

MATH 32B
SECOND PRACTICE MIDTERM EXAMINATION

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Problem 1. Let D be a sector on the xy -plane with the central angle $2\theta_0$ and radius R , symmetric with respect to the y -axis. Suppose the mass density is $\delta(x, y) = x^2$. Find coordinates of the center of mass.

SOLUTION: Since the region is symmetric with respect to the y -axis and $\delta(-x, y) = \delta(x, y)$, it follows that the center of mass lies on the y -axis (i.e., the x -coordinate of the center of mass is 0).

The mass m and the moment M_x with respect to x -axis are given by

$$\begin{aligned}
 m &= \int_{\frac{\pi}{2}-\theta_0}^{\frac{\pi}{2}+\theta_0} \int_0^R r^2 \cos^2 \theta \cdot r dr d\theta = \\
 &= \frac{R^4}{4} \cdot \int_{\frac{\pi}{2}-\theta_0}^{\frac{\pi}{2}+\theta_0} \frac{1 + \cos 2\theta}{2} d\theta = \\
 &= \frac{R^4}{4} \cdot \left[\frac{\theta}{2} + \frac{\sin 2\theta}{4} \right] \Big|_{\frac{\pi}{2}-\theta_0}^{\frac{\pi}{2}+\theta_0} = \\
 &= \frac{R^4}{4} \cdot \left[\theta_0 + \frac{-\sin 2\theta_0 - \sin 2\theta_0}{4} \right] = \\
 &= \frac{R^4}{4} \cdot \left[\theta_0 - \frac{\sin 2\theta_0}{2} \right]. \\
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 M_x &= \int_{\frac{\pi}{2}-\theta_0}^{\frac{\pi}{2}+\theta_0} \int_0^R r^2 \cos^2 \theta \cdot r \sin \theta r dr d\theta = \\
 &= \frac{R^5}{5} \cdot \int_{\frac{\pi}{2}-\theta_0}^{\frac{\pi}{2}+\theta_0} \cos^2 \theta \cdot \sin \theta d\theta = \\
 &= -\frac{R^5}{5} \cdot \frac{1}{3} \cos^3 \theta \Big|_{\frac{\pi}{2}-\theta_0}^{\frac{\pi}{2}+\theta_0} = \frac{R^5}{15} \left(\cos^3 \left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta_0 \right) - \cos^3 \left(\frac{\pi}{2} + \theta_0 \right) \right) = \\
 &= \frac{2R^5}{15} \sin^3 \theta_0.
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the y -coordinate of the center of mass is

$$\bar{y} = \frac{M_x}{m} = \frac{8}{15} R \cdot \frac{\sin^3 \theta_0}{\theta_0 - \frac{\sin 2\theta_0}{2}} = \frac{8}{15} R \cdot \frac{\sin^3 \theta_0}{\theta_0 - \sin \theta_0 \cdot \cos \theta_0}.$$

Problem 2. Compute the integral

$$\iint_D e^{16x^2+25y^2} dx dy,$$

where D is the interior of the ellipse given by

$$\left(\frac{x}{5}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{y}{4}\right)^2 \leq 1.$$

SOLUTION: Use the change of variables $u = \frac{x}{5}$, $v = \frac{y}{4}$, the region of integration is described by $u^2 + v^2 \leq 1$ and the Jacobian is $\frac{\partial(x,y)}{\partial(u,v)} = 20$. Then

$$I = \iiint e^{400 \cdot (u^2+v^2)} \cdot 20 du dv$$

Further changing to polar coordinates (r, θ) we get

$$I = 20 \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^1 e^{400r^2} r dr d\theta = 40\pi \cdot \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 e^{400t} dt = \frac{20\pi}{400} (e^{400} - 1) = \frac{\pi(e^{400} - 1)}{20}.$$

Here $t = r^2$.

Problem 3. Prove that

$$\operatorname{curl}(f \cdot \mathbf{F}) = f \cdot \operatorname{curl}(\mathbf{F}) + (\nabla f) \times \mathbf{F}$$

for any function f and any vector field \mathbf{F} .

SOLUTION: This can be checked using a direct computation. Let $\mathbf{F} = \langle P, Q, R \rangle$. Then

$$\operatorname{curl}(f\mathbf{F}) = \langle (fR)_y - (fQ)_z, (fP)_z - (fR)_x, (fP)_y - (fQ)_x \rangle.$$

Simplify the expression for the first component using the product rule:

$$(fR)_y - (fQ)_z = f(R_y - Q_z) + f_y R - f_z Q.$$

Here $f(R_y - Q_z)$ is the first component of $f \cdot \operatorname{curl}(\mathbf{F})$ and $f_y R - f_z Q$ is the first component of $(\nabla f) \times \mathbf{F}$.

The equality of the other two components can be checked similarly.

Problem 4. Let $\mathbf{F} = (\sin x^2 + y, x + z, y)$ be a vector field and C be the curve

$$\begin{aligned}x &= \sin t \\y &= \cos t \\z &= t^2\end{aligned}$$

for $-\pi \leq t \leq \pi$.

(a) Is the vector field \mathbf{F} conservative?

SOLUTION: The vector field is defined for all values of x, y, z . Compute $\text{curl}(\mathbf{F})$:

$$\text{curl}(\mathbf{F}) = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ \partial_x & \partial_y & \partial_z \\ \sin x^2 + y & x + z & y \end{vmatrix} = \mathbf{0}.$$

Since $\text{curl}(\mathbf{F}) = 0$ on a simply-connected region (the whole plane), it follows that the vector field is conservative.

(b) Compute the integral

$$\int_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r}.$$

SOLUTION: Notice that the curve $\mathbf{r}(t) = \langle \sin t, \cos t, t^2 \rangle$ has the property that

$$\mathbf{r}(-\pi) = \langle 0, -1, 1 \rangle = \mathbf{r}(\pi).$$

Thus, the curve we are given is a closed curve. Since the vector field is conservative, it has path-independence property. Thus, the value of the integral around a closed curve is equal to 0.

Problem 5. Multiple-choice questions:

- (1) Let $\vec{r} = \langle x, y, z \rangle$ and $r = |\vec{r}|$. Which of the following is *not* correct:
- (a) $\nabla \cdot (r \cdot \vec{r}) = 4r$
 - (b) $\nabla \cdot (\vec{r}) = 3$
 - (c) **FALSE** : $\nabla \left(\frac{1}{r}\right) = -\frac{\vec{r}}{r^2}$
 - (d) $\nabla(r^2) = 2 \cdot (x + y + z)$

SOLUTION: Statement (c) is not correct:

$$\nabla \left(\frac{1}{r}\right) = \nabla(r^{-1}) \stackrel{\text{Chain Rule}}{=} -r^{-2} \cdot \nabla r = -r^{-2} \cdot \left\langle \frac{x}{r}, \frac{y}{r}, \frac{z}{r} \right\rangle = -\frac{\vec{r}}{r^3}.$$

The other statements are correct and can be verified by a direct computation.

- (2) Let $\vec{F} = \langle F_1(x, y), F_2(x, y) \rangle$ be a vector field defined everywhere on the plane and such that $F_1 = f_x$ and $F_2 = f_y$. Circle the correct statement from the statements below:
- (a) The flux of this vector field across any circle centered at $(0, 0)$ is 0.
 - (b) **TRUE** The circulation of this vector field along any circle centered at $(0, 0)$ is 0.
 - (c) The divergence of this vector field is 0.
 - (d) $(F_1)_x = (F_2)_y$ for all points on the plane.

SOLUTION: We are given that $\vec{F} = \langle f_x, f_y \rangle$ everywhere on the plane. This means that \vec{F} is conservative. Therefore, the integral of this vector field along any closed curve (and in particular, along a circle centered at $(0, 0)$) is 0. Thus, statement (b) is correct. The other statements are false.

- (3) Circle the correct statement:
- (a) **TRUE** If $\vec{r}(t) = \langle x(t), y(t) \rangle$, $t \in [0, 1]$ is a parametrization of a curve C , then $\vec{r}(t) = \langle x(1-t), y(1-t) \rangle$ is a parametrization of the same curve traversed in the opposite direction.
 - (b) If $\vec{r}(t)$ is a parametrization such that $|\vec{r}(t)| = 1$ for all t , then the curve is a segment of a straight line.
 - (c) The value of the line integral

$$\int_C f ds$$

depends on the chosen parametrization of the curve C .

- (d) Let $\vec{F}(x, y)$ be a vector field on the plane which is vertical at all points. If \vec{F} is conservative with potential function f , then vertical lines are level sets of f .

SOLUTION: Statement (a) is correct.

- (4) Let G be a linear transformation from the (u, v) plane to the (x, y) -plane. Suppose that the u -axis is mapped to the line $y = x$ and the v -axis is moved to the y -axis by this transformation. Which of the following is true:

- (a) **TRUE** The transformation moves all vertical lines to vertical lines;
 (b) For any integrable function $f(x, y)$, the following is true:

$$\iint_{G(D)} f(x, y) dx dy = \iint_D f(x(u, v), y(u, v)) du dv,$$

where $G(D)$ is the image of a region D on the uv -plane.

- (c) The Jacobian of the transformation G is $J(x, y)$ such that $J(0, 0) = 2$.
 (d) The line $u = v$ is mapped to the x -axis by this transformation.

SOLUTION: Since this is a linear transformation, we have

$$\begin{aligned} x &= Au + Bv \\ y &= Cu + Dv \end{aligned}$$

for some A, B, C, D .

Since the u -axis (i.e., points with $v = 0$) is moved to the line $x = y$ we have

$$x = Au = y = Cu,$$

which implies that $A = C \neq 0$.

Since the v -axis (i.e., points with $u = 0$) is moved to y -axis (i.e., points with $x = 0$), we have

$$x = Bv = 0,$$

which implies that $B = 0$. Thus, the linear transformation has the form

$$\begin{aligned} x &= Au \\ y &= Au + Dv \end{aligned}$$

where $A \neq 0$. The Jacobian of this linear transformation is AD . Since G is invertible $AD \neq 0$, i.e., both $A, D \neq 0$. Answers (b) and (c) are both wrong.

To check (a), write equation for a vertical line: $u = c$. This is mapped to $x = Ac$, $y = Ac + Dv$. Since A and c are constants, x is fixed. If $D \neq 0$, y takes all possible values, and $u = c$ is mapped to the vertical line $x = AC$. Thus, (a) is correct.

To check (d), substitute $v = u$ into the formulas for the transformation. We get $x = Au$, $y = (A + D)u$. This is not the x -axis (unless $A = -D$). Thus, statement (d) is wrong.

- (5) Circle the correct statement:

- (a) Let $\vec{F} = f(r, \theta) \cdot \vec{r}$ be a vector field on the plane which is radial. Then $\text{curl}(\vec{F}) = 0$.
 (b) **TRUE** If a vector field defined everywhere on the plane has path-independence property, then the vector field is conservative.

- (c) If $\text{curl}(\vec{F}) = 0$ on the domain of definition of \vec{F} , then \vec{F} is conservative.
- (d) Suppose that $\int_C \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} = 1$, where C is a unit circle on the plane. Then for any path C' surrounding the origin of coordinate system we have $\int_{C'} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} = 1$.

SOLUTION: Statement (b) is TRUE since the whole plane is simply-connected, and for simply-connected regions, the path-independence property implies that the vector field is conservative.

The other statements are wrong (one can construct a counterexample for every statement).