

## Solutions to Review Problems for Final Exam

1. In this problem,  $u$  and  $v$  denote vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

(a) Use the triangle inequality to derive the inequality

$$| \|v\| - \|u\| | \leq \|v - u\| \quad \text{for all } u, v \in \mathbb{R}^n. \quad (1)$$

**Solution:** Write

$$\|u\| = \|(u - v) + v\|$$

and applying the triangle inequality to obtain

$$\|u\| \leq \|u - v\| + \|v\|,$$

from which we get that

$$\|u\| - \|v\| \leq \|v - u\|. \quad (2)$$

Interchanging the roles for  $u$  and  $v$  in (2) we obtain

$$\|v\| - \|u\| \leq \|u - v\|.$$

from which we get

$$\|v\| - \|u\| \leq \|v - u\|. \quad (3)$$

Combining (2) and (3) yields

$$-\|v - u\| \leq \|v\| - \|u\| \leq \|v - u\|,$$

which is (1). □

(b) Use the inequality derived in the previous part to show that the function  $f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  given by  $f(v) = \|v\|$ , for all  $v \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , is continuous in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

**Solution:** Fix  $u \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and apply the inequality in (1) to any  $v \in \mathbb{R}^n$  to obtain that

$$|\|v\| - \|u\|| \leq \|v - u\|,$$

or

$$|f(v) - f(u)| \leq \|v - u\|. \quad (4)$$

Next, apply the Squeeze Lemma to obtain from (4) that

$$\lim_{\|v-u\| \rightarrow 0} |f(v) - f(u)| = 0,$$

which shows that  $f$  is continuous at  $u$  for any  $u \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . □

- (c) Prove that the function  $g: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  given by  $g(v) = \sin(\|v\|)$ , for all  $v \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , is continuous.

**Solution:** Observe that  $g = \sin \circ f$ , where  $f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is as defined in part (b). Thus,  $g$  is the composition of two continuous functions, and is, therefore, continuous.  $\square$

2. Define the scalar field  $f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  by  $f(v) = \|v\|^2$  for all  $v \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .

- (a) Show that  $f$  is differentiable in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and compute the linear map

$$Df(u): \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \quad \text{for all } u \in \mathbb{R}^n.$$

What is the gradient of  $f$  at  $u$  for all  $u \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ?

**Solution:** Let  $u \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and compute

$$\begin{aligned} f(u+w) &= \|u+w\|^2 \\ &= (u+w) \cdot (u+w) \\ &= u \cdot u + u \cdot w + w \cdot u + w \cdot w \\ &= \|u\|^2 + 2u \cdot w + \|w\|^2, \end{aligned}$$

for  $w \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , where we have used the symmetry of the dot product and the fact that  $\|v\|^2 = v \cdot v$  for all  $v \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . We therefore have that

$$f(u+w) = f(u) + 2u \cdot w + \|w\|^2, \quad \text{for all } u \in \mathbb{R}^n \text{ and } w \in \mathbb{R}^n. \quad (5)$$

Writing

$$Df(u)w = 2u \cdot w, \quad \text{for all } u \in \mathbb{R}^n \text{ and } w \in \mathbb{R}^n, \quad (6)$$

and

$$E_u(w) = \|w\|^2, \quad \text{for all } u \in \mathbb{R}^n \text{ and } w \in \mathbb{R}^n, \quad (7)$$

we see that (5) can be rewritten as

$$f(u+w) = f(u) + Df(u)w + E_u(w), \quad \text{for all } u \in \mathbb{R}^n \text{ and } w \in \mathbb{R}^n, \quad (8)$$

where, according to (6),  $Df(u): \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  defines a linear transformation, and, by virtue of (7),

$$\frac{|E_u(w)|}{\|w\|} = \|w\|, \quad \text{for } w \neq 0,$$

from which we get that

$$\lim_{\|w\| \rightarrow 0} \frac{|E_u(w)|}{\|w\|} = 0.$$

Consequently, in view of (8), we conclude that  $f$  is differentiable at every  $u \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , derivative at  $u$  given by (6).

Since  $Df(u)w = \nabla f(u) \cdot w$ , for all  $u$  and  $w$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , by comparing with (6), we see that

$$\nabla f(u) = 2u, \quad \text{for all } u \in \mathbb{R}^n.$$

□

**Alternate Solution:** Alternatively, for  $u = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , we have that

$$f(u) = x_1^2 + x_2^2 + \dots + x_n^2;$$

so that

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_j}(u) = 2x_j, \quad \text{for } j = 1, 2, \dots, n.$$

Thus, all the partial derivatives of  $f$  are continuous on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ; that is,  $f$  is a  $C^1$  function. Consequently,  $f$  is differentiable on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Furthermore,

$$Df(u)w = (2x_1 \ 2x_2 \ \dots \ 2x_n) w, \quad \text{for all } w \in \mathbb{R}^n,$$

which can be written as

$$Df(u)w = 2u \cdot w, \quad \text{for all } w \in \mathbb{R}^n. \quad (9)$$

It then follows that  $\nabla f(u) = 2u$  for all  $u \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . □

- (b) Let  $\hat{v}$  denote a unit vector in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . For a fixed vector  $u$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , define  $g: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  by  $g(t) = \|u - t\hat{v}\|^2$ , for all  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ . Show that  $g$  is differentiable and compute  $g'(t)$  for all  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ .

**Solution:** Observe that  $g = f \circ \sigma$ , where  $\sigma: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  is given by

$$\sigma(t) = u - t\hat{v}, \quad \text{for all } t \in \mathbb{R}. \quad (10)$$

Thus,  $\sigma$  is a differentiable path with

$$\sigma'(t) = -\hat{v}, \quad \text{for all } t \in \mathbb{R}. \quad (11)$$

Thus, by the result from part (a),  $g$  is the composition of two differentiable functions. Consequently, by the Chain Rule,  $g$  is differentiable with

$$g'(t) = Df(\sigma(t))\sigma'(t), \quad \text{for all } t \in \mathbb{R}. \quad (12)$$

Thus, using (9) and (11), we obtain from (12) that

$$g'(t) = 2\sigma(t) \cdot (-\widehat{v}), \quad \text{for all } t \in \mathbb{R},$$

or

$$g'(t) = -2\sigma(t) \cdot \widehat{v}, \quad \text{for all } t \in \mathbb{R}. \quad (13)$$

Thus, using (10), we obtain from (13) that

$$g'(t) = -2(u - t\widehat{v}) \cdot \widehat{v}, \quad \text{for all } t \in \mathbb{R},$$

which leads to

$$g'(t) = 2t - 2u \cdot \widehat{v}, \quad \text{for all } t \in \mathbb{R}, \quad (14)$$

since  $\widehat{v}$  is a unit vector in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . □

- (c) Let  $\widehat{v}$  be as in the previous part. For any  $u \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , give the point on the line spanned by  $\widehat{v}$  which is the closest to  $u$ . Justify your answer.

**Solution:** It follows from (14) that  $g''(t) = 2 > 0$  for all  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ ; so that  $g$  has a global minimum when  $g'(t) = 0$ . We then obtain from (14) that  $g(t)$  is the smallest possible when

$$t = u \cdot \widehat{v}.$$

Consequently, the point on the line spanned by  $\widehat{v}$  that is the closest to  $u$  is  $(u \cdot \widehat{v})\widehat{v}$ , or the orthogonal projection of  $u$  onto the direction of  $\widehat{v}$ . □

3. Let  $I$  denote an open interval which contains the real number  $a$ . Assume that  $\sigma: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  is a  $C^1$  parametrization of a curve  $C$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Define  $s: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  as follows:

$$s(t) = \text{arlength along the curve } C \text{ from } \sigma(a) \text{ to } \sigma(t), \quad (15)$$

for all  $t \in I$ .

- (a) Give a formula, in terms of an integral, for computing  $s(t)$  for all  $t \in I$ .

**Answer:**

$$s(t) = \int_a^t \|\sigma'(\tau)\| d\tau, \quad \text{for all } t \in I. \quad (16)$$

□

- (b) Prove that  $s$  is differentiable on  $I$  and compute  $s'(t)$  for all  $t \in I$ . Deduce that  $s$  is strictly increasing with increasing  $t$ .

**Solution:** It follows from the assumption that  $\sigma$  is  $C^1$ , the Fundamental Theorem of Calculus, and (16), that  $s$  is differentiable and

$$s'(t) = \|\sigma'(t)\|, \quad \text{for all } t \in I. \quad (17)$$

Since we are also assuming that  $\sigma$  is a parametrization of a  $C^1$  curve,  $C$ , it follows that  $\sigma'(t) \neq \mathbf{0}$  for all  $t \in I$ . Consequently, we obtain from (17) that

$$s'(t) > 0, \quad \text{for all } t \in I,$$

which shows that  $s(t)$  is strictly increasing with increasing  $t$ .  $\square$

- (c) Let  $\ell$  denote the arclength of  $C$ , and suppose that  $\gamma: [0, \ell] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  is a parametrization of  $C$  with the arclength parameter  $s$  defined in (15); so that,

$$C = \{\gamma(s) \mid 0 \leq s \leq \ell\}.$$

Use the fact that  $\sigma(t) = \gamma(s(t))$ , for all  $t \in [a, b]$ , to show  $\gamma'(s)$  is a unit vector that is tangent to the curve  $C$  at the point  $\gamma(s)$ .

**Solution:** Note that  $\sigma = \gamma \circ s$  is a composition of two differentiable functions, by the result of part (b). Consequently, by the chain rule,

$$\sigma'(t) = \frac{ds}{dt} \gamma'(s), \quad \text{for } t \in (a, b).$$

Thus, using (16),

$$\sigma'(t) = \|\sigma'(t)\| \gamma'(s), \quad \text{for } t \in (a, b).$$

So, using the fact that  $\|\sigma'(t)\| > 0$  for all  $t \in (a, b)$ ,

$$\gamma'(s) = \frac{1}{\|\sigma'(t)\|} \sigma'(t), \quad \text{for } t \in (a, b),$$

which shows that  $\gamma'(s)$  is a unit vector that is tangent to the curve  $C$  at the point  $\gamma(s)$ .  $\square$

4. Let  $I$  denote an open interval of real numbers and  $f: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a differentiable function. Let  $a, b \in I$  be such that  $a < b$ , and define  $C$  to be the section of the graph of  $y = f(x)$  from the point  $(a, f(a))$  to the point  $(b, f(b))$ ; that is,

$$C = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid y = f(x) \text{ and } a \leq x \leq b\}$$

- (a) By providing an appropriate parametrization of  $C$ , compute the arclength of  $C$ ,  $\ell(C)$ .

**Solution:** Parametrize  $C$  by  $\sigma: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  given by

$$\sigma(t) = (t, f(t)), \quad \text{for } a \leq t \leq b.$$

Then,

$$\sigma'(t) = (1, f'(t)), \quad \text{for } a \leq t \leq b;$$

so that

$$\|\sigma'(t)\| = \sqrt{1 + [f'(t)]^2}, \quad \text{for } a \leq t \leq b.$$

Therefore,

$$\ell(C) = \int_a^b \sqrt{1 + [f'(t)]^2} dt. \tag{18}$$

□

- (b) Let  $f(x) = 5 - 2x^{3/2}$ , for  $x \geq 0$ . Compute the exact arc length of  $y = f(x)$  over the interval  $[0, 11]$ .

**Solution:** We use the formula in (18) with

$$f'(t) = -3t^{1/2}, \quad \text{for } t > 0.$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} \ell(C) &= \int_0^{11} \sqrt{1 + 9t} dt \\ &= \left[ \frac{2}{27} (1 + 9t)^{3/2} \right]_0^{11} \\ &= \frac{2}{27} (1000 - 1) \\ &= 74. \end{aligned}$$

□

5. Let  $\Phi: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  denote the map from the  $uv$ -plane to the  $xy$ -plane given by

$$\Phi \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2u \\ v^2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{for all } \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^2, \quad (19)$$

and let  $T$  be the oriented triangle  $[(0, 0), (1, 0), (1, 1)]$  in the  $uv$ -plane.

(a) Show that  $\Phi$  is differentiable and give a formula for its derivative,  $D\Phi(u, v)$ , at every point  $\begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

**Solution:** Write

$$\Phi \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} f(u, v) \\ g(u, v) \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{for all } \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^2,$$

where  $f(u, v) = 2u$  and  $g(u, v) = v^2$  for all  $\begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^2$ . Observe that the partial derivatives of  $f$  and  $g$  exist and are given by

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial u}(u, v) = 2, \quad \frac{\partial f}{\partial v}(u, v) = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial g}{\partial u}(u, v) = 0, \quad \frac{\partial g}{\partial v}(u, v) = 2v.$$

Note that the partial derivatives of  $f$  and  $g$  are continuous. Therefore,  $\Phi$  is a  $C^1$  map. Hence,  $\Phi$  is differentiable on  $\mathbb{R}^2$  and its derivative map at  $(u, v)$ , for any  $(u, v) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ , is given by multiplication by the Jacobian matrix

$$D\Phi(u, v) = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2v \end{pmatrix};$$

that is,

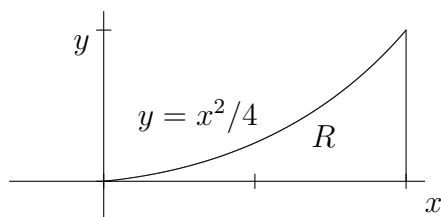
$$D\Phi(u, v) \begin{pmatrix} h \\ k \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2v \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} h \\ k \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2h \\ 2vk \end{pmatrix}$$

for all  $\begin{pmatrix} h \\ k \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^2$ . □

(b) Give the image,  $R$ , of the triangle  $T$  under the map  $\Phi$ , and sketch it in the  $xy$ -plane.

**Solution:** The image of  $T$  under  $\Phi$  is the set

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi(T) &= \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid x = 2u, y = v^2, \text{ for some } (u, v) \in \mathbb{R}\} \\ &= \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid 0 \leq x \leq 2, 0 \leq y \leq x^2/4\}. \end{aligned}$$

Figure 1: Sketch of Region  $\Phi(T)$ 

A sketch of  $R = \Phi(T)$  is shown in Figure 1.

To see how the sketch in Figure 1 is obtained, refer to the sketch of the triangle  $T$  in the  $uv$ -plane shown in Figure 2.

We first see where the boundary of  $T$  gets mapped by the transformation  $\Phi$ . Note the boundary of  $T$  consists of three straight line segments  $[(0, 0), (1, 0)]$ ,  $[(1, 0), (1, 1)]$  and  $[(1, 1), (0, 0)]$  oriented according a counter-clockwise orientation along the boundary of  $T$ . The straight line segment  $[(0, 0), (1, 0)]$  can be parametrized by

$$u = t, \quad v = 0, \quad \text{for } 0 \leq t \leq 1 \quad (20)$$

Applying map  $\Phi$  in (19) to the parametric equations in (20) we obtain

$$\Phi \begin{pmatrix} t \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2t \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{for } 0 \leq t \leq 1,$$

which yields the parametric equations

$$x = 2t, \quad y = 0, \quad \text{for } 0 \leq t \leq 1,$$

or the straight line segment  $[(0, 0), (2, 0)]$  in the  $xy$ -plane shown in Figure 1.

Similarly, the straight line segment  $[(1, 0), (1, 1)]$  in the  $uv$ -plane can be parametrized by the equations

$$u = 1, \quad v = t, \quad \text{for } 0 \leq t \leq 1.$$

Applying the map  $\Phi$  yields

$$\Phi \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ t \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ t^2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{for } 0 \leq t \leq 1;$$



so that, the straight line segment  $[(1, 0), (1, 1)]$  in the  $uv$ -plane gets mapped to the a set in the  $xy$ -plane with parametric equations

$$x = 2, y = t^2, \quad \text{for } 0 \leq t \leq 1,$$

which is a parametrization of the straight line segment  $[(2, 0), (2, 1)]$  shown in Figure 1.

Finally, the segment  $[(1, 1), (0, 0)]$  in the  $uv$ -plane can be parametrized by

$$u = 1 - t, v = 1 - t, \quad \text{for } 0 \leq t \leq 1.$$

Applying the mapping  $\Phi$  then yields

$$\Phi \begin{pmatrix} 1 - t \\ 1 - t \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2(1 - t) \\ (1 - t)^2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{for } 0 \leq t \leq 1,$$

from which we get the parametric equations

$$x = 2(1 - t)^2, y = (1 - t)^2, \quad \text{for } 0 \leq t \leq 1. \quad (21)$$

Squaring on both sides of the first equation in (21) yields

$$x^2 = 4(1 - t)^2, \quad \text{for } 0 \leq t \leq 1,$$

and, comparing this with the second equation in (21), we obtain

$$x^2 = 4y,$$

from which we get that

$$y = \frac{1}{4}x^2, \quad \text{for } 0 \leq x \leq 2. \quad (22)$$

we have therefore shown that the function  $\Phi$  maps the straight line segment  $[(1, 1), (0, 0)]$  to the portion of the graph of the equation in (22) from  $(0, 0)$  to  $(2, 1)$  in the  $xy$ -plane as shown in Figure 1.  $\square$

- (c) Evaluate the integral  $\iint_R dx dy$ , where  $R$  is the region in the  $xy$ -plane obtained in part (b).

**Solution:** Compute by means of iterated integrals

$$\begin{aligned}
 \iint_R dx dy &= \int_0^2 \int_0^{x^2/4} dy dx \\
 &= \int_0^2 \frac{x^2}{4} dx \\
 &= \left[ \frac{x^3}{12} \right]_0^2 \\
 &= \frac{2}{3}.
 \end{aligned}$$

□

- (d) Evaluate the integral  $\iint_T |\det[D\Phi(u, v)]| dudv$ , where  $\det[D\Phi(u, v)]$  denotes the determinant of the Jacobian matrix of  $\Phi$  obtained in part (a). Compare the result obtained here with that obtained in part (c).

**Solution:** Compute  $\det[D\Phi(u, v)]$  to get

$$\det[D\Phi(u, v)] = 4v.$$

so that

$$\iint_T |\det[D\Phi(u, v)]| dudv = \iint_T 4|v| dudv,$$

where the region  $T$ , in the  $uv$ -plane is sketched in Figure 2. Observe that,

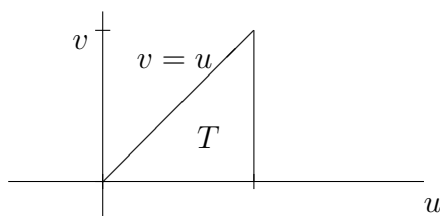


Figure 2: Sketch of Region  $T$

in that region,  $v \geq 0$ , so that

$$\iint_T |\det[D\Phi(u, v)]| dudv = \iint_T 4v dudv,$$

Compute by means of iterated integrals

$$\begin{aligned} \iint_T |\det[D\Phi(u, v)]| dudv &= \int_0^1 \int_0^u 4v \, dvdu \\ &= \int_0^1 2u^2 \, du \\ &= \frac{2}{3}, \end{aligned}$$

which is the same result as that obtained in part (c).  $\square$

6. Consider the iterated integral  $\int_0^1 \int_{x^2}^1 x\sqrt{1-y^2} \, dydx$ .

(a) Identify the region of integration,  $R$ , for this integral and sketch it.

**Solution:** The region  $R = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid x^2 \leq y \leq 1, 0 \leq x \leq 1\}$  is sketched in Figure 3.  $\square$

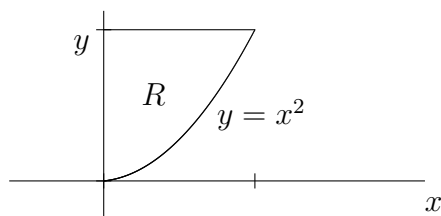


Figure 3: Sketch of Region  $R$

(b) Change the order of integration in the iterated integral and evaluate the double integral  $\int_R x\sqrt{1-y^2} \, dx dy$ .

**Solution:** Compute

$$\begin{aligned} \iint_R x\sqrt{1-y^2} \, dx dy &= \int_0^1 \int_0^{\sqrt{y}} x\sqrt{1-y^2} \, dx dy \\ &= \int_0^1 \left[ \frac{x^2}{2} \sqrt{1-y^2} \right]_0^{\sqrt{y}} dy \\ &= \int_0^1 \frac{y}{2} \sqrt{1-y^2} \, dy. \end{aligned}$$

Next, make the change of variables  $u = 1 - y^2$  to obtain that

$$\begin{aligned} \iint_R x\sqrt{1-y^2} \, dx dy &= -\frac{1}{4} \int_1^0 \sqrt{u} \, du \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \int_0^1 \sqrt{u} \, du \\ &= \frac{1}{6}. \end{aligned}$$

□

7. Let  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  denote a twice-differentiable real valued function and define

$$u(x, t) = f(x - ct) \quad \text{for all } (x, t) \in \mathbb{R}^2,$$

where  $c$  is a real constant.

Verify that  $\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2} = c^2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}$ .

**Solution:** Apply the chain rule to obtain

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = f'(x - ct) \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(x - ct) = f'(x - ct).$$

Similarly,

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} = f''(x - ct), \tag{23}$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = f'(x - ct) \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial t}(x - ct) = -cf'(x - ct),$$

and

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2} = c^2 f''(x - ct). \tag{24}$$

Combining (23) and (24) we see that

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2} = c^2 f''(x - ct) = c^2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2},$$

which was to be verified. □

8. What is the region  $R$  over which you integrate when evaluating the iterated integral

$$\int_1^2 \int_1^x \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} dy dx?$$

Rewrite this as an iterated integral first with respect to  $x$ , then with respect to  $y$ . Evaluate this integral. Which order of integration is easier?

**Solution:** The region  $R = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid 1 \leq y \leq x, 1 \leq x \leq 2\}$  is sketched in Figure 4. Interchanging the order of integration, we obtain that

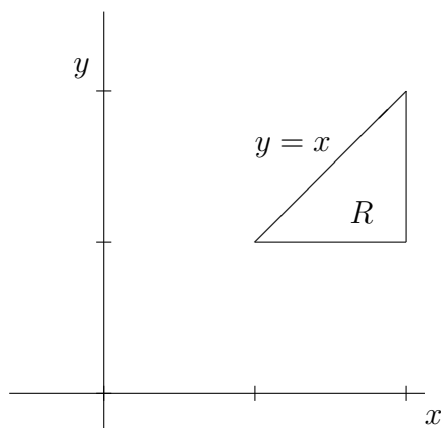


Figure 4: Sketch of Region  $R$

$$\iint_R \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} dx dy = \int_1^2 \int_y^2 \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} dx dy. \quad (25)$$

The iterated integral in (25) is easier to evaluate; in fact,

$$\begin{aligned} \iint_R \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} dx dy &= \int_1^2 \int_y^2 \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} dx dy \\ &= \int_1^2 \left[ \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \right]_y^2 dy \\ &= \int_1^2 \left[ \sqrt{4 + y^2} - \sqrt{2} y \right] dy. \end{aligned}$$

We therefore get that

$$\iint_R \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} dx dy = \int_1^2 \sqrt{4 + y^2} dy - \sqrt{2} \int_1^2 y dy. \quad (26)$$

Evaluating the second integral on the right-hand side of (26) yields

$$\int_1^2 y dy = \frac{3}{2}. \quad (27)$$

The first integral on the right-hand side of (26) can be evaluated using the integration formula

$$\int \sqrt{a^2 + u^2} du = \frac{u}{2} \sqrt{a^2 + u^2} + \frac{a^2}{2} \ln |u + \sqrt{a^2 + u^2}| + C,$$

with  $a = 2$ , to obtain

$$\int_1^2 \sqrt{4 + y^2} dy = \left[ \frac{y}{2} \sqrt{4 + y^2} + \frac{4}{2} \ln |y + \sqrt{4 + y^2}| \right]_1^2,$$

which evaluates to

$$\int_1^2 \sqrt{4 + y^2} dy = 2\sqrt{2} - \frac{\sqrt{5}}{2} + 2 \ln \left( \frac{2 + \sqrt{8}}{1 + \sqrt{5}} \right). \quad (28)$$

Substituting (27) and (28) into (26) we obtain

$$\iint_R \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} dx dy = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{5}}{2} + 2 \ln \left( \frac{2 + \sqrt{8}}{1 + \sqrt{5}} \right).$$

□

9. Let  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  denote a twice-differentiable real valued function and define

$$u(x, y) = f(r) \quad \text{where } r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \quad \text{for all } (x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2.$$

(a) Define the vector field  $F(x, y) = \nabla u(x, y)$ . Express  $F$  in terms of  $f'$  and  $r$ .

**Solution:** Compute

$$F(x, y) = \nabla u(x, y) = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \hat{i} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \hat{j}, \quad (29)$$

where, by the chain rule,

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = f'(r) \frac{\partial r}{\partial x} \quad (30)$$

and

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = f'(r) \frac{\partial r}{\partial y}. \quad (31)$$

To compute  $\frac{\partial r}{\partial x}$  and  $\frac{\partial r}{\partial y}$ , write

$$r^2 = x^2 + y^2, \quad (32)$$

and differentiate with respect to  $x$  on both sides of (32) to obtain

$$2r \frac{\partial r}{\partial x} = 2x,$$

from which we get

$$\frac{\partial r}{\partial x} = \frac{x}{r}, \quad \text{for } (x, y) \neq (0, 0). \quad (33)$$

Similarly,

$$\frac{\partial r}{\partial y} = \frac{y}{r}, \quad \text{for } (x, y) \neq (0, 0). \quad (34)$$

Substituting (33) into (30) yields

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \frac{f'(r)}{r} x. \quad (35)$$

Similarly, substituting (34) into (31) yields

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = \frac{f'(r)}{r} y. \quad (36)$$

Next, substitute (35) and (36) into (29) to obtain

$$F(x, y) = \frac{f'(r)}{r} (x \hat{i} + y \hat{j}), \quad (37)$$

□

(b) Express the divergence of the gradient of  $u$ , in terms of  $f'$ ,  $f''$  and  $r$ .

The expression  $\operatorname{div}(\nabla u)$  is called the Laplacian of  $u$ , and is denoted by  $\Delta u$  or  $\nabla^2 u$ .

**Solution:** From (37) we obtain that

$$P(x, y) = \frac{f'(r)}{r} x \quad \text{and} \quad Q(x, y) = \frac{f'(r)}{r} y,$$

so that, applying the product rule, the chain rule and quotient rule,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial P}{\partial x} &= \frac{f'(r)}{r} + x \frac{d}{dr} \left[ \frac{f'(r)}{r} \right] \frac{\partial r}{\partial x} \\ &= \frac{f'(r)}{r} + x \frac{rf''(r) - f'(r)}{r^2} \frac{x}{r}, \end{aligned} \tag{38}$$

where we have also used (33). Simplifying the expression in (38) yields

$$\frac{\partial P}{\partial x} = \frac{f'(r)}{r} + x^2 \frac{f''(r)}{r^2} - x^2 \frac{f'(r)}{r^3}. \tag{39}$$

Similar calculations lead to

$$\frac{\partial Q}{\partial y} = \frac{f'(r)}{r} + y^2 \frac{f''(r)}{r^2} - y^2 \frac{f'(r)}{r^3}. \tag{40}$$

Adding the results in (39) and (40), we then obtain that

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{div} F &= \frac{\partial P}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial Q}{\partial y} \\ &= 2 \frac{f'(r)}{r} + r^2 \frac{f''(r)}{r^2} - r^2 \frac{f'(r)}{r^3}, \end{aligned} \tag{41}$$

where we have used (32). Simplifying the expression in (41), we get that

$$\operatorname{div} F = f''(r) + \frac{f'(r)}{r}.$$

□

10. Let  $f(x, y) = 4x - 7y$  for all  $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ , and  $g(x, y) = 2x^2 + y^2$ .



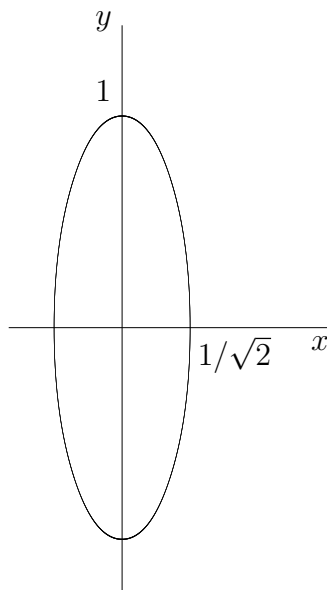


Figure 5: Sketch of ellipse

- (a) Sketch the graph of the set  $C = g^{-1}(1) = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid g(x, y) = 1\}$ .

**Solution:** The curve  $C$  is the graph of the equation

$$\frac{x^2}{1/2} + y^2 = 1,$$

which is sketched in Figure 5. □

- (b) Show that at the points where  $f$  has an extremum on  $C$ , the gradient of  $f$  is parallel to the gradient of  $g$ .

**Solution:** Let  $\sigma: [0, 2\pi] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  denote the  $C^1$  parametrization of  $C$  given by

$$\sigma(t) = \left( \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \cos t, \sin t \right), \quad \text{for all } t \in [0, 2\pi].$$

We then have that

$$g(\sigma(t)) = 1, \quad \text{for all } t. \tag{42}$$

Differentiating on both sides of (42) yields that

$$\nabla g(\sigma(t)) \cdot \sigma'(t) = 0, \quad \text{for all } t,$$

where we have applied the Chain Rule, which shows that  $\nabla g(x, y)$  is perpendicular to the tangent vector to  $C$  at  $(x, y)$ .

Next, suppose that  $f(\sigma(t))$  has a critical point at  $t_o$ . Then, the derivative of  $f(\sigma(t))$  at  $t_o$  is 0; that is,

$$\nabla f(\sigma(t_o)) \cdot \sigma'(t_o) = 0,$$

where we have applied the Chain Rule. It then follows that  $\nabla f(x_o, y_o)$  is perpendicular to the tangent vector to  $C$  at a critical point  $(x_o, y_o)$ . Hence,  $\nabla f(x_o, y_o)$  must be parallel to  $\nabla g(x_o, y_o)$ .  $\square$

(c) Find the largest and the smallest value of  $f$  on  $C$ .

**Solution:** By the result of part (b), at a critical point,  $(x, y)$ , of  $f$  on  $C$ , it must be the case that

$$\nabla g(x, y) = \lambda \nabla f(x, y), \quad (43)$$

for some non-zero real number  $\lambda$ , where

$$\nabla f(x, y) = 4 \hat{i} - 7 \hat{j}, \quad (44)$$

and

$$\nabla g(x, y) = 4x \hat{i} + 2y \hat{j}. \quad (45)$$

Substituting (44) and (45) into (43) yields the pair of equations

$$x = \lambda \quad (46)$$

and

$$2y = -7\lambda. \quad (47)$$

Substituting the expressions for  $x$  and  $y$  in (46) and (47), respectively, into the equation of the ellipse

$$2x^2 + y^2 = 1,$$

yields that

$$\frac{57}{4} \lambda^2 = 1,$$

from which we get that

$$\lambda = \pm \frac{2\sqrt{57}}{57}. \quad (48)$$

The values for  $\lambda$  in (48), together with (46) and (47), yield the critical points

$$\left( \frac{2\sqrt{57}}{57}, -\frac{7\sqrt{57}}{57} \right) \quad \text{and} \quad \left( -\frac{2\sqrt{57}}{57}, \frac{7\sqrt{57}}{57} \right). \quad (49)$$

Evaluating the function  $f$  at each of the critical points in (49) we obtain that

$$f\left(\frac{2\sqrt{57}}{57}, -\frac{7\sqrt{57}}{57}\right) = \sqrt{57} \quad \text{and} \quad f\left(-\frac{2\sqrt{57}}{57}, \frac{7\sqrt{57}}{57}\right) = -\sqrt{57}.$$

Consequently, the largest value of  $f$  on  $C$  is  $\sqrt{57}$  and the smallest value is  $-\sqrt{57}$ .  $\square$

11. In this problem we consider the line integral  $\int_C x \, dx + y \, dy + z \, dz$ , where  $C$  is any piece-wise  $C^1$  curve in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

(a) If possible, find a  $C^1$  function,  $f$ , such that  $df = x \, dx + y \, dy + z \, dz$ .

**Solution:** We look for a  $C^1$  function  $f: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  such that  $df = x \, dx + y \, dy + z \, dz$ , where

$$df = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \, dx + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \, dy + \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} \, dz.$$

We then have that

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = x, \tag{50}$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = y, \tag{51}$$

and

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial z} = z. \tag{52}$$

It follows from (50) that

$$f(x, y, z) = \frac{x^2}{2} + g(x, y), \quad \text{for all } (x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3, \tag{53}$$

where  $g: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is some  $C^1$  function of two variables.

Taking the partial of  $f$  with respect to  $y$  in (53) yields

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial g}{\partial y}. \tag{54}$$

Thus, comparing (51) and (54),

$$\frac{\partial g}{\partial y} = y. \tag{55}$$

It follows from (55) that

$$g(x, y) = \frac{y^2}{2} + h(z), \quad \text{for } (y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^2, \quad (56)$$

where  $h: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is some  $C^1$  function of a single variable.

Next, substitute the expression for  $g$  in (56) into the expression for  $f$  in (53) to get

$$f(x, y, z) = \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{y^2}{2} + h(z), \quad \text{for all } (x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3. \quad (57)$$

Taking the partial derivative with respect to  $z$  on both sides of (57) yields

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial z}(x, y, z) = h'(z), \quad \text{for all } (x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3. \quad (58)$$

Comparing the expressions for the partial derivative of  $f$  with respect to  $z$  in (52) and (58) yields

$$h'(z) = z, \quad \text{for all } z \in \mathbb{R},$$

from which we get that

$$h(z) = \frac{z^2}{2} + c, \quad \text{for all } z \in \mathbb{R}, \quad (59)$$

where  $c$  is some constant of integration.

Substituting the expression for  $h$  in (59) in the right-hand side of the expression for  $f$  in (57) then yields

$$f(x, y, z) = \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{y^2}{2} + \frac{z^2}{2} + c, \quad \text{for all } (x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3, \quad (60)$$

and some constant  $c$ . □

- (b) Let  $C$  be parametrized by a  $C^1$  path connecting the point  $P_0(1, -1, -2)$  to the point  $P_1(-1, 1, 2)$ . Compute the line integral  $\int_C x \, dx + y \, dy + z \, dz$ .

**Solution:** It follows from the result on part (a) of this problem that

$$\int_C x \, dx + y \, dy + z \, dz = \int_C df,$$

where  $f$  is any of the functions given in (60). Consequently, by the fundamental theorem of Calculus,

$$\int_C x \, dx + y \, dy + z \, dz = f(P_1) - f(P_o). \quad (61)$$

Using the definition of  $f$  in (60), we compute

$$f(P_1) = f(-1, 1, 2) = 3 + c$$

and

$$f(P_o) = f(1, -1, -2) = 3 + c.$$

Consequently, in view of (61),

$$\int_C x \, dx + y \, dy + z \, dz = 0.$$

□

(c) Let  $C$  denote any simple closed curve in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . Evaluate the line integral

$$\int_C x \, dx + y \, dy + z \, dz.$$

**Solution:** Let  $\sigma: [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  be a parametrization of  $C$  with  $\sigma(0) = P_o$  and  $\sigma(1) = P_1$ . Then, since  $C$  is a closed curve,  $P_1 = P_o$ ; so that,

$$f(P_1) = f(P_o).$$

It then follows from the formula in (61) that

$$\int_C x \, dx + y \, dy + z \, dz = 0.$$

□

12. Let  $R$  denote the square,  $R = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid 0 \leq x \leq 1, 0 \leq y \leq 1\}$ , and  $\partial R$  denote the boundary of  $R$  oriented in the counterclockwise sense. Evaluate the line integral

$$\int_{\partial R} (y^2 + x^3) \, dx + x^4 \, dy.$$

**Solution:** Apply Green's theorem,

$$\oint_{\partial R} P \, dx + Q \, dy = \iint_R \left( \frac{\partial Q}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial P}{\partial y} \right) \, dx \, dy,$$

where, in this case,

$$P(x, y) = y^2 - x^3 \quad \text{and} \quad Q(x, y) = x^4, \quad \text{for } (x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2;$$

so that,

$$\int_{\partial R} (y^2 + x^3) dx + x^4 dy = \iint_R (4x^3 - 2y) dx dy, \quad (62)$$

Evaluating the double integral in (62) we obtain that

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\partial R} (y^2 + x^3) dx + x^4 dy &= \int_0^1 \int_0^1 (4x^3 - 2y) dx dy \\ &= \int_0^1 [x^4 - 2xy]_0^1 dy \\ &= \int_0^1 (1 - 2y) dy \\ &= [y - y^2]_0^1 \\ &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

□