

Math 53 (Multivariable Calculus), Section 102 & 108

Week 12, Wednesday

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1. Use Green's theorem to evaluate the line integral along given positively oriented curve.

(a) $\int_C y^4 dx + 2xy^3 dy$, C is the ellipse $x^2 + 2y^2 = 2$.

(b) $\int_C (e^{-x} + y^2) dx + (e^{-y} + x^2) dy$, C consists of the arc of the curve $y = \cos x$ from $(-\pi/2, 0)$ to $(\pi/2, 0)$ and the line segment from $(\pi/2, 0)$ to $(-\pi/2, 0)$.

2. Let D be a region bounded by a simple closed path C . If D has area 3, what is the value of $\int_C (\sin x + 7y) dx + (e^y + 10x) dy$?

Solution

1. (a) By Green's theorem, we have

$$\begin{aligned}\int_C y^4 dx + 2xy^3 dy &= \iint_D (2y^3 - 4y^3) dx dy \\ &= \iint_D (-2y^3) dx dy\end{aligned}$$

Once you notice that the domain D (interior of ellipse) is symmetric and $-2y^3$ is an odd function, the integration would be zero.

- (b) By Green's theorem, we have

$$\begin{aligned}\int_C (e^{-x} + y^2) dx + (e^{-y} + x^2) dy &= \iint_D (2x - 2y) dx dy \\ &= \int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} \int_0^{\cos x} (2x - 2y) dy dx \\ &= \int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} [2xy - y^2]_0^{\cos x} dx \\ &= \int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} (2x \cos x - \cos^2 x) dx\end{aligned}$$

The integration of $2x \cos x$ can be done by using integration by parts:

$$\int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} 2x \cos x dx = [2x \sin x]_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} - \int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} 2 \sin x dx = -[-2 \cos x]_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} = 0$$

(if you noticed that the function $2x \cos x$ is an odd function, then you will automatically get zero.) The second term can be done using $\cos^2 x = (\cos 2x + 1)/2$, so that

$$\int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} \cos^2 x dx = \int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} \frac{1 + \cos 2x}{2} dx = \left[\frac{x}{2} + \frac{\sin 2x}{4} \right]_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} = \frac{\pi}{2}.$$

Hence the answer is $0 - \pi/2 = -\pi/2$.

2. By Green's theorem, we have

$$\int_C (\sin x + 7y) dx + (e^y + 10x) dy = \iint_D (10 - 7) dx dy = 3 \iint_D dx dy = 3 \cdot \text{area}(D) = 9.$$