

Exam 1 Practice Problems Solutions

1. $x=1+t, y=1-t, z=3t$ and $x+2y-z=11$

$$\Rightarrow (1+t) + 2(1-t) - 3t = 3 - 4t = 11 \Rightarrow t = -2$$

$$\vec{r}(-2) = \langle 1-2, 1-(-2), 3(-2) \rangle = \langle -1, 3, -6 \rangle \Rightarrow \underline{\text{True}}$$

2. $f(x,y) = e^x \cos(xy)$

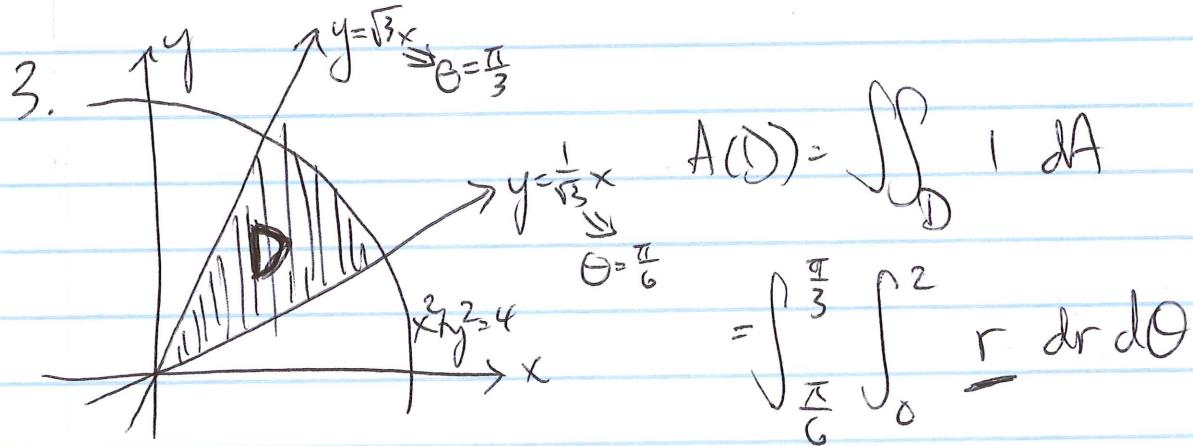
$$f_x = e^x \cos(xy) - y e^x \sin(xy) \Rightarrow f_x(0, \pi) = 1$$

$$f_y = -x e^x \sin(xy) \Rightarrow f_y(0, \pi) = 0$$

Therefore, the tangent plane at $(0, \pi)$ is given by

$$z = 1 + 1(x-0) + 0(y-\pi) = 1+x$$

So, $f(.1, \pi - .1) \approx 1 + .1 = 1.1 \Rightarrow \underline{\text{False}}$



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$$4. 2\vec{a} - 3\vec{b} = \langle 10, -2, 4 \rangle - \langle 9, 3, 3 \rangle = \underline{\langle 1, -5, 1 \rangle}$$

$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 5 \cdot 3 - 1 \cdot 1 + 2 \cdot 1 = 15 - 1 + 2 = \underline{16}$$

$$\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 5 & -1 & 2 \\ 3 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = \langle -1-2, -(5-6), 5+3 \rangle = \underline{\langle -3, 1, 8 \rangle}$$

\vec{a} and \vec{b} are not parallel ($\vec{a} \neq k\vec{b}$ for some constant k , also $\vec{a} \times \vec{b} \neq \vec{0}$) and are not orthogonal ($\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} \neq 0$).

$$5. \vec{n}_1 = \langle 1, 1, 0 \rangle \text{ and } \vec{n}_2 = \langle 1, 1, \sqrt{2} \rangle$$

$$\vec{n}_1 \cdot \vec{n}_2 = 1+1+0=2, |\vec{n}_1| = \sqrt{2}, \text{ and } |\vec{n}_2| = 2,$$

$$\text{so } \cos \theta = \frac{\vec{n}_1 \cdot \vec{n}_2}{|\vec{n}_1||\vec{n}_2|} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{2} \cdot 2} = \underline{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}} \quad (\text{and therefore } \theta = \frac{\pi}{4})$$

$$6. \nabla f = \langle f_x, f_y \rangle = \langle -x^2 - y + 2, y - x \rangle = \vec{0}$$

$$\Rightarrow y = x \text{ and } y = 2 - x^2$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 2 - x^2 \Rightarrow x^2 + x - 2 = (x+2)(x-1) = 0 \Rightarrow x = -2, 1$$

\therefore the critical points are $(-2, -2)$ and $(1, 1)$.

$$f_{xx} = -2x, f_{yy} = 1, f_{xy} = -1 \Rightarrow D(x, y) = f_{xx}f_{yy} - f_{xy}^2 = -2x - 1.$$

$$D(-2, -2) = 3 > 0 \text{ and } f_{xx}(-2, -2) = 4 > 0 \Rightarrow (-2, -2) \text{ is a local min}$$

$$D(1, 1) = -3 < 0 \Rightarrow (1, 1) \text{ is a saddle point}$$

7. To be parallel to the plane $3x - 5y + z = 10$, the direction vector of the line \vec{v} should be orthogonal to the normal vector of the plane $\vec{n} = \langle 3, -5, 1 \rangle$.

An infinite number of vectors \vec{v} work, but let's say $\vec{v} = \langle 1, 1, 2 \rangle$.

$$\text{Check: } \vec{v} \cdot \vec{n} = \langle 1, 1, 2 \rangle \cdot \langle 3, -5, 1 \rangle = 3 - 5 + 2 = 0 \checkmark$$

To finish the line, we need any point, say $(e, \pi, 1)$

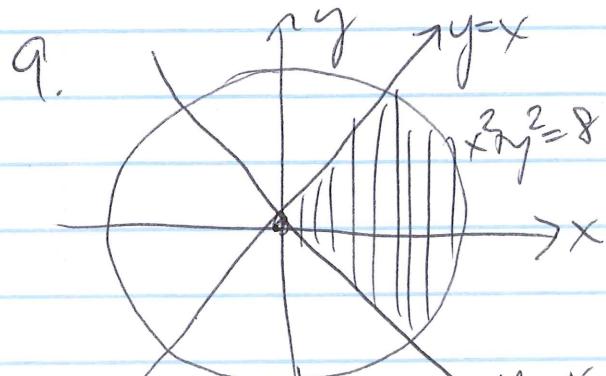
$$\therefore \vec{r}(t) = \langle e, \pi, 1 \rangle + t \langle 1, 1, 2 \rangle = \langle e+t, \pi+t, 1+2t \rangle$$

8. $f(1, 1) = 7$ (given)

$$f_x = 2x(y^3 + 1)^2 + 3 \Rightarrow f_x(1, 1) = 2 \cdot 4 + 3 = 11$$

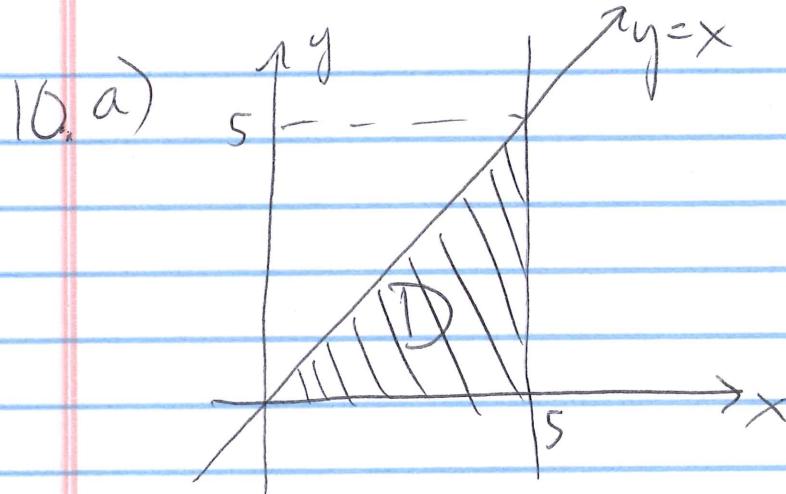
$$f_y = 6x^2y^2(y^3 + 1) \Rightarrow f_y(1, 1) = 6 \cdot 2 = 12$$

$$\therefore z = f(1, 1) + f_x(1, 1)(x-1) + f_y(1, 1)(y-1) = 7 + 11(x-1) + 12(y-1)$$



$$A(D) = \iint_D 1 \, dA$$

$$= \int_{-\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \int_{-\sqrt{8}}^{\sqrt{8}} r \, dr \, d\theta$$

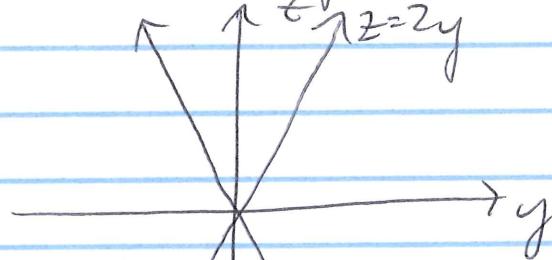


b) Cannot integrate in the given order.

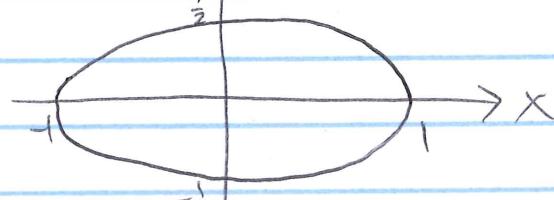
$$\int_0^5 \int_y^5 e^{x^2} dx dy = \int_0^5 \int_0^x e^{x^2} dy dx$$

$$= \int_0^5 x e^{x^2} dx = \frac{1}{2} e^{x^2} \Big|_0^5 = \frac{1}{2}(e^{25} - 1)$$

11. $x=0$ (yz-trace) $\Rightarrow 4y^2 - z^2 = 0 \Rightarrow z^2 = 4y^2 \Rightarrow z = \pm 2y$



$$z=1 \Rightarrow x^2 + 4y^2 - 1 = 0 \Rightarrow x^2 + 4y^2 = 1 \text{ (ellipse)}$$



$$12. a) f(x,y) = x^2 e^{xy} \Rightarrow \vec{\nabla} f = \langle 2x e^{xy} + xy^2 e^{xy}, x^3 e^{xy} \rangle$$

$$\therefore \vec{\nabla} f(2,0) = \langle 4+0, 8 \rangle = \langle 4, 8 \rangle$$

\vec{u} is already given as a unit vector, so

$$\begin{aligned} D_{\vec{u}} f(2,0) &= \vec{\nabla} f(2,0) \cdot \vec{u} = \langle 4, 8 \rangle \cdot \left\langle \frac{1}{\sqrt{10}}, \frac{3}{\sqrt{10}} \right\rangle \\ &= \frac{4}{\sqrt{10}} + \frac{24}{\sqrt{10}} = \underline{\frac{28}{\sqrt{10}}} \end{aligned}$$

$$b) \vec{\nabla} f(1,1) = \langle 2e+e, e \rangle = \langle 3e, e \rangle$$

Direction of maximum derivative is $\langle 3e, e \rangle$
(or, equivalently, just $\langle 3, 1 \rangle$)

$$|\vec{\nabla} f(1,1)| = |\langle 3e, e \rangle| = \sqrt{9e^2 + e^2} = \sqrt{10e^2} = \sqrt{10} e$$

Maximum rate of change is $\sqrt{10} e$