

1. (5 points) Evaluate the integral $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-x^2-y^2} dx dy$ by a change of variables. Explain why your result implies that $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-x^2} dx = \sqrt{\pi}$.

Solution: We will integrate by changing to polar coordinates. Thus

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-x^2-y^2} dx dy &= \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{\infty} e^{-r^2} r dr d\theta \\ &= \int_0^{2\pi} \lim_{a \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^a r e^{-r^2} dr d\theta \\ &= \int_0^{2\pi} \lim_{a \rightarrow \infty} \left[-\frac{e^{-r^2}}{2} \right]_{r=0}^a d\theta \\ &= \int_0^{2\pi} \lim_{a \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1 - e^{-a^2}}{2} d\theta \\ &= \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{1}{2} d\theta \\ &= \pi. \end{aligned}$$

We note that

$$\pi = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-x^2-y^2} dy dx = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-x^2} dx \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-y^2} dy = \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-x^2} dx \right)^2.$$

Thus $\sqrt{\pi} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-x^2} dx$.

2. (5 points) Show that $(-5, 0)$ is an extreme value of $f(x, y) = 4xe^{-y^2} + \sin(y)y^2$ along the ellipse given by $\left(\frac{x+2}{3}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{y}{4}\right)^2 = 1$.

Solution: Let $g(x, y) = \left(\frac{x+2}{3}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{y}{4}\right)^2 - 1$. By the method of Lagrange multipliers it suffices to show that there is some $\lambda \neq 0$ such that $\nabla f(-5, 0) = \lambda \nabla g(-5, 0)$ and that $g(-5, 0) = 0$. First we observe that

$$g(-5, 0) = \left(\frac{-5+2}{3}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{0}{4}\right)^2 - 1 = 0.$$

Further,

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla f(x, y) &= \langle 4e^{-y^2}, 8xye^{-y^2} + \cos(y)y^2 + 2\sin(y)y \rangle \\ \nabla g(x, y) &= \left\langle \frac{2(x+2)}{6}, \frac{2y}{16} \right\rangle. \end{aligned}$$

And so $\nabla f(-5, 0) = \langle 4, 0 \rangle$ and $\nabla g(-5, 0) = \langle -1, 0 \rangle$, and choosing $\lambda = -4$, yields $\nabla f(-5, 0) = \lambda \nabla g(-5, 0)$.

3. (5 points) Let $f(x, y) = (4y^2 - x^2)e^{-x^2-y^2}$. Using that

$$\nabla f = \left\langle e^{-x^2-y^2}(-2x)(1+4y^2-x^2), e^{-x^2-y^2}(-2y)(-4+4y^2-x^2) \right\rangle,$$

verify that $(\pm 1, 0)$, $(0, 0)$, and $(0, \pm 1)$ are critical points of f . Use the fact that these five points are the only critical points of f to find the global extreme values of f on $x^2 + y^2 \leq 2$.

Solution: In order for (x, y) to be a critical point of f , either $\nabla f(x, y) = \langle 0, 0 \rangle$ or $\nabla f(x, y)$ is undefined. Now

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla f(0, 0) &= \langle e^0(0)(1), e^0(0)(-4) \rangle = \langle 0, 0 \rangle \\ \nabla f(\pm 1, 0) &= \langle e^{-1}(\mp 2)(0), e^{-1}(0)(-5) \rangle = \langle 0, 0 \rangle \\ \nabla f(0, \pm 1) &= \langle e^{-1}(0)(5), e^{-1}(\mp 2)(0) \rangle = \langle 0, 0 \rangle\end{aligned}$$

Thus the listed points are all critical points. Now the boundary is defined by $x^2 + y^2 = 2$, and so $x = \pm\sqrt{y^2 - 2}$. Thus along the boundary $f(x, y) = f(\pm\sqrt{2 - y^2}, y) = (5y^2 - 2)e^{-2}$, which has derivative $10e^{-2}y$. This is zero when $y = 0$ and thus $x = \pm\sqrt{2}$. Now since we have broken the boundary up into two regions, we also have to consider the end points of those regions, specifically $(0, \pm\sqrt{2})$. Considering the possible extreme points we have

$$\begin{aligned}f(0, 0) &= 0 \\ f(\pm 1, 0) &= -e^{-1} \\ f(0, \pm 1) &= 4e^{-1} \quad (\text{maxima}) \\ f(\pm\sqrt{2}, 0) &= -2e^{-2} \quad (\text{minima}) \\ f(0, \pm\sqrt{2}) &= 8e^{-2}\end{aligned}$$

4. (5 points) The surface of the Martian terrain is given by the function $f(x, y) = e^{-y}x^2$. The Martian rover is facing “uphill” at the point $(-3, 0)$ and can only handle an upward slope of at most $\frac{9\sqrt{2}}{2}$ and a downward slope of at most $9\sqrt{2}$. Describe the directions in which the rover can travel and describe the direction the rover can go without going up or down.

Solution: The slope in a unit direction u at a $(-3, 0)$ is given by the directional derivative, $D_u(-3, 0) = \nabla f(-3, 0) \cdot u = \|\nabla f(-3, 0)\| \|u\| \cos(\theta)$ where θ is the angle between the gradient and u . Now $\nabla f(x, y) = \langle 2xe^{-y}, -x^2e^{-y} \rangle$ and so $\nabla f(-3, 0) = \langle -6, -9 \rangle$ and $\|\nabla f(-3, 0)\| = \sqrt{36 + 81} = 3\sqrt{4 + 9} = 3\sqrt{13}$. Since the rover is facing “uphill” (in the direction of the gradient), it can move at angle θ from its current heading such that $-\frac{3}{\sqrt{13}} \leq \cos(\theta) \leq \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{13}}$. The direction of the level curve is given by $\pm 1 \frac{\langle 9, -6 \rangle}{3\sqrt{13}} = \pm 1 \left\langle \frac{3}{\sqrt{13}}, \frac{-2}{\sqrt{13}} \right\rangle$.

5. (5 points) Find the average value of $f(x, y) = \sin(2x + 3y) + x + y^2$ over the square $0 \leq x \leq \pi$ and $0 \leq y \leq \frac{2\pi}{3}$.

Solution: The value of $f(x, y)$ on the region is

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^\pi \int_0^{\frac{2\pi}{3}} \sin(2x + 3y) + x + y^2 dy dx &= \int_0^\pi \left[\frac{-1}{3} \cos(2x + 3y) + xy + \frac{1}{3} y^3 \right]_{y=0}^{\frac{2\pi}{3}} dx \\ &= \int_0^\pi \frac{-1}{3} \cos(2x + 2\pi) + \frac{2\pi}{3} x + \frac{8\pi^3}{27} + \frac{1}{3} \cos(2x) dx \\ &= \int_0^\pi \frac{2\pi}{3} x + \frac{8\pi^3}{27} dx \\ &= \left[\frac{\pi}{3} x^2 + \frac{8\pi^3}{27} x \right]_{x=0}^\pi \\ &= \frac{\pi^3}{3} + \frac{8\pi^4}{27}. \end{aligned}$$

Since the area of the region is $\frac{2\pi}{3} \times \pi = \frac{2\pi^2}{3}$, this implies that the average value of f on the region is $\frac{\pi^2}{2} + \frac{4\pi^3}{9}$.

6. (5 points) An object lying in the positive octant is bounded above by $z = 3$ and below by $z = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$ has density function $\rho(x, y, z) = xyz$. Set up the integral for the mass of the object in rectangular and cylindrical coordinates.

Solution: Since the object is in the positive octant, $x, y \geq 0$ and the projection of the object into the xy -plane is the quarter circle of radius 3 since this is when $3 = z = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$. Thus in rectangular coordinates the integral is

$$\int_0^3 \int_0^{\sqrt{9-x^2}} \int_{\sqrt{x^2+y^2}}^3 xyz \, dz \, dy \, dx.$$

Converting this to cylindrical coordinates $r \leq z \leq 3$, $0 \leq r \leq 3$ and $0 \leq \theta \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$. Thus we have the integral

$$\int_0^3 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \int_r^3 (r \cos(\theta))(r \sin(\theta))zr \, dz \, d\theta \, dr = \int_0^3 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \int_r^3 r^3 z \cos(\theta) \sin(\theta) \, dz \, d\theta \, dr.$$