

15.8 Divergence Thm.

Flux calculations may be done using flux integrals.

The divergence theorem offers an alternative method. It says that instead of integrating the flow in and out of a region across its boundary, you may also add up all the sources (or sinks) of the flow throughout the region.



Flux form of
Green's Thm

$$\oint_C \mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{n} ds = \iiint_R (\nabla \cdot \mathbf{F}) dA$$



Divergence Thm

$$\iint_S \mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{n} dS = \iiint_D (\nabla \cdot \mathbf{F}) dV$$

Thm Divergence

Let \mathbf{F} be a vector field whose components have continuous first partial derivatives in a connected and simply connected region D in \mathbb{R}^3 enclosed by an oriented surface S . Then

$$\iint_S \mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{n} dS = \iiint_D (\nabla \cdot \mathbf{F}) dV$$

where \mathbf{n} is the outward unit normal vector on S .

Ex Compute the net outward flux of
 $F = \langle y - 2x, x^3 - y, y^2 - z \rangle$
 S is the sphere $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 4$.

$$\nabla \cdot F = (-2) + (-1) + (-1) = -4$$

By divergence Thm:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{flux} &= \iint_S F \cdot n \, dS = \iiint_D \nabla \cdot F \, dv \\ &\quad \text{with } D \text{ is a sphere of radius 2} \\ &= \iiint_D (-4) \, dv \\ &= (-4) \text{ volume}(D) \\ &= -4 \left(\frac{4}{3} \pi (2)^3 \right) \\ &= -\frac{128\pi}{3}. \end{aligned}$$

Ex Heat flux

The heat flow vector field for conducting objects is $\mathbf{F} = -k \nabla T$, where $T(x, y, z)$ is the temperature in the object and $k > 0$ is a constant that depends on the material. Compute the outward flux of \mathbf{F} across the surface S for the given temperature distributions. Assume $k = 1$.

$$T(x, y, z) = -\ln(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)$$

S is the sphere $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 4$

$$\mathbf{F} = -k \nabla T = -\nabla T = \left\langle \frac{2x}{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}, \frac{2y}{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}, \frac{2z}{x^2 + y^2 + z^2} \right\rangle$$

$$\text{flux} = \iint_S \mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{n} dS \stackrel{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{div thm}}}{=} \iiint_D (\nabla \cdot \mathbf{F}) dV$$



$$\begin{aligned} \nabla \cdot \mathbf{F} &= -\frac{2x^2 + 2y^2 + 2z^2}{(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^2} + \frac{2x^2 - 2y^2 + 2z^2}{(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^2} + \frac{2x^2 + 2y^2 - 2z^2}{(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^2} \\ &= \frac{2(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)}{(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^2} = \frac{2}{x^2 + y^2 + z^2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \iiint_D \nabla \cdot \mathbf{F} dV &= \int_{2\pi}^{2\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \int_0^2 \frac{2}{(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)} dx \\ &= \int_0^2 \int_0^{\pi} \int_0^2 \frac{2}{r^2} r^2 \sin\phi dr d\phi d\theta \\ &= \dots = \underline{16\pi} \end{aligned}$$