

Problem 1. (10 points) (a) Compute the line integral

$$\int_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{s}$$

for the path $\mathbf{c}(t) = (t^2, t^3, t)$ with $0 \leq t \leq 1$ and the vector field $\mathbf{F}(x, y, z) = x\mathbf{i} + z\mathbf{j} + x\mathbf{k}$.

(b) Compute the line integral

$$\int_C z dx + y dy + x dz$$

for the path $\mathbf{c}(t) = (e^{t^2}, \ln(t+1), \cos(t))$ with $0 \leq t \leq 1$.

Solution. (a) We have $\mathbf{c}'(t) = (2t, 3t^2, 1)$, so

$$\begin{aligned} \int_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{s} &= \int_0^1 \mathbf{F}(t^2, t^3, t) \cdot \mathbf{c}'(t) dt \\ &= \int_0^1 (t^2, t, t^2) \cdot (2t, 3t^2, 1) dt \\ &= \int_0^1 2t^3 + 3t^3 + t^2 dt \\ &= \left. \frac{5}{4}t^4 + \frac{1}{3}t^3 \right|_{t=0}^{t=1} \\ &= \frac{5}{4} + \frac{1}{3} = \boxed{\frac{19}{12}} \end{aligned}$$

(b) This is the integral of the vector field

$$\mathbf{F}(x, y, z) = z\mathbf{i} + y\mathbf{j} + x\mathbf{k}.$$

This vector field satisfies the conditions to be a gradient field, and it's easy enough to find that

$$\mathbf{F} = \nabla f \quad \text{for the function} \quad f(x, y, z) = xz + \frac{1}{2}y^2.$$

The fundamental theorem of calculus for line integrals says that the value of the integral is given by the difference of the values of f at the endpoints of the curve. So

$$\begin{aligned} \int_C z dx + y dy + x dz &= \int_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{s} \\ &= \int_C (\nabla f) \cdot d\mathbf{s} \\ &= f(\mathbf{c}(1)) - f(\mathbf{c}(0)) \\ &= f(e, \ln(2), \cos(1)) - f(1, 0, 1) \end{aligned}$$

$$= \boxed{e \cos(1) + \frac{1}{2}(\ln 2)^2 - 1}$$

Problem 2. (15 points) Let D be the region

$$D = \{(x, y) : 0 \leq x \leq 2 \text{ and } y \geq 0 \text{ and } 1 \leq x^2 + y^2 \leq 9\}.$$

(a) Sketch the region D .

(b) Write the integral

$$\int_D f(x, y) \, dx \, dy$$

as a sum of one or more iterated integrals in xy -coordinates.

(c) Write the integral

$$\int_D f(x, y) \, dx \, dy$$

as a sum of one or more iterated integrals in polar coordinates.

Solution. (b) For $0 \leq x \leq 1$, the region is $\sqrt{1-x^2} \leq y \leq \sqrt{9-x^2}$, while for $1 \leq x \leq 2$, the region is $0 \leq y \leq \sqrt{9-x^2}$. So

$$\int_D f(x, y) \, dx \, dy = \int_0^1 \int_{\sqrt{1-x^2}}^{\sqrt{9-x^2}} f(x, y) \, dx \, dy + \int_1^2 \int_0^{\sqrt{9-x^2}} f(x, y) \, dx \, dy$$

(c) The vertical line $x = 2$ intersects the circle $x^2 + y^2 = 9$ at the point whose angle θ is $\cos^{-1}(2/3)$. So for $0 \leq \theta \leq \cos^{-1}(2/3)$, the values of r go from $r = 1$ to the line $x = 2$. Since $x = r \cos \theta$, that means that r goes from 1 to $2/\cos \theta$. Then, for $\cos^{-1}(2/3) \leq \theta \leq \pi/2$, the value of r goes from 1 to 3. Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \int_D f(x, y) \, dx \, dy &= \int_0^{\cos^{-1}(2/3)} \int_1^{2/\cos \theta} f(r \cos \theta, r \sin \theta) \, r \, dr \, d\theta \\ &\quad + \int_{\cos^{-1}(2/3)}^{\pi/2} \int_1^3 f(r \cos \theta, r \sin \theta) \, r \, dr \, d\theta. \end{aligned}$$

Problem 3. (10 points) Find all of the critical points of the function

$$f(x, y) = \frac{1}{3}x^3 + \frac{1}{3}y^3 - \frac{1}{2}x^2 - \frac{5}{2}y^2 + 6y + 10$$

and classify the critical points as local maxima, local minima, and saddle points.

Solution. We have

$$f_x(x, y) = x^2 - x = x(x - 1),$$

$$f_y(x, y) = y^2 - 5y + 6 = (y - 2)(y - 3).$$

So there are four critical points:

$$(0, 2), (0, 3), (1, 2), (1, 3).$$

For each one we need to compute

$$D = f_{xx}f_{yy} - f_{xy}^2 = (2x - 1)(2y - 5) - 0^2 = (2x - 1)(2y - 5).$$

Then a point is a local minimum if $D > 0$ and $f_{xx} > 0$, it is a local maximum if $D > 0$ and $f_{xx} < 0$, and it is a saddle point if $D < 0$. Note that $f_{xx} = 2x - 1$. We make a little table:

| Point | (0, 2) | (0, 3) | (1, 2) | (1, 3) |
|-------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Value of D | 1 | -1 | -1 | 1 |
| Value of f_{xx} | -1 | | | 1 |
| Type of point | Max | Saddle | Saddle | Min |

Problem 4. (10 points) Let $f(x, y)$ be defined by

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{2x^3 - 3y^3}{x^2 + y^2} & \text{if } (x, y) \neq (0, 0), \\ 0 & \text{if } (x, y) = (0, 0). \end{cases}$$

- (a) Calculate $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(0, 0)$ and $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(0, 0)$ directly from the definition.
 (b) Let a and b be non-zero constants, and define a function

$$g(t) = f(at, bt). \quad \text{Calculate } \frac{dg}{dt}(0).$$

- (c) Let $\mathbf{h}(t) = (at, bt)$, so the function $g(t)$ in (b) is $g(t) = f(\mathbf{h}(t))$. The chain rule would say that

$$\frac{dg}{dt}(0) = \nabla f(0, 0) \cdot \mathbf{h}'(0) = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(0, 0)a + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(0, 0)b.$$

Does this agree with your answers from parts (a) and (b)? If not, explain what is going wrong.

Solution. (a) We compute

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(0, 0) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(h, 0) - f(0, 0)}{h} && \text{definition of partial derivative,} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{2h^3/h^2}{h} && \text{definition of } f, \end{aligned}$$

$$= \boxed{2}.$$

Similarly,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(0, 0) &= \lim_{k \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(0, k) - f(0, 0)}{k} && \text{definition of partial derivative,} \\ &= \lim_{k \rightarrow 0} \frac{-3k^3/k^2}{k} && \text{definition of } f, \\ &= \boxed{-3}. \end{aligned}$$

(b) For $t \neq 0$ we have

$$g(t) = f(at, bt) = \frac{2(at)^3 - 3(bt)^3}{(at)^2 + (bt)^2} = \frac{2a^3 - 3b^3}{a^2 + b^2}t.$$

This formula is also true for $t = 0$, since $g(0) = f(0, 0) = 0$. Hence

$$\boxed{g'(0) = \frac{2a^3 - 3b^3}{a^2 + b^2}}$$

(In fact, this is $g'(t)$ for every value of t .)

(c) From (b) we have

$$g'(0) = \frac{2a^3 - 3b^3}{a^2 + b^2}.$$

But using (a) we have

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(0, 0) \cdot a + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(0, 0) \cdot b = 2a - 3b.$$

These are not the same in general. Indeed, their difference is

$$\frac{2a^3 - 3b^3}{a^2 + b^2} - (2a - 3b) = \frac{-2ab^2 + 3a^2b}{a^2 + b^2} = \frac{ab(-2b + 3a)}{a^2 + b^2},$$

so they are the same only if $a = 0$, $b = 0$, or $3a = 2b$. The reason that this does not contradict the chain rule is because the chain rule only applies if the partial derivatives are continuous. In this example, the partial derivatives of f , although they do exist at $(0, 0)$, are not continuous.

Problem 5. (15 points) For each of the following vector fields \mathbf{F} , check whether \mathbf{F} is conservative.¹ If it is conservative, find a potential function. If it is not conservative, explain why not.

- (a) $\mathbf{F} = z\mathbf{i} + (x^2 + \frac{1}{2}z^2)\mathbf{j} + (x + yz)\mathbf{k}.$
 (b) $\mathbf{F} = (2xy + \frac{1}{2}x)\mathbf{i} + (x^2 + \sin^2 3y)\mathbf{j}.$

¹Note: Despite the new majorities in the House and the Senate, there is not yet a law saying that all (American) vector fields are conservative!

(c) Let \mathbf{a} be a non-zero constant vector, let $\mathbf{r} = x\mathbf{i} + y\mathbf{j} + z\mathbf{k}$, and let $\mathbf{F} = \mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{r}$.

Solution. By definition, a vector field \mathbf{F} is conservative if it is the gradient of a function $\mathbf{F} = \nabla f$.

(a) A vector field $\mathbf{F} = P\mathbf{i} + Q\mathbf{j} + R\mathbf{k}$ defined everywhere on a solid region (or even defined everywhere except for a finite set of points) is conservative if and only if its curl is zero, or equivalently, if

$$P_y = Q_x \quad \text{and} \quad P_z = R_x \quad \text{and} \quad Q_z = R_y.$$

In this case we have

$$\begin{aligned} P_y &= 0 & \text{and} & & Q_x &= 2x, \\ P_z &= 1 & \text{and} & & R_x &= 1, \\ Q_z &= z & \text{and} & & R_y &= z. \end{aligned}$$

The first line shows that \mathbf{F} is not conservative. Alternatively, one computes $\text{curl}(\mathbf{F}) = 2x\mathbf{i}$ is nonzero.

(b) Similarly, a vector field $\mathbf{F} = P\mathbf{i} + Q\mathbf{j}$ in the plane that is defined everywhere in a region is conservative if and only if $Q_x = P_y$. In this case

$$Q_x(x, y) = 2x = P_y(x, y),$$

so \mathbf{F} is conservative. We can find an $f(x, y)$ by inspection, or more systematically by integration. Thus if $\mathbf{F} = \nabla f$, then

$$f_x(x, y) = P(x, y) = 2xy + \frac{1}{2}x.$$

Integrating with respect to x gives

$$f(x, y) = x^2y + \frac{1}{4}x^2 + g(y)$$

for some function $g(y)$ depending only on y . Then we use

$$x^2 + g'(y) = f_y(x, y) = Q(x, y) = x^2 + \sin^2(3y)$$

to find that $g'(y) = \sin^2(3y)$. So now we just need to integrate

$$g(y) = \int \sin^2(3y) dy = \int \frac{1 - \cos(6y)}{2} dy = \frac{y}{2} - \frac{\sin(6y)}{12}.$$

Using this in our formula for $f(x, y)$ gives the desired function,

$$f(x, y) = x^2y + \frac{1}{4}x^2 + \frac{y}{2} - \frac{\sin(6y)}{12}$$

Of course, one can always add a constant.

(c) Let $\mathbf{a} = (a, b, c)$. Then

$$\mathbf{F} = \mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{r} = \det \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ a & b & c \\ x & y & z \end{pmatrix} = (bz - cy)\mathbf{i} - (az - cx)\mathbf{j} + (ay - bx)\mathbf{k}.$$

As in (a), we need to check if the curl vanishes. For this vector field, we have

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{F} = \det \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ \partial/\partial x & \partial/\partial y & \partial/\partial z \\ bz - cy & -az + cx & ay - bx \end{pmatrix} = 2a\mathbf{i} + 2b\mathbf{j} + 2c\mathbf{k}.$$

So the curl of this vector field \mathbf{F} is constant, and indeed is given by $\nabla \times \mathbf{F} = 2\mathbf{a}$. Since this is non-zero, \mathbf{F} is not conservative.

Problem 6. (10 points) Let C be the unit circle

$$C = \{(x, y) : x^2 + y^2 = 1\}$$

oriented in a counter-clockwise direction. Let $f(t)$ and $g(t)$ be functions of one variable with continuous derivatives. Evaluate

$$\int_C (f(x) + g(y))dx + (xg'(y) + 3x - 7)dy.$$

Solution. The easiest way to do this problem is to let D be the unit disk, so $C = \partial D$, and use Green's theorem. Thus

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_C (f(x) + g(y))dx + (xg'(y) + 3x - 7)dy \\ &= \int_{\partial D} (f(x) + g(y))dx + (xg'(y) + 3x - 7)dy \\ &= \iint_D \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(xg'(y) + 3x - 7) - \frac{\partial}{\partial y}(f(x) + g(y)) dx dy \\ & \hspace{15em} \text{using Green's theorem,} \\ &= \iint_D (g'(y) + 3) - g'(y) dx dy \\ &= \iint_D 3 dx dy \\ &= 3\text{Area}(D) \\ &= \boxed{3\pi} \end{aligned}$$

Problem 7. (10 points) Let S be a surface in \mathbb{R}^3 , and let ∂S be the boundary of S . Let \mathbf{F} be a vector field on S with continuous partial derivatives. Suppose that you are given the following information about S and \mathbf{F} :

- (i) S lies in the plane $y = 3$
- (ii) $\text{Area}(S) = 17$
- (iii) $\text{Length}(\partial S) = 25$
- (iv) $\text{div}(\mathbf{F}) = x^2 + y^2 - z$
- (v) $\text{curl}(\mathbf{F}) = 3x\mathbf{i} - y\mathbf{j} - 2z\mathbf{k}$

Using this information, evaluate the absolute value of the line integral

$$\int_{\partial S} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{s}.$$

Solution. Here we will use Stokes' theorem. Note that since S lies in the plane $y = 3$, the unit normal vector \mathbf{n} at every point of S is the vector $\mathbf{n} = \mathbf{j}$ (or $-\mathbf{j}$ if we want to point the other direction). We compute

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\partial S} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{s} &= \iint_S \text{curl}(\mathbf{F}) \cdot d\mathbf{S} \quad \text{Stokes' theorem,} \\ &= \iint_S \text{curl}(\mathbf{F}) \cdot \mathbf{j} \, dS \quad \text{since } \mathbf{n} = \mathbf{j}, \\ &= \iint_S -y \, dS \quad \text{from the given formula for } \text{curl}(\mathbf{F}), \\ &= \iint_S -3 \, dS \quad \text{since } y = 3 \text{ for every point of } S, \\ &= -3 \iint_S 1 \, dS \\ &= -3\text{Area}(S) \\ &= -51 \quad \text{since we are told that } S \text{ has area } 17. \end{aligned}$$

If we used the other normal, we'd get 51, but in any case, the absolute value of the integral is $\boxed{51}$.

Problem 8. (10 points) Let $f(x, y) = \sqrt{x^4 + y^4 + 7}$. For any $a > 0$, let R_a be the rectangle

$$R_a = [-a, a] \times [-a, a].$$

Calculate

$$\lim_{a \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{a^2} \iint_{R_a} f(x, y) \, dx \, dy.$$

Be sure to explain how you got your answer.

Solution. When a is very small, the value of the integral $\iint_{R_a} f \, dA$ is very close to $f(0, 0)$ multiplied by the area of R_a . So

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{a \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{a^2} \iint_{R_a} f \, dA &= \lim_{a \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{a^2} \cdot f(0, 0) \cdot \text{Area}(R_a) \\ &= \lim_{a \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{a^2} \cdot \sqrt{7} \cdot 4a^2 \\ &= \boxed{4\sqrt{7}}. \end{aligned}$$

If you want to be more formal, you can quote the mean value theorem for integrals, which says that

$$\iint_{R_a} f \, dA = f(x_a, y_a) \cdot \text{Area}(R_a)$$

for some point (x_a, y_a) in R_a . Hence

$$\lim_{a \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{a^2} \iint_{R_a} f \, dA = \lim_{a \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{a^2} \cdot f(x_a, y_a) \cdot 4a^2 = 4 \lim_{a \rightarrow 0} f(x_a, y_a) = 4f(0, 0),$$

where the last equality comes from the fact that f is continuous and the fact that as $a \rightarrow 0$, the square R_a shrinks down to the point $(0, 0)$.

Problem 9. (10 points) Let S_R be the sphere of radius R centered at the origin, taken with outward pointing normal. Let \mathbf{F} be the vector field

$$\mathbf{F}(x, y, z) = x^3 \mathbf{i} + z^3 \mathbf{j} + y^3 \mathbf{k}.$$

Use the Divergence Theorem to compute

$$\iint_{S_R} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{S}.$$

Solution. Let Ω_R be the solid ball of radius R centered at the origin, so S_R is its boundary. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \iint_{S_R} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{S} &= \iint_{\partial\Omega_R} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{S} \\ &= \iiint_{\Omega_R} \text{div}(\mathbf{F}) \, dV \quad \text{by the Divergence Theorem,} \\ &= \iiint_{\Omega_R} 3x^2 \, dV \quad \text{since } \text{div}(\mathbf{F}) = 3x^2. \end{aligned}$$

Clearly the way to compute this integral is using spherical coordinates. So

$$\begin{aligned}\iiint_{\Omega_R} 3x^2 dV &= \int_0^\pi \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^R 3(\rho \cos \theta \sin \phi)^2 \cdot \rho^2 \sin \phi d\rho d\theta d\phi \\ &= \int_0^\pi \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^R 3\rho^4 (\cos^2 \theta)(\sin^3 \phi) d\rho d\theta d\phi.\end{aligned}$$

So we have three integrals to do.

$$\int_0^R \rho^4 d\rho = \frac{1}{5}R^5.$$

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \cos^2 \theta d\theta = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{1 + \cos(2\theta)}{2} d\theta = \frac{\theta}{2} + \frac{\sin(2\theta)}{4} \Big|_0^{2\pi} = \pi.$$

$$\int_0^\pi \sin^3 \phi d\phi = \int_0^\pi (1 - \cos^2 \phi) \sin \phi d\phi = \cos \phi - \frac{1}{3} \cos^3 \phi \Big|_0^\pi = \frac{4}{3}.$$

This gives the value

$$\iiint_{\Omega_R} 3x^2 dV = 3 \cdot \frac{1}{5}R^5 \cdot \pi \cdot \frac{4}{3} = \boxed{\frac{4\pi R^5}{5}}$$

Here's a cleverer way to do the integral using an idea that was described in one of the problem sets. By symmetry, we have

$$\iiint_{\Omega_R} 3x^2 dV = \iiint_{\Omega_R} 3y^2 dV = \iiint_{\Omega_R} 3z^2 dV.$$

But adding them gives an integral that's easy to compute using spherical coordinates,

$$\begin{aligned}\iiint_{\Omega_R} 3x^2 + 3y^2 + 3z^2 dV &= \int_0^\pi \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^R 3\rho^2 \cdot \rho^2 \sin \phi d\rho d\theta d\phi \\ &\quad \text{since } x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = \rho^2, \\ &= \int_0^\pi \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^R 3\rho^4 \sin \phi d\rho d\theta d\phi \\ &= 3 \cdot \frac{1}{5}\rho^5 \Big|_0^R \cdot \theta \Big|_0^{2\pi} \cdot (-\cos \phi) \Big|_0^\pi \\ &= 3 \cdot \frac{R^5}{5} \cdot 2\pi \cdot 2 \\ &= \frac{12\pi R^5}{5}.\end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\iiint_{\Omega_R} 3x^2 dV = \frac{1}{3} \iiint_{\Omega_R} 3x^2 + 3y^2 + 3z^2 dV = \boxed{\frac{4\pi R^5}{5}}$$