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1. Given the power series

$$\sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{n} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^{n^2} x^n,$$

determine its radius of convergence r , and study the convergence for $x = \pm r$.

Solution.

By the root test with $a_n = \frac{1}{n} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^{n^2} x^n$, we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |a_n|^{\frac{1}{n}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{n}\right)^{\frac{1}{n}} \cdot \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n |x| \rightarrow e|x|,$$

since $\frac{1}{n} \log \frac{1}{n} \rightarrow 0$, and hence $\left(\frac{1}{n}\right)^{\frac{1}{n}} = e^{\frac{1}{n} \log \frac{1}{n}} \rightarrow 1$. Therefore, $r = \frac{1}{e}$.

For $x = \frac{1}{e}$, we have to study the series whose generic term is

$$\frac{1}{n} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^{n^2} e^{-n} = \frac{1}{n} e^{n^2 \log(1 + \frac{1}{n}) - n} = \frac{1}{n} e^{n^2(\frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{2n^2} + o(\frac{1}{n^2})) - n} \sim \frac{e^{-\frac{1}{2}}}{n},$$

and therefore it is divergent.

Finally, for $x = -\frac{1}{e}$, we have the alternating series

$$\sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} (-1)^n \frac{1}{n} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^{n^2} e^{-n}.$$

There holds

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{1}{t} e^{t^2 \log(1 + \frac{1}{t}) - t} \right) &= \left[-\frac{1}{t^2} + 2 \log \left(1 + \frac{1}{t} \right) - \frac{1}{t+1} - \frac{1}{t} \right] e^{t^2 \log(1 + \frac{1}{t}) - t} \\ &= \left[\frac{1}{t(t+1)} - \frac{2}{t^2} + o\left(\frac{1}{t^2}\right) \right] e^{t^2 \log(1 + \frac{1}{t}) - t} \end{aligned}$$

and since clearly $\frac{1}{t(t+1)} - \frac{2}{t^2} < 0$ for $t > 0$ (as this is equivalent to $t^2/2 + t > 0$), we see that the sequence $\frac{1}{n} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^{n^2} e^{-n}$ is decreasing for n sufficiently large, and it is infinitesimal (from its asymptotic behavior computed above). Therefore, by Leibniz's rule, the given series converges for $x = -\frac{1}{e}$.

Matriculation:

2.

(1) Find all the stationary points of the following scalar field, defined on \mathbb{R}^2 ,

$$f(x, y) = x^2 - 2xy - y + y^3$$

and classify them into relative minima, maxima and saddle points.

(2) Compute the gradient of the following function of (x, y) :

$$g(x, y) = xe^{xe^y}.$$

Solution. (1) We have

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x, y) &= 2x - 2y, \\ \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x, y) &= -2x - 1 + 3y^2.\end{aligned}$$

At any stationary point (x, y) , one has $\nabla f(x, y) = (0, 0)$. This happens exactly when $2x - 2y = 0$ and $-2x - 1 + 3y^2 = 0$. This is equivalent to $y = x$ and $3y^2 - 2y - 1 = 0$. By solving these equations, the stationary points are $(x, y) = (1, 1), (-\frac{1}{3}, -\frac{1}{3})$.

To classify these points, we compute the Hessian matrix $\begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial^2 x} & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} \\ \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x} & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial^2 y} \end{pmatrix}$:

$$H(x, y) = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -2 \\ -2 & 6y \end{pmatrix}.$$

At the point $(x, y) = (1, 1)$, we have $H(x, y) = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -2 \\ -2 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$ and its determinant is 8 and the trace is 8, therefore, it has positive eigenvalues and $(1, 1)$ is a relative minimum.

At the point $(x, y) = (-\frac{1}{3}, -\frac{1}{3})$, we have $H(x, y) = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -2 \\ -2 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$ and its determinant is -8 , therefore, it has both positive and negative eigenvalues and $(-\frac{1}{3}, -\frac{1}{3})$ is a saddle.

(2) By chain rule and Leibniz rule, $\frac{\partial g}{\partial x} = e^{xe^y} + xe^ye^{xe^y}$, $\frac{\partial g}{\partial y} = x^2e^ye^{xe^y}$.

Matriculation:

3. Let $\mathbf{f}(x, y) = (e^x, e^y)$. Compute the line integral $\int_C \mathbf{f} \cdot d\boldsymbol{\alpha}$, where C is the segment of the parabola $y = x^2$ from $(0, 0)$ to $(1, 1)$.

Solution.

By definition of line integral, we need to take a parametrization of the parabola. One such parametrization is $\boldsymbol{\alpha}(t) = (t, t^2)$, $t \in [0, 1]$. With this $\boldsymbol{\alpha}(t)$, we have $\boldsymbol{\alpha}'(t) = (1, 2t)$ and $\mathbf{f}(\boldsymbol{\alpha}(t)) = (e^t, e^{t^2})$.

Now the line integral can be computed:

$$\begin{aligned}\int_C \mathbf{f} \cdot d\boldsymbol{\alpha} &= \int_0^1 (e^t, e^{t^2}) \cdot (1, 2t) dt \\ &= \int_0^1 (e^t + 2te^{t^2}) dt \\ &= [e^t + e^{t^2}]_0^1 \\ &= (e + e) - (1 + 1) \\ &= 2(e - 1)\end{aligned}$$

Matriculation:

4. Compute the integral

$$\iint_T dx dy x \log(1 + \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}) ,$$

where $T = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : 1 \leq x^2 + y^2 \leq 4, x \geq 0\}$.

Solution. Goint to polar coordinates, the region T corresponds to

$$\tilde{T} = \left\{ (r, \theta) : 1 \leq r \leq 2, -\frac{\pi}{2} \leq \theta \leq \frac{\pi}{2} \right\}.$$

With the Jacobian $J(r, \theta) = r$, the integral becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \iint_T dx dy x \log(1 + \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}) &= \iint_{\tilde{T}} r \cos \theta \log(1 + r) r dr d\theta \\ &= \int_1^2 \int_{-\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} r \cos \theta \log(1 + r) r d\theta dr \\ &= 2 \int_1^2 r^2 \log(1 + r) dr \\ &= 2 \left(\left[\frac{r^3}{3} \log(1 + r) \right]_1^2 - \int_1^2 \frac{r^3}{3(1 + r)} dr \right) \end{aligned}$$

where in the last step we integrated by parts. Note that

$$\frac{r^3}{3(1 + r)} = \frac{(1 + r)^2}{3} - (1 + r) + 1 - \frac{1}{3(1 + r)} = \frac{(1 + r)^2}{3} - r - \frac{1}{3(1 + r)},$$

and hence

$$\int \frac{r^3}{3(1 + r)} dr = \frac{(1 + r)^3}{9} - \frac{r^2}{2} - \frac{1}{3} \log(1 + r) + \text{Const.},$$

Althogether,

$$\begin{aligned} &\iint_T dx dy x \log(1 + \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}) \\ &= 2 \left(\left[\frac{r^3}{3} \log(1 + r) \right]_1^2 - \left[\frac{(1 + r)^3}{9} - \frac{r^2}{2} - \frac{1}{3} \log(1 + r) \right]_1^2 \right) \\ &= 2 \left(\frac{1}{3} (8 \log 3 - \log 2) - \left(3 - 2 - \frac{1}{3} \log 3 \right) + \left(\frac{8}{9} - \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3} \log 2 \right) \right) \\ &= 6 \log 3 - \frac{4}{3} \log 2 - \frac{11}{9}. \end{aligned}$$

Matriculation:

5. Let $\mathbb{F}(x, y, z) = (e^{zy^2}, e^{yx^2}, e^{xz^2})$ be a vector field on \mathbb{R}^3 , C be the boundary of the square with vertices $(0, 0, 0), (1, 0, 0), (1, 1, 0), (0, 1, 0)$.

Compute the line integral

$$\int_C \mathbb{F} \cdot d\boldsymbol{\alpha},$$

where $\boldsymbol{\alpha}$ is a parametrization of C going counterclockwise.

Solution.

Let S be a surface which has C as the boundary, and $\mathbf{r}(u, v) = (X(u, v), Y(u, v), Z(u, v))$ be its parametrization such that the inverse-image of $\boldsymbol{\alpha}$ is also going counterclockwise in the uv -plane. Stokes' theorem says, if we let $\mathbf{n} = \frac{\mathbf{N}}{\|\mathbf{N}\|}$ where $\mathbf{N} = \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial u} \times \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial v}$, then it holds that $\int_C \mathbb{F} \cdot d\boldsymbol{\alpha} = \int_S \text{curl } \mathbb{F} \cdot \mathbf{n} dS$.

For the C above, we can take $S = \{(x, y, z) : 0 \leq x \leq 1, 0 \leq y \leq 1, z = 0\}$, and a parametrization $X(u, v) = u, Y(u, v) = v, Z(u, v) = 0$. The corresponding region in the uv -plane is $T = \{(u, v) : 0 \leq u \leq 1, 0 \leq v \leq 1\}$. It follows that $\frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial u} = (1, 0, 0), \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial v} = (0, 1, 0)$ and hence $\frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial u} \times \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial v} = (0, 0, 1)$. This last vector is already a unit vector.

After some straightforward computations (actually, we only need the z -component), we obtain

$$\text{curl } \mathbb{F} = \begin{pmatrix} 0, \\ y^2 e^{zy^2} - z^2 e^{xz^2}, \\ 2xy e^{yx^2} - 2yz e^{zy^2} \end{pmatrix}$$

Therefore, on the uv -plane, namely $x = u, y = v, z = 0$,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{curl } \mathbb{F}(\mathbf{r}(u, v)) \cdot \mathbf{n}(u, v) &= (0, 0, 2uve^{vu^2}) \cdot (0, 0, 1) \\ &= 2uve^{vu^2}. \end{aligned}$$

Altogether, through Stokes' theorem, the given line integral becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \int_C \mathbb{F} \cdot d\boldsymbol{\alpha} &= \int_S \text{curl } \mathbb{F} \cdot \mathbf{n} dS \\ &= \iint_T 2uve^{vu^2} dudv \\ &= \int_0^1 \int_0^1 2uve^{vu^2} dudv \\ &= \int_0^1 [e^{vu^2}]_0^1 dv \\ &= \int_0^1 (e^v - 1) dv \\ &= [e^v - v]_0^1 = (e - 1) - (1 - 0) = e - 2. \end{aligned}$$