


Calculus, Spring 2026, week 15

§ Green's Thm

Recall

$$\textcircled{*} \int_a^b f'(x) dx = f(b) - f(a)$$

To obtain higher dim. version of this equation, observe that: 
 1-dim. space

- LHS = integration of f' over $[a, b]$
 0-dim. space
- RHS = integration of f over $\{a, b\}$
 boundary of $[a, b]$

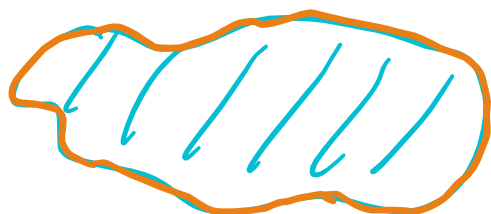
So $\textcircled{*}$ can be considered as a way to reduce a 1-dimensional integral to a 0-dimensional integral
 (over boundaries)

This observation leads us to see

Green's Thm: a 2-dimensional version of fundamental thm of Calculus $\textcircled{*}$

Since the boundary of 2-dim. region is generally a curve, we need:
 "integration over a curve"

Expect:



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$$\iint \text{(some differential of } f) \, dx \, dy$$



$$= \int f \, dx$$

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Def (Def 18.1.3)

Let

$$C: \vec{r}(t) = (x_1(t), x_2(t)), \quad t \in [a, b]$$

be a smooth parametrized curve.

Suppose $P(x, y)$, $Q(x, y)$ are smooth functions on \mathbb{R}^2 . The line integral

$$\int_C P(x, y) \, dx + Q(x, y) \, dy$$

over C is defined to be

$$\int_C P(x,y) dx + Q(x,y) dy$$

" $x = r_1(t)$ "
" $y = r_2(t)$ "
" \Downarrow " =
" $dx = r_1'(t) dt$ "
" $dy = r_2'(t) dt$ "

$$\int_a^b P(r_1(t), r_2(t)) r_1'(t) dt + Q(r_1(t), r_2(t)) r_2'(t) dt$$

definition

$$= \int_a^b \left(P(r_1(t), r_2(t)) r_1'(t) + Q(r_1(t), r_2(t)) r_2'(t) \right) dt$$

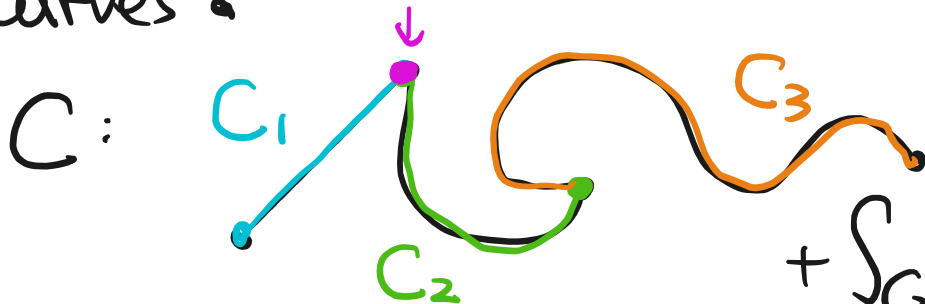
$$= \int_a^b \left(P(\vec{r}(t)), Q(\vec{r}(t)) \right) \cdot \vec{r}'(t) dt$$

Remark

① The definition of line integrals naturally extends to piecewise smooth curves:

Curves:

continuous, NOT differentiable

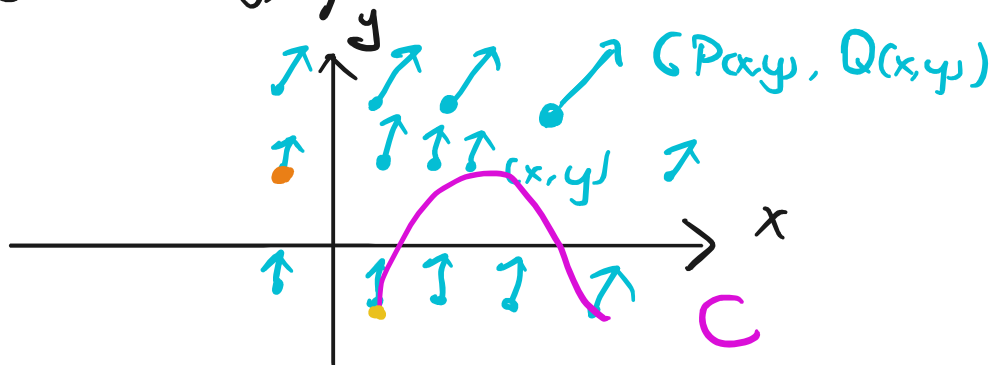


$$+ \int_{C_3} P dx + Q dy$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_C P dx + Q dy = \int_{C_1} P dx + Q dy + \int_{C_2} P dx + Q dy$$

② $\int_C P dx + Q dy = \text{"work"}$ It's

$(P(x,y), Q(x,y)) = \text{"vector field"}$



Thm (Thm 18.1.3)

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A line integral is invariant under every direction-preserving change of parameter.

That is, if

$$\phi: [c, d] \rightarrow [a, b]$$

is an increasing smooth function st

$$\phi'(s) > 0 \quad \forall s \in (c, d)$$

and

another parametrization of C with same direction

$$\underline{\vec{\alpha}(s) := \vec{\gamma}(\phi(s))}, \quad s \in [c, d]$$

then

$$\alpha_1(s) = \gamma_1(\phi(s)), \quad \alpha_2(s) = \gamma_2(\phi(s))$$

$$\int_a^b (P(\vec{\sigma}(t)), Q(\vec{\sigma}(t))) \cdot \vec{\sigma}'(t) dt$$

$$= \int_c^d (P(\vec{\alpha}(s), Q(\vec{\alpha}(s))) \cdot \vec{\alpha}'(s) ds$$

$$\int_a^{a_2} f(u(t)) \cdot u'(t) dt = \int_{u(a_1)}^{u(a_2)} f(u) du$$

$s = \phi(t)$
 $t = \phi(s)$
 $\Rightarrow dt = \phi'(s) ds$

$\int_a^b P(\sigma_1(t), \sigma_2(t)) \sigma_1'(t) + Q(\sigma_1(t), \sigma_2(t)) \sigma_2'(t) dt$

$\int_c^d \left(P(\underbrace{\sigma_1(\phi(s))}_{\alpha_1(s)}, \underbrace{\sigma_2(\phi(s))}_{\alpha_2(s)}) \underbrace{\sigma_1'(\phi(s))}_{\alpha_1'(s)} + Q(\underbrace{\sigma_1(\phi(s))}_{\alpha_1(s)}, \underbrace{\sigma_2(\phi(s))}_{\alpha_2(s)}) \underbrace{\sigma_2'(\phi(s))}_{\alpha_2'(s)} \right) \phi'(s) ds$

chain rule: $(\sigma_1(\phi(s)))' = \alpha_1'(s)$
 chain rule: $(\sigma_2(\phi(s)))' = \alpha_2'(s)$

$= \int_c^d \left(P(\alpha_1(s), \alpha_2(s)) \alpha_1'(s) + Q(\alpha_1(s), \alpha_2(s)) \alpha_2'(s) \right) ds$

$= \text{RHS} \quad \#$

Similarly, we have:

Thm

If $\psi: [c, d] \rightarrow [a, b]$ is a decreasing smooth function s.t. $\psi'(s) < 0 \forall s \in (c, d)$,

and $\vec{\beta}(s) := \vec{\gamma}(\varphi(s))$, $s \in [c, d]$,

another parametrization with
the reversed direction

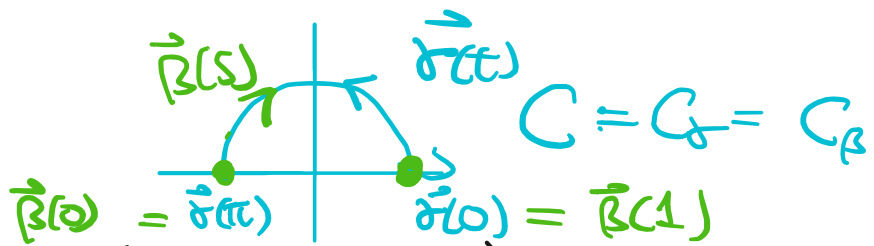
then

$$\int_a^b (P(\vec{\gamma}(t)), Q(\vec{\gamma}(t))) \cdot \vec{\gamma}'(t) dt$$

$$= - \int_c^d (P(\vec{\beta}(s)), Q(\vec{\beta}(s))) \cdot \vec{\beta}'(s) ds$$

Example

Let



$$\vec{\gamma}(t) = (\underbrace{\cos t}_x, \underbrace{\sin t}_y), \quad t \in [0, \pi]$$

$$\vec{\beta}(s) = (\cos(\pi - s), \sin(\pi - s)), \quad s \in [0, \pi]$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_{C_\gamma} y dx - x dy \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} dx = -\sin t dt \\ dy = \cos t dt \end{array} \right)$$

$$= \int_0^\pi \sin t (-\sin t) dt - \cos t \cdot \cos t dt$$

$$= \int_0^\pi \underbrace{(-\sin^2 t - \cos^2 t)}_{-1} dt = -\pi$$

$$\textcircled{2} \int_{C_B} y dx - x dy$$

$$x = \cos(\pi - s) = -\cos s$$

$$y = \sin(\pi - s) = \sin s$$

$$\Rightarrow dx = \sin s ds$$

$$dy = \cos s ds$$

$$= \int_0^\pi \sin s \cdot \sin s ds - (-\cos s) \cos s ds$$

$$= \int_0^\pi (\sin^2 s + \cos^2 s) ds = \pi \quad \#$$

Def

A (parametrized) curve in \mathbb{R}^2

$$C: \vec{r} = \vec{r}(t), \quad t \in [a, b],$$

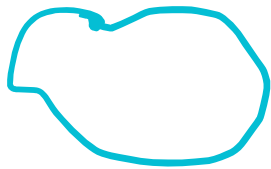
is called closed if $\vec{r}(a) = \vec{r}(b)$

and called simple if it doesn't

intersect itself: $t_1 \neq t_2 \in (a, b) \Rightarrow \vec{r}(t_1) \neq \vec{r}(t_2)$

Jordan curve = closed and simple

A closed region Ω is a Jordan region if its total boundary is a Jordan curve.



Jordan curve



Jordan region



closed,
not simple



NOT Jordan
region



simple,
not closed

Remark

If C is a closed curve, we usually

write $(\oint_C P dx + Q dy)$

$$\oint_C P dx + Q dy = \int_C P dx + Q dy$$

(clockwise)

if the parametrization is counterclockwise

Thm (Green's Thm, Thm 18.5.1)

Let Ω be a Jordan region with a piecewise smooth boundary C .

If P and Q are smooth functions on Ω then

$\int_C P dx + Q dy = \iint_{\Omega} (Q_x - P_y) dx dy$

$$\iint_{\Omega} \left(\frac{\partial Q}{\partial x}(x,y) - \frac{\partial P}{\partial y}(x,y) \right) dx dy$$

"exterior derivative" of $Pdx + Qdy$

$f(b) - f(a)$

$$= \oint_C P(x,y) dx + Q(x,y) dy$$

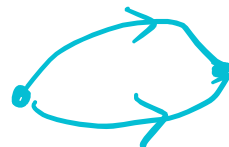
Example

$$\oint_C \underbrace{e^x \sin y}_{P} dx + \underbrace{e^x \cos y}_{Q} dy = ?$$

$$C = \{x^2 + y^2 = 1\}$$

Sol

By Green's Thm,



$$\text{ans} = \iint_{\Omega} \left(\frac{\partial Q}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial P}{\partial y} \right) dx dy$$

$$\{x^2 + y^2 \leq 1\}$$

Since

$$\frac{\partial Q}{\partial x} = e^x \cos y, \quad \frac{\partial P}{\partial y} = e^x \cos y$$

we have

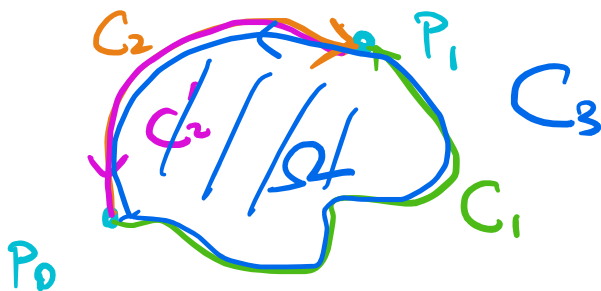
$$\rightarrow = \iint_{\Omega} 0 dx dy = 0 \quad \#$$

Remark

IF $\frac{\partial Q}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial P}{\partial y} = 0$ on \mathbb{R}^2 , then

$$\int_C P dx + Q dy$$

"only depends" on the starting point and end point of C :



$$\Rightarrow \oint_{C_3} P dx + Q dy = \iint_{\Omega} (Q_x - P_y) dx dy = 0$$

$$\int_{C_1} P dx + Q dy + \int_{C_2'} P dx + Q dy = \int_{C_1} \square - \int_{C_2} \square$$

The diagram shows two squares representing the integrands. The first square is under the integral \int_{C_1} and the second square is under the integral \int_{C_2} . A large curved arrow points from the right side of the equation back to the $= 0$ result above.

$$\Rightarrow \int_{C_1} P dx + Q dy = \int_{C_2} P dx + Q dy$$

Example

$$\oint_C \overset{P}{(3x^2+y)} dx + \overset{Q}{(2x+y^3)} dy = ?$$

where $C = \{x^2 + y^2 = 3^2\}$



sol

Green's Thm

$$Q_x - P_y = 2 - 1 = 1$$

ans = $\iint_{\Omega} 1 \, dx dy = 9\pi$ #

Example

Let C be a Jordan curve that does not pass through $\vec{0} = (0,0)$.

Show that

"Cauchy integral formula"

$$\oint_C - \overset{P}{\frac{y}{x^2+y^2}} dx + \overset{Q}{\frac{x}{x^2+y^2}} dy$$

NOT smooth at $\vec{0}$

$$= \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } C \text{ does not enclose} \\ & \text{the origin.} \\ 2\pi & \text{if } C \text{ does enclose} \\ & \text{the origin.} \end{cases}$$

pf

Case 1 C does not enclose $\vec{0}$

Apply Green's Thm:

P, Q

are smooth



$$Q_x - P_y$$

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

$$\left(\frac{f}{g} \right)' = \frac{fg' - f'g}{g^2}$$

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

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

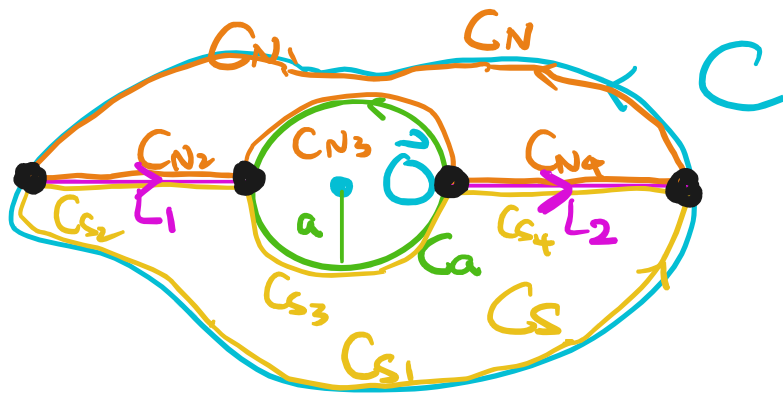
$$= 0 \quad \forall (x, y) \neq (0, 0).$$

Green's
 \Rightarrow

$$\oint_C P dx + Q dy = \iint_{\Omega} Q_x - P_y \, dx dy$$

$$= 0$$

Case 2: C does enclose $\vec{0}$



A geometric fact: \exists a circle

$$C_a: x^2 + y^2 = a^2$$

inside C . Consider the auxiliary curves

Note that

① C_N and C_S do NOT enclose $\vec{0}$

$$\stackrel{\text{case 1}}{\Rightarrow} \oint_{C_N} Pdx + Qdy = \oint_{C_S} Pdx + Qdy = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{2} \quad \oint_{C_N} \square &= \int_{C_{N1}} + \int_{C_{N2}} + \int_{C_{N3}} + \int_{C_{N4}} \\ &= \int_{C_{N1}} + \int_{L1} + \int_{C_{N3}} + \int_{L2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad \oint_C = \int_{C_{S_1}} + \int_{C_{S_2}} + \int_{C_{S_3}} + \int_{C_{S_4}} - \int_{L_1} - \int_{L_2}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \oint_{C_N} + \oint_{C_S} &= 0 \\ &= \int_{C_{N_1}} + \int_{C_{N_3}} + \int_{C_{S_1}} + \int_{C_{S_3}} - \int_{C_a} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \oint_C - \oint_{C_a} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \oint_C = \oint_{C_a}$$

$$\begin{aligned} C_a : x^2 + y^2 &= a^2 \\ x &= a \cos \theta \\ y &= a \sin \theta \quad \theta \in [0, 2\pi] \end{aligned}$$

$$\textcircled{5} \quad \text{Ans} = \oint_{C_a} - \frac{y}{x^2 + y^2} dx + \frac{x}{x^2 + y^2} dy$$

def. of line integral \Rightarrow

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \frac{a \sin \theta}{\underbrace{(a \cos \theta)^2 + (a \sin \theta)^2}_{= a^2}} \underbrace{a(-\sin \theta) d\theta}_{dx} + \frac{a \cos \theta}{(a \cos \theta)^2 + (a \sin \theta)^2} \underbrace{a \cos \theta d\theta}_{dy}$$

$$= \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{\cancel{a^2 \sin^2 \theta} + \cancel{a^2 \cos^2 \theta}}{\cancel{a^2}} d\theta$$

$$= 2\pi = \oint_C 1 = \oint_{Ca} \#$$

Let $f = f(x, y)$ be a smooth function on \mathbb{R}^2

$$H = \begin{pmatrix} f_{xx}(0,0) & f_{xy}(0,0) \\ f_{yx}(0,0) & f_{yy}(0,0) \end{pmatrix}$$

Suppose λ is an eigenvalue of H ,
i.e. ...

Def

Let $H = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}_{2 \times 2}$, $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$

Consider

$$\textcircled{*_{\lambda}} \begin{cases} ax + by - \lambda x = (a - \lambda)x + by = 0 \\ cx + dy - \lambda y = cx + (d - \lambda)y = 0 \end{cases}$$

Note

$\begin{cases} x=0 \\ y=0 \end{cases}$ is a sol. of $\textcircled{*_{\lambda}}$
zero sol

Q: Does $\textcircled{*_{\lambda}}$ have another sol.?
(nonzero sol.)

We say λ is an eigenvalue \Leftrightarrow

$\textcircled{*_{\lambda}}$ has a nonzero sol.

That is, $\exists \vec{v} = \begin{pmatrix} x_0 \\ y_0 \end{pmatrix}$ with $x_0 \neq 0$
or $y_0 \neq 0$

s.t.

$$H \vec{v} = \lambda \vec{v}$$

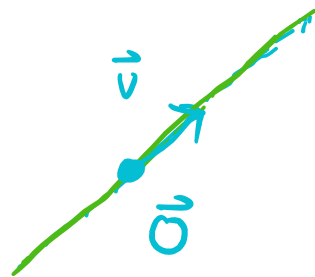
called an
eigenvector of
H

$$\Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} ax_0 + by_0 = \lambda x_0 \\ cx_0 + dy_0 = \lambda y_0 \end{cases}$$

Claim If f has a local min. at $(0,0)$
then $\lambda \geq 0$

pf

Consider



$$g(t) := f(\vec{0} + t\vec{v}) = f(tx_0, ty_0)$$

Since f has a local min at $(0,0)$.

g has a local min. at $t=0$

$\Rightarrow g''(0) \geq 0$ (otherwise $g''(0) < 0$
 \Rightarrow ^{2nd der. test} g has a local max
at $t=0$
 $\Rightarrow g$ is constant near $t=0$
 $\Rightarrow \underline{g''(0) = 0} \rightarrow \leftarrow$)

Compute $g''(0)$:

$$g'(t) = \left(f(tx_0, ty_0) \right)'$$

chain rule $\Rightarrow \left(\nabla f(tx_0, ty_0) \right) \cdot (x_0, y_0)$

$$= \underline{f_x(tx_0, ty_0) \cdot x_0 + f_y(tx_0, ty_0) \cdot y_0}$$

$$\Rightarrow g''(0) = \frac{d}{dt} \left(\quad \right) \Big|_{t=0}$$

chain rule $(\nabla (x_0 f_x)(tx_0, ty_0)) \cdot (x_0, y_0)$

$+ (\nabla (y_0 f_y)(tx_0, ty_0)) \cdot (x_0, y_0) \Big|_{t=0}$

$x_0 \cdot \lambda x_0$

$= x_0 f_{xx}(0,0) \cdot x_0 + x_0 f_{xy}(0,0) y_0$

$y_0 \cdot \lambda y_0$

$+ y_0 f_{yx}(0,0) x_0 + y_0 f_{yy}(0,0) y_0$

$(= (H \cdot \vec{v}) \cdot \vec{v})$

assumption:

$H\vec{v} = \lambda \vec{v}$

$(x_0, y_0) \neq (0,0) \Downarrow$

> 0

$= \lambda (x_0^2 + y_0^2) = g''(0)$

$\Updownarrow H\vec{v}$

$\begin{cases} f_{xx}(0,0) x_0 + f_{xy}(0,0) y_0 = \lambda x_0 \\ f_{xy}(0,0) x_0 + f_{yy}(0,0) y_0 = \lambda y_0 \end{cases}$

$\Rightarrow \lambda = \frac{g''(0)}{x_0^2 + y_0^2} \geq 0$

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$f_{xyx} = f_{xxy} = f_{yxx}$

pf

$f_{xyx} = (f_x)_{yx} \stackrel{\text{Thm}}{=} (f_x)_{xy} = f_{xxy}$

$\stackrel{\text{Thm}}{=} (f_{xy})_x = f_{yxx}$

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