

## 20.2: The Divergence Theorem

### Calculus III

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1. Find the divergence of the following vector fields:

$$\vec{F} = 3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j}, \quad (1)$$

$$\vec{F} = y\hat{i} - x\hat{j}, \quad (2)$$

$$\vec{F} = y^2\hat{i} - x^2\hat{j}, \quad (3)$$

$$\vec{F} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j}, \quad (4)$$

$$\vec{F} = x\hat{i} - y\hat{j}, \quad (5)$$

2. Consider the vector field  $\vec{F} = z^2\hat{k}$ . Calculate the total flux out of a cube of side  $c$ , centered at the point  $(1, 2, 3)$ . Do this two ways:

(a) By evaluating the flux integrals directly.

(b) By using the divergence theorem.

3. Consider the electric field  $\vec{E} = \vec{r}/r^3$ . We have seen that  $\nabla \cdot \vec{E} = 0, r \neq 0$ .

(a) Directly calculate the flux flowing out of a sphere of radius  $a$  centered at the origin.

(b) Can we use the divergence theorem to evaluate the flux integral? Why or why not?