

## Solutions Multivariable calculus, 2009-10-30.

1. Calculate the directional derivative of  $f(x, y, z) = \ln\left(\frac{z}{x^2 + y^2}\right)$  at the point  $P = (1, 2, 5)$  and in the direction  $\mathbf{v} = (2, -1, 2)$ . (2p)

*Answer:*

Using the given formula and a normalized vector in the direction of  $\mathbf{v} = (2, -1, 2)$ ,

$\mathbf{u} = \frac{\mathbf{v}}{|\mathbf{v}|} = \frac{1}{3}(2, -1, 2)$ , we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} f'_{\mathbf{u}}(1, 2, 5) &= \mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla f(1, 2, 5) = \mathbf{u} \cdot (f_x, f_y, f_z)_{(1,2,5)} = \mathbf{u} \cdot \left(-\frac{2x}{x^2 + y^2}, -\frac{2y}{x^2 + y^2}, \frac{1}{z}\right)_{(1,2,5)} = \\ &= \frac{1}{3}(2, -1, 2) \cdot \left(-\frac{2}{5}, -\frac{4}{5}, \frac{1}{5}\right) = \frac{2}{15}. \end{aligned}$$

2. Find the following limit or show that it does not exist  $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{\sin(x^2 + y^2 - 2xy)}{x^2 + y^2}$ . (2p)

*Answer:*

Compare the results of the following paths towards  $(0, 0)$ :

$$(x, y) = (t, t) \text{ gives : } \frac{\sin(t^2 + t^2 - 2t^2)}{t^2 + t^2} = 0 \quad (t \neq 0),$$

$$\text{while } (x, y) = (t, 0) \text{ gives : } \frac{\sin(t^2)}{t^2} \rightarrow 1 \text{ as } t \rightarrow 0. \text{ (see list of } \textit{Standard Limits}).$$

These two different results constitute sufficient proof that the limit does *not* exist.

3. The equation  $x^2z^3 + 2xz - \frac{y}{z} + 1 = 0$  implicitly defines a function  $z = g(x, y)$  for which  $g(1, 2) = -1$ . Calculate  $g_x(1, 2)$  and  $g_y(1, 2)$ . (2p)

*Answer:*

Taking the partial derivate with respect to  $x$ :

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( x^2z^3 + 2xz - \frac{y}{z} + 1 \right) = 0 \Leftrightarrow 2xz^3 + 3x^2z^2z_x + 2z + 2xz_x + \frac{y}{z^2}z_x = 0 \Leftrightarrow$$

$$z_x = -\frac{2z^3(xz^2 + 1)}{3x^2z^4 + 2xz^2 + y} \Rightarrow g_x(1, 2) = \frac{4}{7}.$$

... and with respect to  $y$ :

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( x^2z^3 + 2xz - \frac{y}{z} + 1 \right) = 0 \Leftrightarrow 3x^2z^2z_y + 2xz_y - \frac{1}{z} + \frac{y}{z^2}z_y = 0 \Leftrightarrow$$

$$z_y = \frac{z}{3x^2z^4 + 2xz^2 + y} \Rightarrow g_y(1, 2) = -\frac{1}{7}.$$

4. Find the center of mass  $P = (\bar{x}, \bar{y})$  of a region  $D$  with constant density,

$$\text{where } D = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid x^2 \leq y \leq 1\}. \quad (3p)$$

$$\text{Hint: } \bar{x} = \frac{1}{A_D} \iint_D x \, dx \, dy, \quad \bar{y} = \frac{1}{A_D} \iint_D y \, dx \, dy, \quad \text{where } A_D \text{ is the area of the region } D.$$

*Answer:*

Note that  $x^2 \leq y \leq 1 \Rightarrow x^2 \leq 1 \Leftrightarrow -1 \leq x \leq 1$ .

Calculating the area of  $D$ :

$$A_D = \iint_D dx \, dy = \int_{-1}^1 \left( \int_{x^2}^1 dy \right) dx = \int_{-1}^1 (1 - x^2) dx = \left[ x - \frac{1}{3}x^3 \right]_{-1}^1 = \frac{4}{3}.$$

We then note that - due to symmetry -  $\bar{x} = 0$ , while  $\bar{y}$  can be calculated as:

$$\bar{y} = \frac{1}{A_D} \iint_D y \, dx \, dy = \frac{3}{4} \int_{-1}^1 \left( \int_{x^2}^1 y \, dy \right) dx = \frac{3}{4} \int_{-1}^1 \left[ \frac{1}{2}y^2 \right]_{x^2}^1 dx = \frac{3}{8} \int_{-1}^1 (1 - x^4) dx = \frac{3}{8} \left[ x - \frac{1}{5}x^5 \right]_{-1}^1 = \frac{3}{5}.$$

This gives:  $P = (\bar{x}, \bar{y}) = (0, \frac{3}{5})$ .

5. Calculate the area of the region in the first quadrant bounded by the curves

$$xy = 1, \quad xy = 4, \quad y = x, \quad \text{and} \quad y = 2x. \quad (3p)$$

*Answer:*

Denote the area as  $B$ . A change of variables will greatly simplify the calculation:

$$u = xy, \quad v = \frac{y}{x}, \quad \text{giving: } 1 \leq u \leq 4, \quad 1 \leq v \leq 2 \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial(x, y)}{\partial(u, v)} = \left( \frac{\partial(u, v)}{\partial(x, y)} \right)^{-1} = \left( \frac{2y}{x} \right)^{-1} = \frac{1}{2v}.$$

The area,  $A_B$ , can then be calculated as:

$$A_B = \iint_B dx \, dy = \int_1^4 \int_1^2 \frac{1}{2v} \, dv \, du = \frac{3}{2} \left[ \ln v \right]_1^2 = \frac{3}{2} \ln 2.$$

Alternatively, the region  $B$  can be divided into 3 separate parts:

$$A_B = \int_{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}}^1 \left( \int_{\frac{1}{x}}^{2x} dy \right) dx + \int_1^{\sqrt{2}} \left( \int_x^{2x} dy \right) dx + \int_{\sqrt{2}}^2 \left( \int_x^{\frac{4}{x}} dy \right) dx = \frac{3}{2} \ln 2.$$

6. Find the absolute minimum and maximum values of  $f(x, y, z) = x + 2y - 3z$  subject to the constraint  $x^2 + 4y^2 + 9z^2 = 108$ .

(3p)

*Answer:*

Using the method of Lagrange multipliers and letting

$g(x, y, z) = x^2 + 4y^2 + 9z^2 - 108 = 0$  represent the constraint :

$$\begin{aligned} f_x &= \lambda g_x & 1 &= 2\lambda x & 0 &= 6\lambda x + 18\lambda z & \Leftrightarrow \\ f_y &= \lambda g_y & \Leftrightarrow & 2 &= 8\lambda y & \Rightarrow & 0 &= 24\lambda y + 36\lambda z & \Leftrightarrow \\ f_z &= \lambda g_z & -3 &= 18\lambda z & & & & & \end{aligned}$$

$$\left( \lambda = 0 \vee x = -3z \right) \wedge \left( \lambda = 0 \vee y = -\frac{3}{2}z \right).$$

The 'reduced' set of 2 equations has been obtained by linear combinations of the original 3 equations in the Gaussian manner. Obviously,  $\lambda = 0$  does not satisfy the original equations. Hence, we get the following result from the Lagrangian equations:  $(x, y, z) = (-3z, -\frac{3}{2}z, z)$ . This we insert into the constraint:

$$(-3z)^2 + 4\left(-\frac{3}{2}z\right)^2 + 9z^2 = 108 \Leftrightarrow 27z^2 = 108 \Leftrightarrow z = -2 \vee z = 2.$$

Comparison and conclusion:

$$f(-6, -3, 2) = -18, \quad f(6, 3, -2) = 18, \quad f_{min} = -18, \quad f_{max} = 18.$$

7. Find the absolute minimum and maximum values of  $g(x, y) = 9xy^2e^{-2x-3y}$  on the set  $\Delta = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid 0 \leq x \leq 2, 0 \leq y \leq 2\}$ . (5p)

Answer:

First finding interior critical points:

$$\begin{aligned} g_x = 0 &\iff 9y^2e^{-2x-3y}(1-2x) = 0 \\ g_y = 0 &\iff 9xye^{-2x-3y}(2-3y) = 0 \end{aligned} \iff (y=0 \vee x=\frac{1}{2}) \wedge (x=0 \vee y=0 \vee y=\frac{2}{3}).$$

The only interior point is then  $(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{2}{3})$ .

Next we consider the values of  $g$  along the four sides of the square that constitutes the boundary of  $\Delta$  :

1:  $0 \leq x \leq 2, y = 0$  :  $g(x, 0) = 0$ . Interesting points:  $(0, 0), (2, 0)$ .

2:  $0 \leq y \leq 2, x = 0$  :  $g(0, y) = 0$ . Additional interesting points:  $(0, 2)$ .

3:  $0 \leq x \leq 2, y = 2$  :  $g(x, 2) = 36e^{-6}xe^{-2x}$ .

$$\frac{d}{dx}(36e^{-6}xe^{-2x}) = 0 \Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{2}.$$

Additional interesting points :  $(\frac{1}{2}, 2), (2, 2)$ .

4:  $0 \leq y \leq 2, x = 2$  :  $g(2, y) = 18e^{-4}y^2e^{-3y}$ .

$$\frac{d}{dy}(18e^{-4}y^2e^{-3y}) = 0 \Rightarrow y = 0 \vee y = \frac{2}{3}.$$

Additional interesting point :  $(2, \frac{2}{3})$ .

Comparison of the function values at the points found above:

$$g(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{2}{3}) = 2e^{-3}, \quad g(0, 0) = g(2, 0) = g(0, 2) = 0, \quad g(\frac{1}{2}, 2) = 18e^{-7}, \quad g(2, 2) = 72e^{-10}, \quad g(2, \frac{2}{3}) = 8e^{-6}.$$

In ascending order:  $0 < 72e^{-10} < 18e^{-7} < 8e^{-6} < 2e^{-3}$ .

If this is not obvious, note that the last inequality is true since  $8e^{-6} < 2e^{-3} \iff 4 < e^3$ .

The other two inequalities may be demonstrated in a similar manner.

This means that:  $f_{min} = 0, f_{max} = 2e^{-3}$ .

8. Calculate  $\iint_S x^2 z^2 dS$ , where  $S = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid z = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}, 1 \leq x^2 + y^2 \leq 2\}$ . (5p)

Answer:

$$\text{We first note that: } \sqrt{1 + z_x^2 + z_y^2} = \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{2x}{2\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{2y}{2\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}}\right)^2} = \sqrt{2}.$$

Furthermore, the projection of the surface  $S$  on to the  $xy$  - plane is given by

$$S_{xy} : 1 \leq x^2 + y^2 \leq 2 \iff 1 < r < \sqrt{2} \quad (\text{in polar coordinates}).$$

Also, since the projection is a region between two circular disks :  $0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$ .

The surface integral can then be performed as:

$$\begin{aligned} \iint_S x^2 z^2 dS &= \iint_{S_{xy}} x^2 (\sqrt{x^2 + y^2})^2 \sqrt{2} dx dy = \\ \sqrt{2} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_1^{\sqrt{2}} r^2 \cos^2 \theta r^2 r dr d\theta &= \sqrt{2} \int_0^{2\pi} \cos^2 \theta d\theta \int_1^{\sqrt{2}} r^5 dr = \\ \sqrt{2} \left[ \frac{1}{6} r^6 \right]_1^{\sqrt{2}} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{1}{2} (1 + \cos 2\theta) d\theta &= \frac{7\sqrt{2} \pi}{6}. \end{aligned}$$

9. Calculate  $\iiint_K \frac{z}{1 + \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}} dx dy dz$ ,  $K = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid x^2 + y^2 + z^2 \leq 1, z \geq 0\}$ . (5p)

*Answer:*

Using spherical coordinates and noting that  $K$  is a hemisphere with radius  $R = 1$  lying above the  $xy$  - plane, we obtain the limits:  $0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$ ,  $0 \leq \phi \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$ ,  $0 \leq \rho \leq 1$ .

The integral can then be calculated as:

$$\begin{aligned} \iiint_K \frac{z}{1 + \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}} dx dy dz &= \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \int_0^1 \frac{\rho \cos \phi}{\rho + 1} \rho^2 d\rho \sin \phi d\phi d\theta = \\ 2\pi \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos \phi \sin \phi d\phi \int_0^1 \frac{\rho^3}{\rho + 1} d\rho &= 2\pi \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{1}{2} \sin 2\phi d\phi \int_0^1 \left( \rho^2 - \rho + 1 - \frac{1}{\rho + 1} \right) d\rho = \\ \pi \left[ -\frac{1}{2} \cos 2\phi \right]_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \left[ \frac{1}{3} \rho^3 - \frac{1}{2} \rho^2 + \rho - \ln(\rho + 1) \right]_0^1 &= \pi \left( \frac{5}{6} - \ln 2 \right). \end{aligned}$$