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## Solution Midterm

All questions are worth **6** points. Maximum score: **30**.

1. Evaluate  $\iiint_{\mathcal{E}} (x^3 + xy^2) dx dy dz$  where  $\mathcal{E}$  is the solid in the first octant that lies beneath the paraboloid  $z = 1 - x^2 - y^2$ .

**Solution.**

$$I = \iiint_{\mathcal{E}} (x^3 + xy^2) dx dy dz = \iint_{\mathcal{D}} \left( \int_{z=0}^{z=1-x^2-y^2} (x^3 + xy^2) dz \right) dx dy,$$

where  $\mathcal{D}$  is the region in the  $XY$ -plane bounded by  $x^2 + y^2 = 1$ ,  $x \geq 0$  and  $y \geq 0$ . Then, using cylindrical coordinates, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \iint_{\mathcal{D}} \left( \int_{z=0}^{z=1-x^2-y^2} (x^3 + xy^2) dz \right) dx dy &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \int_0^1 \int_0^{1-r^2} (r^3 \cos \theta) r dz dr d\theta \\ &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \int_0^1 r^4 \cos \theta (1 - r^2) dr d\theta \\ &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos \theta \left( \frac{r^5}{5} - \frac{r^7}{7} \right) \Big|_0^1 d\theta \\ &= \left( \frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{7} \right) \sin \theta \Big|_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} = \frac{2}{35}. \end{aligned}$$

□

2. Let  $\vec{F}(x, y, z) = (z^3 + 2xy, x^2, 3xz^2)$  be a vector field in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . Compute the line integral  $\int_{\Gamma} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{s}$ , where  $\Gamma$  is the square with vertices  $(\pm 1, \pm 1, 0)$  oriented in the counterclockwise direction.

**Solution.** Let us start at the point  $(1, -1, 0)$  and continue in the counterclockwise direction. A parametrization of  $\Gamma$  is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{\alpha}_1(t) : \begin{cases} x(t) = 1 \\ y(t) = -1 + 2t \\ z(t) = 0 \end{cases} & \quad \vec{\alpha}_2(t) : \begin{cases} x(t) = 1 - 2t \\ y(t) = 1 \\ z(t) = 0 \end{cases} \\ \vec{\alpha}_3(t) : \begin{cases} x(t) = -1 \\ y(t) = 1 - 2t \\ z(t) = 0 \end{cases} & \quad \vec{\alpha}_4(t) : \begin{cases} x(t) = -1 + 2t \\ y(t) = -1 \\ z(t) = 0 \end{cases} \end{aligned},$$

where  $0 \leq t \leq 1$  and  $\vec{\alpha}_1$  corresponds to the segment joining  $(1, -1, 0)$  and  $(1, 1, 0)$ ,  $\vec{\alpha}_2$  corresponds to the segment joining  $(1, 1, 0)$  and  $(-1, 1, 0)$  and so on. Now, we have

$$\int_{\Gamma} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{s} = \int_0^1 \vec{F}(\vec{\alpha}_1(t)) \cdot \vec{\alpha}_1'(t) dt + \int_0^1 \vec{F}(\vec{\alpha}_2(t)) \cdot \vec{\alpha}_2'(t) dt + \int_0^1 \vec{F}(\vec{\alpha}_3(t)) \cdot \vec{\alpha}_3'(t) dt + \int_0^1 \vec{F}(\vec{\alpha}_4(t)) \cdot \vec{\alpha}_4'(t) dt$$

After the corresponding substitutions and simplifications, we obtain

$$\int_{\Gamma} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{s} = \int_0^1 2 dt + \int_0^1 -4(1-2t) dt + \int_0^1 -2 dt + \int_0^1 -4(-1+2t) dt = 0.$$

□

3. Let  $\mathcal{D}$  be the region bounded by the  $x = 1$ ,  $y = 0$  and  $y = x$ . Is the integral  $\iint_{\mathcal{D}} xye^{-(x^2+y^2)} dx dy$  convergent?

**Solution.** There are three possible regions **delimited** by  $x = 1$ ,  $y = 0$  and  $y = x$ , but only one is actually **bounded** (in the sense that it can be put inside a rectangle). The other two are **unbounded**. On the other hand, the question asks for convergence. Usually, we ask for convergence when the integral we deal with is **improper**. There is no problem with the integrand  $xye^{-(x^2+y^2)}$ ; it is continuous everywhere on the plane, which leads us to think that for the integral to be improper, the domain has to be unbounded. When I posed this question, the domain I had in mind was the unbounded region delimited by the equations above with  $x \rightarrow \infty$ . However, if you worked over the bounded region, it is all right too. (In any case, an integral is convergent if the result is a number and divergent otherwise.) If the domain is bounded, the region is a triangle. **Without doing any computation** we can immediately conclude that the integral is convergent since the domain is **compact (closed and bounded)** and the integrand is **continuous** over the domain. You can come to this conclusion by using, for instance, the mean value inequality. But we can **go further** and actually do the computation. After all, it is not a hard task since the domain is a triangle and the integrand can be expressed as a product of two functions, one depending on  $x$  and the other one on  $y$ . Check that the answer in this case is  $\frac{1}{8} - \frac{1}{4}e^{-1} + \frac{1}{8}e^{-2}$ . For the unbounded domain I had in mind, here is the computation,

$$\begin{aligned} \iint_{\mathcal{D}} xye^{-(x^2+y^2)} dx dy &= \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \int_1^b \int_0^x xye^{-(x^2+y^2)} dy dx \\ &= \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \int_1^b xe^{-x^2} \left[ -\frac{1}{2}e^{-y^2} \right]_0^x dx \\ &= \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{1}{2} \int_1^b xe^{-x^2} dx - \frac{1}{2} \int_1^b xe^{-2x^2} dx \right) \\ &= \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \left[ \frac{1}{4}(e^{-1} - e^{-b^2}) + \frac{1}{8}(e^{-2b^2} - e^{-2}) \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{4}e^{-1} - \frac{1}{8}e^{-2}. \end{aligned}$$

This is a number, therefore the integral  $\iint_{\mathcal{D}} xye^{-(x^2+y^2)} dx dy$  is convergent.

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4. Suppose you have a rectangular region. How does a generic linear map transform this region?

**Solution.** To determine how a generic linear map acts on a region, it is enough to know how it transforms its boundary. **A generic linear map takes lines into lines** (prove this). Therefore, a generic linear map transforms a rectangular region into a parallelogram.

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5. Evaluate  $\iiint_U x^2 dx dy dz$ , where  $U$  is the solid bounded by  $y^2 + z^2 = 4ax$ ,  $y^2 = ax$  and  $x = 3a$ . Assume that  $a$  is a positive constant. *Hint:* There are two possible solids, one is convex and the other one is not. We analyzed the non-convex solid in class. Work out the convex case.

**Solution.** We have

$$U = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid -\sqrt{4ax - y^2} \leq z \leq \sqrt{4ax - y^2}, -\sqrt{ax} \leq y \leq \sqrt{ax}, 0 \leq x \leq 3a\}$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} \iiint_U x^2 \, dx \, dy \, dz &= \int_0^{3a} \int_{-\sqrt{ax}}^{\sqrt{ax}} \int_{-\sqrt{4ax-y^2}}^{\sqrt{4ax-y^2}} x^2 \, dz \, dy \, dx \\ &= \int_0^{3a} \int_{-\sqrt{ax}}^{\sqrt{ax}} 2x^2 \sqrt{4ax - y^2} \, dy \, dx \\ &= \int_0^{3a} \frac{6\sqrt{3}a + 4\pi a}{3} x^3 \, dx = 27a^5 \left( \frac{3\sqrt{3} + 2\pi}{2} \right). \end{aligned}$$

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