

ENGR-233: Applied Advanced Calculus Winter 2014

Midterm test solutions

Variant A.

Problem 1. Find the parametric equation of the line of intersection of the two planes:

$$P_1: x+y-8z=4 \text{ and } P_2: 3x-y+4z=0 .$$

Solution: Let us eliminate the variables x and y from the equations. Adding the equations for P_1 and P_2 we get the equation $4x-4z=4$, or $x-z=1$; so, $x=z+1$. Substituting this into the equation for P_2 we get $y=3x+4z=3z+3+4z=7z+3$. So, we have expressed both x and y in terms of z . Hence, the parametric equation of the line of intersection of P_1 and P_2 are: $x=t+1, y=7t+3, z=t$.

Problem 2. Position vector of a moving particle is given by

$$\mathbf{r}(t) = (3t^2+1, 2t^2-7t+3, (t-1)^2) .$$

- (a) At what time(s) does the particle pass the xz -plane?
(b) What are the particle (i) coordinates, (ii) velocity, (iii) speed, (iv) acceleration at $t=2$?

Solution: (a) We have to find t such that $y=2t^2-7t+3=0$; so, we have to solve the quadratic equation $2t^2-7t+3=0$. Its solution:

$$t = \frac{7 \pm \sqrt{49-24}}{4} = \frac{7 \pm 5}{4} ; t_1=1/2, t_2=3 .$$

(b) $\mathbf{r}(t) = (3t^2+1, 2t^2-7t+1, (t-1)^2)$;

$$\dot{\mathbf{r}}(t) = (6t, 4t-7, 2t-2) ; \ddot{\mathbf{r}}(t) = (6, 4, 2) .$$

$$\mathbf{r}(2) = (13, -3, 1) ; \dot{\mathbf{r}}(2) = (12, 1, 2) ; \|\dot{\mathbf{r}}(2)\| = \sqrt{149} ; \ddot{\mathbf{r}}(2) = (6, 4, 2) .$$

Problem 3. Find the directional derivative of $F(x, y, z) = 15x^2 e^{-z} + 3y^2$ in the direction $\mathbf{u} = (4, -4, 2)$ at the point $(1, 2, 0)$.

Solution. $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = 30x e^{-z}$; $\frac{\partial F}{\partial y} = 6y$; $\frac{\partial F}{\partial z} = -15x^2 e^{-z}$.

So, $\frac{\partial F}{\partial x}(1, 2, 0) = 30$, $\frac{\partial F}{\partial y}(1, 2, 0) = 12$, $\frac{\partial F}{\partial z}(1, 2, 0) = -15$.

Now, $\|\mathbf{u}\| = \sqrt{16+16+4} = \sqrt{36} = 6$; so, the normalized vector

$$\mathbf{v} = \frac{\mathbf{u}}{\|\mathbf{u}\|} = (2/3, -2/3, 1/3) . \text{ Then,}$$

$$D_{\mathbf{u}} F = \nabla F \cdot \mathbf{v} = 30 \cdot \frac{2}{3} + 12 \cdot \left(\frac{-2}{3}\right) + (-15) \cdot \frac{1}{3} = 7 .$$

Problem 4. Let $\mathbf{F} = (x(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^m, y(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^m, z(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^m)$.

(a) Find $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{F}$; (b) Find m such that $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{F} = 0$ for $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 > 0$.

Solution. $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{F} = \frac{\partial P}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial Q}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial R}{\partial z}$

$$= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (x(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^m) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (y(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^m) + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (z(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^m)$$

$$= (x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^m + x \cdot m(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{m-1} \cdot 2x$$

$$+ (x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^m + y \cdot m(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{m-1} \cdot 2y$$

$$+ (x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^m + z \cdot m(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{m-1} \cdot 2z$$

$$= 3(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^m + 2m(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{m-1}$$

$$= (3 + 2m)(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^m .$$

(b) $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{F} = 0$ if $3 + 2m = 0$, i.e. $m = -3/2$.

Problem 5. Let

$$\mathbf{F}(x, y, z) = (a \cos y + b \sin z, c \cos z + d \sin x, e \cos x + f \sin y) .$$

(a) Find $\nabla \times \mathbf{F}$; (b) Find the values of a, b, c, d, e, f such that $\nabla \times \mathbf{F} \equiv \mathbf{F}$.

Solution.

$$(a) \nabla \times \mathbf{F} = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ a \cos y + b \sin z & c \cos z + d \sin x & e \cos x + f \sin y \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= (f \cos y + c \sin z, b \cos z + e \sin x, d \cos x + a \sin y) .$$

(b) Comparing the coefficients we conclude that $\nabla \times \mathbf{F} \equiv \mathbf{F}$ if $a = f, b = c, e = d$.

Problem 6. Find the work done by the force $\mathbf{F}(x, y, z) = (x - y, x^2, -z)$ moving a particle along a **line segment** from a point $P(1, 2, 3)$ to a point $Q(2, 1, 2)$.

Hint: Find the parametric equation of the line connecting P and Q , then evaluate the integral.

Solution. The parametric equations of the segment connecting P and Q is $\mathbf{r}(t) = (1+t, 1-t, 3-t)$ ($0 \leq t \leq 1$). Then $\mathbf{r}'(t) = (1, -1, -1)$. Then the work done by the force \mathbf{F} on the segment is

$$W = \int_0^1 (2t, (1-t)^2, -3+t) \cdot (1, -1, -1) dt = \int_0^1 (2t - 1 - 2t - t^2 + 3 - t) dt$$

$$= \frac{-1}{3} - \frac{1}{2} + 2 = \frac{7}{6} .$$

Problem 7. Let $\mathbf{F}(x, y, z) = (y e^{xy}, x e^{xy} - \sin(y+z), 3z^2 - \sin(y+z))$.

(a) Show that $\int_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r}$ is independent of the path;

(b) Compute the integral for any path C from the point $A(2, -1, 1)$ to the point $B(3, 2, -2)$.

Solution. Let us check the conditions for the path independence.

$$\frac{\partial Q}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial P}{\partial y} = e^{xy} + xy e^{xy} - e^{xy} - yx e^{xy} \equiv 0 ;$$

$$\frac{\partial R}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial P}{\partial z} = 0 - 0 \equiv 0 ;$$

$$\frac{\partial R}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial Q}{\partial z} = -\cos(y+z) + \cos(y+z) \equiv 0 .$$

Hence, there exists a function $\varphi(x, y, z)$ such that $\mathbf{F} = \nabla \varphi$, i.e.

$$\frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial x} = P = y e^{xy} ,$$

$$\frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial y} = Q = x e^{xy} - \sin(y+z) ,$$

$$\frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial z} = R = 3z^2 - \sin(y+z) .$$

From the first equation we have

$$\varphi = \int y e^{xy} dx = y \cdot \frac{1}{y} e^{xy} + g(y, z) = e^{xy} + g(y, z);$$

Then,

$$\frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial y} = xe^{xy} + \frac{\partial g}{\partial y} \equiv xe^{xy} - \sin(y+z);$$

Hence

$$\frac{\partial g}{\partial y} = -\sin(y+z); \quad g = \int (-\sin(y+z)) dy = \cos(y+z) + h(z) ;$$

Then,

$$\varphi = e^{xy} + \cos(y+z) + h(z) ; \quad \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial z} = -\sin(y+z) + h'(z) = 3z^2 - \sin(y+z);$$

$h'(z) = 3z^2; \quad h(z) = z^3 + C; \quad \varphi(x, y, z) = e^{xy} + \cos(y+z) + z^3$. You can check yourself that $\frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial x} = P, \quad \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial y} = Q, \quad \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial z} = R$.

Then,

$$\int_A^B \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} = \varphi(B) - \varphi(A) = \varphi(3, 2, -2) - \varphi(2, -1, 1) = e^6 + \cos(0) - 8 - e^2 - 1 + 1$$

$$= e^6 - e^2 - 9 .$$

Variant B

Problem 1. Find the parametric equation of the line of intersection of two planes:

$$P_1: x + 3y + 5z = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad P_2: x + y - 3z = 6 .$$

Solution. Let us eliminate the variables x and y from the equations of the planes. Subtract the second equation from the first one:

$$2y + 8z = -6; \quad y = -4z - 3.$$

Now express x in terms of y, z from the first equation:

$$x = -y + 3z + 6 = 4z + 3 + 3z + 6 = 7z + 9 .$$

So, the parametric equations of the line are

$$x = 7t + 9, \quad y = -4t - 3, \quad z = t .$$

Problem 2. Position vector of a moving particle is given by

$$\mathbf{r}(t) = (2t^2 - 5t + 2, 2t^2 + 1, (t+1)^2) .$$

(a) At what time(s) does the particle pass the yz -plane?

(b) What are the particle (i) coordinates, (ii) velocity, (iii) speed, and ((iv) acceleration at $t=1$?

Solution. (a) We have to solve the equation $2t^2 - 5t + 2 = 0$; $\frac{1}{2}$;

$$t_1 = \frac{1}{2}, \quad t_2 = 2 .$$

(b) (i) Position $\mathbf{r}(1) = (-1, 3, 4)$; (ii) Velocity $\mathbf{r}'(t) = (4t - 5, 4t, 2t + 2)$,
so $\mathbf{r}'(1) = (-1, 4, 4)$; (iii) Speed $|\mathbf{r}'(1)| = \sqrt{1 + 16 + 16} = \sqrt{33}$;
(iv) Acceleration $\mathbf{r}''(t) = (4, 4, 2)$, so $\mathbf{r}''(1) = (4, 4, 2)$

Problem 3. Find the directional derivative of $F(x, y, z) = 7y^2 e^{-x} + 3z^2$ in the direction $\mathbf{u} = (3, 6, -2)$ at the point $(0, 1, 7)$.

Solution. $\frac{\partial F}{\partial x} = -7y^2 e^{-x}$, $\frac{\partial F}{\partial y} = 14y e^{-x}$, $\frac{\partial F}{\partial z} = 6z$; so,

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial x}(0, 1, 7) = -7, \quad \frac{\partial F}{\partial y}(0, 1, 7) = 14, \quad \frac{\partial F}{\partial z}(0, 1, 7) = 42 . \text{ Next,}$$

$$\frac{\mathbf{u}}{\|\mathbf{u}\|} = \frac{(3, 6, -2)}{\sqrt{9+36+4}} = \frac{(3, 6, -2)}{7} = \left(\frac{3}{7}, \frac{6}{7}, -\frac{2}{7}\right) .$$

Hence, $D_{\mathbf{u}}F = \frac{3}{7} \cdot (-7) + \frac{6}{7} \cdot 14 + -\frac{2}{7} \cdot 42 = -3 + 12 - 12 = -3 .$

Problem 4. Let

$$\mathbf{F}(x, y, z) = (x(x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - 1), y(x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - 1), z(x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - 1)) .$$

(a) Find $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{F}$; (b) Find $\|\mathbf{r}\|$ such that $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{F} = 0$ where $\mathbf{r} = (x, y, z)$.

Solution. (a)

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla \cdot \mathbf{F} &= (x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - 1) + x \cdot 2x + (x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - 1) + y \cdot 2y \\ &+ (x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - 1) + z \cdot 2z = 5(x^2 + y^2 + z^2) - 3 . \end{aligned}$$

(b) $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{F} = 0$ if $5(x^2 + y^2 + z^2) = 3$; $r^2 = x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = \frac{3}{5}$; $r = \sqrt{\frac{3}{5}}$.

Problem 5. Let $\mathbf{F}(x, y, z) = (-y(x^2 + y^2)^m, x(x^2 + y^2)^m, 0)$.

(a) Find $\nabla \times \mathbf{F}$; (b) Find m such that $\nabla \times \mathbf{F} = 0$ for $x^2 + y^2 > 0$.

Solution. (a)

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{F} = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ -y(x^2 + y^2)^m & x(x^2 + y^2)^m & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= 0 \cdot \mathbf{i} + 0 \cdot \mathbf{j} + \left[(x^2 + y^2)^m + x \cdot m(x^2 + y^2)^{m-1} \cdot 2x \right. \\
&\quad \left. + (x^2 + y^2)^m + y \cdot m(x^2 + y^2)^{m-1} \cdot 2y \right] \mathbf{k} \\
&= \left[2(x^2 + y^2)^m + 2m(x^2 + y^2)^{m-1}(x^2 + y^2) \right] \mathbf{k} = (2m + 2)(x^2 + y^2)^m \mathbf{k} .
\end{aligned}$$

(b) $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{F} = 0$ if $2 + 2m = 0$, i.e. $m = -1$.

Problem 6. Find the work done by the force

$\mathbf{F}(x, y, z) = (xyz, -\cos(yz), xz)$ moving a particle along a **line segment** from a point $P(1, 1, 1)$ to a point $Q(-2, 1, 3)$. **Hint:** find the parametric equation of a line connecting P and Q , then evaluate the integral.

Solution. The segment connecting the points P and Q has the parametric equation $\mathbf{r}(t) = (1, 1, 1) + t(-3, 0, 2) = (1 - 3t, 1, 1 + 2t)$ ($0 \leq t \leq 1$); the velocity vector is $\mathbf{r}'(t) = (-3, 0, 2)$. The field along this segment,

$\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{r}(t)) = ((1 - 3t)(1 + 2t), -\cos(1 + 2t), (1 - 3t)(1 + 2t))$. The work along this segment,

$$W = \int_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} = \int_0^1 \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{r}(t)) \cdot \mathbf{r}'(t) dt$$

$$= \int_0^1 (-3(1 - 3t)(1 + 2t) + 2(1 - 3t)(1 + 2t)) dt = - \int_0^1 (1 - 3t)(1 + 2t) dt$$

$$= - \int_0^1 (1 - t - 6t^2) dt = -1 + \frac{1}{2} + 2 = \frac{3}{2} .$$

Problem 7. Let $\mathbf{F}(x, y, z) = (y, x + z, y)$.

(a) Show that $\int_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r}$ is independent of the path;

(b) compute the integral for any path C from the point $A(2,1,4)$ to the point $B(8,3,1)$.

Solution. (a) $\frac{\partial Q}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial P}{\partial y} = 1 - 1 = 0$; $\frac{\partial R}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial Q}{\partial z} = 1 - 1 = 0$;

$\frac{\partial P}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial R}{\partial x} = 0 - 0 = 0$. So, the integral is path-independent.

(b) Let us find the potential function $\varphi(x, y, z)$. It satisfies equations

$\frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial x} = y$, $\frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial y} = x + z$, $\frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial z} = y$. So,

$\varphi = \int y dx = sy + g(y, z)$;

$\frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial y} = x + \frac{\partial g}{\partial y} = x + z$; $\frac{\partial g}{\partial y} = z$; $g = yz + h(z)$; $\varphi = xy + yz + h(z)$.

$\frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial z} = y + h'(z) = y$; $h'(z) = 0$; $\varphi(x, y, z) = xy + yz$.

Now, the work

$$W = \int_A^B \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} = \varphi(B) - \varphi(A) = \varphi(8,3,1) - \varphi(2,1,4) = 27 - 6 = 21.$$