

Math 131 Multivariate Calculus  
Final Answers  
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1. [16; 8 points each part] On conservative vector fields. We proved that a conservative vector field  $\mathbf{F}$  on a simply connected region is the gradient of some scalar field  $f$ .

a. Verify that the vector field  $\mathbf{F}$  given by  $\mathbf{F}(x, y, z) = (2x + y, x + \cos z, -y \sin z)$  has curl 0.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{curl } \mathbf{F} &= \nabla \times \mathbf{F} \\ &= \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right) \times (F_1, F_2, F_3) \\ &= \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ F_1 & F_2 & F_3 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \left( \frac{\partial F_3}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial F_2}{\partial z}, \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial F_3}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial F_2}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial y} \right) \\ &= (-\sin z + \sin z, 0 - 0, 1 - 1) = (0, 0, 0) \end{aligned}$$

b. Find a scalar potential field  $f$  on  $\mathbf{R}^3$  whose gradient is  $\mathbf{F}$ .

Since  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = 2x + y$ , therefore  $f(x, y, z) = x^2 + xy + C(y, z)$  where  $C(y, z)$  can depend on  $y$  and  $z$  but not on  $x$ . Take  $\frac{\partial}{\partial y}$  to see that we need  $x + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} C(y, z) = x + \cos z$ . Therefore,  $C(y, z) = y \cos z$  plus some function of  $z$ . The function

$$f(x, y, z) = x^2 + xy + y \cos z$$

will do since its derivative with respect to  $z$  is  $-y \sin z$  as required.

2. [16] On Green's theorem. Recall that Green's theorem equates a path integral over the boundary of a two-dimensional region  $D$  to a double integral over  $D$ .

$$\oint_{\partial D} M dx + N dy = \iint_D \left( \frac{\partial N}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial M}{\partial y} \right) dx dy.$$

Let  $\mathbf{F}$  be the vector field defined on  $\mathbf{R}^2$  by  $\mathbf{F}(x, y) = (y^2, x^2)$ . Let  $C$  be the path formed by the square with vertices  $(0, 0)$ ,  $(1, 0)$ ,  $(1, 1)$ , and  $(0, 1)$ , oriented counterclockwise. Use Green's theorem to convert the vector line integral  $\oint_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{s}$  into a double integral. Your double integral should have only the variables  $x$  and  $y$ , and it should have limits of integration for both  $x$  and  $y$ . Don't evaluate the resulting double integral.

The closed curve  $C$  is the boundary  $\partial D$  of the unit square  $D$ , so by Green's theorem, the vector line integral is equal to

$$\int_D \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x} x^2 - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} y^2 \right) dx dy = \int_0^1 \int_0^1 (2x - 2y) dx dy.$$

3. [18; 6 points each part] On scalar line integrals. Recall that the scalar line integral of a scalar field  $f$  on a path parameterized by  $\mathbf{x}$  is

$$\int_{\mathbf{x}} f ds = \int_a^b f(\mathbf{x}(t)) \|\mathbf{x}'(t)\| dt.$$

Tom Sawyer is whitewashing a picket fence. The base of the fenceposts are arranged in the  $(x, y)$ -plane as the quarter circle  $x^2 + y^2 = 25$  for  $x, y \geq 0$ , and the height of the fencepost at point  $(x, y)$  is given by  $h(x, y) = 10 - x - y$ . In this problem, you will use a scalar line integral to find the area of one side of the fence.

a. Parameterize the quarter circle by a path  $\mathbf{x}(t)$ . Be sure to include the limits for the parameter  $t$ .

$$\mathbf{x}(t) = (5 \cos t, 5 \sin t) \text{ for } 0 \leq t \leq \pi/2.$$

b. Compute the velocity  $\mathbf{x}'(t)$  and speed  $\|\mathbf{x}'\|$  for your parameterization.

For this path, the velocity is  $\mathbf{x}'(t) = (-5 \sin t, 5 \cos t)$ , so the speed is  $\|\mathbf{x}'(t)\| = 5$ .

c. Write down a scalar line integral of  $h$  over the path, and evaluate that integral.

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\mathbf{x}} (10 - x - y) ds &= \int_0^{\pi/2} (10 - x - y) \|\mathbf{x}'(t)\| dt \\ &= 5 \int_0^{\pi/2} (10 - 5 \cos t - 5 \sin t) dt \\ &= 25(\pi - 2) \end{aligned}$$

4. [16] On scalar surface integrals. Recall that the integral of a scalar field  $f$  over a surface parameterized by  $\mathbf{X}$  is

$$\iint_{\mathbf{X}} f dS = \iint_D f(\mathbf{X}(s, t)) \|\mathbf{N}(s, t)\| ds dt$$

Evaluate the scalar surface integral  $\iint_{\mathbf{X}} z^3 dS$  where  $\mathbf{X}$  is the parameterization of the unit hemisphere  $\mathbf{X}(s, t) = (\cos s \sin t, \sin s \sin t, \cos t)$  for  $0 \leq s \leq 2\pi$  and  $0 \leq t \leq \pi/2$ . You may use the fact that the length of the normal vector  $\mathbf{N}(s, t)$  is equal to  $\sin t$ . Carry out your evaluation until you get an ordinary double integral in terms of  $s$  and  $t$ . You don't have to evaluate that integral.

$$\begin{aligned} \iint_{\mathbf{X}} z^3 dS &= \iint_D \cos^3 t |\sin t| ds dt \\ &= \int_0^{\pi/2} \int_0^{2\pi} \cos^3 t \sin t ds dt \end{aligned}$$

5. [20; 5 points each part] On Gauss's theorem. Recall that Gauss's theorem, also known as the divergence theorem, says that the integral of  $\mathbf{F}$  over  $\partial D$  equals the divergence of  $\mathbf{F}$  over the region  $D$ .

$$\iint_{\partial D} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{S} = \iiint_D \nabla \cdot \mathbf{F} dV$$

Let  $D$  be the segment of a paraboloid  $D = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbf{R}^3 \mid 0 \leq z \leq 9 - x^2 - y^2\}$  and let  $\mathbf{F}$  be the radial vector field given by  $\mathbf{F}(x, y, z) = (x, y, z)$ .

a. Write down the triple integral  $\iiint_D \nabla \cdot \mathbf{F} dV$  in terms of  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$  with limits of integration for each. Don't evaluate the integral.

The divergence of  $\mathbf{F}$  is  $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{F} = 1 + 1 + 1 = 3$ . One way to parameterize the integral is

$$\iiint_D 3 dV = \int_{-3}^3 \int_{-\sqrt{9-x^2}}^{\sqrt{9-x^2}} \int_0^{9-x^2-y^2} 3 dz dy dx$$

b. The boundary  $\partial D$  comes in two parts— $S_1$ , the upper parabolic surface, and  $S_2$ , the lower surface which is a circle of radius 3 in the  $x, y$ -plane. Parameterize the surface  $S_1$ .

There are various ways to do that. Here's one. Take  $x$  and  $y$  to be the parameters. You could leave them as  $x$  and  $y$ , but I'll write them as  $s$  and  $t$  for clarity. Then  $x = s$ ,  $y = t$  and  $z = 9 - s^2 - t^2$ , where  $-3 \leq s \leq 3$  and  $-\sqrt{9 - s^2} \leq t \leq \sqrt{9 - s^2}$

c. Compute the normal vector  $\mathbf{N}$  for the parameterization you chose in part b. You'll use  $\mathbf{N}$  in part d.

There are various ways to compute  $\mathbf{N}$ . You could use the formula  $\mathbf{N} = (-f_x, -f_t, 1)$  that we developed in class for the normal for the graph of a function  $z = f(x, y) = f(s, t)$ .

Here's a way to compute  $\mathbf{N}$  that uses Jacobians. It leads to the formula mentioned above.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{N}(s, t) &= \left( \frac{\partial(y, z)}{\partial(s, t)}, \frac{\partial(x, z)}{\partial(s, t)}, \frac{\partial(x, y)}{\partial(s, t)} \right) \\ &= \left( \frac{\partial y}{\partial s} \frac{\partial z}{\partial t} - \frac{\partial y}{\partial t} \frac{\partial z}{\partial s}, \frac{\partial x}{\partial s} \frac{\partial z}{\partial t} - \frac{\partial x}{\partial t} \frac{\partial z}{\partial s}, \frac{\partial x}{\partial s} \frac{\partial y}{\partial t} - \frac{\partial x}{\partial t} \frac{\partial y}{\partial s} \right) \\ &= \left( -\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}, -\frac{\partial z}{\partial t}, 1 \right) \\ &= (2x, 2y, 1) \end{aligned}$$

d. Recall that the vector surface integral of a vector field  $\mathbf{F}$  on a surface parameterized by  $\mathbf{X}$  is

$$\iint_{\mathbf{X}} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{S} = \iint_D \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{X}(s, t)) \cdot \mathbf{N}(s, t) ds dt.$$

Write down the surface integral  $\iint_{S_1} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{S}$  for the upper parabolic surface in terms of the two variables you used in

your parameterization of  $S_1$  with limits of integration for those two variables. No other variables should appear in your final integral. Don't evaluate the integral.

$$\begin{aligned} \iint_{S_1} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{S} &= \iint_{S_1} \mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{N} ds dt \\ &= \int_{-3}^3 \int_{-\sqrt{9-s^2}}^{\sqrt{9-s^2}} (x, y, z) \cdot (2x, 2y, 1) dt ds \\ &= \int_{-3}^3 \int_{-\sqrt{9-s^2}}^{\sqrt{9-s^2}} (2x^2 + 2y^2 + z) dt ds \\ &= \int_{-3}^3 \int_{-\sqrt{9-s^2}}^{\sqrt{9-s^2}} (2s^2 + 2t^2 + 9 - s^2 - t^2) dt ds \\ &= \int_{-3}^3 \int_{-\sqrt{9-s^2}}^{\sqrt{9-s^2}} (9 + s^2 + t^2) dt ds \end{aligned}$$

6. [16] On change of variables and the Jacobian.

Parabolic coordinates. The relevant equations to convert between rectangular coordinates  $(x, y)$  and parabolic coordinates  $(u, v)$  are

$$\begin{aligned} x &= uv & u &= \sqrt{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2} + y} \\ y &= \frac{1}{2}(u^2 - v^2) & v &= \sqrt{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2} - y} \end{aligned}$$

A double integral can be converted from rectangular coordinates to parabolic coordinates using a Jacobian. The area differential  $dA = dx dy$  is equal to  $\left| \frac{\partial(x, y)}{\partial(u, v)} \right| du dv$ .

Determine the Jacobian  $\left| \frac{\partial(x, y)}{\partial(u, v)} \right|$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial(x, y)}{\partial(u, v)} &= \frac{\partial x}{\partial u} \frac{\partial y}{\partial v} - \frac{\partial y}{\partial u} \frac{\partial x}{\partial v} \\ &= -v^2 - u^2 \end{aligned}$$

The area differential includes an absolute value, and that's  $v^2 + u^2$ .