

Name: Solutions

1. The following vector field is conservative:

$$\mathbf{F} = \langle y \cos(xy), x \cos(xy) + 3y^2 \rangle$$

a) Find **all** potential functions for \mathbf{F} .

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = y \cos(xy) \Rightarrow f(x, y) = \sin(xy) + g(y)$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} &= x \cos(xy) + g'(y) \\ \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} &= x \cos(xy) + 3y^2 \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow g(y) = y^3 + C$$

$$f(x, y) = \sin(xy) + y^3 + C$$

b) Doing very little work, compute $\int_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{R}$ where C is the straight line from the origin to the point $(1, \pi)$.

$$f(1, \pi) - f(0, 0) = (\sin(\pi) + \pi^3) - (\sin(0) + 0^3)$$

$$= \pi^3$$

2. Recall that Green's Theorem states that for any curve C traversing the boundary (counterclockwise) of a simply connected region \mathcal{D}

$$\int_C P dx + Q dy = \iint_{\mathcal{D}} \left(-\frac{\partial P}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial Q}{\partial x} \right) dA.$$

Use Green's theorem to compute the line integral $\int_C y^3 dx - x^3 dy$ where C is the circle $x^2 + y^2 = 9$ given the counter clockwise orientation. For full credit, your solution must employ Green's Theorem.

$$\begin{aligned} \int_C y^3 dx - x^3 dy &= \iint_{\mathcal{D}} (-3y^2 - 3x^2) dA(x,y) \\ &= \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^3 -3r^2 r dr d\theta \\ &= \int_0^{2\pi} -\frac{3}{4} r^4 \Big|_0^3 d\theta \\ &= -\frac{2\pi}{4} 3^5 \\ &= -\frac{243\pi}{2} \end{aligned}$$