

2S1 Sample Scholarship Exam

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In the real exam you only need to do seven questions!

1. Define what is meant by the phrase “ $\vec{F}(x, y, z)$ is a conservative vector field in the region D ”.

Show that the vector field $\vec{F}(x, y, z) = (3y + z, 3x - 2z^2, x - 4yz)$ is conservative everywhere in \mathbb{R}^3 and compute the line integral

$$\int_C \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r},$$

where C is the parametric curve given by $x(t) = t$, $y(t) = e^t$ and $z(t) = \sin(\pi t)$ with $0 \leq t \leq 1$.

2. State the first and second partial derivative tests for relative maxima, relative minima and saddle points of a function $f(x, y)$ of two independent variables. Define a critical point.

Find all local maxima, local minima and saddle points of the function

$$f(x, y) = -\frac{1}{4}x^4 + \frac{2}{3}x^3 + 4xy - y^2.$$

3. State the formula for the surface area of a parametric surface. Then determine the constant u - and constant v -curves of the parametric surface given by $x(u, v) = u + v$, $y(u, v) = 2v$ and $z(u, v) = \cos u$, and compute the area of the surface when $0 \leq u \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$ and $0 \leq v \leq \sin u \cos u$.

4. Evaluate the double integral

$$\iint_R \frac{x}{2y} dA,$$

where R is the region bounded by the four curves $y = 4 - x^2$, $y = 2 - \frac{1}{2}x^2$, $y = x^2$ and $y = 3x^2$.

5. Let S be the surface given by $z = f(x, y) = \sqrt{x^2 + 9y^2}$ and let P be the point $(2, 1, 0)$. Determine the point Q on the surface S which is closest to P and give an equation for the plane which goes through P , Q and the origin.

6. Let \mathbf{F} be a three dimensional vector field whose component functions have continuous second partial derivatives. Prove that the divergence of the curl of \mathbf{F} is zero.

7. Evaluate the line integral

$$\int_C e^x \sin y \, dx + e^x \cos y \, dy,$$

where C is the closed curve consisting of the semicircle $y = \sqrt{1 - x^2}$ and the interval $[-1, 1]$.

8. Fix $a \geq 0$ and let C be the curve defined by $x^3 + y^3 = 3axy$. Show that C can be parametrised by putting $x(t) = \frac{3at}{1+t^3}$ and $y(t) = \frac{3at^2}{1+t^3}$ where $t \neq -1$. Then argue that C forms a loop in the first quadrant ($x \geq 0$, $y \geq 0$) and compute the area enclosed by this loop.