F} = 0$, \vec{F} is called

Do they have positive, negative or zero divergence?

Theorem $\vec{F} = \langle P, Q, R \rangle$ on \mathbb{R}^3 , P, Q, R have continuous second partials then

$$\text{Div}(\text{Curl } \vec{F}) =$$

Proof:

Example Show $\vec{F} = \langle xz, xyz, -y^2 \rangle$ can't be written as the curl of another vector field, that is $\vec{F} \neq \text{Curl } \vec{G}$ for any \vec{G} .

• Laplace Operator:

$$\text{div}(\nabla f) =$$

Laplace Equation:

★ Watch Water flow video on website