

# Lecture 15 - Surface Integrals of Vector Fields

- Read section 7.6
- Homework 4 due tomorrow at 11:59 pm (extended by one day due to midterm).
- Homework 5 is posted, due Wed Nov 3rd at 11:59 pm. There are 9 problems.
- My OH: today after lecture and tomorrow at 11 am.

Can integrate:

Scalar functions over intervals ( $\int_a^b f(x) dx$ , 1d calc.)

Scalar functions over areas  $\in \mathbb{R}^2$  ( $\iint_D f(x,y) dx dy$ , double int.)

" " over volumes  $\in \mathbb{R}^3$  ( $\iiint_W f(x,y,z) dV$ , triple int.)

" " over paths  $\in \mathbb{R}^n$  ( $\int_C f ds$ , path int.)

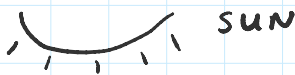
Vector fields over paths  $\in \mathbb{R}^n$  ( $\int_C \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r}$ , line int.)

Scalar functions over surfaces  $S \in \mathbb{R}^3$  ( $\iint_S f dS$ , scalar surface integral)

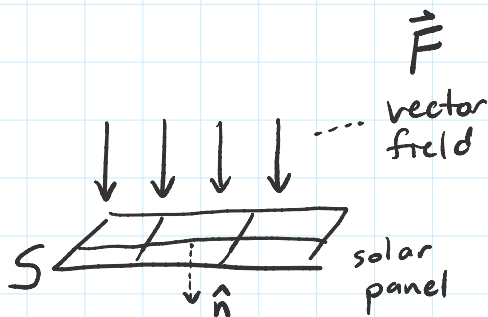
Last one:

→ Vector fields over surfaces  $S \in \mathbb{R}^3$  ( $\iint_S \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{S}$ , (vector) surface int.)

Physical motivation:



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"energy flux"

$$\frac{\text{energy}}{(\text{unit area})(\text{unit time})}$$

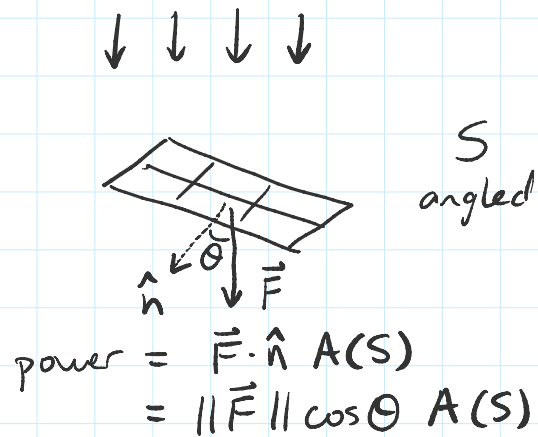
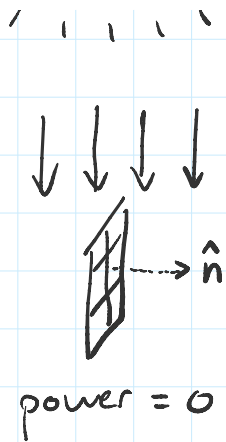
$$\|\vec{F}\| = \text{const.}$$

How much power = energy/unit time does the solar panel draw?

$$\text{power} = \iint_S \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{S}$$

$$\text{power} = \|\vec{F}\| A(S)$$





Def:

Let  $\vec{F}$  be a cont. vector field,  $\Phi: D \subset \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow S \subset \mathbb{R}^3$  be a param. of a surface  $S$ . The surface integral of  $\vec{F}$  over  $S$

$$\iint_{S, \Phi} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{S} = \iint_D \vec{F}(\Phi(u, v)) \cdot (\vec{T}_u \times \vec{T}_v) du dv \quad \text{"analytic"}$$

normal vector  $\vec{n}(u, v)$

let's assume  $S$  has a unit normal  $\hat{n}(u, v)$

$$\iint_{S, \Phi} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{S} = \iint_{S, \Phi} \vec{F} \cdot \hat{n} dS \quad \text{"geometric"}$$

↑ scalar surface area element  $dS = \|\vec{T}_u \times \vec{T}_v\| du dv$

$$= \iint_D \vec{F}(\Phi(u, v)) \cdot \underbrace{\hat{n}(u, v) \|\vec{T}_u \times \vec{T}_v\|}_{= \vec{n}(u, v)} du dv$$

ex/ Let  $\Phi(\theta, \phi) = (\overbrace{\cos \theta \sin \phi}^x, \overbrace{\sin \theta \sin \phi}^y, \overbrace{\cos \phi}^z)$   $\theta \in [0, 2\pi)$   
 $\phi \in [0, \pi]$

unit sphere



$$S = \{(x, y, z) : x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1\}$$

Let  $\vec{F}(x, y, z) = (x, y, z)$ .  $\iint_{S, \Phi} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{S}$  "flux of  $\vec{F}$  over  $S$ "

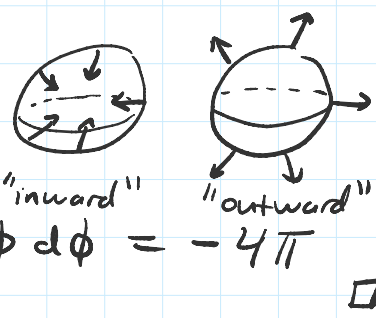
$$\vec{T}_\theta = \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial \theta} = (-\sin \theta \sin \phi, \cos \theta \sin \phi, 0)$$

$$\vec{T}_\phi = \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial \phi} = (\cos \theta \cos \phi, \sin \theta \cos \phi, -\sin \phi)$$

$$\vec{T}_\phi = \frac{\partial \vec{\Phi}}{\partial \phi} = (\cos\theta \cos\phi, \sin\theta \cos\phi, -\sin\phi)$$

$$\vec{n}(\theta, \phi) = \vec{T}_\theta \times \vec{T}_\phi = (-\cos\theta \sin^2\phi, -\sin\theta \sin^2\phi, -\sin\phi \cos\phi)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \iint_{S, \Phi} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{S} &= \iint_D \vec{F}(\Phi(\theta, \phi)) \cdot \vec{n}(\theta, \phi) d\theta d\phi & D &= [0, 2\pi] \times [0, \pi] \\ &= \int_0^\pi \int_0^{2\pi} (\cos\theta \sin\phi, \sin\theta \sin\phi, \cos\phi) \cdot (-\cos\theta \sin^2\phi, -\sin\theta \sin^2\phi, -\sin\phi \cos\phi) d\theta d\phi \\ &= \int_0^\pi \int_0^{2\pi} -(\sin^3\phi + \sin\phi \cos^2\phi) d\theta d\phi \\ &= \int_0^\pi \int_0^{2\pi} -\sin\phi d\theta d\phi = -2\pi \int_0^\pi \sin\phi d\phi = -4\pi \quad \square \end{aligned}$$



• We could have used  $\vec{T}_\phi \times \vec{T}_\theta = -\vec{T}_\theta \times \vec{T}_\phi$  and would've gotten  $4\pi$  instead.

Def:

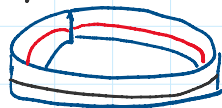
An orientable surface is a surface st. at each point, there are two normal vectors  $\hat{n}_1$  and  $\hat{n}_2 = -\hat{n}_1$ , and the vector  $\hat{n}_1$  cannot be moved around the surface to coincide with  $\hat{n}_2$ .

Unit vector

In other words, the surface has two distinct sides.

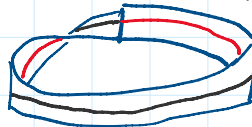
ex/

Cylinder:



orientable ✓

Möbius strip:



"surface w/ one side"

Non-orientable surface ✗

An oriented surface is an orientable surface w/ a choice of "preferred" side / normal vector field ( $\hat{n}_1$  or  $\hat{n}_2$ )