

Name: SOLUTIONS

Quiz #9 - December 3, 2004

1. Determine whether or not \mathbf{F} is a conservative vector field. If it is, find a function f such that $\mathbf{F} = \nabla f$.

a. $\mathbf{F}(x, y) = (x \cos(y), \cos(x))$.

$$\frac{\partial Q}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial P}{\partial y} = -\sin x - (-x \sin y) \neq 0$$

Not conservative

b. $\mathbf{F}(x, y) = (y - \sin(x), x + 1)$. $\frac{\partial Q}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial P}{\partial y} = 1 - 1 = 0$ (conservative)

$$f(x, y) = \int y - \sin x \, dx = yx + \cos x + g(y)$$

$$f(x, y) = \int x + 1 \, dy = yx + y + h(x)$$

$$f(x, y) = yx + y + \cos x$$

2. Define what a conservative vector field is.

\vec{F} is conservative if $\vec{F} = \nabla f$ for some f .

3. Let $\mathbf{F}(x, y) = (xe^{2y} + \cos(x) + \sqrt{x+1})$. Let C be the curve given by $\mathbf{r}(t) = (t, t^3)$ for $1 \leq t \leq 2$. Calculate:

$$\int_C \nabla F \cdot d\mathbf{r}$$

$$\int_C \nabla F \cdot d\mathbf{r} = F(\mathbf{r}(2)) - F(\mathbf{r}(1)) =$$

$$F(2, 8) - F(1, 1)$$

$$= 2e^{16} + 8 + \cos(2) + \sqrt{3} - e - 1 - \cos(1) - \sqrt{2}$$