

Exercise 5

Evaluate both sides of Eq. A.5-2 for the function $s(x, y, z) = x^2 + y^2 + z^2$. The volume V is the triangular prism lying between the two triangles whose vertices are $(2, 0, 0)$, $(2, 1, 0)$, $(2, 0, 3)$, and $(-2, 0, 0)$, $(-2, 1, 0)$, $(-2, 0, 3)$.

Solution

Eq. A.5-2 is the divergence theorem for scalars (as opposed to vectors),

$$\iiint_V \nabla s \, dV = \oint_S \mathbf{n} s \, dS,$$

where V is a closed volume and \mathbf{n} is a unit vector normal to its surface in the outward direction.

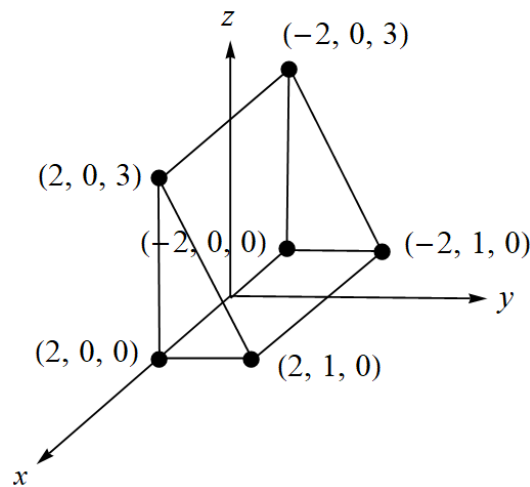


Figure 1: Schematic of the triangular prism with the given vertices.

The Left-hand Side

$$\begin{aligned} \iiint_V \nabla s \, dV &= \iiint_V \nabla(x^2 + y^2 + z^2) \, dV \\ &= \iiint_V (2x\boldsymbol{\delta}_x + 2y\boldsymbol{\delta}_y + 2z\boldsymbol{\delta}_z) \, dV \\ &= \int_{-2}^2 \int_0^1 \int_0^{3(1-y)} (2x\boldsymbol{\delta}_x + 2y\boldsymbol{\delta}_y + 2z\boldsymbol{\delta}_z) \, dz \, dy \, dx \\ &= \int_{-2}^2 \int_0^1 (2xz\boldsymbol{\delta}_x + 2yz\boldsymbol{\delta}_y + z^2\boldsymbol{\delta}_z) \Big|_0^{3(1-y)} \, dy \, dx \\ &= \int_{-2}^2 \int_0^1 [6x(1-y)\boldsymbol{\delta}_x + 6y(1-y)\boldsymbol{\delta}_y + 9(1-y)^2\boldsymbol{\delta}_z] \, dy \, dx \\ &= \int_{-2}^2 \left[6x \left(y - \frac{y^2}{2} \right) \boldsymbol{\delta}_x + 6 \left(\frac{y^2}{2} - \frac{y^3}{3} \right) \boldsymbol{\delta}_y + 9 \left(y - y^2 + \frac{y^3}{3} \right) \boldsymbol{\delta}_z \right] \Big|_0^1 \, dx \\ &= \int_{-2}^2 (3x\boldsymbol{\delta}_x + \boldsymbol{\delta}_y + 3\boldsymbol{\delta}_z) \, dx \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\iiint_V \nabla s \, dV &= \left(3\frac{x^2}{2}\delta_x + x\delta_y + 3x\delta_z \right) \Big|_{-2}^2 \\ &= 0\delta_x + 4\delta_y + 12\delta_z\end{aligned}$$

The Right-hand Side

The triangular prism has five faces, so the closed surface integral will split up into five double integrals.

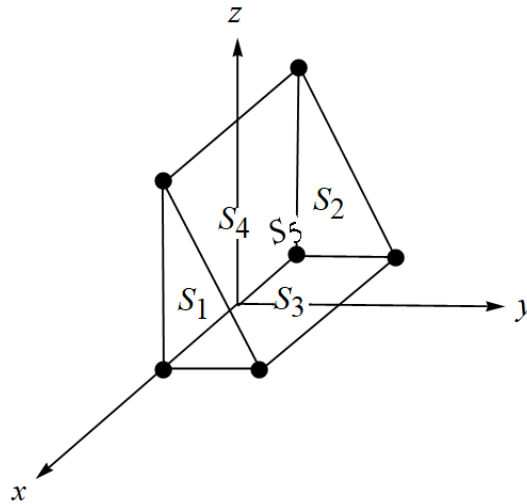


Figure 2: Schematic of the triangular prism with labeled faces.

$$\oiint_S \mathbf{n}_s \, dS = \iint_{S_1} \mathbf{n}_s \, dS + \iint_{S_2} \mathbf{n}_s \, dS + \iint_{S_3} \mathbf{n}_s \, dS + \iint_{S_4} \mathbf{n}_s \, dS + \iint_{S_5} \mathbf{n}_s \, dS$$

The outward unit vector normal to S_1 is δ_x , the outward unit vector normal to S_2 is $-\delta_x$, the outward unit vector normal to S_3 is $-\delta_z$, the outward unit vector normal to S_4 is $-\delta_y$, and the outward unit vector normal to S_5 is $0\delta_x + 3\delta_y + \delta_z$ divided by its magnitude.

$$\oiint_S \mathbf{n}_s \, dS = \iint_{S_1} \delta_x s \, dS + \iint_{S_2} (-\delta_x) s \, dS + \iint_{S_3} (-\delta_z) s \, dS + \iint_{S_4} (-\delta_y) s \, dS + \iint_{S_5} \frac{3\delta_y + \delta_z}{\sqrt{3^2 + 1^2}} s \, dS$$

The double integrals over S_1 and S_2 will be in dy and dz , the double integrals over S_3 and S_5 will be in dx and dy , and the double integral over S_4 will be in dx and dz .

$$\begin{aligned}\oiint_S \mathbf{n}_s \, dS &= \int_0^1 \int_0^{3(1-y)} \delta_x s \, dz \, dy + \int_0^1 \int_0^{3(1-y)} (-\delta_x) s \, dz \, dy + \int_{-2}^2 \int_0^1 (-\delta_z) s \, dy \, dx \\ &\quad + \int_{-2}^2 \int_0^3 (-\delta_y) s \, dz \, dx + \int_{-2}^2 \int_0^1 \frac{3\delta_y + \delta_z}{\sqrt{3^2 + 1^2}} s (\sqrt{3^2 + 1^2}) \, dy \, dx\end{aligned}$$

Factor out the unit vectors and bring the constants in front.

$$\begin{aligned} \oiint_S \mathbf{n}s \, dS &= \delta_x \left[\underbrace{\int_0^1 \int_0^{3(1-y)} s \, dz \, dy}_{S_1} - \underbrace{\int_0^1 \int_0^{3(1-y)} s \, dz \, dy}_{S_2} \right] \\ &\quad + \delta_y \left[- \underbrace{\int_{-2}^2 \int_0^3 s \, dz \, dx}_{S_4} + 3 \underbrace{\int_{-2}^2 \int_0^1 s \, dy \, dx}_{S_5} \right] \\ &\quad + \delta_z \left[- \underbrace{\int_{-2}^2 \int_0^1 s \, dy \, dx}_{S_3} + \underbrace{\int_{-2}^2 \int_0^1 s \, dy \, dx}_{S_5} \right] \end{aligned}$$

On S_1 , $x = 2$; on S_2 , $x = -2$; on S_3 , $z = 0$; on S_4 , $y = 0$; and on S_5 , $z = 3 - 3y$.

$$\begin{aligned} \oiint_S \mathbf{n}s \, dS &= \delta_x \left[\int_0^1 \int_0^{3(1-y)} (2^2 + y^2 + z^2) \, dz \, dy - \int_0^1 \int_0^{3(1-y)} [(-2)^2 + y^2 + z^2] \, dz \, dy \right] \\ &\quad + \delta_y \left[- \int_{-2}^2 \int_0^3 (x^2 + 0^2 + z^2) \, dz \, dx + 3 \int_{-2}^2 \int_0^1 [x^2 + y^2 + (3 - 3y)^2] \, dy \, dx \right] \\ &\quad + \delta_z \left[- \int_{-2}^2 \int_0^1 (x^2 + y^2 + 0^2) \, dy \, dx + \int_{-2}^2 \int_0^1 [x^2 + y^2 + (3 - 3y)^2] \, dy \, dx \right] \end{aligned}$$

The integrands of the first two double integrals are the same, so the integrals cancel.

$$\begin{aligned} \oiint_S \mathbf{n}s \, dS &= 0\delta_x + \delta_y \left[- \int_{-2}^2 \left(x^2 z + \frac{z^3}{3} \right) \Big|_0^3 dx + 3 \int_{-2}^2 \left[x^2 y + \frac{y^3}{3} + (9y - 9y^2 + 3y^3) \right] \Big|_0^1 dx \right] \\ &\quad + \delta_z \left[- \int_{-2}^2 \left(x^2 y + \frac{y^3}{3} \right) \Big|_0^1 dx + \int_{-2}^2 \left[x^2 y + \frac{y^3}{3} + (9y - 9y^2 + 3y^3) \right] \Big|_0^1 dx \right] \end{aligned}$$

Plug in the limits and simplify.

$$\begin{aligned} \oiint_S \mathbf{n}s \, dS &= 0\delta_x + \delta_y \left[- \int_{-2}^2 (3x^2 + 9) \, dx + 3 \int_{-2}^2 \left(x^2 + \frac{10}{3} \right) \, dx \right] \\ &\quad + \delta_z \left[- \int_{-2}^2 \left(x^2 + \frac{1}{3} \right) \, dx + \int_{-2}^2 \left(x^2 + \frac{10}{3} \right) \, dx \right] \end{aligned}$$

Evaluate the single integrals.

$$\oiint_S \mathbf{n}s \, dS = 0\delta_x + 4\delta_y + 12\delta_z$$

We conclude that the divergence theorem for scalars is verified.