

Solution to Assignment 4

MAT2322, Winter 2012

1. (2 marks) Let B be the solid bounded by the surfaces $y = x^2$, $y = \sqrt{x}$, $z = 0$, and $z = xy$. Find the triple integral $\iiint_B xyz dV$.

Solution. The base of the solid is the region D bounded by $y = x^2$ and $y = \sqrt{x}$, $0 \leq x \leq 1$, on the x - y plane (i.e., $z = 0$). Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} \iiint_B xyz dV &= \iint_D \int_0^{xy} xyz dz dA = \int_0^1 x \left(\int_{x^2}^{\sqrt{x}} y \left(\int_0^{xy} z dz \right) dy \right) dx = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 x \int_{x^2}^{\sqrt{x}} x^2 y^3 dy dx \\ &= \frac{1}{8} \int_0^1 x^3 \left[y^4 \right]_{y=x^2}^{\sqrt{x}} dx = \frac{1}{8} \int_0^1 x^3 (x^2 - x^8) dx = \frac{1}{8} \left(\frac{1}{6} - \frac{1}{12} \right) = \frac{1}{96}. \end{aligned}$$

2. (2 marks) Let B be the solid between the paraboloid $z = x^2 + y^2$ and the x - y plane, inside the cylinder $x^2 + y^2 = x$ in the first quadrant. Find the triple integral $\iiint_B \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} dV$ by cylindrical coordinates.

Solution. The base of solid B is the upper half of the circle centered at $(1/2, 0)$ with radius $1/2$ in the x - y plane.

This region specified by cylindrical coordinates is $D = \{(r, \theta); 0 \leq r \leq \cos \theta, 0 \leq \theta \leq \pi/2\}$. Hence, letting $u = \sin \theta$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \iiint_B \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} dV &= \int_0^{\pi/2} \int_0^{\cos \theta} \int_0^{r^2} r^2 dz dr d\theta = \int_0^{\pi/2} \int_0^{\cos \theta} r^4 dr d\theta = \frac{1}{5} \int_0^{\pi/2} \cos^5 \theta d\theta \\ &= \frac{1}{5} \int_0^1 (1-u^2)^2 du = \frac{8}{75}. \end{aligned}$$

3. (2 marks) Let C be the curve $\mathbf{r}(t) = (\sin^3 t, \cos^3 t)$, $0 \leq t \leq \pi/2$. Find the line integral $\int_C xy ds$.

You may need the following identity:

$$\begin{aligned} \sin^4 \theta \cos^4 \theta &= \frac{1}{16} \sin^4(2\theta) = \frac{1}{64} (1 - \cos(4\theta))^2 = \frac{1}{64} (1 - 2\cos(4\theta) + \cos^2(4\theta)) \\ &= \frac{1}{64} (1 - 2\cos(4\theta) + \frac{1}{2}(1 + \cos(8\theta))) = \frac{1}{128} (3 - 4\cos(4\theta) + \cos(8\theta)). \end{aligned}$$

This is obtained by $\sin \theta \cos \theta = \frac{1}{2} \sin(2\theta)$, $\sin^2 \theta = \frac{1}{2}(1 - \cos(2\theta))$, $\cos^2 \theta = \frac{1}{2}(1 + \cos(2\theta))$.

Solution. $x(t) = \sin^3 t$, $x'(t) = 3\sin^2 t \cos t$. $y(t) = \cos^3 t$, $y'(t) = -3\cos^2 t \sin t$.

$$(x'(t))^2 + (y'(t))^2 = 9(\sin^4 t \cos^2 t + \cos^4 t \sin^2 t) = 9\sin^2 t \cos^2 t.$$

$$\sqrt{(x'(t))^2 + (y'(t))^2} = 3\sin t \cos t.$$

$$\int_C xy ds = \int_0^{\pi/2} \sin^3 t \cos^3 t (3\sin t \cos t) dt = 3 \int_0^{\pi/2} \sin^4 t \cos^4 t dt = \frac{9}{256} \pi.$$

4. (2 marks) Consider curve $C: \mathbf{r}(t) = (e^t \cos t, e^t \sin t, e^t)$, $0 \leq t \leq 1$, and vector field $\mathbf{F}(x, y, z) = (x, y, z)$. Find line integral $\int_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r}$.

$$\text{Solution. } \int_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} = \int_0^1 (e^t \cos t) d(e^t \cos t) + (e^t \sin t) d(e^t \sin t) + e^t de^t = \int_0^1 2e^{2t} dt = e^2 - 1.$$

5. (2 marks) Consider the vector field $\mathbf{F}(x, y) = (2xy + \cos x, x^2 - \sin y)$.

(a) Show that this vector field is conservative.

(b) Find the general potential function of this field.

Solution. (a) Since $\frac{\partial}{\partial y}(2xy + \cos x) = 2x = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(x^2 - \sin y)$, this field is conservative.

$$(b) f(x, y) = \int (2xy + \cos x) dx = x^2 y + \sin x + g(y).$$

$$\frac{\partial f(x, y)}{\partial y} = x^2 + g'(y) = x^2 - \sin y, g'(y) = -\sin y, g(y) = \cos y + C.$$

The general potential function of this vector field is $f(x, y) = x^2 y + \sin x + \cos y + C$.