Advanced Calculus and Methods of Mathematical Physics

Homework 9

Due on April 18, 2023, before the tutorial.

Problem 1 [3 points]

Let R > 0.

(a) Let $F \in C^1([0, R^2])$ and set f = F'. Show that

$$\int_{B(0,R)} f(x^2 + y^2) \, \mathrm{d}S = \pi \left(F(R^2) - F(0) \right).$$

(b) Calculate
$$\int_{B(0,R)} \cos(x^2 + y^2) \, \mathrm{d}S.$$

(c) Calculate $\int_{B(0,R)} \exp(-x^2 - y^2) \, \mathrm{d}S.$

Problem 2 [3 points]

Let

$$D = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \colon 1 \le x^2 - y^2 \le 9, 0 \le x \le 4, y \ge 0\}.$$

Compute

$$\int_D x \, y \, e^{x^2 - y^2} \, \mathrm{d}S \, .$$

Problem 3 [4 points]

- (a) Use the spherical coordinates from Problem 2 Homework 5 to compute the volume of the unit sphere.
- (b) Let 0 < a < b and

$$D = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^3 : x_i \ge 0, a \le ||x|| \le b\}.$$

For $p, q \in \mathbb{R}$ with $q \ge 0$, compute

$$A_i = \int_D x_i^q \, \|x\|^p \, \mathrm{d}x \, .$$

Problem 4 [3 points]

Calculate the volume of the domain in \mathbb{R}^3 bounded by the surfaces $z = x^2 + y^2$, $y = x^2$, y = 1, and z = 0.

Problem 5 [3 points]

Recall the definition for a line integral of a vector field $F \in C(D, \mathbb{R}^n)$ on a domain $D \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ along a smooth curve $\gamma \in C^1([a, b], D)$,

$$\int_{\gamma} F \cdot \mathrm{d}x = \int_{a}^{b} F(\gamma(t)) \cdot \gamma'(t) \, \mathrm{d}t \, .$$

Prove, by explicit calculation, that this definition is independent of the choice of parametrization of the curve.

Problem 6 [4 points]

(Kantorovitz, Exercises 4.3.15, Problem 1.) Let γ be the helix parameterized by

$$\gamma(t) = (a\cos t, a\sin t, bt)$$

with a, b > 0.

- (a) Find the arc length s(t) of the arc $\{\gamma(\tau): 0 \le \tau \le t\}$.
- (b) Find the length of one turn of the helix.
- (c) Let F = (-y, x, z) be a vector field in \mathbb{R}^3 . Calculate the line integral

$$\int_{\gamma} F \cdot \mathrm{d}x$$

over the turn of the helix $t \in [0, 2\pi]$.

(d) Calculate the line integral

$$\int_{\gamma} \frac{1}{\|x\|} \, \mathrm{d}s$$

over the same turn of the helix.

Bonus Problem [4 points]

Let us consider the von-Koch curve ("snowflake"). It is constructed iteratively in the following way:

- 1. Start with an equilateral triangle with sides of unit length.
- 2. On the middle third of each of the three sides, build an equilateral triangle with sides of length 1/3. Erase the base of each of the three new triangles.
- 3. On the middle third of each of the twelve sides, build an equilateral triangle with sides of length 1/9. Erase the base of each of the twelve new triangles.



The boundary after the *n*-th step is a piecewise linear curve γ_n ; parametrize it as a map $\gamma_n \colon [0,1] \to \mathbb{R}^2$ so that $\|\gamma'_n\|$ is constant.

- (a) How many pieces does each γ_n have and what is their total length?
- (b) Show that the sequence of maps γ_n converges uniformly to a continuous map $\gamma \colon [0,1] \to \mathbb{R}^2$.
- (c) Show that γ is not rectifiable.