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Ma 227 Final Exam Solutions

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Lecture Section:

Problem 1

a) (13 points)

Does the following system of equations have a unique solution or an infinite set of solutions or no solution? Find any solutions.

$$x_1 + x_2 + 2x_3 + 2x_4 = 6$$

$$x_1 + 2x_2 + 3x_3 - x_4 = 5$$

$$2x_1 + 3x_2 + 5x_3 + x_4 = 11$$

$$x_1 + 3x_2 + 4x_3 - 2x_4 = 6$$

Solution: We use row reduction on the augmented matrix.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 & 2 & 6 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & -1 & 5 \\ 2 & 3 & 5 & 1 & 11 \\ 1 & 3 & 4 & -2 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 & 2 & 6 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & -3 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & -3 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 & -4 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 & 2 & 6 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & -3 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 & 2 & 6 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & -3 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Now, with the reduced row echelon form, we can see that the system has an infinite number of solutions. x_3 can take any value.

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + x_3 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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b) (12 points)

Show that

$$\operatorname{div}(\operatorname{curl}(\overrightarrow{F})) = \nabla \cdot \left(\nabla \times \overrightarrow{F}\right) = \overrightarrow{0}.$$

(Assume that the mixed second partial derivatives are equal.) $\vec{F}(x,y,z) = P\vec{i} + Q\vec{j} + R\vec{k}$.

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Solution. Let

$$\vec{F} = P\vec{i} + Q\vec{j} + R\vec{k}$$

$$\nabla \times \vec{F} = \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \\ P & Q & R \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= (Ry - Q_z)\vec{i} - (R_x - P_z)\vec{j} + (Q_x - P_y)$$

$$\nabla \cdot (\nabla \times \vec{F}) = R_{yx} - Q_{zx} - Rxy + P_{zy} + Q_{xz} - P_{yz}$$

$$= \vec{0}$$

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Problem 2

a) (10 points)

Find the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of

$$A = \left[\begin{array}{cc} 2 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{array} \right].$$

Solution: We solve det(A - rI) = 0.

$$\det(A - rI) = \begin{vmatrix} 2 - r & -1 \\ 1 & 2 - r \end{vmatrix}$$
$$= (2 - r)^2 + 1$$
$$(2 - r)^2 = -1$$
$$2 - r = \pm i$$
$$r = 2 \pm i$$

So, the eigenvalues are a complex conjugate pair. We find the eigenvector for one and take the complex conjugate to get the other. For r = 2 + i, we solve

$$(A - rI)u = 0$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -i & -1 \\ 1 & -i \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

The second row is redundant, so $-iu_1 - u_2 = 0$ or $u_2 = -i \cdot u_1$. Hence any multiple of $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -i \end{bmatrix}$ is an

eigenvector for r = 2 + i. Then an eigenvector corresponding to r = 2 - i is $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ i \end{bmatrix}$.

b) (13 points)

Find the [real] general solution to

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1' \\ x_2' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 12e^{2t} \end{bmatrix}.$$

Solution: The solution is the general solution (x_h) to the homogeneous equation plus one [particular] solution (x_p) to the full non-homogeneous equation. First we'll find x_p . It is in the form

$$x_p = \left[\begin{array}{c} c_1 e^{2t} \\ c_2 e^{2t} \end{array} \right]$$

Substituting into the d.e., we obtain

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1' \\ x_2' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2c_1e^{2t} \\ 2c_2e^{2t} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_1e^{2t} \\ c_2e^{2t} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 2c_1e^{2t} - c_2e^{2t} \\ c_1e^{2t} + 2c_2e^{2t} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2c_1e^{2t} \\ 2c_2e^{2t} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2c_1e^{2t} - c_2e^{2t} \\ c_1e^{2t} + 2c_2e^{2t} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 12e^{2t} \end{bmatrix}$$

We can divide by e^{2t} (which is never zero) and move the unknowns to the left side to obtain

$$\begin{bmatrix} c_2 \\ -c_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 12 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$x_p = \begin{bmatrix} -12e^{2t} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

For the solution to the homogeneous equation, we use one of the eigenvalues and eigenvectors found in 2a to write a complex solution and break it into real and imaginary parts. we'll use 2 + i.

$$x = e^{(2+i)t} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -i \end{bmatrix} = e^{2t}(\cos t + i\sin t) \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -i \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} e^{2t}\cos t + ie^{2t}\sin t \\ e^{2t}\sin t - ie^{2t}\cos t \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x_h = c_1 \begin{bmatrix} e^{2t}\cos t \\ e^{2t}\sin t \end{bmatrix} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} e^{2t}\sin t \\ -e^{2t}\cos t \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} e^{2t}\cos t & e^{2t}\sin t \\ e^{2t}\sin t & -e^{2t}\cos t \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Finally, we add to obtain the desired solution.

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} e^{2t}\cos t & e^{2t}\sin t \\ e^{2t}\sin t & -e^{2t}\cos t \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -12e^{2t} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \setminus$$

Problem 3

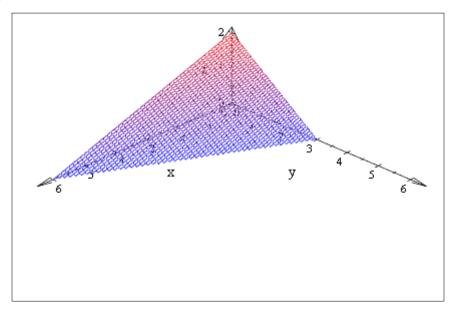
a) (12 points)

Let R be the region in the first octant bounded by the plane x + 2y + 3z = 6. Sketch the region R. Set up three iterated integrals for the volume with the orders of integration as specified below.

$$\iiint dz dy dx \quad , \quad \iiint dy dx dz \quad , \quad \iiint dx dz dy$$

Solution: The region is the tetrahedron bounded by the x - y plane, the x - z plane, the y - z plane and the plane given.

$$\frac{1}{3}(6-x-2y)$$



The integrals are

$$V = \int_0^6 \int_0^{3 - \frac{1}{2}x} \int_0^{2 - \frac{1}{3}x - \frac{2}{3}y} dz dy dx = \int_0^2 \int_0^{6 - 3z} \int_0^{3 - \frac{1}{2}x - \frac{3}{2}z} dy dx dz = \int_0^3 \int_0^{2 - \frac{2}{3}y} \int_0^{6 - 2y - 3z} dx dz dy$$

b) (13 points)

The integral below represents the volume of a solid. Describe the solid. Evaluate the integral.

$$\int_{-2}^{2} \int_{0}^{\sqrt{4-y^2}} \int_{-\sqrt{4-x^2-y^2}}^{\sqrt{4-x^2-y^2}} dz dy dx$$

Solution: The region is a hemisphere - the right half of a sphere of radius 2 centered at the origin and bounded by the x - z plane (with y positive.) The integral is easily evaluated with a change to spherical coordinates.

$$\int_{-2}^{2} \int_{0}^{\sqrt{4-x^2}} \int_{-\sqrt{4-x^2-y^2}}^{\sqrt{4-x^2-y^2}} dz dy dx = \int_{0}^{\pi} \int_{0}^{\pi} \int_{0}^{2} \rho^2 \sin \phi d\rho d\phi d\theta$$
$$= \int_{0}^{\pi} \int_{0}^{\pi} \frac{2^3}{3} \sin \phi d\phi d\theta = \frac{8}{3} \int_{0}^{\pi} \cos \phi |_{\phi=0}^{\phi=\pi} d\theta$$
$$= \frac{8}{3} \cdot 2 \int_{0}^{\pi} d\theta = \frac{16}{3} \pi$$

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Problem 4

a) (10 points)

Evaluate

$$\iint\limits_{S} \overrightarrow{F} \cdot d\overrightarrow{S} = \iint\limits_{S} \overrightarrow{F} \cdot \overrightarrow{n} dS$$

where

$$\vec{F} = x^2 z^3 \vec{i} + 2xyz^3 \vec{j} + xz^4 \vec{k}$$

and S is the surface of the box with vertices $(\pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 3)$.

Solution: We use the divergence theorem to replace the surface integral with something that [we hope] is simpler.

$$\iiint_{Box} \nabla \cdot \vec{F} dV = \iint_{S} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{S}$$

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{F} = 2xz^{3} + 2xz^{3} + 4xz^{3} = 8xz^{3}$$

$$\iiint_{Box} \nabla \cdot \vec{F} dV = \int_{-1}^{1} \int_{-2}^{2} \int_{-3}^{3} 8xz^{3} dz dy dx$$

Since the inner integral yields

$$\int_{-3}^{3} 8xz^{3} dz = 2xz^{4} \Big|_{z=-3}^{z=3} = 8x (3^{4} - (-3)^{4}) = 0$$

the result is zero.

b) (15 points)

Evaluate

$$\iint\limits_{S} \overrightarrow{F} \cdot d\overrightarrow{S} = \iint\limits_{S} \overrightarrow{F} \cdot \overrightarrow{n} dS$$

where

$$\vec{F} = x^2 \vec{i} + xy \vec{i} + z\vec{k}$$

and S is the portion of the paraboloid $z = x^2 + y^2$ below z = 1, oriented with the normal pointing downward.

Solution: The surface is simply parametrized using *x* and *y*.

$$\vec{r} = x\vec{i} + y\vec{j} + (x^2 + y^2)\vec{k}$$

$$\vec{r}_x = \vec{i} + 2x\vec{k}$$

$$\vec{r}_y = \vec{j} + 2y\vec{k}$$

$$\vec{r}_x \times \vec{r}_y = (\vec{i} + 2x\vec{k}) \times (\vec{j} + 2y\vec{k})$$

$$= (\vec{i} \times \vec{j}) + 2y(\vec{i} \times \vec{k}) + 2x(\vec{k} \times \vec{j}) + 4xy(\vec{k} \times \vec{k})$$

$$= \vec{k} - 2y\vec{j} - 2x\vec{i}$$

We observe that this is a normal pointing upward, but the other direction is required

$$\iint_{S} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{S} = \iint_{D} \vec{F} \cdot (\vec{r}_{y} \times \vec{r}_{x}) dA_{xy}$$

$$= \iint_{x^{2}+y^{2} \le 1} (2x^{3} + 2xy^{2} - (x^{2} + y^{2})) dA$$

$$= \int_{0}^{2\pi} \int_{0}^{1} (2r^{3} \cos \theta - r^{2}) r dr d\theta$$

$$= \int_{0}^{2\pi} \int_{0}^{1} (2r^{4} \cos \theta - r^{3}) r dr d\theta$$

$$\int_{0}^{2\pi} (\frac{2}{5} \cos \theta - \frac{1}{4}) d\theta$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} \pi$$

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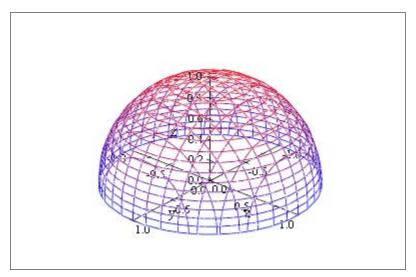
Problem 5

(25 points)

Verify Stokes' Theorem for the vector field $\vec{F} = -y\vec{i} + 2x\vec{j} + (z+x)\vec{k}$ over the upper hemisphere $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1$, $z \ge 0$, oriented by the outward pointing normal \vec{n} .

Solution: The hemisphere is shown below

$$x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1$$



Stokes' Theorem is

$$\iint_{S} \operatorname{curl} \overrightarrow{F} \cdot \overrightarrow{n} ds = \iint_{S} (\overrightarrow{\nabla} \times \overrightarrow{F}) \cdot \overrightarrow{n} ds = \oint_{\partial S} \overrightarrow{F} \cdot d\overrightarrow{r}$$

We first evaluate $\oint_{\partial S} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r}$. (This is worth 10 points.)

The boundary of S is the circle $x^2 + y^2 = 1$, z = 0. We parametrize ∂S as $x = \cos t$, $y = \sin t$, z = 0, $0 \le t \le 2\pi$. Then

$$\vec{F}(t) = -\sin t \vec{i} + 2\cos t \vec{j} + (0 + \cos t) \vec{k}$$

$$\vec{r}(t) = \cos t \vec{i} + \sin t \vec{j} + 0 \vec{k}$$

$$\vec{r}'(t) = -\sin t \vec{i} + \cos t \vec{j} + 0 \vec{k}$$

Hence

$$\vec{F}(t) \cdot \vec{r}'(t) = \sin^2 t + 2\cos^2 t$$

and

$$\oint_{\partial S} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} = \int_0^{2\pi} \left(\sin^2 t + 2\cos^2 t \right) dt$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} \cos t \sin t + \frac{1}{2} t + \cos t \sin t + t \Big|_0^{2\pi}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \cos t \sin t + \frac{3}{2} t \Big|_0^{2\pi} = 3\pi$$

We now evaluate

$$\iint_{S} \operatorname{curl} \overrightarrow{F} \cdot \overrightarrow{n} ds$$

(This is worth 15 points.)

$$\operatorname{curl} \vec{F} = \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ -y & 2x & x+z \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ -y & 2x & x+z \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ -y & 2x & x+z \end{vmatrix} - y & 2x$$
$$= 0\vec{i} + 0\vec{j} + 2\vec{k} + \vec{k} - 0\vec{i} - \vec{j} = -\vec{j} + 3\vec{k}$$

We use spherical coordinates to parametrize the hemisphere. Thus since $\rho = 1$ here

$$x = \cos\theta\sin\phi$$
, $y = \sin\theta\sin\phi$, $z = \cos\phi$

Therefore

$$\vec{r}(\theta,\phi) = \cos\theta \sin\phi \vec{i} + \sin\theta \sin\phi \vec{j} + \cos\phi \vec{k}$$

$$\vec{r}_{\theta} = -\sin\theta \sin\phi \vec{i} + \cos\theta \sin\phi \vec{j}$$

$$\vec{r}_{\phi} = \cos\theta \cos\phi \vec{i} + \sin\theta \cos\phi \vec{j} - \sin\phi \vec{k}$$

$$\vec{N} = \vec{r}_{\theta} \times \vec{r}_{\phi} = \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} & \vec{i} & \vec{j} \\ -\sin\theta \sin\phi & \cos\theta \sin\phi & 0 & -\sin\theta \sin\phi & \cos\theta \sin\phi \\ \cos\theta \cos\phi & \sin\theta \cos\phi & -\sin\phi & \cos\theta \cos\phi & \sin\theta \cos\phi \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= -\cos\theta \sin^{2}\phi \vec{i} - \sin\theta \sin^{2}\phi \vec{j} - \sin\phi \cos\phi \vec{k}$$

We must check to see if \vec{N} points inward or outward. Let $\theta = 0$ and $\phi = \frac{\pi}{2}$. Then $\vec{N} = -\vec{i}$, so \vec{N} is inner. Hence we use

$$\vec{N} = \cos\theta \sin^2\phi \vec{i} + \sin\theta \sin^2\phi \vec{j} + \sin\phi \cos\phi \vec{k}$$

$$\operatorname{curl} \vec{F} \cdot \vec{N} = -\sin\theta \sin^2\phi + 3\sin\phi \cos\phi$$

$$\iint_S \operatorname{curl} \vec{F} \cdot \vec{n} ds = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \int_0^{2\pi} \left(-\sin\theta \sin^2\phi + 3\sin\phi \cos\phi \right) d\theta d\phi$$

$$= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos\theta |_0^{2\pi} \sin^2\phi d\phi + 3(2\pi) \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin\phi \cos\phi$$

$$= 0 + 3\pi \sin^2\phi \Big|_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} = 3\pi$$

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Problem 6

a) (13 points)

It can be shown the for the force field

$$\vec{F}(x, y, z) = e^x \cos y \vec{i} - e^x \sin y \vec{j} + 2 \vec{k}$$

that

$$\operatorname{curl} \vec{F} = 0$$

Find the work done by \vec{F} on an object moving along a curve C from $\left(0, \frac{\pi}{2}, 1\right)$ to $(1, \pi, 3)$.

Solution: Since $\operatorname{curl} \vec{F} = 0$ this means that there exists f(x, y, z) such that

$$\nabla f = \vec{F}$$

Hence

Work =
$$\int \vec{F} \cdot dr = f(1, \pi, 3) - f(0, \frac{\pi}{2}, 1)$$

We have to find f

$$f_x = e^x \cos y \ f_y = -e^x \sin y \ f_z = 2$$

Holding y and z and integrating f_x with respect to x leads to

$$f = e^x \cos y + g(y, z)$$

So

$$f_y = -e^x \sin y + g_y = -e^x \sin y$$

Therefore $g_y = 0$ and g = h(z).

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

$$f_z = h'(z) = 2$$

and h(z) = 2z + K, where K is a constant.

$$f = e^x \cos y + 2z + K$$

Work =
$$\int \vec{F} \cdot dr = f(1, \pi, 3) - f(0, \frac{\pi}{2}, 1)$$

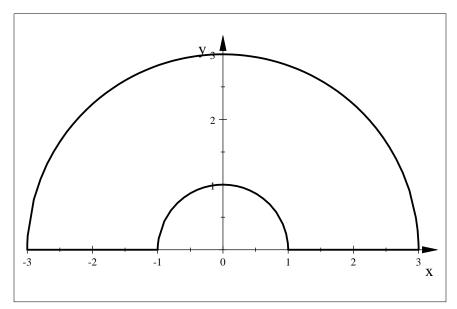
= $-e + 6 - (0 + 2) = 4 - e$

6 b) (12 points)

Evaluate

$$\oint_C \left(\arctan x + y^2\right) dx + \left(e^y - x^2\right) dy$$

where C is the path enclosing the annular region shown below, positively oriented.



Solution: We use Green's Theorem, namely,

$$\oint Pdx + Qdy = \iint_{R} \left(\frac{\partial Q}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial P}{\partial y} \right) dA$$

Where R is the region enclosed by the closed curve C.

$$Q_x = -2x$$
 and $P_y = 2y$

so

$$\oint_C (\arctan x + y^2) dx + (e^y - x^2) dy = -2 \iint_R (x + y) dA$$

$$= -2 \int_0^\pi \int_1^3 (r\cos\theta + r\sin\theta) r dr d\theta$$

$$= -2 \int_0^\pi (\cos\theta + \sin\theta) \frac{r^3}{3} \Big|_1^3 d\theta$$

$$= -\frac{52}{3} (\sin\theta - \cos\theta) \Big|_0^\pi = -\frac{104}{3}$$

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Problem 7

a) (13 points)

Give and integral in polar coordinates for

$$\iint\limits_R \left(x^2 + y^2\right)^{-2} dA$$

into polar coordinates, where R is the part of the circle centered at (1,0) of radius 1 to the right of the line x = 1 in the first quadrant. Be sure to sketch R. Do not evaluate this integral.

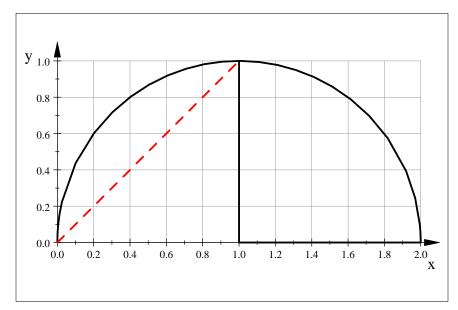
Solution: The equation of the circle is

$$(x-1)^2 + y^2 = 1$$

or

$$x^2 + y^2 = 2x$$

$$\sqrt{2x-x^2}$$



We must use polar coordinates to evaluate this integral. The equation of the circle in polar coordinates is $r=2\cos\theta$. The equation of the line x=1 is $r\cos\theta=1$ or $r=\sec\theta$. r goes from the line to the circle, so $\sec\theta\le r\le 2\cos\theta$. The line x=1 and the circle intersect at (1,1). Thus θ goes from 0 to $\frac{\pi}{4}$, the angle that the line joining the origin and the point (1,1), which is y=x makes. Thus

$$\iint\limits_{R} \left(x^2 + y^2\right)^{-2} dA = \int_{0}^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \int_{\sec \theta}^{2\cos \theta} \left(r^2\right)^{-2} r dr d\theta = \int_{0}^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \int_{\sec \theta}^{2\cos \theta} r^{-3} dr d\theta$$

b) (12 points)

Evaluate

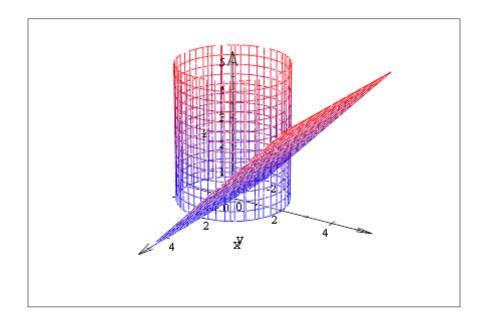
$$\iiint_E z dV$$

where E is the region within the cylinder $x^2 + y^2 = 4$, where $0 \le z \le y$.

Solution: The condition $0 \le z \le y$ means that $y \ge 0$, so *E* projects onto the semicircle $y = \sqrt{1 - x^2}$ in the first two quadrants of the x, y - plane.

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$$z - y = 0$$



The equation of the cylinder in cylindrical coordinates is r=2, and the equation of the plane z=y is $z=r\sin\theta$. Since $y\geq 0$ this means $0\leq \theta\leq \pi$. The circle has radius 2, so $0\leq r\leq 2$. Finally $0\leq z\leq r\sin\theta$. Hence

$$\iiint_E z dV = \int_0^\pi \int_0^2 \int_0^{r\sin\theta} z r dz dr d\theta$$

$$= \int_0^\pi \int_0^2 \left(\frac{r\sin\theta}{2}\right)^2 r dr d\theta$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^\pi \int_0^2 r^3 \sin^2\theta dr d\theta$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \frac{2^4}{4} \int_0^\pi \sin^2\theta d\theta$$

$$= 2\left(-\frac{1}{2}\cos\theta\sin\theta + \frac{1}{2}\theta\right)\Big|_0^\pi = \pi$$

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Problem 8

a) (13 points)

It can be shown that the Cauchy-Euler system

$$tx'(t) = Ax(t)$$
 $t > 0$

where A is a constant matrix, has a nontrivial solutions of the form

$$x(t) = t^r u$$

if and only if r is an eigenvalue of A and u is a corresponding eigenvector. Use this information to solve the system

$$tx'(t) = \begin{bmatrix} -4 & 2 \\ 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix} x(t) \quad t > 0$$

Solution: We first find the eigenvectors of $\begin{bmatrix} -4 & 2 \\ 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$.

$$\begin{vmatrix} -4-r & 2 \\ 2 & -1-r \end{vmatrix} = (4+r)(1+r)-4 = r^2+5r$$

so the eigenvalues are r = 0, -5. The system (A - rI)x = 0 is

$$(-4-r)x_1 + 2x_2 = 0$$

$$2x_1 + (-1 - r)x_2 = 0$$

r = 0 yields $-4x_1 + 2x_2 = 0$ or $2x_1 = x_2$. This gives the eigenvector $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$. r = -5 leads to the

equation $x_1 = -2x_2$ and hence the eigenvector $\begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$. Thus

$$x(t) = c_1 t^0 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 t^{-5} \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

b) (12 points)

Rewrite the system of equations

$$x' = Ax + f$$

where

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } f = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \cos t \end{bmatrix}$$

as a single scalar equation.

Solution: We have

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1' \\ x_2' \\ x_3' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \cos t \end{bmatrix}$$

Since

$$x_1(t) = y(t), \ x_2(t) = y'(t), \ x_3(t) = y''(t)$$

so

$$x'_1(t) = y'(t) = x_2(t)$$

$$x'_2(t) = y''(t) = x_3(t)$$

$$x'_3(t) = y'''(t) = y' - y + \cos t = x_2 - x_1 + \cos t$$

Thus

$$\frac{d^3y}{dt^3} - \frac{dy}{dt} + y = \cos t$$

Table of Integrals

$$\int \sin^2 x dx = -\frac{1}{2} \cos x \sin x + \frac{1}{2} x + C$$

$$\int \cos^2 x dx = \frac{1}{2} \cos x \sin x + \frac{1}{2} x + C$$

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$$\int (\cos^2 x - \sin^2 x) dt = \frac{1}{2} \sin 2x + C$$