

ELL212 - Tutorial 3 Solutions, Sem II 2015-16

1)

$$\nabla f = (y + xy^3)\hat{e}_x + \left(x + \frac{3}{2}x^2y^2\right)\hat{e}_y$$

$$f(1,1) - f(0,0) = 1 + \frac{1}{2} - 0 = \frac{3}{2}$$

For the path $y = x^n$, $dy = nx^{n-1}dx$ and $d\vec{l} = (\hat{e}_x + nx^{n-1}\hat{e}_y)dx$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{P_1}^{P_2} \nabla f \cdot d\vec{l} &= \int_0^1 \left(x^n + x^{3n+1} + nx^{n-1} \left(x + \frac{3}{2}x^{2n+2} \right) \right) dx \\ &= \frac{1}{n+1} + \frac{1}{3n+2} + \frac{n}{n+1} + \frac{3}{2} \frac{n}{3n+2} = \frac{3}{2} \end{aligned}$$

2)

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{v} = 4y$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_V \nabla \cdot \vec{v} dV &= \int_0^3 \int_0^1 \int_0^{1-x} 4y dy dx dz \\ &= \int_0^3 dz \int_0^1 2(1-x)^2 dx = 2 \end{aligned}$$

Let the surfaces be labelled as $1 : z = 0, 2 : z = 3, 3 : x = 0, 4 : y = 0, 5 : x + y = 1$

Let $\phi_i = \int_S \vec{v} \cdot d\vec{S}$ over the i^{th} surface

$$\phi_1 = 0$$

$$\phi_2 = \int_0^1 \int_0^{1-x} 3y dy = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\phi_3 = 0$$

$$\phi_4 = 0$$

$$\phi_5 = \int_0^3 \int_0^1 [x(1-x) + (1-x)^2] dx = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$\oint_S \vec{v} \cdot d\vec{S} = \frac{3}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = 2$$

3) a)

$$\text{For } r \neq 0, \quad \nabla \cdot \left(\frac{1}{r^2} \hat{e}_r \right) = \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(r^2 \frac{1}{r^2} \right) = 0$$

For $r = 0$, Consider a small spherical volume of radius a and centre $(0,0,0)$

$$\int_V \nabla \cdot \left(\frac{1}{r^2} \hat{e}_r \right) dV = \frac{1}{a^2} 4\pi a^2 = 4\pi \implies \nabla \cdot \left(\frac{1}{r^2} \hat{e}_r \right) = 4\pi \delta^3(\vec{r})$$

b)

$$\nabla f = \frac{\partial f}{\partial r} \hat{e}_r = - \left(\frac{\lambda r + 1}{r^2} \right) \exp(-\lambda r) \hat{e}_r$$

$$\nabla \cdot \nabla f = - \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(r^2 \frac{\lambda r + 1}{r^2} \exp(-\lambda r) \right) = \frac{\lambda^2}{r} \exp(-\lambda r) \text{ for } r \neq 0$$

For $r = 0$, Consider a small spherical volume of radius a and centre $(0,0,0)$

$$\int_V \nabla^2 f dV = - \frac{\lambda a + 1}{a^2} \exp(-\lambda a) 4\pi a^2 \approx -4\pi$$

$$\text{Hence } \nabla^2 f = \frac{\lambda^2}{r} \exp(-\lambda r) - 4\pi \delta^3(\vec{r})$$

4)* Both are non-conservative

5)*

Use $\nabla \cdot (\Phi \nabla \Phi) = |\nabla \Phi|^2 + \Phi \nabla^2 \Phi = |\nabla \Phi|^2$

$$\text{Thus } \int_V |\nabla \Phi|^2 dV = \int_V \nabla \cdot (\Phi \nabla \Phi) dV = \int_S \Phi \nabla \Phi \cdot d\vec{S}$$

But at the surface of V , $\Phi = 0$

$$\implies \int_V |\nabla \Phi|^2 dV = 0$$

$$\implies \nabla \Phi = \vec{0}$$

$\implies \Phi = 0$ (Since $\nabla \Phi = 0$ implies it is a constant and $\Phi = 0$ on the surface of V)