

Problem 2: An idealized two-dimensional ocean is modeled by the square region $R = [-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}] \times [-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}]$, with boundary \mathcal{C} . Consider the stream function $\Psi(x, y) = 4 \cos(x) \cos(y)$ defined on R as shown in the figure below.

$$(\cos(0), \sin(0)) = (1, 0)$$

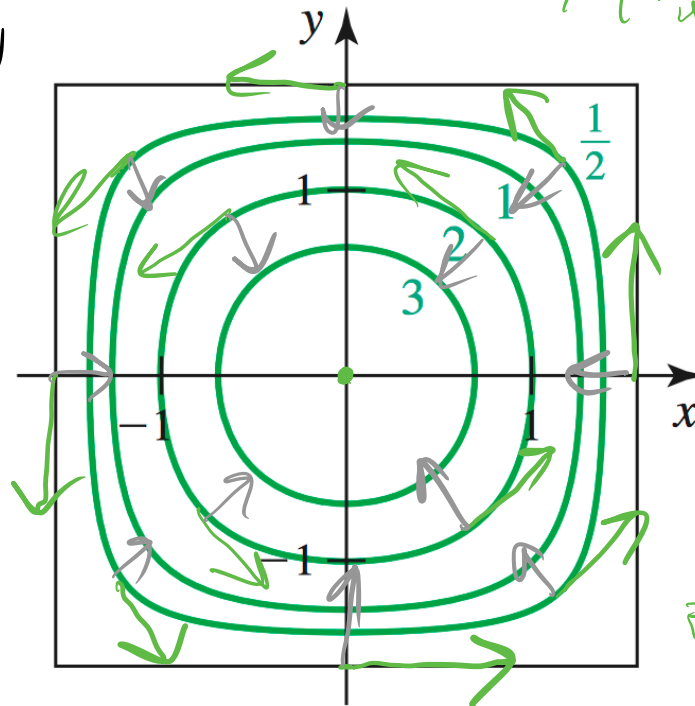


Figure 1: Some level curves of the stream function $\Psi(x, y)$.

(a) The horizontal (east-west) component of the velocity is $u = \Psi_y$ and the vertical (north-south) component of the velocity is $v = -\Psi_x$. Sketch a few representative velocity vectors and show that the flow is counterclockwise around the region.

(b) Is the velocity field source free? Explain.

(c) Is the velocity field irrotational? Explain.

(d) Find the total outward flux across \mathcal{C} .

(e) Find the circulation on \mathcal{C} assuming counterclockwise orientation.

$\vec{\nabla} \times \Psi \perp \vec{\nabla} \Psi$, so
 $\vec{\nabla} \times \Psi$ is tangent
 to level curves

$$\vec{\nabla} \Psi \cdot (\vec{\nabla} \times \Psi) = \Psi_x \cdot \Psi_y + \Psi_y \cdot (-\Psi_x) = 0$$

$$a) \vec{F} = \langle u, v \rangle = \vec{\nabla} \times \Psi = \langle \Psi_y, -\Psi_x \rangle$$

$$(\text{Compare to } \vec{\nabla} \Psi = \langle \Psi_x, \Psi_y \rangle)$$

$$\Psi(x, y) = 4 \cos(x) \cos(y) \rightarrow$$

$$\Psi_x(x, y) = -4 \sin(x) \cos(y), \quad \Psi_y = -4 \cos(x) \sin(y)$$

$$\rightarrow \vec{F} = \langle -4\cos(x)\sin(y), 4\sin(x)\cos(y) \rangle.$$

(x, y)	$\vec{F}(x, y)$
$(0, 0)$	$\langle 0, 0 \rangle$
$(\pi/4, \pi/4)$	$\langle -2, 2 \rangle$
$(-\pi/4, \pi/4)$	$\langle -2, -2 \rangle$
$(\pi/4, -\pi/4)$	$\langle 2, 2 \rangle$
$(-\pi/4, -\pi/4)$	$\langle 2, -2 \rangle$

$$\cos(\pi/4) = \sin(\pi/4) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

b) $\vec{F} = \langle u, v \rangle$ is source free
if and only if

$$\text{Div}(\vec{F}) = \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{F} = u_x + v_y = 0.$$

we now see that for $\vec{F} = \langle \underbrace{\psi_y}_u, \underbrace{-\psi_x}_v \rangle$

$$\rightarrow u_x + v_y = (\psi_y)_x + (-\psi_x)_y = \psi_{yx} - \psi_{xy} \stackrel{\text{Clairaut's}}{=} 0$$

so $\boxed{\vec{F} \text{ is source free.}}$

Clairaut's
Thm

c) $\vec{F} = \langle u, v \rangle$ is irrotational if and only if

$$\text{curl}(\vec{F}) = \partial_x \vec{F} = v_x - u_y = 0.$$

$$\vec{F} = \langle \underbrace{-4\cos(x)\sin(y)}_u, \underbrace{4\sin(x)\cos(y)}_v \rangle.$$

$$\begin{aligned} v_x - u_y &= (4\cos(x)\cos(y) - (-4\cos(x)\cos(y))) \\ &= 8\cos(x)\cos(y) \neq 0. \end{aligned}$$

(not identically 0)

→ \vec{F} is NOT irrotational.

If $\vec{F} = \vec{\nabla} \psi = \langle \underbrace{\psi_x}_u, \underbrace{\psi_y}_v \rangle$, then

$$v_x - u_y = (\psi_y)_x - (\psi_x)_y = \psi_{yx} - \psi_{xy} \stackrel{\text{Clairaut's Thm}}{=} 0$$

So \vec{F} is irrotational.

$$d) \text{ Flux } (C) = \int_C \vec{F} \cdot \vec{n} ds = \int \int_R \text{div}(\vec{F}) dA$$

(Flux form of Green's Thm)

$$= \int \int_R 0 dA = \boxed{0}$$

$$e) \text{ Circulation } (C) = \int_C \vec{F} \cdot \vec{T} ds = \int \int_R \text{curl}(\vec{F}) dA$$

(Circulation form of green's Thm)

$$= \int_{-\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \int_{-\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} 8 \cos(x) \cos(y) dx dy$$

$$= 8 \left(\int_{-\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos(x) dx \right) \left(\int_{-\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos(y) dy \right)$$

$$= 8 \left(\int_{-\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos(x) dx \right)^2$$

$$= 8 \left(\sin(x) \right) \Big|_{-\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \Big)^2$$

$$= 8(1 - (-1))^2 = 8 \cdot 2^2 = \boxed{32}$$
