

rot(rot \mathbf{A})の計算

ベクトル演算公式 $\text{rot}(\text{rot}\mathbf{A}) = \text{grad}(\text{div}\mathbf{A}) - \nabla^2\mathbf{A}$ を導く。

定義から、 $\text{rot}\mathbf{A}$ はベクトルで次のような成分をもつ。

$$\text{rot}\mathbf{A} = \left(\frac{\partial A_z}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial A_y}{\partial z}, \frac{\partial A_x}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial A_z}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial A_y}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial A_x}{\partial y} \right)$$

従って、これにもう一度 rot を演算すると次のようになる。

$$[\text{rot}(\text{rot}\mathbf{A})]_x = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{\partial A_y}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial A_x}{\partial y} \right) - \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left(\frac{\partial A_x}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial A_z}{\partial x} \right) \quad ①$$

$$[\text{rot}(\text{rot}\mathbf{A})]_y = \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left(\frac{\partial A_z}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial A_y}{\partial z} \right) - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial A_y}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial A_x}{\partial y} \right) \quad ②$$

$$[\text{rot}(\text{rot}\mathbf{A})]_z = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial A_x}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial A_z}{\partial x} \right) - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{\partial A_z}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial A_y}{\partial z} \right) \quad ③$$

一方、右辺の第一項を成分で書くと次のようになる。

$$[\text{grad}(\text{div}\mathbf{A})]_x = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial A_x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial A_y}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial A_z}{\partial z} \right) \quad ④$$

$$[\text{grad}(\text{div}\mathbf{A})]_y = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{\partial A_x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial A_y}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial A_z}{\partial z} \right) \quad ⑤$$

$$[\text{grad}(\text{div}\mathbf{A})]_z = \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left(\frac{\partial A_x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial A_y}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial A_z}{\partial z} \right) \quad ⑥$$

また、右辺第二項は

$$-\nabla^2 A_x = - \left(\frac{\partial^2 A_x}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 A_x}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 A_x}{\partial z^2} \right) \quad ⑦$$

$$-\nabla^2 A_y = - \left(\frac{\partial^2 A_y}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 A_y}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 A_y}{\partial z^2} \right) \quad ⑧$$

$$-\nabla^2 A_z = -\left(\frac{\partial^2 A_z}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 A_z}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 A_z}{\partial z^2}\right) \quad \textcircled{9}$$

これらから、それぞれ成分ごとに調べると

$$\textcircled{1} = \textcircled{4} + \textcircled{7}$$

$$\textcircled{2} = \textcircled{5} + \textcircled{8}$$

$$\textcircled{3} = \textcircled{6} + \textcircled{9}$$

が成り立つので、 $\mathbf{rot}(\mathbf{rot}\mathbf{A}) = \mathbf{grad}(\mathbf{div}\mathbf{A}) - \nabla^2 \mathbf{A}$ が成り立っていることがわかる。