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$$b) \quad F: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3 \\ (x, y, z) \mapsto F(x, y, z) = (x^2, y^3, z^2)$$

and the curve $\Gamma = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 : y = e^x \text{ and } z = x \text{ for } x \in [0, 1]\}$

$$\text{Parameterization} \quad \gamma: [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3 \\ t \mapsto \gamma(t) = (t, e^t, t)$$

$$\int_{\Gamma} F \cdot d\ell = \int_0^1 F(\gamma(t)) \cdot \gamma'(t) dt$$

$$\gamma'(t) = (1, e^t, 1) \quad , \quad \int_{\Gamma} F \cdot d\ell = \int_0^1 (t^2, e^{3t}, t^2) \cdot (1, e^t, 1) dt$$

$$= \int_0^1 (2t^2 + e^{4t}) dt = \left. \frac{2}{3} t^3 \right|_0^1 + \left. \frac{1}{4} e^{4t} \right|_0^1 = \frac{5 + 3e^4}{4}$$

Example 3: compute the length of Γ , Γ is the circle of radius R and centered at the origin.

$$\Gamma = \{ (x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : x^2 + y^2 = R^2 \}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma : [0, 2\pi] &\rightarrow \Gamma \\ t &\mapsto \gamma(t) = (R \cos t, R \sin t) \end{aligned}$$

$$\int_{\Gamma} f \, dl = \int_0^{2\pi} f(\gamma(t)) \|\gamma'(t)\| \, dt$$

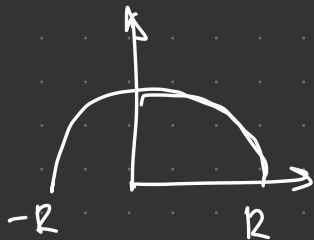
$$\gamma'(t) = (-R \sin t, R \cos t), \quad \|\gamma'(t)\| = R$$

$$\text{length}(\Gamma) = \int_{\Gamma} 1 \cdot dl \quad f$$

$$f(\gamma(t)) = 1, \quad \int_{\gamma} f dl = \int_0^{2\pi} 1 \cdot \|\gamma'(t)\| dt = R \int_0^{2\pi} dt = R 2\pi.$$

$$\gamma(t) = (t, \sqrt{R^2 - t^2})$$

$$t \in [-R, R]$$



2.3 Fields that derive from potentials

2.3.1 Description of conservative fields.

- Definition: let $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ be an open domain, and

$$F: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$$

$$x \mapsto F(x) = (F_1(x), \dots, F_n(x)) \text{ a vector field}$$

We say that F derives from a potential in Ω if there exists

$$(\exists) \text{ a scalar field } f: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ of class } f \in C^1(\Omega)$$
$$x \mapsto f(x)$$

$$\text{s.t. } F = \text{grad } f = \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1}, \dots, \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_n} \right)$$

In this case, F is a conservative field and f is the potential.

Remarks:

1) If the potential exists, it is defined up to a constant $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$,

$$\text{grad}(f) = \text{grad}(f + \alpha)$$

2) classical example:

$$f = \frac{c}{r} + \alpha, \quad r \text{ is the distance to a mass } M.$$

$$c = GmM$$

$$r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$$

$$F = -\frac{c}{r^3}(x, y, z), \quad F = \text{grad } f$$

2.3.2 Important results

• Theorem 1: let $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ be an open domain and

$$F: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n \quad \text{a vector field s.t. } F \in C^1(\Omega, \mathbb{R}^n)$$
$$x \mapsto F(x)$$

a) Necessary condition: If F derives from a potential in Ω ,

$$\text{then } \left| \begin{array}{l} \frac{\partial F_i}{\partial x_j}(x) = \frac{\partial F_j}{\partial x_i}, \forall i, j = 1, 2, \dots, n \\ \text{and } \forall x \in \Omega \end{array} \right| \quad (*)$$

b) sufficient condition: If $(*)$ holds and if Ω is convex
and / or simply connected then F derives from a potential
in Ω .

Remarks:

1) The condition (*) is necessary but not sufficient.

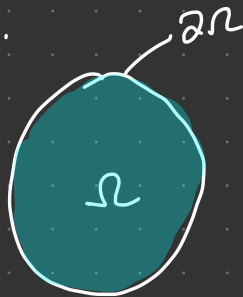
2) The condition (*) is equivalent to $\text{curl } F = 0$.

E.g. $n=2$ $\text{curl } F = \frac{\partial F_2}{\partial x_1} - \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial x_2} = 0$

The same for $n=3$.

Recalls.

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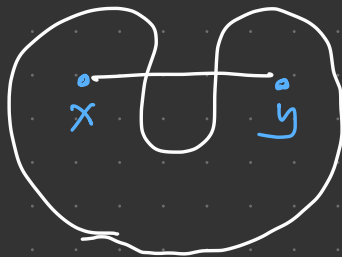
Ω is open if $\partial \Omega$ doesn't belong to Ω .

2) $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ is convex if $\forall t \in [0,1]$ and $\forall x, y \in \Omega$ we

have $x + t(y-x) \in \Omega$ (i.e., the segment between x and y)
is fully contained in Ω



convex

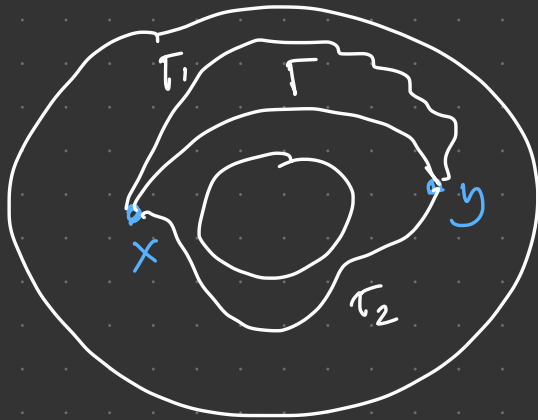


non convex.

2) $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ is simply connected if $\forall x, y \in \Omega \exists$ a
curve Γ that joins x and y that is fully contained in Ω

and being Γ_1 y Γ_2 they can be deformed to Γ .

(i.e., Ω has no holes).



non-connected