

Math 1552 Section 16
Practice Final Exam

Part I: Techniques of Integration. Please compute the following integrals.

1. $\int x \ln x dx$

Solution: Use integration by parts with $u = \ln x$ and $dv = x dx$. Then $du = (1/x)dx$ and $v = x^2/2$. Substituting into the formula $\int u dv = uv - \int v du$ gives you

$$\int x \ln x dx = \frac{1}{2}x^2 \ln x - \frac{1}{2} \int x dx = \frac{1}{2}x^2 \ln x - \frac{1}{4}x^2 + C.$$

2. $\int \sin^2 \theta \cos \theta d\theta$

Solution: Use integration by substitution with $u = \sin \theta$ and $du = \cos \theta d\theta$. This immediately gives you

$$\int \sin^2 \theta \cos \theta d\theta = \int u^2 du = \frac{1}{3}u^3 + C = \frac{1}{3} \sin^3 \theta + C.$$

3. $\int \frac{1}{(x+4)(x-1)} dx$

Solution: Use partial fractions: there are two distinct linear factors, so

$$\frac{1}{(x+4)(x-1)} = \frac{A}{x+4} + \frac{B}{x-1}$$
$$1 = A(x-1) + B(x+4)$$

Choose $x = 1$:

$$1 = 5B \text{ so } B = \frac{1}{5}$$

Choose $x = -4$:

$$1 = -5A \text{ so } A = -\frac{1}{5}$$

So $\frac{1}{(x+4)(x-1)} = -\frac{1}{5} \left(\frac{1}{x+4} \right) + \frac{1}{5} \left(\frac{1}{x-1} \right)$ and

$$\int \frac{1}{(x+4)(x-1)} dx = -\frac{1}{5} \int \frac{1}{x+4} dx + \frac{1}{5} \int \frac{1}{x-1} dx$$
$$= -\frac{1}{5} \ln|x+4| + \frac{1}{5} \ln|x-1| + C$$

4. $\int_0^{\infty} xe^{-x^2} dx$

Solution: The meaning of the improper integral is

$$\int_0^{\infty} xe^{-x^2} dx = \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^R xe^{-x^2} dx$$

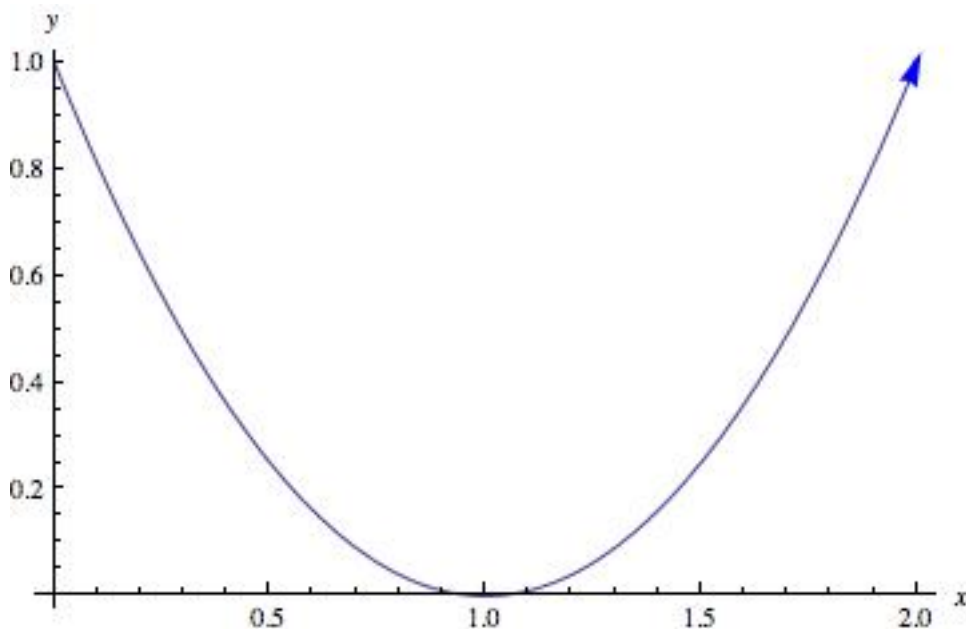
Let $u = x^2$, $du = 2xdx$, $xdx = \frac{1}{2}du$. Then the integral becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2} \int_{x=0}^R e^{-u} du &= \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \left(-\frac{1}{2} e^{-u} \right) \Big|_{x=0}^R \\ &= \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \left(-\frac{1}{2} e^{-x^2} \right) \Big|_{x=0}^R \\ &= \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \left(-\frac{1}{2} e^{-R^2} + \frac{1}{2} e^0 \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2}. \end{aligned}$$

Part II: Parametric Equations.

5. Consider the parametric equations $x(t) = 1+t$, $y(t) = t^2$, for $-1 \leq t \leq 1$. Sketch the parametric curve, including arrows to show motion along the curve as t increases. Solve for y in terms of x .

Solution: It's easiest to solve for y first: $t = x-1$, so the equation $y = t^2$ becomes $y = (x-1)^2$. Now the sketch is straightforward:



6. Use the arc length formula $L = \int_a^b \sqrt{\left(\frac{dx}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dy}{dt}\right)^2} dt$ to compute the arc length of the parametric curve $x(t) = \cos t$, $y(t) = \sin t$ from $t = 0$ to $t = \frac{\pi}{2}$.

Solution: The curve is just a quarter of the unit circle, so you know the answer should be $\pi/2$. Substituting $dx/dt = \sin t$ and $dy/dt = \cos t$ into the formula gives you

$$L = \int_0^{\pi/2} \sqrt{\sin^2 t + \cos^2 t} dt = \int_0^{\pi/2} dt = t \Big|_0^{\pi/2} = \frac{\pi}{2},$$

as expected.

Part III: Conic Sections.

7. Put the equation $x^2 + y^2 + 2x - 4y = 4$ into standard form by completing the square. Tell what kind of conic section it is, and make an accurate sketch.

Solution: First group x and y terms:

$$(x^2 + 2x) + (y^2 - 4y) = 4.$$

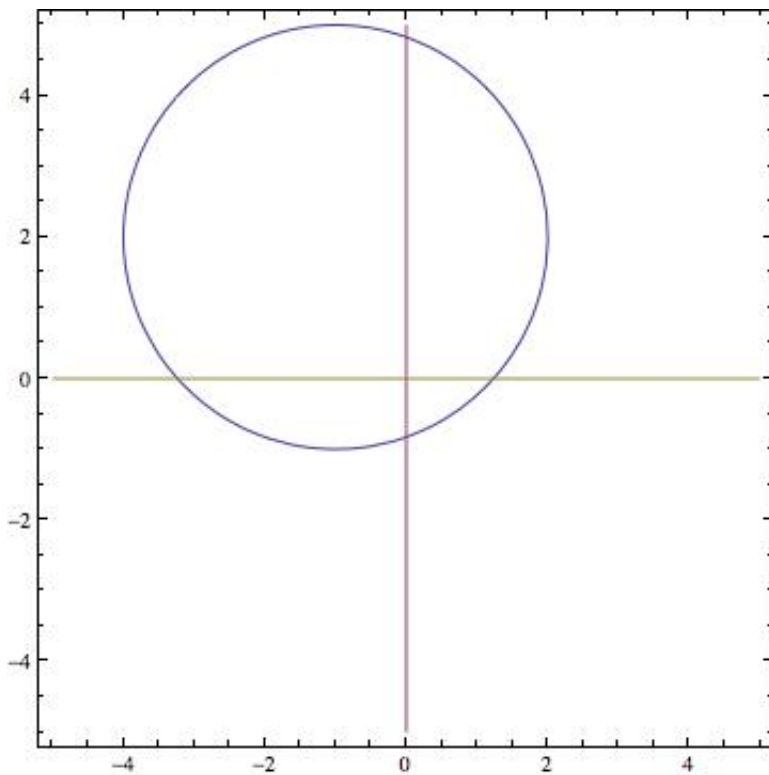
Now complete the square in each parenthesis and add the corresponding numbers on the right hand side:

$$(x^2 + 2x + 1) + (y^2 - 4y + 4) = 4 + 1 + 4.$$

This simplifies to

$$(x + 1)^2 + (y - 2)^2 = 3^2.$$

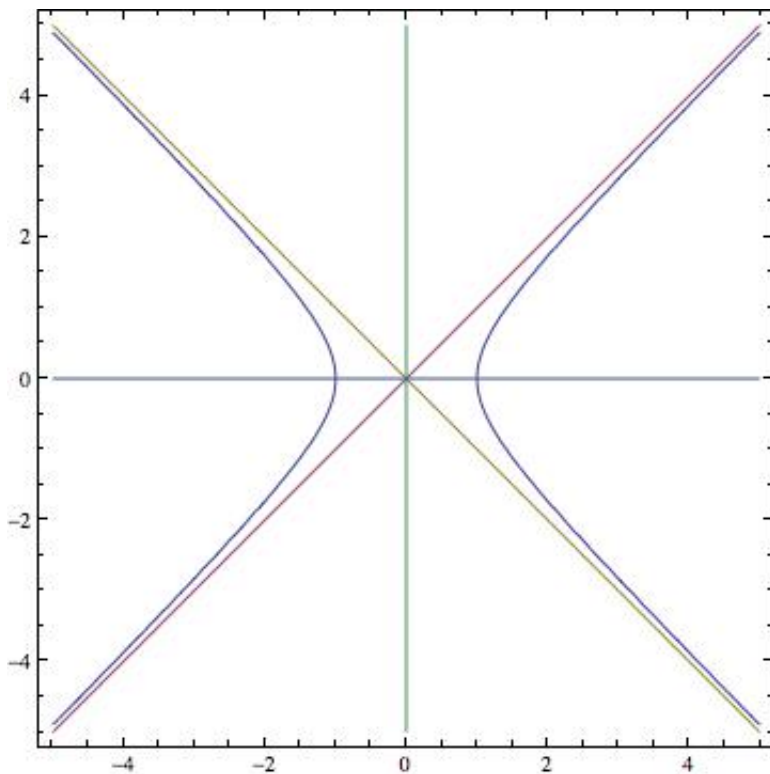
So it's a **circle centered at $(-1, 2)$, with radius 3:**



8. Find the vertices and asymptotes of the hyperbola $x^2 - y^2 = 1$. Make an accurate sketch.

Solution: The asymptotes are given by “ignoring the constant,” which means setting $x^2 = y^2$. This gives the two lines $y = \pm x$. This means the hyperbola either has vertices on the x -axis or y -axis. Setting $x = 0$ in the equation $x^2 - y^2 = 1$ gives no solutions. Setting $y = 0$ gives the

solutions $x = \pm 1$. So the vertices are the points $(\pm 1, 0)$ on the x -axis. Here's the sketch:



Part IV: Sequences and Series.

9. Find the sum of the series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{4^n}$.

Solution: Use the geometric series formula to get

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{4^n} = \frac{1}{1 - 1/4} = \frac{4}{3}.$$

10. Match each series to the best test for determining whether or not it converges.

Solution: The colors indicate the best matches.

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n!}{n^n}$$

Comparison Test

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n^2 + 1}{n^4}$$

Limit Comparison Test

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{n^4}{n^2 + 1}$$

Root Test

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n \ln n}$$

Alternating Series Test

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n^2}{n^4 + 1}$$

Divergence Test

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{3^n}{2^{2n}}$$

Integral Test

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{n^2 + 1}{n^4}$$

Ratio Test

11. Use the integral test to determine whether or not the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} ne^{-n}$ converges.

Solution: The corresponding integral is $\int_{x=1}^{\infty} xe^{-x} dx$. Use integration by parts with $u = x$ and $dv = e^{-x} dx$. The answer is $2/e$, which is finite, so the series **converges**.

12. Write the series $\frac{1}{3} + \frac{4}{9} + \frac{9}{27} + \frac{16}{81} + \frac{25}{243} + \dots$ in summation notation. Does it converge? How do you know?

Solution: The numerators are squares, and the denominators are powers of 3. The series is

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n^2}{3^n}$$

It **converges** by the ratio test. By a previous quiz question, you know the exact sum is $3/2$.

13. Find the first five terms of the Taylor series for $f(x) = \sin x$ centered at $x = \frac{\pi}{2}$.

Solution: The first five derivatives, beginning at 0, are $f^{(0)}(x) = \sin x$, $f^{(1)}(x) = \cos x$, $f^{(2)}(x) = -\sin x$, $f^{(3)}(x) = -\cos x$, $f^{(4)}(x) = \sin x$. Substituting the value $\pi/2$ gives $f^{(0)}(\pi/2) =$

1, $f^{(1)}(\pi/2) = 0$, $f^{(2)}(\pi/2) = -1$, $f^{(3)}(\pi/2) = 0$, $f^{(4)}(\pi/2) = 1$. Substituting this into Taylor's formula gives

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(n)}(\pi/2)(x - \pi/2)^n}{n!} = 1 + 0 - \frac{1}{2}(x - \pi/2)^2 + 0 + \frac{1}{24}(x - \pi/2)^4 + \dots$$

14. Find the first four terms of the MacLaurin series for $f(x) = \ln(1+x)$.

Solution: The “clever way” is to use differentiation and integration of power series, together with the geometric series formula. First observe that

$$\frac{d}{dx} \ln(1+x) = \frac{1}{1+x} = \frac{1}{1-(-x)} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-x)^n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n x^n,$$

by the geometric series formula. Now integrate term-by-term to get

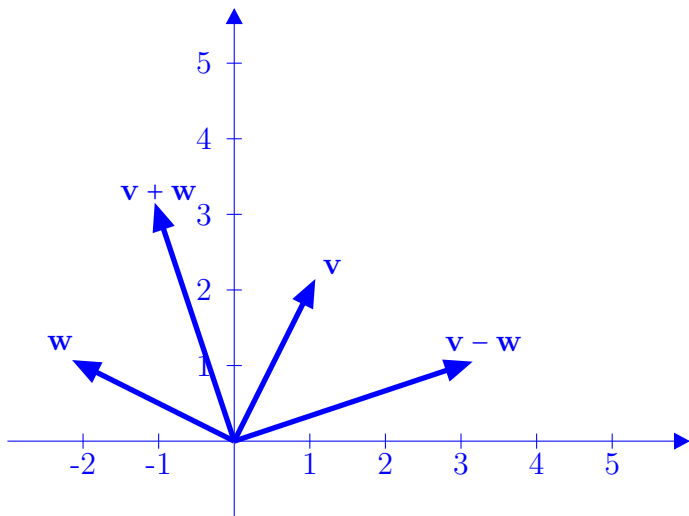
$$\ln(1+x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{x^{n+1}}{n+1} = x - \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \frac{1}{3}x^3 - \frac{1}{4}x^4 + \dots$$

Part V: Vector Algebra.

15. Let $\mathbf{v} = \langle 1, 2 \rangle$ and $\mathbf{w} = \langle -2, 1 \rangle$ be vectors in the plane. Compute $\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w}$ and $\mathbf{v} - \mathbf{w}$. Make accurate sketches of \mathbf{v} , \mathbf{w} , $\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w}$, and $\mathbf{v} - \mathbf{w}$. Compute the lengths of all four vectors. Find unit vectors pointing in the directions of \mathbf{v} and \mathbf{w} .

Solution: $\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w} = \langle -1, 3 \rangle$, $\mathbf{v} - \mathbf{w} = \langle 3, 1 \rangle$.

Sketches:



$$\|\mathbf{v}\| = \sqrt{5}, \|\mathbf{w}\| = \sqrt{5}, \|\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w}\| = \sqrt{17}, \|\mathbf{v} - \mathbf{w}\| = \sqrt{17}.$$

$$\text{Unit vectors: } \frac{\mathbf{v}}{\|\mathbf{v}\|} = \left\langle \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}, \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}} \right\rangle, \frac{\mathbf{w}}{\|\mathbf{w}\|} = \left\langle \frac{-2}{\sqrt{5}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \right\rangle.$$

16. Find the dot product of the vectors $\mathbf{v} = \langle 1, 1, 1 \rangle$ and $\mathbf{w} = \langle 2, -1, -1 \rangle$. What is the angle between \mathbf{v} and \mathbf{w} ? What is the component of \mathbf{w} parallel to \mathbf{v} ?

Solution: $\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{w} = 0$, $\theta = \cos^{-1} 0 = \pi/2$, $\text{comp}_{\mathbf{v}} \mathbf{w} = 0$, $\text{comp}_{\mathbf{w}} \mathbf{v} = 0$.

17. Find two different unit vectors orthogonal to both of the vectors $\mathbf{v} = \langle 2, 0, 0 \rangle$ and $\mathbf{w} = \langle 0, 2, 0 \rangle$.

Solution: $\langle 0, 0, \pm 1 \rangle$.

Part VI: Three-Dimensional Geometry.

18. Find an equation for the plane containing the point $(0, 1, 0)$, with normal vector $\langle 1, 0, 0 \rangle$.

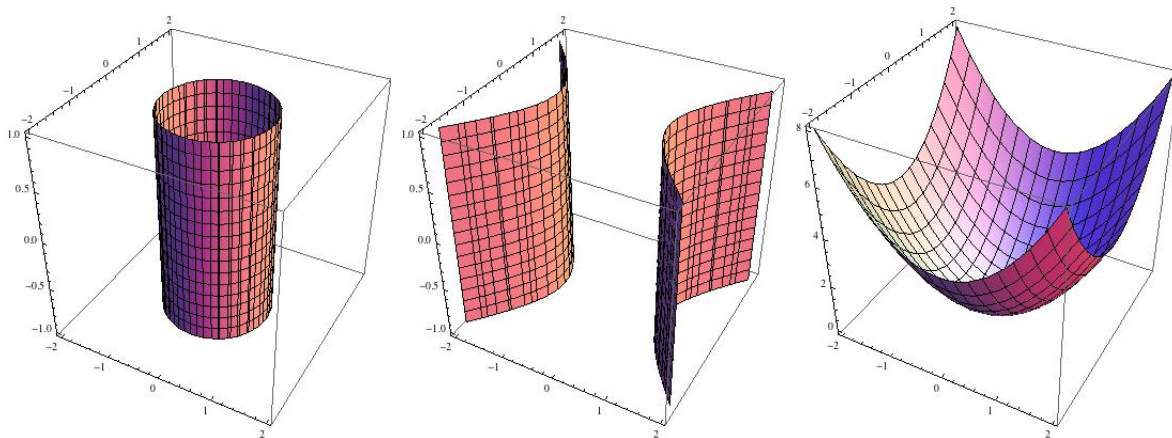
Solution: The plane equation $\mathbf{n} \cdot (\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}_0) = 0$ gives you

$$\langle 1, 0, 0 \rangle \cdot \langle x - 0, y - 1, z - 0 \rangle = 0,$$

which reduces to $x = 0$.

19. Sketch and describe the surfaces defined by the equations $x^2 + y^2 = 1$, $x^2 - y^2 = 1$, and $x^2 + y^2 = z$.

Solution: The surfaces are a circular cylinder of radius 1 symmetric about the z -axis, a hyperbolic cylinder whose trace in the xy -plane has asymptotes $y = \pm x$ and vertices $(\pm 1, 0)$, and a circular paraboloid symmetric about the z -axis, opening upward. Here are the sketches:



Part VII: Partial Derivatives.

20. Let $f(x, y) = x^2y + 2y^3$. Find $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}$ and $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}$. Show that $\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x} = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y}$.

Solution: The first partial derivatives are

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = 2xy, \quad \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = x^2 + 6y.$$

The mixed second partials are

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x} = 2x, \quad \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} = 2x.$$