

Practice Final

Problem 1: (a) Suppose that we have a function $f(r, \theta)$, where r and θ are the usual polar coordinates. Show that

$$\nabla f(r, \theta) = \left(\frac{x}{r} f_r - \frac{\sin \theta}{r} f_\theta, \frac{y}{r} f_r + \frac{\cos \theta}{r} f_\theta \right).$$

(b) Verify that this formula holds for $f(r, \theta) = r^n$.

Problem 2: (a) Write the equation for the tangent plane to the surface $f(x, y, z) = 0$ at a point (x_0, y_0, z_0) on the surface.

(b) Let \mathbf{u} be a vector parallel to this plane. What can you say about $D_{\mathbf{u}}f(x_0, y_0, z_0)$?

Problem 3: Find the points on the sphere of radius 2 centered at the origin which are closest to and farthest from the point $(3, 1, -1)$.

Problem 4: Compute $\int_0^2 \int_0^{\sqrt{2x-x^2}} \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} dy dx$.

Problem 5: The center of mass of a solid with constant density is called the centroid of the solid. Find the volume and centroid of the solid bounded by the cone $z = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$ and the sphere $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1$.

Problem 6: Find the volume of the ellipsoid

$$\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} + \frac{z^2}{c^2} = 1.$$

Suggestion: change variables so that the ellipsoid is a sphere. Check that your answer works when $a = b = c$.

Problem 7: Let C be the curve $\{(\cos t, t, \sin t) : 0 \leq t \leq \pi\}$. Evaluate $\int_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r}$, where

$$\mathbf{F}(x, y, z) = (3x^2 \sin y + ze^z)\mathbf{i} + x^3 \cos y\mathbf{j} + (z + 1)xe^z\mathbf{k}.$$

Problem 8: (a) Define $\nabla^2 h = \nabla \cdot (\nabla h)$, for any twice differentiable function h . Show that if f and g are two twice differentiable functions, then

$$\nabla \cdot (f \nabla g) = f \nabla^2 g + \nabla f \cdot \nabla g.$$

(b) Show that in addition, if E is a region bounded by a surface S which is oriented outward, then

$$\iint_S (f \nabla g - g \nabla f) \cdot d\mathbf{S} = \iiint_E (f \nabla^2 g - g \nabla^2 f) dV.$$

Problem 9: Let C be the curve obtained by intersecting the plane $x + 2y + z = 4$ with the cylinder $x^2 + y^2 = 4$. Orient C counterclockwise as viewed from above. Calculate $\int_C \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r}$, where $\mathbf{F}(x, y, z) = z\mathbf{i} - x\mathbf{j} + y\mathbf{k}$.

Problem 10: Given a parallelogram in the plane, let a and b be the lengths of the sides, and let c and d be the lengths of the diagonals. Show that $c^2 + d^2 = 2a^2 + 2b^2$.