

Math 335-002

Homework #6

Due date: February 13.

1. Find the Laplacian of the vector field $\vec{V}(\vec{r}) = (x^2 + z^2, \cos x + x^2 e^y, \sin(xz))$. Remember that the Laplacian of a vector field is a vector field.
2. Re-write the right-hand side of the equation $\nabla^2 \vec{u} = \vec{\nabla}(\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{u}) - \vec{\nabla} \times (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{u})$ using symbols *div*, *grad* and *curl*. Verify that this equation is satisfied for the vector field $\vec{u} = (y^2 + x^2, x^2 + z^2, z^2)$.
3. Translate the following suffix notation equation into vector notation:

$$a_j b_j c_i + u_i = u_k b_i u_k$$

4. Simplify and convert into vector form (eliminate Kronecker deltas one at a time – see Eq. 4.3 on page 68, which defines the identity matrix):

$$\delta_{kl} a_l \delta_{mj} a_k b_m$$