Changing the Order of Integration in the Wild

Below is an example of how changing the order of integration can appear "in the wild," that is, when trying to evaluate a surface integral. The surface is the same as in question 4 of Midterm 2 but with the domain D restricted. You will find that this problem is actually easier!

1. Let S be the surface parametrized by

$$\Phi(x,\theta) = (x,\theta(1-x^2),\sin\theta)$$

for (x, θ) in the domain $D = \{(x, \theta) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : 0 \le x \le 1, x \le \theta \le 1\}.$

(a) Sketch the region D.



(b) Evaluate $\iint_{\Phi} \vec{\mathbf{F}} \cdot d\vec{\mathbf{S}}$ where $\vec{\mathbf{F}}(x, y, z) = \vec{\mathbf{i}} - 3x^2 \vec{\mathbf{j}} + \vec{\mathbf{k}}$.

Solution: Just as on Midterm 2,

$$\vec{\mathbf{T}}_{x} \times \vec{\mathbf{T}}_{\theta} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & \mathbf{i} \\ -2x\theta & (1-x^{2}) & \mathbf{j} \\ 0 & \cos\theta & \mathbf{k} \end{vmatrix} = -2x\theta\cos\theta\,\mathbf{i} + \cos\theta(-\mathbf{j}\,\mathbf{j}) + (1-x^{2})\,\mathbf{k} = -2x\theta\cos\theta\,\mathbf{i} - \cos\theta\,\mathbf{j} + (1-x^{2})\,\mathbf{k} \\
\text{Then for } \mathbf{F}(x, y, z) = \mathbf{i} - 3x^{2}\,\mathbf{j} + \mathbf{k} , \\
\iint_{\Phi} \vec{\mathbf{F}} \cdot d\mathbf{S} = \iint_{D} \left[\mathbf{F}(\Phi(x,\theta)) \cdot (\mathbf{T}_{x} \times \mathbf{T}_{\theta}) \right] dA = \iint_{D} \left[(1, -3x^{2}, 1) \cdot (-2x\theta\cos\theta, -\cos\theta, 1-x^{2}) \right] dA \\
= \int_{0}^{1} \int_{x}^{1} \left[-2x\theta\cos\theta + 3x^{2}\cos\theta + 1 - x^{2} \right] d\theta dx$$

Now, we could integrate in θ , but we would have to do integration by parts. Instead, we can change the order of integration!

$$\iint_{\Phi} \vec{\mathbf{F}} \cdot d\vec{\mathbf{S}} = \int_{0}^{1} \int_{0}^{\theta} \left[-2x\theta\cos\theta + 3x^{2}\cos\theta + 1 - x^{2} \right] dxd\theta$$
$$= \int_{0}^{1} \left[-x^{2}\theta\cos\theta + x^{3}\cos\theta + x - \frac{1}{3}x^{3} \right]_{0}^{\theta} d\theta = \int_{0}^{1} \left[-\theta^{3}\cos\theta + \theta^{3}\cos\theta + \theta - \frac{1}{3}\theta^{3} \right] d\theta$$
$$= \int_{0}^{1} \left[\theta - \frac{1}{3}\theta^{3} \right] d\theta = \left[\frac{1}{2}\theta^{2} - \frac{1}{12}\theta^{4} \right]_{0}^{1} = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{12} = \frac{5}{12}$$

Green's Theorem Example from Class

2. (a) Let $c(t) = (2\cos t, 5\sin(2t))$ for $-\pi/2 \le t \le \pi/2$. Compute the area of the region D enclosed by c:



We have $c'(t) = (-2\sin t, 10\cos(2t))$. Using the area formula: $Area(D) = \iint_{D} 1dA = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\partial D} -ydx + xdy = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} [(-5\sin(2t), 2\cos t) \cdot (-2\sin t, 10\cos(2t))] dt$ $= \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} [10\sin(2t)\sin t + 20\cos t\cos(2t)] dt$

which you can now integrate by using the double angle formulas $\sin(2t) = 2\sin t \cos t$ and $\cos 2t = 1 - 2\sin^2 t$. The answer will be $\frac{40}{3}$.

(b) Let c_1 be the top half of the curve from part (a), i.e. $c_1(t) = (2\cos t, 5\sin(2t))$ for $0 \le t \le \pi/2$, and let c_2 be the jagged curve pictured:



Given that $\frac{1}{2}\int_{c_2} -ydx + xdy = M$, find the area of the region \tilde{D} enclosed by c_1 and c_2 in terms of M.

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{Area}(\tilde{D}) &= \iint_{\tilde{D}} 1dA = \left[\frac{1}{2} \int_{c_1} -ydx + xdy\right] + \left[\frac{1}{2} \int_{c_2} -ydx + xdy\right] \\ &= \left[\frac{1}{2} \int_{c_1} -ydx + xdy\right] + M \\ &= M + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\pi/2} [10\sin(2t)\sin t + 20\cos t\cos(2t)] dt \\ &= M + \frac{20}{3} \end{aligned}$$

where you can get to the last line using double angle formulas as above.