

## Lecture No -32 Examples

**Example**

Evaluate  $I = \oint \{xydx + (1+y^2)dy\}$  where  $c$  is the boundary of the rectangle joining  $A(1,0)$ ,  $B(3,0)$ ,  $C(3,2)$ ,  $D(1,2)$ .

First draw the diagram and insert  $c_1, c_2, c_3, c_4$ .

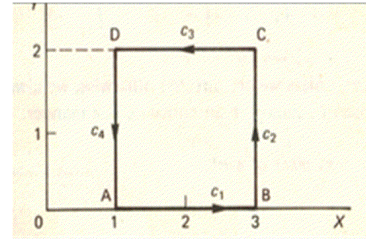
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Now evaluate  $I_1$  for AB;  $I_2$  for BC;  $I_3$  for CD;

$I_4$  for DA; and finally  $I$ .

$$I_1 = 0; I_2 = 4\frac{2}{3}; I_3 = -8; I_4 = -4\frac{2}{3}; I = -8$$

Here is the complete working.



$$I = \oint \{xydx + (1+y^2)dy\}$$

$$(a) \quad AB: c_1 \text{ is } y = 0 \quad \therefore dy = 0 \quad \therefore I_1 = 0$$

$$(b) \quad BC: c_2 \text{ is } x = 3 \quad \therefore dx = 0$$

$$\therefore I_2 = \int_0^2 (1+y^2)dy = \left[ y + \frac{y^3}{3} \right]_0^2 = 4\frac{2}{3} \quad \therefore I_2 = 4\frac{2}{3}$$

$$(c) \quad CD: c_3 \text{ is } y = 2 \quad \therefore dy = 0$$

$$\therefore I_3 = \int_3^1 2xdx = \left[ x^2 \right]_3^1 = -8 \quad \therefore I_3 = -8$$

$$(d) \quad DA: c_4 \text{ is } x = 1 \quad \therefore dx = 0$$

$$\therefore I_4 = \int_2^0 (1+y^2)dy = \left[ y + \frac{y^3}{3} \right]_2^0 = -4\frac{2}{3}$$

$$\text{Finally } I = I_1 + I_2 + I_3 + I_4 = 0 + 4\frac{2}{3} - 8 - 4\frac{2}{3} = -8 \quad \therefore I = -8$$

Remember that, unless we are directed otherwise, we always proceed round the closed boundary in an anticlockwise manner.

**Line integral with respect to arc length**

We have already established that

$$I = \int_{AB} F_t ds = \int_{AB} \{Pdx + Qdy\}$$

where  $F_t$  denoted the tangential force along the curve  $c$  at the sample point  $K(x,y)$ .

The same kind of integral can, of course, relate to any function  $f(x,y)$  which is a function of the position of a point on the stated curve, so that

$$I = \int_C f(x, y) ds.$$

This can readily be converted into an integral in terms of  $x$ :

$$I = \int_C f(x,y)dx = \int_C f(x,y) \frac{ds}{dx} dx$$

$$\text{where } \frac{ds}{dx} = \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2}$$

$$\therefore \int_C f(x,y) dx = \int_{x_1}^{x_2} f(x,y) \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2} dx \text{----- (1)}$$

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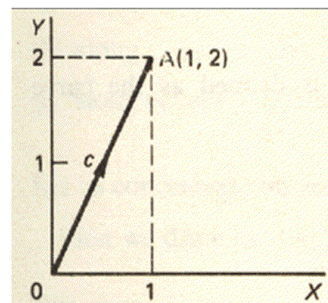
Evaluate  $I = \int_C (4x+3xy)ds$  where  $c$  is the straight line joining  $O(0,0)$  to  $A(1,2)$ .

$c$  is the line  $y = 2x \therefore \frac{dy}{dx} = 2$

$$\therefore \frac{ds}{dx} = \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2} = \sqrt{5}$$

$$\therefore I = \int_{x=0}^1 (4x+3xy)ds = \int_0^1 (4x+3xy)(\sqrt{5}) dx. \text{ But } y = 2x$$

$$\text{for } I = \int_0^1 (4x+6x^2)(\sqrt{5}) dx = 2\sqrt{5} \int_0^1 (2x+3x^2) dx = 4\sqrt{5}$$

**Parametric Equations**

When  $x$  and  $y$  are expressed in parametric form, e.g.  $x = x(t)$ ,  $y = y(t)$ , then

$$\frac{ds}{dt} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{dx}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dy}{dt}\right)^2} \therefore ds = \sqrt{\left(\frac{dx}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dy}{dt}\right)^2} dt$$

$$I = \int_C f(x,y)ds = \int_{t_1}^{t_2} f(x,y) \sqrt{\left(\frac{dx}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dy}{dt}\right)^2} dt \quad \text{-----}(2)$$

**Example**

Evaluate  $I = \oint 4xyds$  where  $c$  is defined as the curve  $x = \sin t$ ,  $y = \cos t$  between  $t=0$  and  $t=\frac{\pi}{4}$ .

$$\text{We have } x = \sin t \therefore \frac{dx}{dt} = \cos t, y = \cos t \therefore \frac{dy}{dt} = -\sin t$$

$$\therefore \frac{ds}{dt} = 1$$

$$\text{for } \frac{ds}{dt} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{dx}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dy}{dt}\right)^2} = \sqrt{\cos^2 t + \sin^2 t} = 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore I &= \int_{t_1}^{t_2} f(x,y) \sqrt{\left(\frac{dx}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dy}{dt}\right)^2} dt \\ &= \int_0^{\pi/4} 4 \sin t \cos t dt = 2 \int_0^{\pi/4} \sin 2t dt \\ &= -2 \left[ \frac{\cos 2t}{2} \right]_0^{\pi/4} = 1 \end{aligned}$$

**Dependence of the line integral on the path of integration**

We know that integration along two separate paths joining the same two end points does not necessarily give identical results. With this in mind, let us investigate the following problem.

**EXAMPLE**

Evaluate  $I = \oint_C \{3x^2y^2 dx + 2x^3y dy\}$  between O (0, 0) and A (2, 4)

(a) along  $c_1$  i.e.  $y = x^2$

(b) along  $c_2$  i.e.  $y = 2x$

(c) along  $c_3$  i.e.  $x = 0$  from (0,0) to (0,4) and  $y = 4$  from (0,4) to (2,4).

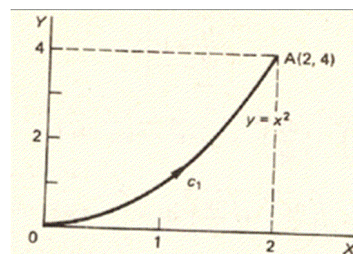
(a). First we draw the figure and insert relevant information.

$$I = \int_C \{3x^2y^2 dx + 2x^3y dy\}$$

The path  $c_1$  is  $y = x^2 \therefore dy = 2x dx$

$$\therefore I_1 = \int_0^2 \{3x^2x^4 dx + 2x^3x^2 2x dx\} = \int_0^2 (3x^6 + 4x^6) dx$$

$$\therefore = \left[ x^7 \right]_0^2 = 128 \therefore I_1 = 128$$

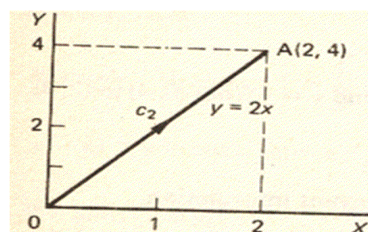


(b) In (b), the path of integration changes to  $c_2$ , i.e.  $y = 2x$

So, in this case, for with  $c_2$ ,  $y = 2x \therefore dy = 2dx$

$$\therefore I_2 = \int_0^2 (3x^2 4x^2 dx + 2x^3 2x^2 dx)$$

$$= \int_0^2 20x^4 dx = 4 \left[ x^5 \right]_0^2 = 128 \therefore I_2 = 128$$



(c) In the third case, the path  $c_3$  is split

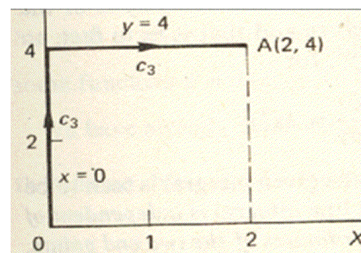
$x = 0$  from (0,0) to (0, 4),  $y = 4$  from (0, 4) to (2, 4)

Sketch the diagram and determine  $I_3$ .

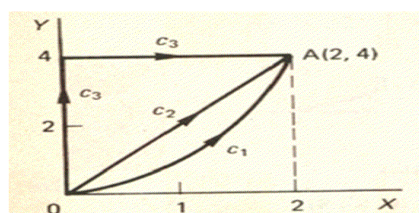
from (0,0) to (0,4)  $x=0 \therefore dx=0 \therefore I_{3a}=0$

from (0,4) to (2,4)  $y=4 \therefore dy=0 \therefore I_{3b}=48$

$$\int_0^2 48x^2 dx = 128 \therefore I_3 = 128$$



In the example we have just worked through, we took three different paths and in each case, the line integral produced the same result. It appears, therefore, that in this case, the value of the integral is independent of the path of integration taken.



We have been dealing with  $I = \int_C \{3x^2y^2 dx + 2x^3y dy\}$

On reflection, we see that the integrand  $3x^2 y^2 dx + 2x^3 y dy$  is of the form  $Pdx+Qdy$  which we have met before and that it is, in fact, an exact differential of the function

$$z = x^3 y^2, \text{ for } \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = 3x^2 y^2 \text{ and } \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = 2x^3 y$$

This always happens. If the integrand of the given integral is seen to be an exact differential, then the value of the line integral is independent of the path taken and depends only on the coordinates of the two end points.