

Vector Calculus Lecture 21

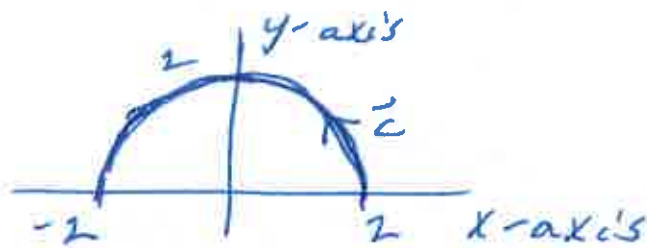
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§4.2 Example 1 Determine the work done by the force

$$\vec{F}(x, y) = (-y, 0)$$

to move a particle around the semicircle $y = \sqrt{4-x^2}$ from $(2, 0)$ to $(-2, 0)$.

Solution:



Compute $\int_C \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{s}$ for

$$\vec{c}(t) = (2\cos t, 2\sin t) \text{ for } 0 \leq t \leq \pi.$$

Since

$$\frac{d\vec{c}}{dt} = \frac{d\vec{s}}{dt} = (-2\sin t, 2\cos t), \text{ then}$$

$$\int_C \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{s} = \int_C \vec{F} \cdot \frac{d\vec{s}}{dt} dt = \int_C \vec{F} \cdot \frac{d\vec{c}}{dt} dt$$

$$= \int_C (-y\hat{i} + 0\hat{j}) \cdot (-2\sin t\hat{i} + 2\cos t\hat{j}) dt$$

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$$= \int_C 4\sin^2 t dt.$$

$$= \int_{t=0}^{t=\pi} 2(1 - \cos 2t) dt, \quad \text{since } \cos 2t = \cos^2 t - \sin^2 t$$
$$= 1 - \sin^2 t - \sin^2 t$$
$$= 1 - 2\sin^2 t$$

$$= 2 \left(t - \frac{\sin 2t}{2} \right) \Big|_{t=0}^{t=\pi}$$

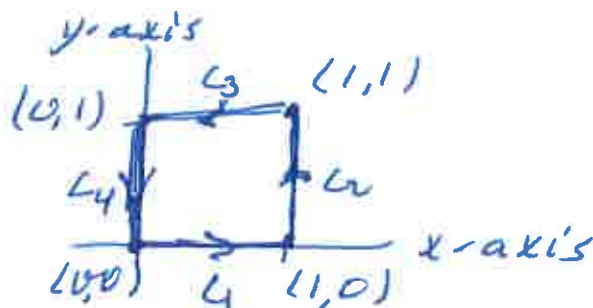
$$= 2 \left(\pi - \frac{\sin 2\pi}{2} - \left(0 - \frac{\sin 0}{2} \right) \right)$$

$$= 2(\pi - 0 - 0 + 0) = 2\pi.$$

§ 4.2 Example 2 Let \vec{c} be the perimeter of the unit square with vertices at $(0,0)$, $(1,0)$, $(0,1)$ and $(1,1)$, oriented anticlockwise. Evaluate

$$\int_C x^2 dx + xy dy.$$

Solution:



$$C = C_1 \cup C_2 \cup C_3 \cup C_4$$

$$\vec{c}_1(t) = (t, 0) \text{ for } 0 \leq t \leq 1$$

$$\vec{c}_2(t) = (1, t) \text{ for } 0 \leq t \leq 1$$

$$\vec{c}_3(t) = (1-t, 1) \text{ for } 0 \leq t \leq 1$$

$$\vec{c}_4(t) = (0, 1-t) \text{ for } 0 \leq t \leq 1.$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} \int_C x^2 dx + xy dy &= \int_{C_1} x^2 dx + xy dy \\ &\quad + \int_{C_2} x^2 dx + xy dy \\ &\quad + \int_{C_3} x^2 dx + xy dy \\ &\quad + \int_{C_4} x^2 dx + xy dy \\ &= \int_0^1 \left(x^2 \frac{dx}{dt} + xy \frac{dy}{dt} \right) dt + \int_0^1 \left(x^2 \frac{dx}{dt} + xy \frac{dy}{dt} \right) dt \\ &\quad + \int_0^1 \left(x^2 \frac{dx}{dt} + xy \frac{dy}{dt} \right) dt + \int_0^1 \left(x^2 \frac{dx}{dt} + xy \frac{dy}{dt} \right) dt \end{aligned}$$

$$= \int_{t=0}^{t=1} (t^2 \cdot (1 + t \cdot 0 \cdot 0)) dt + \int_{t=0}^{t=1} (1^2 \cdot 0 + 1 \cdot t \cdot 1) dt$$

$$+ \int_{t=0}^{t=1} ((1-t)^2(-1) + (1-t) \cdot t \cdot 0) dt$$

$$+ \int_{t=0}^{t=1} (0^2 \cdot 0 + 0 \cdot (1-t)(-1)) dt$$

$$= \left. \frac{t^3}{3} \right|_{t=0}^{t=1} + \left. \frac{t^2}{2} \right|_{t=0}^{t=1} + \int_{t=0}^{t=1} -(1-2t+t^2) dt + 0.$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{2} + \left. -\left(t - t^2 + \frac{t^3}{3}\right) \right|_{t=0}^{t=1}$$

$$= \frac{5}{6} + \left(-\left(1-1+\frac{1}{3}\right) - \left(-\left(0-0+0\right)\right) \right) = \frac{5}{6} - \frac{1}{3}$$

$$= \frac{3}{6} = \frac{1}{2}$$