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Question 1

(a) (i) Note that

$$\begin{aligned}PQ &= \sqrt{(1-0)^2 + (0-5)^2 + (0-0)^2} = \sqrt{26}, \\QR &= \sqrt{(0-0)^2 + (5-2)^2 + (0-(-3))^2} = 3\sqrt{2}, \\PR &= \sqrt{(1-0)^2 + (0-2)^2 + (0-(-3))^2} = \sqrt{14}.\end{aligned}$$

Thus, one has

$$\cos \angle PQR = \frac{PQ^2 + QR^2 - PR^2}{2 \cdot PQ \cdot QR} = \frac{26 + 18 - 14}{2 \cdot \sqrt{26} \cdot 3\sqrt{2}} = \frac{5\sqrt{13}}{26}.$$

(ii) We have

$$\begin{aligned}\overrightarrow{PQ} &= \overrightarrow{OQ} - \overrightarrow{OP} = \langle 0, 5, 0 \rangle - \langle 1, 0, 0 \rangle = \langle -1, 5, 0 \rangle, \\ \overrightarrow{PR} &= \overrightarrow{OR} - \overrightarrow{OP} = \langle 0, 2, -3 \rangle - \langle 1, 0, 0 \rangle = \langle -1, 2, -3 \rangle, \\ \Rightarrow \text{Area of triangle } PQR &= \frac{1}{2} |\overrightarrow{PQ} \times \overrightarrow{PR}| \\ &= \frac{1}{2} | \langle -1, 5, 0 \rangle \times \langle -1, 2, -3 \rangle | \\ &= \frac{1}{2} | \langle -15, -3, 3 \rangle | \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{(-15)^2 + (-3)^2 + 3^2} = \frac{9\sqrt{3}}{2}.\end{aligned}$$

(iii) From part (ii), one has a normal vector of the plane to be $\overrightarrow{PQ} \times \overrightarrow{PR} = \langle -15, -3, 3 \rangle$. Then the equation of the plane must satisfy the following equation:

$$\langle -15, -3, 3 \rangle \cdot \langle x-1, y, z \rangle = 0.$$

This gives us the equation of the plane containing the triangle PQR to be $5x + y - z - 5 = 0$.

(b) From the conditions given, we deduce that the volume of the parallelepiped is equal to $|\mathbf{v}_1 \cdot (\mathbf{v}_2 \times \mathbf{v}_3)| = \mathbf{v}_1 \cdot (\mathbf{v}_2 \times \mathbf{v}_3) = 7$. This would then imply that $\mathbf{v}_2 \cdot (\mathbf{v}_3 \times \mathbf{v}_1) = 7$. Thus, one has

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{k}_2 \times \mathbf{k}_3 &= \frac{\mathbf{v}_3 \times \mathbf{v}_1}{\mathbf{v}_1 \cdot (\mathbf{v}_2 \times \mathbf{v}_3)} \times \frac{\mathbf{v}_1 \times \mathbf{v}_2}{\mathbf{v}_1 \cdot (\mathbf{v}_2 \times \mathbf{v}_3)} \\ &= \frac{\mathbf{v}_3 \times \mathbf{v}_1}{7} \times \frac{\mathbf{v}_1 \times \mathbf{v}_2}{7} \\ &= \frac{1}{49} (((\mathbf{v}_3 \times \mathbf{v}_1) \cdot \mathbf{v}_2) \mathbf{v}_1 - ((\mathbf{v}_3 \times \mathbf{v}_1) \cdot \mathbf{v}_1) \mathbf{v}_2) \\ &= \frac{1}{49} (7\mathbf{v}_1) = \frac{1}{7} \mathbf{v}_1. \\ \Rightarrow \mathbf{k}_1 \cdot (\mathbf{k}_2 \times \mathbf{k}_3) &= \frac{1}{7} \mathbf{v}_1 \cdot \frac{\mathbf{v}_2 \times \mathbf{v}_3}{\mathbf{v}_1 \cdot (\mathbf{v}_2 \times \mathbf{v}_3)} = \frac{\mathbf{v}_1 \cdot (\mathbf{v}_2 \times \mathbf{v}_3)}{7 \cdot 7} = \frac{1}{7}.\end{aligned}$$

Question 2

- (i) In order to find the point(s) of intersection between the surface S and the plane Π_k , we need to solve the following pair of simultaneous equations:

$$x + y + z = k, \quad (1)$$

$$x^2 + x + 2y^2 + 3y = z. \quad (2)$$

From equation (1), we get $z = k - x - y$. By substituting this into equation (2), we get $k - x - y = x^2 + x + 2y^2 + 3y$, or equivalently, $(x + 1)^2 + 2(y + 1)^2 = k + 3$.

Since $(x + 1)^2$ and $(y + 1)^2$ are both non-negative, it follows that for the surface S to intersect the plane Π_k in at least one point, one must have $k + 3 \geq 0$, or equivalently, $k \geq -3$.

In particular, when $k = -3$, the equation becomes $(x + 1)^2 + 2(y + 1)^2 = 0$, so there would be only 1 point of intersection, namely at $(x, y, z) = (x, y, k - x - y) = (-1, -1, -1)$.

Hence, the value of k for which the surface S is tangent to the plane Π_k is $k = -3$, and the coordinates of the point of tangency P is $(-1, -1, -1)$.

- (ii) From part (i), we know that the surface S intersects the plane Π_k in at least one point if and only if $k \geq -3$. Hence, the values of k for which the surface S intersects the plane Π_k in more than one point is $k > -3$.

As the curve must satisfy the equations $(x + 1)^2 + 2(y + 1)^2 = k + 3$ and $z = k - x - y$, it follows that a smooth parametrization of the curve of intersection C is

$$\mathbf{r}(t) = \left\langle \sqrt{k+3} \sin t - 1, \sqrt{\frac{k+3}{2}} \cos t - 1, k + 2 - \sqrt{k+3} \sin t - \sqrt{\frac{k+3}{2}} \cos t \right\rangle, \quad 0 \leq t < 2\pi.$$

- (iii) At $(1, -1, 1)$, we have $k = 1 - 1 + 1 = 1$, and thus $\sin t = \frac{1}{\sqrt{k+3}}(x + 1) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+3}}(1 + 1) = 1$, which implies that $t = \frac{\pi}{2}$. Hence, at $(1, -1, 1)$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{r}'(t) &= \left\langle \sqrt{k+3} \cos t, -\sqrt{\frac{k+3}{2}} \sin t, -\sqrt{k+3} \cos t + \sqrt{\frac{k+3}{2}} \sin t \right\rangle \\ &= \left\langle \sqrt{1+3} \cos \frac{\pi}{2}, -\sqrt{\frac{1+3}{2}} \sin \frac{\pi}{2}, -\sqrt{1+3} \cos \frac{\pi}{2} + \sqrt{\frac{1+3}{2}} \sin \frac{\pi}{2} \right\rangle = \langle 0, -\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{2} \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

Thus the parametric equations for the tangent line to the curve of intersection C at $(1, -1, 1)$ are $x = 1$, $y = -1 - \sqrt{2}t$, $z = 1 + \sqrt{2}t$, $t \in \mathbb{R}$.

Question 3

- (a) From the equation $f(x, y) = x^3 - 2xy - y^3$, we get $f_x(x, y) = 3x^2 - 2y$ and $f_y(x, y) = -2x - 3y^2$. This would further imply that $f_{xx}(x, y) = 6x$, $f_{xy}(x, y) = -2$ and $f_{yy}(x, y) = -6y$.

In order to find the critical points of f , we need to solve the following set of simultaneous equations:

$$3x^2 - 2y = 0, \quad (3)$$

$$-2x - 3y^2 = 0. \quad (4)$$

From equation (3), we get $y = \frac{3x^2}{2}$. By substituting this into equation (4), we get $27x^4 + 8x = 0$ (after simplification), or equivalently, $x(3x + 2)(9x^2 - 6x + 4) = 0$. As $9x^2 - 6x + 4 = (3x + 1)^2 + 3 > 0$, it follows that the only roots of the equation $x(3x + 2)(9x^2 - 6x + 4) = 0$ are $x = 0$ or $x = -\frac{2}{3}$.

From there, we get $y = 0$ and $y = \frac{2}{3}$ respectively. So the critical points are $(0, 0)$ and $(-\frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3})$.

When $(x, y) = (0, 0)$, we have $f_{xx} = 0$, $f_{xy} = -2$ and $f_{yy} = 0$. Thus $f_{xx}f_{yy} - f_{xy}^2 = -4 < 0$, so this implies that the critical point $(0, 0)$ is a saddle point.

When $(x, y) = (-\frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3})$, we have $f_{xx} = -4 < 0$, $f_{xy} = -2$ and $f_{yy} = -4$. Thus $f_{xx}f_{yy} - f_{xy}^2 = 12 > 0$, so this implies that the critical point $(-\frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3})$ is a maximum point.

- (b) Let $V(x, y, z) = xyz$. In order to find the maximum volume of the box, we need to find the maximum value of $V(x, y, z)$, subject to the constraint $4 - x^2 - y^2 - z = 0$.

Let $R(x, y, z) = 4 - x^2 - y^2 - z$. Then it follows that $\nabla V(x, y, z) = \langle yz, xz, xy \rangle$ and $\nabla R(x, y, z) = \langle -2x, -2y, -1 \rangle$. By the Method of Lagrange Multipliers, we have

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla V(x, y, z) &= \lambda \nabla R(x, y, z) \\ \Rightarrow \langle yz, xz, xy \rangle &= \lambda \langle -2x, -2y, -1 \rangle \\ \Rightarrow yz &= -2\lambda x, xz = -2\lambda y, xy = -\lambda \\ \Rightarrow yz &= 2x^2y, xz = 2xy^2.\end{aligned}$$

Since x and y are assumed to be positive, it follows that $z = 2x^2 = 2y^2$, which would also imply that $x^2 = y^2$, or equivalently $x = y$.

So one has $4 - x^2 - y^2 - z = 4 - x^2 - x^2 - 2x^2 = 4(1 - x^2) = 0$, which would imply that $x^2 = 1$, or equivalently, $x = 1$.

Hence, $y = 1$ and $z = 2$, so the maximum volume of the box is equal to $V(1, 1, 2) = 1(1)(2) = 2$, and the corresponding coordinates of Q when this occurs is $(1, 1, 2)$.

Question 4

- (a) We have

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial z}{\partial s} &= \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial s} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial s} = e^{x+2y} \cdot \frac{1}{t} + 2e^{x+2y} \cdot \left(-\frac{t}{s^2}\right) = e^{x+2y} \left(\frac{1}{t} - \frac{2t}{s^2}\right), \\ \frac{\partial z}{\partial t} &= \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial t} = e^{x+2y} \cdot \left(-\frac{s}{t^2}\right) + 2e^{x+2y} \cdot \frac{1}{s} = e^{x+2y} \left(\frac{2}{s} - \frac{s}{t^2}\right).\end{aligned}$$

When $s = 2$, $t = -3$, we have $x = -\frac{2}{3}$ and $y = -\frac{3}{2}$, so one has $x + 2y = -\frac{11}{3}$. Thus

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial z}{\partial s} &= e^{x+2y} \left(\frac{1}{t} - \frac{2t}{s^2}\right) = e^{-\frac{11}{3}} \left(\frac{1}{(-3)} - \frac{2(-3)}{2^2}\right) = \frac{7}{6}e^{-\frac{11}{3}}, \\ \frac{\partial z}{\partial t} &= e^{x+2y} \left(\frac{2}{s} - \frac{s}{t^2}\right) = e^{-\frac{11}{3}} \left(\frac{2}{2} - \frac{2}{(-3)^2}\right) = \frac{7}{9}e^{-\frac{11}{3}}.\end{aligned}$$

- (b) Let $F(a) = \int_0^a \cos(t^2) dt$. Then it follows that $f(x, y) = F(x) - F(y^3)$. Thus, by the Fundamental Theorem of Calculus Part I, one has

$$f_x(x, y) = F'(x) = \cos(x^2), f_y(x, y) = -\frac{\partial}{\partial y} F(y^3) = -\left(\cos((y^3)^2) \cdot \frac{d}{dy}(y^3)\right) = -3y^2 \cos(y^6).$$

- (c) Note that a smooth parametrization of C is $\mathbf{r}(t) = \langle t, 2t, 3t \rangle$, $0 \leq t \leq 1$. This implies that $\mathbf{r}'(t) = \langle 1, 2, 3 \rangle$, so one has $|\mathbf{r}'(t)| = |\langle 1, 2, 3 \rangle| = \sqrt{1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2} = \sqrt{14}$. Thus one has

$$\int_C xe^{yz} ds = \int_0^1 te^{(2t)(3t)} |\mathbf{r}'(t)| dt = \int_0^1 \sqrt{14} te^{6t^2} dt = \left[\frac{\sqrt{14}}{12} e^{6t^2} \right]_0^1 = \frac{\sqrt{14}}{12} (e^6 - 1).$$

Question 5

- (a) It is easy to see that D is bounded by the curves $x = 0$, $y = 1$ and $x = y$. So the limits of integration are $0 \leq y \leq 1$ and $0 \leq x \leq y$. Thus

$$\begin{aligned} \iint_D x\sqrt{y^2 - x^2} dA &= \int_0^1 \int_0^y x\sqrt{y^2 - x^2} dx dy \\ &= \int_0^1 \left[-\frac{1}{3} (y^2 - x^2)^{\frac{3}{2}} \right]_0^y dy \\ &= \int_0^1 \frac{y^3}{3} dy \\ &= \left[\frac{y^4}{12} \right]_0^1 = \frac{1}{12}. \end{aligned}$$

- (b) From the given question, we see that the given domain D of the surface is the disk $x^2 + y^2 \leq 3$. By converting to polar coordinates, i.e. $x = r \cos \theta$ and $y = r \sin \theta$, we see that one must have $0 \leq r \leq \sqrt{3}$ and $0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$. Thus

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Required Area} &= \iint_D \sqrt{1 + z_x^2 + z_y^2} dA \\ &= \iint_D \sqrt{1 + y^2 + x^2} dA \\ &= \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{\sqrt{3}} r\sqrt{1 + r^2} dr d\theta \\ &= 2\pi \left[\frac{1}{3} (1 + r^2)^{\frac{3}{2}} \right]_0^{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{14\pi}{3}. \end{aligned}$$

Question 6

- (i) The domain of f is \mathbb{R}^2 , and the range of f is \mathbb{R} .
 (ii) It is easy to see that f is continuous on $\mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{(0, 0)\}$. Hence, it remains to check if f is continuous at $(0, 0)$. Let $x = r \cos \theta$ and $y = r \sin \theta$. Then one has

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} f(x,y) = \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{y^3}{x^2 + y^2} = \lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \frac{(r \cos \theta)^3}{r^2} = \lim_{r \rightarrow 0} r \cos^3 \theta = 0 = f(0, 0).$$

This shows that f is continuous at $(0, 0)$. Hence f is continuous at all points $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$.

- (iii) For $(x, y) \neq (0, 0)$, we have $f_x(x, y) = -\frac{y^3}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} \cdot 2x = -\frac{2xy^3}{(x^2 + y^2)^2}$.
 For $(x, y) = (0, 0)$, by definition one has

$$f_x(0, 0) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(0 + h, 0) - f(0, 0)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{0 - 0}{h} = 0.$$

- (iv) We shall show that the limit $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} f_x(x, y)$ does not exist.

Along the path $y = 0$, we see that $f_x(x, y) = f_x(x, 0) = 0$ for all $x \neq 0$. So as (x, y) approaches $(0, 0)$ along the path $y = 0$, we have $f_x(x, y) \rightarrow 0$.

Along the path $y = x$, we see that $f_x(x, y) = f_x(x, x) = -\frac{2x(x)^3}{(x^2 + x^2)^2} = -\frac{1}{2}$ for all $x \neq 0$. So as (x, y) approaches $(0, 0)$ along the path $y = x$, we have $f_x(x, y) \rightarrow -\frac{1}{2}$.

Thus, by the two-path test, we see that the limit $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} f_x(x,y)$ does not exist.

Consequently, $f_x(x,y)$ is not continuous at $(0,0)$.

(v) By definition, one has

$$f_{xx}(0,0) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f_x(0+h,0) - f_x(0,0)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{0-0}{h} = 0.$$

Question 7

- (a) It is easy to see that D is bounded by the lines $x = 0$, $y = 0$ and $x + y = 1$. Let $u = x + y$ and $v = x - y$. Then it follows that $x = \frac{u+v}{2}$ and $y = \frac{u-v}{2}$, so the Jacobian is

$$\frac{\partial(x,y)}{\partial(u,v)} = \frac{\partial x}{\partial u} \frac{\partial y}{\partial v} - \frac{\partial x}{\partial v} \frac{\partial y}{\partial u} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) - \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} = -\frac{1}{2}.$$

By letting the image of D under the change of variables to be R , we easily see that R is bounded by the lines $v = -u$, $v = u$ and $u = 1$. So the limits of integration under the variables u and v are $0 \leq u \leq 1$ and $-u \leq v \leq u$. So one has

$$\iint_D f(x+y) dx dy = \iint_R f(u) \left| \frac{\partial(x,y)}{\partial(u,v)} \right| dv du = \int_0^1 \int_{-u}^u \frac{1}{2} f(u) dv du = \int_0^1 u f(u) du$$

as desired.

- (b) Let the shell be denoted S . By converting into spherical coordinates, i.e. $x = \rho \sin \phi \cos \theta$, $y = \rho \sin \phi \sin \theta$ and $z = \rho \cos \phi$, we see that the limits of integration must be $\sqrt{a} \leq \rho \leq \sqrt{b}$, $0 \leq \phi \leq \pi$ and $0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$. Thus, one has

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Mass of the Shell} &= \iiint_S \frac{1}{x^2 + y^2 + z^2} dV \\ &= \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\pi \int_{\sqrt{a}}^{\sqrt{b}} \frac{1}{\rho^2} \cdot \rho^2 \sin \phi d\rho d\phi d\theta \\ &= \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\pi \int_{\sqrt{a}}^{\sqrt{b}} \sin \phi d\rho d\phi d\theta \\ &= \int_0^{2\pi} d\theta \int_0^\pi \sin \phi d\phi \int_{\sqrt{a}}^{\sqrt{b}} d\rho \\ &= 2\pi (\sqrt{b} - \sqrt{a}) [-\cos \phi]_0^\pi = 4\pi (\sqrt{b} - \sqrt{a}). \end{aligned}$$

Question 8

- (a) (i) As \mathbf{F} is a vector field with continuous second order partial derivatives, one has $\text{div}(\text{curl } \mathbf{F}) = 0$. Thus one has

$$\text{div}(\text{curl } \mathbf{F}) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(Ax - y^2) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y}(2xy - 3y) + \frac{\partial}{\partial z}(Bxz) = A + 2x - 3 + Bx = A - 3 + (2 + B)x = 0.$$

By comparing coefficients, we must have $A = 3$ and $B = -2$.

- (ii) Let S_1 and S_2 be the surfaces $z = \frac{\sqrt{13}}{13}\sqrt{1-x^2-5y^2}$ and $z = -\frac{\sqrt{13}}{13}\sqrt{1-x^2-5y^2}$ respectively. Then it follows that $S = S_1 + S_2$.

As S_1 has an outward pointing normal (and hence positive orientation), we see that the normal to the surface S_1 is pointing in the positive z -axis. Hence, by the right hand rule, it follows that the boundary curve C for S_1 is the ellipse $x^2 + 5y^2 = 1$ in the xy -plane with the counter-clockwise orientation.

By a similar reasoning as above, we also see that the boundary curve for S_2 is the curve $-C$, i.e. the ellipse $x^2 + 5y^2 = 1$ in the xy -plane with the clockwise orientation.

Thus, by Stokes' Theorem, one has

$$\begin{aligned} \iint_{S_1} (\operatorname{curl} \mathbf{F}) \cdot d\mathbf{S} &= \int_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r}, \quad \iint_{S_2} (\operatorname{curl} \mathbf{F}) \cdot d\mathbf{S} = \int_{-C} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} \\ \Rightarrow \iint_S (\operatorname{curl} \mathbf{F}) \cdot d\mathbf{S} &= \iint_{S_1} (\operatorname{curl} \mathbf{F}) \cdot d\mathbf{S} + \iint_{S_2} (\operatorname{curl} \mathbf{F}) \cdot d\mathbf{S} \\ &= \int_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} + \int_{-C} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} \\ &= \int_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} - \int_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} = 0. \end{aligned}$$

- (iii) Let S denote the surface $x^2 + 4z^2 \leq 1$ in the xz -plane (i.e. $y = 0$). Then it follows that the boundary curve of S is the curve C .

Since C has a -clockwise orientation, we see that an outward pointing normal \mathbf{n} to the surface S is the vector $\langle 0, -1, 0 \rangle$. This would imply that on the surface S , one has

$$(\operatorname{curl} \mathbf{F}) \cdot \mathbf{n} = \langle 2x - y^2, 2xy - 3y, -2xz \rangle \cdot \langle 0, -1, 0 \rangle = y(2x - 3) = 0(2x - 3) = 0.$$

Therefore, by Stokes' Theorem, one has

$$\int_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} = \iint_S (\operatorname{curl} \mathbf{F}) \cdot d\mathbf{S} = \iint_S (\operatorname{curl} \mathbf{F}) \cdot \mathbf{n} dS = \iint_S 0 dS = 0.$$

- (b) By Green's Theorem, one has

$$\int_C (y^3 - y) dx - 2x^3 dy = \iint_R \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(-2x^3) - \frac{\partial}{\partial y}(y^3 - y) dA = \iint_R 1 - (6x^2 + 3y^2) dA, \quad (5)$$

where R denotes the region enclosed by C . Denote the region enclosed by the ellipse $6x^2 + 3y^2 = 1$ in the xy -plane by S . We shall show that the above integral is maximised when $R = S$.

Note that the surfaces $z = 0$ and $z = 1 - (6x^2 + 3y^2)$ intersect at the ellipse $6x^2 + 3y^2 = 1$ in the xy -plane, and observe that on the region S , the surface $z = 1 - (6x^2 + 3y^2)$ is above the plane $z = 0$. Thus, for all points (x, y) in S , one has $1 - (6x^2 + 3y^2) \geq 0$. Likewise, for all points (x, y) not in S , i.e. $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \setminus S$, one has $1 - (6x^2 + 3y^2) < 0$. Hence, one has

$$\begin{aligned} \iint_R 1 - (6x^2 + 3y^2) dA &= \iint_{(R \cap S)} 1 - (6x^2 + 3y^2) dA + \iint_{(R \cap (\mathbb{R}^2 \setminus S))} 1 - (6x^2 + 3y^2) dA \\ &\leq \iint_{(R \cap S)} 1 - (6x^2 + 3y^2) dA \quad (\because \forall (x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \setminus S, 1 - (6x^2 + 3y^2) < 0) \\ &\leq \iint_S 1 - (6x^2 + 3y^2) dA \quad (\because R \cap S \subseteq S). \end{aligned}$$

As equality holds if and only if $R \cap (\mathbb{R}^2 \setminus S) = \emptyset$ and $R \cap S = S$, or equivalently, $R = S$, we see that the integral in equation (5) is maximised when $R = S$. So the positively oriented simple closed C is the ellipse $6x^2 + 3y^2 = 1$ in the xy -plane, with orientation $x = \frac{\sqrt{6}}{6} \cos t$, $y = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3} \sin t$, $0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$.