

MATH 20E, MIDTERM 1 SOLUTIONS
(VERSION C)

PROBLEM 1

- (a) The tangent plane at the point $(0, 0, 1)$ is given by

$$\begin{aligned} z &= f(0, 0) + f_x(0, 0)x + f_y(0, 0)y \\ &= 1 + 2x, \end{aligned}$$

where the final equality follows since

$$\begin{aligned} f_x(x, y) &= 2e^{2x+y^2} & f_y(x, y) &= 2ye^{2x+y^2} \\ f_x(0, 0) &= 2 & f_y(0, 0) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

and $z = 1 = f(0, 0) = f(x, y)$ at the given point $(0, 0, 1)$.

- (b) It seems students used a variety of formulas for this problem with differing notations. I accepted any notation as long as the solution was correct. One acceptable method was to use

$$f(\mathbf{x}_0 + \mathbf{h}) = f(\mathbf{x}_0) + \sum_{i=1}^n h_i \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i}(\mathbf{x}_0) + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j=1}^n h_i h_j \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_i \partial x_j}(\mathbf{x}_0) + R_2(\mathbf{x}_0, \mathbf{h})$$

from page 160 in the textbook (section 3.2). In the problem, $\mathbf{x}_0 = (0, 0)$ is given, so the final solution only contains h_1 and h_2 terms. It was also fine if you used x and y instead of h_1 and h_2 . Alternatively, you could have expressed the above equation in matrix form (I'll use x and y here),

$$g(x, y) = f(0, 0) + \begin{bmatrix} f_x & f_y \end{bmatrix} \Big|_{(0,0)} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} + \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} x & y \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} f_{xx} & f_{xy} \\ f_{yx} & f_{yy} \end{bmatrix} \Big|_{(0,0)} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix},$$

where each of the matrices are evaluated at the point $(0, 0)$. The values of the partial derivatives are

$$\begin{aligned} f_x(x, y) &= 2e^{2x+y^2} & f_x(0, 0) &= 2 \\ f_y(x, y) &= 2ye^{2x+y^2} & f_y(0, 0) &= 0 \\ f_{xx}(x, y) &= 4e^{2x+y^2} & f_{xx}(0, 0) &= 4 \\ f_{yy}(x, y) &= 2e^{2x+y^2} + 4y^2e^{2x+y^2} & f_{yy}(0, 0) &= 2 \\ f_{xy}(x, y) &= f_{yx}(x, y) = 4ye^{2x+y^2} & f_{xy}(0, 0) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

For some reason, many students forgot to use the product rule when finding $f_{yy}(x, y)$, so they missed a term and erroneously concluded $f_{yy}(0, 0) = 0$ (wrong). Plugging these values into either the summation or matrix forms yields

$$f(h_1, h_2) = 1 + 2h_1 + 2h_1^2 + h_2^2 + R_2(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{h})$$

or

$$g(x, y) = 1 + 2x + 2x^2 + y^2,$$

depending on which form you used, respectively. Although the first expression only approximately holds if the remainder term is not included (i.e., you should replace the “=” with an “ \approx ”), no points were deducted if this term wasn’t included.

PROBLEM 2

- (a) Differentiating $g(x, y) = (ye^{x^2}, xe^{y^2})$ yields

$$Dg(x, y) = \begin{bmatrix} 2xye^{x^2} & e^{x^2} \\ e^{y^2} & 2xye^{y^2} \end{bmatrix}.$$

- (b) In order to compute $D(f \circ g)(1, 0)$, it is easiest to find the partial derivatives of $f(u, v)$ with respect to u and v , the partial derivatives of $g(x, y)$ with respect to x and y , and use the chain rule:

$$D(f \circ g)(1, 0) = Df(g(1, 0)) Dg(1, 0).$$

The derivative of f is evaluated at $g(1, 0) = (0, 1)$. Each of $Df(0, 1)$ and $Dg(1, 0)$ are 2×2 matrices, so their product should also be a 2×2 matrix. Using

$$Df(u, v) = \begin{bmatrix} 2u & -2v \\ -v \sin(uv) & -u \sin(uv) \end{bmatrix},$$

we find

$$Df(g(1, 0)) Dg(1, 0) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & e \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

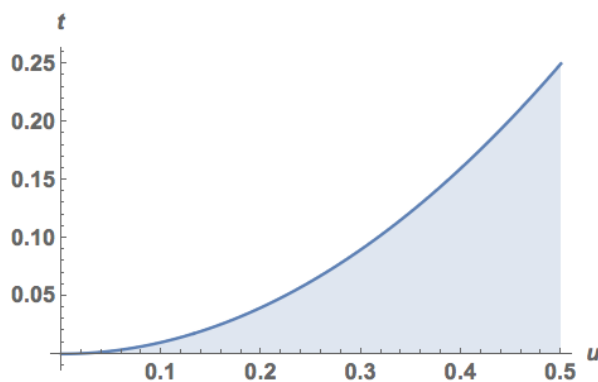
Several students attempted to write down the full function composition, and then differentiate with respect to x and y . Although this method is still correct, the arithmetic is far more tedious.

PROBLEM 3

The calculation is below.

$$\begin{aligned}\int_0^{1/4} \int_{\sqrt{t}}^{1/2} \frac{e^u}{u} du dt &= \int_0^{1/2} \int_0^{u^2} \frac{e^u}{u} dt du \\&= \int_0^{1/2} \frac{e^u}{u} t \Big|_{t=0}^{t=u^2} du \\&= \int_0^{1/2} u e^u du \\&= u e^u \Big|_{u=0}^{u=1/2} - \int_0^{1/2} e^u du \\&= \frac{1}{2} e^{1/2} - e^u \Big|_{u=0}^{u=1/2} \\&= \frac{1}{2} e^{1/2} - (e^{1/2} - 1) \\&= 1 - \frac{1}{2} e^{1/2}.\end{aligned}$$

Students mostly had trouble with determining the bounds on the iterated integrals. The easiest approach is to start by drawing $u = \sqrt{t}$ in the $t - u$ plane, then shade the region between this curve and the line $u = \frac{1}{2}$. Since t ranges from 0 to $\frac{1}{4}$, the integral is taken over the entire shaded region. Several students either shaded the wrong region even though they determined the correct bounds or they drew the curve $u = t^2$ instead of $u = \sqrt{t}$. Some simply forgot to label their axis. The correct region is shown below.



Also, don't forget about integration by parts!

$$\int_a^b \left(\frac{df(x)}{dx} \right) g(x) dx = f(x)g(x) \Big|_{x=a}^{x=b} - \int_a^b f(x) \left(\frac{dg(x)}{dx} \right) dx.$$

PROBLEM 4

The most direct method to use for this problem is to evaluate the area of D by changing variables to D^* . The transformation is provided,

$$T(u, v) = (u^2v, uv^2) = (x, y),$$

so that

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Area}(D) &= \iint_D dx dy \\ &= \iint_{D^*} \left| \frac{\partial(x, y)}{\partial(u, v)} \right| du dv \\ &= \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \left| \frac{\partial x}{\partial u} \frac{\partial y}{\partial v} - \frac{\partial x}{\partial v} \frac{\partial y}{\partial u} \right| du dv \\ &= \int_0^1 \int_0^1 |4u^2v^2 - u^2v^2| du dv \\ &= \int_0^1 \int_0^1 3u^2v^2 du dv \\ &= \frac{1}{3}.\end{aligned}$$

There seemed to be a lot of confusion on this problem with students trying to determine the correct limits of integration in the $x - y$ plane, then perform the integral there. It can be done (very few students did this *correctly*), but is probably more difficult. It also doesn't utilize any of the machinery that you have learned in 20E. For those that tried it, the correct region in the $x - y$ plane was just the "almond-shaped" area bounded by the two curves $y = x^2$ and $y = \sqrt{x}$, shown below.

