

Answer on Question #70059-Physics-Mechanics-Relativity

Calculate the work done by a force $\mathbf{F} = (x-y)\mathbf{i} + xy\mathbf{j}$ in moving a particle counter-clockwise along the circle $x^2 + y^2 = 4$ from the point (2, 0) to the point (0, -2).

Solution

$$\mathbf{r}(t) = (2 \cos t, 2 \sin t), 0 \leq t \leq \frac{3\pi}{2}.$$

$$\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{r}(t)) = (2(\cos t - \sin t), 4 \cos t \sin t)$$

$$W = \oint \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{r}(t)) \cdot \mathbf{r}'(t) dt = \int_0^{\frac{3\pi}{2}} (2(\cos t - \sin t), 4 \cos t \sin t) \cdot (-2 \sin t, 2 \cos t) dt$$

$$W = 4 \int_0^{\frac{3\pi}{2}} [-\cos t \sin t + \sin^2 t + 2 \cos^2 t \sin t] dt$$

$$\begin{aligned} W &= 4 \left(\frac{t}{2} - \frac{1}{4} \sin 2t - \frac{\cos t}{2} + \frac{\cos^2 t}{2} - \frac{1}{6} \cos 3t \right) \Bigg|_0^{\frac{3\pi}{2}} \\ &= 2 \left(\left(\frac{3\pi}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \sin 3\pi - \cos \frac{3\pi}{2} + \cos^2 \frac{3\pi}{2} - \frac{1}{3} \cos \frac{9\pi}{2} \right) \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \left(0 - \frac{1}{2} \sin 0 - \cos 0 + \cos^2 0 - \frac{1}{3} \cos 0 \right) \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$W = 2 \left(\left(\frac{3\pi}{2} - 0 - 0 + 0 - 0 \right) - \left(0 - 0 - 1 + 1 - \frac{1}{3} \right) \right) = \left(3\pi + \frac{2}{3} \right).$$

Answer: $\left(3\pi + \frac{2}{3} \right).$