## Chapter 14. Vector calculus. Section 14.8 Stokes' Theorem.

**Stokes' Theorem.** Let S be an oriented piecewise-smooth surface that is bounded by a simple, closed, piecewise-smooth boundary curve C with positive orientation. Let  $\vec{F}$  be a vector field whose components have continuous partial derivatives on an open region in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  that contains S. Then

$$\int_C \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} = \iint_S \operatorname{curl} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{S}$$

The Stokes' Theorem says that the line integral around the boundary curve of S of the tangential component of  $\vec{F}$  is equal to the surface integral of the normal component of the curl of  $\vec{F}$ .

**Example 1.** Use Stokes' Theorem to evaluate  $\iint_S \operatorname{curl} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{S}$  if  $\vec{F}(x, y, z) = \langle xyz, x, e^{xy} \cos(z) \rangle$ and S is hemisphere  $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1$ , oriented upward.

**Example 2.** Use Stokes' Theorem to evaluate  $\int_C \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r}$  if  $\vec{F}(x, y, z) = \langle z^2, y^2, xy \rangle$  and C is the triangle with vertices (1,0,0), (0,1,0), and (0,0,2) and is oriented counterclockwise as viewed from above.