

Figure 5.30 Flux = $\iint v_n d\sigma$.

mass per unit volume, by (5.91). But this is precisely the rate at which the density is decreasing at the point (x_1, y_1, z_1) . Hence

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} = -\operatorname{div} \mathbf{v} = -\operatorname{div} (\rho \mathbf{u})$$

or

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \operatorname{div} (\rho \mathbf{u}) = 0. \quad (5.92)$$

This is the *continuity equation* of hydrodynamics. It expresses the *conservation of mass*. Another derivation is given in Problem 9 following Section 5.15.

PROBLEMS

1. Evaluate by the divergence theorem:

- $\iint_S x \, dy \, dz + y \, dz \, dx + z \, dx \, dy$, where S is the sphere $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1$ and \mathbf{n} is the outer normal;
- $\iint_S v_n \, d\sigma$, where $\mathbf{v} = x^2 \mathbf{i} + y^2 \mathbf{j} + z^2 \mathbf{k}$, \mathbf{n} is the outer normal and S is the surface of the cube $0 \leq x \leq 1, 0 \leq y \leq 1, 0 \leq z \leq 1$;
- $\iint_S e^y \cos z \, dy \, dz + e^x \sin z \, dz \, dx + e^x \cos y \, dx \, dy$, with S and \mathbf{n} as in (a);
- $\iint_S \nabla F \cdot \mathbf{n} \, d\sigma$ if $F = x^2 + y^2 + z^2$, \mathbf{n} is the exterior normal, and S bounds a solid region R ;
- $\iint_S \nabla F \cdot \mathbf{n} \, d\sigma$ if $F = 2x^2 - y^2 - z^2$, with \mathbf{n} and S as in (d);
- $\iint_S \nabla F \cdot \mathbf{n} \, d\sigma$ if $F = [(x-2)^2 + y^2 + z^2]^{-1/2}$ and S and \mathbf{n} are as in (a).

2. Let S be the boundary surface of a region R in space and let \mathbf{n} be its outer normal. Prove the formulas:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{a) } V &= \iint_S x \, dy \, dz = \iint_S y \, dz \, dx = \iint_S z \, dx \, dy \\ &= \frac{1}{3} \iint_S x \, dy \, dz + y \, dz \, dx + z \, dx \, dy, \end{aligned}$$

where V is the volume of R ;

- b) $\iint_S x^2 dy dz + 2xy dz dx + 2xz dx dy = 6V\bar{x}$,
where $(\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z})$ is the centroid of R ;
- c) $\iint_S \text{curl } \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{n} d\sigma = 0$, where \mathbf{v} is an arbitrary vector field.
3. Deduce the results of Problem 9(a), (b), (c) following Section 5.10 by proving (c) first, using the incompressibility of the flow of constant velocity \mathbf{v} .
4. Let S be the boundary surface of a region R , with outer normal \mathbf{n} , as in the Divergence theorem. Let $f(x, y, z)$ and $g(x, y, z)$ be functions defined and continuous, with continuous first and second derivatives, in a domain D containing R . Prove the following relations:
- a) $\iint_S f \partial g / \partial n d\sigma = \iiint_R f \nabla^2 g dx dy dz + \iiint_R (\nabla f \cdot \nabla g) dx dy dz$;

[Hint: use the identity $\nabla \cdot (f\mathbf{u}) = \nabla f \cdot \mathbf{u} + f(\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u})$.]

- b) if g is harmonic in D , then

$$\iint_S \frac{\partial g}{\partial n} d\sigma = 0;$$

[Hint: Put $f = 1$ in (a).]

- c) if f is harmonic in D , then

$$\iint_S f \frac{\partial f}{\partial n} d\sigma = \iiint_R |\nabla f|^2 dx dy dz;$$

- d) if f is harmonic in D and $f \equiv 0$ on S , then $f \equiv 0$ in R [cf. the last paragraph before the remarks at the end of Section 4.3];
- e) if f and g are harmonic in D and $f \equiv g$ on S , then $f \equiv g$ in R ; [Hint: Use (d).]
- f) if f is harmonic in D and $\partial f / \partial n = 0$ on S , then f is constant in R ;
- g) if f and g are harmonic in D and $\partial f / \partial n = \partial g / \partial n$ on S , then $f = g + \text{const}$ in R ;
- h) if f and g are harmonic in R , and

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial n} = -f + h, \quad \frac{\partial g}{\partial n} = -g + h \text{ on } S, \quad h = h(x, y, z),$$

then

$$f \equiv g \text{ in } R;$$

- i) if f and g both satisfy the same Poisson equation in R ,

$$\nabla^2 f = -4\pi h, \quad \nabla^2 g = -4\pi h, \quad h = h(x, y, z),$$

and $f = g$ on S , then

$$f \equiv g \text{ in } R;$$

- j) $\iint_S (f \frac{\partial g}{\partial n} - g \frac{\partial f}{\partial n}) d\sigma = \iiint_R (f \nabla^2 g - g \nabla^2 f) dx dy dz$;

[Hint: Use (a).]

- k) if f and g are harmonic in R , then

$$\iint_S \left(f \frac{\partial g}{\partial n} - g \frac{\partial f}{\partial n} \right) d\sigma = 0;$$

l) if f and g satisfy the equations:

$$\nabla^2 f = hf, \quad \nabla^2 g = hg, \quad h = h(x, y, z),$$

in R , then

$$\iint_S \left(f \frac{\partial g}{\partial n} - g \frac{\partial f}{\partial n} \right) d\sigma = 0.$$

Remark Parts (a) and (j) are known as *Green's first and second identities*, respectively.

5. Let S and R be as in Problem 4. Prove, under appropriate continuity assumptions:

a) $\iint_S f \mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{i} d\sigma = \iiint_R \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} dV.$

[Hint: Apply the Divergence theorem.]

b) $\iint_S f \mathbf{n} d\sigma = \iiint_R \nabla f dV.$

[Hint: These are integrals of vectors as in Section 4.5. Use (a) to show that the x -components of both sides are equal and, similarly, that the y - and z -components are equal.]

c) $\iint_S \mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{i} \cdot \mathbf{n} d\sigma = \iiint_R \text{curl } \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{i} dV.$

[Hint: Apply the Divergence theorem and then evaluate $\text{div}(\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{i})$ by (3.35).]

d) $\iint_S \mathbf{n} \times \mathbf{v} d\sigma = \iiint_R \text{curl } \mathbf{v} dV.$

[Hint: These are vector integrals. Use (c) to show that the x -components of both sides are equal and, similarly, that the y - and z -components are equal.]

5.12 STOKES'S THEOREM

It was seen in Section 5.5 that Green's theorem can be written in the form

$$\oint_C u_T ds = \iint_R \text{curl}_z \mathbf{u} dx dy.$$

This suggests that for any simple closed plane curve C in space (Fig. 5.31),

$$\int_C u_T ds = \iint_S \text{curl}_n \mathbf{u} d\sigma, \quad (5.93)$$

where \mathbf{n} is normal to the plane in which C lies, S is the planar surface bounded by C , and the direction of C is positive in terms of the orientation of S determined by \mathbf{n} .

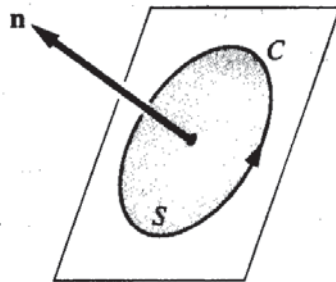


Figure 5.31 Case of Stokes's theorem.