## Honors Multivariate Calculus

## Math 221H Section 201

Twelfth Homework:

Due in recitation: Thursday 16 November 2023

- 1. A 50kg woman carries a 6kg can of paint up a helical staircase the encircles a silo with a radius of 6m and a height of 30m. How much work does she do against gravity in accomplishing this task?
- 2. Suppose now that the paint leaks out of the can at a constant rate (and that she trudges at a constant rate) so that 1 kg is left when she gets to the top. How much work does she do against gravity in accomplishing this task?
- 3. For each of the following vector fields **F**, determine whether or not it is conservative. If it is, find a potential function f such that  $\mathbf{F} = \nabla f$ .

(a)  $\mathbf{F}(x,y) = (x^2 + y)\mathbf{i} + (y^2 + x)\mathbf{j}$ 

(b) 
$$\mathbf{F}(x,y) = (\arctan(x) + y)\mathbf{i} + (\sin(xy) + x)\mathbf{j}$$

(c)  $\mathbf{F}(x,y) = (ye^{xy} + 4x^3y)\mathbf{i} + (xe^{xy} + x^4)\mathbf{j}$ 

4. Suppose that  $\mathbf{F}(x,y,z)$  is a vector function defined on  $\mathbb{R}^3 \setminus \{(0,0,0)\}$  whose direction at a point is away from the origin and magnitude is proportional to the distance from the origin.

Show that **F** is conservative.

- 5. More generally, suppose that g(t) is a continuous function of a nonnegative variable t. Show that the vector field  $\mathbf{F}(x, y, z) = g(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)(x\mathbf{i} + y\mathbf{j} + z\mathbf{k})$  is conservative.
- 6. Show that each of the following line integrals are independent of path, and then evaluate the integral, either by finding a propitious path or a potential function.

(a) 
$$\int_{(0,0)}^{(1,\pi/2)} e^x \sin y \, dx + e^x \cos y \, dy$$
 (b)  $\int_{(-1,1)}^{(4,2)} \left(y - \frac{1}{x^2}\right) dx + \left(x - \frac{1}{y^2}\right) dy$ 

(c) 
$$\int_{(0,0,0)}^{(1,1,1)} (6xy^3 + 2z^2) dx + 9x^2y^2 dy + (4xy+1) dz$$

(Hint: try a piecewise linear path parallel to coordinate axes.)

7. Show that if the vector field  $\mathbf{F} = P\mathbf{i} + Q\mathbf{j} + R\mathbf{k}$  is conservative and P, Q, and R have continuous first-order partial derivatives, then

$$\frac{\partial P}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial Q}{\partial x}$$
,  $\frac{\partial P}{\partial z} = \frac{\partial R}{\partial x}$ , and  $\frac{\partial Q}{\partial z} = \frac{\partial R}{\partial y}$ .

8. Let  $\mathbf{F}(x,y) = \frac{-y\mathbf{i} + x\mathbf{j}}{x^2 + y^2}$ . Show that  $\partial P/\partial y = \partial Q/\partial x$ .

Show that  $\int_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r}$  is not independent of path, for example by computing it along the upper and lower halves of the unit circle, appropriately oriented.

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- 9. Use Green's Theorem to evaluate the integral along the positively oriented curve.
  - (a)  $\oint_C x^2 y dx + xy^5 dy$ , where C is the square with vertices  $(\pm 1, \pm 1)$ .
  - (b)  $\oint_C x^2 dx + y^2 dy$ , where C is the curve  $x^6 + y^6 = 1$ .
  - (c)  $\oint_C (x^3 y^3) dx + (x^3 + y^3) dy$ , where C is the boundary of the annulus lying between the circles of radius 1 and 3 centered at the origin.



10. Let k > 2 be an integer. Find the area of the region bounded by the k-hypocycloid with vector equation  $\mathbf{r}(t) = (a(k-1)\cos\theta + a\cos((k-1)\theta))\mathbf{i} + (a(k-1)\sin\theta - a\sin((k-1)\theta))\mathbf{j}$ .



k = 3, deltoid



k = 4, astroid



k = 5, pentoid



k = 6, hexoid?

11. Let S be a region in the xy-plane with boundary C. Show that its moments  $M_x$  and  $M_y$  about the x- and y- axes are given by

$$M_x = -\frac{1}{2} \oint_C y^2 dx$$
 and  $M_y = \frac{1}{2} \oint_C x^2 dy$ ,

where S has constant mass density.

- 12. Use the previous problem to find the centroid of a semicircular region of radius a.
- 13. (Area of a polygon) Let  $v_0 = (x_0, y_0)$ ,  $v_1 = (x_1, y_1)$ , ...,  $v_n = (x_n, y_n)$  with  $v_0 = v_n$  be the vertices of a simple polygon P in the plane, labeled counterclockwise. Show each of the following.
  - (a)  $\int_C x \, dy = \frac{1}{2}(x_1 + x_0)(y_1 + y_0)$ , where C is the edge  $v_0 v_1$ .
  - (b) The area of P is  $\sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{1}{2}(x_i + x_{i-1})(y_i + y_{i-1})$ .
  - (c) The area of a polygon whose coordinates are integers (a *lattice polygon*) is always a multiple of  $\frac{1}{2}$ .
  - (d) Check the formula for the polygon with vertices (2,0), (2,-2), (6,-2), (6,0), (10,4), and (-2,4).