

Please provide complete and well-written solutions to the following exercises.

(No due date, though the quiz on February 10th or 12th will be based on this homework.)

Assignment 6

Exercise 1. Determine whether or not the following field is conservative. $F(x, y, z) = (y, (x + z), -y)$.

Exercise 2. Let $F(x, y, z) = (y, x, z^3)$ be a vector field. Either show that F is not conservative, or find a function $f: \mathbf{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ such that $\nabla f = F$.

Exercise 3. Let $F(x, y, z) = (y \sin z, x \sin z, xy \cos z)$ be a vector field. Find a function $f: \mathbf{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ such that $\nabla f = F$.

Exercise 4. Let $F(x, y, z) = (yz, xz, xy)$ be a vector field. Show that F is conservative. Then, evaluate the line integral of F from the endpoint $(1, 1, 2)$ to the endpoint $(3, 5, 2)$.

Exercise 5. Let $F(x, y, z) = (x^2 + y, y^2 + x, ze^z)$ be a vector field. Find the work done by F along the following paths from $(1, 0, 0)$ to $(1, 0, 1)$.

- The straight line segment where $x = 1$, $y = 0$ and $0 \leq z \leq 1$.
- The helix $s(t) = (\cos t, \sin t, t/(2\pi))$ where $0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$.
- The straight line from $(1, 0, 0)$ to $(0, 0, 0)$, followed by the parabola $z = x^2$, $y = 0$ from $(0, 0, 0)$ to $(1, 0, 1)$.

Exercise 6. Let $F(x, y) = \nabla(x^3y^2)$ be a vector field in the plane. Let C be the path in the xy plane from $(-1, 1)$ to $(1, 1)$ that consists of the line segment from $(-1, 1)$ to $(0, 0)$, followed by the line segment from $(0, 0)$ to $(1, 1)$. Evaluate $\int_C F \cdot T ds$ in the following two ways.

- Find parametrizations for the segments involved in the definition of C , and evaluate the resulting line integrals directly.
- Use the fact that $f(x, y) = x^3y^2$ satisfies $\nabla f = F$.

Exercise 7. Let $F(x, y)$ be a vector field in the plane, defined as follows

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

Note that F is undefined at $(0, 0)$.

- Verify that F satisfies the cross partial test for conservative vector fields. Can we conclude that F is conservative?
- Find a function f on the plane such that $\nabla f = F$, thereby showing that F is conservative.

- Do these results contradict the following theorem from the book? (Theorem 4) Let F be a vector field on a simply connected domain D . If F satisfies the cross-partials condition then F is conservative. (Explain your reasoning.)

Exercise 8. Consider the vector field $F(x, y, z) = (x, -z, y)$ on \mathbf{R}^3 . Show that F is not conservative in the following three ways.

- Use the cross partial test.
- Find a closed curve C such that F has a nonzero line integral on C .
- Find two paths between the same pair of points such that the line integral is different on each path.