

Spring 2003 Final - L. Evans

1. Find the length of the curve

$$r(t) = \langle \cos t + t \sin t, \sin t - t \cos t \rangle \text{ for } 0 \leq t \leq 10.$$

Solution:

$$x = \cos t + t \sin t, \quad y = \sin t - t \cos t$$

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = -\sin t + \sin t + t \cos t, \quad \frac{dy}{dt} = \cos t - \cos t + t \sin t$$

$$\therefore \text{Length} = \int_0^{10} \sqrt{\left(\frac{dx}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dy}{dt}\right)^2} dt$$

$$= \int_0^{10} \sqrt{t^2 (\cos^2 t + \sin^2 t)} dt$$

$$= \int_0^{10} t \cdot dt = \frac{t^2}{2} \Big|_0^{10} = \frac{100}{2} = \boxed{50}$$

2. Compute $|r_u \times r_v|$ for

$$r(u, v) = \langle v, uv, u+v \rangle.$$

Solution:

$$r_u = \langle 0, v, 1 \rangle, \quad r_v = \langle 1, u, 1 \rangle$$

$$\therefore (r_u \times r_v) = \begin{vmatrix} i & j & k \\ 0 & v & 1 \\ 1 & u & 1 \end{vmatrix} = (v-u)i + j - vk$$

$$|r_u \times r_v| = \sqrt{(v-u)^2 + 1^2 + (-v)^2}$$

$$= \boxed{\sqrt{2v^2 + 2uv + u^2 + 1}}$$

3. Let C denote the circle $(x-2)^2 + (y-2)^2 = 4$ in the xy -plane, oriented counterclockwise. Compute $\oint_C (2x+y^2) dx + (2xy+3x) dy$

Solution:

$$\text{Let } P(x, y) = 2x+y^2 \text{ and } Q(x, y) = 2xy+3x$$

$$\text{By Green's Theorem, } \oint_C (2x+y^2) dx + (2xy+3x) dy = \iint_D \left(\frac{\partial Q}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial P}{\partial y} \right) dA$$

$$= \iint_D (2y+3-2y) dA = 3 \iint_D dA = 3 \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^2 r dr d\theta = 3 \times 2\pi \times \frac{\pi^2}{2} = 3\pi^2 \boxed{12\pi}$$

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4. Find the critical points of $f(x,y) = x^4 - 2x^2 + y^2 - 2$ and classify each as a local maximum, a local minimum, or a saddle point.

Solution: $f_x = 4x^3 - 4x$, $f_y = 2y$
 $\Rightarrow f_{xx} = 12x^2 - 4$, $f_{yy} = 2$, $f_{xy} = 0$

$$D = f_{xx} f_{yy} - (f_{xy})^2 = 24x^2 - 8$$

$$f_x = 0 \Rightarrow x^3 - x = 0 \Rightarrow x(x^2 - 1) = 0 \Rightarrow x = 0, 1, -1$$

$$f_y = 0 \Rightarrow 2y = 0 \Rightarrow y = 0$$

Critical Points: $(0,0)$, $(1,0)$, $(-1,0)$

For $(0,0)$, $D = -8 < 0$. So it is a saddle point.

For $(1,0)$, $D = \underline{16} > 0$, $f_{xx} = 12 - 4 = 8 > 0$. \therefore It is a point of local

For $(-1,0)$, $D = \underline{16} > 0$, $f_{xx} = 12 - 4 = 8 > 0$. \therefore It is a point of local minimum.

6. Use Lagrange multipliers to find the point on the plane $x + 2y + 3z = 14$ that is closest to the origin.

Solution: Distance from a point (x,y,z) to $(0,0,0)$ is $d = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$

$$\therefore \text{Let } f(x,y,z) = d^2 = x^2 + y^2 + z^2.$$

$$g(x,y,z) = x + 2y + 3z = 14.$$

Using Lagrange multipliers, $\nabla f = \lambda \nabla g$.

$$2x = \lambda$$

$$2y = 2\lambda$$

$$2z = 3\lambda$$

$$2y = 4x \Rightarrow y = 2x$$

$$\text{and } 2z = 6x \Rightarrow z = 3x$$

$$g = 14 \Rightarrow x + 4x + 9x = 14 \Rightarrow x = 1 \Rightarrow y = 2, z = 3.$$

The point closest to the origin on the plane is $\boxed{(1, 2, 3)}$.