Advanced Engineering Mathematics Lecture 52

Example. Evaluate $\iint_S \vec{F} \cdot \hat{n} \, ds$, where $\vec{F}(x,y,z) = yz\,\hat{i} + zx\,\hat{j} + xy\,\hat{k}$, and S is the part of surface of the sphere $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1$ which lies in the first octant.

Solution: A vector normal to the surface $S: x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1$ is given by $\vec{\nabla}$, where $\phi(x,y,z) = x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - 1$. The normal vector to the surface $\vec{n} = \vec{\nabla}\phi = 2(x\,\hat{i} + y\,\hat{j} + z\,\hat{k})$.

$$\hat{n} = \frac{\vec{n}}{|\vec{n}|} = \frac{2(x\,\hat{i} + y\,\hat{j} + z\,\hat{k})}{2\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}} = x\,\hat{i} + y\,\hat{j} + z\,\hat{k}.$$

Taking the projection of S into the xy-plane, then

$$\iint_{S} \vec{F} \cdot \hat{n} \, ds = \iint_{R} (yz \, \hat{i} + zx \, \hat{j} + xy \, \hat{k}) \cdot (x \, \hat{i} + y \, \hat{j} + z \, \hat{k}) \, \frac{dx \, dy}{|\hat{n} \cdot \hat{k}|}
= \iint_{R} 3xyz \, \frac{dx \, dy}{z} = \iint_{R} 3xyz \, dx \, dy
= \int_{r=0}^{1} \int_{\theta=0}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} r \cos \theta \, r \sin \theta \, r \, dr \, d\theta
= \frac{3}{2} \int_{r=0}^{1} r^{3} \, dr \int_{\theta=0}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin 2\theta \, d\theta
= \frac{3}{2} \left[\frac{r^{4}}{4} \right]_{0}^{1} \left[-\frac{\cos 2\theta}{2} \right]_{0}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} = \frac{3}{8}.$$

Example. Evaluate $\iint_S \vec{F} \cdot \hat{n} \, ds$, where $\vec{F}(x,y,z) = z \, \hat{i} + x \, \hat{j} - 3y^2 z \, \hat{k}$, and S is the surface of the cylinder $x^2 + y^2 = 16$ included in the first octant z = 0 and z = 5.

Solution: Let us take $\phi(x, y, z) = x^2 + y^2 - 16$, then $\vec{\nabla}\phi = 2(x\,\hat{i} + y\,\hat{j})$ and $\hat{n} = \frac{2(x\,\hat{i} + y\,\hat{j})}{2\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} = \frac{x\,\hat{i} + y\,\hat{j}}{4}$.

We take R as the projection of S in xz-plane. Then

$$\iint_{S} \vec{F} \cdot \hat{n} \, ds = \iint_{R} (z \, \hat{i} + x \, \hat{j} - 3y^{2}z \, \hat{k}) \cdot \frac{x \, \hat{i} + y \, \hat{j}}{4} \, \frac{dx \, dy}{|\hat{n} \cdot \hat{j}|}
= \iint_{R} \frac{(xz + xy)}{4} \, \frac{4 \, dx \, dy}{y} \quad \text{where } y = \sqrt{16 - x^{2}}
= \int_{z=0}^{5} \int_{x=0}^{4} \frac{xz + x\sqrt{16 - x^{2}}}{\sqrt{16 - x^{2}}} \, dx \, dy
= \int_{z=0}^{5} \left[-z\sqrt{16 - x^{2}} + \frac{x^{2}}{2} \right]_{0}^{4} dz
= \int_{z=0}^{5} (4z + 8) \, dz = 90.$$

Example. Evaluate $\iint_S \vec{F} \cdot \hat{n} \, ds$, where $\vec{F}(x,y,z) = y \, \hat{i} + 2x \, \hat{j} - z \, \hat{k}$, and S is the surface of the plane x + y = 6 in the first octant cut by the plane z = 4.

Solution: Let us take $\phi(x,y,z)=2x+y-6$, then $\vec{n}=\vec{\nabla}\phi=(2\hat{i}+\hat{j})$ and $\hat{n}=\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}(2\hat{i}+\hat{j})$. Taking the projection on xz-plane,

$$I_S = \iint_S \vec{F} \cdot \hat{n} \, ds = \iint_R \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} (2y + 2x) \, \frac{dx \, dz}{|\hat{n} \cdot \hat{j}|}$$
$$= \int_{z=0}^4 \int_{x=0}^3 \left[2x + 2(6 - 2x) \right] \, dx \, dz$$
$$= 2 \int_{z=0}^4 \int_{x=0}^3 (6 - x) \, dx \, dz$$
$$= 2 \cdot 4 \cdot \left[18 - \frac{9}{2} \right] = 108.$$