

Only the exercises with an asterisk (*) will be corrected.

13.1. MC questions.

(a) Which of the following statements are true?

Let $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow [0, +\infty)$ be a non-negative, continuous function. Then

- If $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = 0$, the improper integral $\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} f \, dx$ exists and is finite

Solution. A counterexample already in $n = 1$ is $f(x) = \frac{1}{1+|x|}$.

- If the improper integral $\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} f \, dx$ exists and is finite, then $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = 0$

Solution. Consider for instance a infinite-sawtooth-like function $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow [0, 1]$ consisting of isosceles triangles in $[j, j + 2^{-j}]$, $j \in \mathbb{N}$ each of height 1 and 0 otherwise (see picture below): it is an elementary matter to see that $\int_{\mathbb{R}} f \, dx$ is finite but $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x)$ does not exist.

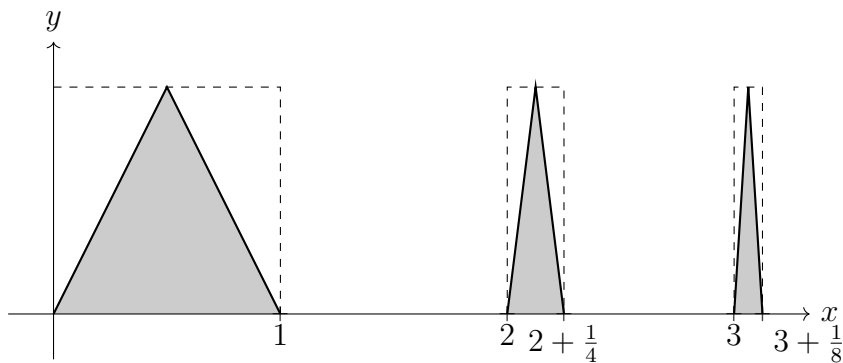


Figure 1: Sawtooth-like function

- If $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x)$ does not exist, then the improper integral $\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} f \, dx$ is not finite.

Solution. This is the same as the second statement.

- If $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x)$ exists and is nonzero, the improper integral $\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} f \, dx$ is not finite.

Solution. If $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = c > 0$, then there exists $R > 0$ so that $f(x) > c/2$ if $|x| > R$, thus $\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} f \, dx \geq \int_{\mathbb{R}^n \setminus B_R} \frac{c}{2} \, dx = +\infty$.

- (b) Let $D := \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid x^2 + y^2 \leq 1\}$ be the unit ball with boundary $S := \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid x^2 + y^2 = 1\}$. Let $f : D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a C^1 function, so that there exists a constant $c \neq 0$ for which

$$f(x, y) = c \quad \forall (x, y) \in S$$

holds. Choose the correct statement

- $\int_D \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right) dx dy = c$
- $\int_D \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right) dx dy = 0$
- The integral $\int_D \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right) dx dy$ cannot be calculated with the given information.

Solution.

We use Green's Theorem with $P = Q = f$. A parametrisation of S is given by $\gamma : [0, 2\pi] \rightarrow S$,

$$\gamma(t) = (\cos(t), \sin(t)).$$

Thus Green's Theorem gives

$$\begin{aligned} \int_D \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right) dx dy &= \int_S f(dx + dy) = \int_0^{2\pi} f(\gamma(t))(\cos'(t) + \sin'(t)) dt \\ &= c \int_0^{2\pi} \cos(t) - \sin(t) dt = 0. \end{aligned}$$

***13.2. Integrals in \mathbb{R}^2 .**

Calculate the following integrals.

- (a) $\int_D xy(x^2 + y^2) d(x, y), \quad D = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid x^2 + y^2 - 2x < 0\}.$
- (b) $\int_D \frac{\sin(x^2 + y^2)}{2 + \cos(x^2 + y^2)} d(x, y), \quad D = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid 1 < x^2 + y^2 < 4\}.$
- (c) $\int_D \frac{1}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} d(x, y), \quad D = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid x^2 + y^2 < 1, x + y > 1\}.$

Solution.

(a) We first note that

$$\begin{aligned} 0 > x^2 + y^2 - 2x &= x^2 - 2x + 1 - 1 + y^2 = (x - 1)^2 + y^2 - 1 \\ \iff 1 > (x - 1)^2 + y^2 \end{aligned}$$

holds for all $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$. From there, it follows that D is a circle with radius 1 around the point $(1, 0)$. We parametrise D by using the polar coordinates $\Phi: (0, 1) \times (-\pi, \pi) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$,

$$\Phi(r, \varphi) = (1 + r \cos(\varphi), r \sin(\varphi)),$$

where $D = \Phi(D') \cup N$ for

$$D' = \{(r, \varphi) \in (0, 1) \times (0, 2\pi)\}$$

and $N = \{(x, 0) \mid 0 \leq x < 1\}$ is a negligible set. We calculate

$$\begin{aligned} \int_D xy(x^2 + y^2) \, d(x, y) &= \int_0^1 \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} (1 + r \cos(\varphi)) r \sin(\varphi) ((1 + r \cos(\varphi))^2 + r^2 \sin(\varphi)^2) r \, d\varphi \, dr \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

where we used that

$$f_r(\varphi) = (1 + r \cos(\varphi)) r \sin(\varphi) ((1 + r \cos(\varphi))^2 + r^2 \sin(\varphi)^2) r$$

is an odd function for every r : $f_r(-\varphi) = -f_r(\varphi)$ (since \sin is an odd and \cos an even function), and therefore the integral over $(-\pi, \pi)$ vanishes.

(b) By using the polar coordinates, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \int_D \frac{\sin(x^2 + y^2)}{2 + \cos(x^2 + y^2)} \, d(x, y) &= \int_0^{2\pi} \int_1^2 \frac{\sin(r^2)}{2 + \cos(r^2)} r \, dr \, d\varphi \\ &= \pi \int_1^2 \frac{2r \sin(r^2)}{2 + \cos(r^2)} \, dr \\ &= \pi \left[-\log(2 + \cos(r^2)) \right]_{r=1}^2 \\ &= \pi \log \left(\frac{2 + \cos 1}{2 + \cos 4} \right). \end{aligned}$$

(c) In polar coordinates $\Psi: D' \rightarrow D$ we can parametrise D by

$$D' = \left\{ (r, \varphi) \in (0, \infty) \times \left(0, \frac{\pi}{2}\right) \mid (\cos \varphi + \sin \varphi)^{-1} < r < 1 \right\}.$$

We obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_D \frac{1}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} d(x, y) &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \int_{(\cos \varphi + \sin \varphi)^{-1}}^1 \frac{1}{r^4} r dr d\varphi \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} (1 - (\cos \varphi + \sin \varphi)^2) d\varphi \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin(2\varphi) d\varphi = \frac{1}{2}. \end{aligned}$$

13.3. The Astroid.

Let $a > 0$. The Astroid $A(a) \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ is the geometric figure in the plane defined by

$$A(a) := \left\{ (x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid x^{\frac{2}{3}} + y^{\frac{2}{3}} = a^{\frac{2}{3}} \right\}$$

The construction of an Astroid is very geometric (see here). Let $B(a)$ denote the set

$$B(a) = \{(rx, ry) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid r \in [0, 1], (x, y) \in A(a)\}.$$

Compute the area of $B(a)$ using the theorem of Green. Note that the theorem of Green is indeed applicable in this case.

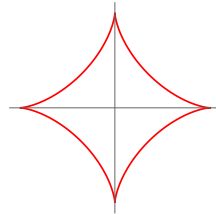


Figure 2: The red Astroid $A(a)$ is the boundary of $B(a)$.

Solution. A parametrisation of $A(a)$ is such that $\gamma : [0, 2\pi] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$,

$$\gamma(t) = (\gamma_1(t), \gamma_2(t)) = (a \cos^3(t), a \sin^3(t)).$$

Thanks to Green's theorem, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Area}(B(a)) &= \iint_{B(a)} 1 dx dy = \int_{A(a)} (0, x) \cdot d\vec{s} \\ &= \int_0^{2\pi} \gamma_1(t) \dot{\gamma}_2(t) dt \\ &= 3a^2 \int_0^{2\pi} \cos^4(t) \sin^2(t) dt \end{aligned}$$

Now, compute that

$$\cos^4(\theta) \sin^2(\theta) = \frac{1}{32} (2 + \cos(2\theta) - 2 \cos(4\theta) - \cos(6\theta))$$

and as for all integer $k \geq 1$, we have

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \cos(k\theta) d\theta = 0,$$

we deduce that

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \cos^4(t) \sin^2(t) dt = \frac{\pi}{8},$$

so that

$$\text{Area}(B(a)) = \frac{3\pi a^2}{8}.$$

***13.4. Improper integral.**

Show that the limit

$$\lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \int_{[0,R]^2} \sin(x^2 + y^2) d(x, y)$$

exists.

Solution.

Since the integrand is continuous, we can use Fubini's Theorem and write:

$$\int_{[0,R]^2} \sin(x^2 + y^2) d(x, y) = \int_0^R \int_0^R \sin(x^2 + y^2) dx dy, \quad \forall R \geq 0.$$

By using the summation formula $\sin(a + b) = \sin(a) \cos(b) + \sin(b) \cos(a)$, we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^R \int_0^R \sin(x^2 + y^2) dx dy &= \int_0^R \cos(y^2) \int_0^R \sin(x^2) dx dy \\ &\quad + \int_0^R \sin(y^2) \int_0^R \cos(x^2) dx dy. \end{aligned}$$

We rewrite $\int_0^R \sin(x^2) dx$ by using the substitution $x^2 = t$:

$$\int_0^R \sin(x^2) dx = \int_0^{R^2} \frac{\sin(t)}{2\sqrt{t}} dt.$$

Let

$$f: \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \rightarrow [-1, 1], \quad f(R) := \int_0^{R^2} \frac{\sin(t)}{2\sqrt{t}} dt$$

and analogously

$$g(R) := \int_0^{R^2} \frac{\cos(t)}{2\sqrt{t}} dt.$$

We have thus shown:

$$\int_{[0,R]^2} \sin(x^2 + y^2) d(x, y) = f(R) \cdot \int_0^R \cos(y^2) dy + g(R) \cdot \int_0^R \sin(y^2) dy.$$

By repeating the previous step, we get:

$$\int_{[0,R]^2} \sin(x^2 + y^2) d(x, y) = f(R) \cdot g(R) + g(R) \cdot f(R) = 2f(R) \cdot g(R).$$

It suffices therefore to show that $f(R)$ and $g(R)$ converge for $R \rightarrow \infty$. We show this in the case of f (the proof for g is analogous). We have

$$\lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} 2f(R) = \int_0^{\pi/2} \sin(t)t^{-1/2} dt + \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\pi/2}^{R^2} \sin(t)t^{-1/2} dt.$$

The left integral exists because

$$\int_0^{\pi/2} |\sin(t)t^{-1/2}| dt \leq \int_0^{\pi/2} t^{-1/2} dt = [2 \cdot t^{1/2}]_{t=0}^{t=\pi/2} \in \mathbb{R},$$

cf. Lemma 5.51 from the Analysis I script. We need to use Lemma 5.51 here because the integrand does not exist at 0 and therefore the integral must be regarded as improper.

We calculate the right-hand side by using partial integration:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\pi/2}^{+\infty} \sin(t) \cdot t^{-1/2} dt &= \left[\frac{-\cos(t)}{\sqrt{t}} \right]_{t=\pi/2}^{t=\infty} - \int_{\pi/2}^{+\infty} \frac{\cos(t)}{2t^{3/2}} dt \\ &= - \int_{\pi/2}^{+\infty} \frac{\cos(t)}{2t^{3/2}} dt. \end{aligned}$$

But

$$\left| \frac{\cos(t)}{t^{3/2}} \right| \leq \frac{1}{t^{3/2}},$$

where the latter is integrable from $\pi/2$ to $+\infty$ (with indefinite integral $-2 \cdot t^{-1/2}$). Therefore Lemma 5.51 from Analysis I again implies that $\int_{\pi/2}^{+\infty} \sin(t) \cdot t^{-1/2} dt$ exists.

We have therefore shown that $2f(R)$ converges for $R \rightarrow +\infty$, which also implies the convergence of $f(R)$. This completes the proof.

13.5. Fubini's theorem for an explicit integral.

By computing the integral (justify why it converges)

$$I = \int_{[0, \infty) \times [a, b]} e^{-xy} dx dy$$

in two different ways, where $0 < a < b$, compute

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{e^{-ax} - e^{-bx}}{x} dx.$$

Solution. As $0 < a \leq y \leq b$, and $e^{-xy} \geq 0$, we observe that for all $R > 0$

$$0 \leq \int_{[0, R] \times [a, b]} e^{-xy} dx dy \leq (b - a) \int_0^R e^{-ax} dx = \left(\frac{b}{a} - 1 \right) (1 - e^{-aR}) \leq \frac{b}{a} - 1.$$

so the integral converges. Therefore, we have

$$I = \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \int_{[0, R] \times [a, b]} e^{-xy} dx dy = \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} I(R),$$

and we have by Fubini's theorem

$$I(R) = \int_a^b \left(\int_0^R e^{-xy} dx \right) dy = \int_a^b \left(\frac{1}{y} - \frac{e^{-Ry}}{y} \right) dy = \log \left(\frac{b}{a} \right) - \int_a^b \frac{e^{-Ry}}{y} dy$$

Furthermore, we have (as $a > 0$)

$$\left| \int_a^b \frac{e^{-Ry}}{y} dy \right| = \int_a^b \frac{e^{-Ry}}{y} dy \leq \frac{e^{-Ra}}{a} \int_a^b dy = \left(\frac{b}{a} - 1 \right) e^{-Ra} \xrightarrow{R \rightarrow \infty} 0$$

so that

$$I = \log \left(\frac{b}{a} \right).$$

Now, by Fubini theorem, we also have (by definition of the 'improper' integral)

$$I(R) = \int_0^R \left(\int_a^b e^{-xy} dy \right) dx = \int_0^R \frac{e^{-ax} - e^{-bx}}{x} dx \xrightarrow{R \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^\infty \frac{e^{-ax} - e^{-bx}}{x} dx.$$

Finally, we deduce that

$$I = \int_0^\infty \frac{e^{-ax} - e^{-bx}}{x} dx = \log \left(\frac{b}{a} \right).$$

Remark: Notice that the integral

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{e^{-ax} - e^{-bx}}{x} dx$$

converges absolutely as $\frac{e^{-ax} - e^{-bx}}{x} = (b - a) + O(|x|)$ as $x \rightarrow 0$, and the convergence at infinity is trivial with the two exponential functions.