

HW 5 due tomorrow.

Quiz 5 Wed.

Final Proj due Friday.



Last time we discussed the most basic form of Green's Theorem.

Today I'll present a more general form.

Green's Theorem :

let D be a 2D region with "boundary curve" ∂D . If a vector field $\vec{F} = \langle P, Q \rangle$ is defined at every point of D , then

$$\iint_D \operatorname{curl}(\vec{F}) dA = \oint_{\partial D} \vec{F} \cdot \vec{T} ds$$

$$\iint_D (Q_x - P_y) dx dy$$

$$= \oint_{\partial D} \vec{F}(\vec{r}(t)) \cdot \vec{r}'(t) dt$$

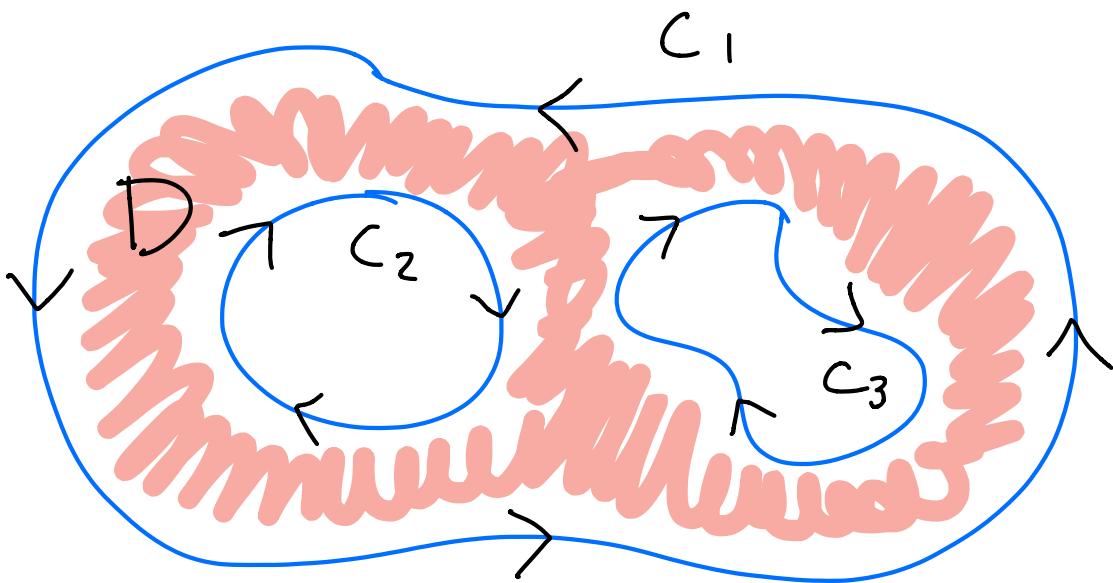
$$= \oint_{\partial D} \langle P, Q \rangle \cdot \left\langle \frac{dx}{dt}, \frac{dy}{dt} \right\rangle dt$$

$$= \oint_{\partial D} P dx + Q dy$$

These are just different notations
for the same idea:

$$\text{integral of } \operatorname{curl}(\vec{F}) \text{ over } D = \text{circulation of } \vec{F} \text{ along } \partial D$$

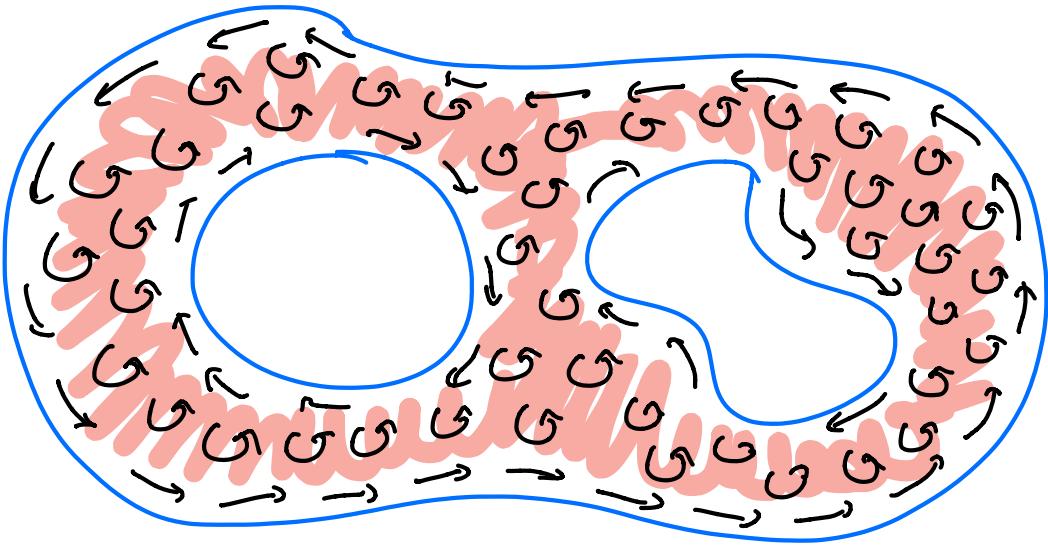
What makes this form more general
is that the "boundary curve" ∂D is
allowed to have multiple pieces:



In this picture, the boundary is the "sum" of three curves:

$$\partial D = C_1 + C_2 + C_3$$

The only rule is that the curves are oriented so that the region D is always "to the left". Then the idea of the proof is the same as before :



The rotations in the interior cancel,
leaving only the circulation along the
boundary.



Example : Consider the vector field

$$\vec{F} = \left\langle \frac{-y}{x^2+y^2}, \frac{x}{x^2+y^2} \right\rangle$$

We showed last time that

$$\text{curl}(\vec{F})(x,y) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } (x,y) \neq (0,0) \\ \text{undefined} & \text{if } (x,y) = (0,0) \end{cases}$$

If C is a simple, connected, counterclockwise loop then I claim

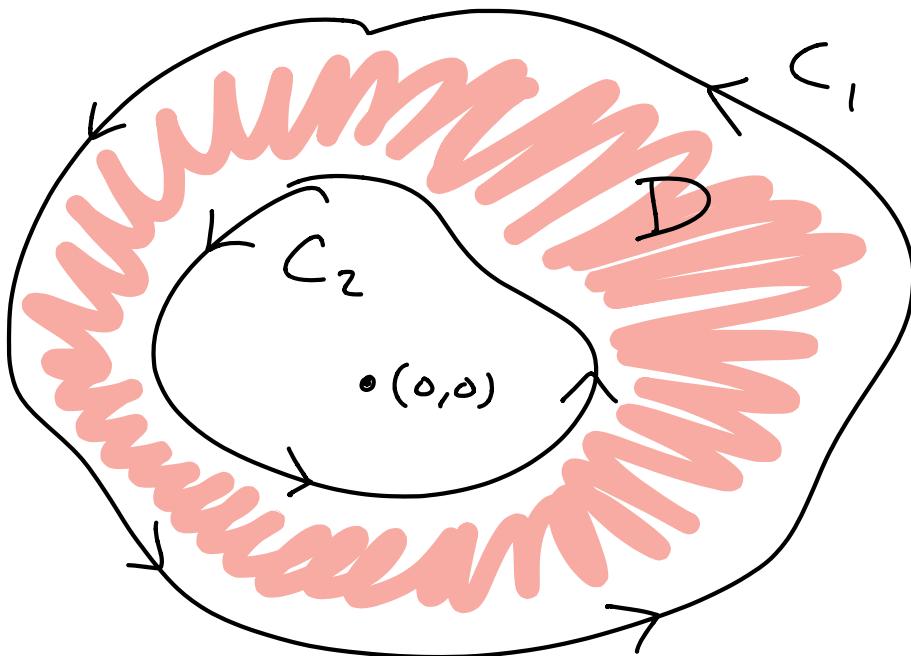
$$\oint_C \vec{F} \cdot \vec{T} ds = \begin{cases} 2\pi & \text{if } C \text{ contains } (0,0) \\ 0 & \text{if } C \text{ does not contain } (0,0) \end{cases}$$

Proof : If C does not contain $(0,0)$ then $\operatorname{curl}(\vec{F}) = 0$ at every point inside the loop, so Green's Theorem says

$$\oint_C \vec{F} \cdot \vec{T} ds = \iint_{\text{inside}} 0 dA = 0.$$

For the other statement, let C_1 & C_2 be any two loops containing $(0,0)$.

Here is a picture, assuming that the two loops do not intersect :



IF D is the region between the curves then we must have

$$\partial D = C_1 - C_2$$

we need to reverse the orientation of C_2 so that D is always "to the left" of ∂D

Then since $\text{curl}(\vec{F}) = 0$ at every point of D , Green's Theorem says

$$0 = \iint_D \text{curl}(\vec{F}) dA$$

$$= \int_{C_1 - C_2} \vec{F} \cdot \vec{T} ds$$

$$= \int_{C_1} \vec{F} \cdot \vec{T} ds - \int_{C_2} \vec{F} \cdot \vec{T} ds$$

and hence

$$\int_{C_1} \vec{F} \cdot \vec{T} ds = \int_{C_2} \vec{F} \cdot \vec{T} ds$$

[If the curves C_1 & C_2 intersect then this is still true but the picture is more complicated.]

Thus we only need to compute the circulation around one specific curve that contains $(0,0)$. The easiest choice is the unit circle C :

$$\vec{r}(t) = \langle \cos t, \sin t \rangle,$$

$$\vec{r}'(t) = \langle -\sin t, \cos t \rangle,$$

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{F}(\vec{r}(t)) &= \frac{1}{\cos^2 t + \sin^2 t} \langle -\sin t, \cos t \rangle \\ &= \langle -\sin t, \cos t \rangle,\end{aligned}$$

so that

$$\oint_C \vec{F} \cdot \vec{T} ds = \int_0^{2\pi} \vec{F}(\vec{r}(t)) \cdot \vec{r}'(t) dt$$

$$= \int_0^{2\pi} \langle -\sin t, \cos t \rangle \cdot \langle -\sin t, \cos t \rangle dt$$

$$= \int_0^{2\pi} (\sin^2 t + \cos^2 t) dt$$

$$= \int_0^{2\pi} 1 dt = 2\pi \quad \checkmark$$

That's pretty amazing! Today we will see what this result has to do with gravity & electromagnetism.



The "Flux Form" of Green's Theorem :

Given a vector field $\vec{F} = \langle P, Q \rangle$, we may consider the vector field

$$\vec{G} = \langle U, V \rangle = \langle -Q, P \rangle$$

[We rotated \vec{F} by 90° .] Let's apply Green's Theorem to \vec{G} :

$$\iint_D (V_x - U_y) dx dy = \oint_{\partial D} U dx + V dy$$

$$\iint_D (P_x + Q_y) dx dy = \oint_{\partial D} -Q dx + P dy$$

$$\iint_D \nabla \cdot \langle P, Q \rangle dx dy = \oint_{\partial D} \langle P, Q \rangle \cdot \langle dy, -dx \rangle$$

" \iint_D divergence = flux across $2D$ "

WHAT ?



Given a vector field $\vec{F}: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$
we define a scalar field $\nabla \cdot \vec{F}: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$
called the "divergence of \vec{F} ".

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{F} = " \langle \partial_x, \dots, \partial_{x_n} \rangle \cdot \langle P_1, \dots, P_n \rangle "$$

$$= \frac{dP_1}{dx_1} + \frac{dP_2}{dx_2} + \dots + \frac{dP_n}{dx_n}$$



this is a scalar field

Sometimes we also write

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{F} = " \operatorname{div}(\vec{F}) "$$

Special Cases :

• $\vec{F} = \langle P, Q, R \rangle$

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{F} = P_x + Q_y + R_z$$

• $\vec{F} = \langle P, Q \rangle$

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{F} = P_x + Q_y$$

The flux form of Green's Theorem involves the divergence :

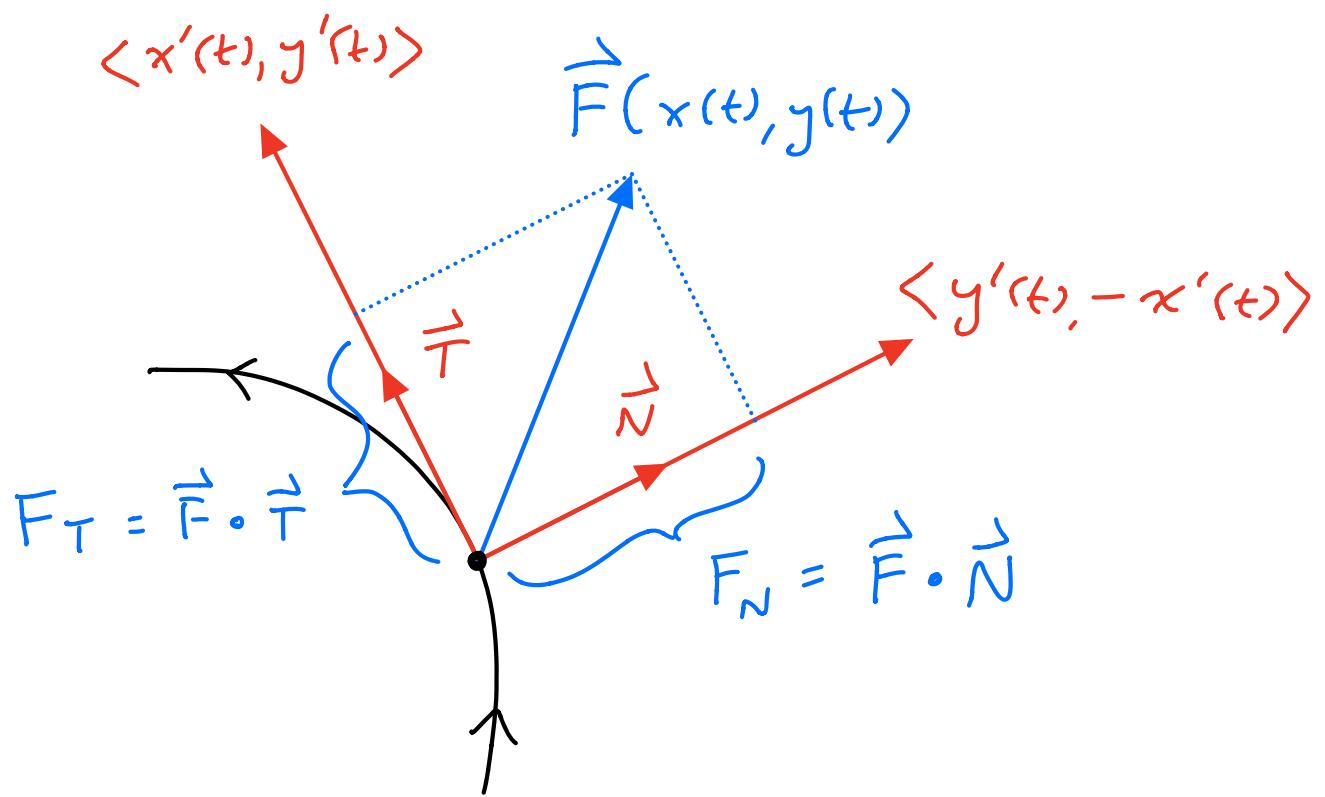
$$\iint_D \operatorname{div}(\vec{F}) dA = \oint_{\partial D} \langle P, Q \rangle \cdot \langle dy, -dx \rangle$$

$$= \oint_{\partial D} \vec{F}(\vec{r}(t)) \cdot \left\langle \frac{dy}{dt}, -\frac{dx}{dt} \right\rangle dt$$



This is called the "flux of \vec{F} across the curve ∂D "

Picture :



Given a parametrized curve

$\vec{r}(t) = \langle x(t), y(t) \rangle$ we have a
velocity $\vec{v}'(t) = \langle x'(t), y'(t) \rangle$ &
a unit tangent vector

$$\vec{T}(\vec{r}(t)) = \frac{\vec{v}'(t)}{\|\vec{v}'(t)\|}.$$

To compute the circulation of a

vector field \vec{F} along $\vec{r}(t)$ we observe that the component of \vec{F} in the tangent direction is :

$$F_T = \vec{F} \cdot \vec{T}$$

[See HW 5.1]

The integral of \vec{F} along $\vec{r}(t)$ is

$$\int_C \vec{F} \cdot \vec{T} ds = \int_C \vec{F}(\vec{r}(t)) \cdot \vec{r}'(t) dt$$

We also obtain a unit vector in the normal direction by rotating \vec{T} 90° clockwise. In terms of the parametrization :

$$\vec{N}(\vec{r}(t)) = \frac{\langle \vec{y}'(t), -x'(t) \rangle}{\| \langle \vec{y}'(t), -x'(t) \rangle \|} .$$

And the component of \vec{F} in the normal direction is

$$F_N = \vec{F} \cdot \vec{N}$$

We define the "flux of \vec{F} across the curve $\vec{r}(t)$ " as the integral of the normal component :

$$\int_C \vec{F} \cdot \vec{N} ds = \int \vec{F}(\vec{r}(t)) \cdot \langle y'(t), -x'(t) \rangle dt$$

Meaning : How much is \vec{F} pointing perpendicular to (specifically, to the right of) the curve ?

To understand the flux form of Green's Theorem, suppose that \vec{F} is the velocity field of a fluid (liquid or gas). Then

$$\iint_D \nabla \cdot \vec{F} dA = \oint_{\partial D} \vec{F} \cdot \vec{N} ds$$

how much does the fluid expand in the region D ? how much fluid flows across the boundary ∂D ?

That makes sense!

Examples of Divergence:

- Fluid Dynamics : If \vec{F} is the velocity field of a fluid then

$\nabla \cdot \vec{F} \rightarrow$ infinitesimal amount of expansion / contraction at a point

We often assume that the flow is "incompressible":

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{F} = 0.$$

[This is closely related to "conservation of mass": no fluid is created or destroyed.]

- Gauss' Law for electric & gravitational forces.

- Let $\rho(x, y, z)$ be a distribution of charge and let $\vec{E}: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ be the force exerted on a unit point charge by the charges ρ . Then

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{E} = \rho$$

- Let $\rho(x, y, z)$ be a distribution of mass and let $\vec{g}: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ be the force exerted on a unit point mass by the masses ρ . Then

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{g} = -\rho$$

See HW 5.5 for a 2D example.

To apply these ideas in 3D we need to discuss "flux across a 2D surface in \mathbb{R}^3 ".

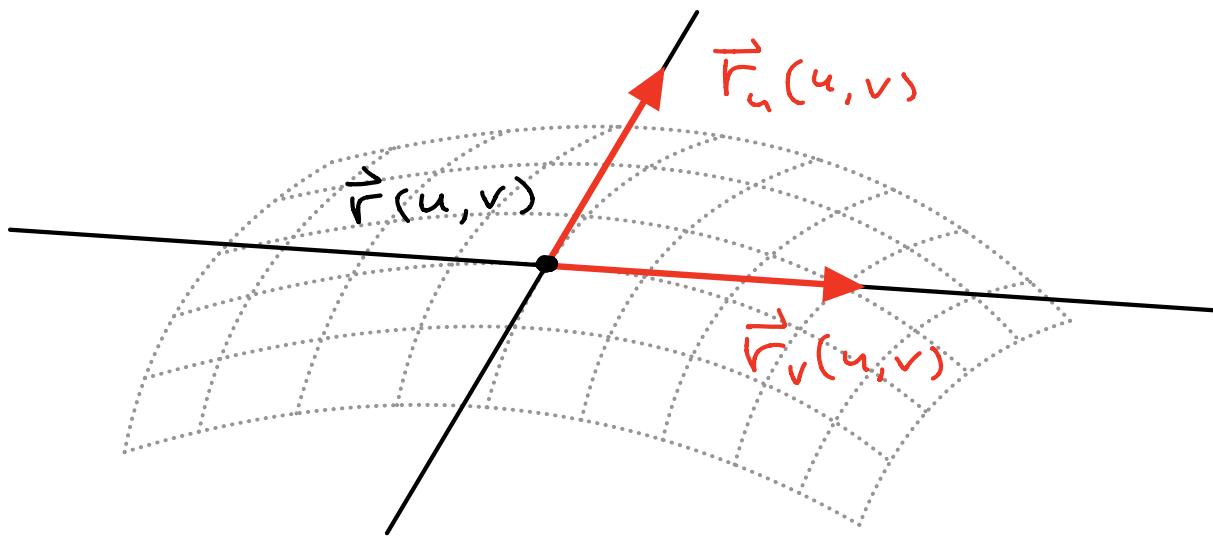


Goal : Integrate a scalar or vector field over a 2D surface in \mathbb{R}^3 .

How ?

We must first parametrize the surface. We can think of a "parametrized surface in \mathbb{R}^3 " as a function $\vec{r}: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$:

$$\vec{r}(u, v) = \langle x(u, v), y(u, v), z(u, v) \rangle.$$



At each point $\vec{r}(u, v)$ we have two basic "velocity vectors"

$$\vec{r}_u = \langle x_u, y_u, z_u \rangle$$

$$\vec{r}_v = \langle x_v, y_v, z_v \rangle$$

The area of a tiny parallelogram near the point $\vec{r}(u, v)$ is the length of a cross product :

$$dS = \| (\underbrace{\vec{r}_u du}_{\text{tiny piece}}) \times (\underbrace{\vec{r}_v dv}_{\text{vectors generating a tiny parallelogram on the surface}}) \|$$

of area on the surface

vectors generating a tiny parallelogram on the surface

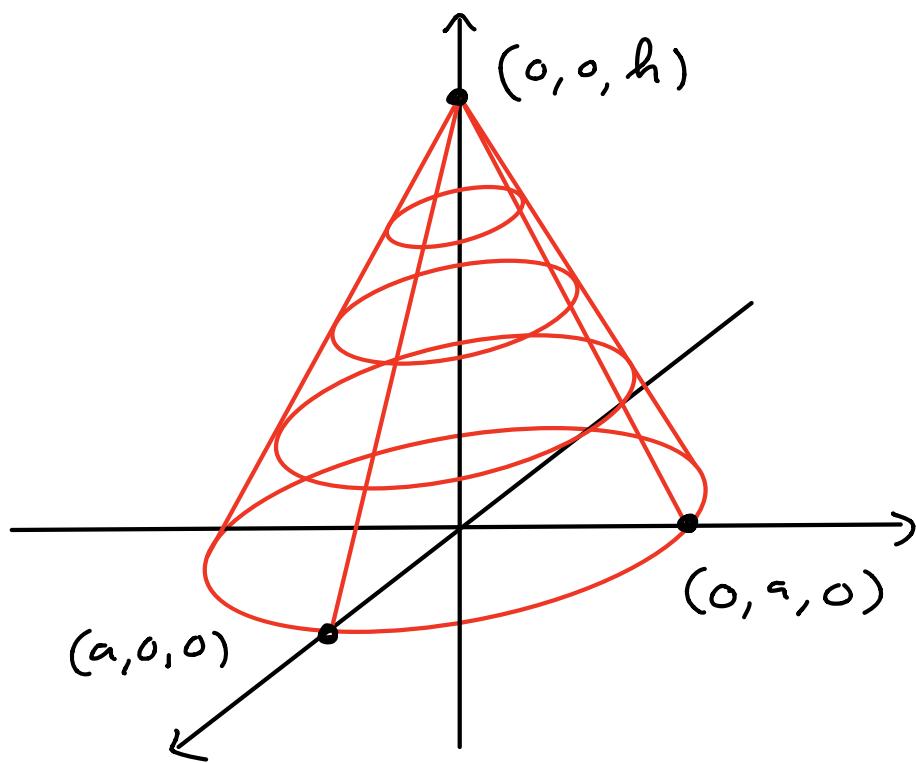
$$= \|\vec{r}_u \times \vec{r}_v\| du dv$$

This is how we compute the surface area of a parametrized 2D surface in \mathbb{R}^3 :

$$\text{surface area} = \iint dS$$

$$= \iint \|\vec{r}_u \times \vec{r}_v\| du dv$$

Example: Surface area of a cone with height h & radius a :



To parametrize the surface it is convenient to use polar coordinates:

$$\vec{r}(r, \theta) = \langle r \cos \theta, r \sin \theta, \frac{h}{a}(a-r) \rangle$$

$$\vec{r}_r = \langle \cos \theta, \sin \theta, -h/a \rangle$$

$$\vec{r}_\theta = \langle -r \sin \theta, r \cos \theta, 0 \rangle$$

$$\vec{r}_r \times \vec{r}_\theta = \left\langle \frac{h}{a} r \cos \theta, \frac{h}{a} r \sin \theta, r \right\rangle$$

$$= r \left\langle \frac{h}{a} \cos \theta, \frac{h}{a} \sin \theta, 1 \right\rangle$$

$$\|\vec{r}_r \times \vec{r}_\theta\| = r \sqrt{\left(\frac{h}{a}\right)^2 + 1}$$

So the surface area is

$$\iint dS = \iint \|\vec{r}_r \times \vec{r}_\theta\| dr d\theta$$

cone

$$= \iint r \sqrt{\left(\frac{h}{a}\right)^2 + 1} dr d\theta$$

$$= \sqrt{\left(\frac{h}{a}\right)^2 + 1} \int_0^{2\pi} d\theta \int_0^a r dr$$

$$= 2\pi \cdot \frac{1}{2} a^2 \cdot \sqrt{\left(\frac{h}{a}\right)^2 + 1}$$

$$= \pi a \sqrt{h^2 + a^2}$$

[See page 764 of the textbook.]



Finally, let's check that our method gives the correct formula for the surface area of a sphere of radius a .

(Let's use spherical coordinates:

$$\vec{r}(\theta, \varphi) = \langle a \cos \theta \sin \varphi, a \sin \theta \sin \varphi, a \cos \varphi \rangle$$

where $0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$,

$0 \leq \varphi \leq \pi$.

$$\vec{r}_\theta = \langle -a \sin \theta \sin \varphi, a \cos \theta \sin \varphi, 0 \rangle$$

$$\vec{r}_\varphi = \langle a \cos \theta \cos \varphi, a \sin \theta \cos \varphi, -a \sin \varphi \rangle$$

$$\vec{r}_\theta \times \vec{r}_\varphi \\ = \langle -a^2 \cos \theta \sin^2 \varphi, a^2 \sin \theta \sin^2 \varphi, -a^2 \sin \varphi \cos \varphi \rangle$$

$$\|\vec{r}_\theta \times \vec{r}_\varphi\| = \text{computations} \\ = a^2 \sin \varphi.$$

So the surface area is

$$\iint_{\text{sphere}} dS = \iint \|\vec{r}_\theta \times \vec{r}_\varphi\| d\theta d\varphi \\ = \iint a^2 \sin \varphi d\theta d\varphi \\ = a^2 \left\{ \int_0^{2\pi} d\theta \right\} \left\{ \int_0^{\pi} \sin \varphi d\varphi \right\} \\ = a^2 \cdot 2\pi \cdot (-(-1) + 1) \\ = 4\pi a^2 \quad \checkmark$$