

Quiz 10 - Math 53
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Name _____ Solution _____

Let C be the curve parameterized by $\mathbf{r}(t) = \langle t, t^2 \rangle$, $-1 \leq t \leq 1$, and let B be the curve parameterized by $\mathbf{r}(t) = \langle t, 1 \rangle$, $-1 \leq t \leq 1$. Let $\mathbf{F} = \langle y, \sin^8(y^2) - 2x \rangle$.

1a)[3pts] Set up an integral to compute $\int_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r}$. *You don't have to evaluate the integral, but it should be in a form so that you could plug it into a computer integration program or try to look it up on a table of integrals.*

$$\int_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} = \int_{-1}^1 \langle t^2, \sin^8(t^4) - 2t \rangle \cdot \langle 1, 2t \rangle dt = \int_{-1}^1 (-3t^2 + 2t \sin^8(t^4)) dt.$$

1b)[3pts] Use Green's theorem to find a relationship between $\int_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r}$ and $\int_B \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r}$ (be careful to get the signs right). Use this to compute $\int_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r}$.

Green's theorem tells us that $\int_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} - \int_B \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} = \iint_R (-3) dA$, where R is the region enclosed by $y = x^2$ and $y = 1$. We can compute

$$\begin{aligned} \iint_R (-3) dA &= \int_{-1}^1 \int_{x^2}^1 (-3) dy dx = \int_{-1}^1 (3x^2 - 3) dx = x^3 - 3x \Big|_{x=-1}^1 = -4 \\ \int_B \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} &= \int_{-1}^1 \langle 1, \sin^8(1) - 2t \rangle \cdot \langle 1, 0 \rangle dt = \int_{-1}^1 1 dt = 2 \end{aligned}$$

So $\int_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} = -4 + 2 = -2$.

2)[3pts] Consider the vector field $\mathbf{F} = \langle x + y, y^2 + \sin z, z^3 \rangle$. Compute $\nabla \times \mathbf{F}$ and $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{F}$. Could \mathbf{F} be of the form ∇f for some function f ? Could \mathbf{F} be of the form $\nabla \times \mathbf{G}$ for some vector field \mathbf{G} ? *Be sure you explain your reasoning.*

$\nabla \times \mathbf{F} = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ \partial_x & \partial_y & \partial_z \\ x + y & y^2 + \sin z & z^3 \end{vmatrix} = \langle -\cos z, 0, -1 \rangle$. Since the curl of a gradient is always zero, \mathbf{F} cannot be of the form ∇f .

$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{F} = \langle \partial_x, \partial_y, \partial_z \rangle \cdot \mathbf{F} = 1 + 2y + 3z^2$. Since the divergence of a curl is always zero, \mathbf{F} cannot be of the form $\nabla \times \mathbf{G}$.