

## Math 241, Final Exam, Fall, 2024 Solutions

**YOU SHOULD KEEP THIS PIECE OF PAPER.** Write everything on the **blank paper provided**. Return the problems **IN ORDER** (use as much paper as necessary), use **ONLY ONE SIDE** of each piece of paper. Number your pages and write your name on each page. Take a picture of your exam (for your records) just before you turn the exam in. I will e-mail your grade and my comments to you. **Fold your exam in half** before you turn it in.

The exam is worth 100 points. There are 10 problems; each problem is worth 10 points. **Make your work coherent, complete, and correct.** Please **CIRCLE** your answer. Please **CHECK** your answer whenever possible.

The solutions will be posted later today.

**No Calculators, Cell phones, computers, notes, etc.**

(1) **Find the equation of the plane that contains the points  $P = (1, 1, 1)$ ,  $Q = (-3, 1, -1)$ , and  $R = (-2, 3, 1)$ . Please make sure that your answer is correct.**

We compute

$$\begin{aligned}\overrightarrow{PQ} &= -4\overrightarrow{i} + 0\overrightarrow{j} - 2\overrightarrow{k} \\ \overrightarrow{PR} &= -3\overrightarrow{i} + 2\overrightarrow{j} + 0\overrightarrow{k}\end{aligned}$$

It follows that

$$\begin{aligned}\overrightarrow{PQ} \times \overrightarrow{PR} &= \begin{vmatrix} \overrightarrow{i} & \overrightarrow{j} & \overrightarrow{k} \\ -4 & 0 & -2 \\ -3 & 2 & 0 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \begin{vmatrix} 0 & -2 \\ 2 & 0 \end{vmatrix} \overrightarrow{i} - \begin{vmatrix} -4 & -2 \\ -3 & 0 \end{vmatrix} \overrightarrow{j} + \begin{vmatrix} -4 & 0 \\ -3 & 2 \end{vmatrix} \overrightarrow{k} \\ &= 4\overrightarrow{i} + 6\overrightarrow{j} - 8\overrightarrow{k}\end{aligned}$$

The plane through  $(1, 1, 1)$  perpendicular to  $4\overrightarrow{i} + 6\overrightarrow{j} - 8\overrightarrow{k}$  is

$$4(x - 1) + 6(y - 1) - 8(z - 1) = 0$$

$$2(x - 1) + 3(y - 1) - 4(z - 1) = 0$$

$$2x + 3y - 4z = 1$$

**Check.** Plug each of the three points into the proposed answer:

$$P = (1, 1, 1) : 2(1) + 3(1) - 4(1) = 1 \checkmark$$

$$Q = (-3, 1, -1) : 2(-3) + 3(1) - 4(-1) = 1 \checkmark$$

$$R = (-2, 3, 1) : 2(-2) + 3(3) - 4(1) = 1 \checkmark$$

(2) Express  $\vec{v} = \vec{i} + 7\vec{j}$  as the sum of a vector parallel to  $\vec{b} = \vec{i} + 2\vec{j}$  and a vector perpendicular to  $\vec{b}$ . Please make sure that your answer is correct.

We compute

$$\begin{aligned}\text{proj}_{\vec{b}} \vec{v} &= \frac{\vec{v} \cdot \vec{b}}{\vec{b} \cdot \vec{b}} \vec{b} \\ &= \frac{(\vec{i} + 7\vec{j}) \cdot (\vec{i} + 2\vec{j})}{(\vec{i} + 2\vec{j}) \cdot (\vec{i} + 2\vec{j})} (\vec{i} + 2\vec{j}) \\ &= \frac{15}{5} (\vec{i} + 2\vec{j}) \\ &= 3\vec{i} + 6\vec{j}.\end{aligned}$$

We also compute

$$\vec{v} - \text{proj}_{\vec{b}} \vec{v} = (\vec{i} + 7\vec{j}) - (3\vec{i} + 6\vec{j}) = -2\vec{i} + \vec{j}.$$

We conclude that

$\vec{v} = (3\vec{i} + 6\vec{j}) + (-2\vec{i} + \vec{j}),$  with  $3\vec{i} + 6\vec{j}$  parallel to  $\vec{b}$   
 and  $-2\vec{i} + \vec{j}$  perpendicular to  $\vec{b}$

**Check.** Observe that

- $(3\vec{i} + 6\vec{j}) + (-2\vec{i} + \vec{j}) = 1\vec{i} + 7\vec{j} = \vec{v} \checkmark,$
- $3\vec{i} + 6\vec{j}$ , which is equal to 3 times  $\vec{b}$  is parallel to  $\vec{b} \checkmark$ , and
- $(-2\vec{i} + \vec{j}) \cdot \vec{b} = (-2\vec{i} + \vec{j}) \cdot (\vec{i} + 2\vec{j}) = 0. \checkmark$

(3) Consider the function  $f(x, y) = x - y^2$  and the point  $P = (2, 2)$ .

(a) Find the gradient of  $f$  at  $P$ .

$$\vec{\nabla} f|_P = (f_x \vec{i} + f_y \vec{j})|_P = (\vec{i} - 2y\vec{j})|_{(2,2)} = \boxed{\vec{i} - 4\vec{j}}.$$

(b) Find the directional derivative of  $f$  in the direction of  $\vec{v} = 3\vec{i} - \vec{j}$  at  $P$ .

$$D_{\vec{v}} f|_P = \vec{\nabla} f|_P \cdot \frac{\vec{v}}{|\vec{v}|} = (\vec{i} - 4\vec{j}) \cdot \frac{3\vec{i} - \vec{j}}{\sqrt{10}} = \boxed{\frac{7}{\sqrt{10}}}.$$

(c) **Draw the level set of  $f$  that contains  $P$ .**

We see that  $f(2, 2) = 2 - 4 = -2$ . The level set of  $f$  which contains  $P$  is  $x - y^2 = -2$ ; which is the same as  $x = y^2 - 2$ . The graph is a parabola, knocked on its side (with the positive axis in its center) shifted to the left by 2. We drew a picture on the picture page, at the end of the solution set.

(d) **Draw the gradient of  $f$  at  $P$ ; put the tail of the gradient on  $P$ .**

We drew this gradient on the picture page.

(4) **Find the length of the curve  $\vec{r}(t) = \cos 2t \vec{i} + \sin 2t \vec{j} + t \vec{k}$ , for  $0 \leq t \leq \pi$ .**

Arc length is the integral of speed; so the arc length is

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^\pi |\vec{r}'(t)| dt \\ &= \int_0^\pi |(-2 \sin 2t) \vec{i} + (2 \cos 2t) \vec{j} + (1) \vec{k}| dt \\ &= \int_0^\pi \sqrt{4 \sin^2(2t) + 4 \cos^2(2t) + 1}, dt \\ &= \int_0^\pi \sqrt{5}, dt = \boxed{\sqrt{5}\pi} \end{aligned}$$

(5) **Graph, name, and describe the set of all points in 3-space which satisfy the equation  $z^2 - x^2 - y^2 = 1$ .**

This graph is a hyperboloid of two sheets. Draw the hyperbola  $z^2 - y^2 = 1$  in the  $yz$ -plane. Now rotate this hyperbola around the  $z$ -axis. We drew a picture on the picture page.

(6) **Find the absolute maximum and minimum values of**

$$f(x, y) = 2 + 2x + 4y - x^2 - y^2$$

**on the triangular region in the first quadrant bounded by the lines  $x = 0$ ,  $y = 0$ , and  $y = 9 - x$ .**

We drew the region on the picture page.

- We first look for interior points where  $f_x$  and  $f_y$  both vanish. We compute  $f_x = 2 - 2x$  and  $f_y = 4 - 2y$ . We see that the only point where  $f_x = 0$  and  $f_y = 0$  is  $(1, 2)$ .

- We find points on  $x = 0$  where the derivative of ( $f$  restricted to  $x = 0$ ) vanishes. We are interested in  $f(y) = 2 + 4y - y^2$  with  $0 \leq y \leq 9$ . We compute  $f'(y) = 4 - 2y$ . We consider  $(0, 2)$ .
- We find points on  $y = 9 - x$  where the derivative of ( $f$  restricted to  $y = 9 - x$ ) vanishes. We are interested in

$$f(x) = 2 + 2x + 4(9 - x) - x^2 - (9 - x)^2$$

with  $0 \leq x \leq 9$ . We compute  $f'(x) = 2 - 4 - 2x + 2(9 - x) = 16 - 4x$ . We consider  $(4, 5)$ .

- We find points on  $y = 0$  where the derivative of ( $f$  restricted to  $y = 0$ ) vanishes. We are interested in  $f(x) = 2 + 2x - x^2$  for  $0 \leq x \leq 9$ . We compute  $f'(x) = 2 - 2x$ . We consider  $(1, 0)$ .
- We also consider the corner points  $(0, 0)$ ,  $(0, 9)$ ,  $(9, 0)$ .

The maximum and the minimum of  $f$  occur at one of the underlined points. We compute  $f$  at each of these points:

$$\begin{aligned} f(1, 2) &= 7 \\ f(0, 2) &= 6 \\ f(4, 5) &= 11 \\ f(1, 0) &= 3 \\ f(0, 0) &= 2 \\ f(0, 9) &= -43 \\ f(9, 0) &= -61 \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

The maximum of  $f$  on the given region is 7 and  $f(1, 2) = 7$ .  
 The minimum of  $f$  on the given region is -61 and  $f(9, 0) = -61$ .

(7) **Find the volume of the solid between  $z = 4 - x^2 - y^2$  and  $z = x^2 + y^2 - 4$ .**

Both equations represent paraboloids. The paraboloid on the left has vertex on the point  $(0, 0, 4)$  and aims downwards. The paraboloid on the right has vertex on the point  $(0, 0, -4)$  and aims upwards. The two surfaces meet when

$$\begin{aligned} 4 - x^2 - y^2 &= x^2 + y^2 - 4 \\ 8 &= 2x^2 + 2y^2 \\ 4 &= x^2 + y^2 \end{aligned}$$

We drew a picture on the picture page. We integrate in polar coordinates. We describe the fattest cross section by  $0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$  and  $0 \leq r \leq 4$ .

For each point  $(r, \theta)$  in the fattest cross section,  $z$  goes from  $r^2 - 4$  to  $4 - r^2$ . The volume is equal to

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^2 \int_{r^2-4}^{4-r^2} r \, dz \, dr \, d\theta \\
 &= \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^2 2(4 - r^2)r \, dr \, d\theta \\
 &= \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^2 2(4r - r^3) \, dr \, d\theta \\
 &= \int_0^{2\pi} 2(2r^2 - \frac{r^4}{4}) \Big|_0^2 \, d\theta \\
 &= \int_0^{2\pi} 8d\theta = \boxed{16\pi}
 \end{aligned}$$

(8) **Compute**  $\int_0^1 \int_y^1 e^{x^2} \, dx \, dy$ .

None of know  $\int e^{x^2} \, dx$ . We have to do something clever. We try to change the order of integration. The present integral is computed over the region described by: For each fixed  $y$  with  $0 \leq y \leq 1$ ,  $x$  goes from  $x = y$  to  $x = 1$ . This fills up a triangle using horizontal lines.

On the picture pages we set up the same integral by filling up the region with vertical lines. The original integral is equal to

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \int_0^1 \int_0^x e^{x^2} \, dy \, dx \\
 &= \int_0^1 e^{x^2} y \Big|_0^x \, dx \\
 &= \int_0^1 x e^{x^2} \, dx \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} e^{x^2} \Big|_0^1 \\
 &= \boxed{\frac{1}{2}(e - 1)}
 \end{aligned}$$

(9) **Find the area of the region bounded by  $x = -y^2$  and  $y = x + 2$ . (You must draw a meaningful picture.)**

The picture on the picture page shows that best way to fill the region is with horizontal lines. For each fixed  $y$  with  $-2 \leq y \leq 1$ ,  $x$  goes from

$x = y - 2$  to  $x = -y^2$ . The area is equal to

$$\begin{aligned}
& \int_{-2}^1 \int_{y-2}^{-y^2} dx dy \\
&= \int_{-2}^1 x \Big|_{y-2}^{-y^2} dy \\
&= \int_{-2}^1 (-y^2 - (y - 2)) dy \\
&= \int_{-2}^1 (-y^2 - y + 2) dy \\
&= \left( \frac{-y^3}{3} - \frac{y^2}{2} + 2y \right) \Big|_{-2}^1 \\
&= -\frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{2} + 2 - \left( \frac{8}{3} - \frac{4}{2} - 4 \right) \\
&= -\frac{9}{3} - \frac{1}{2} + 2 + 2 + 4 \\
&= 5 - \frac{1}{2} \\
&= \boxed{\frac{9}{2}}
\end{aligned}$$

(10) **Find parametric equations for the line tangent to the curve**

$$\vec{r}(t) = t^2 \vec{i} + t^3 \vec{j}$$

**at the point**  $(4, 8)$ .

The position vector  $\vec{r}(t)$  touches the point  $(4, 8)$  at time  $t = 2$ . We want the line which passes through  $(4, 8)$  and is parallel to  $\vec{r}'(2)$ .

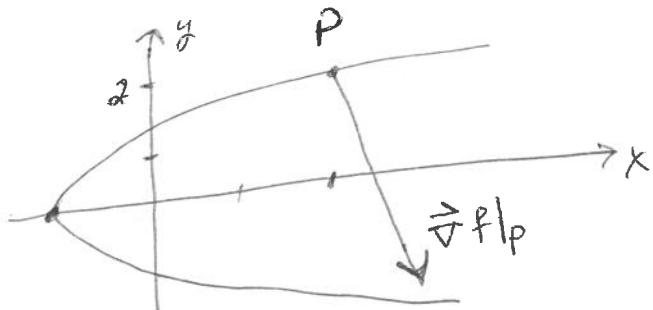
We compute  $\vec{r}'(t) = 2t \vec{i} + 3t^2 \vec{j}$ ; hence,  $\vec{r}'(2) = 4 \vec{i} + 12 \vec{j}$ . The line through  $(4, 8)$  parallel to  $\vec{r}'(2) = 4 \vec{i} + 12 \vec{j}$  is

$$\boxed{x = 4 + 4t, \quad y = 8 + 12t.}$$

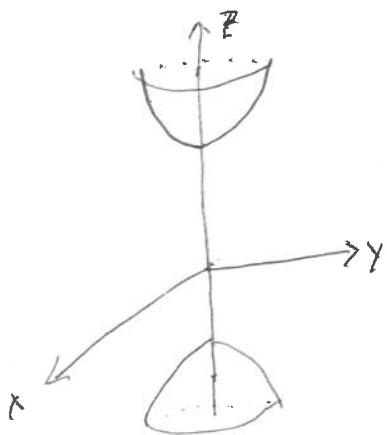
Of course, when one eliminates the parameter one gets  $y = 3x - 4$ , which is the equation of the line tangent to  $y = x^{3/2}$  at  $(4, 8)$ .

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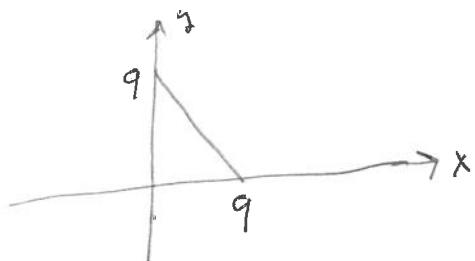
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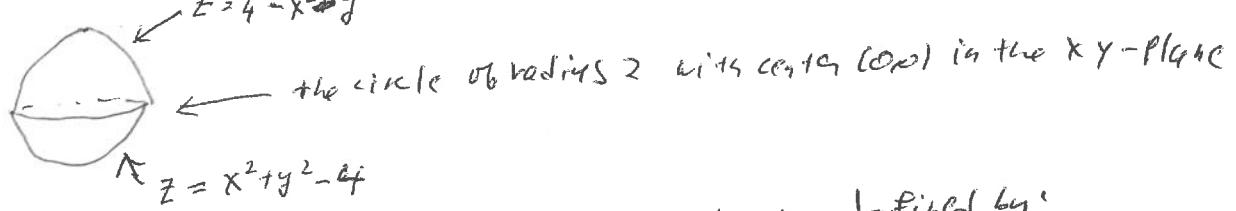
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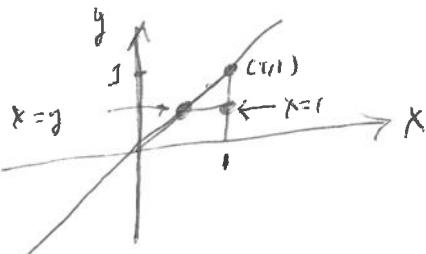
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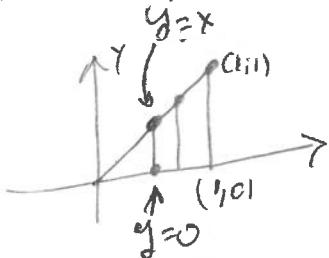
#8 The original integral is taken over a region defined by:  
For each fixed  $y$  with  $0 \leq y \leq 1$ , it goes from  $x=y$  to  $x=1$ .



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## Picture Page 2

#8 continued  
We fill up the same region using vertical lines



for each fixed  $x$  with  $0 \leq x \leq 1$ ,  $y$  goes from  $y=0$  to  $y=x$

The integral becomes

$$\int_0^1 \int_0^x e^{x^2} dy dx$$

#9

