

Problem 1

Consider the function $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ given by $f(x, y) = x^2 + (y - 1)^2$.

1. (10 points) Identify the level curves of this function and sketch them in \mathbb{R}^2 .

Solution:

The level curve $f(x, y) = k$ corresponds to $x^2 + (y - 1)^2 = k$ which is a circle of center $(0, 1)$ and radius \sqrt{k} .

2. (10 points) Identify the graph as a quadric in \mathbb{R}^3 and give a surface parametrization.

Solution:

The graph $z = x^2 + (y - 1)^2$ is a circular paraboloid. A possible parametrization is given by $s(u, v) = (u \cos(v), 1 + u \sin(v), u^2)$ for $u \in [0, +\infty)$, $v \in [0, 2\pi]$.

3. (10 points) Find the equation of the plane tangent to the graph in $(3, 2)$.

Solution:

The value of the function in $(3, 2)$ is $f(3, 2) = 10$. The gradient of the function is given by $\nabla f = (2x, 2(y - 1))$ so that $\nabla f(3, 2) = (6, 2)$ and the equation of the plane is given by

$$z - 10 = 6(x - 3) + 2(y - 2)$$

that is, $6x + 2y - z = 12$.

4. (10 points) Find the absolute maximum and minimum of this function in the domain

$$D = \{(x, y) \mid (x - 1)^2 + y^2 \leq 1\}$$

Solution:

We first find the critical points $\nabla f(x, y) = (0, 0)$. In this case the only critical point is $(0, 1)$, which is not in the domain ($(0 - 1)^2 + 1^2 \geq 1$). We then restrict to the boundary $(x - 1)^2 + y^2 = 1$ and use the method of Lagrange multipliers. Our Lagrangian will be

$$L(x, y; \lambda) = x^2 + (y - 1)^2 - \lambda[(x - 1)^2 + y^2 - 1]$$

from which we get the system of equations

$$\begin{cases} 2x - 2\lambda(x - 1) = 0 \\ 2(y - 1) + 2\lambda y = 0 \\ (x - 1)^2 + y^2 = 1 \end{cases}$$

Solving the system holds the two points $(1 - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2})$ and $(1 + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}, -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2})$ and evaluating the function on these points tells us that

$$f(1 - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}) = \frac{3 - 2\sqrt{2}}{2} < \frac{3 + 2\sqrt{2}}{2} = f(1 + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}, -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2})$$

so that the first is the absolute minimum and the second is the absolute maximum.

Problem 2

Evaluate the following integrals:

1. (10 points) $\iint_S \mathbf{F} \cdot dS$ for S the closed surface bounding the region

$$\{(x, y, z) \mid z \geq x^2 + y^2, z \leq 4\}$$

and $\mathbf{F}(x, y, z) = (\cos(z) + xy^2, xe^{-z}, \sin(y) + x^2z)$.

Solution:

We need to use the divergence theorem, which states that if E is the region above,

$$\iint_S \mathbf{F} \cdot dS = \iiint_E \operatorname{div} F \, dV$$

We get that $\operatorname{div} F = y^2 + x^2$ and if we parametrize E in cylindrical coordinates we get

$$E = \{(\rho, \theta, z) \mid \theta \in [0, 2\pi], \rho \in [0, 2], z \in [\rho^2, 4]\}$$

so that the integral becomes

$$\iiint_E \operatorname{div} F \, dV = \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^2 \int_{\rho^2}^4 \rho^3 \, dz \, d\rho \, d\theta = \frac{32}{3}\pi$$

2. (10 points) $\iint_S \operatorname{curl} \mathbf{F} \cdot dS$ for S the part of the surface $z = x^2 + y^2$ that lies below the plane $z = 1$ and $\mathbf{F}(x, y, z) = (y^2, x, z^2)$.

Solution:

In this case we can either apply Stokes' theorem or calculate the integral directly. If we apply Stokes' theorem, we notice that the boundary curve is given by the circle on $z = 1$, oriented clockwise if we consider the outward orientation (the one with negative z -component). This is parametrized as $\gamma(t) = (\sin(t), \cos(t), 1)$ for $t \in [0, 2\pi]$, so that $\gamma'(t) = (\cos(t), -\sin(t), 0)$. Stokes' theorem tells us that

$$\iint_S \operatorname{curl} \mathbf{F} \cdot dS = \int_{\gamma} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\gamma = \int_0^{2\pi} [\cos^2(t) \sin(t) - \sin^2(t)] \, dt = -\pi$$

No orientation was specified, so choosing the other orientation would have been fine too. The same result would have been obtained by evaluating the surface integral for $\operatorname{curl} F = (0, 0, 1 - 2y)$.

3. (10 points) The volume of the region

$$E = \{(x, y, z) \mid x^2 + y^2 \leq 4, z \leq \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}, z \geq 0\}$$

Solution:

We can parametrize the region in cylindrical coordinates as

$$E = \{(\rho, \theta, z) \mid \theta \in [0, 2\pi], \rho \in [0, 2], z \in [0, \rho]\}$$

which gives the integral

$$V(E) = \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^2 \int_0^\rho \rho \, dz \, d\rho \, d\theta = \frac{16}{3}\pi$$

Problem 3

Let $F : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ be the vector field

$$\mathbf{F}(x, y) = (e^{x-y} + \frac{y^3}{3})\mathbf{i} + (xy^2 - e^{x-y})\mathbf{j}$$

and γ be the curve starting at $(0, 1)$, following the parabola $x = y^2 - 1$ until $(0, -1)$ and then following the unit circle counterclockwise to the point $(1, 0)$.

1. (10 points) Parametrize γ piecewise and set up the integral for its arclength.

Solution:

We can parametrize γ piecewise as

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma_1(t) &= (t^2 - 1, -t) & t &\in [-1, 1] \\ \gamma_2(t) &= (\cos(t), \sin(t)) & t &\in [\frac{3}{2}\pi, 2\pi] \end{aligned}$$

The corresponding tangent vectors are $\gamma_1'(t) = (2t, -1)$ and $\gamma_2'(t) = (-\sin(t), \cos(t))$, so that the arclength is given by

$$l(\gamma) = l(\gamma_1) + l(\gamma_2) = \int_{-1}^1 \sqrt{1 + 4t^2} \, dt + \int_{\frac{3}{2}\pi}^{2\pi} \sqrt{\sin^2(t) + \cos^2(t)} \, dt$$

2. (10 points) Prove whether \mathbf{F} is conservative or not.

Solution:

Since the domain of \mathbf{F} is \mathbb{R}^2 and

$$\frac{\partial P}{\partial y} = -e^{x-y} + y^2 = \frac{\partial Q}{\partial x}$$

we have that \mathbf{F} is conservative.

3. (10 points) Evaluate $\int_{\gamma} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\gamma$.

Solution:

We can just find a potential and apply the fundamental theorem of calculus for line integrals. In this case $f(x, y) = e^{x-y} + \frac{xy^3}{3}$ is our potential, since $\nabla f(x, y) = \mathbf{F}$. Therefore

$$\int_{\gamma} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\gamma = f(1, 0) - f(0, 1) = e - e^{-1}$$

4. (5 points) Consider $\mathbf{G}(x, y) = \mathbf{F}(x, y) + (2y, 3x)$. Prove if \mathbf{G} is conservative or not.

Solution:

In this case we have that

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial P}{\partial y} &= -e^{x-y} + y^2 + 2 \\ \frac{\partial Q}{\partial x} &= -e^{x-y} + y^2 + 3 \end{aligned}$$

so that they are not equal and therefore the vector field \mathbf{G} is not conservative.

5. (5 points) Evaluate $\int_{\gamma} \mathbf{G} \cdot d\gamma$.

Solution:

Notice that $\int_{\gamma} \mathbf{G} \cdot d\gamma = \int_{\gamma} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\gamma + \int_{\gamma} (2y, 3x) \cdot d\gamma$. Since we know the first value, we can calculate the second using Green's theorem and then subtracting the integral over the quarter of circle from $(1, 0)$ to $(0, 1)$ that we need to close the curve. Let γ' be the closed curve (given by γ and the quarter of circle we just mentioned). We have $\frac{\partial Q}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial P}{\partial y} = 1$ so that by Green's theorem

$$\int_{\gamma'} (2y, 3x) \cdot d\gamma = \int_D dA = \text{Area}(D)$$

where D is the domain enclosed by γ' . This is given by

$$\text{Area}(D) = \int_{-1}^1 \int_0^{1-y^2} dx dy + \text{Area}(\text{Semicircle}) = \frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{4}{3}$$

On the other hand, the line integral in the additional quarter of circle is given by

$$\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} [-2\sin^2(t) + 3\cos^2(t)] dt = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

Piecing everything together we get

$$\int_{\gamma} \mathbf{G} \cdot d\gamma = \int_{\gamma} \mathbf{F} \cdot d\gamma + \int_{\gamma} (2y, 3x) \cdot d\gamma = e - e^{-1} + \frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{4}{3} - \frac{\pi}{4} = e - e^{-1} + \frac{\pi}{4} + \frac{4}{3}$$