

# Math 31CH HW 7

Due May 31 at 11:59 pm by Gradescope Submission

6.6.5 (skip part b), 6.7.3, 6.7.4, 6.7.6, 6.7.9, 6.8.6,  
6.8.7, 6.8.12

Merrick Qiu

## EXERCISES FOR SECTION 6.6

**Exercise 6.6.5 (skip part b):** Consider the region  $X = P \cap B \subset \mathbb{R}^3$ , where  $P$  is the plane of equation  $x + y + z = 0$  and  $B$  is the ball  $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 \leq 1$ . Orient  $P$  by the normal  $\vec{N} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  and orient the sphere  $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1$  by the outward-pointing normal.

**a.** Which of  $\text{sgn } dx \wedge dy$ ,  $\text{sgn } dx \wedge dz$ ,  $\text{sgn } dy \wedge dz$  give the same orientation of  $P$  as  $\vec{N}$ ?

**c.** Is the parametrization

$$t \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\cos(t)}{\sqrt{2}} - \frac{\sin(t)}{\sqrt{6}} \\ -\frac{\cos(t)}{\sqrt{2}} - \frac{\sin(t)}{\sqrt{6}} \\ 2 \frac{\sin(t)}{\sqrt{6}} \end{pmatrix}$$

compatible with the boundary orientation of  $\partial X$ ?

**d.** Do any of  $\text{sgn } dx$ ,  $\text{sgn } dy$ ,  $\text{sgn } dz$  define the orientation of  $\partial X$  at every point?

**e.** Do any of  $\text{sgn } x \, dy - y \, dx$ ,  $\text{sgn } x \, dz - z \, dx$ ,  $\text{sgn } y \, dz - z \, dy$  define the orientation of  $\partial X$  at every point?

**Part A:**  $\text{sgn } dx \wedge dy$  and  $\text{sgn } dy \wedge dz$  give the same orientation of  $P$  as  $\vec{N}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & v_x & w_x \\ 1 & v_y & w_y \\ 1 & v_z & w_z \end{bmatrix} &= (v_y w_z - v_z w_y) - (v_x w_z - v_z w_x) + (v_x w_y - v_y w_x) \\ &= (-v_y(w_x + w_y) + (v_x + v_y)w_y) - (-v_x(w_x + w_y) + (v_x + v_y)w_x) + (v_x w_y - v_y w_x) \\ &= -v_y w_x - v_y w_y + v_x w_y + v_y w_y + v_x w_x + v_x w_y - v_x w_x - v_y w_x + v_x w_y - v_y w_x \\ &= 3v_x w_y - 3v_y w_x = 3dx \wedge dy(\vec{v}, \vec{w}) \\ &= -3(v_x(-w_x - w_y) - (-v_x - v_y)w_x) = -3dx \wedge dy(\vec{v}, \vec{w}) \\ &= 3(v_y(-w_x - w_y) - (-v_x - v_y)w_y) = 3dy \wedge dz(\vec{v}, \vec{w}) \end{aligned}$$

**Part C:**  $\gamma(t)$  is an outward pointing normal of  $X$  and the tangent vector of the parameterization is

$$\gamma'(t) = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{\sin(t)}{\sqrt{2}} - \frac{\cos(t)}{\sqrt{6}} \\ \frac{\sin(t)}{\sqrt{2}} - \frac{\cos(t)}{\sqrt{6}} \\ 2\frac{\cos(t)}{\sqrt{6}} \end{bmatrix}$$

The parameterization is not consistent since

$$\begin{aligned} \det [\vec{N}, \gamma(t), \gamma'(t)] &= 3dy \wedge dz [\gamma(t), \gamma'(t)] \\ &= 3 \det \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{\cos(t)}{\sqrt{2}} - \frac{\sin(t)}{\sqrt{6}} & \frac{\sin(t)}{\sqrt{2}} - \frac{\cos(t)}{\sqrt{6}} \\ 2\frac{\sin(t)}{\sqrt{6}} & 2\frac{\cos(t)}{\sqrt{6}} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= 6 \left( \left( -\frac{\cos^2(t)}{2\sqrt{3}} - \frac{\sin(t)\cos(t)}{6} \right) - \left( \frac{\sin^2(t)}{2\sqrt{3}} - \frac{\sin(t)\cos(t)}{6} \right) \right) = -\sqrt{3} \end{aligned}$$

**Part D** Since  $\gamma$  is orientation reversing, any form directly orienting  $\partial X$  must yield a negative value on  $\gamma'(t)$ . Since none of the components of  $\gamma'(t)$  are always negative,  $\text{sgn } dx$ ,  $\text{sgn } dy$ , and  $\text{sgn } dz$  do not define the orientation for  $\partial X$ .

**Part E** Calculating the forms on  $\gamma'(t)$  yields that only  $x dy - y dx$  and  $y dz - z dy$  define the orientation on  $\partial X$ .

$$\begin{aligned} x dy - y dx &\implies \left( \frac{\cos(t)}{\sqrt{2}} - \frac{\sin(t)}{\sqrt{6}} \right) \left( \frac{\sin(t)}{\sqrt{2}} - \frac{\cos(t)}{\sqrt{6}} \right) - \left( -\frac{\cos(t)}{\sqrt{2}} - \frac{\sin(t)}{\sqrt{6}} \right) \left( -\frac{\sin(t)}{\sqrt{2}} - \frac{\cos(t)}{\sqrt{6}} \right) \\ &= -\frac{\cos^2(t)}{\sqrt{3}} - \frac{\sin^2(t)}{\sqrt{3}} \\ &= -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x dz - z dx &\implies \left( \frac{\cos(t)}{\sqrt{2}} - \frac{\sin(t)}{\sqrt{6}} \right) \left( 2\frac{\cos(t)}{\sqrt{6}} \right) - \left( 2\frac{\sin(t)}{\sqrt{6}} \right) \left( -\frac{\sin(t)}{\sqrt{2}} - \frac{\cos(t)}{\sqrt{6}} \right) \\ &= \frac{\cos^2(t)}{\sqrt{3}} + \frac{\sin^2(t)}{\sqrt{3}} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} y dz - z dy &\implies \left( -\frac{\cos(t)}{\sqrt{2}} - \frac{\sin(t)}{\sqrt{6}} \right) \left( 2\frac{\cos(t)}{\sqrt{6}} \right) - \left( 2\frac{\sin(t)}{\sqrt{6}} \right) \left( \frac{\sin(t)}{\sqrt{2}} - \frac{\cos(t)}{\sqrt{6}} \right) \\ &= \frac{-\cos^2(t)}{\sqrt{3}} - \frac{\sin^2(t)}{\sqrt{3}} \\ &= -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \end{aligned}$$

## EXERCISES FOR SECTION 6.7

**Exercise 6.7.3:** In Example 6.7.7, confirm that:

a.  $d\Phi_{\vec{F}_2} = 0$ .

b.  $d\Phi_{\vec{F}_3} = 0$ .

**Part A:**

$$\begin{aligned} d\Phi_{\vec{F}_2} &= d\left(\frac{-y}{x^2+y^2} dx + \frac{x}{x^2+y^2} dy\right) \\ &= \left(D_1 \frac{-y}{x^2+y^2} dx + D_2 \frac{-y}{x^2+y^2} dy\right) \wedge dx + \left(D_1 \frac{x}{x^2+y^2} dx + D_2 \frac{x}{x^2+y^2} dy\right) \wedge dy \\ &= \left(\frac{2xy}{(x^2+y^2)^2} dx + \frac{y^2-x^2}{(x^2+y^2)^2} dy\right) \wedge dx + \left(\frac{y^2-x^2}{(x^2+y^2)^2} dx + \frac{-2xy}{(x^2+y^2)^2} dy\right) \wedge dy \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

**Part B:**

$$\begin{aligned} d\Phi_{\vec{F}_3} &= d\left(\frac{x}{(x^2+y^2+z^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}} dy \wedge dz + \frac{y}{(x^2+y^2+z^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}} dz \wedge dx + \frac{z}{(x^2+y^2+z^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}} dx \wedge dy\right) \\ &= \frac{-2x^2+y^2+z^2}{(x^2+y^2+z^2)^{\frac{5}{2}}} dx \wedge dy \wedge dz + \frac{-2y^2+x^2+z^2}{(x^2+y^2+z^2)^{\frac{5}{2}}} dy \wedge dz \wedge dx + \frac{-2z^2+x^2+y^2}{(x^2+y^2+z^2)^{\frac{5}{2}}} dz \wedge dx \wedge dy \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

**Exercise 6.7.4:** Let  $\varphi$  be the 2-form on  $\mathbb{R}^4$  given by

$$\varphi = x_1^2 x_3 dx_2 \wedge dx_3 + x_1 x_3 dx_1 \wedge dx_4.$$

Compute  $d\varphi$ .

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_1^2 x_3 dx_2 \wedge dx_3 + x_1 x_3 dx_1 \wedge dx_4) &= d(x_1^2 x_3 dx_2 \wedge dx_3) + d(x_1 x_3 dx_1 \wedge dx_4) \\ &= (D_1(x_1^2 x_3) dx_1) \wedge dx_2 \wedge dx_3 + (D_3(x_1 x_3) dx_3) \wedge dx_1 \wedge dx_4 \\ &= 2x_1 x_3 dx_1 \wedge dx_2 \wedge dx_3 - x_1 dx_1 \wedge dx_3 \wedge dx_4 \end{aligned}$$

**Exercise 6.7.6:** Let  $f$  be a function from  $\mathbb{R}^3$  to  $\mathbb{R}$ . Compute the exterior derivatives:

a.  $d(f dx \wedge dz)$ .

b.  $d(f dy \wedge dz)$ .

**Part A:**

$$\begin{aligned} d(f dx \wedge dz) &= (D_1(f)dx + D_2(f)dy + D_3(f)dz) \wedge dx \wedge dz \\ &= -D_2(f) dx \wedge dy \wedge dz \end{aligned}$$

**Part B:**

$$\begin{aligned} d(f dy \wedge dz) &= (D_1(f)dx + D_2(f)dy + D_3(f)dz) \wedge dy \wedge dz \\ &= D_1(f) dx \wedge dy \wedge dz \end{aligned}$$

**Exercise 6.7.9:** Find all the 1-forms  $\omega = p(y, z) dx + q(x, z) dy$  such that

$$d\omega = x dy \wedge dz + y dx \wedge dz.$$

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned} d(p dx + q dy) &= (D_2 p dy + D_3 p dz) \wedge dx + (D_1 q dx + D_3 q dz) \wedge dy \\ &= (-D_3 q) dy \wedge dz + (-D_3 p) dx \wedge dz + (D_1 q - D_2 p) dx \wedge dy \\ &= x dy \wedge dz + y dx \wedge dz + 0 dx \wedge dy \end{aligned}$$

From this,

$$D_3 q = -x$$

$$D_3 p = -y$$

$$D_1 q = D_2 p$$

Thus,  $\omega$  must be in the form

$$\omega = (-yz + F(y)) dx + (-xz + G(x)) dy$$

where  $F$  and  $G$  are arbitrary differentiable functions.

## EXERCISES FOR SECTION 6.8

**Exercise 6.8.6:** Show that  $df = W_{\text{grad } f}$  when  $f \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = xyz$  by computing both from the definitions and evaluating on a vector  $\vec{v} = \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix}$ .

**Solution:** The exterior derivative of  $f$  is

$$\begin{aligned} df(\vec{v}) &= D_1(xyz) dx + D_2(xyz) dy + D_3(xyz) dz \\ &= yz dx + xz dy + xy dz \end{aligned}$$

The work form of the gradient is

$$W_{\text{grad } f} = W \begin{bmatrix} yz \\ xz \\ xy \end{bmatrix} = yz dx + xz dy + xy dz$$

Thus  $df = W_{\text{grad } f}$ .

**Exercise 6.8.7:** Let  $\varphi = xy dx + z dy + yz dz$  be a 1-form on  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . For what vector field  $\vec{F}$  can  $\varphi$  be written  $W_{\vec{F}}$ ? Show the equivalence of  $dW_{\vec{F}}$  and  $\Phi_{\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{F}}$  by computing both from the definitions.

**Solution:** The 1-form can be rewritten as a work form with vector field

$$\vec{F} = \begin{bmatrix} xy \\ z \\ yz \end{bmatrix}$$

The exterior derivative of the work form is

$$\begin{aligned} d(xy dx + z dy + yz dz) &= d(xy dx) + d(z dy) + d(yz dz) \\ &= (D_2(xy) dy) \wedge dx + (D_3(z) dz) \wedge dy + (D_2(yz) dy) \wedge dz \\ &= -x dx \wedge dy + (z - 1) dy \wedge dz \end{aligned}$$

The curl is

$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{F} = \begin{bmatrix} D_1 \\ D_2 \\ D_3 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} xy \\ z \\ yz \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} z - 1 \\ 0 \\ -x \end{bmatrix}$$

The flux of the curl is equal to the exterior derivative of the work form

$$\Phi_{\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{F}} = (z - 1) dy \wedge dz - 0 dx \wedge dz - x dx \wedge dy = W_{\vec{F}}$$

**Exercise 6.8.12:** a. What is the divergence of  $\vec{F} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x^2 \\ y^2 \\ yz \end{bmatrix}$ ?

b. Use part (a) to compute  $d\Phi_{\vec{F}} P \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} (\vec{e}_1, \vec{e}_2, \vec{e}_3)$ .

c. Compute it again, directly from the definition of exterior derivative.

**Part A:**

$$\operatorname{div} \vec{F} = \begin{bmatrix} D_1 \\ D_2 \\ D_3 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} x^2 \\ y^2 \\ z^2 \end{bmatrix} = 2x + 3y$$

**Part B:** Using part A, the derivative of the flux form of  $\vec{F}$  is

$$d\Phi_{\vec{F}} = M_{\operatorname{div} \vec{F}} = (2x + 3y) dx \wedge dy \wedge dz$$

Therefore,

$$d\Phi_{\vec{F}} P \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} (\vec{e}_1, \vec{e}_2, \vec{e}_3) = (2 + 3) \det(\vec{e}_1, \vec{e}_2, \vec{e}_3) = 5$$

**Part C:** The exterior derivative is

$$\begin{aligned} d\Phi_{\vec{F}} &= d(x^2 dy \wedge dz + y^2 dz \wedge dx + yz dx \wedge dy) \\ &= (2x dx) \wedge dy \wedge dz + (2y dy) \wedge dz \wedge dx + (y dz) \wedge dx \wedge dy \\ &= (2x + 3y) dx \wedge dy \wedge dz \end{aligned}$$

This is the same form as from part b, so evaluating it at the same parallelogram would also yield 5.