

MA 261 QUIZ 10

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If you do not know how to do any one of these problems, circle “**(E) I don’t know**” as your answer choice. You will receive **two points** for doing that. **Each problem** is worth **five points**. You get **two points** for writing your **full name** and **three points** for writing your **section number**.

Problem 10.1. Evaluate the line integral

$$\oint_C xy \, dx + x^2y^3 \, dy,$$

where C is the boundary of the triangle with vertices at $(0, 0)$, $(1, 0)$, and $(1, 4)$, oriented counterclockwise. *Hint:* Use Green’s Theorem.

- (A) 24
- (B) 22
- (C) 20
- (D) 2π
- (E) I don’t know

Solution. By Green’s Theorem, we need only find P and Q and evaluate the area integral over the function from the theorem. That is, with $P = xy$ and $Q = x^2y^3$, the theorem yields

$$\begin{aligned}\oint_C xy \, dx + x^2y^3 \, dy &= \iint_D 2xy^3 - x \, dA \\ &= \int_0^1 \int_0^{4x} 2xy^3 - x \, dy \, dx \\ &= \int_0^1 2 \cdot 4^3 x^5 - 4x^2 \, dx \\ &= \frac{4^3 - 4}{3} \\ &= \frac{4(4^2 - 1)}{3} \\ &= \frac{4 \cdot 15}{3} \\ &= 20.\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the correct answer was (C). ◇

Problem 10.2. Compute the line integral

$$\oint_C x^2 dy,$$

where C is the boundary of the rectangle with vertices $(0, 0)$, $(2, 0)$, $(2, 3)$, and $(0, 3)$, oriented counterclockwise. *Hint:* Use Green's Theorem.

- (A) 4
- (B) 8
- (C) 12
- (D) 16
- (E) I don't know

Solution. By Green's Theorem, we need only find P and Q and compute the area integral. One quickly sees that $Q = x^2$ and so, by Green's Theorem,

$$\begin{aligned}\oint_C x^2 dy &= \iint_D 2x \, dA \\ &= \int_0^2 \int_0^3 2x \, dy \, dx \\ &= \int_0^2 6x \, dx \\ &= 3x^2 \Big|_0^2 \\ &= 12.\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the correct answer was (C). ◇

Problem 10.3. If $f(x, y, z) = x^2yz - xy^2 + 2xz^2$ then $\nabla \cdot (\nabla f)$ at $(1, 1, 1)$ is equal to:

- (A) 1
- (B) 2
- (C) 3
- (D) 4
- (E) I don't know

Solution. If you remember the equations for the gradient of a function, and the

divergence of a vector field, this should come easily. The calculation goes as follows,

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla f &= \nabla(x^2yz - xy^2 + 2xz^2) \\ &= \langle 2xyz - y^2 + 2z^2, x^2z - 2xy, x^2y + 4xz \rangle \\ \nabla \cdot \nabla f &= \nabla \cdot \langle 2xyz - y^2 + 2z^2, x^2z - 2xy, x^2y + 4xz \rangle \\ &= 2yz - 2x + 4z.\end{aligned}$$

Plugging in the point $(1, 1, 1)$ into this last expression, we get $\nabla \cdot \nabla f(1, 1, 1) = 4$. Therefore, the correct answer was (D) \diamond