

Math 210 (Lesieutre)
Exam review #2
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Problem 1. Consider the integral $\int_{x=0}^3 \int_{y=0}^{x^3} xy \, dy \, dx$. Sketch the region of integration, and reverse the order of the integrals.

It's the region underneath the graph of $y = x^3$ and above the x -axis, for x between 0 and 3. The top right corner of the region is the point $(3, 27)$, and so on this region we're going to have y from 0 to 27. For a given y , the lower bound on x is the graph, and the upper bound is $x = 3$. The graph is $y = x^3$, which means $x = \sqrt[3]{y}$. So our integral is going to be:

$$\int_{y=0}^{27} \int_{x=\sqrt[3]{y}}^3 xy \, dx \, dy.$$

Problem 2. Compute the integral $\oint_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{n} \, ds$ where $\mathbf{F} = \langle x^2, y \rangle$ and C is a triangular path from $(1, 0)$ to $(0, 2)$ to $(0, 0)$ and back to $(1, 0)$.

This is a problem for the normal form Green's theorem, which says that

$$\oint_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} \, ds = \iint_R \operatorname{div} \mathbf{F} \, dA.$$

Here $\operatorname{div} \mathbf{F} = 2x + 1$, and the bounds for R will be $0 \leq x \leq 1$ and $0 \leq y \leq 2 - 2x$. So we want

$$\int_{x=0}^1 \int_{y=0}^{2-2x} (2x + 1) \, dy \, dx$$

Inner:

$$\int_{y=0}^{2-2x} (2x + 1) \, dy = (2 - 2x)(2x + 1) = -4x^2 + 2x + 2$$

Outer:

$$\int_{x=0}^1 (-4x^2 + 2x + 2) \, dx = -\frac{4x^3}{3} + x^2 + 2x \Big|_0^1 = -\frac{4}{3} + 1 + 2 = \frac{5}{3}.$$

Problem 3. a) What is the tangent plane to the surface $x^2 + 2y^2 + 2z^2 = 8$ at the point $(2, 1, 1)$?

The tangent plane is normal to the gradient of the function defining the surface: $f(x, y, z) = x^2 + 2y^2 + 2z^2 - 8$. The gradient is $\nabla f = \langle 2x, 4y, 4z \rangle$, which at the point in question is $\nabla f(2, 1, 1) = \langle 4, 4, 4 \rangle$. So the plane is normal to this vector. Since the tangent plane passes through the point $(2, 1, 1)$, it must be

$$4(x - 2) + 4(y - 1) + 4(z - 1) = 0.$$

b) Consider the function $f(x, y) = 3 + x^2\sqrt{y}$. Use a linear approximation centered at $(2, 1)$ to approximate the value of $f(2.1, 1.2)$.

We have

$$\begin{aligned}f_x &= 2x\sqrt{y} \\f_y &= \frac{x^2}{2\sqrt{y}}.\end{aligned}$$

At the point $(2, 1)$, these things evaluate to

$$\begin{aligned}f(2, 1) &= 7 \\f_x(2, 1) &= 4 \\f_y(2, 1) &= 2\end{aligned}$$

The formula for linear approximation says that

$$\begin{aligned}f(x, y) &\approx f(2, 1) + f_x(2, 1)(x - 2) + f_y(2, 1)(y - 1) \\&= 7 + 4(x - 2) + 2(y - 1).\end{aligned}$$

Plugging in $(x, y) = (2.1, 1.2)$ as requested, we get

$$f(2.1, 1.2) \approx 7 + 4(x - 2) + 2(y - 1) = 7 + 4(0.1) + 2(0.2) = 7.8.$$

For comparison, the actual value is 7.831.

Problem 4. a) Compute the gradient field of the function $\phi(x, y, z) = x^2 - yz$. What kind of field do you get?

The gradient is

$$\nabla\phi = \langle 2x, -z, -y \rangle.$$

It's a conservative field.

b) For your vector field from part (a), compute $\int_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r}$, where C is parametrized by $\mathbf{r}(t) = \langle t, t^2, t \rangle$ with $1 \leq t \leq 3$.

It's a conservative field, so we can do this using the fundamental theorem for line integrals. The beginning of our path is $\mathbf{r}(1) = \langle 1, 1, 1 \rangle$, and the end is $\mathbf{r}(3) = \langle 3, 9, 3 \rangle$. The fundamental theorem then tells us that

$$\int_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} = \phi(3, 9, 3) - \phi(1, 1, 1) = (9 - 27) - (1 - 1) = -18.$$

Problem 5. a) Find the flux of $\mathbf{F} = \langle y, x, x + z \rangle$ across the top face of the unit cube, with an upward normal vector.

Parametrize it $\mathbf{r}(u, v) = \langle u, v, 1 \rangle$. Then $\mathbf{t}_u = \langle 1, 0, 0 \rangle$ and $\mathbf{t}_v = \langle 0, 1, 0 \rangle$, so $\mathbf{t}_u \times \mathbf{t}_v = \langle 0, 0, 1 \rangle$. The flux is

$$\begin{aligned} \iint_S \mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{n} \, dS &= \int_{u=0}^1 \int_{v=0}^1 \langle v, u, 1+u \rangle \cdot \langle 0, 0, 1 \rangle \, dv \, du \\ &= \int_{u=0}^1 \int_{v=0}^1 1+u \, dv \, du = \int_{u=0}^1 1+u \, du = u + \frac{u^2}{2} \Big|_0^1 = \frac{3}{2}. \end{aligned}$$

b) Find the outward flux of $\mathbf{F} = \langle y, x, x+z \rangle$ across the entire unit cube.

This one we can do using the divergence theorem. The divergence is $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{F} = 0 + 0 + 1 = 1$, and so

$$\begin{aligned} \oiint_S \mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{n} \, dS &= \iiint_D \nabla \cdot \mathbf{F} \, dV \\ &= \int_{x=0}^1 \int_{y=0}^1 \int_{z=0}^1 1 \, dz \, dy \, dx = 1. \end{aligned}$$

Problem 6. Consider the function $f(x, y) = x + 2y + e^{xy}$. Find the direction of steepest ascent at $(x, y) = (0, 0)$, and the rate of ascent in that direction.

The direction of steepest ascent is always the direction of the gradient, which is $\nabla f = \langle 1 + ye^{xy}, 2 + xe^{xy} \rangle$, so that $\nabla f(0, 0) = \langle 1, 2 \rangle$. That's the direction of steepest ascent. The rate of ascent is the length of the gradient, which is $\sqrt{1^2 + 2^2} = \sqrt{5}$.

Problem 7. Find the area of a triangle with vertices at $(1, 1, 1)$, $(1, 2, 1)$, and $(1, 2, 3)$.

Let's call the vertices A , B and C respectively. Then $AB = \langle 0, 1, 0 \rangle$ and $AC = \langle 0, 1, 2 \rangle$. The area of the triangle is half the area of the parallelogram with these two vectors as legs, which is given by the cross product of these vectors. We have

$$\langle 0, 1, 0 \rangle \times \langle 0, 1, 2 \rangle = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = \langle 2, 0, 0 \rangle.$$

The length of this vector is 2, and so the area of the triangle is 1.

Problem 8. Suppose that a particle has $\mathbf{v}(t) = \langle -\sin t, \cos t, 2 \rangle$, and initial position $\mathbf{r}(0) = \langle 1, 2, 3 \rangle$. Find a formula for $\mathbf{r}(t)$.

We know that $\mathbf{r}(t) = \int \mathbf{v}(t) \, dt + \mathbf{C}$. The indefinite integral is $\langle \cos t, \sin t, 2t \rangle$. So the question is what vector to use for \mathbf{C} .

The answer is that we should plug in 0 to figure this out. So far we know that $\mathbf{r}(t) = \langle \cos t, \sin t, 2t \rangle + \mathbf{C}$ (here \mathbf{C} is an honest constant - no t 's). Then $\mathbf{r}(0) = \langle 1, 0, 0 \rangle + \langle C_1, C_2, C_3 \rangle = \langle 1, 2, 3 \rangle$, and so $\mathbf{C} = \langle 0, 2, 3 \rangle$. Our answer is then

$$\mathbf{r}(t) = \langle \cos t, \sin t + t, 2t + 3 \rangle.$$