

Solution to Assignment 7

Supplementary Problems

1. Find a parametric curve $\gamma(t)$, $t \in [0, 1]$, which describes the triangle with vertices at $(0, 0)$, $(2, 0)$ and $(2, 5)$ in anticlockwise direction.

Solution. The three sides of the triangle are given by

$$\gamma_1(t) = (t, 0), \quad t \in [0, 2];$$

$$\gamma_2(t) = (2, t), \quad t \in [0, 5]$$

and

$$\gamma_3(t) = (1-t)(2, 5), \quad t \in [0, 1].$$

Now, we rescale γ_1 so that it is on $[0, 1/3]$ by $\mathbf{c}_1(t) = (6t, 0)$. Rescale γ_2 so that it is on $[1/3, 2/3]$ by $\mathbf{c}_2(t) = (2, 15t - 5)$, $t \in [1/3, 2/3]$ and γ_3 to be on $[2/3, 1]$, that is, $\mathbf{c}_3(t) = 3(1-t)(2, 5)$, $t \in [2/3, 1]$. Then $\mathbf{c} = \mathbf{c}_1 + \mathbf{c}_2 + \mathbf{c}_3$ is our desired curve. Note the solution is not unique.

2. Find the arc-length parametrization of the line segment $y = mx + b$, $x \in [0, 2]$.

Solution. Let the line segment be $C(t) = (t, mt + b)$, $t \in [0, 2]$. Then $s = \psi(t) = \int_0^t |C'(t)| dt = \sqrt{1+m^2} t$. Therefore, $t = \varphi(s) = \frac{s}{\sqrt{1+m^2}}$. The arc-length parametric curve is

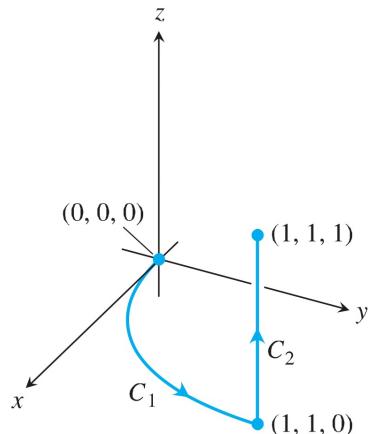
$$\tilde{C}(s) = (s, ms + b\sqrt{1+m^2})/\sqrt{1+m^2}, \quad s \in [0, 2\sqrt{1+m^2}].$$

Evaluating Line Integrals over Space Curves

15. Integrate $f(x, y, z) = x + \sqrt{y} - z^2$ over the path from $(0, 0)$ to $(1, 1, 1)$ (see accompanying figure) given by

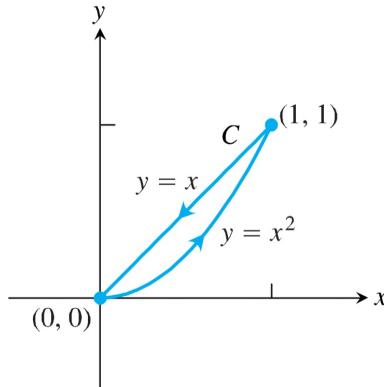
$$C_1: \mathbf{r}(t) = t\mathbf{i} + t^2\mathbf{j}, \quad 0 \leq t \leq 1$$

$$C_2: \mathbf{r}(t) = \mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} + tk\mathbf{k}, \quad 0 \leq t \leq 1$$



Line Integrals over Plane Curves

25. Evaluate $\int_C (x + \sqrt{y}) ds$ where C is given in the accompanying figure.



In Exercises 27–30, integrate f over the given curve.

30. $f(x, y) = x^2 - y, \quad C: x^2 + y^2 = 4$ in the first quadrant from $(0, 2)$ to $(\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{2})$

$$\text{Q15} \quad C_1: \vec{r}(t) = t\vec{i} + t^2\vec{j}; \quad \vec{r}'(t) = \vec{i} + 2t\vec{j}; \quad |\vec{r}'(t)| = \sqrt{1+4t^2}.$$

$$C_2: \vec{r}(t) = \vec{i} + \vec{j} + t\vec{k}; \quad \vec{r}'(t) = \vec{k}; \quad |\vec{r}'(t)| = 1.$$

$$\therefore \int_{C_1 \cup C_2} f ds = \int_{C_1} f ds + \int_{C_2} f ds$$

$$= \int_0^1 (t+t) \cdot \sqrt{1+4t^2} dt + \int_0^1 (1+1-t^2) \cdot 1 dt$$

$$= \left[\frac{1}{6}(1+4t^2)^{\frac{3}{2}} \right]_0^1 + \left[2t - \frac{t^3}{3} \right]_0^1$$

$$= \frac{1}{6}(5\sqrt{5}-1) + \frac{5}{3} = \frac{1}{6}(5\sqrt{5}+9),$$

Q25 Write $C = C_1 \cup C_2$, where

$$\cdot \quad C_1: \vec{r}(t) = t\vec{i} + t^2\vec{j}, \quad 0 \leq t \leq 1; \quad \vec{r}'(t) = \vec{i} + 2t\vec{j}; \quad |\vec{r}'(t)| = \sqrt{1+4t^2}.$$

$$\cdot \quad C_2: \vec{r}(t) = (1-t)\vec{i} + (1-t)\vec{j}, \quad 0 \leq t \leq 1; \quad \vec{r}'(t) = -\vec{i} - \vec{j}; \quad |\vec{r}'(t)| = \sqrt{2}$$

$$\therefore \int_C (x+\sqrt{y}) ds = \int_{C_1 \cup C_2} (x+\sqrt{y}) ds = \int_{C_1} (x+\sqrt{y}) ds + \int_{C_2} (x+\sqrt{y}) ds$$

$$= \int_0^1 (t+t) \sqrt{1+4t^2} dt + \int_0^1 ((1-t)+(1-t)) \sqrt{2} dt$$

$$= \left[\frac{1}{6}(1+4t^2)^{\frac{3}{2}} \right]_0^1 + \sqrt{2} \left[t - \frac{t^2}{2} - \frac{2}{3}(1-t)^{\frac{3}{2}} \right]_0^1$$

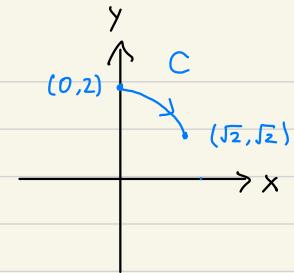
$$= \frac{1}{6}(5\sqrt{5}-1) + \sqrt{2} \left[(1-\frac{1}{2}) - \frac{2}{3}(-1) \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{6}(5\sqrt{5}-1+7\sqrt{2}),$$

Q30 Note that C can be parametrized as follows :

$$C : \vec{r}(t) = 2 \sin t \vec{i} + 2 \cos t \vec{j}, \quad 0 \leq t \leq \frac{\pi}{4};$$

$$\vec{r}'(t) = 2 \cos t \vec{i} - 2 \sin t \vec{j}; \quad |\vec{r}'(t)| = 2.$$



$$\therefore \int_C f ds = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} (4 \sin^2 t - 2 \cos t) 2 dt$$

$$= 4 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} (1 - \cos 2t - \cos t) dt$$

$$= 4 \left[t - \frac{\sin 2t}{2} - \sin t \right]_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}}$$

$$= 4 \left(\frac{\pi}{4} - \frac{1}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \right) = \pi - 2\sqrt{2} - 2 //$$