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Exam 1

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1. $\vec{v} = x^2 \hat{x} + 2yz\hat{y} + y^2 \hat{z}$

a. Find the divergence of \mathbf{v} .

b. Find the curl of \mathbf{v} .

a) $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{v} = \frac{\partial v_x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v_y}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial v_z}{\partial z} = 2x + 2z = 2(x+z)$

b) $\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{v} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{x} & \hat{y} & \hat{z} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ x^2 & 2yz & y^2 \end{vmatrix} \begin{matrix} \hat{x} \\ \hat{y} \\ \hat{z} \end{matrix} = \begin{matrix} \hat{x}(2y - 2y) \\ \hat{y}(0) \\ \hat{z}(0) \end{matrix}$

$$\hat{x}(2y - 2y) + \hat{y}(0) + \hat{z}(0)$$

b) $\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{v} = 0$

GRADES

100, 100

99

95

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$$2. \quad \vec{A} = 3\hat{x} + 2\hat{y}$$

$$\vec{B} = 3\hat{x}$$

Find the angle between \vec{A} and \vec{B} . 33.69°

$$\vec{A} \cdot \vec{B} = AB \cos \theta$$

$$\vec{A} \cdot \vec{B} = 9 = \sqrt{13} \sqrt{3} \cos \theta$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{9}{3\sqrt{13}} = 0.83245$$

$$\theta = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{3}{\sqrt{13}}\right) = 33.69^\circ$$

$$\vec{A} \times \vec{B} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{x} & \hat{y} & \hat{z} \\ 3 & 2 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = \hat{x}(0) + \hat{y}(0) + \hat{z}(6) \\ = 6\hat{z}$$

$$\text{Ans} = AB \sin \theta \quad A = \sqrt{13} \quad B = 3$$

$$\text{Ans} = 3\sqrt{13} \sin \theta$$

$$\sin \theta = \frac{6}{3\sqrt{13}} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{13}}$$

$$\theta = \sin^{-1} \frac{2}{\sqrt{13}} = -33.69^\circ$$

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3. The height of a certain hill (in meters) is given by

$$h(x, y) = 4xy - 3x^2 - 2y^2 - 18x + 12y + 28$$

where y is the distance (in miles) north, x is the distance east of North Hadley.

a. Where is the top of the hill located? 3 miles due west of North Hadley

b. How high is the hill? 55 meters

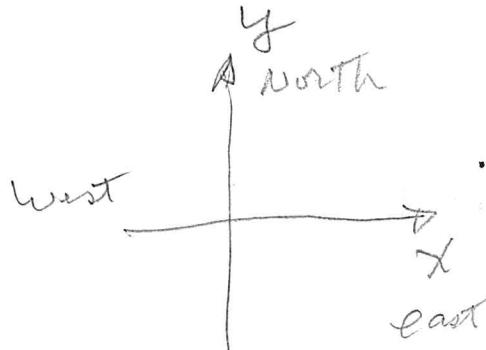
c. How steep is the hill (in feet per mile) at a point 2 miles north and one mile east of South Hadley? 17.9 m/mi

In what direction is the slope steepest at that location? 26.6° North of West

$$\nabla h = \vec{x} \frac{\partial h}{\partial x} + \vec{y} \frac{\partial h}{\partial y}$$

$$\frac{\partial h}{\partial x} = 4y - 6x - 18$$

$$\frac{\partial h}{\partial y} = 4x - 4y + 12$$



a) $\nabla h = 0$ at the top

$$-6x + 4y - 18 = 0 = \frac{\partial h}{\partial x}$$

$$\underline{4x - 4y + 12 = 0 = \frac{\partial h}{\partial y}}$$

$$-2x - 6 = 0$$

$$x = -3$$

$$\underline{-6(-3) + 4y - 18 = 0}$$

$$y = 0$$

a) Top of the hill is at $x = -3, y = 0$

[3 miles west of North Hadley]

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b. $h = 4xy - 3x^2 - 2y^2 - 18x + 12y + 28$

at the top $x = -3$ $y = 0$

$$h = -3 \cdot (-3)^2 - 18 \cdot (-3) + 28$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -27 \\ +54 \\ \hline 27 \\ \hline 55 \end{array}$$

$$h = 55 \text{ meters } \checkmark$$

c) find ∇h at $x = 1$ $y = 2$

$$\nabla h = (4y - 4x - 18)\hat{x} + (4x - 4y + 12)\hat{y}$$

@ $x = 1$, $y = 2$

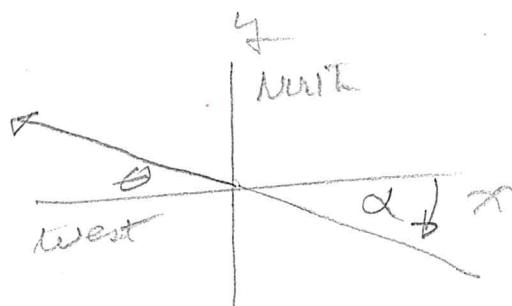
$$\nabla h = (8 - 6 - 18)\hat{x} + (4 - 8 + 12)\hat{y}$$

$$\nabla h = -16\hat{x} + 8\hat{y}$$

$$|\nabla h| = \sqrt{(-16)^2 + 8^2} = 8\sqrt{5} = 17.9 \text{ ft/mi}$$

$$\theta = \tan^{-1}\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)$$

$$= -26.6^\circ$$



The direction of the steepest slope

is 26.6° North of West

$$\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = 15.3^\circ \text{ and } -26.6^\circ$$