

# Math 240: Stoke's Theorem

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# Outline

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# What to Study for the Midterm

- 1 Practice Midterm (Posted this weekend)
- 2 My Old Practice Midterm  
(<http://www.math.upenn.edu/~ryblair/Math240/papers/PracMT2.pdf>)
- 3 My Old Practice Final  
(<http://www.math.upenn.edu/~ryblair/Math240/papers/PracFinal.pdf>)
- 4 Other Old Finals  
(<http://www.math.upenn.edu/ugrad/calc/m240/oldexams.html>)
- 5 Homework, Quizzes and Examples in Class

# Stokes' Theorem

## Theorem

Let  $S$  be an **nice** oriented surface bounded by a **nice** curve  $C$ . Let  $F = P\mathbf{i} + Q\mathbf{j} + R\mathbf{k}$  be a **nice** vector field. If  $C$  is traversed in the positive direction and  $\mathbf{T}$  is the unit tangent vector to  $C$  then

$$\oint_C F \circ d\mathbf{r} = \oint_C (F \circ \mathbf{T}) ds = \int \int_S (\text{curl}(F) \circ \mathbf{n}) dS$$

where  $\mathbf{n}$  is the unit normal to  $S$  in the direction of the orientation of  $S$ .

**Example** Use Stokes' theorem to evaluate  $\oint_C F \circ d\mathbf{r}$  where  $C$  is the intersection of  $x^2 + y^2 = 1$  and  $x + y + z = 1$  oriented counter clockwise from above and  $F = y^3\mathbf{i} - x^3\mathbf{j} + z^3\mathbf{k}$ .

**Example:** Use Stokes' theorem to evaluate  $\oint_C F \circ d\mathbf{r}$  where  $C$  is the triangle with vertices  $(1, 0, 0)$ ,  $(0, 1, 0)$  and  $(0, 0, 1)$  oriented counterclockwise when viewed from above and  $F = (2z + x)\mathbf{i} + (y - z)\mathbf{j} + (x + y)\mathbf{k}$ .

**Example:** Let  $S$  be the portion of  $z = x^2 + 4y^2$  lying beneath the plane  $z = 1$ . Orient  $S$  upward. Find the flux of  $\text{curl}(\mathbf{F})$  across  $S$  for  $\mathbf{F} = y\mathbf{i} - xz\mathbf{j} + xz^2\mathbf{k}$ .

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## Theorem

Let  $S$  be a piecewise smooth oriented surface bounded by a piecewise smooth simple closed curve  $C$ . Let

$F(x, y, z) = P(x, y, z)\mathbf{i} + Q(x, y, z)\mathbf{j} + R(x, y, z)\mathbf{k}$  be a vector field for which  $P$ ,  $Q$  and  $R$  are continuous and have continuous partial derivatives in the region of 3-space containing  $S$ . If  $C$  is traversed in the positive direction and  $\mathbf{T}$  is the unit tangent vector to  $C$  then

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where  $\mathbf{n}$  is the unit normal to  $S$  in the direction of the orientation of  $S$ .