

UNIVERSITY OF BRISTOL

Examination for the Degree of B.Sc. and M.Sci. (Level 5)

**MULTIVARIABLE CALCULUS**  
MATH 20901  
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*This paper contains **three** questions. A candidate's best **TWO** answers used for assessment.*

*Calculators are **not** permitted in this examination.*

*Do not turn over until instructed.*

1. (Total marks: 25)

(a) i. (3 marks) Let  $\mathbf{F} : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ . Define what it means that  $\mathbf{F}$  is differentiable at a point  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^m$ .

ii. (3 marks) Let  $\mathbf{F} : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  be differentiable at  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^m$ , and let  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ . Prove that  $a\mathbf{F}$  is differentiable at  $\mathbf{x}$ .

iii. (3 marks) Give an example of two functions  $\mathbf{F}, \mathbf{G} : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  such that  $\mathbf{F} \neq \mathbf{G}$ , but  $\mathbf{F}'(0) = \mathbf{G}'(0)$ .

(b) (4 marks) Consider the transformation  $(x, y) = (r \cos \theta, r \sin \theta)$ . Show that the Jacobian determinant is given by

$$\frac{\partial(x, y)}{\partial(r, \theta)} = r.$$

When can we solve for  $(r, \theta)$  in terms of  $(x, y)$ ?

(c) (12 marks) Show that the pair of equations

$$x^2 - y^2 - u^3 + v^2 + 4 = 0, \quad 2xy + y^2 - 2u^2 + 3v^4 + 8 = 0$$

determine local functions  $x(u, v)$  and  $y(u, v)$  defined for  $(u, v)$  near  $u = 2$  and  $v = 1$  such that  $x(2, 1) = 2$  and  $y(2, 1) = -1$ . Compute  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}$  at  $(2, 1)$ .

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2. (Total marks: 25)

(a) (4 marks) Let  $\mathbf{v}(x, y, z)$  be the vector field on  $\mathbb{R}^3$  given by

$$\mathbf{u}(x, y, z) = (x \sin z, yz, \cos z).$$

Compute  $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u}$  and  $\nabla \times \mathbf{u}$ .

(b) Cylindrical coordinates are defined by

$$\mathbf{r}(r, \theta, z) = (r \cos \theta, r \sin \theta, z).$$

- i. (3 marks) Calculate the basis vectors  $\hat{\mathbf{r}}$ ,  $\hat{\theta}$ , and  $\hat{\mathbf{z}}$ .
- ii. (1 mark) Calculate the scale factors  $h_r$ ,  $h_\theta$ , and  $h_z$ .
- iii. (7 marks) Calculate  $(\mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{u}$  in cylindrical coordinates, where  $\mathbf{u} = u_r \hat{\mathbf{r}} + u_\theta \hat{\theta} + u_z \hat{\mathbf{z}}$ .

(c) i. (6 marks) Let  $f(r)$  be a smooth scalar-valued function of  $r = |\mathbf{r}|$ , and let  $\mathbf{a} \in \mathbb{R}^3$  be a constant vector. Calculate

$$\nabla \times (\mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{a} f(r)).$$

ii. (4 marks) Let  $\mathbf{u}$  be a vector field in  $C(\mathbb{R}^3, \mathbb{R}^3)$ . Show that

$$\mathbf{u} \times (\nabla \times \mathbf{u}) = \frac{1}{2} \nabla (\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u}) - (\mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{u}.$$

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3. (Total marks: 25)

(a) (4 marks) Let  $\mathbf{v}(x, y) = (y^2, -xy)$  be a vector field on  $\mathbb{R}^2$ , and let  $C$  be the part of the circle  $x^2 + y^2 = 1$  that starts at  $(1, 0)$  and ends at  $(0, 1)$ , oriented clockwise. Compute  $\int_C \mathbf{v} \cdot d\mathbf{r}$ .

(b) (4 marks) Let  $S$  be the surface of the unit sphere, and let  $\mathbf{F} = F_r \hat{\mathbf{r}}$  be a vector field, where  $\hat{\mathbf{r}} = (\sin \phi \cos \theta, \sin \phi \sin \theta, \cos \phi)$  is the unit vector pointing radially outward from the sphere, where  $0 \leq \phi \leq \pi$ , and  $0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$ . Show that

$$\int_S \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{S} = \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\pi F_r \sin \phi d\phi d\theta.$$

(c) Let  $S$  be the surface in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  given by the cone  $z = (x^2 + y^2)^{1/2}$ ,  $x^2 + y^2 \leq 1$ . Let  $\mathbf{u}(x, y, z)$  be the vector field given by

$$\mathbf{v}(x, y, z) = (z^2, z, y^2).$$

i. (8 marks) Without using Stokes' theorem, compute  $\int_S (\nabla \times \mathbf{v}) \cdot d\mathbf{S}$ , where  $d\mathbf{S}$  is oriented inward toward the  $z$ -axis.

ii. (5 marks) Recalculate the surface integral from (i) by computing the line integral along an appropriate path.

(d) (4 marks) Let  $V$  be as in Gauss' theorem, and  $f, g \in C^2(\mathbb{R}^3, \mathbb{R})$ . Prove that

$$\int_{\partial V} f \nabla g \cdot \mathbf{n} dS = \int_V (f \Delta g + \nabla f \cdot \nabla g) dV.$$

*End of examination.*