

16.5 Exercises

1–8 Find (a) the curl and (b) the divergence of the vector field.

1. $\mathbf{F}(x, y, z) = (x + yz)\mathbf{i} + (y + xz)\mathbf{j} + (z + xy)\mathbf{k}$

2. $\mathbf{F}(x, y, z) = xy^2z^3\mathbf{i} + x^3yz^2\mathbf{j} + x^2y^3z\mathbf{k}$

3. $\mathbf{F}(x, y, z) = xye^z\mathbf{i} + yze^x\mathbf{k}$

4. $\mathbf{F}(x, y, z) = \sin yz\mathbf{i} + \sin zx\mathbf{j} + \sin xy\mathbf{k}$

5. $\mathbf{F}(x, y, z) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}}(x\mathbf{i} + y\mathbf{j} + z\mathbf{k})$

6. $\mathbf{F}(x, y, z) = e^{xy}\sin z\mathbf{j} + y\tan^{-1}(x/z)\mathbf{k}$

7. $\mathbf{F}(x, y, z) = \langle e^x \sin y, e^y \sin z, e^z \sin x \rangle$

8. $\mathbf{F}(x, y, z) = \left\langle \frac{x}{y}, \frac{y}{z}, \frac{z}{x} \right\rangle$

9–11 The vector field \mathbf{F} is shown in the xy -plane and looks the same in all other horizontal planes. (In other words, \mathbf{F} is independent of z and its z -component is 0.)

(a) Is $\operatorname{div} \mathbf{F}$ positive, negative, or zero? Explain.

(b) Determine whether $\operatorname{curl} \mathbf{F} = 0$. If not, in which direction does $\operatorname{curl} \mathbf{F}$ point?



38. Maxwell's equations relating the electric field \mathbf{E} and magnetic field \mathbf{H} as they vary with time in a region containing no charge and no current can be stated as follows:

$$\operatorname{div} \mathbf{E} = 0$$

$$\operatorname{div} \mathbf{H} = 0$$

$$\operatorname{curl} \mathbf{E} = -\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \mathbf{H}}{\partial t} \quad \operatorname{curl} \mathbf{H} = \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \mathbf{E}}{\partial t}$$

where c is the speed of light. Use these equations to prove the following:

(a) $\nabla \times (\nabla \times \mathbf{E}) = -\frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{E}}{\partial t^2}$

(b) $\nabla \times (\nabla \times \mathbf{H}) = -\frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{H}}{\partial t^2}$

(c) $\nabla^2 \mathbf{E} = \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{E}}{\partial t^2}$ [Hint: Use Exercise 29.]

(d) $\nabla^2 \mathbf{H} = \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{H}}{\partial t^2}$

12. Let f be a scalar field and \mathbf{F} a vector field. State whether each expression is meaningful. If not, explain why. If so, state whether it is a scalar field or a vector field.

(a) $\operatorname{curl} f$ (b) $\operatorname{grad} f$

(c) $\operatorname{div} \mathbf{F}$ (d) $\operatorname{curl}(\operatorname{grad} f)$

(e) $\operatorname{grad} \mathbf{F}$ (f) $\operatorname{grad}(\operatorname{div} \mathbf{F})$

(g) $\operatorname{div}(\operatorname{grad} f)$ (h) $\operatorname{grad}(\operatorname{div} f)$

(i) $\operatorname{curl}(\operatorname{curl} \mathbf{F})$ (j) $\operatorname{div}(\operatorname{div} \mathbf{F})$

(k) $(\operatorname{grad} f) \times (\operatorname{div} \mathbf{F})$ (l) $\operatorname{div}(\operatorname{curl}(\operatorname{grad} f))$

13–18 Determine whether or not the vector field is conservative. If it is conservative, find a function f such that $\mathbf{F} = \nabla f$.

13. $\mathbf{F}(x, y, z) = y^2z^3\mathbf{i} + 2xyz^3\mathbf{j} + 3xy^2z^2\mathbf{k}$

14. $\mathbf{F}(x, y, z) = xyz^2\mathbf{i} + x^2yz^2\mathbf{j} + x^2y^2z\mathbf{k}$

15. $\mathbf{F}(x, y, z) = 3xyz^2\mathbf{i} + 2x^2yz^3\mathbf{j} + 3x^2y^2z^2\mathbf{k}$

16. $\mathbf{F}(x, y, z) = \mathbf{i} + \sin z\mathbf{j} + y \cos z\mathbf{k}$

17. $\mathbf{F}(x, y, z) = e^{yx}\mathbf{i} + xze^{yx}\mathbf{j} + xy e^{yx}\mathbf{k}$

18. $\mathbf{F}(x, y, z) = e^x \sin yz\mathbf{i} + ze^x \cos yz\mathbf{j} + ye^x \cos yz\mathbf{k}$

29. $\operatorname{curl}(\operatorname{curl} \mathbf{F}) = \operatorname{grad}(\operatorname{div} \mathbf{F}) - \nabla^2 \mathbf{F}$