

Math 20E

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Question 1 Given a path $c : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$. c is *regular* at t_0 means

- A.** the derivative $c'(t_0)$ exists.
- B.** the derivative $c'(t_0)$ exists and is not zero.
- C.** the image curve $c([a, b])$ has a tangent vector at $c(t_0)$.
- D.** $c'(t_0)$ is a unit vector.
- *E.** both **B** and **C**.

Question 2 Two paths $c_1 : [0, 2\pi] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ and $c_2 : [0, 2\pi] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ are given by

$$c_1(t) = (\cos(t), \sin(t), t)$$

$$c_2(t) = (\cos(2\pi - t), \sin(2\pi - t), 2\pi - t)$$

The lengths of the corresponding curves are

- ***A.** the same since the curves defined by the paths are the same.
- B.** of opposite sign since the paths traverse the curves in opposite directions.
- C.** cannot be computed because the antiderivative of $\|c'_1(t)\|$ and $\|c'_2(t)\|$ cannot be computed.
- D.** both **B** and **C**
- E.** none of the above

Question 3 Two paths $\mathbf{c}_1 : [0, 2\pi] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ and $\mathbf{c}_2 : [0, 2\pi] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ are given by

$$\mathbf{c}_1(t) = (\cos(t), \sin(t), t)$$

$$\mathbf{c}_2(t) = (\cos(2\pi - t), \sin(2\pi - t), 2\pi - t)$$

Let $\mathbf{F}(x, y, z)$ be any C^1 vector field. The value of the line integrals $\int_{\mathbf{c}_1} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{s}$ and $\int_{\mathbf{c}_2} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{s}$ are

- A.** the same since the curves defined by the paths are the same.
- ***B.** of opposite sign since the paths traverse the curves in opposite directions.
- C.** cannot be computed because the antiderivative of $\|\mathbf{c}'_1(t)\|$ and $\|\mathbf{c}'_2(t)\|$ cannot be computed.
- D.** both **B** and **C**
- E.** none of the above

Question 4 Given $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ a C^1 scalar-valued function and $\mathbf{c} : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ a simple C^1 path,

A. $Df(t) = \nabla f(\mathbf{c}(t)) \cdot \mathbf{c}'(t)$ by the chain rule.

B.
$$\int_{\mathbf{c}} \nabla f \cdot d\mathbf{s} = \int_a^b \nabla f(\mathbf{c}(t)) \cdot \mathbf{c}'(t) dt.$$

C. The value of $\int_{\mathbf{c}} \nabla f \cdot d\mathbf{s}$ is independent of the path \mathbf{c} .

D.
$$\int_{\mathbf{c}} \nabla f \cdot d\mathbf{s} = f(\mathbf{c}(b)) - f(\mathbf{c}(a)),$$
 which depends only on the value of f at the endpoints $\mathbf{c}(a)$ and $\mathbf{c}(b)$.

***E.** All of the above.