

Class 1 Partial Solutions
Physics 403: Mathematical Methods
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1. (a) $\nabla\varphi = 2x\hat{x} + 2y\hat{y} + 2z\hat{z}$,
(b) $\nabla\gamma = -2x\cos(x^2 + y^2)\hat{x} - 2y\cos(x^2 + y^2)\hat{y} + \hat{z}$, and
(c) $\nabla\tau = -2\hat{x} + 3\hat{y} + \hat{z}$.

2. (a) $\vec{\nabla}f = 2xy\hat{x} + x^2\hat{y}$
(b) $(\vec{F} \cdot \vec{G})\vec{G} = \vec{G} * (2x^3z^2 + y^2 + y^3xz^3)$
(c) $\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{F} = \hat{x}(3y^2zx) + \hat{y}(4xz - y^3z)$
(d) $\vec{F} \cdot (\vec{\nabla}f) = 4x^2yz^2 + x^2$
(e) $\vec{F} \times \vec{\nabla}f = \hat{x}(-y^3zx^3) + \hat{y}(2x^2y^4z) + \hat{z}(2x^3z^2 - 2xy)$
(f) $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{F} = 0$

3. (a) $\nabla \cdot \vec{A} = 2, \nabla \times \vec{A} = 0$,
(b) $\nabla \cdot \vec{B} = 0, \nabla \times \vec{B} = -2\hat{z}$ and
(c) $\nabla \cdot \vec{C} = y - 2x^2z + 1, \nabla \times \vec{C} = \hat{x}(2x^2y) + \hat{z}(-4xyz - x)$.