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[If you need a vector that is normal to a given surface, it will usually be more straightforward to calculate $\nabla\phi$ than to parameterise the surface and find $\mathbf{N} = \frac{\partial\mathbf{r}}{\partial u} \times \frac{\partial\mathbf{r}}{\partial v}$. However, if you need to perform a surface integral, \mathbf{N} has the advantage that its magnitude is the scale factor in $d\mathbf{S} = \mathbf{N} du dv$. On the other hand, if you already know $\hat{\mathbf{n}}$, it might be worth your while finding another way to deal with the magnitude of the parameterised area. You might also try doing this problem, including taking the gradient, directly in cylindrical polar coordinates - see handout on curvilinear coordinates.]

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$$\text{Q2 } \phi(x, y, z) = x^2 y \sin z$$

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$$(b) \frac{\partial\phi}{\partial s} = \nabla\phi \cdot \hat{a} = \nabla\phi \cdot \frac{\mathbf{a}}{|\mathbf{a}|}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla\phi(1, 2, \pi/3) &= 2(1)(2) \sin(\pi/3) \hat{i} + 1^2 \sin(\pi/3) \hat{j} + 1^2 2 \cos(\pi/3) \hat{k} \\ &= 4(\sqrt{3}/2) \hat{i} + \sqrt{3}/2 \hat{j} + 2(1/2) \hat{k} \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathbf{a} = (2, 2, -1) \quad |\mathbf{a}| = \sqrt{1 + 2^2 + (-1)^2} = \sqrt{6}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial\phi}{\partial s} &= (2\sqrt{3}, \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, 1) \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} (1, 2, -1) \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} (2\sqrt{3}, \sqrt{3}, -1) = \frac{\sqrt{6}}{6} (3\sqrt{3} - 1) = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{6} (9 - \sqrt{3}) \end{aligned}$$

$$(c) \nabla^2\phi = \nabla \cdot (\nabla\phi) =$$

$$= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (2xy \sin z) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (x^2 \sin z) + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (yx^2 \cos z)$$

$$= 2y \sin z + 0 + x^2 y (-\sin z)$$

$$= (2 - x^2) y \sin z$$

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Q3. $w = x^2 y^3 z$

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

$$= 2xy^2z \hat{i} + 3x^2y^2z \hat{j} + x^2y^3 \hat{k}$$

$$\begin{aligned} @ (1, 2, -1) \quad \nabla w &= 2(1)2^2(-1) \hat{i} + 3(1)^2 2^2(-1) \hat{j} + 1^2 2^3 \hat{k} \\ &= -16 \hat{i} - 12 \hat{j} + 8 \hat{k} \end{aligned}$$

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Q6. $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{F} = ?$

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Normal to a surface $z^2 = (x^2 + y^2)^{1/2} = \rho$

$$|\mathbf{N}| = \sqrt{\frac{x^2}{4}\rho^{-3} + \frac{y^2}{4}\rho^{-3} + 1^2} = \sqrt{\frac{(x^2 + y^2)}{4\rho^3} + 1} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{4\rho} + 1}$$
$$\Rightarrow \hat{\mathbf{n}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + 1/4\rho}} \left(-\frac{x}{2}\rho^{-3/2}\hat{\mathbf{i}} - \frac{y}{2}\rho^{-3/2}\hat{\mathbf{j}} + \hat{\mathbf{k}} \right)$$

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(b) $\phi = z^2 - (x^2 + y^2)^{1/2}$

$$\nabla\phi = -\frac{1}{2}(2x)(x^2 + y^2)^{-1/2}\hat{\mathbf{i}} - \frac{1}{2}(2y)(x^2 + y^2)^{-1/2}\hat{\mathbf{j}} + 2z\hat{\mathbf{k}}$$

$$= 2z\hat{\mathbf{k}} - \frac{(x\hat{\mathbf{i}} + y\hat{\mathbf{j}})}{(x^2 + y^2)^{1/2}} = -\frac{x}{\rho}\hat{\mathbf{i}} - \frac{y}{\rho}\hat{\mathbf{j}} + 2z\hat{\mathbf{k}}$$

$$|\nabla\phi| = \sqrt{\frac{(x^2 + y^2)}{\rho^2} + 4z^2} = \sqrt{1 + 4z^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\nabla\phi}{|\nabla\phi|} = \frac{(-x/\rho - y/\rho + 2z)}{\sqrt{1 + 4z^2}} \quad \phi = 0, z^2 = \rho$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{n}} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{1 + 4\rho}} \left(-\frac{x}{2\rho}\hat{\mathbf{i}} - \frac{y}{2\rho}\hat{\mathbf{j}} + \sqrt{\rho}\hat{\mathbf{k}} \right)$$

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$$= \frac{2}{\sqrt{1/\rho + 4}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1/4\rho + 1}}$$