

FALL 2025 MATH 147 : MIDTERM EXAM 2 SOLUTIONS

Please work each problem on a separate sheet of paper, using the reverse side if necessary. Be sure to put your name on each page of your solutions.

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True-False. 5 points each

- (i) Let B denote the solid box in \mathbb{R}^3 with vertices $(a, 0, 0), (a, b, 0), (0, b, 0), (a, 0, c), (0, 0, c), (0, b, c), (a, b, c)$. Then $\int \int \int xyz \, dV = \int_0^a \int_0^b \int_0^c xyz \, dx \, dy \, dz$. **False. dx and dz are interchanged.**
- (ii) Suppose we have to maximize the function $f(x, y, z)$ with constraints $g(x, y, z) = h(x, y, z) = k(x, y, z) = 0$. Then we must solve the system of equations: $\nabla f = \lambda_1 \nabla g + \lambda_2 \nabla h + \lambda_3 \nabla k$ together with $g(x, y, z) = 0, h(x, y, z) = 0, k(x, y, z) = 0$. **True.**
- (iii) When approximating $\int_R f(x, y) \, dA$ using the xy coordinate system, we must cover R with increasingly small rectangles. **False. One may cover R with any shapes of increasingly small areas.**
- (iv) $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-x^2} \, dx = 2\pi$. **False. The correct value is $\sqrt{\pi}$.**

Short Answer. 10 points each

- (i) For the region D bounded by the lines $y = 0, y = \frac{x}{2}$ and $x + y = 1$, find a change of variables that makes it possible to calculate $\int \int_D \sqrt{\frac{x+y}{x-2y}} \, dA$, and then set up the resulting double integral. Do not calculate the double integral.

Solution. We first note that D is the triangle in the xy -plane with vertices $(0,0), (1, 0), (\frac{2}{3}, \frac{1}{3})$. We want to have $u = x + y$ and $v = x - 2y$, which will enable us to antidifferentiate the integrand $\sqrt{\frac{u}{v}}$, so we think of these equations as as the coordinates of $F(x, y)$, the inverse of our change of variables transformation. Solving for x, y in terms of u, v gives $x = \frac{2u+v}{3}$ and $y = \frac{u-v}{3}$. Thus, we take $G(u, v) = (\frac{2u+v}{3}, \frac{u-v}{3})$. Since $x + y = 1$ is one edge of D and $u = x + y$, F transforms this line to $u = 1$. Similarly, since $v = x - 2y$, F transforms the line $y = \frac{x}{2}$ to the line $v = 0$. Finally, when $y = 0$, $u = x = v$, so that F transforms the line $y = 0$ to the line $v = u$. It follows that F transforms D to the triangle in the uv -plane having vertices $(0,0), (1,0), (1,1)$. Since the absolute value of the Jacobian of G is easily seen to be $\frac{1}{3}$, it follows that

$$\int \int_D \sqrt{\frac{x+y}{x-2y}} \, dA = \int_0^1 \int_0^u \sqrt{\frac{u}{v}} \frac{1}{3} \, dv \, du.$$

Note that the inner integral is an improper integral, but a convergent proper integral, so it is easy to obtain a final answer.

- (ii) Verify that $F(x, y) = (2x - 5y, -x + 3y)$ is the inverse transformation of $G(u, v) = (3u + 5v, u + 2v)$.

Solution. Substituting $G(u, v)$ into $F(x, y)$ we get

$$\begin{aligned} F(G(u, v)) &= F(3u + 5v, u + 2v) \\ &= (2(3u + 5v) - 5(u + 2v), -(3u + 5v) + 3(u + 2v)) \\ &= (6u + 10v - 5u - 10v, -3u - 5v + 3u + 6v) \\ &= (u, v) \end{aligned}$$

Substituting $F(x, y)$ into $G(u, v)$ we get

$$\begin{aligned} G(f(x, y)) &= G(2x - 5y, -x + 3y) \\ &= 3(2x - 5y) + 5(-x + 3y), 2x - 5y + 2(-x + 3y) \\ &= 6x - 15y - 5x + 15y, 2x - 5y - 2x + 6y \\ &= (x, y). \end{aligned}$$

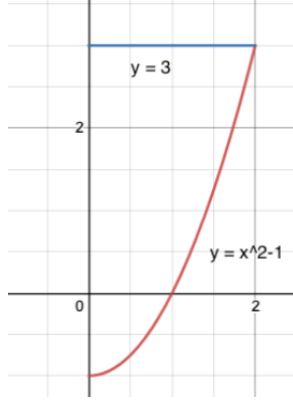
- (iii) Let R denote the the set of points in \mathbb{R}^2 satisfying $0 \leq \frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} \leq 1$. Use a transformation from the (r, θ) -plane to rewrite $\int_R xy \, dA$ as an iterated double integral in r, θ . You do not have to calculate the resulting double integral.

Solution. We let $G(r, \theta) = (ar \cos(\theta), br \sin(\theta))$ with $0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$ and $0 \leq r \leq 1$. The Jacobian of this transformation is $\det \begin{pmatrix} a \cos(\theta) & -ar \sin(\theta) \\ b \sin(\theta) & rb \cos(\theta) \end{pmatrix} = abr$. Thus,

$$\int \int_R xy \, dA = \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^2 (ar \cos(\theta))(br \sin(\theta)) \cdot abr \, dr \, d\theta = \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^1 a^2 b^2 \cos(\theta) \sin(\theta) r^3 \, dr \, d\theta.$$

- (iv) Explain how you would calculate $\int_0^2 \int_{x^2-1}^3 e^{(y+1)^{\frac{3}{2}}} \, dy \, dx$ and why this works, though you do not have to fully calculate the double integral.

Solution. As given, we cannot antidifferentiate the integrand with respect to y . Since the given integral is $\int \int_D e^{(y+1)^{\frac{3}{2}}} \, dA$, for D



by Fubini's theorem we can change the order of integration, thereby getting $\int_0^3 \int_0^{\sqrt{y+1}} e^{(y+1)^{\frac{3}{2}}} \, dx \, dy$. When we integrate with respect to x we get

$$\int_0^2 \{x e^{(y+1)^{\frac{3}{2}}}\} \Big|_{x=0}^{x=\sqrt{y+1}} \, dy = \int_0^3 \sqrt{y+1} e^{(y+1)^{\frac{3}{2}}} \, dy,$$

which can easily be solved by u -substitution.

- (v) Set up $\int \int_B xy - z^2 \, dV$ as an iterated integral, where B is the region in \mathbb{R}^3 between the planes $z = x$ and $z = y$ that lies over the square $D : [-1, 1] \times [-1, 1]$. You do not have to solve the triple integral.. Hint: You may have to write this as the sum of two integrals.

Solution. We first note that for points (x, y) in the xy -plane, the plane $z = y$ lies above the plane $z = x$, if (x, y) lies above the line $y = x$, and the plane $z = x$ lies above the plane $z = y$, if (x, y) lies below the line $y = x$. Thus,

$$\int \int \int_B xy - z^2 \, dV = \int_{-1}^1 \int_x^1 \int_x^y xy - z^2 \, dz \, dy \, dx + \int_{-1}^1 \int_{-1}^x \int_y^x xy - z^2 \, dz \, dy \, dx.$$

Long Answer. 20 points each

1. Use a Lagrange multiplier to find the maximum volume of a box inscribed in the ellipsoid $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} + \frac{z^2}{c^2} = 1$.

Hint: Assume the box is centered at the origin and that the sides of the box are parallel to the coordinate planes.

Solution. Since the box is centered at $(0,0,0)$ we can think of the vertices as being $(\pm x, \pm y, \pm z)$ and these points are on the ellipse. The lengths of the sides are $2x, 2y, 2z$ so the volume of the box is $V = 8xyz$. The constraint equation is $g(x, y, z) = \frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} + \frac{z^2}{c^2} - 1 = 0$. Setting $\nabla V = \lambda \nabla g$ we get

$$8yz = \lambda \left(\frac{2x}{a^2} \right)$$

$$8xz = \lambda \left(\frac{2y}{b^2} \right)$$

$$8xy = \lambda \left(\frac{2z}{c^2} \right)$$

Multiplying the first equation by x , the second equation by y and the third equation by z we see that $\frac{x^2}{a^2} = \frac{y^2}{b^2} = \frac{z^2}{c^2}$. Using this in the constraint equation gives $3 \cdot \frac{x^2}{a^2}$, so $x = \frac{a}{\sqrt{3}}$. Similarly $y = \frac{b}{\sqrt{3}}$ and $z = \frac{c}{\sqrt{3}}$. Thus the maximum volume is $V = 8 \cdot \frac{a}{\sqrt{3}} \cdot \frac{b}{\sqrt{3}} \cdot \frac{c}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{8abc}{3\sqrt{3}}$.

2. Calculate $\int \int_B x + y + z \, dV$, where B is the solid whose lower half is the solid hemisphere of radius 2 centered at the origin, below the xy -plane and whose upper half is the inverted solid cone with radius 2 and height equals 4. This looks like half of a solid ball with a pointy witches hat. You can use the formula $\sin^2 x = \frac{1}{2}(1 - \cos(2x))$.

Solution. If we let B_1 denote the hemisphere and B_2 denote the inverted cone, then we seek

$$\int \int \int_{B_1} x + y + z \, dV + \int \int \int_{B_2} x + y + z \, dV.$$

Using spherical coordinates, we have $\int \int \int_{B_1} x + y + z \, dV =$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \int_0^{2\pi} \int_{\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\pi} \int_0^2 \{\rho \cos(\theta) \sin(\phi) + \rho \sin(\theta) \sin(\phi) + \rho \cos(\phi)\} \cdot \rho^2 \sin(\phi) \, d\rho \, d\phi \, d\theta \\ &= \int_0^{2\pi} \int_{\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\pi} \int_0^2 \rho^3 \{\cos(\theta) \sin(\phi) + \sin(\theta) \sin(\phi) + \cos(\phi)\} \cdot \sin(\phi) \, d\rho \, d\phi \, d\theta \\ &= \frac{2^4}{4} \cdot \int_0^{2\pi} \int_{\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\pi} \{\cos(\theta) \sin(\phi) + \sin(\theta) \sin(\phi) + \cos(\phi)\} \cdot \sin(\phi) \, d\phi \, d\theta \\ &= 4 \cdot \int_{\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \{\cos(\theta) + \sin(\theta)\} \sin^2(\phi) + \cos(\phi) \sin(\phi) \, d\theta \, d\phi \\ &= 4 \cdot \int_{\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\pi} 2\pi \cos(\phi) \sin(\phi) \, d\phi, \quad \text{since } \int_0^{2\pi} \cos(\theta) + \sin(\theta) \, d\theta = 0 \\ &= 8\pi \cdot \frac{1}{2} \sin^2(\phi) \Big|_{\phi=\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\phi=\pi} \\ &= -4\pi \end{aligned}$$

For the second integral we note that the equation of the boundary of the inverted cylinder is

$$z = -\frac{4}{2}\sqrt{x^2 + y^2} + 4 = -2\sqrt{x^2 + y^2} + 4.$$

Letting D denote the solid disk of radius 2 in the xy -plane centered at $(0,0)$, we have $\int \int_B x + y + z \, dV =$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \int \int_D \left\{ \int_0^{-2\sqrt{x^2+y^2}+4} x + y + z \, dz \right\} dA \\ &= \int \int_D \left\{ (x+y)z + \frac{z^2}{2} \right\} \Big|_{z=0}^{z=-2\sqrt{x^2+y^2}+4} dA \\ &= \int \int_D \left\{ (x+y)(-2\sqrt{x^2+y^2}+4) + \frac{(-2\sqrt{x^2+y^2}+4)^2}{2} \right\} dA \\ &= \int_0^2 \int_0^{2\pi} \left\{ (r \cos(\theta) + r \sin(\theta))(-2r+4) + \frac{1}{2}(4r^2 - 16r + 16) \right\} \cdot r \, d\theta \, dr \\ &= \pi \int_0^2 4r^3 - 16r^2 + 16r \, dr, \quad \text{since } \int_0^{2\pi} \cos(\theta) + \sin(\theta) \, d\theta = 0 \\ &= \pi \cdot \left\{ 16 - \frac{128}{3} + 32 \right\} = \frac{16\pi}{3}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $\int \int_B x + y + z \, dV = \frac{16\pi}{3} - 4\pi = \frac{4\pi}{3}$.

3. Let R denote the parallelogram in the xy -plane having vertices $(-2, 0)$, $(0, -2)$, $(2, 0)$, $(0, 2)$.

- Find a transformation $G(u, v)$ from the uv -plane to the xy -plane that takes the unit square U in the uv -plane to R . You must give details to explain why $G(U) = R$.
- Use your transformation from (a) to calculate $\int \int_R 3x + y^2 \, dA$.

Solution. For part (a), the transformation $G(u, v)$ can be thought of a linear transformation followed by a translation of the parallelogram P with vertices $(0, 0)$, $(2, -2)$, $(4, 0)$, $(2, 2)$ two units to the left. The linear transformation taking U to P is given by $H(u, v) = (2u + 2v, -2u + 2v)$. Thus, if we follow this by a translation, then $G(u, v) = (-2 + 2u + 2v, -2u + 2v)$. Note that $H(u, v)$ takes the e_1 vector in the uv -plane to the vector $(2, -2)$ in the xy -plane and $H(u, v)$ takes e_2 in the uv -plane vector $(2, 2)$ in the xy -plane. If (a, b) is a point in U , then $H(a, b) = (2a + 2b, -2a + 2b) = a(2, -2) + b(2, 2)$, is a point in P . Thus, $H(u, v)$ takes U to P . Since $G(u, v)$ is just $H(u, v)$ followed by a translation two units to the left, we have $G(U) = R$.

For part (b), the Jacobian of G is easily seen to be 8. Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} \iint_R 3x + y^2 \, dA &= \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \{3(2u + 2v - 2) + (-2u + 2v)^2\} \cdot 8 \, du \, dv \\ &= 8 \cdot \int_0^1 \int_0^1 4u^2 - 8uv + 4v^2 + 6u + 6v - 6 \, du \, dv \\ &= 8 \cdot \int_1^1 \frac{4}{3} - 4v + 4v^2 + 3 + 6v - 6 \, dv \\ &= 8 \cdot \frac{2}{3} = \frac{16}{3}. \end{aligned}$$

4. Use what you know about improper single and double integrals to calculate $\iint_B e^{-(x^2+y^2+z^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}} \, dV$, where B denotes the set of points in \mathbb{R}^3 whose distance from the origin is greater than or equal to 1.

Solution. Let $R > 1$ and C_R denote the region in \mathbb{R}^3 between the sphere of radius R centered at the origin and the sphere of radius 1 centered at the origin. Then

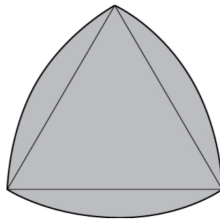
$$\iiint_B e^{-(x^2+y^2+z^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}} \, dV = \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \iiint_{C_R} e^{-(x^2+y^2+z^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}} \, dV.$$

Using spherical coordinates we have

$$\begin{aligned} \iiint_{C_R} e^{-(x^2+y^2+z^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}} \, dV &= \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\pi \int_1^R e^{-(\rho^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}} \rho^2 \sin(\phi) \, d\rho \, d\phi \, d\theta \\ &= 2\pi \int_0^\pi \int_1^R e^{-\rho^3} \rho^2 \sin(\phi) \, d\rho \, d\phi \\ &= 4\pi \int_1^R e^{-\rho^3} \rho^2 \, d\rho, \text{ since } \int_0^\pi \sin(\phi) \, d\phi = 2 \\ &= 4\pi \left\{ -\frac{1}{3} e^{-\rho^3} \right\}_1^R \\ &= 4\pi \left\{ -\frac{1}{3} e^{-R^3} + \frac{1}{3e} \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Taking the limit as $R \rightarrow \infty$ of this last expression gives $\iint_B e^{-(x^2+y^2+z^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}} \, dV = \frac{4\pi}{3e}$.

Bonus Problem. The Reuleaux triangle consists of an equilateral triangle and three regions, each of them bounded by a side of the triangle and an arc of a circle of radius s centered at the opposite vertex of the triangle. Show that the area of the Reuleaux triangle in the following figure of side length s is $\frac{s^2}{2}(\pi - \sqrt{3})$. (15 points)



Solution. If we think of the lower left corner of the inner equilateral triangle as being at the origin, then the area of the first pie-shaped region is $\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{3}} \int_0^s r \, dr \, d\theta = \frac{\pi s^2}{6}$. The area of three such regions is $\frac{\pi s^2}{2}$. These three regions cover

the Reuleaux triangle, but in doing so, we have counted the area of the inner equilateral triangle three times. Since the area of the triangle is $\frac{\sqrt{3}s^2}{4}$, the area of the Reuleaux triangle is:

$$\frac{\pi s^2}{2} - 2 \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}s^2}{4} = \frac{s^2}{2}(\pi - \sqrt{3}).$$