

## FINAL EXAMINATION SOLUTIONS

1. Let  $\mathbf{R}(t) = (e^t \cos t)\mathbf{i} + (e^t \sin t)\mathbf{j} + e^t\mathbf{k}$  give the position of a particle in space as a function of the time  $t$ , where  $0 \leq t \leq \pi$ .

(a) **Find the velocity** of the particle as a function of the time  $t$ . [10 pts.]

$$\frac{d\mathbf{R}(t)}{dt} = (e^t \cos t - e^t \sin t)\mathbf{i} + (e^t \sin t + e^t \cos t)\mathbf{j} + e^t\mathbf{k}.$$

(b) **Find the length of the arc** traversed by the moving particle for  $0 \leq t \leq \pi$ . [10 pts.]

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| \frac{d\mathbf{R}(t)}{dt} \right\|^2 &= (e^{2t} \cos^2 t - 2e^{2t} \cos t \sin t + e^{2t} \sin^2 t) + (e^{2t} \sin^2 t + 2e^{2t} \cos t \sin t + e^{2t} \cos^2 t) + e^{2t} \\ &= 2e^{2t}(\sin^2 t + \cos^2 t) + e^{2t} = 2e^{2t} + e^{2t} = 3e^{2t} \\ \frac{ds}{dt} &= \left\| \frac{d\mathbf{R}(t)}{dt} \right\| = \sqrt{3e^{2t}} = \sqrt{3}e^t \\ s &= \int_0^\pi \frac{ds}{dt} dt = \int_0^\pi \sqrt{3}e^t dt = \sqrt{3} \cdot (e^\pi - 1). \end{aligned}$$

2. **Find**  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial r}$  and  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial s}$  as functions of  $r$  and  $s$  if

$$f(x, y) = x^2 + y^2$$

and the variables are related by  $x = r - s$  and  $y = r + s$ . [15 pts.]

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial x}{\partial r} &= 1, & \frac{\partial x}{\partial s} &= -1 \\ \frac{\partial y}{\partial r} &= 1, & \frac{\partial y}{\partial s} &= 1 \\ \frac{\partial f}{\partial r} &= \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial r} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial r} = 2x \cdot 1 + 2y \cdot 1 = 2(x + y) \quad (= 4r) \\ \frac{\partial f}{\partial s} &= \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial s} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial s} = 2x \cdot (-1) + 2y \cdot 1 = 2(-x + y) \quad (= 4s). \end{aligned}$$

3. **Find and classify the points at which local maxima and minima and saddles** (if any) occur for the function

$$f(x, y) = 6x^2 - 2x^3 + 3y^2 + 6xy. \quad [20 \text{ pts.}]$$

The “critical points” at which maxima, minima or saddles occur are the solutions of the simultaneous equations

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} &\equiv 12x - 6x^2 + 6y = 0 & \text{and} & & \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} &\equiv 6y + 6x = 0 \\ 2x - x^2 + y &= 0 & \text{and} & & y &= -x \\ x - x^2 &= 0, & \text{so} & & x &= 0 \text{ or } x = 1 \\ (x, y) &= (0, 0) & \text{or} & & (x, y) &= (1, -1). \end{aligned}$$

The test for saddles vs. extrema is given by the sign of  $f_{xx}f_{yy} - f_{xy}^2$ . The second partial derivatives of  $f$  are

$$f_{xx}(x, y) = 12 - 12x, \quad f_{xy}(x, y) = f_{yx}(x, y) = 6 \quad \text{and} \quad f_{yy}(x, y) = 6.$$

At  $(0, 0)$ ,  $f_{xx}(0, 0)f_{yy}(0, 0) - f_{xy}(0, 0)^2 = 12 \cdot 6 - 6^2 = 36 > 0$  and the point is a (local) extremum; since  $f_{yy}(0, 0) = 6 > 0$ , the point is a local minimum. At  $(1, -1)$ ,  $f_{xx}(1, -1)f_{yy}(1, -1) - f_{xy}(1, -1)^2 = 0 \cdot 6 - 6^2 = -36 < 0$  and the point is a saddle.

4. Let  $f(x, y, z) = x^2 + y^2 - z^2 - 18$ .

(a) **Explicitly compute**  $\nabla f$ .

[5 pts.]

$$\nabla f = \left\langle \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} \right\rangle = \langle 2x, 2y, -2z \rangle .$$

(b) **Find a normal** to the level surface  $f(x, y, z) = 0$  at the point  $(3, 5, -4)$ , and give an equation of the plane tangent to that level surface at that point. [5 pts. + 5 pts.]

*A normal to a level surface of a function at a point is given by the gradient of the function at the point, so a normal to this level surface is  $\nabla f \Big|_{(3,5,-4)} = \langle 6, 10, 8 \rangle$ , or (if you wish)  $\langle 3, 5, 4 \rangle$ . The tangent plane of the level surface at that point must thus have the form  $3x + 5y + 4z = \text{const.}$ , and since the point of tangency  $(3, 5, -4)$  must satisfy the equation of the tangent plane, the tangent plane is given by*

$$3x + 5y + 4z = 18 .$$

(c) **Compute the directional derivative** of  $f(x, y, z)$  at the point  $(1, 1, 1)$  in the direction in which the vector  $-\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} - \mathbf{k} = \langle -1, 1, -1 \rangle$  points. [5 pts.]

*The directional derivative of a function at a point in a given direction is given by the dot product of the gradient of the function, evaluated at that point, with a unit vector pointing in the given direction. In this setting we have  $\nabla f \Big|_{(1,1,1)} = \langle 2, 2, -2 \rangle$ , the unit vector is  $\mathbf{u} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \langle -1, 1, -1 \rangle$ , and so the value of the directional derivative is  $\langle 2, 2, -2 \rangle \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \langle -1, 1, -1 \rangle = \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{3}$ .*

5.

(a) **Sketch the region in the first octant** of 3-dimensional space that is bounded above by the plane  $z = x + y$  and on the sides and bottom by the coordinate planes and the elliptical cylinder

$$4x^2 + 9y^2 = 36 . \quad [10 \text{ pts.}]$$

(b) **Express the volume of the region** sketched in (a) above as an iterated integral of the form

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

with appropriate limits on the integrals. **Do not evaluate the integral.** [10 pts.]

$$\int_0^3 \int_0^{2\sqrt{9-x^2}/3} f(x, y) \, dy \, dx .$$

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$$\int_0^2 \int_0^{3\sqrt{4-y^2}/2} f(x, y) \, dx \, dy .$$

6. **Evaluate**  $\int_0^2 \int_{y/2}^1 \frac{1}{(x^2 + 1)^3} \, dx \, dy$  by inverting the order of integration<sup>(1)</sup> and evaluating the new integral. [15 pts.]

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^2 \int_{y/2}^1 \frac{1}{(x^2 + 1)^3} \, dx \, dy &= \int_0^1 \int_0^{2x} \frac{1}{(x^2 + 1)^3} \, dy \, dx = \int_0^1 \frac{2x}{(x^2 + 1)^3} \, dx \\ &= \frac{-1}{2} \left[ \frac{1}{(x^2 + 1)^2} \right]_0^1 = \frac{-1}{2} \left[ \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{1} \right] = \frac{3}{8} . \end{aligned}$$

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<sup>(1)</sup> Credit will also be given for evaluating this integral by transforming it into polar coordinates, but the details of that method are more difficult to carry out.

7.

(a) **Make a first-octant sketch** of the region in 3-dimensional space bounded above by the sphere

$$x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1 ,$$

below by the  $xy$ -plane,<sup>(2)</sup> and on the sides by the cylinder

$$x^2 + y^2 = y . \quad [5 \text{ pts.}]$$

(b) **Using cylindrical coordinates, express the volume of the entire region** described in (a) above (including that part lying over the 2nd quadrant of the  $xy$ -plane) as an iterated integral with respect to the variables  $r$  and  $\theta$ . {Hint: Separately sketch the region of integration in the  $xy$ -plane; this will make the limits of integration, which must of course be expressed in polar coordinates, easier to find.}

[10 pts.]

$$V = \int_0^\pi \int_0^{\sin \theta} \int_0^{\sqrt{1-r^2}} dz r dr d\theta .$$

(c) **Evaluate the integral** of (b) above.

[10 pts.]

Using symmetry, we see that

$$\begin{aligned} V &= 2 \int_0^{\pi/2} \int_0^{\sin \theta} \int_0^{\sqrt{1-r^2}} dz r dr d\theta = 2 \int_0^{\pi/2} \int_0^{\sin \theta} \sqrt{1-r^2} r dr d\theta \\ &= 2 \int_0^{\pi/2} \left[ \frac{-1}{2} \frac{2}{3} (1-r^2)^{3/2} \right]_{r=0}^{r=\sin \theta} d\theta = \frac{2}{3} \int_0^{\pi/2} [1 - (1 - \sin^2 \theta)^{3/2}] d\theta \\ &= \frac{2}{3} \int_0^{\pi/2} [1 - \cos^3 \theta] d\theta = \frac{2}{3} \int_0^{\pi/2} [1 - (1 - \sin^2 \theta) \cos \theta] d\theta = \frac{2}{3} \left[ \theta - \sin \theta + \frac{\sin^3 \theta}{3} \right]_0^{\pi/2} \\ &= \frac{2}{3} \left[ \frac{\pi}{2} - 1 + \frac{1}{3} \right] = \frac{3\pi - 4}{9} . \end{aligned}$$

If one does not use symmetry, one has to be careful to observe that  $(1 - \sin^2 \theta)^{3/2} = [\cos^2 \theta]^{3/2} = -\cos^3 \theta$  when  $\pi/2 < \theta \leq \pi$ , because  $\cos \theta$  is negative for those values of  $\theta$  and therefore  $\cos^3 \theta$  is negative also.

**8. Find the surface area** of the part of the paraboloid  $z = x^2 + y^2$  that lies below the plane  $z = 2$ . {Hint: Even if you set up this problem in rectangular coordinates, you may want to shift to polar/cylindrical to evaluate the integral.}

[15 pts.]

The element of surface area for the graph of the function  $f(x, y) = x^2 + y^2$  is given by

$$dS = \sqrt{\left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}\right)^2 + 1} dA = \sqrt{4x^2 + 4y^2 + 1} dA$$

where  $dA$  is the element of area in the  $xy$ -plane; the part of the paraboloid whose area is sought lies over the region in the plane bounded by the solution of  $z = x^2 + y^2 = 2$ , which is a disc  $R$  of radius  $\sqrt{2}$  centered at the origin. It is clear that cylindrical coordinates are well adapted to this problem. Thus the integral giving the area of this part of the paraboloid is

$$\begin{aligned} \iint_R \sqrt{4x^2 + 4y^2 + 1} dA &= \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{4r^2 + 1} r dr d\theta \\ &= 2\pi \cdot \left[ \frac{1}{8} \frac{2}{3} (4r^2 + 1)^{3/2} \right]_0^{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{\pi}{6} (27 - 1) = \frac{13\pi}{3} . \end{aligned}$$

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(2) The plane  $z=0$ .

9. Let  $\mathbf{F}(x, y, z) = z^2 \mathbf{i} + 2y \mathbf{j} + 2xz \mathbf{k}$ . This vector field is defined and continuously differentiable everywhere in 3-dimensional space.

- (a) **Determine whether there is a scalar function**  $V(x, y, z)$  defined everywhere in 3-dimensional space, such that  $\nabla V = \mathbf{F}$ . If there is such a  $V$ , **find it**; if there is not, **explain why not**. [15 pts.]

Such functions  $V$  will exist, at least locally, if the curl of  $\mathbf{F}$  is zero and can exist only if its curl is zero. Its curl is given by

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{F} = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ \partial/\partial x & \partial/\partial y & \partial/\partial z \\ z^2 & 2y & 2xz \end{vmatrix} = (0 - 0)\mathbf{i} + (2z - 2z)\mathbf{j} + (0 - 0)\mathbf{k} = \mathbf{0}.$$

Since  $V_x = z^2$  must hold,  $V(x, y, z) = xz^2$  plus a function of  $y$  and  $z$  only. Since  $V_y = 2y$  must hold,  $V(x, y, z) = xz^2 + y^2$  plus a function of  $z$  only. Since  $\frac{\partial(xz^2 + 2y^2)}{\partial z} = 2xz$ , we must have  $V(x, y, z) = xz^2 + y^2$  up to an additive constant.

- (b) **Compute the line integral**  $\int_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r}$ , where  $C$  is the circular helix  $\mathbf{r}(t) = (\cos t)\mathbf{i} + (\sin t)\mathbf{j} + t\mathbf{k}$ ,  $0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$ . Do not hesitate to use information developed in (a) above, if it will help. [10 pts.]

By the “Fundamental Theorem of Calculus for Line Integrals,” we can compute the value of this line integral by evaluating the function  $V(x, y, z)$  found in (a) above at the ending point  $\mathbf{r}(2\pi) = (1, 0, 2\pi)$  and subtracting its value at the beginning point  $\mathbf{r}(0) = (1, 0, 0)$ . Thus

$$\int_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} = V(1, 0, 2\pi) - V(1, 0, 0) = [(1 \cdot (2\pi)^2 + 0) - (0 + 0)] = 4\pi^2.$$

10. Let  $S$  be the portion of the paraboloid  $z = 4 - x^2 - y^2$  that lies above the plane  $z = 0$ . The curve in which they intersect is the circle of radius 2 centered at the origin, which is easily parametrized using polar coordinates:  $x(\theta) = 2 \cos \theta$ ,  $y(\theta) = 2 \sin \theta$ ,  $0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$ . Let

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

**Compute**  $\iint_S (\nabla \times \mathbf{F}) \cdot \mathbf{n} dS$  by any means at your disposal. [15 pts.]

Stokes’ theorem says that  $\iint_S (\nabla \times \mathbf{F}) \cdot \mathbf{n} dS = \int_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r}$ , where  $C$  is the circle of radius 2 centered at the origin. This fact can be used directly, and the line integral around  $C$  can be computed by parametrizing the circle with the usual  $x = 2 \cos \theta$ ,  $y = 2 \sin \theta$ ,  $z = 0$ , yielding  $dx = -2 \sin \theta d\theta$ ,  $dy = 2 \cos \theta d\theta$ ,  $dz = 0 d\theta$  and so

$$\int_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} = 4 \int_0^{2\pi} [(0 - \sin \theta)(- \sin \theta) + (0 + \cos \theta)(\cos \theta) + 0] d\theta = 4 \int_0^{2\pi} [\sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta] d\theta = 4 \cdot 2\pi = 8\pi.$$

However, Stokes’ theorem also implies that  $\int_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} = \iint_D (\nabla \times \mathbf{F}) \cdot \mathbf{n} dS$  where  $D$  is the disc in the  $xy$ -plane of radius 2 centered at the origin. We have

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{F} = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ \partial/\partial x & \partial/\partial y & \partial/\partial z \\ z - y & z + x & -x - y \end{vmatrix} = (-1 - 1)\mathbf{i} + (1 - (-1))\mathbf{j} + (1 - (-1))\mathbf{k} = -2\mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{j} + 2\mathbf{k}$$

and the normal  $\mathbf{n}$  to the  $xy$ -plane is  $\mathbf{k}$ , so the integrand  $(\nabla \times \mathbf{F}) \cdot \mathbf{n} \equiv (-2\mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{j} + 2\mathbf{k}) \cdot \mathbf{k} \equiv 2$ , identically constant. The integral over  $D$  therefore equals this constant times the area of  $D$ , or  $2 \times 4\pi = 8\pi$ .