

# Green's Theorem

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$D$  is closed bounded region and  $C = \partial D$  its boundary. Let  $\mathbf{F}(x, y) = M(x, y)\mathbf{i} + N(x, y)\mathbf{j}$  a vector field. Then

$$\oint_C M dx + N dy = \iint_D \left( \frac{\partial N}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial M}{\partial y} \right) dx dy$$

WARNING: Here  $C$  must be oriented so that  $D$  is on the left as one traverses  $C$ .

## Vector Formulation of Green's Theorem

$$\mathbf{F}(x, y) = M(x, y)\mathbf{i} + N(x, y)\mathbf{j}$$

$$\oint_{\partial D} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{s} = \iint_D (\nabla \times \mathbf{F}) \cdot \mathbf{k} dA$$

Recall:  $\nabla \times \mathbf{F}$  is the curl of  $\mathbf{F}$ .

## Divergence Theorem in the plane

$D$  is a closed bounded region and  $\mathbf{n}$  is the outward unit normal vector to  $D$  and  $\mathbf{F} = M(x, y)\mathbf{i} + N(x, y)\mathbf{j}$ , then

$$\oint_{\partial D} \mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{n} \, ds = \iint_D \nabla \cdot \mathbf{F} \, dA.$$

Recall:  $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{F}$  is the divergence.