

Q → Prove that (i)  $\text{div}(\vec{A} \times \vec{B}) = \vec{B} \cdot (\text{curl } \vec{A}) - \vec{A} \cdot (\text{curl } \vec{B})$ .

Proof →  $\text{div}(\vec{A} \times \vec{B}) = \nabla \cdot (\vec{A} \times \vec{B})$

$$= \sum i \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (\vec{A} \times \vec{B})$$

$$= \sum i \left( \frac{\partial \vec{A}}{\partial x} \times \vec{B} + \vec{A} \times \frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial x} \right)$$

$$= \sum i \frac{\partial \vec{A}}{\partial x} \times \vec{B} + \sum i \vec{A} \times \frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial x}$$

$$= \sum i \frac{\partial \vec{A}}{\partial x} \times \vec{B} - \sum i \frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial x} \times \vec{A} \quad [ \because \vec{A} \times \vec{B} = -\vec{B} \times \vec{A} ]$$

$$= \sum i \times \frac{\partial \vec{A}}{\partial x} \times \vec{B} - \sum i \times \frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial x} \cdot \vec{A}$$

$$= \sum \int i \times \frac{\partial \vec{A}}{\partial x} \int \vec{B} - \sum \int i \times \frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial x} \int \vec{A}$$

$$= (\nabla \times \vec{A}) \cdot \vec{B} - (\nabla \times \vec{B}) \cdot \vec{A}$$

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$$= \vec{B} \cdot (\text{curl } \vec{A}) - \vec{A} \cdot (\text{curl } \vec{B}) \quad \text{Proved}$$

2Q → Prove that  $\text{curl curl } \vec{A} = \text{grad div } \vec{A} - \nabla^2 \vec{A}$ .

Proof →  $\text{curl curl } \vec{A} = \nabla \times (\nabla \times \vec{A})$

$$= \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \hat{i} + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \hat{j} + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \hat{k} \right) \times \left( \frac{\partial \vec{A}}{\partial x} \hat{i} + \frac{\partial \vec{A}}{\partial y} \hat{j} + \frac{\partial \vec{A}}{\partial z} \hat{k} \right)$$

$$= \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \hat{i} + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \hat{j} + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \hat{k} \right) \times \left( \frac{\partial A_z}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial A_y}{\partial z} \right) \hat{i}$$

$$+ \left( \frac{\partial A_x}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial A_z}{\partial x} \right) \hat{j} + \left( \frac{\partial A_y}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial A_x}{\partial y} \right) \hat{k}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
&= \sum \hat{i} \left[ \hat{i} \times \frac{\partial^2 \vec{A}}{\partial x^2} + \hat{j} \times \frac{\partial^2 \vec{A}}{\partial x \partial y} + \hat{k} \times \frac{\partial^2 \vec{A}}{\partial x \partial z} \right] \\
&= \sum \left[ \hat{i} \times \left( \hat{i} \times \frac{\partial^2 \vec{A}}{\partial x^2} \right) + \hat{i} \times \left( \hat{j} \times \frac{\partial^2 \vec{A}}{\partial x \partial y} \right) + \hat{i} \times \left( \hat{k} \times \frac{\partial^2 \vec{A}}{\partial x \partial z} \right) \right] \\
&= \sum \left[ \hat{i} \cdot \frac{\partial^2 \vec{A}}{\partial x^2} \hat{i} - (\hat{i} \cdot \hat{i}) \frac{\partial^2 \vec{A}}{\partial x^2} + \left( \hat{i} \cdot \frac{\partial^2 \vec{A}}{\partial x^2} \right) \hat{j} - (\hat{i} \cdot \hat{j}) \frac{\partial^2 \vec{A}}{\partial x^2} \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \left( \hat{i} \cdot \frac{\partial^2 \vec{A}}{\partial x \partial z} \right) \hat{k} - (\hat{i} \cdot \hat{k}) \frac{\partial^2 \vec{A}}{\partial x \partial z} \right] \\
&= \left[ \left( \hat{i} \cdot \frac{\partial^2 \vec{A}}{\partial x^2} \right) \hat{i} + \left( \hat{i} \cdot \frac{\partial^2 \vec{A}}{\partial x \partial y} \right) \hat{j} + \left( \hat{i} \cdot \frac{\partial^2 \vec{A}}{\partial x \partial z} \right) \hat{k} \right] - \sum \frac{\partial^2 \vec{A}}{\partial x^2} \quad \text{(i)}
\end{aligned}$$

But by definition, we know that

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{A} = \hat{i} \frac{\partial A}{\partial x} + \hat{j} \frac{\partial A}{\partial y} + \hat{k} \frac{\partial A}{\partial z}$$

$$\therefore \nabla \cdot (\nabla \cdot \vec{A}) = \sum \hat{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( \hat{i} \frac{\partial A}{\partial x} + \hat{j} \frac{\partial A}{\partial y} + \hat{k} \frac{\partial A}{\partial z} \right)$$

$$\text{or, } \nabla \cdot (\nabla \cdot \vec{A}) = \sum \left( \hat{i} \times \frac{\partial^2 A}{\partial x^2} \right) \hat{i} + \left( \hat{i} \times \frac{\partial^2 A}{\partial x \partial y} \right) \hat{j} + \left( \hat{k} \times \frac{\partial^2 A}{\partial x \partial y} \right) \hat{k}$$

Substituting this value in (i), we get

$$\nabla \times (\nabla \times \vec{A}) = \nabla \cdot (\nabla \cdot \vec{A}) - \sum \frac{\partial^2 A}{\partial x^2}$$

$$\text{or, } \text{curl curl } \vec{A} = \text{grad div } \vec{A} - \nabla^2 \vec{A} \quad \text{Proved}$$

Q:  $\Rightarrow$  Prove that  $\text{curl}(\text{grad } \phi) = 0$

$$\text{or, } \nabla \times (\nabla \phi) = 0.$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Proof } \rightarrow \text{L.H.S} &= \text{curl}(\text{grad } \phi) = \nabla \times (\nabla \phi) \\
&= \nabla \times \left( \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} \hat{i} + \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y} \hat{j} + \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial z} \hat{k} \right)
\end{aligned}$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial z} \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \hat{i} \left( \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial y \partial z} - \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial z \partial y} \right) + \hat{j} \left( \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial z \partial x} - \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x \partial z} \right) + \hat{k} \left( \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x \partial y} - \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial y \partial x} \right)$$

$$= 0 \quad \text{R.H.S. Proved.}$$

Q Prove that  $\text{Div curl } \vec{A} = 0$

Proof  $\Rightarrow$  L.H.S. =  $\text{Div}(\text{curl } \vec{A}) = \nabla \cdot (\nabla \times \vec{A})$

$$= \left( \hat{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \hat{j} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \hat{k} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right) \cdot \left( \sum \hat{i} \times \frac{\partial v_x}{\partial x} \right)$$

$$= \nabla \cdot \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ v_x & v_y & v_z \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \left( \hat{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \hat{j} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \hat{k} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right) \cdot \left[ \left( \frac{\partial v_z}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial v_y}{\partial z} \right) \hat{i} + \left( \frac{\partial v_x}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial v_z}{\partial x} \right) \hat{j} + \left( \frac{\partial v_y}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial v_x}{\partial y} \right) \hat{k} \right]$$

$$= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( \frac{\partial v_z}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial v_y}{\partial z} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( \frac{\partial v_x}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial v_z}{\partial x} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left( \frac{\partial v_y}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial v_x}{\partial y} \right)$$

$$= \frac{\partial^2 v_z}{\partial x \partial y} - \frac{\partial^2 v_y}{\partial x \partial z} + \frac{\partial^2 v_x}{\partial y \partial z} - \frac{\partial^2 v_z}{\partial y \partial x} + \frac{\partial^2 v_y}{\partial z \partial x} - \frac{\partial^2 v_x}{\partial z \partial y} = 0$$

R.H.S.  
Proved

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Q → Prove that  $\text{div}(u \text{ grad } v) = u \nabla^2 v + (\text{grad } u) \cdot (\text{grad } v)$   
 where 'u' and 'v' both are scalar point function.

Proof: → Let us put  $\vec{v} = \text{grad } v$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{div}(u \text{ grad } v) &= \text{div}(u \vec{v}) \\ &= u \text{ div } v + v \cdot \text{grad } u \\ &= u \text{ div}(\text{grad } v) + (\text{grad } u) \cdot (\text{grad } v) \\ &= u \nabla \cdot \nabla v + (\text{grad } u) \cdot (\text{grad } v) \\ &= u \nabla^2 v + (\text{grad } u) \cdot (\text{grad } v) \\ &= u \nabla^2 v + \nabla u \cdot \nabla v \end{aligned}$$

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Q → If  $\vec{A}$  is a constant vector, prove that  $\nabla(\vec{r} \cdot \vec{A}) = \vec{A}$  Proved  
 where  $\vec{r}$  is a position vector.

Proof → ∴  $\vec{r} = x \hat{i} + y \hat{j} + z \hat{k}$   
 and  $\vec{A} = A_x \hat{i} + A_y \hat{j} + A_z \hat{k}$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \vec{r} \cdot \vec{A} &= (x \hat{i} + y \hat{j} + z \hat{k}) \cdot (A_x \hat{i} + A_y \hat{j} + A_z \hat{k}) \\ &= x A_x + y A_y + z A_z \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \nabla(\vec{r} \cdot \vec{A}) &= \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \hat{i} + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \hat{j} + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \hat{k} \right) \cdot (x A_x + y A_y + z A_z) \\ &= \frac{\partial x}{\partial x} A_x \hat{i} + \frac{\partial y}{\partial y} A_y \hat{j} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial z} A_z \hat{k} \end{aligned}$$

$$= A_x \hat{i} + A_y \hat{j} + A_z \hat{k}$$

$$= \vec{A} \quad \text{R.H.S.} \quad \text{Proved}$$