

**Question 1** (ca. 12 marks)

Decide whether the following statements are true or false, and justify your answers.

- a) The function  $f(x, y) = \frac{\sin(x) \cos(y)}{1 + x^2 + y^2}$ ,  $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$  attains a global maximum and a global minimum.
- b) The function  $g(x, y) = xy(x^2 + 2y^2 - 3)$ ,  $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$  has at least 9 critical points.
- c) Suppose you start at the point  $(1, 0)$  and move 0.5 units in the  $(x, y)$ -plane following (and continuously adjusting) the direction of steepest ascent of  $h(x, y) = \frac{xy}{x^2 + y^2}$ . Afterwards you are closer to the  $y$ -axis than before.
- d) If  $C^2$ -functions  $f(u, v)$  and  $g(x, y)$  are related by  $g(x, y) = f(ax + by, cx + dy)$  ( $a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $ad - bc \neq 0$ ) then  $g_{xx}g_{yy} - g_{xy}^2 = (ad - bc)(f_{uu}f_{vv} - f_{uv}^2)$ .
- e) The line integral of  $(\sin y + y \sin x) dx + (x \cos y - \cos x) dy$  along the quarter circle  $x^2 + y^2 = 1$ ,  $x \geq 0$ ,  $y \geq 0$  (in the mathematically positive direction) is zero.
- f) If  $P, Q$  are  $C^2$ -functions on  $\mathbb{R}^2$  such that both  $P dx + Q dy$  and  $Q dx - P dy$  are exact, then  $P$  and  $Q$  solve Laplace's equation  $\Delta u = u_{xx} + u_{yy} = 0$ .

**Question 2** (ca. 9 marks)

Let  $f: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be defined by

$$f(x, y) = x^4 - 3x^2y + x^2 + 2y^2 - y.$$

- a) Which symmetry property does  $f$  have? What can you conclude from this about the graph of  $f$  and the contours of  $f$ ?
- b) Determine the gradient  $\nabla f(x, y)$  and the Hesse matrix  $\mathbf{H}_f(x, y)$ .
- c) Determine all critical points of  $f$  and their types.  
*Hint:* There are exactly 3 critical points.
- d) Does  $f$  have a global extremum?

**Question 3** (ca. 9 marks)

Consider the surface  $S$  in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  with equation

$$xz - y^2 + 2y + 2 = 0.$$

- a) Show that  $S$  is smooth.
- b) Using the method of Lagrange multipliers, determine the point(s) on  $S$  that minimize(s) the distance from the origin  $(0, 0, 0)$ , and the corresponding distance  $d$ . (It need not be proved that at least one such point exists.)
- c) Determine an equation for the tangent plane to  $S$  in the point  $(2, -2, 3)$ .
- d) The surface  $S$  is a (central) quadric. Determine its center and type.

**Question 4** (ca. 6 marks)

Evaluate the integral

$$\int_0^1 \frac{t^{1010} + t - 2}{\ln t} dt.$$

*Hint:* Consider  $F(x) = \int_0^1 \frac{t^x + t - 2}{\ln t} dt$ ,  $x \in (-1, \infty)$ . Show first that  $F$  is well-defined and can be differentiated under the integral sign.

**Question 5** (ca. 6 marks)

- a) Let  $K$  be the solid in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  consisting of all points  $(x, y, z)$  satisfying

$$x \geq 0, \quad y \geq 0, \quad x + y \leq 2, \quad 0 \leq z \leq 1 + x^2 + 2y.$$

Find the volume of  $K$ .

- b) Let  $P$  be the surface in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  consisting of all points  $(x, y, z)$  satisfying

$$z = x^2 + y^2 \leq 1.$$

Find the area of  $P$ .

## Solutions

- 1 a) True. The function  $f$  is continuous, satisfies  $\lim_{|(x,y)| \rightarrow \infty} f(x,y) = 0$  (since  $|f(r \cos \phi, r \sin \phi)| \leq \frac{1}{1+r^2}$  in polar coordinates), and takes both positive and negative values. This implies the existence of a global maximum and a global minimum, as the following argument, e.g. for the minimum, shows.

We have  $f(\pi/2, \pi) = \frac{-1}{1+5\pi^2/4} < 0$ . Since  $\lim_{|(x,y)| \rightarrow \infty} f(x,y) = 0$ , there exists  $R > 0$  such that  $f(x,y) > \frac{-1}{1+\pi^2/4}$  for all points  $(x,y)$  with  $|(x,y)| > R$ . On the disk  $\overline{B_R(0,0)} = \{(x,y); x^2 + y^2 \leq R^2\}$ , which is compact (i.e., closed and bounded) and contains  $(\pi/2, 0)$ , the continuous function  $f$  attains a minimum value, which must be  $\leq \frac{-1}{1+\pi^2/4}$ , and hence also  $\leq f(x,y)$  for every point  $(x,y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \overline{B_R(0,0)}$ . 2

- b) True. The 0-contour of  $g$  is the union of the lines  $x = 0$ ,  $y = 0$ , and the ellipse  $x^2 + 2y^2 = 3$ . The 5 points where two of these curves intersect, viz.  $(0,0)$ ,  $(\pm a, 0)$ ,  $(0, \pm b)$  with  $a = \sqrt{3}$ ,  $b = \sqrt{3/2}$  (the semi-axes of the ellipse) must be critical, since the 0-contour isn't smooth there. Further, the coordinate axes divide the solid ellipse into 4 compact regions  $K_1, K_2, K_3, K_4$ , on which  $g$  (which is continuous) must attain both a maximum and a minimum. One of these is zero and attained on the boundary of  $K_i$ , but the other is nonzero and attained in the interior of  $K_i$ . Since such points are critical, there are at least 4 further critical points. 2

*Remark:* In fact there are exactly 9 critical points.

- c) True. The direction of steepest ascent in  $(x,y)$  is that of the gradient  $\nabla h(x,y)$ . We have

$$h_x = \frac{y(x^2 + y^2) - 2x^2y}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} = \frac{y(y^2 - x^2)}{(x^2 + y^2)^2},$$

$$h_y = \frac{x(x^2 - y^2)}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} \quad (\text{by symmetry})$$

Thus  $\nabla h(1,0) = (0,1)$ , implying that you move from  $(1,0)$  north and enter the 1st quadrant. In the sector of the 1st quadrant specified by  $0 < \theta < 45^\circ$  in polar coordinates we have  $h_x < 0$ ,  $h_y > 0$ , i.e., gradients point in the direction NW there. Thus you will approach the  $x$ -axis as long as you don't cross the line  $y = x$ . But this is impossible, since the distance between  $(1,0)$  and the line is  $\sqrt{2}/2 > 0.5$ . 2

- d) False. The correct relation is  $g_{xx}g_{yy} - g_{xy}^2 = (ad - bc)^2(f_{uu}f_{vv} - f_{uv}^2)$ . This can be proved as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} g_x &= f_u a + f_v c, \\ g_y &= f_u b + f_v d, \\ g_{xx} &= f_{ux}a + f_{vx}c = (f_{uu}a + f_{uv}c)a + (f_{vu}a + f_{vv}c)c = a^2 f_{uu} + 2ac f_{uv} + c^2 f_{vv}, \\ g_{xy} &= f_{uy}a + f_{vy}c = (f_{uu}b + f_{uv}d)a + (f_{vu}b + f_{vv}d)c = ab f_{uu} + (ad + bc)f_{uv} + cd f_{vv}, \\ g_{yx} &= g_{xy}, \\ g_{yy} &= f_{uy}b + f_{vy}d = (f_{uu}b + f_{uv}d)b + (f_{vu}b + f_{vv}d)d = b^2 f_{uu} + 2bd f_{uv} + d^2 f_{vv}, \end{aligned}$$

which just says

$$\begin{pmatrix} g_{xx} & g_{xy} \\ g_{yx} & g_{yy} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a & c \\ b & d \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} f_{uu} & f_{uv} \\ f_{vu} & f_{vv} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$$

Taking the determinant on both sides proves the claim. 2

That the relation with the un-squared determinant  $ad - bc$  can't be true, can also be seen as follows: Suppose  $f$  has a strict local minimum in  $(0, 0)$  and  $a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{R}$  satisfy  $ad - bc = -1$ . Then we would have  $g_{xx}g_{yy} - g_{xy}^2 = -(f_{uu}f_{vv} - f_{uv}^2) < 0$  at  $(x, y) = (0, 0)$ , which corresponds to  $(u, v) = (0, 0)$ , and hence  $g$  would have a saddle point in  $(0, 0)$ . But (bijective) linear coordinate changes clearly preserve the type of critical points; contradiction. (If you want a concrete counterexample, take  $f(u, v) = u^2 + v^2$ ,  $g(x, y) = f(x, -y) = x^2 + y^2$ , which satisfy  $f_{uu}f_{vv} - f_{uv}^2 = g_{xx}g_{yy} - g_{xy}^2 = 4$  everywhere but  $a = 1$ ,  $d = -1$ ,  $b = c = 0$ , and hence  $ad - bc = -1$ .)

- e) False. Since  $\frac{\partial}{\partial y}(\sin y + y \sin x) = \cos y + \sin x = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(x \cos y - \cos x)$ , the given form  $\omega$  is exact in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  (which is simply connected). An anti-derivative  $f$  of  $\omega$  is obtained by the usual method (or can just be guessed):  $f_x = \sin y + y \sin x \implies f(x, y) = x \sin y - y \cos x + h(y) \implies f_y = x \cos y - \cos x + h'(y) = x \cos y - \cos x \iff h'(y) = 0$ , i.e., we can take  $f(x, y) = x \sin y - y \cos x$ . Then the Fundamental Theorem for Line Integrals gives

$$\int_C \omega = f(0, 1) - f(1, 0) = 0 \cdot \sin 1 - 1 \cdot \cos 0 - (1 \cdot \sin 0 - 0 \cdot \cos 1) = -1 \neq 0. \quad 2$$

- f) True. Exactness implies  $P_y = Q_x$  and  $Q_y = -P_x$ . Hence  $P_{yy} = Q_{xy} = Q_{yx} = (-P_x)_x = -P_{xx}$ , using Clairaut's Theorem and the linearity of partial derivatives. Similarly,  $Q_{xx} = P_{yx} = P_{xy} = (-Q_y)_y = -Q_{yy}$ . 2

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$$\sum_1 = 12$$


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- 2 a)  $f(-x, y) = f(x, y)$  for  $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$  1

This implies  $(x, y, z) \in G_f \iff (-x, y, z) \in G_f$ , i.e., the graph of  $f$  is symmetric with respect to the  $(y, z)$ -plane in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ , and the contours of  $f$  are symmetric with respect to the  $y$ -axis in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ . 1

- b) We compute

$$\begin{aligned} f(x, y) &= x^4 - 3x^2y + x^2 + 2y^2 - y, \\ \nabla f(x, y) &= (4x^3 - 6xy + 2x, -3x^2 + 4y - 1) \\ &= (x(4x^2 - 6y + 2), -3x^2 + 4y - 1), \\ \mathbf{H}_f(x, y) &= \begin{pmatrix} 12x^2 - 6y + 2 & -6x \\ -6x & 4 \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned} \quad 1$$

- c) The system  $f_x = f_y = 0$  is equivalent to

$$(x = 0 \wedge -3x^2 + 4y - 1 = 0) \vee (4x^2 - 6y + 2 = 0 \wedge -3x^2 + 4y - 1 = 0).$$

The first alternative has the solution  $(x, y) = (0, \frac{1}{4})$ .

The second alternative is a linear system of equations for  $x^2$ ,  $y$ , which can be solved, e.g., by Gaussian elimination:

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 4 & -6 & -2 \\ -3 & 4 & 1 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 4 & -6 & -2 \\ 0 & -\frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \end{array} \right]$$

The solution is  $y = 1$ ,  $x^2 = (-2 + 6x_2)/4 = 1$ , so that  $(x, y) = (\pm 1, 1)$ .

In all there are three critical points, viz.,

$$\mathbf{p}_1 = (0, \frac{1}{4}), \quad \mathbf{p}_2 = (1, 1), \quad \mathbf{p}_3 = (-1, 1). \quad \boxed{1\frac{1}{2}}$$

Further we have

$$\mathbf{H}_f(\mathbf{p}_1) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{H}_f(\mathbf{p}_2) = \begin{pmatrix} 8 & -6 \\ -6 & 4 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{H}_f(\mathbf{p}_3) = \begin{pmatrix} 8 & 6 \\ 6 & 4 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Since  $\mathbf{H}_f(\mathbf{p}_1)$  is positive definite,  $\mathbf{p}_1$  is a local minimum of  $f$ .  $\boxed{\frac{1}{2}}$

Since  $\det \mathbf{H}_f(\mathbf{p}_2) = \det \mathbf{H}_f(\mathbf{p}_3) = 8 \cdot 4 - (\pm 6)^2 = -4 < 0$ , the points  $\mathbf{p}_2$ ,  $\mathbf{p}_3$  are saddle points of  $f$ .  $\boxed{1}$

- d) No. A global extremum must be a critical point. Since saddle points are not even local extrema, the only remaining possibility is that  $\mathbf{p}_1$  is a global minimum. But

$$\begin{aligned} f(\mathbf{p}_1) &= 2 \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^2 - \frac{1}{4} = -\frac{1}{8}, \\ f(2, 3) &= 2^4 - 3 \cdot 2^2 \cdot 3 + 2^2 + 2 \cdot 3^2 - 3 = -1 < -\frac{1}{8}, \end{aligned}$$

and hence  $\mathbf{p}_1$  is not a global minimum.  $\boxed{2}$

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$$\sum_2 = 9$$


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- 3** a)  $S$  is a level set of  $g(x, y, z) = xz - y^2 + 2y$ , which has  $\nabla g(x, y, z) = (z, -2y + 2, x)$ . Evidently, the only point at which  $\nabla g$  vanishes is  $(0, 1, 0)$ , but  $(0, 1, 0)$  is not on  $S$ . Hence  $S$  is smooth.  $\boxed{1}$

- b) Let  $f(x, y, z) = x^2 + y^2 + z^2$ . The task is equivalent to solving the optimization problem “minimize  $x^2 + y^2 + z^2$  subject to  $g(x, y, z) = -2$ ”.

Since  $S$  has no singular points, the theorem on Lagrange multipliers is applicable everywhere and yields that every minimum must satisfy  $\nabla f(x, y, z) = \lambda \nabla g(x, y, z)$  for some  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ . Since  $\nabla f(x, y, z) = (2x, 2y, 2z)$  is a multiple of  $(x, y, z)$  (the factor 2 can be discarded), this gives the system of equations

$$\begin{aligned} x &= \lambda z, \\ y &= \lambda(-2y + 2), \\ z &= \lambda x, \\ xz - y^2 + 2y &= -2. \end{aligned} \quad \boxed{2}$$

The 1st and 3rd equation give  $x = \lambda^2 x$ , i.e.,  $x = 0 \vee \lambda = \pm 1$ .

$x = 0$ : From the 3rd equation  $z = 0$ , and then from the 4th equation  $y^2 - 2y - 2 = 0$ , i.e.,  $y = 1 \pm \sqrt{3}$ . This gives the two points  $(0, 1 \pm \sqrt{3}, 0)$ . 1

$\lambda = 1$ : Here  $x = z$ , the 2nd equation gives  $y = 2/3$  and the 4th equation  $x^2 = xz = 4/9 - 4/3 - 2 < 0$ . Thus there is no solution in this case.

$\lambda = -1$ : Here  $x = -z$ , the 2nd equation gives  $y = 2$ , and the 4th equation  $x^2 = -xz = -2^2 + 2 \cdot 2 + 2 = 2$ . This gives the two points  $(\pm\sqrt{2}, 2, \mp\sqrt{2})$ . 1

The distance of these points from the origin is  $2\sqrt{2}$ . Since obviously  $\sqrt{3} - 1 < 2\sqrt{2}$ , the unique point on  $S$  minimizing the distance from the origin is  $(0, 1 - \sqrt{3}, 0)$ , and  $d = \sqrt{3} - 1$ . 1

- c) The tangent plane to  $S$  in  $(2, -2, 3)$  has equation  $\nabla g(2, -2, 3) \cdot (x - 2, y + 2, z - 3) = 0$ . Since  $\nabla g(2, -2, 3) = (3, 6, 2)$ , this gives  $3(x - 2) + 6(y + 2) + 2(z - 3) = 0$ , i.e.,  $3x + 6y + 2z = 0$ . (This is also clear from the requirements that  $\nabla g(2, -2, 3)$  must be a normal vector of the plane and the point  $(2, -2, 3)$  must be on the plane.) 1

- d) Rewriting the equation for  $S$  as  $xz - (y - 1)^2 + 3 = 0$  shows that the center is  $(0, 1, 0)$ . 1/2

$S$  is thus affinely equivalent to the quadric  $xz - y^2 + 3 = 0$ . The further coordinate change  $x = x' + z'$ ,  $y = y'$ ,  $z = x' - z'$  turns the latter into  $x'^2 - z'^2 - y'^2 + 3 = 0$  or, after dropping primes and normalizing such that the right-hand side is positive,  $-x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 3$ , which reveals that  $S$  is a hyperboloid of one sheet. 1 1/2

$$\sum_3 = 9$$

#### 4 The integrand

$$f(x, t) = \frac{t^x + t - 2}{\ln t}$$

is not defined for  $t \in \{0, 1\}$ . The singularity at  $t = 1$  can be removed, since the numerator is zero for  $t = 1$  and, e.g., l'Hospital's Rule can be applied:  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 1} f(x, t) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 1} \frac{xt^{x-1} + 1}{1/t} = x + 1$ . The singularity at  $t = 0$  cannot be removed. However, since  $\int_0^1 t^x dx = \frac{1}{x+1}$  exists for  $x > -1$ , it is clear that  $\int_0^1 f(x, t) dt$  exists for  $x > -1$  as well. 1

Differentiating under the integral sign gives

$$F'(x) = \int_0^1 f_x(x, t) dt = \int_0^1 \frac{(\ln t)t^x}{\ln t} dt = \left[ \frac{t^{x+1}}{x+1} \right]_0^1 = \frac{1}{x+1}. \quad 1$$

It can be justified as follows: For small  $\delta > 0$  and  $0 < t < 1$  we have

$$t^x = e^{x \ln t} \leq \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \geq 0, \\ t^{-1+\delta} & \text{if } -1 + \delta < x < 0. \end{cases}$$

Thus  $t^x = |t^x| \leq t^{-1+\delta} =: \Phi(t)$  for all  $x \in (-1 + \delta, \infty)$  and  $t \in (0, 1)$ , which provides an integrable bound independent of  $x$  on account of  $\int_0^1 t^{-1+\delta} = [t^\delta/\delta]_0^1 = 1/\delta$ . 2

It follows that  $F(x) = \ln(x+1) + C$  for some  $C \in \mathbb{R}$ . The constant  $C$  can be determined from

$$F(0) = \int_0^1 \frac{t-1}{\ln t} dt,$$

$$F(1) = \int_0^1 \frac{2t-2}{\ln t} dt = 2F(0),$$

which gives  $\ln(2) + C = 2C$ , i.e.,  $C = \ln 2$ , and  $F(x) = \ln(x+1) + \ln 2 = \ln(2x+2)$ .

$$\Rightarrow \int_0^1 \frac{t^{1010} + t - 2}{\ln t} dt = F(1010) = \ln(2022). \quad [2]$$

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$$\sum_4 = 6$$


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5 a) The volume of  $K$  is

$$V = \int_K 1 \, d^3(x, y, z) = \int_{x=0}^2 \int_{y=0}^{2-x} \int_{z=0}^{1+x^2+2y} dz \, dy \, dx \quad [1]$$

$$= \int_0^2 \int_0^{2-x} 1 + x^2 + 2y \, dy \, dx$$

$$= \int_0^2 [(1+x^2)y + y^2]_{y=0}^{2-x} dx$$

$$= \int_0^2 (1+x^2)(2-x) + (2-x)^2 dx$$

$$= \int_0^2 6 - 5x + 3x^2 - x^3 dx$$

$$= [6x - \frac{5}{2}x^2 + x^3 - \frac{1}{4}x^4]_0^2 = 12 - 10 + 8 - 4 = 6. \quad [2]$$

b) Denoting the unit disk in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  by  $D$ , the surface  $P$  is the graph of  $f(x, y) = x^2 + y^2$ ,  $(x, y) \in D$ . Using the formula for such surfaces, or going the long way using the parametrization  $\gamma(x, y) = (x, y, f(x, y))$ , we obtain the surface area as

$$A = \int_D \sqrt{1 + |\nabla f(x, y)|^2} \, d^2(x, y) = \int_D \sqrt{1 + |(2x, 2y)|^2} \, d^2(x, y)$$

$$= \int_D \sqrt{1 + 4x^2 + 4y^2} \, d^2(x, y) \quad [1]$$

$$= \int_{\substack{0 \leq r \leq 1 \\ 0 \leq \phi \leq 2\pi}} r \sqrt{1 + 4r^2} \, d^2(r, \phi) = 2\pi \int_0^1 r \sqrt{1 + 4r^2} \, dr \quad [1]$$

$$= \frac{\pi}{6} [(1 + 4r^2)^{3/2}]_0^1 = \frac{\pi}{6} (5\sqrt{5} - 1). \quad [1]$$

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$$\sum_5 = 6$$


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$$\sum = 42$$


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Final Exam