

Green's Theorem

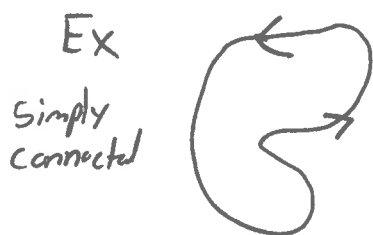
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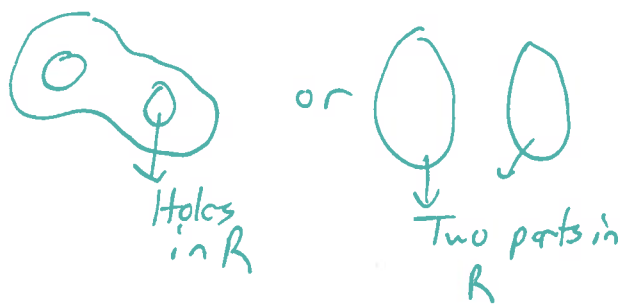
First Concept: Simply Connected Plane Region:

A curve (C) which does not cross itself when traced by a vector function $r(t) = x(t)i + y(t)j$ is called Simple



Simply connected has no separate parts or holes in the region

Not simply connected



Theorem 15.8

$$\int_C M dx + N dy = \iint_R \left(\frac{\partial N}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial M}{\partial y} \right) dA$$

IOW: The value of the double integral over the simply connected region R is determined by the value of the line integral around R

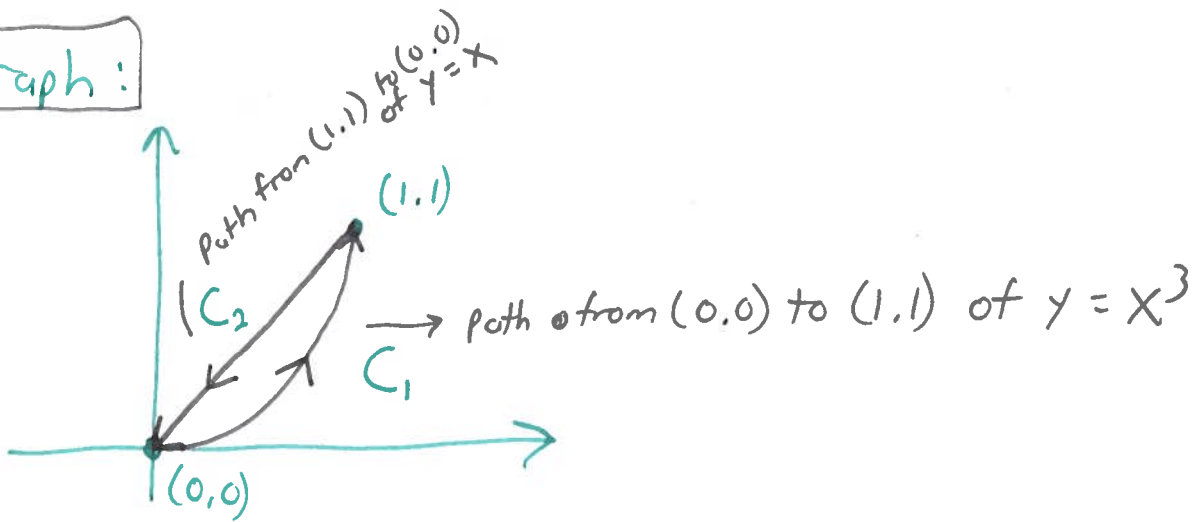
Often use a circle to indicate line integral (2)

$$\oint_C \quad \text{or} \quad \oint_C$$

Ex 1: $\int_C y^3 dx + (x^3 + 3xy^2) dy$

where C is the path from $(0,0)$ to $(1,1)$ along the graph of $y = x^3$ and from $(1,1)$ to $(0,0)$ along graph of $y = x$

Graph:



Labeling: $M = y^3$ and $N = x^3 + 3xy^2$

Find Partial Derivatives:

$$\frac{\partial N}{\partial x} = 3x^2 + 3y^2$$

$$\frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = 3y^2$$

Apply Greens Theorem

(3)

$$\int_R \int \left(\frac{\partial N}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial M}{\partial y} \right) dA$$

$$= \int_0^1 \int_{x^3}^x [3x^2 + 3y^2] - 3y^2 dy dx$$

Set up bounds for
dy dx

dx from $0 \leq x \leq 1$

dy from $x^3 \leq y \leq x$

$$= \int_0^1 \int_{x^3}^x [3x^2] dy dx$$

$$= \int_0^1 [3x^2 y]_{x^3}^x dx$$

$$\begin{aligned} 3x^2(x) - 3x^2(x^3) \\ 3x^3 - 3x^5 \end{aligned}$$

$$= \int_0^1 [3x^3 - 3x^5] dx$$

$$= \left[\frac{3x^4}{4} - \frac{3x^6}{6} \right]_0^1$$

$$= \boxed{\frac{1}{4}}$$

This theorem is a time saver for calculating line integrals (when conditions are met)