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Question 1

- (a) Let $\mathbf{u} = a\mathbf{i} + b\mathbf{j}$ and $\mathbf{v} = c\mathbf{i} + d\mathbf{j}$.
 $(a^2 + b^2)(c^2 + d^2) = |\mathbf{u}|^2|\mathbf{v}|^2$, $(ac + bd)^2 = (\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v})^2 = (|\mathbf{u}||\mathbf{v}|\cos\theta)^2 = |\mathbf{u}|^2|\mathbf{v}|^2\cos^2\theta$.
 $\therefore \cos^2\theta \leq 1$,
 $\therefore (a^2 + b^2)(c^2 + d^2) \geq (ac + bd)^2$.
- (b) $\mathbf{u} \times [\mathbf{u} \times (\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v})] \cdot \mathbf{w} = \mathbf{u} \cdot [\mathbf{u} \times (\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v}) \times \mathbf{w}] = \mathbf{u} \cdot \{[(\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v})\mathbf{u} - (\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u})\mathbf{v}] \times \mathbf{w}\}$
 $(\mathbf{u}$ is a unit vector, $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u} = |\mathbf{u}||\mathbf{u}| = 1.)$
 $= \mathbf{u} \cdot [(\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v})\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{w}] - \mathbf{u} \cdot [\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{w}] = (\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v})\mathbf{u} \cdot (\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{w}) - \mathbf{u} \cdot [\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{w}]$
 $= (\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v})[(\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{u}) \cdot \mathbf{w}] - \mathbf{u} \cdot [\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{w}]$
 $(\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{0})$
 $= -\mathbf{u} \cdot [\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{w}]$
 $C = -1$.

Question 2

- (a) The parametric equations for ellipse E can be written as,
 $x = \sqrt{2}\cos t$, $y = \sqrt{2}\sin t$, $z = 4 - x = 4 - \sqrt{2}\cos t$, $0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$
The vector equation of E is $\mathbf{r}(t) = \langle \sqrt{2}\cos t, \sqrt{2}\sin t, 4 - \sqrt{2}\cos t \rangle$,
so, $\mathbf{r}'(t) = \langle -\sqrt{2}\sin t, \sqrt{2}\cos t, \sqrt{2}\sin t \rangle$
The parameter value at the point $(1, 1, 3)$ is $t = \frac{\pi}{4}$.
 $\mathbf{r}'(\frac{\pi}{4}) = \langle -\sqrt{2}\sin \frac{\pi}{4}, \sqrt{2}\cos \frac{\pi}{4}, \sqrt{2}\sin \frac{\pi}{4} \rangle = \langle -1, 1, 1 \rangle$
The parametric equation of the tangent line to E at the point $(1, 1, 3)$ is,
 $x = 1 - t$, $y = 1 + t$, $z = 3 + t$.
- (b) The vectors \mathbf{r}_1 and \mathbf{r}_2 corresponding to lines $x = 2y = 2 - 2z$ and $x = y = 2z - 2$ are,
 $\mathbf{r}_1 = \langle 1, \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2} \rangle$, $\mathbf{r}_2 = \langle 1, 1, \frac{1}{2} \rangle$
Vector \mathbf{n} is orthogonal to the plane, and

$$\mathbf{n} = \mathbf{r}_1 \times \mathbf{r}_2 = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ 1 & \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \\ 1 & 1 & \frac{1}{2} \end{vmatrix} = \frac{3}{4}\mathbf{i} - \mathbf{j} + \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{k}.$$

Point $(0, 0, 1)$ is on the plane, the scalar equation of the plane is $\frac{3}{4}x - y + \frac{1}{2}(z - 1) = 0$.

Question 3

- (a) Equation of the circle is $x^2 + y^2 = 1$. Let $x = \cos(-2t)$, $y = \sin(-2t)$, $0 \leq t \leq \pi$.
At the point $(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2})$, the insect is moving in the direction $\mathbf{u} = \langle \cos \frac{-\pi}{6}, \sin \frac{-\pi}{6} \rangle = \langle \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, -\frac{1}{2} \rangle$
The directional derivative of $T(x, y)$ at the point $(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2})$ in the direction $\mathbf{u} = \langle \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, -\frac{1}{2} \rangle$ is

$$D_{\mathbf{u}}T\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right) = T_x\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} - T_y\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)\frac{1}{2} = \sin\left(2 \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} - 2 \times \frac{1}{2} \cos\left(2 \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)\frac{1}{2} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \sin \sqrt{3} - \frac{1}{2} \cos \sqrt{3}.$$

The temperature is changing at the speed of $(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \sin \sqrt{3} - \frac{1}{2} \cos \sqrt{3})$ degrees Celsius per second at the point $(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2})$.

- (b) Suppose $P(x_0, y_0, z_0)$ is on the graph of $z = x^2 + y^2 + 10$. The distance from P to the plane $x + 2y - z = 0$ is

$$D = \frac{|x_0 + 2y_0 - z_0|}{\sqrt{1^2 + 2^2 + (-1)^2}} = \frac{|x_0 + 2y_0 - (x_0^2 + y_0^2 + 10)|}{\sqrt{6}} = \frac{|(x_0 - \frac{1}{2})^2 + (y_0 - 1)^2 + (10 - \frac{5}{4})|}{\sqrt{6}}$$

$$(x_0 - \frac{1}{2})^2 + (y_0 - 1)^2 + (10 - \frac{5}{4}) > 0, \forall x_0, y_0 \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$D = \frac{(x_0 - \frac{1}{2})^2 + (y_0 - 1)^2 + (10 - \frac{5}{4})}{\sqrt{6}} \text{ Let } f = (x_0 - \frac{1}{2})^2 + (y_0 - 1)^2 + (10 - \frac{5}{4})$$

The critical points satisfy, $f_x(a, b) = 0$ and $f_y(a, b) = 0$

Which implies, $2(a - \frac{1}{2}) = 0$, and $2(b - 1) = 0$. Since $f_{xx} = 2$, $f_{yy} = 2$, and $f_{xy} = 0$, apply the Second Derivatives Test, $f_{xx}f_{yy} - f_{xy}^2 = 4 > 0$ and $f_{xx} > 0$. The distance is minimized when $x_0 = \frac{1}{2}$ and $y_0 = 1$.

The point $(\frac{1}{2}, 1, 11\frac{1}{4})$ is nearest to the plane.

Question 4

(a)

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^3 \int_{\sqrt{x/3}}^1 e^{y^3} dy dx &= \int_0^1 \int_0^{3y^2} e^{y^3} dx dy \\ &= \int_0^1 3y^2 e^{y^3} dy \\ &= \left[e^{y^3} \right]_0^1 = e - 1. \end{aligned}$$

- (b) (i) By definition of partial derivative,

$$\begin{aligned} f_x(0, 0) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(h, 0) - f(0, 0)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{0}{h^2} - 0}{h} = 0 \\ f_y(0, 0) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(0, h) - f(0, 0)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{0}{h^2} - 0}{h} = 0. \end{aligned}$$

(ii)

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y}(0, 0) &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right) (0, 0) \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f_y(h, 0) - f_y(0, 0)}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{h}{h} = 1. \\ \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x}(0, 0) &= \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right) (0, 0) \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f_x(0, h) - f_x(0, 0)}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{-h}{h} = -1. \end{aligned}$$

The partial derivatives f_x and f_y exist near $(0, 0)$.

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} |f_x| &= \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{|x^4 y + 4x^2 y^3 - y^5|}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} = \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{|y| |x^4 + 4x^2 y^2 - y^4|}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} \\ &\leq \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{|y| |x^4 + 4x^2 y^2 + y^4|}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} = \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{|y| (x^2 + y^2)^2}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} = \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} |y| = 0 = f_x(0, 0) \\ \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} |f_y| &= \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{|x^5 - 4x^3 y^2 - xy^4|}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} = \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{|x| |x^4 - 4x^2 y^2 - y^4|}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} \\ &\leq \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{|x| |x^4 + 4x^2 y^2 + y^4|}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} = \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{|x| (x^2 + y^2)^2}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} = \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} |x| = 0 = f_y(0, 0) \end{aligned}$$

f_x and f_y are continuous at $(0, 0)$, f is differentiable at $(0, 0)$.

Question 5

(a) (i)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{curl } \mathbf{F} &= \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial y}(z) - \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left(\frac{x}{x^2 + y^2} \right) \right] \mathbf{i} + \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left(\frac{-y}{x^2 + y^2} \right) - \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(z) \right] \mathbf{j} + \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{x}{x^2 + y^2} \right) - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{-y}{x^2 + y^2} \right) \right] \mathbf{k} \\ &= 0\mathbf{i} + 0\mathbf{j} + \left(\frac{(x^2 + y^2) - 2x^2}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} - \frac{-(x^2 + y^2) + 2y^2}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} \right) \mathbf{k} \\ &= \mathbf{0}. \end{aligned}$$

(ii)

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{r}(t) &= \cos t \mathbf{i} + \sin t \mathbf{j} + 0\mathbf{k} \\ \mathbf{r}'(t) &= -\sin t \mathbf{i} + \cos t \mathbf{j} + 0\mathbf{k} \\ \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{r}(t)) &= -\sin t \mathbf{i} + \cos t \mathbf{j} + 0\mathbf{k} \\ \oint_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} &= \int_0^{2\pi} 1 dt = 2\pi. \end{aligned}$$

(b) $D = f_{xx}(a, b)f_{yy}(a, b) - f_{xy}^2(a, b)$. Since $f_{xx}(a, b)$ and $f_{yy}(a, b)$ differ in sign, $f_{xx}(a, b)f_{yy}(a, b) < 0$. Also, $f_{xy}^2(a, b) \geq 0$. $D < 0$. We can conclude that (a, b) is a saddle point of f .

(c) The maximal value of

$$\iint_R (4 - x^2 - 2y^2) dx dy$$

is equal to the volume of the solid that lies under the surface $z = 4 - x^2 - 2y^2$ and the xy -plane ($z = 0$). The boundary of the region R is the intersection of the two surface, $4 - x^2 - 2y^2 = 0$.

Question 6

(a) D is the region enclosed by S . Let $\mathbf{F}(x, y, z) = \langle \frac{x}{3}, \frac{y}{3}, \frac{z}{3} \rangle$, we have $\text{div } \mathbf{F} = \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} = 1$.

Thus by Divergence Theorem, we have,

$$\begin{aligned}
 V &= \iiint_D 1 dV \\
 &= \iiint_D \operatorname{div} \mathbf{F} dV \\
 &= \iint_S \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{S} \\
 &= \iint_S \mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{n} dS \\
 &= \iint_S \left\langle \frac{x}{3}, \frac{y}{3}, \frac{z}{3} \right\rangle \cdot \mathbf{n} dS \\
 &= \frac{1}{3} \iint_S \mathbf{r} \cdot \mathbf{n} dS.
 \end{aligned}$$

(b) Let $\mathbf{F} = \frac{-y}{x^2+y^2} \mathbf{i} + \frac{x}{x^2+y^2} \mathbf{j} + 1 \mathbf{k} \neq \mathbf{0}$.

$$\operatorname{div} \mathbf{F} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{-y}{x^2+y^2} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{x}{x^2+y^2} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (1) = \frac{-2xy}{(x^2+y^2)^2} + \frac{2xy}{(x^2+y^2)^2} + 0 = 0.$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \operatorname{curl} \mathbf{F} &= \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial y} (1) - \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left(\frac{x}{x^2+y^2} \right) \right] \mathbf{i} + \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left(\frac{-y}{x^2+y^2} \right) - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (1) \right] \mathbf{j} + \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{x}{x^2+y^2} \right) - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{-y}{x^2+y^2} \right) \right] \mathbf{k} \\
 &= 0 \mathbf{i} + 0 \mathbf{j} + \left(\frac{(x^2+y^2) - 2x^2}{(x^2+y^2)^2} - \frac{-(x^2+y^2) + 2y^2}{(x^2+y^2)^2} \right) \mathbf{k} \\
 &= \mathbf{0}.
 \end{aligned}$$

(c) Let E be the region enclosed by S . $\operatorname{div} \mathbf{F} = 3x^2 + 3y^2 + 3z^2$. Apply Divergence Theorem,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \iint_S \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{S} &= \iiint_E \operatorname{div} \mathbf{F} dV \\
 &= \int_{-1}^1 \int_{-\sqrt{1-x^2}}^{\sqrt{1-x^2}} \int_0^2 3x^2 + 3y^2 + 3z^2 \, dx \, dy \, dz \\
 &= 3 \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^1 \int_0^2 r^2 + z^2 \, dz \, r \, dr \, d\theta \\
 &= 3 \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^1 2r^3 + \frac{8r}{3} \, dr \, d\theta \\
 &= 3 \int_0^{2\pi} 2d\theta \\
 &= 12\pi.
 \end{aligned}$$