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COURSE MATERIAL

UNIT- IV VECTOR CALCULUS

Definitions

Scalars

The quantities which have only magnitude and are not related to any direction in space are called scalars. Examples of scalars are (i) mass of a particle (ii) pressure in the atmosphere (iii) temperature of a heated body (iv) speed of a train.

Vectors

The quantities which have both magnitude and direction are called vectors.

Examples of vectors are (i) the gravitational force on a particle in space (ii) the velocity at any point in a moving fluid.

Scalar point function

If to each point p(x,y,z) of a region R in space there corresponds a unique scalar f(p) then f is called a scalar point function.

Example

The temperature distribution in a heated body, density of a body and potential due to a gravity.

Vector point function

If to each point p(x,y,z) of a region R in space there corresponds a unique vector $\vec{f}(p)$ then \vec{f} is called a vector point function.

Example

The velocity of a moving fluid, gravitational force.

Scalar and vector fields

When a point function is defined at every point of space or a portion of space, then we say that a field is defined. The field is termed as a scalar field or vector field as the point function is a scalar point function or a vector point function respectively.

Vector Differential Operator (∇)

The vector differential operator Del, denoted by ∇ is defined as

$$\nabla = \vec{i} \, \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \vec{j} \, \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \vec{k} \, \frac{\partial}{\partial z}$$

Gradient of a scalar point function

Let $\phi(x, y, z)$ be a scalar point function defined in a region R of space. Then the vector point function given by $\nabla \phi = (\vec{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \vec{j} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \vec{k} \frac{\partial}{\partial z})\phi$

$$=\vec{i}\frac{\partial\phi}{\partial x}+\vec{j}\frac{\partial\phi}{\partial y}+\vec{k}\frac{\partial\phi}{\partial z}$$
 is defined as the gradient of ϕ and denoted by

 $\operatorname{grad}\phi$

Directional Derivative (D.D)

The directional derivative of a scalar point function ϕ at point (x,y,z) in the direction of a vector

$$\vec{a}$$
 is given by D.D = $\nabla \phi . \frac{\vec{a}}{|\vec{a}|}$ (or) D.D = $\nabla \phi . \hat{a}$

The unit normal vector

The unit vector normal to the surface $\phi(x, y, z) = c$ is given by $\hat{n} = \frac{\nabla \phi}{|\nabla \phi|}$

Angle between two surfaces

Angle between the surfaces $\phi_1(x, y, z) = c_1$ and $\phi_2(x, y, z) = c_2$ is given by $\cos \theta = \frac{\nabla \phi_1 \cdot \nabla \phi_2}{|\nabla \phi_1| |\nabla \phi_2|}$

Problems

1) Find $\nabla \phi$ if $\phi(x, y, z) = xy - y^2 z$ at the point (1,1,1)

$$\nabla \phi = (\vec{i} \; \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \vec{j} \; \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \vec{k} \; \frac{\partial}{\partial z})\phi$$

$$\nabla \phi = (\vec{i} \ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \vec{j} \ \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \vec{k} \ \frac{\partial}{\partial z})(xy - y^2 z)$$

$$= \vec{i} \ \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(xy - y^2 z) + \vec{j} \ \frac{\partial}{\partial y}(xy - y^2 z) + \vec{k} \ \frac{\partial}{\partial z}(xy - y^2 z)$$

$$= y\vec{i} + (x - 2yz)\vec{j} - y^2\vec{k}$$

$$\therefore \nabla \phi == y\vec{i} + (x - 2yz)\vec{j} - y^2\vec{k} .$$
At (1,1,1), $\nabla \phi = \vec{i}(1) + \vec{j}(1 - (2)(1)(1)) - \vec{k}(1)^2$

$$= \vec{i} - \vec{j} - \vec{k}$$

2) Find $\nabla \phi$ if $\phi(x, y, z) = x^2 y + 2xz^2 - 8$ at the point (1,0,1)

Solution:

$$\nabla \phi = (\vec{i} \ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \vec{j} \ \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \vec{k} \ \frac{\partial}{\partial z})\phi$$

$$\nabla \phi = (\vec{i} \ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \vec{j} \ \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \vec{k} \ \frac{\partial}{\partial z})(x^2 y + 2xz^2 - 8)$$

$$= \vec{i} \ \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(x^2 y + 2xz^2 - 8) + \vec{j} \ \frac{\partial}{\partial y}(x^2 y + 2xz^2 - 8) + \vec{k} \ \frac{\partial}{\partial z}(x^2 y + 2xz^2 - 8)$$

$$= (2xy + 2z^2)\vec{i} + (x^2)\vec{j} + 4xz\vec{k}$$
At (1,0,1), $\nabla \phi = \vec{i} (2(1)(0) + 2(1^2)) + \vec{j}(1^2) + \vec{k} 4(1)(1)$

$$= 2\vec{i} + \vec{j} + 4\vec{k}$$

3) Find the unit normal vector to the surface $\phi(x, y, z) = x^2 y z^3$

at the point (1,1,1)

$$\nabla \phi = (\vec{i} \ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \vec{j} \ \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \vec{k} \ \frac{\partial}{\partial z})\phi$$

$$\nabla \phi = (\vec{i} \ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \vec{j} \ \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \vec{k} \ \frac{\partial}{\partial z})(x^2 yz^3) = \vec{i} \ \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(x^2 yz^3) + \vec{j} \ \frac{\partial}{\partial y}(x^2 yz^3) + \vec{k} \ \frac{\partial}{\partial z}(x^2 yz^3)$$

$$= 2xyz^{3}\vec{i} + x^{2}z^{3}\vec{j} + 3x^{2}yz^{2}\vec{k}$$

At(1,1,1), $\nabla \phi = \vec{i} 2(1)(1)(1) + \vec{j}(1^{2})(1^{3}) + \vec{k} 3(1^{2})(1)(1^{2})$
$$= 2\vec{i} + \vec{j} + 3\vec{k}$$
$$|\nabla \phi| = \sqrt{2^{2} + 1^{2} + 3^{2}}$$

$$= \sqrt{14}$$

Unit normal to the surface is $\hat{n} = \frac{\nabla \phi}{|\nabla \phi|}$

$$\hat{n} = \frac{2\vec{i} + \vec{j} + 3\vec{k}}{\sqrt{14}}$$

4) Find the unit normal vector to the surface $\phi(x, y, z) = x^2 + y^2 - z$

at the point (1,-1,-2)

$$\nabla \phi = (\vec{i} \ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \vec{j} \ \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \vec{k} \ \frac{\partial}{\partial z})\phi$$

$$\nabla \phi = (\vec{i} \ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \vec{j} \ \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \vec{k} \ \frac{\partial}{\partial z})(x^2 + y^2 - z)$$

$$= \vec{i} \ \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(x^2 + y^2 - z) + \vec{j} \ \frac{\partial}{\partial y}(x^2 + y^2 - z) + \vec{k} \ \frac{\partial}{\partial z}(x^2 + y^2 - z)$$

$$= 2x\vec{i} + 2y\vec{j} - \vec{k}$$
At (1,-1,-2), $\nabla \phi = \vec{i} \ 2(1) + \vec{j} \ 2(-1) - \vec{k}$

$$= 2\vec{i} - 2\vec{j} - \vec{k}$$

$$|\nabla \phi| = \sqrt{2^2 + (-2)^2 + (-1)^2} = 3$$
Unit normal to the surface is $\hat{n} = \frac{\nabla \phi}{|\nabla \phi|}$

$$\hat{n} = \frac{2\vec{i} - 2\vec{j} - \vec{k}}{3}$$

5) Find the angle between the surfaces xyz and x^3yz at the point (1,1,-2)

Solution:

Given the surface $\phi_1(x, y, z) = xyz$

$$\nabla \phi_{1} = (\vec{i} \ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \vec{j} \ \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \vec{k} \ \frac{\partial}{\partial z})\phi_{1}$$

$$\nabla \phi_{1} = (\vec{i} \ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \vec{j} \ \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \vec{k} \ \frac{\partial}{\partial z})(xyz)$$

$$= \vec{i} \ \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(xyz) + \vec{j} \ \frac{\partial}{\partial y}(xyz) + \vec{k} \ \frac{\partial}{\partial z}(xyz)$$

$$= yz\vec{i} + xz\vec{j} + xy\vec{k}$$
At(1,1,-2), $\nabla \phi_{1} = \vec{i}(1)(-2) + \vec{j}(1)(-2) + (1)(1)\vec{k} = -2\vec{i} - 2\vec{j} + \vec{k}$

$$|\nabla \phi_{1}| = \sqrt{(-2)^{2} + (-2)^{2} + 1^{2}}$$

$$= 3$$

Given the surface $\phi_2(x, y, z) = x^3 yz$ $\nabla \phi_2 = (\vec{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \vec{j} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \vec{k} \frac{\partial}{\partial z})\phi_2$ $\nabla \phi_2 = (\vec{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \vec{j} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \vec{k} \frac{\partial}{\partial z})(x^3 yz)$ $= \vec{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(x^3 yz) + \vec{j} \frac{\partial}{\partial y}(x^3 yz) + \vec{k} \frac{\partial}{\partial z}(x^3 yz)$ $= 3x^2 yz\vec{i} + x^3 z\vec{j} + x^3 y\vec{k}$ At (1,1,-2), $\nabla \phi_2 = \vec{i} 3(1^2)(1)(-2) + \vec{j}(1^3)(-2) + (1^3)(1)\vec{k} = -6\vec{i} - 2\vec{j} + \vec{k}$

$$|\nabla \phi_2| = \sqrt{(-6)^2 + (-2)^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{41}$$

Angle between the surfaces is given by $\cos \theta = \frac{\nabla \phi_1 \cdot \nabla \phi_2}{|\nabla \phi_1| |\nabla \phi_2|}$

$$=\frac{(-2\vec{i}-2\vec{j}+\vec{k}).(-6\vec{i}-2\vec{j}+\vec{k})}{3\sqrt{41}}$$

$$=\frac{12+4+1}{3\sqrt{41}}=\frac{17}{3\sqrt{41}}$$
$$\Rightarrow \theta = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{17}{3\sqrt{41}}\right)$$

6) Find the angle between the normal to the surface $xy - z^2$ at the point (1,4,-2) and

(1,2,3)

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla \phi &= (\vec{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \vec{j} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \vec{k} \frac{\partial}{\partial z})\phi \\ \nabla \phi &= (\vec{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \vec{j} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \vec{k} \frac{\partial}{\partial z})(xy - z^2) = \vec{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(xy - z^2) + \vec{j} \frac{\partial}{\partial y}(xy - z^2) + \vec{k} \frac{\partial}{\partial z}(xy - z^2) \\ &= y\vec{i} + x\vec{j} - 2z\vec{k} \\ \text{At (1,4,-2), } \nabla \phi_1 &= \vec{i}(4) + \vec{j}(1) - 2(-2)\vec{k} \\ &= 4\vec{i} + \vec{j} + 4\vec{k} \\ |\nabla \phi| &= \sqrt{4^2 + 1^2 + 4^2} \\ &= \sqrt{33} \\ \text{At (1,2,3), } \nabla \phi_2 &= \vec{i}(2) + \vec{j}(1) - 2(3)\vec{k} \\ &= 2\vec{i} + \vec{j} - 6\vec{k} \\ |\nabla \phi| &= \sqrt{2^2 + 1^2 + (-6)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{41} \end{aligned}$$

Angle between the surfaces is given by $\cos \theta = \frac{\nabla \phi_1 \cdot \nabla \phi_2}{|\nabla \phi_1| |\nabla \phi_2|}$

$$=\frac{(4\vec{i}+\vec{j}+4\vec{k}).(2\vec{i}+\vec{j}-6\vec{k})}{\sqrt{33}\sqrt{41}}$$

$$=\frac{8+1-24}{\sqrt{33}\sqrt{41}} = \frac{-15}{\sqrt{33}\sqrt{41}}$$
$$\Rightarrow \theta = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{-15}{\sqrt{33}\sqrt{41}}\right)$$

7) Find the directional derivative of $\phi(x, y, z) = xy^2 + yz^3$ at the point (2,-1,1) in the direction of $\vec{i} + 2\vec{j} + 2\vec{k}$

Solution:

$$\nabla \phi = (\vec{i} \ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \vec{j} \ \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \vec{k} \ \frac{\partial}{\partial z})\phi$$

$$\nabla \phi = (\vec{i} \ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \vec{j} \ \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \vec{k} \ \frac{\partial}{\partial z})(xy^2 + yz^3) = \vec{i} \ \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(xy^2 + yz^3) + \vec{j} \ \frac{\partial}{\partial y}(xy^2 + yz^3) + \vec{k} \ \frac{\partial}{\partial z}(xy^2 + yz^3)$$

$$= y^2 \vec{i} + (2xy + z^3) \vec{j} + 3yz^2 \vec{k}$$
At (2,-1,1), $\nabla \phi = \vec{i} (-1^2) + \vec{j} (2(2)(-1) + 1^3) + 3(-1)(1^2) \vec{k}$

$$= \vec{i} - 3\vec{j} - 3\vec{k}$$

To find the directional derivative of ϕ in the direction of the vector $\vec{i} + 2\vec{j} + 2\vec{k}$ find the unit vector along the direction

 $\vec{a} = \vec{i} + 2\vec{j} + 2\vec{k} \Longrightarrow |\vec{a}| = \sqrt{1^2 + 2^2 + 2^2} = 3$

Directional derivative of ϕ in the direction \vec{a} at the point (2,-1,1) = $\nabla \phi \cdot \frac{a}{|\vec{a}|}$

$$= (\vec{i} - 3\vec{j} - 3\vec{k}) \cdot \frac{(\vec{i} + 2\vec{j} + 2\vec{k})}{3}$$

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$$=\frac{1}{3}=\frac{1}{3}$$
 units.

8) Find the directional derivative of $\phi(x, y, z) = xyz + yz^2$ at the point (1,1,1) in the direction of $\vec{i} + \vec{j} + \vec{k}$

$$\nabla \phi = (\vec{i} \ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \vec{j} \ \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \vec{k} \ \frac{\partial}{\partial z})\phi$$

$$\nabla \phi = (\vec{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \vec{j} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \vec{k} \frac{\partial}{\partial z})(xyz + yz^2) = \vec{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(xyz + yz^2) + \vec{j} \frac{\partial}{\partial y}(xyz + yz^2) + \vec{k} \frac{\partial}{\partial z}(xyz + yz^2)$$
$$= yz\vec{i} + (xz + z^2)\vec{j} + (xy + 2yz)\vec{k}$$
At (1,1,1), $\nabla \phi = \vec{i}$ (1)(1) + \vec{j} ((1)(1) + 1²) + ((1)(1) + 2(1)(1))\vec{k}
$$= \vec{i} + 2\vec{j} + 3\vec{k}$$

To find the directional derivative of ϕ in the direction of the vector $\vec{i} + \vec{j} + \vec{k}$ find the unit vector along the direction

$$\vec{a} = \vec{i} + \vec{j} + \vec{k} \Longrightarrow \left| \vec{a} \right| = \sqrt{1^2 + 1^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{3}$$

Directional derivative of ϕ in the direction \vec{a} at the point (1,1,1) = $\nabla \phi \cdot \frac{\vec{a}}{|\vec{a}|}$

$$= (\vec{i} + 2\vec{j} + 3\vec{k}) \cdot \frac{(\vec{i} + \vec{j} + \vec{k})}{\sqrt{3}}$$
$$= \frac{1 + 2 + 3}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{6}{\sqrt{3}} \text{ units.}$$

Divergence of a differentiable vector point function \vec{F}

The divergence of a differentiable vector point function \vec{F} is denoted by div \vec{F} and is defined by

$$\operatorname{div} \vec{F} = \nabla \cdot \vec{F} = (\vec{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \vec{j} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \vec{k} \frac{\partial}{\partial z}) \cdot \vec{F}$$
$$= (\vec{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \vec{j} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \vec{k} \frac{\partial}{\partial z}) \cdot (F_1 \vec{i} + F_2 \vec{j} + F_3 \vec{k}) \quad \vec{F} = F_1 \vec{i} + F_2 \vec{j} + F_3 \vec{k}$$
$$= \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial F_2}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial F_3}{\partial z}$$

Curl of a vector point function

The curl of a differentiable vector point function \vec{F} is denoted by curl \vec{F} and is defined by

Curl
$$\vec{F} = \nabla \times \vec{F} = (\vec{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \vec{j} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \vec{k} \frac{\partial}{\partial z}) \times \vec{F}$$

If $\vec{F} = F_1 \vec{i} + F_2 \vec{j} + F_3 \vec{k}$, then
Curl $\vec{F} = \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ F_1 & F_2 & F_3 \end{vmatrix}$

Vector Identities

Let ϕ be a scalar point function and \vec{U} and \vec{V} be vector point functions. Then

(1)
$$\nabla \cdot (\vec{U} \pm \vec{V}) = \nabla \cdot \vec{U} \pm \nabla \cdot \vec{V}$$

(2) $\nabla \times (\vec{U} \pm \vec{V}) = \nabla \times \vec{U} \pm \nabla \times \vec{V}$
(3) $\nabla \cdot (\phi \vec{U}) = \nabla \phi \cdot \vec{U} + \phi \nabla \cdot \vec{U}$
(4) $\nabla \times (\phi \vec{U}) = \nabla \phi \times \vec{U} + \phi \nabla \times \vec{U}$
(5) $\nabla \cdot (\vec{U} \times \vec{V}) = \vec{V} \cdot (\nabla \times \vec{U}) - \vec{U} \cdot (\nabla \times \vec{V})$
(6) $\nabla \times (\vec{U} \times \vec{V}) = (\nabla \cdot \vec{V})\vec{U} - (\nabla \cdot \vec{U})\vec{V} + \vec{U}(\vec{V} \cdot \nabla) - \vec{V}(\vec{U} \cdot \nabla)$

(7) $\nabla(\vec{U} \cdot \vec{V}) = (\nabla \cdot \vec{V})\vec{U} + (\nabla \cdot \vec{U})\vec{V} + \vec{U} \times (\nabla \times \vec{V}) - (\nabla \times \vec{U}) \times \vec{V}$

Solenoidal and Irrotational vectors

A vector point function is solenoidal if div $\vec{F} = 0$ and it is irrotational if curl $\vec{F} = 0$.

Note:

If \vec{F} is irrotational, then there exists a scalar function called Scalar Potential ϕ such that

$$\vec{F} = \nabla \phi$$

Problems

1) Find div \vec{r} and curl \vec{r} if $\vec{r} = x\vec{i} + y\vec{j} + z\vec{k}$

div
$$\vec{r} = \nabla \cdot \vec{r} = (\vec{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \vec{j} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \vec{k} \frac{\partial}{\partial z}) \cdot \vec{r}$$

$$= (\vec{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \vec{j} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \vec{k} \frac{\partial}{\partial z}) \cdot (x\vec{i} + y\vec{j} + z\vec{k})$$
$$= \frac{\partial x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial y}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial z} = 3.$$
Curl $\vec{r} = \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ x & y & z \end{vmatrix}$
$$= \vec{i} (0 - 0) - \vec{j} (0 - 0) + \vec{k} (0 - 0) = 0.$$

2) Find the divergence and curl of the vector $\vec{V} = xyz\vec{i} + 3xy^2\vec{j} + (xz^2 - y^2z)\vec{k}$ at the point (1,-1,1)

Solution:

Given
$$\vec{V} = xyz\vec{i} + 3xy^2\vec{j} + (xz^2 - y^2z)\vec{k}$$

div $\vec{V} = \nabla \cdot \vec{V} = (\vec{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \vec{j} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \vec{k} \frac{\partial}{\partial z}) \cdot \vec{V}$
 $= (\vec{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \vec{j} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \vec{k} \frac{\partial}{\partial z}) \cdot (xyz\vec{i} + 3xy^2\vec{j} + (xz^2 - y^2z)\vec{k})$
 $= \frac{\partial(xyz)}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial(3xy^2)}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial(xz^2 - y^2z)}{\partial z}$
 $= yz + 6xy + 2xz - y^2$

At (1,-1,1), $\nabla \cdot \vec{V} = (-1) \cdot 1 + 6(1)(-1) + 2(1)(1) - (-1)^2$

= -1-6+2-1 = -6.

Curl $\vec{V} = \nabla \times \vec{V} = (\vec{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \vec{j} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \vec{k} \frac{\partial}{\partial z}) \times \vec{V}$ $= \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ xyz & 3xy^2 & xz^2 - y^2z \end{vmatrix}$

$$= \vec{i} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial y} (xz^2 - y^2 z) - \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (3xy^2)\right) - \vec{j} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} (xz^2 - y^2 z) - \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (xyz)\right) + \vec{k} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} (3xy^2) - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (xyz)\right).$$

$$= \vec{i} (-2yz) - \vec{j} (z^2 - yx) + \vec{k} (3y^2 - xz).$$

At (1,-1,1), $\nabla \times \vec{V} = \vec{i} (-2(-1)(1)) - \vec{j} (1^2 - (-1)(1)) + \vec{k} ((3(-1)^2 - 1(1)))$
$$= 2\vec{i} - 2\vec{j} + 2\vec{k}$$

3) Find the constants a, b, c so that $\vec{F} = (x+2y+ax)\vec{i} + (bx-3y-z)\vec{j} + (4x+cy+2z)\vec{k}$ is irrotational.

Solution:

Given $\nabla \times \vec{F} = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ (x+2y+az) & (bx-3y-z) & (4x+cy+2z) \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \vec{i} (\frac{\partial}{\partial y} (4x+cy+2z) - \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (bx-3y-z)) - \vec{j} (\frac{\partial}{\partial x} (4x+cy+2z) - \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (x+2y+az) + \\ \vec{k} (\frac{\partial}{\partial x} (bx-3y-z) - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (x+2y+az) \end{vmatrix} = 0.$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{i} (c+1) - \vec{j} (4-a) + \vec{k} (b-2) = 0.$$

$$c+1 = 0, 4 \cdot a = 0, b-2 = 0$$

Hence $c = -1, a = 4, b = 2.$
4) Prove that $\vec{F} = (2x+yz)\vec{i} + (4y+zx)\vec{j} - (6z-xy)\vec{k}$ is both solenoidal
and irrotational.
Solution:

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{F} = (\vec{i} \ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \vec{j} \ \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \vec{k} \ \frac{\partial}{\partial z}) \cdot \vec{V}$$

$$= (\vec{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \vec{j} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \vec{k} \frac{\partial}{\partial z}) \cdot ((2x + yz)\vec{i} + (4y + zx)\vec{j} - (6z - xy)\vec{k})$$
$$= \frac{\partial(2x + yz)}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial(4y + zx)}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial(6z - xy)}{\partial z}$$

= 2+4-6 = 0 for all points (x,y,z)

 $\therefore \vec{F}$ is solenoidal vector.

$$\nabla \times \vec{F} = \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ 2x + yz & 4y + zx & -(6z - xy) \end{vmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{bmatrix} \vec{i} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(-(6z - xy) \right) - \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (4y + zx) \right) - \vec{j} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(-(6z - xy) \right) - \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (2x + yz) + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (2x + yz) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (2x + yz) \end{bmatrix}$$

 $\Rightarrow \vec{i}(x-x) - \vec{j}(y-y) + \vec{k}(z-z) = 0 \text{ for all points (x,y,z)}$

 $\therefore \vec{F}$ is irrotational vector.

5) Prove that $\vec{F} = (y^2 - z^2 + 3yz - 2x)\vec{i} + (3xz + 2xy)\vec{j} + (3xy - 2xz + 2z)\vec{k}$ is both solenoidal and irrotational and find its scalar potential.

Solution:

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{F} = (\vec{i} \ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \vec{j} \ \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \vec{k} \ \frac{\partial}{\partial z}) \cdot \vec{F}$$

$$= (\vec{i} \ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \vec{j} \ \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \vec{k} \ \frac{\partial}{\partial z}) \cdot ((y^2 - z^2 + 3yz - 2x)\vec{i} + (3xz + 2xy)\vec{j} + (3xy - 2xz + 2z)\vec{k})$$

$$= \frac{\partial(y^2 - z^2 + 3yz - 2x)}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial(3xz + 2xy)}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial(3xy - 2xz + 2z)}{\partial z}$$

$$= -2 + 2x - 2x + 2 = 0 \text{ for all points (x,y,z)}$$

 $\therefore \vec{F}$ is solenoidal vector.

$$\nabla \times \vec{F} = \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ (y^2 - z^2 + 3yz - 2x) & (3xz + 2xy) & (3xy - 2xz + 2z) \end{vmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{bmatrix} \vec{i} (\frac{\partial}{\partial y} (3xy - 2xz + 2z) - \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (3xz + 2xy)) - \vec{j} (\frac{\partial}{\partial x} (3xy - 2xz + 2z) - \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (y^2 - z^2 + 3yz - 2x) + \vec{k} (\frac{\partial}{\partial x} (3xz + 2xy) - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (y^2 - z^2 + 3yz - 2x) + \vec{k} (\frac{\partial}{\partial x} (3xz + 2xy) - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (y^2 - z^2 + 3yz - 2x) \\ \Rightarrow \vec{i} (3x - 3x) - \vec{j} (3y - 2z + 2z - 3y) + \vec{k} (3z + 2y - 2y - 3z) = 0 \text{ for all points } (x, y, z)$$
$$\therefore \vec{F} \text{ is irrotational vector.}$$

Since \vec{F} is irrotational, $\vec{F} = \nabla \phi$

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$$\Rightarrow (y^2 - z^2 + 3yz - 2x)\vec{i} + (3xz + 2xy)\vec{j} + (3xy - 2xz + 2z)\vec{k} = \vec{i}\frac{\partial\phi}{\partial x} + \vec{j}\frac{\partial\phi}{\partial y} + \vec{k}\frac{\partial\phi}{\partial z}$$

Equating the coefficients of \vec{i} , \vec{j} , \vec{k} , we get

$$\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} = y^2 - z^2 + 3yz - 2x \qquad (1)$$

$$\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y} = 3xz + 2xy \tag{2}$$

$$\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial z} = 3xy - 2xz + 2z \tag{3}$$

Integrating (1) with respect to 'x' treating 'y' and 'z' as constants, we get

$$\phi = xy^2 - xz^2 + 3xyz - 2\frac{x^2}{2} + f(y, z)$$
 (4)

Integrating (2) with respect to 'y' treating 'x' and 'z' as constants, we get

$$\phi = 3xyz + 2\frac{xy^2}{2} + f(x, z)$$
 (5)

Integrating (3) with respect to 'z' treating 'x' and 'y' as constants, we get

$$\phi = 3xyz - 2x\frac{z^2}{2} + 2\frac{z^2}{2} + f(x, y)$$
 (6)

Hence from equations (4), (5), (6), we get

$$\phi = 3xyz + xy^2 - xz^2 - x^2 + z^2 + c$$

6) Prove that $\vec{F} = 3x^2y^2\vec{i} + (2x^3y + \cos z)\vec{j} - y\sin z\vec{k}$ is irrotational and find its scalar potential.

Solution:

$$\nabla \times \vec{F} = \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ 3x^2 y^2 & 2x^3 y + \cos z & -y \sin z \end{vmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{bmatrix} \vec{i} (\frac{\partial}{\partial y} (-y \sin z) - \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (2x^3 y + \cos z)) - \vec{j} (\frac{\partial}{\partial x} (-y \sin z) - \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (3x^2 y^2)) \\ \vec{k} (\frac{\partial}{\partial x} (2x^3 y + \cos z) - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (3x^2 y^2)) \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\Rightarrow \vec{i} (-\sin z - (-\sin z)) - \vec{j} (0 - 0) + \vec{k} (6x^2 y - 6x^2 y) = 0 \text{ for all points } (x,y,z)$$

 $\therefore \vec{F}$ is irrotational vector.

Since \vec{F} is irrotational, $\vec{F} = \nabla \phi$

 $3x^2 y^2 \vec{i} + (2x^3 y + \cos z)\vec{j} - y\sin z\vec{k} = \vec{i}\frac{\partial\phi}{\partial x} + \vec{j}\frac{\partial\phi}{\partial y} + \vec{k}\frac{\partial\phi}{\partial z}$

Equating the coefficients of \vec{i} , \vec{j} , \vec{k} , we get

 $\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} = 3x^2 y^2 \qquad \dots \tag{1}$

$$\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y} = 2x^3 y + \cos z \tag{2}$$

 $\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial z} = -y \sin z$ Integrating (1) with respect to 'x' treating 'y' and 'z' as constants, we get

$$\phi = 3\frac{x^3 y^2}{3} + f(y, z)$$
 (4)

Integrating (2) with respect to 'y' treating 'x' and 'z' as constants, we get

$$\phi = 2\frac{x^3 y^2}{2} + y \cos z + f(x, z)$$
 (5)

Integrating (3) with respect to 'z' treating 'x' and 'y' as constants, we get

 $\phi = y \cos z + f(x, y) \tag{6}$

Hence from equations (4), (5), (6), we get

$$\phi = x^3 y^2 + y \cos z + c$$