

Given a vector function $\mathbf{F} = xy\mathbf{i} + (3x - y^2)\mathbf{j}$, and the coordinates of three points $P_1(5, 6)$, $P_2(5, 3)$, $P_3(3, 3)$, where $\mathbf{i}$ and $\mathbf{j}$ are unit vectors along x - and y - axes respectively. (1) Evaluate the integral $\int \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r}$ from P_1 straight to P_3 . (2) Evaluate the integral $\int \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r}$ from P_1 to P_3 along the piecewise straight path $P_1P_2P_3$, i.e., integrate from P_1 along straight line segment to P_2 and then along another straight line from P_2 to P_3 . (3) Is this $\mathbf{F}$ a conservative field? And why? [99 清大動機甲丙丁 4]

[解] $\mathbf{F} = xy\mathbf{i} + (3x - y^2)\mathbf{j} \Rightarrow F_1 = xy, F_2 = 3x - y^2, F_3 = 0$

(1) 連接 P_1P_3 的直線為 $y - 6 = \frac{6-3}{5-3}(x-5) \Rightarrow 3x - 2y = 3$

設 $x = 2t + 1, y = 3t \Rightarrow d\mathbf{r} = dx\mathbf{i} + dy\mathbf{j} = (2\mathbf{i} + 3\mathbf{j})dt$

$\mathbf{F} = xy\mathbf{i} + (3x - y^2)\mathbf{j} = (2t + 1) \cdot 3t\mathbf{i} + [3(2t + 1) - (3t)^2]\mathbf{j} = (6t^2 + 3t)\mathbf{i} + (-9t^2 + 6t + 3)\mathbf{j}$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} &= \int_C [(6t^2 + 3t)\mathbf{i} + (-9t^2 + 6t + 3)\mathbf{j}] \cdot (2\mathbf{i} + 3\mathbf{j})dt = \int_2^1 [2(6t^2 + 3t) + 3(-9t^2 + 6t + 3)]dt \\ &= \int_2^1 (-15t^2 + 24t + 9)dt = (-5t^3 + 12t^2 + 9t) \Big|_2^1 = -10 \end{aligned}$$

(2) C_1 : 連接 P_1P_2 的線段 $x = 5, dx = 0, d\mathbf{r} = dy\mathbf{j}$

$\mathbf{F} = xy\mathbf{i} + (3x - y^2)\mathbf{j} = 5y\mathbf{i} + (15 - y^2)\mathbf{j}$

$$\int_{C_1} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} = \int_{C_1} [5y\mathbf{i} + (15 - y^2)\mathbf{j}] \cdot dy\mathbf{j} = \int_6^3 (15 - y^2)dy = \left(15y - \frac{y^3}{3}\right) \Big|_6^3 = 18$$

C_2 : 連接 P_2P_3 的線段 $y = 3, dy = 0, d\mathbf{r} = dx\mathbf{i}$

$\mathbf{F} = xy\mathbf{i} + (3x - y^2)\mathbf{j} = 3x\mathbf{i} + (3x - 9)\mathbf{j}$

$$\int_{C_2} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} = \int_{C_2} [3x\mathbf{i} + (3x - 9)\mathbf{j}] \cdot dx\mathbf{i} = \int_5^3 3x dx = \left(\frac{3x^2}{2}\right) \Big|_5^3 = -24$$

$$\int_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} = \int_{C_1} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} + \int_{C_2} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} = 18 + (-24) = -6$$

(3) $\mathbf{F}$ 不是保守場，因為線積分值與路徑有關。

