

b. Is the vector field $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$ on \mathbb{R}^3 the curl of another vector field?

6.12.5 a. Compute $\mathbf{c}(\varphi)$ if $\varphi = x dx + y dy$, and check that $\mathbf{d}\mathbf{c}\varphi = \varphi$.

b. Compute $\mathbf{c}(\varphi)$ if $\varphi = x dy - y dx$, and check that $\mathbf{d}\mathbf{c}\varphi + \mathbf{c}\mathbf{d}\varphi = \varphi$.

6.12.6 Use the properties of multilinearity and antisymmetry to justify equation 6.12.21.

6.12.7 a. Find the Faraday 2-form \mathbb{F} of the electromagnetic field defined by the $\vec{\mathbf{E}}$ and $\vec{\mathbf{B}}$ of exercise 6.11.8.

b. Using the cone operator, find a potential \mathbb{A} for this \mathbb{F} .

c. Check that $\mathbf{d}\mathbb{A} = \mathbb{F}$.

****6.12.8** a. Show that a 1-form φ on $\mathbb{R}^2 - \{\mathbf{0}\}$ can be written $\mathbf{d}f$ exactly when $\mathbf{d}\varphi = 0$ and $\int_{S^1} \varphi = 0$, where S^1 is the unit circle, oriented counterclockwise.

b. Show that a 1-form φ on $\mathbb{R}^2 - \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$ can be written $\mathbf{d}f$ exactly when $\mathbf{d}\varphi = 0$ and both $\int_{S_1} \varphi = 0$, $\int_{S_2} \varphi = 0$, where S_1 is the circle of radius 1/2 centered at the origin and S_2 is the circle of radius 1/2 centered at $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$, both oriented counterclockwise.

6.12.9 a. Rewrite equation 6.12.30 with the proper detail and notation.

b. Carefully justify each equality in equation 6.12.30.

6.12.10 Confirm the computations for g and h in equation 6.12.27.

Exercise 6.12.9, part a: By “proper detail and notation” we mean replace (lim) with the correct description of each limit and replace $P_h P$ by the correct notation for the appropriate parallelograms.

6.13 REVIEW EXERCISES FOR CHAPTER 6

6.1 Which of the following are numbers? Identify those that are not.

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|----------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| a. $\vec{\mathbf{v}} \cdot \vec{\mathbf{w}}$ | b. $dx_1 \wedge dx_2(\vec{\mathbf{v}}, \vec{\mathbf{w}})$ | c. $\vec{\mathbf{v}} \times \vec{\mathbf{w}}$ | d. $\det B$ |
| e. $\text{rank } B$ | f. $\text{tr } B$ | g. $\dim A^k(\mathbb{R}^n)$ | h. $ \vec{\mathbf{v}} $ |
| i. $A^k(\mathbb{R}^k)$ | j. $\varphi \wedge \psi(\vec{\mathbf{v}}, \vec{\mathbf{w}})$ | k. $\int_{\mathbb{R}} f(x) dx$ | l. $\text{sgn}(\sigma)$ |

In exercise 6.1, B is an $n \times n$ matrix and φ and ψ are both 1-forms on \mathbb{R}^3 ; $\vec{\mathbf{v}}$ and $\vec{\mathbf{w}}$ are vectors in \mathbb{R}^3 ; f is integrable.

6.2 Let \vec{F} be a vector field in \mathbb{R}^n , let $\vec{\mathbf{v}}_1, \dots, \vec{\mathbf{v}}_{n-1}$ be vectors in \mathbb{R}^n , and let φ be the $(n-1)$ -form on \mathbb{R}^n given by

$$\varphi(\vec{\mathbf{v}}_1, \dots, \vec{\mathbf{v}}_{n-1}) = \det[\vec{F}(\mathbf{x}), \vec{\mathbf{v}}_1, \dots, \vec{\mathbf{v}}_{n-1}].$$

Write φ as a linear combination of elementary $(n-1)$ -forms on \mathbb{R}^n , in terms of the coordinates of \vec{F} .

6.3 Use definition 6.1.12 to write the wedge product $\varphi \wedge \psi(\vec{\mathbf{v}}_1, \vec{\mathbf{v}}_2, \vec{\mathbf{v}}_3, \vec{\mathbf{v}}_4)$, where φ is a 1-form and ψ is a 3-form, as a combination of values of φ and ψ evaluated on appropriate vectors (as in equations 6.1.30 and 6.1.35).

6.4 Set up each of the following integrals of form fields over parametrized domains as an ordinary multiple integral.

- a. $\int_{[\gamma(I)]} y^2 dy + x^2 dz$, where $I = [0, a]$ and $\gamma(t) = \begin{pmatrix} t^3 \\ t^2 + 1 \\ t^2 - 1 \end{pmatrix}$
- b. $\int_{[\gamma(U)]} \sin y^2 dx \wedge dz$, where $U = [0, a] \times [0, b]$, and $\gamma \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} u^2 - v \\ uv \\ v^4 \end{pmatrix}$

6.5 Find a 1-form field on \mathbb{R}^2 whose sign orients the circle of radius 1 centered at $\begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ in the clockwise direction.

6.6 Find a 2-form whose sign orients the surface $S \subset \mathbb{R}^3$ given by

$$x^2 + y^3 + z^4 = 1.$$

6.7 Consider the manifold $S^3 \subset \mathbb{R}^4$ of equation $x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_3^2 + x_4^2 = 1$.

- a. Show that $\text{sgn } dx_1 \wedge dx_2 \wedge dx_3$ is not an orientation of S^3 .
- b. Show that $\Omega_{\mathbf{x}}(\vec{\mathbf{v}}_1, \vec{\mathbf{v}}_2, \vec{\mathbf{v}}_3) = \text{sgn } \det[\mathbf{x}, \vec{\mathbf{v}}_1, \vec{\mathbf{v}}_2, \vec{\mathbf{v}}_3]$ is an orientation.

6.8 a. Show that the locus $M \subset \mathbb{R}^4$ given by $x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_1 x_4^2 = 1$ is a smooth manifold.

- b. Find a 3-form field whose sign orients M .

6.9 In example 6.4.3 we saw that

$$\gamma_1(\theta) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta \\ \sin \theta \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \gamma_2(\theta) = \begin{pmatrix} \sin \theta \\ \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}$$

give opposite orientations. Confirm (proposition 6.4.8) that $\det[\mathbf{D}(\gamma_2^{-1} \circ \gamma_1)] < 0$.

6.10 Let $z_1 = x_1 + iy_1$, $z_2 = x_2 + iy_2$ be coordinates in \mathbb{C}^2 . Compute the integral of $dx_1 \wedge dy_1 + dx_2 \wedge dy_2$ over the part of the locus of equation $z_2 = z_1^k$ where $|z_1| < 1$, oriented by $\text{sgn } dx_1 \wedge dy_1$.

6.11 For the following 1-forms, write down the corresponding vector field. Sketch the vector field. Describe a path over which the work of the 1-form would be small. Describe a path over which the work would be large.

- a. $(x^2 + y^2) dz$, on \mathbb{R}^3 b. $y dx - x dy - z dz$, on \mathbb{R}^3

6.12 a. In \mathbb{R}^2 , a vector field defines two 1-forms: the work and the flux. Show that they are related by formula

$$W_{\vec{F}}(\vec{\mathbf{v}}) = \Phi_{\vec{F}} \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \vec{\mathbf{v}} \right).$$

- b. What does the transformation $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ correspond to geometrically?

c. Can you explain why the work and the flux on \mathbb{R}^2 are related by the formula in part a?

6.13 Find the flux of the vector field $\vec{F} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} y \\ -z \\ yz \end{bmatrix}$, through S , where S is the part of the cone $z = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$ where $x, y \geq 0$, $x^2 + y^2 \leq R$, and it is oriented by the inward-pointing normal (i.e., the flux measures the amount flowing into the cone).

6.14 Let S be the part of the surface of equation $z = \sin xy + 2$ where

$$x^2 + y^2 \leq 1 \quad \text{and} \quad x \geq 0,$$

oriented by the upward-pointing normal. What is the flux of the vector field

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ x + y \end{bmatrix} \text{ through } S?$$

6.15 Consider the manifold $S^3 \subset \mathbb{R}^4$ of equation $x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_3^2 + x_4^2 = 1$, oriented by $\Omega_{\mathbf{x}}(\vec{\mathbf{v}}_1, \vec{\mathbf{v}}_2, \vec{\mathbf{v}}_3) = \text{sgn det}[\mathbf{x}, \vec{\mathbf{v}}_1, \vec{\mathbf{v}}_2, \vec{\mathbf{v}}_3]$. Let X be the subset of S^3 where $x_4 \leq 0$.

a. Show that X is a piece-with-boundary of S^3 .

b. Find a basis for the tangent space $T_{\mathbf{x}}(\partial X)$ at the point $\mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \in \partial X$

which is direct for the boundary orientation.

6.16 a. Compute the derivative of $xy \, dz$ from the definition.

b. Compute the same derivative using the formulas given in theorem 6.7.2, stating clearly at each stage what property you are using.

6.17 a. Let $\varphi = xyz \, dy$. Compute from the definition the number

$$\mathbf{d}\varphi \left(P \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} (\vec{\mathbf{e}}_2, \vec{\mathbf{e}}_3) \right).$$

b. What is $\mathbf{d}\varphi$? Use your result to check the computation in part a.

6.18 Let $\vec{\mathbf{r}} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}$ be the radial vector field in \mathbb{R}^n .

a. Show that $\mathbf{d}(\Phi_{\vec{\mathbf{r}}}) = n(dx_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge dx_n)$.

b. Let $B_1^n(\mathbf{0})$ and S^{n-1} be the unit ball and the unit sphere in \mathbb{R}^n , the ball with the standard orientation and the sphere with the boundary orientation. Use Stokes's theorem to prove

$$\text{vol}_n(B_1^n(\mathbf{0})) = \frac{1}{n} \text{vol}_{n-1}(S^{n-1}).$$

6.19 Using the formulas of theorem 6.8.3, prove the equations

$$\text{curl}(\text{grad } f) = \vec{\mathbf{0}} \quad \text{and} \quad \text{div}(\text{curl } \vec{F}) = 0$$

for any function f and any vector field \vec{F} (of class at least C^2).

6.20 a. For what vector field \vec{F} is the 1-form on \mathbb{R}^3

$$x^2 \, dx + y^2 z \, dy + xy \, dz \quad \text{the work form field } W_{\vec{F}}?$$

b. Compute the exterior derivative of $x^2 \, dx + y^2 z \, dy + xy \, dz$ using theorem 6.7.2. Show that it is the same as $\Phi_{\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{F}}$.

6.21 a. There is an exponent m such that

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot (x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^m \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = 0; \quad \text{find it.}$$

Exercise 6.18 gives another way to derive equation 5.3.52.

*b. More generally, there is an exponent m (depending on n) such that the $(n-1)$ -form $\Phi_{r,2m\vec{r}}$ has exterior derivative 0, when \vec{r} is the vector field $\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}$, and $r = |\vec{r}|$. Can you find it? (Start with $n = 1$ and $n = 2$.)

Exercise 6.21, part b: The subscript on Φ may be hard to read. It is $r^{2m}\vec{r}$.

6.22 a. Find the unique polynomial p such that $p(1) = 1$ and such that if

$$\omega = x dy \wedge dz - 2zp(y) dx \wedge dy + yp(y) dz \wedge dx,$$

then $d\omega = dx \wedge dy \wedge dz$.

b. For this polynomial p , find the integral $\int_S \omega$, where S is that part of the sphere $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1$ where $z \geq \sqrt{2}/2$, oriented by the outward-pointing normal.

6.23 a. Compute the exterior derivative of the 2-form

$$\varphi = \frac{1}{(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{3/2}} (x dy \wedge dz + y dz \wedge dx + z dx \wedge dy).$$

b. Compute the integral of φ over the unit sphere $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1$, oriented by the outward-pointing normal.

c. Compute the integral of φ over the boundary of the cube of side 4, centered at the origin, and oriented by the outward-pointing normal.

d. Can φ be written $d\psi$ for some 1-form ψ on $\mathbb{R}^3 - \{\mathbf{0}\}$?

6.24 Let S be the surface of equation $z = 9 - y^2$, oriented by the upward-pointing normal.

a. Sketch the piece $X \subset S$ where $x \geq 0$, $z \geq 0$, and $y \geq x$, indicating carefully the boundary orientation.

b. Give a parametrization of X , being careful about the domain of the parametrizing map and whether it is orientation preserving.

c. Find the work of the vector field $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ xz \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ around the boundary of X .

Exercise 6.26: Equation 6.11.72 relates the coordinates x', y', z', t' of a frame of reference moving at speed v in the direction of the x -axis with respect to a frame with coordinates x, y, z, t . A particle at rest in the original frame has Faraday 2-form given by exercise 6.31; in the moving frame it is our required particle moving at constant speed. Therefore it is enough to write the form of exercise 6.31 in the new coordinates.

6.25 Let $U \subset \mathbb{R}^3$ be a subset bounded by a surface S , to which we will give the boundary orientation. What relation is there between the volume of U and the flux $\int_S \Phi \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$?

6.26 Show that the electromagnetic field of a charge q moving in the direction of the x -axis at constant speed v is

$$\vec{\mathbf{E}} = \frac{q}{((\gamma x - \gamma vt)^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{3/2}} \begin{bmatrix} \gamma(x - vt) \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\vec{\mathbf{B}} = \frac{q}{((\gamma x - \gamma vt)^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{3/2}} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -\gamma v z / c^2 \\ \gamma v y / c^2 \end{bmatrix},$$

where $\gamma = \sqrt{1 - v^2/c^2}$.

6.27 Let \vec{F} be the vector field $\vec{F} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} F_1(x, y) \\ F_2(x, y) \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$.

Suppose $D_2F_1 = D_1F_2$. Show that there exists a function $f : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that $\vec{F} = \vec{\nabla}f$.

6.28 Find a 1-form φ such that $\mathbf{d}\varphi = y dz \wedge dx - x dy \wedge dz$.

6.29 Let $U \subset \mathbb{R}^3$ be a 3-dimensional piece-with-boundary.

a. What does Stokes's theorem say about $\int_U \mathbf{d}\mathbb{F}$?

b. What does Stokes's theorem say about $\int_U \mathbf{d}\mathbb{M}$?

6.30 Let $S \subset \mathbb{R}^3$ be a 2-dimensional oriented piece-with-boundary, and let $I = [t_0, t_1]$ be a time interval.

a. Show that $V = S \times I$ is a 3-dimensional piece-with-boundary of \mathbb{R}^4 .

b. What does Stokes's theorem say about $\int_V \mathbf{d}\mathbb{F}$?

c. What does Stokes's theorem say about $\int_V \mathbf{d}\mathbb{M}$?

Exercise 6.31: Note that

$$\mathbf{d}\left(\frac{1}{r}\right) = W_{\vec{r}/r^3}.$$

This contrasts with example 6.12.1. There we had

$$\mathbf{d}\arctan \frac{y}{x} = \frac{x dy - y dx}{x^2 + y^2}.$$

But $\arctan \frac{y}{x}$ is not a well-defined function on $\mathbb{R}^2 - \{0\}$, whereas $1/r$ is a well-defined function on $\mathbb{R}^3 - \{0\}$.

Forms were defined to be integrands, so it is quite reasonable to define $\mathbf{d}\mathbb{F}$ via its integrals over oriented pieces-with-boundary. It is also quite reasonable to restrict to r -adapted pieces: pieces-with-boundary for which, locally near points where $r = 0$, the piece X is the graph of a map expressing t as a function of $\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix}$. Pieces that

are not r -adapted intersect the locus $r = 0$ in exceptional ways, and it may be difficult to say what share of whatever nastiness is hiding there is carried by X . Such pieces are exceptional; by budging them arbitrarily little we can make them r -adapted.

****6.31** Let $\vec{r} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$ and $r = |\vec{r}| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$. Show that

$$\mathbb{F} = qW_{\vec{r}/r^3} \wedge cdt$$

is an electromagnetic field. What are the corresponding charges and currents?

This isn't a straightforward computation. For \mathbb{F} to be an electromagnetic field, we must have $\mathbf{d}\mathbb{F} = 0$ everywhere, and it isn't clear what this means when $r = 0$. In example 6.12.1 we saw that there can be trouble hiding at points where a form is not defined. We deal with this as follows.

A 3-dimensional piece-with-boundary $X \subset \mathbb{R}^4$ will be called r -adapted if locally near points where $r = 0$ it represents t as a function of $x, y,$ and z ; in that case we write $X_\epsilon = X - \{r < \epsilon\}$ and we define

$$\partial_{inn}X_\epsilon \subset \partial X_\epsilon$$

to be the subset where $r = \epsilon$, with the boundary orientation. If φ is a 2-form on $\mathbb{R}^4 - \{r = 0\}$ and $X \subset \mathbb{R}^4$ is an r -adapted oriented 3-dimensional piece-with-boundary, we define

$$\int_X \mathbf{d}\varphi \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \left(\int_{X_\epsilon} \mathbf{d}\varphi - \int_{\partial_{inn}X_\epsilon} \varphi \right).$$

If φ is well defined where $r = 0$, then, by Stokes's theorem,

$$\int_X \mathbf{d}\varphi = \int_{X_\epsilon} \mathbf{d}\varphi + \int_{X-X_\epsilon} \mathbf{d}\varphi = \int_{X_\epsilon} \mathbf{d}\varphi - \int_{\partial_{inn}X_\epsilon} \varphi,$$

so the formula is correct in that case, and otherwise the boundary term captures whatever is hiding on $\{r = 0\}$.

6.32 Compute the integral $\int_S \Phi_{\vec{F}}$, where $\vec{F} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -x^2yz \\ y \\ (z^2 - 1)xy \end{bmatrix}$, and S is

the part of the parabolic cylinder of equation $y = 9 - x^2$ where $y \geq 0$ and $0 \leq z \leq 1$, oriented by the transverse vector field \vec{e}_2 .