

Where We're Headed:

▶ Today:

- ▶ Look at the two problems you worked on at the end of class Monday; use them to briefly discuss **conservative vector fields**.
- ▶ Integrating over curves rather than axes or regions (**Line Integrals**)
 - ▶ First, multivariate functions (**area between a curve and a surface**)
 - ▶ Next, vector fields (**work**)

▶ Going forward:

- ▶ Fundamental Theorem for Line Integrals - Conservative Vector Fields and Independence of Path
- ▶ Green's Theorem (which is also somewhat like a Fundamental Theorem of Line Integrals)

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Thus *one* potential function for \vec{F} is

$$f(x, y) = x \cos(y) - 2x + e^{xy^2} + \sin(y) + y^3.$$

Problem 2, In Class Work from Last Time

2. Find a potential function $f(x, y)$ for the vector field

$$\vec{\mathbf{F}}(x, y) = \langle 2y + 2xy^2, 2x + 2y \rangle$$

... if you can

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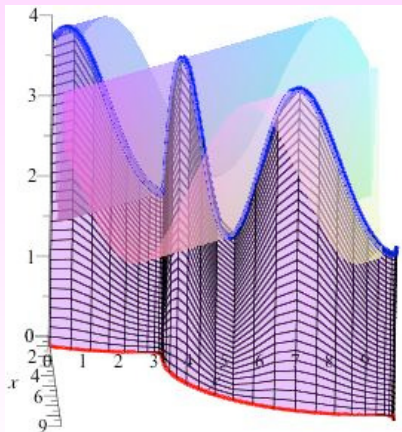
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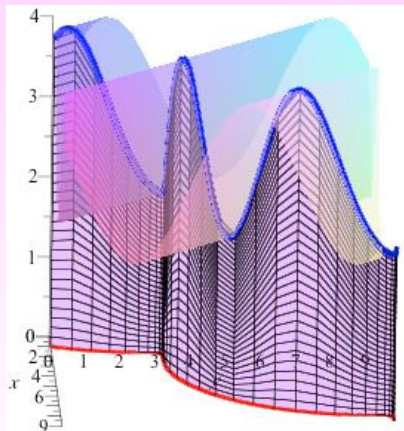
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Integrating over a curve \mathcal{C}

We want to find the area of the vertical surface that we create if we go straight from a curve \mathcal{C} in the xy plane up to surface $z = f(x, y)$.



Area between curve C and surface $z = f(x, y)$



- ▶ Subdivide C into n sub-curves.
- ▶ Let $\Delta A_i =$ signed area of i th strip.
- ▶ Area = $\sum \Delta A_i$
- ▶ Approximate ΔA_i :
Let (x_i^*, y_i^*) be on i th sub-curve,
 $\Delta s_i =$ arc length of i th sub curve.

$$\Delta A_i \approx f(x_i^*, y_i^*) \Delta s_i.$$

- ▶ $A \approx \sum_{i=1}^n f(x_i^*, y_i^*) \Delta s_i$

- ▶ $A = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^n f(x_i^*, y_i^*) \Delta s_i$