

Vector Analysis for quantum mechanics
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Here we show Mathematica programs for the calculations of Laplacian, gradient, divergence, and rotation in the spherical co-ordinates and the cylindrical co-ordinates, as well as the Cartesian co-ordinates. These programs are very useful for the discussions on a variety of topics, such as the central field problem on the electron motion near a hydrogen atom.

1. Gradient ∇

$$\nabla\varphi \ (\varphi; \text{scalar}) \quad \text{Nabra, gradient, del}$$

The gradient φ is defined as

$$\nabla\varphi = \hat{x}\frac{\partial\varphi}{\partial x} + \hat{y}\frac{\partial\varphi}{\partial y} + \hat{z}\frac{\partial\varphi}{\partial z} = \left(\frac{\partial\varphi}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial\varphi}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial\varphi}{\partial z}\right); \quad \text{gradient of the scalar } \varphi$$

((Example))

$$f=f(r)$$

$$\text{with } r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla f(r) &= \hat{x}\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} + \hat{y}\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} + \hat{z}\frac{\partial f}{\partial z} \\ &= \hat{x}\frac{df}{dr}\frac{\partial r}{\partial x} + \hat{y}\frac{df}{dr}\frac{\partial r}{\partial y} + \hat{z}\frac{df}{dr}\frac{\partial r}{\partial z} \\ &= \frac{1}{r}\frac{df}{dr}(x\hat{x} + y\hat{y} + z\hat{z}) \\ &= \frac{\mathbf{r}}{r}\frac{df}{dr} = \hat{\mathbf{r}}\frac{df}{dr} \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\frac{\partial r}{\partial x} = \frac{x}{r}, \quad \frac{\partial r}{\partial y} = \frac{y}{r}, \quad \frac{\partial r}{\partial z} = \frac{z}{r}.$$

2. Divergence

Now we define the divergence of the vector as

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{F} = \frac{\partial F_x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial F_y}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial F_z}{\partial z}.$$

- (A) $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{F}$ is a real scalar.
(B) **Definition of solenoid**

$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0$. \leftrightarrow \mathbf{B} is said to be solenoid.

3. $\nabla \times \mathbf{F}$

We define the rotation of the vector as

$$\mathbf{W} = \nabla \times \mathbf{F} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{x} & \hat{y} & \hat{z} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ F_x & F_y & F_z \end{vmatrix}.$$

4. Successive application of ∇

- (i) $\nabla \cdot (\nabla \varphi)$

This is defined by a Laplacian,

$$\nabla \cdot \nabla \varphi = \nabla^2 \varphi = \frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial z^2}.$$

The equation $\nabla^2 \varphi = 0$ is called as the *Laplace equation*.

- (ii) $\nabla \varphi$ is irrotational.

$$\nabla \times (\nabla \varphi) = 0,$$

since

$$\nabla \times (\nabla \varphi) = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{x} & \hat{y} & \hat{z} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial z} \end{vmatrix} = 0.$$

Thus $\nabla\varphi$ is irrotational.

(iii) $(\nabla \times \mathbf{F})$ is solenoid.

$$\nabla \cdot (\nabla \times \mathbf{F}) = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ F_x & F_y & F_z \end{vmatrix} = 0.$$

(iv) Formula

$$\nabla \times (\nabla \times \mathbf{F}) = \nabla(\nabla \cdot \mathbf{F}) - \nabla^2 \mathbf{F}.$$

((Proof))

We use the formula given by

$$\mathbf{A} \times (\mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{C}) = \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{C}) - (\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B})\mathbf{C}.$$

with $\mathbf{A} = \nabla$, $\mathbf{B} = \nabla$, and $\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{F}$. Then we find

$$\nabla \times (\nabla \times \mathbf{F}) = \nabla(\nabla \cdot \mathbf{F}) - \nabla^2 \mathbf{F}.$$

((Example)) Calculations

If $\mathbf{A} = (x^2y, -2xz, 2yz)$, find $\nabla \times \mathbf{A}$, $\nabla \times (\nabla \times \mathbf{A})$, and $\nabla \times (\nabla \times (\nabla \times \mathbf{A}))$.

We use the Mathematica.

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Clear["Gobal`"];

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SetCoordinates[Cartesian[x, y, z]];

A1 = {x^2 y, -2 x z, 2 y z};

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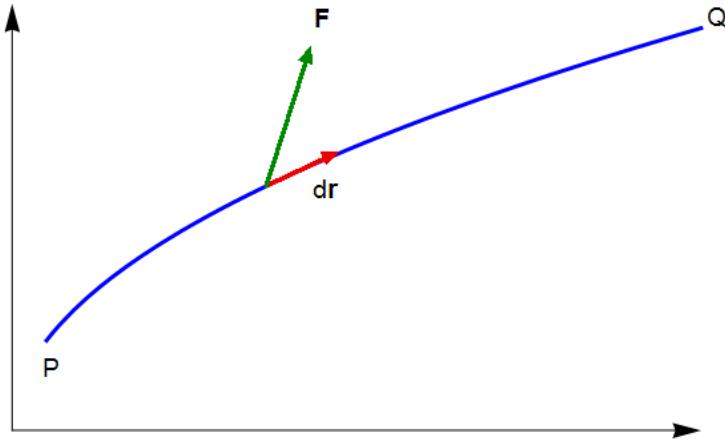
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5. Line and surface integral

We consider about the line integral

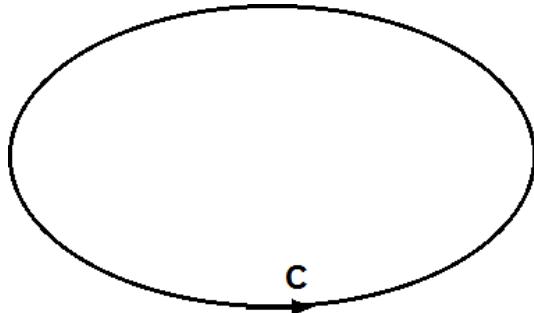


$$I = \int_{PQ} \mathbf{A} \cdot d\mathbf{r},$$

where $|d\mathbf{r}| = ds$ and the tangential component is assumed to be A_s

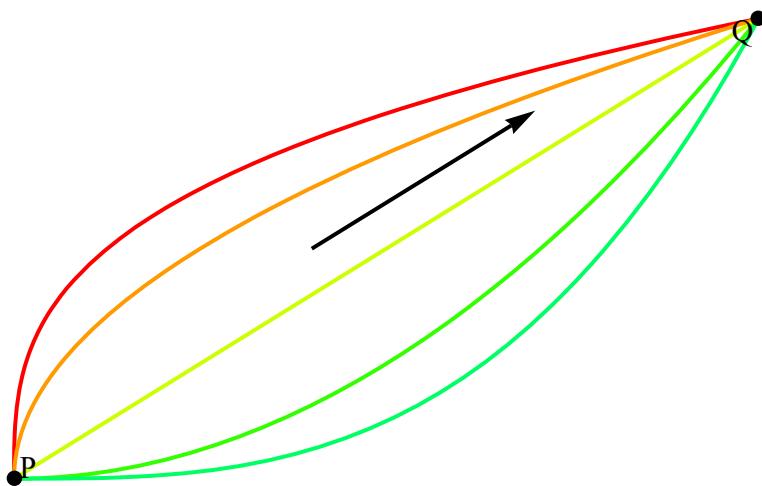
$$I = \int_{PQ} A_s ds.$$

If the contour is closed, we can write down as



$$\oint \mathbf{A} \cdot d\mathbf{r} .$$

In general the line integral depends on the choice of path. If $\mathbf{F} = \nabla \varphi$ (φ ; scalar)



$$I = \int_{PQ} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} = \int_{PQ} \nabla \varphi \cdot d\mathbf{r} = \varphi(Q) - \varphi(P) .$$

This value does not depend on the path of integral.

6. Surface Integral

$\hat{\mathbf{n}}$ normal vector to the surface

$$d\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{n} da . \quad (da; \text{area element})$$

Then the surface integral is defined by

$$\int_S \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{a} = \int_S \mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{n} da .$$

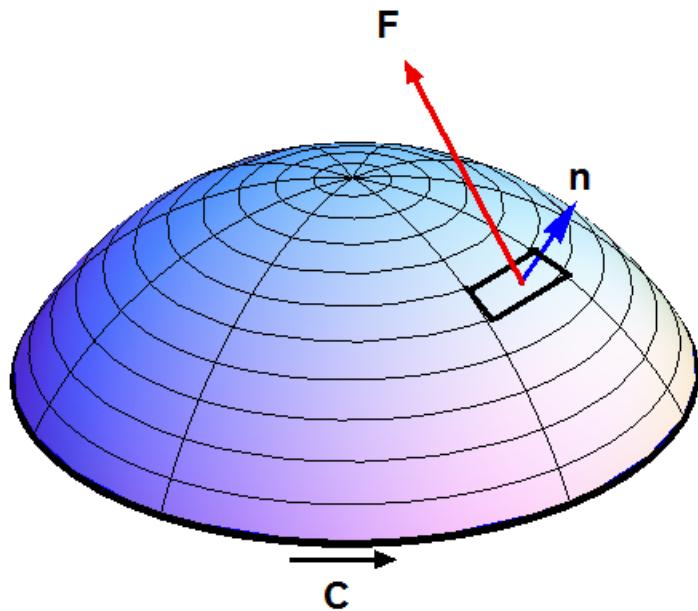
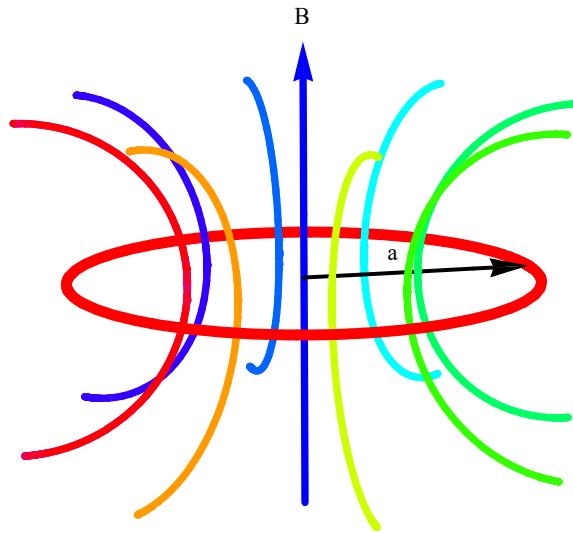


Fig. Right-hand rule for the positive normal.

If \mathbf{F} corresponds to the magnetic field; $\mathbf{F} = \mathbf{B}$,

$$\Phi = \int_S \mathbf{B} \cdot d\mathbf{a} \quad \text{is a magnetic flux through the area element } S.$$



7. Gauss's theorem

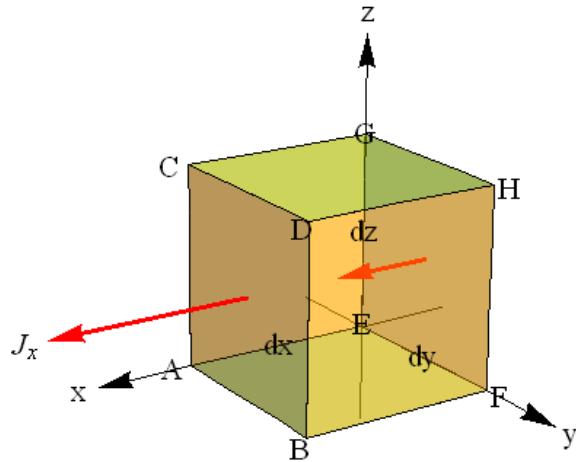
Here we define the volume integral as

$$\int_V \phi d\tau,$$

where ϕ is a scalar.

(i) Gauss's theorem

$$\int_V \nabla \cdot \mathbf{F} d\tau = \int_S \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{a} .$$



First we consider the physical interpretation of $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{F}$. Suppose that $\mathbf{F} = \mathbf{J}$ (current density). The current coming out through ABCD is

$$J_x|_{x=dx} dy dz = (J_x|_{x=0} + \frac{\partial J_x}{\partial x} dx) dy dz .$$

The current coming in through EFGH is equal to

$$J_x|_{x=0} dy dz .$$

Thus the net current through EFGH is equal to

$$\frac{\partial J_x}{\partial x} dx dy dz .$$

Thus the net current along the x direction through this small region is

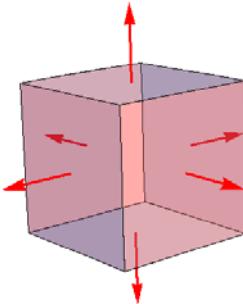
$$\frac{\partial J_x}{\partial x} dx dy dz.$$

Similarly for the y and z components, we have the net current along the y -direction and z -direction through the small region as

$$\frac{\partial J_y}{\partial y} dx dy dz, \quad \frac{\partial J_z}{\partial z} dx dy dz,$$

respectively. Therefore the net current coming out through the volume element $d\tau = dx dy dz$ can be expressed by

$$\sum_{\substack{\text{Six} \\ \text{surface}}} \mathbf{J} \cdot d\mathbf{a} = (\nabla \cdot \mathbf{J}) d\tau.$$

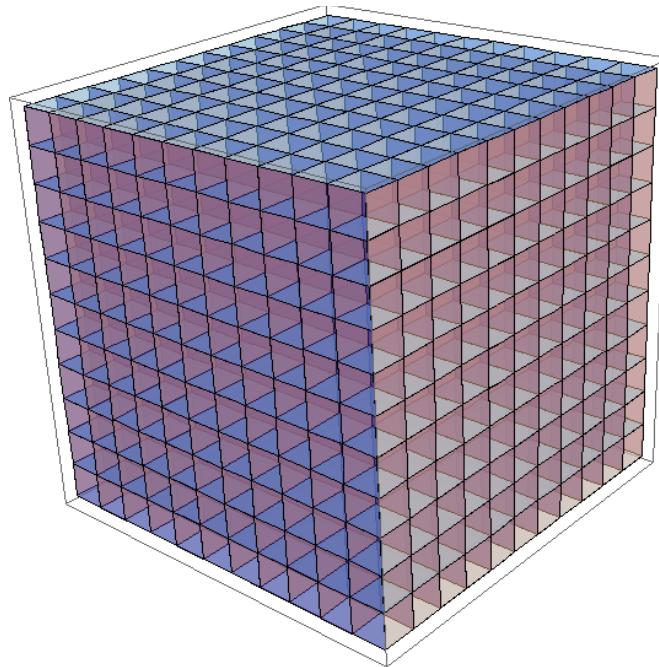
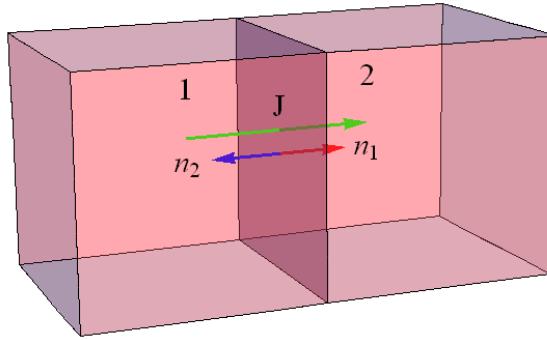


Summing over all parallel-pipes, we find that $\mathbf{J} \cdot d\mathbf{a}$ terms cancel out for all interior faces. Only the contributions of the exterior surface survive.

$$\sum_{\substack{\text{exterior} \\ \text{surface}}} \mathbf{J} \cdot d\mathbf{a} = \sum_{\substack{\text{volume} \\ \text{}}},$$

or

$$\int_A \mathbf{J} \cdot d\mathbf{a} = \int_V \nabla \cdot \mathbf{J} d\tau. \quad (\text{Gauss' theorem})$$



(ii) Gauss' theorem

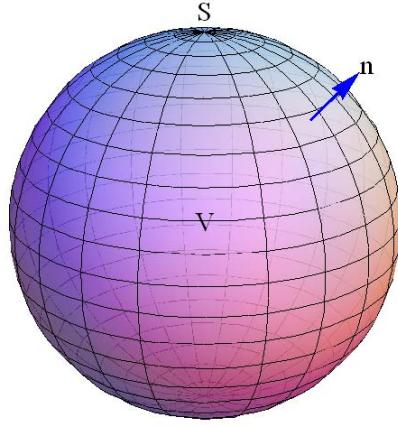
Let \mathbf{F} be a continuous and differentiable vector throughout a region V of the space. Then

$$\int_S \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{a} = \int_S \mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{n} da = \int_V \nabla \cdot \mathbf{F} d\tau,$$

where the surface integral is taken over the entire surface that encloses V .

((Example-1))

In the maxwell's equation, we have



$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{E} = \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0},$$

where ρ is the charge density. From the Gauss's law, we have

$$\int_V \nabla \cdot \mathbf{E} d\tau = \int_V \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0} d\tau = \int_S \mathbf{E} \cdot d\mathbf{a}.$$

We assume that the volume V is formed of sphere with radius r . From the symmetry, \mathbf{E} is perpendicular to the sphere surfaces,

$$\mathbf{E} = E_r \mathbf{e}_r.$$

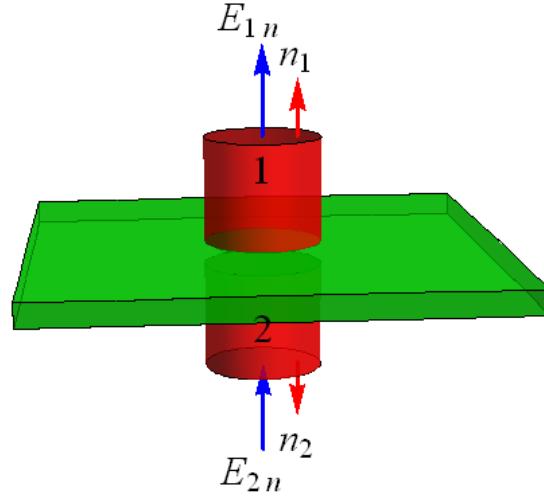
Thus we have

$$\int_V \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0} d\tau = \int_S E_r \mathbf{e}_r \cdot d\mathbf{a}.$$

Since $Q = \int_V \rho d\tau$, we get

$$E_r = \frac{Q}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r^2}. \quad (\text{Coulomb's law})$$

((Example-2))



$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{E} = 0,$$

if $\rho = 0$.

From the Gauss's law, we have

$$\int_V \nabla \cdot \mathbf{E} d\tau = \int_V \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0} d\tau = 0 = \int_S \mathbf{E} \cdot d\mathbf{a}.$$

E_{1n} and E_{2n} are the normal components of \mathbf{E}_1 and \mathbf{E}_2 . Then we have

$$(E_{1n} - E_{2n}) \Delta a = 0.$$

Therefore we have the boundary condition for \mathbf{E} as

$$E_{1n} = E_{2n}.$$

8. Green's theorem

$$\int_V (\psi \nabla^2 \phi - \phi \nabla^2 \psi) d\tau = \int_S (\psi \nabla \phi - \phi \nabla \psi) \cdot d\mathbf{a}.$$

((Proof)) In the Gauss's theorem, we put

$$\mathbf{A} = \psi \nabla \phi.$$

Then we have

$$I_1 = \int_V \nabla \cdot \mathbf{A} d\tau = \int_V \nabla \cdot (\psi \nabla \phi) d\tau = \int_S (\psi \nabla \phi) \cdot d\mathbf{a} .$$

Noting that

$$\nabla \cdot (\psi \nabla \phi) = \psi \nabla^2 \phi + \nabla \psi \cdot \nabla \phi ,$$

we have

$$I_1 = \int_V (\psi \nabla^2 \phi + \nabla \psi \cdot \nabla \phi) d\tau = \int_S (\psi \nabla \phi) \cdot d\mathbf{a} .$$

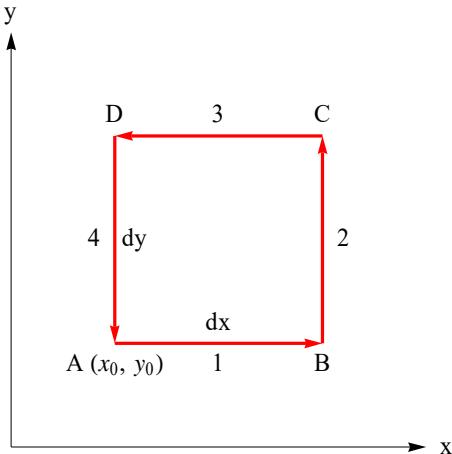
By replacing $\psi \leftrightarrow \phi$, we also have

$$I_1 = \int_V (\phi \nabla^2 \psi + \nabla \phi \cdot \nabla \psi) d\tau = \int_S (\phi \nabla \psi) \cdot d\mathbf{a} .$$

Thus we find the Green's theorem

$$I_1 - I_2 = \int_V (\psi \nabla^2 \phi - \phi \nabla^2 \psi) d\tau = \int_S (\psi \nabla \phi - \phi \nabla \psi) \cdot d\mathbf{a} .$$

9. Stokes' theorem



$$\begin{aligned}
\oint \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{l} &= (\text{circulation})_{1234} \\
&= \int_1 F_x dx + \int_2 F_y dy - \int_3 F_x dx - \int_4 F_y dy \\
&= \int_1 \{F_x(x, y_0) - F_x(x, y_0 + dy)\} dx + \int_2 \{F_y(x_0 + dx, y) - F_y(x_0, y)\} dy
\end{aligned}$$

Note that

$$\begin{aligned}
F_x(x, y_0 + dy) - F_x(x, y_0) &= \left(\frac{\partial F_x}{\partial y} \right)_{x_0, y_0} dy \\
F_y(x_0 + dx, y) - F_y(x_0, y) &= \left(\frac{\partial F_y}{\partial x} \right)_{x_0, y_0} dx
\end{aligned}$$

Then we have

$$(\text{circulation})_{1234} = \left(\frac{\partial F_y}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial F_x}{\partial y} \right) dx dy = (\nabla \times \mathbf{F})_z dx dy.$$

We can write down this as

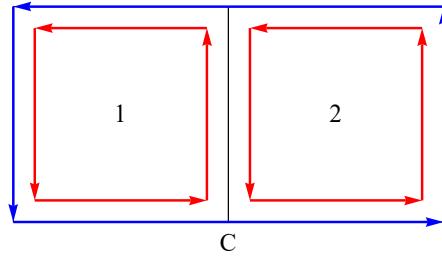
$$\sum_{\substack{\text{Four} \\ \text{sides}}} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{l} = (\nabla \times \mathbf{F}) \cdot \mathbf{e}_z dx dy = (\nabla \times \mathbf{F}) \cdot d\mathbf{a}_1,$$

where

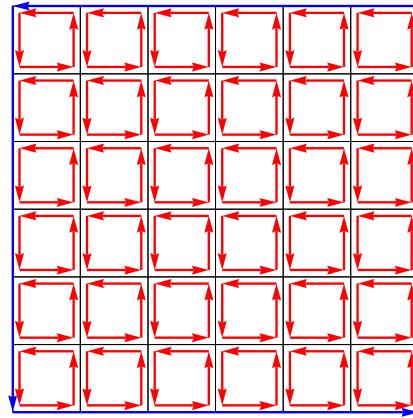
$$d\mathbf{a}_1 = \mathbf{e}_z dx dy.$$

Imagine that paths 1 and 2 are expanded out until they coalesce with path C (or path 3). Since the line integrals of \mathbf{F} along the portions that 1 and 2 have in common will cancel each other,

$$\begin{aligned}
&\oint_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{l} \\
&= \oint_1 \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{l} + \oint_2 \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{l} \\
&= (\nabla \times \mathbf{F}) \cdot d\mathbf{a}_1 + (\nabla \times \mathbf{F}) \cdot d\mathbf{a}_2 = \int_{1,2} (\nabla \times \mathbf{F}) \cdot d\mathbf{a}
\end{aligned}$$



Now let the surface S be divided up into a large number N of elements.



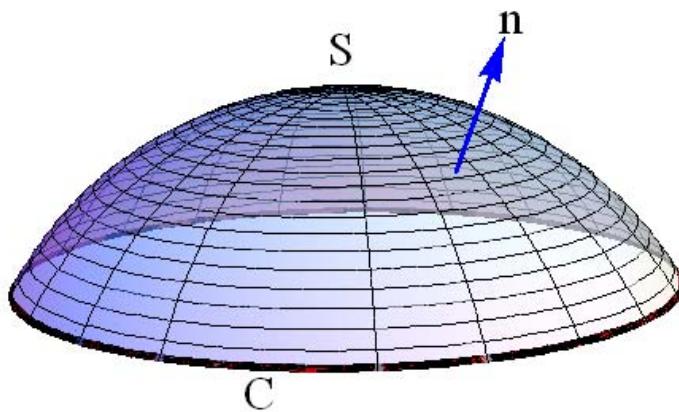
The above idea is extended to arrive at

$$\oint_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{l} = \int_S (\nabla \times \mathbf{F}) \cdot d\mathbf{a} .$$

((Stoke's theorem))

Let S be a surface of any shape bounded by a closed curve C. If F is a vector, then

$$\oint_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{l} = \int_S (\nabla \times \mathbf{F}) \cdot d\mathbf{a} = \int_S (\nabla \times \mathbf{F}) \cdot \mathbf{n} d\mathbf{a} .$$



10 Curvilinear co-ordinates

10.1 General definition

We consider that new co-ordinate (q_1, q_2, q_3) are related to (x, y, z) through

$$\begin{aligned} x &= x(q_1, q_2, q_3) & q_1 &= q_1(x, y, z) \\ y &= y(q_1, q_2, q_3) & \text{or} & q_2 = q_2(x, y, z) \\ z &= z(q_1, q_2, q_3) & q_3 &= q_3(x, y, z) \end{aligned}$$

Since

$$d\mathbf{r} = \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial q_1} dq_1 + \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial q_2} dq_2 + \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial q_3} dq_3 = \sum_j \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial q_j} dq_j,$$

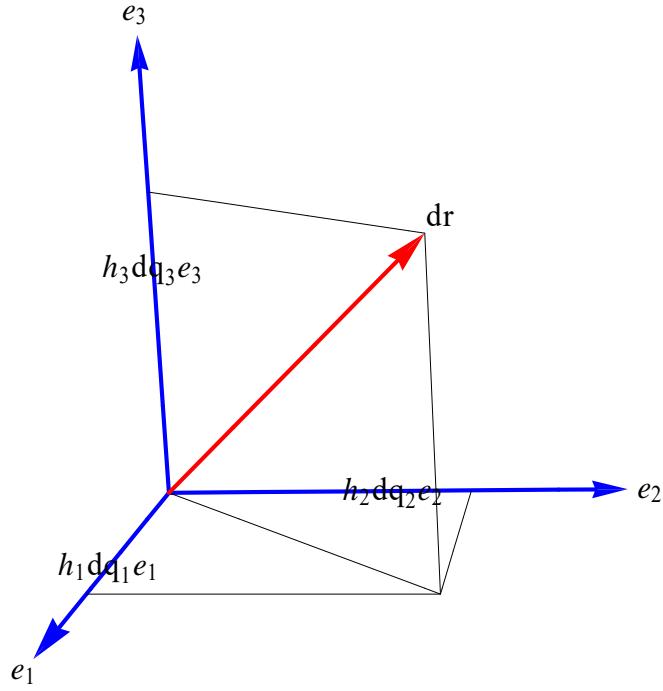
we have

$$ds^2 = d\mathbf{r} \cdot d\mathbf{r} = \sum_{i,j} \left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial q_i} \cdot \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial q_j} \right) dq_i dq_j = \sum_{i,j} g_{ij} dq_i dq_j,$$

where

$$g_{ij} = \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial q_i} \cdot \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial q_j} = \frac{\partial x}{\partial q_i} \cdot \frac{\partial x}{\partial q_j} + \frac{\partial y}{\partial q_i} \cdot \frac{\partial y}{\partial q_j} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial q_i} \cdot \frac{\partial z}{\partial q_j} \quad (\text{second rank tensor}).$$

We now consider the general coordinate system. The relation between the constants h_1 , h_2 , and h_3 and the tensor g_{ij} will be discussed later.



$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{dr} &= ds_1 \mathbf{e}_1 + ds_2 \mathbf{e}_2 + ds_3 \mathbf{e}_3 \\
 &= h_1 dq_1 \mathbf{e}_1 + h_2 dq_2 \mathbf{e}_2 + h_3 dq_3 \mathbf{e}_3 \\
 &= \sum_i h_i dq_i \mathbf{e}_i
 \end{aligned}$$

$$ds^2 = \mathbf{dr} \cdot \mathbf{dr} = \sum_{i,j} h_i h_j dq_i dq_j (\mathbf{e}_i \cdot \mathbf{e}_j),$$

or we have

$$g_{ij} = h_i h_j (\mathbf{e}_i \cdot \mathbf{e}_j),$$

or

$$g_{ii} = h_i^2.$$

Then

$$\frac{g_{ij}}{\sqrt{g_{ii} g_{jj}}} = (\mathbf{e}_i \cdot \mathbf{e}_j).$$

Now we limit ourselves to orthogonal co-ordinate system.

g_{ij} for $i \neq j$.

In order to simplify the notation, we use $g_{ii} = h_i^2$, so that

$$ds^2 = \sum_i (h_i dq_i)^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} d\mathbf{r} &= ds_1 \mathbf{e}_1 + ds_2 \mathbf{e}_2 + ds_3 \mathbf{e}_3 \\ &= h_1 dq_1 \mathbf{e}_1 + h_2 dq_2 \mathbf{e}_2 + h_3 dq_3 \mathbf{e}_3 \\ &= \sum_i h_i dq_i \mathbf{e}_i \end{aligned}$$

Where \mathbf{e}_1 , \mathbf{e}_2 , and \mathbf{e}_3 are unit vectors which are perpendicular to each other.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{e}_1 &= \frac{1}{h_1} \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial q_1} = \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial s_1} \\ \mathbf{e}_2 &= \frac{1}{h_2} \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial q_2} = \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial s_2} \\ \mathbf{e}_3 &= \frac{1}{h_3} \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial q_3} = \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial s_3} \end{aligned}$$

where

$$h_i^2 = g_{ii} = \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial q_i} \cdot \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial q_j},$$

or

$$h_i = \sqrt{g_{ii}} = \sqrt{\frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial q_i} \cdot \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial q_i}} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{\partial x}{\partial q_i} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial y}{\partial q_i} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial z}{\partial q_i} \right)^2}. \text{ (second rank tensor).}$$

The volume element for an orthogonal curvilinear coordinate system is given by

$$dV = h_1 dq_1 \mathbf{e}_1 \cdot \{(h_2 dq_2 \mathbf{e}_2) \times (h_3 dq_3 \mathbf{e}_3)\} = h_1 h_2 h_3 dq_1 dq_2 dq_3.$$

10.2 Spherical coordinate

(i) Unit vectors

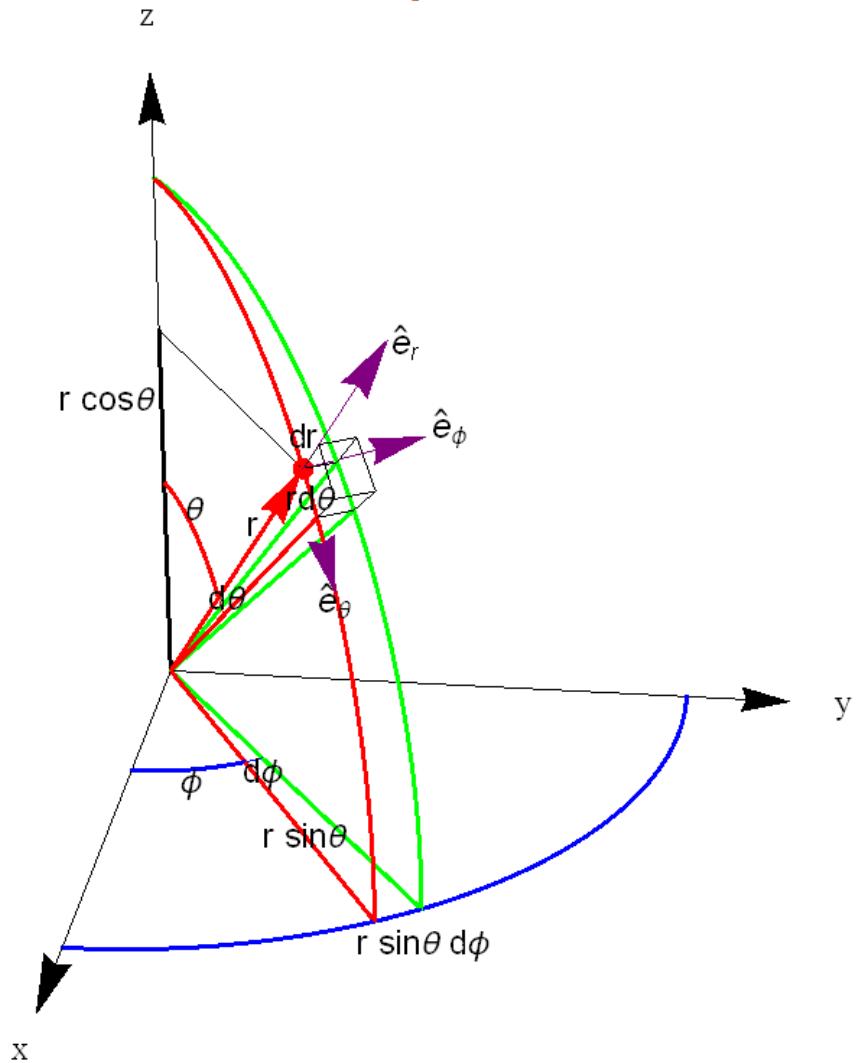
The position of a point P with Cartesian coordinates x , y , and z may be expressed in terms of r , θ , and ϕ of the spherical coordinates;

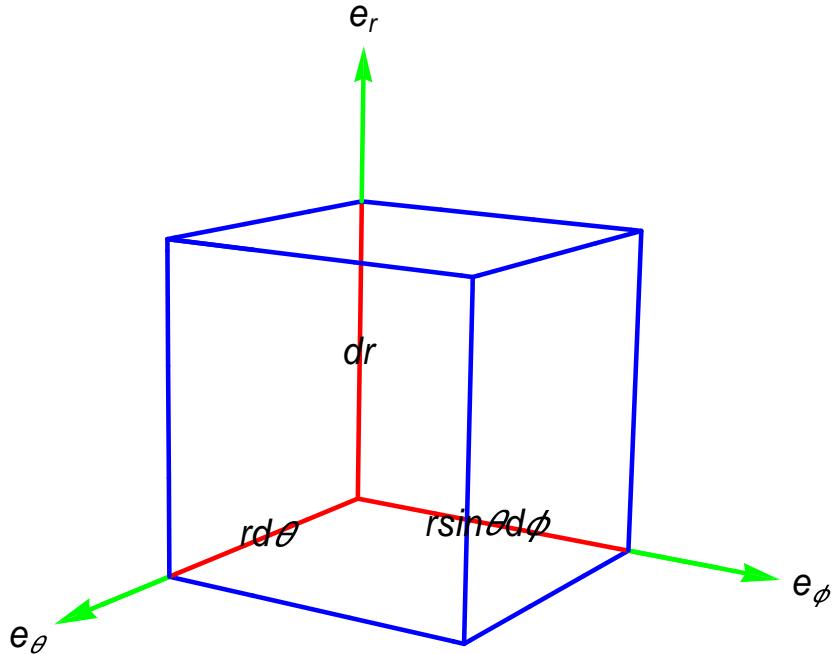
$$x = r \sin \theta \cos \phi, \quad y = r \sin \theta \sin \phi, \quad z = r \cos \theta,$$

or

$$\mathbf{r} = r \sin \theta \cos \phi \mathbf{e}_x + r \sin \theta \sin \phi \mathbf{e}_y + r \cos \theta \mathbf{e}_z,$$

$$d\mathbf{r} = \sum_{j=1}^3 \mathbf{e}_j ds_j = \sum_{j=1}^3 \mathbf{e}_j h_j dq_j.$$





$$h_r = \sqrt{\left(\frac{\partial x}{\partial r}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial y}{\partial r}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial z}{\partial r}\right)^2} = 1$$

$$h_\theta = \sqrt{\left(\frac{\partial x}{\partial \theta}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial y}{\partial \theta}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial z}{\partial \theta}\right)^2} = r$$

$$h_\phi = \sqrt{\left(\frac{\partial x}{\partial \phi}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial y}{\partial \phi}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial z}{\partial \phi}\right)^2} = r \sin \theta$$

or

$$d\mathbf{r} = h_r \mathbf{e}_r dr + h_\theta \mathbf{e}_\theta d\theta + h_\phi \mathbf{e}_\phi d\phi =_r \mathbf{e}_r dr + r \mathbf{e}_\theta d\theta + r \sin \theta \mathbf{e}_\phi d\phi,$$

$$\mathbf{e}_r = \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial r} = \sin \theta \cos \phi \mathbf{e}_x + \sin \theta \sin \phi \mathbf{e}_y + \cos \theta \mathbf{e}_z,$$

$$\mathbf{e}_\theta = \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial \theta} = \cos \theta \cos \phi \mathbf{e}_x + \cos \theta \sin \phi \mathbf{e}_y - \sin \theta \mathbf{e}_z,$$

$$\mathbf{e}_\phi = \frac{1}{r \sin \theta} \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial \phi} = -\sin \phi \mathbf{e}_x + \cos \phi \mathbf{e}_y.$$

This can be described using a matrix A as

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{e}_r \\ \mathbf{e}_\theta \\ \mathbf{e}_\phi \end{pmatrix} = A \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{e}_x \\ \mathbf{e}_y \\ \mathbf{e}_z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \sin \theta \cos \phi & \sin \theta \sin \phi & \cos \theta \\ \cos \theta \cos \phi & \cos \theta \sin \phi & -\sin \theta \\ -\sin \phi & \cos \phi & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{e}_x \\ \mathbf{e}_y \\ \mathbf{e}_z \end{pmatrix}.$$

or by using the inverse matrix A^{-1} as

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{e}_x \\ \mathbf{e}_y \\ \mathbf{e}_z \end{pmatrix} = A^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{e}_r \\ \mathbf{e}_\theta \\ \mathbf{e}_\phi \end{pmatrix} = A^T \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{e}_r \\ \mathbf{e}_\theta \\ \mathbf{e}_\phi \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \sin \theta \cos \phi & \cos \theta \cos \phi & -\sin \phi \\ \sin \theta \sin \phi & \cos \theta \sin \phi & \cos \phi \\ \cos \theta & -\sin \theta & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{e}_r \\ \mathbf{e}_\theta \\ \mathbf{e}_\phi \end{pmatrix}.$$

or

$$\mathbf{e}_x = \sin \theta \cos \phi \mathbf{e}_r + \cos \theta \cos \phi \mathbf{e}_\theta - \sin \phi \mathbf{e}_\phi,$$

$$\mathbf{e}_y = \sin \theta \sin \phi \mathbf{e}_r + \cos \theta \sin \phi \mathbf{e}_\theta + \cos \phi \mathbf{e}_\phi,$$

$$\mathbf{e}_z = \cos \theta \mathbf{e}_r - \sin \theta \mathbf{e}_\theta.$$

in the spherical coordinate systems.

(ii) Solid angle

An object's solid angle in steradians is equal to the area of the segment of a unit sphere, centered at the angle's vertex, that the object covers. A solid angle in steradians equals the area of a segment of a unit sphere in the same way a planar angle in radians equals the length of an arc of a unit circle.

The area element dA :

$$dA = (rd\theta)(r \sin \theta d\phi) = r^2 \sin \theta d\theta d\phi = r^2 d\Omega.$$

where the solid $d\Omega$ is given by

$$\sin \theta d\theta d\phi = d\Omega.$$

The volume element:

$$dV = dr dA = r^2 dr d\Omega.$$

(iii) $\nabla \psi$

From the definition of $\nabla \psi$, we have

$$\nabla \psi = \sum_{j=1}^3 \mathbf{e}_j \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial s_j} = \sum_{j=1}^3 \mathbf{e}_j \frac{\partial \psi}{h_j \partial q_j},$$

or,

$$\nabla = \mathbf{e}_r \frac{\partial}{\partial r} + \mathbf{e}_\theta \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} + \mathbf{e}_\phi \frac{1}{r \sin \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi},$$

where ψ is a scalar function of r , θ , and ϕ .

(iv) $\nabla \cdot A$

When a vector A is defined by

$$A = A_r \mathbf{e}_r + A_\theta \mathbf{e}_\theta + A_\phi \mathbf{e}_\phi.$$

The divergence is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla \cdot A &= \frac{1}{h_r h_\theta h_\phi} \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial r} (h_\theta h_\phi A_r) + \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} (h_\phi h_r A_\theta) + \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} (h_r h_\theta A_\phi) \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{r^2 \sin \theta} \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial r} (r^2 \sin \theta A_r) + \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} (r \sin \theta A_\theta) + \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} (r A_\phi) \right] \end{aligned}$$

or

$$\nabla \cdot A = \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} (r^2 A_r) + \frac{1}{r \sin \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} (\sin \theta A_\theta) + \frac{1}{r \sin \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} A_\phi.$$

(v) $\nabla \times A$

$\nabla \times A$ is given by

$$\nabla \times A = \frac{1}{h_r h_\theta h_\phi} \begin{vmatrix} h_r \mathbf{e}_r & h_\theta \mathbf{e}_\theta & h_\phi \mathbf{e}_\phi \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial r} & \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} & \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} \\ h_r A_r & h_\theta A_\theta & h_\phi A_\phi \end{vmatrix} = \frac{1}{r^2 \sin \theta} \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{e}_r & r \mathbf{e}_\theta & r \sin \theta \mathbf{e}_\phi \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial r} & \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} & \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} \\ A_r & r A_\theta & r \sin \theta A_\phi \end{vmatrix}$$

(vi) Laplacian

$$\begin{aligned}
\nabla^2 \psi &= \frac{1}{h_r h_\theta h_\phi} \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(\frac{h_\theta h_\phi}{h_r} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left(\frac{h_\phi h_r}{h_\theta} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial \theta} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} \left(\frac{h_r h_\theta}{h_\phi} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial \phi} \right) \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{r^2 \sin \theta} \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(r^2 \sin \theta \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left(\sin \theta \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial \theta} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} \left(\frac{1}{\sin \theta} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial \phi} \right) \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{r^2 \sin \theta} \left[\sin \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(r^2 \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left(\sin \theta \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial \theta} \right) + \frac{1}{\sin \theta} \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial \phi^2} \right]
\end{aligned}$$

or

$$\begin{aligned}
\nabla^2 \psi &= \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(r^2 \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{1}{r^2 \sin \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left(\sin \theta \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial \theta} \right) + \frac{1}{r^2 \sin^2 \theta} \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial \phi^2} \\
&= \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(r \psi \right) + \frac{1}{r^2 \sin \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left(\sin \theta \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial \theta} \right) + \frac{1}{r^2 \sin^2 \theta} \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial \phi^2}
\end{aligned}$$

We can rewrite the first term of the right hand side as

$$\frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(r^2 \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial r} \right) = \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(r \psi \right),$$

which can be useful in shortening calculations.

Note that we also use the expression for the operator

$$\begin{aligned}
\nabla^2 &= \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(r^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{1}{r^2 \sin \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left(\sin \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \right) + \frac{1}{r^2 \sin^2 \theta} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \phi^2} \\
&= \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(r^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{1}{r^2} \left\{ \frac{1}{\sin \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left(\sin \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \right) + \frac{1}{\sin^2 \theta} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \phi^2} \right\}
\end{aligned}$$

11. Mathematica-1

We derive the above formula using the Mathematica.

We use the Spherical co-ordinate.

We need a Vector Analysis Package. We also need SetCoordinates. In this system the vector is expressed in terms of (A_r, A_θ, A_ϕ)

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Clear["Global`"];
Gra := Grad[#, {r, \theta, \phi}, "Spherical"] &;
Diva := Div[#, {r, \theta, \phi}, "Spherical"] &;
Curla := Curl[#, {r, \theta, \phi}, "Spherical"] &;
Lap := Laplacian[#, {r, \theta, \phi}, "Spherical"] &;

eq1 = Lap[\psi[r, \theta, \phi]] // Simplify


$$\frac{1}{r^2} \left( \csc[\theta]^2 \psi^{(0,0,2)}[r, \theta, \phi] + \cot[\theta] \psi^{(0,1,0)}[r, \theta, \phi] + \psi^{(0,2,0)}[r, \theta, \phi] + 2r \psi^{(1,0,0)}[r, \theta, \phi] + r^2 \psi^{(2,0,0)}[r, \theta, \phi] \right)$$


eq2 = Gra[\psi[r, \theta, \phi]]

$$\left\{ \psi^{(1,0,0)}[r, \theta, \phi], \frac{\psi^{(0,1,0)}[r, \theta, \phi]}{r}, \frac{\csc[\theta] \psi^{(0,0,1)}[r, \theta, \phi]}{r} \right\}$$

A = {Ar[r, \theta, \phi], A\theta[r, \theta, \phi], A\phi[r, \theta, \phi]};

eq3 = Curla[A] // Simplify


$$\begin{aligned} & \left\{ \frac{1}{r} \left( A\phi[r, \theta, \phi] \cot[\theta] - \csc[\theta] A\theta^{(0,0,1)}[r, \theta, \phi] + A\phi^{(0,1,0)}[r, \theta, \phi] \right), \right. \\ & - \frac{1}{r} \left( A\phi[r, \theta, \phi] - \csc[\theta] Ar^{(0,0,1)}[r, \theta, \phi] + r A\phi^{(1,0,0)}[r, \theta, \phi] \right), \\ & \left. \frac{1}{r} \left( A\theta[r, \theta, \phi] - Ar^{(0,1,0)}[r, \theta, \phi] + r A\theta^{(1,0,0)}[r, \theta, \phi] \right) \right\} \end{aligned}$$


eq3 = Diva[A] // Simplify


$$\frac{1}{r} \left( 2 Ar[r, \theta, \phi] + A\theta[r, \theta, \phi] \cot[\theta] + \csc[\theta] A\phi^{(0,0,1)}[r, \theta, \phi] + A\theta^{(0,1,0)}[r, \theta, \phi] + r Ar^{(1,0,0)}[r, \theta, \phi] \right)$$


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12. Quantum mechanical orbital angular momentum

The orbital angular momentum in the quantum mechanics is defined by

$$\mathbf{L} = \mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{p} = -i\hbar(\mathbf{r} \times \nabla),$$

using the expression

$$\nabla = \mathbf{e}_r \frac{\partial}{\partial r} + \mathbf{e}_\theta \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} + \mathbf{e}_\phi \frac{1}{r \sin \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi},$$

in the spherical coordinate. Then we have

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{L} &= -i\hbar(\mathbf{r} \times \nabla) = -i\hbar \mathbf{e}_r r \times (\mathbf{e}_r \frac{\partial}{\partial r} + \mathbf{e}_\theta \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} + \mathbf{e}_\phi \frac{1}{r \sin \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi}) \\ &= i\hbar(-\mathbf{e}_\phi \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} + \mathbf{e}_\theta \frac{1}{\sin \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi})\end{aligned}$$

The angular momentum L_x , L_y , and L_z (Cartesian components) can be described by

$$\mathbf{L} = i\hbar[-(-\sin \phi \mathbf{e}_x + \cos \phi \mathbf{e}_y) \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} + (\cos \theta \cos \phi \mathbf{e}_x + \cos \theta \sin \phi \mathbf{e}_y - \sin \theta \mathbf{e}_z) \frac{1}{\sin \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi}].$$

or

$$L_x = i\hbar(\sin \phi \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} + \cot \theta \cos \phi \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi}),$$

$$L_y = i\hbar(-\cos \phi \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} + \cot \theta \sin \phi \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi}),$$

$$L_z = -i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi}.$$

We define L_+ and L_- as

$$L_+ = L_x + iL_y = -i\hbar e^{i\phi} \left(i \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} - \cot \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} \right),$$

and

$$L_- = L_x - iL_y = -i\hbar e^{-i\phi} \left(-i \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} - \cot \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} \right).$$

We note that the operator ∇ can be expressed using the operator \mathbf{L} as

$$\nabla = \mathbf{e}_r \frac{\partial}{\partial r} - \frac{i}{\hbar} \frac{\mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{L}}{r^2}.$$

The proof of this equation is given as follows.

$$\frac{(\mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{L})}{i\hbar} = r\mathbf{e}_r \times (-\mathbf{e}_\phi \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} + \mathbf{e}_\theta \frac{1}{\sin \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi}) = r(\mathbf{e}_\theta \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} + \mathbf{e}_\phi \frac{1}{\sin \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi}),$$

or

$$\frac{(\mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{L})}{i\hbar r^2} = \frac{1}{r} \mathbf{e}_\theta \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} + \mathbf{e}_r \frac{1}{r \sin \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} = \nabla - \mathbf{e}_r \frac{\partial}{\partial r},$$

or

$$\nabla = \mathbf{e}_r \frac{\partial}{\partial r} - \frac{i(\mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{L})}{\hbar r^2}.$$

From $\mathbf{L}^2 = L_x^2 + L_y^2 + L_z^2$, we have

$$\mathbf{L}^2 = -\hbar^2 \left[\frac{1}{\sin^2 \theta} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \phi^2} + \frac{1}{\sin \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} (\sin \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta}) \right],$$

where the proof is given by Mathematica. Using

$$\frac{\mathbf{L}^2}{\hbar^2} = -r^2 \nabla^2 + \frac{\partial}{\partial r} (r^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial r}),$$

we can also prove that

$$r \nabla^2 - \nabla \left(1 + r \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \right) = \frac{i}{\hbar} \nabla \times \mathbf{L}.$$

((Note))

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla^2 &= -\frac{1}{\hbar^2 r^2} \mathbf{L}^2 + \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(r^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \right) \\ &= -\frac{1}{\hbar^2 r^2} \mathbf{L}^2 + \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(r^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \right) \\ &= -\frac{1}{\hbar^2 r^2} \mathbf{L}^2 + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} (r)\end{aligned}$$

13. Mathematica

((Arfken))

2.5.13 From Exercise 2.5.12 show that

$$-i \left(x \frac{\partial}{\partial y} - y \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \right) = -i \frac{\partial}{\partial \varphi}.$$

This is the quantum mechanical operator corresponding to the z -component of orbital angular momentum.

((Arfken))

2.5.14 With the quantum mechanical orbital angular momentum operator defined as $\mathbf{L} = -i(\mathbf{r} \times \nabla)$, show that

$$(a) \quad L_x + iL_y = e^{i\varphi} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} + i \cot \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial \varphi} \right),$$

$$(b) \quad L_x - iL_y = -e^{-i\varphi} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} - i \cot \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial \varphi} \right).$$

((Arfken))

2.5.15 Verify that $\mathbf{L} \times \mathbf{L} = i\mathbf{L}$ in spherical polar coordinates. $\mathbf{L} = -i(\mathbf{r} \times \nabla)$, the quantum mechanical orbital angular momentum operator.

Hint. Use spherical polar coordinates for \mathbf{L} but Cartesian components for the cross product.

((Arfken))

2.5.16 (a) From Eq. (2.46) show that

$$\mathbf{L} = -i(\mathbf{r} \times \nabla) = i \left(\hat{\theta} \frac{1}{\sin \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \varphi} - \hat{\phi} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \right).$$

(b) Resolving $\hat{\theta}$ and $\hat{\phi}$ into Cartesian components, determine L_x , L_y , and L_z in terms of θ , φ , and their derivatives.

(c) From $L^2 = L_x^2 + L_y^2 + L_z^2$ show that

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{L}^2 &= -\frac{1}{\sin \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left(\sin \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \right) - \frac{1}{\sin^2 \theta} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \varphi^2} \\ &= -r^2 \nabla^2 + \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(r^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \right).\end{aligned}$$

((Arfken))

2.5.17 With $\mathbf{L} = -i\mathbf{r} \times \nabla$, verify the operator identities

$$(a) \quad \nabla = \hat{\mathbf{r}} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} - i \frac{\mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{L}}{r^2},$$

$$(b) \quad \mathbf{r} \nabla^2 - \nabla \left(1 + r \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \right) = i \nabla \times \mathbf{L}.$$

((Arfken))

2.5.18 Show that the following three forms (spherical coordinates) of $\nabla^2 \psi(r)$ are equivalent:

$$(a) \quad \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{d}{dr} \left[r^2 \frac{d\psi(r)}{dr} \right]; \quad (b) \quad \frac{1}{r} \frac{d^2}{dr^2} [r\psi(r)]; \quad (c) \quad \frac{d^2\psi(r)}{dr^2} + \frac{2}{r} \frac{d\psi(r)}{dr}.$$

((Mathematica))

Vector analysis

Angular momentum in the spherical coordinates

Here we use the angular momentum operator in the unit of $\hbar=1$

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Clear["Global`"];
ux = {Sin[\theta] Cos[\phi], Cos[\theta] Cos[\phi], -Sin[\phi]};
uy = {Sin[\theta] Sin[\phi], Cos[\theta] Sin[\phi], Cos[\phi]};
uz = {Cos[\theta], -Sin[\theta], 0};
ur = {1, 0, 0};

Lap := Laplacian[#, {r, \theta, \phi}, "Spherical"] &;
Gra := Grad[#, {r, \theta, \phi}, "Spherical"] &;
Diva := Div[#, {r, \theta, \phi}, "Spherical"] &;
Curla := Curl[#, {r, \theta, \phi}, "Spherical"] &;

L := (-I (Cross[(ur r), Gra[#]]) &) // Simplify;
Lx := (ux.L[#] &) // Simplify; Ly := (uy.L[#] &) // Simplify;
Lz := (uz.L[#] &) // Simplify;
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Arfken 2.5 .16 (a)

$$\mathbf{L} = -i(\mathbf{r} \times \nabla) = i \left(\hat{\theta} \frac{1}{\sin \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \varphi} - \hat{\phi} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \right).$$

L[\psi[r, \theta, \phi]] // Simplify

$$\{ 0, I \csc[\theta] \psi^{(0,0,1)}[r, \theta, \phi], -I \psi^{(0,1,0)}[r, \theta, \phi] \}$$

Arfken 2.5.14, 2.5.16(b)

$$L_x + iL_y = e^{i\varphi} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial\theta} + i \cot\theta \frac{\partial}{\partial\varphi} \right),$$

$$L_x - iL_y = -e^{-i\varphi} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial\theta} - i \cot\theta \frac{\partial}{\partial\varphi} \right).$$

$$\mathbf{Lz} = -i \left(x \frac{\partial}{\partial y} - y \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \right) = -i \frac{\partial}{\partial\varphi}.$$

Lx[ψ[r, θ, φ]] // FullSimplify

$$\Re \left(\cos[\phi] \cot[\theta] \psi^{(0,0,1)}[r, \theta, \phi] + \sin[\phi] \psi^{(0,1,0)}[r, \theta, \phi] \right)$$

Lx[ψ[r, θ, φ]] + **i Ly**[ψ[r, θ, φ]] // Simplify

$$(\cos[\phi] + \Re \sin[\phi]) \left(\Re \cot[\theta] \psi^{(0,0,1)}[r, \theta, \phi] + \psi^{(0,1,0)}[r, \theta, \phi] \right)$$

Lx[ψ[r, θ, φ]] - **i Ly**[ψ[r, θ, φ]] // TrigToExp // FullSimplify

$$(\Re \cos[\phi] + \sin[\phi]) \left(\cot[\theta] \psi^{(0,0,1)}[r, \theta, \phi] + \Re \psi^{(0,1,0)}[r, \theta, \phi] \right)$$

Lz[ψ[r, θ, φ]] // Simplify

$$-\Re \psi^{(0,0,1)}[r, \theta, \phi]$$

Arfkem 2.5 .15

$$\mathbf{L} \times \mathbf{L} = i\mathbf{L}$$

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Lx[Ly[ψ[r, θ, φ]]] - Ly[Lx[ψ[r, θ, φ]]] - i Lz[ψ[r, θ, φ]] // Simplify
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0

Arfken 2.5.16(c)

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{L}^2 &= -\frac{1}{\sin \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left(\sin \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \right) - \frac{1}{\sin^2 \theta} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \varphi^2} \\ &= -r^2 \nabla^2 + \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(r^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \right).\end{aligned}$$

```
eq1 = Lx[Lx[ψ[r, θ, φ]]] + Ly[Ly[ψ[r, θ, φ]]] + Lz[Lz[ψ[r, θ, φ]]] // Expand // FullSimplify
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$$-\csc[\theta]^2 \psi^{(0,0,2)}[r, \theta, \phi] - \cot[\theta] \psi^{(0,1,0)}[r, \theta, \phi] - \psi^{(0,2,0)}[r, \theta, \phi]$$

```
eq2 = -r^2 Lap[ψ[r, θ, φ]] + D[r^2 D[ψ[r, θ, φ], r], r] // Simplify
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$$-\csc[\theta]^2 \psi^{(0,0,2)}[r, \theta, \phi] - \cot[\theta] \psi^{(0,1,0)}[r, \theta, \phi] - \psi^{(0,2,0)}[r, \theta, \phi]$$

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eq1 - eq2 // Simplify
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0

$$\text{Arfken 2.5.17(a)} \quad \nabla = \hat{\mathbf{r}} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} - i \frac{\mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{L}}{r^2},$$

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eq3 = ur D[ψ[r, θ, φ], r] - ix Cross[1/r ur, L[ψ[r, θ, φ]]] // Simplify
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$$\left\{ \psi^{(1,0,0)}[r, \theta, \phi], \frac{\psi^{(0,1,0)}[r, \theta, \phi]}{r}, \frac{\text{Csc}[\theta] \psi^{(0,0,1)}[r, \theta, \phi]}{r} \right\}$$

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eq4 = Gra[ψ[r, θ, φ]]
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$$\left\{ \psi^{(1,0,0)}[r, \theta, \phi], \frac{\psi^{(0,1,0)}[r, \theta, \phi]}{r}, \frac{\text{Csc}[\theta] \psi^{(0,0,1)}[r, \theta, \phi]}{r} \right\}$$

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eq3 - eq4 // Simplify
```

$$\{0, 0, 0\}$$

Arfken 2.5.17 (b) $\mathbf{r}\nabla^2 - \nabla\left(1 + r\frac{\partial}{\partial r}\right) = i\nabla \times \mathbf{L}$.

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eq5 = ur r Lap[ψ[r, θ, φ]] // Simplify
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$$\left\{ \frac{1}{r} \left(\text{Csc}[\theta]^2 \psi^{(0,0,2)}[r, \theta, \phi] + \text{Cot}[\theta] \psi^{(0,1,0)}[r, \theta, \phi] + \psi^{(0,2,0)}[r, \theta, \phi] + 2r \psi^{(1,0,0)}[r, \theta, \phi] + r^2 \psi^{(2,0,0)}[r, \theta, \phi] \right), 0, 0 \right\}$$

```
eq6 = Gra[ψ[r, θ, φ] + r D[ψ[r, θ, φ], r]] // Simplify
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$$\left\{ 2 \psi^{(1,0,0)} [r, \theta, \phi] + r \psi^{(2,0,0)} [r, \theta, \phi], \right. \\ \frac{\psi^{(0,1,0)} [r, \theta, \phi]}{r} + \psi^{(1,1,0)} [r, \theta, \phi], \\ \left. \frac{\csc[\theta] (\psi^{(0,0,1)} [r, \theta, \phi] + r \psi^{(1,0,1)} [r, \theta, \phi])}{r} \right\}$$

eq7 = i Curla[L[ψ[r, θ, φ]]] // Simplify

$$\left\{ \frac{1}{r} \right. \\ \left(\csc[\theta]^2 \psi^{(0,0,2)} [r, \theta, \phi] + \cot[\theta] \psi^{(0,1,0)} [r, \theta, \phi] + \psi^{(0,2,0)} [r, \theta, \phi] \right), \\ - \frac{\psi^{(0,1,0)} [r, \theta, \phi] + r \psi^{(1,1,0)} [r, \theta, \phi]}{r}, \\ \left. - \frac{\csc[\theta] (\psi^{(0,0,1)} [r, \theta, \phi] + r \psi^{(1,0,1)} [r, \theta, \phi])}{r} \right\}$$

seq1 = eq5 - eq6 - eq7 // Simplify

{0, 0, 0}

The form of $\nabla^2\psi(r)$ can be expressed by

Arfken 2.5.18 (a) $\frac{1}{r^2} \frac{d}{dr} \left[r^2 \frac{d\psi(r)}{dr} \right]$; (b) $\frac{1}{r} \frac{d^2}{dr^2} [r\psi(r)]$; (c) $\frac{d^2\psi(r)}{dr^2} + \frac{2}{r} \frac{d\psi(r)}{dr}$.

eq8 = Lap[x[r]] // FullSimplify

$$\frac{2 \chi'[r]}{r} + \chi''[r]$$

eq9 = 1/r^2 D[r^2 D[x[r], r], r] // FullSimplify

$$\frac{2 \chi'[r]}{r} + \chi''[r]$$

eq10 = 1/r D[r x[r], {r, 2}] // FullSimplify

$$\frac{2 \chi'[r]}{r} + \chi''[r]$$

14. Radial momentum operator in the quantum mechanics

- (a) In classical mechanics, the radial momentum of the radius r is defined by

$$p_{rc} = \frac{1}{r}(\mathbf{r} \cdot \mathbf{p}) .$$

- (b) In quantum mechanics, this definition becomes ambiguous since the component of p and r do not commute. Since pr should be Hermitian operator, we need to define as the radial momentum of the radius r is defined by

$$p_{rq} = \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{\mathbf{r}}{r} \cdot \mathbf{p} + \mathbf{p} \cdot \frac{\mathbf{r}}{r}\right) .$$

This symmetric expression is indeed the canonical conjugate of r .

$$p_{rq}r - rp_{rq} = \frac{\hbar}{i} .$$

Note that

$$p_{rq} = (-i\hbar)\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial r} + \frac{1}{r}\right) = (-i\hbar)\frac{1}{r}\frac{\partial}{\partial r}r .$$

((Mathematica))

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Clear["Global`"];
ur = {1, 0, 0};
Gra := Grad[#, {r, θ, φ}, "Spherical"] &;
Diva := Div[#, {r, θ, φ}, "Spherical"] &;
prc := 
$$\left( \frac{\hbar}{i} \nabla \cdot \mathbf{ur} \cdot \mathbf{Gra}[\#] + \frac{-i\hbar}{2} \nabla \cdot \mathbf{Diva}[\# \mathbf{ur}] \right) \&;$$

prq[pψ[r, θ, φ]] // Simplify
- 
$$\frac{i\hbar (\psi[r, \theta, \phi] + r \psi^{(1,0,0)}[r, \theta, \phi])}{r}$$


```

Commutation relation

```

prq[rψ[r, θ, φ]] - r prq[pψ[r, θ, φ]] // Simplify
- i $\hbar \psi[r, \theta, \phi]$ 

```

15. Expression of the Laplacian in the spherical coordinate

Here we redefine p_{rq} simplily as

$$p_r = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\mathbf{r} \cdot \mathbf{p}}{r} + \mathbf{p} \cdot \frac{\mathbf{r}}{r} \right).$$

We show that

$$-\hbar^2 \nabla^2 = p_r^2 + \frac{\mathbf{L}^2}{r^2},$$

by using the Mathematica. The total Hamiltonian H can be expressed by

$$H = \frac{1}{2m} \mathbf{p}^2 + V(r) = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla^2 + V(r) = \frac{1}{2m} p_r^2 + \frac{\mathbf{L}^2}{2mr^2} + V(r).$$

The effective potential $V_{eff}(r)$ is defined as

$$V_{\text{eff}}(r) = V(r) + \frac{\hbar^2}{2mr^2} l(l+1).$$

((Mathematica)) Spherical coordinate

```

Clear["Global`"]; Clear[r]
ux = {Sin[\theta] Cos[\phi], Cos[\theta] Cos[\phi], -Sin[\phi]}; 
uy = {Sin[\theta] Sin[\phi], Cos[\theta] Sin[\phi], Cos[\phi]}; 
uz = {Cos[\theta], -Sin[\theta], 0}; ur = {1, 0, 0};
L := 
(-I \hbar
 (Cross[(ur r), Grad[#, {r, \theta, \phi},
 "Spherical"]]) &) // Simplify;
Lx := (ux.L[#]) &; Ly := (uy.L[#]) &;
Lz := (uz.L[#]) &;
Lap := Laplacian[#, {r, \theta, \phi}, "Spherical"] &;
Gra := Grad[#, {r, \theta, \phi}, "Spherical"] &;
DivA := Div[#, {r, \theta, \phi}, "Spherical"] &;
Cur := Curl[#, {r, \theta, \phi}, "Spherical"] &;
prq := 
\left(\frac{-I \hbar}{2} \{1, 0, 0\}.Gra[\#] - 
\frac{I \hbar}{2} DivA[\#\{1, 0, 0\}]\) &;
```

```

prq[x[r, θ, φ]] // Simplify

$$-\frac{\frac{1}{i} \hbar (\chi[r, \theta, \phi] + r \chi^{(1,0,0)}[r, \theta, \phi])}{r}$$


eq1 = Nest[prq, x[r, θ, φ], 2] // Simplify;
eq2 =

$$\frac{1}{r^2} (\text{Lx}[\text{Lx}[x[r, \theta, \phi]]] + \text{Ly}[\text{Ly}[x[r, \theta, \phi]]] +$$


$$\text{Lz}[\text{Lz}[x[r, \theta, \phi]]]) // FullSimplify;$$


eq12 = eq1 + eq2 // Simplify


$$-\frac{1}{r^2} \hbar^2 \left( \csc[\theta]^2 \chi^{(0,0,2)}[r, \theta, \phi] + \right.$$


$$\left. \cot[\theta] \chi^{(0,1,0)}[r, \theta, \phi] + \chi^{(0,2,0)}[r, \theta, \phi] + \right.$$


$$\left. 2 r \chi^{(1,0,0)}[r, \theta, \phi] + r^2 \chi^{(2,0,0)}[r, \theta, \phi] \right)$$


eq3 = -h^2 Lap[x[r, θ, φ]] // Simplify

$$-\frac{1}{r^2} \hbar^2 \left( \csc[\theta]^2 \chi^{(0,0,2)}[r, \theta, \phi] + \right.$$


$$\left. \cot[\theta] \chi^{(0,1,0)}[r, \theta, \phi] + \chi^{(0,2,0)}[r, \theta, \phi] + \right.$$


$$\left. 2 r \chi^{(1,0,0)}[r, \theta, \phi] + r^2 \chi^{(2,0,0)}[r, \theta, \phi] \right)$$


eq12 - eq3 // FullSimplify

```

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16 Cylindrical coordinates

The position of a point in space P having Cartesian coordinates x, y, and z may be expressed in terms of cylindrical co-ordinates

$$x = \rho \cos \phi, \quad y = \rho \sin \phi, \quad z = z.$$

The position vector \mathbf{r} is written as

$$\mathbf{r} = \rho \cos \phi \mathbf{e}_x + \rho \sin \phi \mathbf{e}_y + z \mathbf{e}_z,$$

$$d\mathbf{r} = \sum_{j=1}^3 \mathbf{e}_j h_j dq_j = \mathbf{e}_\rho d\rho + \mathbf{e}_\phi \rho d\phi + \mathbf{e}_z dz,$$

where

$$h_1 = h_\rho = 1$$

$$h_2 = h_\phi = \rho$$

$$h_3 = h_z = 1$$

The unit vectors are written as

$$\mathbf{e}_\rho = \frac{1}{h_\rho} \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial \rho} = \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial \rho} = \cos \phi \mathbf{e}_x + \sin \phi \mathbf{e}_y$$

$$\mathbf{e}_\phi = \frac{1}{h_\phi} \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial \phi} = \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial \phi} = -\sin \phi \mathbf{e}_x + \cos \phi \mathbf{e}_y$$

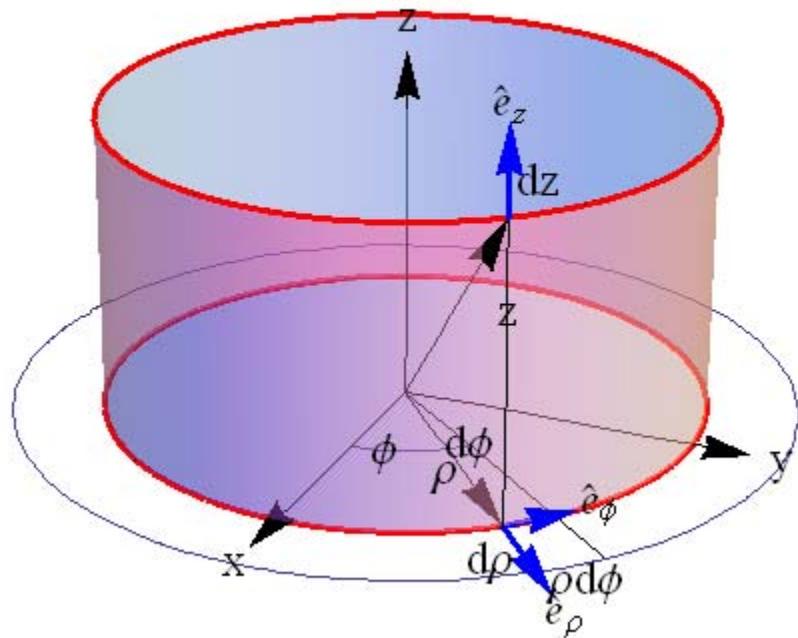
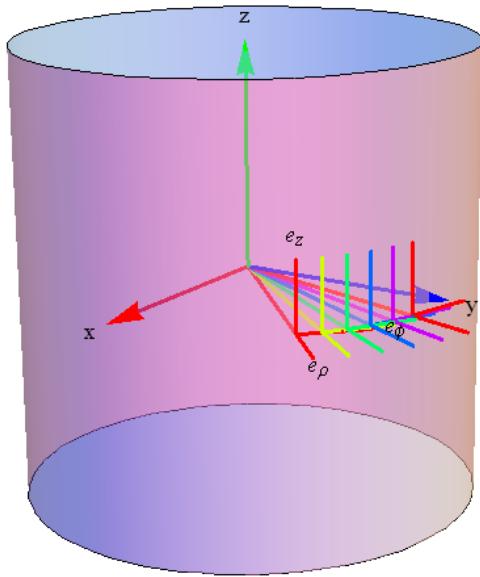
$$\mathbf{e}_z = \frac{1}{h_z} \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial z} = \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial z} = \mathbf{e}_z$$

The above expression can be described using a matrix A as

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{e}_\rho \\ \mathbf{e}_\phi \\ \mathbf{e}_z \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{A} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{e}_x \\ \mathbf{e}_y \\ \mathbf{e}_z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \phi & \sin \phi & 0 \\ -\sin \phi & \cos \phi & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{e}_x \\ \mathbf{e}_y \\ \mathbf{e}_z \end{pmatrix}.$$

or by using the inverse matrix A^{-1} as

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{e}_x \\ \mathbf{e}_y \\ \mathbf{e}_z \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{A}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{e}_\rho \\ \mathbf{e}_\phi \\ \mathbf{e}_z \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{A}^T \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{e}_\rho \\ \mathbf{e}_\phi \\ \mathbf{e}_z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \phi & -\sin \phi & 0 \\ \sin \phi & \cos \phi & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{e}_\rho \\ \mathbf{e}_\phi \\ \mathbf{e}_z \end{pmatrix}.$$



17. Differential operations in the cylindrical coordinate

The differential operations involving ∇ are as follows.

$$\nabla \psi = \mathbf{e}_\rho \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial \rho} + \mathbf{e}_\phi \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial \phi} + \mathbf{e}_z \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial z},$$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{V} = \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial}{\partial \rho} (\rho V_\rho) + \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} V_\phi + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} V_z,$$

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{V} = \frac{1}{\rho} \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{e}_\rho & \rho \mathbf{e}_\phi & \mathbf{e}_z \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial \rho} & \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ V_\rho & \rho V_\phi & V_z \end{vmatrix},$$

$$\nabla^2 \psi = \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial}{\partial \rho} (\rho \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial \rho}) + \frac{1}{\rho^2} \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial \phi^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial z^2}.$$

where \mathbf{V} is a vector and ψ is a scalar.

18 Mathematica for the cylindrical coordinate

Vector analysis

Angular momentum in the cylindrical coordinates

Here we use the angular momentum operator in the unit of $\hbar=1$

```
Clear["Global`"];
r1 = Sqrt[z^2 + rho^2];
ux = {Cos[phi], -Sin[phi], 0};
uy = {Sin[phi], Cos[phi], 0};
uz = {0, 0, 1};
r = {rho, 0, z};

ur = 1/r1 {rho, 0, z};
Gra := Grad[#, {rho, phi, z}, "Cylindrical"] &;
Lap := Laplacian[#, {rho, phi, z}, "Cylindrical"] &;
Curla := Curl[#, {rho, phi, z}, "Cylindrical"] &;
Div := Div[#, {rho, phi, z}, "Cylindrical"] &;
```

Vector analysis in the cylindrical coordinate

```
eq1 = Lap[psi[rho, phi, z]] // Simplify
```

$$\psi^{(0,0,2)}[\rho, \phi, z] + \frac{\psi^{(0,2,0)}[\rho, \phi, z]}{\rho^2} + \frac{\psi^{(1,0,0)}[\rho, \phi, z]}{\rho} + \psi^{(2,0,0)}[\rho, \phi, z]$$

```
eq2 = Gra[psi[rho, phi, z]] // Simplify
```

$$\left\{ \psi^{(1,0,0)}[\rho, \phi, z], \frac{\psi^{(0,1,0)}[\rho, \phi, z]}{\rho}, \psi^{(0,0,1)}[\rho, \phi, z] \right\}$$

```

B = {Bρ[ρ, φ, z], Bφ[ρ, φ, z], Bz[ρ, φ, z]};

eq3 = Curla[B] // Simplify

{-Bφ^(0,0,1)[ρ, φ, z] + Bz^(0,1,0)[ρ, φ, z] / ρ,
Bρ^(0,0,1)[ρ, φ, z] - Bz^(1,0,0)[ρ, φ, z],
Bφ[ρ, φ, z] - Bρ^(0,1,0)[ρ, φ, z] + ρ Bφ^(1,0,0)[ρ, φ, z]} / ρ

eq4 = Diva[B] // Simplify

Bz^(0,0,1)[ρ, φ, z] + Bρ[ρ, φ, z] + Bφ^(0,1,0)[ρ, φ, z] / ρ + Bρ^(1,0,0)[ρ, φ, z]

```

Angular momentum in the cylindrical coordinate

```

L := (-i Cross[r, Gra[#]]) &; Lx := (ux.L[#] &) // Simplify;
Ly := (uy.L[#] &) // Simplify;
Lz := (uz.L[#] &) // Simplify;

L[ψ[ρ, φ, z]] // Simplify

{i z ψ^(0,1,0)[ρ, φ, z] / ρ,
i (ρ ψ^(0,0,1)[ρ, φ, z] - z ψ^(1,0,0)[ρ, φ, z]), -i ψ^(0,1,0)[ρ, φ, z]}

```

Lx[$\psi[\rho, \phi, z]$] // **FullSimplify**

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{i} \left(-\rho \sin[\phi] \psi^{(0,0,1)}[\rho, \phi, z] + \right. \\ & \left. \frac{z \cos[\phi] \psi^{(0,1,0)}[\rho, \phi, z]}{\rho} + z \sin[\phi] \psi^{(1,0,0)}[\rho, \phi, z] \right) \end{aligned}$$

Ly[$\psi[\rho, \phi, z]$] // **FullSimplify**

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{i} \left(\rho \cos[\phi] \psi^{(0,0,1)}[\rho, \phi, z] + \right. \\ & \left. \frac{z \sin[\phi] \psi^{(0,1,0)}[\rho, \phi, z]}{\rho} - z \cos[\phi] \psi^{(1,0,0)}[\rho, \phi, z] \right) \end{aligned}$$

Lx[$\psi[\rho, \phi, z]$] + **i Ly**[$\psi[\rho, \phi, z]$] // **FullSimplify**

$$\frac{e^{\text{i} \phi} \left(-\rho^2 \psi^{(0,0,1)}[\rho, \phi, z] + \text{i} z \psi^{(0,1,0)}[\rho, \phi, z] + z \rho \psi^{(1,0,0)}[\rho, \phi, z] \right)}{\rho}$$

Lx[$\psi[\rho, \phi, z]$] - **i Ly**[$\psi[\rho, \phi, z]$] // **FullSimplify**

$$\frac{e^{-\text{i} \phi} \left(\rho^2 \psi^{(0,0,1)}[\rho, \phi, z] + \text{i} z \psi^{(0,1,0)}[\rho, \phi, z] - z \rho \psi^{(1,0,0)}[\rho, \phi, z] \right)}{\rho}$$

Lz[$\psi[\rho, \phi, z]$] // **Simplify**

$$-\text{i} \psi^{(0,1,0)}[\rho, \phi, z]$$

The commutation of the angular momentum in the cylindrical coordinate

```
eq5 = Lx[Ly[ψ[ρ, φ, z]]] - Ly[Lx[ψ[ρ, φ, z]]] - I Lz[ψ[ρ, φ, z]] // Simplify
```

0

L^2 in the cylindrical coordinate

```
eq6 = Lx[Lx[ψ[ρ, φ, z]]] + Ly[Ly[ψ[ρ, φ, z]]] + Lz[Lz[ψ[ρ, φ, z]]] // FullSimplify
2 z ψ(0,0,1) [ρ, φ, z] +
 $\frac{1}{ρ^2} \left( -ρ^4 ψ^{(0,0,2)} [ρ, φ, z] - (z^2 + ρ^2) ψ^{(0,2,0)} [ρ, φ, z] + \right.$ 
 $\rho \left( (-z^2 + ρ^2) ψ^{(1,0,0)} [ρ, φ, z] + \right.$ 
 $\left. \left. z ρ (2 ρ ψ^{(1,0,1)} [ρ, φ, z] - z ψ^{(2,0,0)} [ρ, φ, z]) \right) \right)$ 
```

Schrodionger equation with a speific wavefunction in the cylindrical coorrdinate

```
H1 = χ[ρ] Exp[I k z z] Exp[I m φ];
 $\left( \frac{-1}{2 μ} \text{Lap}[H1] + V[ρ] H1 \right) // Simplify$ 
 $\frac{e^{i(kz z+mφ)} \left( (m^2 + kz^2 ρ^2 + 2 μ ρ^2 V[ρ]) χ[ρ] - ρ (\chi'[ρ] + ρ \chi''[ρ]) \right)}{2 μ ρ^2}$ 
```

19. Expression of the Laplacian in the cylindrical coordinate

Here we redefine p_{rq} simply as

$$p_r = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\mathbf{r} \cdot \mathbf{p}}{r} + \mathbf{p} \cdot \frac{\mathbf{r}}{r} \right),$$

with the commutation relation

$$[r, p_r] = i\hbar,$$

where

$$r = \sqrt{ρ^2 + z^2}, \quad \mathbf{r} = ρ \mathbf{e}_ρ + z \mathbf{e}_z.$$

We show that

$$-\hbar^2 \nabla^2 = p_r^2 + \frac{L^2}{r^2},$$

by using the Mathematica.

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```
Clear["Global`"];
r1 = Sqrt[z^2 + ρ^2];
ux = {Cos[φ], -Sin[φ], 0};
uy = {Sin[φ], Cos[φ], 0};
uz = {0, 0, 1};
r = {ρ, 0, z};
ur = 1/r1 {ρ, 0, z};

Gra := Grad[#, {ρ, φ, z}, "Cylindrical"] &;
Lap := Laplacian[#, {ρ, φ, z}, "Cylindrical"] &;
Curla := Curl[#, {ρ, φ, z}, "Cylindrical"] &;
Diva := Div[#, {ρ, φ, z}, "Cylindrical"] &;
```

Angular momentum in the cylindrical coordinate

```
L := (-Ii h Cross[r, Gra[#]]) &; Lx := (ux.L[#] &) // Simplify;
Ly := (uy.L[#] &) // Simplify;
Lz := (uz.L[#] &) // Simplify;
```

The linear momentum in the cylindrical coordinate

```
prq := ((-Ii h ur.Gra[#] - Ii h Diva[# ur]) &);
prq[x[ρ, φ, z]] // Simplify
- Ii h (χ[ρ, φ, z] + z χ^(0,0,1)[ρ, φ, z] + ρ χ^(1,0,0)[ρ, φ, z])
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√(z^2 + ρ^2)
```

Commutation relation in the cylindrical coordinate

```
r1 prq[x[ρ, φ, z]] - prq[r1 x[ρ, φ, z]] // Simplify
Ii h χ[ρ, φ, z]
```

Proof of

$$-\hbar^2 \nabla^2 = p_r^2 + \frac{L^2}{r^2}$$

```
eq1 = Nest[prq, x[ρ, φ, z], 2] // Simplify
- 1/(z^2 + ρ^2) h^2 (2 z χ^(0,0,1)[ρ, φ, z] + z^2 χ^(0,0,2)[ρ, φ, z] +
ρ (2 χ^(1,0,0)[ρ, φ, z] + 2 z χ^(1,0,1)[ρ, φ, z] + ρ χ^(2,0,0)[ρ, φ, z])))

eq20 = (Lx[Lx[x[ρ, φ, z]]] + Ly[Ly[x[ρ, φ, z]]] + Lz[Lz[x[ρ, φ, z]]]) //
FullSimplify;
eq2 = eq20/r1^2 // Simplify
```

$$\begin{aligned}
& -\frac{1}{\rho^2(z^2 + \rho^2)} \hbar^2 (-2z\rho^2 \chi^{(0,0,1)}[\rho, \phi, z] + z^2 \chi^{(0,2,0)}[\rho, \phi, z] + \\
& \quad \rho(\rho^3 \chi^{(0,0,2)}[\rho, \phi, z] + z^2 \chi^{(1,0,0)}[\rho, \phi, z] + \rho(\chi^{(0,2,0)}[\rho, \phi, z] - \\
& \quad \rho(\chi^{(1,0,0)}[\rho, \phi, z] + 2z\chi^{(1,0,1)}[\rho, \phi, z]) + z^2 \chi^{(2,0,0)}[\rho, \phi, z])))
\end{aligned}$$

eq12 = eq1 + eq2 // FullSimplify

$$\begin{aligned}
& -\frac{1}{\rho^2} \hbar^2 (\chi^{(0,2,0)}[\rho, \phi, z] + \\
& \quad \rho(\chi^{(1,0,0)}[\rho, \phi, z] + \rho(\chi^{(0,0,2)}[\rho, \phi, z] + \chi^{(2,0,0)}[\rho, \phi, z])))
\end{aligned}$$

L² in the cylindrical coordinate

eq3 = -hbar^2 Lap[x[\rho, \phi, z]] // Expand // FullSimplify

$$\begin{aligned}
& -\frac{1}{\rho^2} \hbar^2 (\chi^{(0,2,0)}[\rho, \phi, z] + \\
& \quad \rho(\chi^{(1,0,0)}[\rho, \phi, z] + \rho(\chi^{(0,0,2)}[\rho, \phi, z] + \chi^{(2,0,0)}[\rho, \phi, z])))
\end{aligned}$$

eq12 - eq3 // Simplify

0

19 Jacobian

$$dV = dx dy dz = \frac{\partial(x, y, z)}{\partial(q_1, q_2, q_3)} dq_1 dq_2 dq_3 = h_1 h_2 h_3 dq_1 dq_2 dq_3.$$

Jacobian determinant is defined as;

$$\frac{\partial(x, y, z)}{\partial(q_1, q_2, q_3)} = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{\partial x}{\partial q_1} & \frac{\partial x}{\partial q_2} & \frac{\partial x}{\partial q_3} \\ \frac{\partial y}{\partial q_1} & \frac{\partial y}{\partial q_2} & \frac{\partial y}{\partial q_3} \\ \frac{\partial z}{\partial q_1} & \frac{\partial z}{\partial q_2} & \frac{\partial z}{\partial q_3} \end{vmatrix}.$$

(a) Spherical coordinate

$$h_1 h_2 h_3 dq_1 dq_2 dq_3 = h_r h_\theta h_\phi dr d\theta d\phi = r^2 \sin\theta dr d\theta d\phi.$$

(b) Cylindrical co-ordinate

$$h_1 h_2 h_3 dq_1 dq_2 dq_3 = h_\rho h_\phi h_z d\rho d\phi dz = \rho d\rho d\phi dz.$$

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This is the program to determine the Jacobian determinant.

JacobianDeterminant[pt, coordsys]:

to give the determinant of the Jacobian matrix of the transformation from the coordinate system coordinate system to the Cartesian coordinate system at the point pt.

Clear["Global`"]

Jacobian determinant for transformation from cylindrical to Cartesian coordinates:

```
jdet = JacobianDeterminant[{ρ, φ, z}, Cylindrical]  
ρ
```

Jacobian determinant for transformation from cylindrical to Spherical coordinates:

```
jdet = JacobianDeterminant[{r, θ, ϕ}, Spherical]  
r2 Sin[θ]
```

APPENDIX

Formula

$$\hat{\mathbf{x}} = \hat{\mathbf{r}} \sin \theta \cos \varphi + \hat{\theta} \cos \theta \cos \varphi - \hat{\phi} \sin \varphi,$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{y}} = \hat{\mathbf{r}} \sin \theta \sin \varphi + \hat{\theta} \cos \theta \sin \varphi + \hat{\phi} \cos \varphi,$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{z}} = \hat{\mathbf{r}} \cos \theta - \hat{\theta} \sin \theta.$$

$$\nabla \psi = \hat{\mathbf{r}} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial r} + \hat{\theta} \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial \theta} + \hat{\phi} \frac{1}{r \sin \theta} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial \varphi},$$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{V} = \frac{1}{r^2 \sin \theta} \left[\sin \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial r} (r^2 V_r) + r \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} (\sin \theta V_\theta) + r \frac{\partial V_\varphi}{\partial \varphi} \right],$$

$$\nabla \cdot \nabla \psi = \frac{1}{r^2 \sin \theta} \left[\sin \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(r^2 \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left(\sin \theta \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial \theta} \right) + \frac{1}{\sin \theta} \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial \varphi^2} \right],$$

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{V} = \frac{1}{r^2 \sin \theta} \begin{vmatrix} \hat{\mathbf{r}} & r \hat{\theta} & r \sin \theta \hat{\phi} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial r} & \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} & \frac{\partial}{\partial \varphi} \\ V_r & r V_\theta & r \sin \theta V_\varphi \end{vmatrix}.$$