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1. Consider the vector field

$$\vec{F}(x, y, z) = \left\langle \sin(y), x \cos(y) + \cos(z), \frac{1}{1+z^2} - y \sin(z) \right\rangle$$

- (a) Find a potential function for  $\vec{F}$ .  
(i.e. find a function  $f(x, y, z)$  so that  $\nabla f = \vec{F}$ )

**Solution:** Integrate the first component with respect to  $x$ :

$$f = \int f_x dx = \int \sin(y) dx = x \sin(y) + g(y, z)$$

for some function  $g$  depending on  $y$  and  $z$ . Now differentiate this with respect to  $y$ :

$$f_y = x \cos(y) + g_y$$

On the other hand, it should be equal to  $x \cos(y) + \cos(z)$ , so  $g_y = \cos(z)$ . Integrate with respect to  $y$  to get  $g$ :

$$g = \int g_y dy = \int \cos(z) dy = y \cos(z) + h(z)$$

for some function  $h$  depending only on  $z$ . Combining with the above results, we get

$$f = x \sin(y) + y \cos(z) + h(z)$$

Differentiate with respect to  $z$ :

$$f_z = -y \sin(z) + h'(z)$$

But it should also be equal to  $\frac{1}{1+z^2} - y \sin(z)$ , so we see that  $h'(z) = \frac{1}{1+z^2}$ . Integrate to see that  $h(z) = \tan^{-1}(z) + c$  for any choice of constant  $c$ . So we finally get

$$f = x \cos(y) + y \cos(z) + \tan^{-1}(z) + c$$

- (b) Evaluate the line integral  $\int_C \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r}$ , where the curve  $C$  is given parametrically by  $\vec{r}(t) = \langle \cos(t), \sin(t), \frac{t}{\pi} \rangle$  for  $0 \leq t \leq \pi$ .

**Solution:** By part (a), the vector field  $\vec{F}$  is conservative ( $\vec{F} = \nabla f$ ), so we can use the **Fundamental Theorem for Line Integrals**, which says that

$$\int_C \nabla f \cdot d\vec{r} = f(\vec{r}(\pi)) - f(\vec{r}(0))$$

At  $t = 0$ , we have  $\vec{r}(0) = \langle 1, 0, 0 \rangle$ , and so  $f(\vec{r}(0)) = \tan^{-1}(0) = 0$ .

At  $t = \pi$ , we have  $\vec{r}(\pi) = \langle -1, 0, 1 \rangle$ , and so  $f(\vec{r}(\pi)) = \tan^{-1}(1) = \frac{\pi}{4}$ .

The value of the line integral is then  $\frac{\pi}{4} - 0 = \frac{\pi}{4}$ .

2. Consider the triangle with vertices  $(1, 2, 3)$ ,  $(1, 0, 1)$ , and  $(-1, 1, 0)$ .

- (a) Compute the area of the triangle.

**Solution:** Let's choose the vertex  $(1, 0, 1)$ , and write the vectors  $\vec{v}$  and  $\vec{w}$  which point from this vertex to the other two:

$$\vec{v} = \langle 1, 2, 3 \rangle - \langle 1, 0, 1 \rangle = \langle 0, 2, 2 \rangle$$

$$\vec{w} = \langle -1, 1, 0 \rangle - \langle 1, 0, 1 \rangle = \langle -2, 1, -1 \rangle$$

Then their cross product is  $\vec{v} \times \vec{w} = \langle -4, -4, 4 \rangle = 4 \langle -1, -1, 1 \rangle$ . The area of the triangle is half of the length of this vector:

$$\text{area} = \frac{1}{2} |\vec{v} \times \vec{w}| = 2\sqrt{3}$$

- (b) Find an equation of the plane which contains the triangle.

**Solution:** From part (a), we know that  $\langle -1, -1, 1 \rangle$  is a normal vector to the plane. Let's choose a point we know is on the plane, for example  $(1, 2, 3)$ . Then the equation of the plane is

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

This can be re-written as  $z = x + y$ .

- (c) Compute the line integral  $\int_C \langle 2z, 5x, y \rangle \cdot d\vec{R}$  where  $C$  is the boundary of the triangle, traversed counter-clockwise when viewed from above.

**Solution:** Since the curve is closed, let's use **Stokes' Theorem**:

$$\int_C \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} = \iint_S \nabla \times \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{S}$$

So we need to compute the curl of  $\vec{F}$  and choose a surface  $S$  whose boundary is  $C$ . First, let's compute the curl

$$\nabla \times \vec{F} = \langle 1, 2, 5 \rangle$$

For the surface  $S$ , let's use the flat triangle considered above. In other words, it is the part of the plane  $z = x + y$  which lies above the triangle  $D$  in the  $x, y$ -plane with vertices  $(1, 2)$ ,  $(1, 0)$ , and  $(-1, 1)$ . Before we do the computation, we need to compute

$$d\vec{S} = \langle -z_x, -z_y, 1 \rangle = \langle -1, -1, 1 \rangle dA$$

So using **Stokes' Theorem**, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \int_C \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} &= \iint_S \nabla \times \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{S} \\ &= \iint_D \langle 1, 2, 5 \rangle \cdot \langle -1, -1, 1 \rangle dA \\ &= 2 \iint_D dA \end{aligned}$$

This is just twice the area of  $D$ . Since  $D$  is a triangle with base 2 and height 2, its area is 2. So the value of the line integral is 4.

3. Find and classify all the critical points of  $f(x, y) = x^2 + y^2 + x^2y$ .

**Solution:** First compute the gradient:

$$\nabla f = \langle 2x(1 + y), 2y + x^2 \rangle$$

We see there are two possible ways for  $f_x$  to be zero: either  $x = 0$  or  $y = -1$ . On the other hand, in order for  $f_y$  to be zero, we must have  $y = -\frac{1}{2}x^2$ . In the case that  $x = 0$ , we get  $y = -\frac{1}{2}(0)^2 = 0$ . In the case that  $y = -1$ , we get  $2 = x^2$ , and so  $x = \pm\sqrt{2}$ . So there are three critical points:  $(0, 0)$ ,  $(-\sqrt{2}, -1)$ , and  $(\sqrt{2}, -1)$ .

Now compute the Hessian matrix of second partial derivatives

$$H = \begin{pmatrix} f_{xx} & f_{xy} \\ f_{yx} & f_{yy} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2(1 + y) & 2x \\ 2x & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

To use the **Second Derivative Test**, we need to compute the determinant of this matrix:

$$D = f_{xx}f_{yy} - f_{xy}^2 = 4(1 + y) - 4x^2 = 4(1 + y - x^2)$$

At  $(0, 0)$ ,  $D = 4 > 0$ , and  $f_{xx} = 2 > 0$ , so  $(0, 0)$  is a local minimum.

At  $(-\sqrt{2}, -1)$ ,  $D = -8 < 0$ , so  $(-\sqrt{2}, -1)$  is a saddle point.

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4. Evaluate the integral  $\iiint_E x^2 dV$ , where  $E$  is the region inside the sphere  $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1$ , and between the cones  $z^2 = \frac{1}{3}(x^2 + y^2)$  and  $z^2 = 3(x^2 + y^2)$ .

**Solution:** Notice that after substituting the spherical change-of-variables, the equation for a cone of the form  $z^2 = c(x^2 + y^2)$  becomes  $\tan(\phi) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{c}}$ . In this example, we have  $c = 3$  and  $c = \frac{1}{3}$ . Then  $c = 3$  corresponds to  $\tan(\phi) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$ , and so  $\phi = \pi/6$ . Also,  $c = \frac{1}{3}$  corresponds to  $\tan(\phi) = \sqrt{3}$ , and so  $\phi = \pi/3$ . So in spherical coordinates, the region  $E$  is described by the inequalities:

$$0 \leq \rho \leq 1$$

$$0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$$

$$\frac{\pi}{6} \leq \phi \leq \frac{\pi}{3}$$

So the integral becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \iiint_E x^2 dV &= \int_{\pi/6}^{\pi/3} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^1 (\rho \sin(\phi) \cos(\theta))^2 \rho^2 \sin(\phi) d\rho d\theta d\phi \\ &= \int_{\pi/6}^{\pi/3} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^1 \rho^4 \cos^2(\theta) \sin^3(\phi) d\rho d\theta d\phi \\ &= \frac{1}{5} \int_{\pi/6}^{\pi/3} \int_0^{2\pi} \cos^2(\theta) \sin^3(\phi) d\theta d\phi \\ &= \frac{\pi}{5} \int_{\pi/6}^{\pi/3} \sin^3(\phi) d\phi \\ &= \frac{\pi}{5} \left[ \cos(\phi) \left( \frac{1}{3} \cos^2(\phi) - 1 \right) \right]_{\pi/6}^{\pi/3} \\ &= \frac{\pi}{5} \cdot \frac{1}{8} \left( 3\sqrt{3} - \frac{11}{3} \right) \\ &= \frac{\pi}{40} \left( 3\sqrt{3} - \frac{11}{3} \right) \end{aligned}$$

5. Suppose that  $f = x^2y + e^{x-y}$ , and  $x = t + 3s$  and  $y = s^2 - t^2$ . If  $t = 1$  and  $s = 2$ , then what is  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial t}$ ?

**Solution:** Plug in  $t = 1$  and  $s = 2$  to get  $x = 7$  and  $y = 3$ . Next Differentiate  $x$  and  $y$ , and substitute:

$$x_t = 1, \quad y_t = -2t = -2$$

Now differentiate  $f$  and substitute:

$$f_x = 2xy + e^{x-y} = 42 + e^4$$

$$f_y = x^2 - e^{x-y} = 49 - e^4$$

Finally, put it all together with the chain rule:

$$f_t = f_x \cdot x_t + f_y \cdot y_t = 42 + e^4 - 2(49 - e^4)$$

6. Compute the angle between the vectors  $\vec{v} = \langle 1, 1, 1 \rangle$  and  $\vec{w} = \frac{1}{2} \langle 0, \sqrt{3} - \sqrt{5}, \sqrt{3} + \sqrt{5} \rangle$ .

**Solution:** We need to use the formula  $\cos(\theta) = \frac{\vec{v} \cdot \vec{w}}{|\vec{v}| |\vec{w}|}$ . The dot product is

$$\vec{v} \cdot \vec{w} = \frac{1}{2} (\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{5} + \sqrt{3} + \sqrt{5}) = \sqrt{3}$$

The length of  $\vec{v}$  is  $\sqrt{3}$ , and the length of  $\vec{w}$  is

$$|\vec{w}| = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{3 + 5 + 2\sqrt{15} + 3 + 5 - 2\sqrt{15}} = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{16} = 2$$

So we get that  $\cos(\theta) = \frac{1}{2}$ . Then the angle is  $\theta = \frac{\pi}{3}$ .

7. Find a unit vector which is orthogonal to both  $\langle 1, 2, -3 \rangle$  and  $\langle 0, 0, 1 \rangle$ .

**Solution:** Take the cross product:

$$\langle 1, 2, -3 \rangle \times \langle 0, 0, 1 \rangle = \langle 2, -1, 0 \rangle$$

This is orthogonal to the original two vectors. Now rescale to make it unit length, to get  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \langle 2, -1, 0 \rangle$ .

8. Suppose you are moving along the path  $\vec{r}(t) = \left\langle \frac{1}{t^2+1}, \frac{t}{t^2+1} \right\rangle$ . If you start at the point  $(1, 0)$  and move along this path a total distance of  $\frac{\pi}{4}$ , what position do you end up at?

**Solution:** Take the derivative of  $\vec{r}$ :

$$\vec{r}'(t) = \left\langle \frac{-2t}{(t^2+1)^2}, \frac{1-t^2}{(t^2+1)^2} \right\rangle = \frac{1}{(t^2+1)^2} \langle -2t, 1-t^2 \rangle$$

Now take the length of this:

$$\begin{aligned} |\vec{r}'(t)| &= \frac{\sqrt{(2t)^2 + (1-t)^2}}{(t^2+1)^2} \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{t^2 + 2t + 1}}{(t^2+1)^2} \\ &= \frac{t^2+1}{(t^2+1)^2} \\ &= \frac{1}{t^2+1} \end{aligned}$$

The arclength function is then the integral of this:

$$s(T) = \int_0^T \frac{1}{t^2+1} dt = \tan^{-1}(T)$$

We want to know where we end up when  $s = \frac{\pi}{4}$ . We can see that this corresponds to  $t = 1$ . So we end up at the point

$$\vec{r}(1) = \left\langle \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle$$