



Correction of Examen of Analysis III 18.01.2022

1 QCM

Question 1.

Let $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be the scalar field defined by:

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

Its Laplacian $\Delta f = \operatorname{div}(\nabla f)$ at (x, y) is

Correct answer: $2 + 6y$

Question 2.

Consider a curve $C \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ connecting the point $P = (1, 0)$ to the point $Q = (0, 1)$, and let $G : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ be the vector field defined by:

$$G(x, y) = \left(\frac{2x}{1 + x^2 + y^2}, \frac{2y}{1 + x^2 + y^2} \right)$$

Then:

Correct answer: $\int_C G \cdot dr = 0$

Question 3.

The non-zero complex Fourier coefficients of the function g defined by:

$$g(x) = \cos(x) + 3 \sin(3x),$$

which enable to express g as:

$$g(x) = \sum_{z \in \mathbb{Z}} c_k e^{ikx},$$

are:

Correct answer: c_1, c_{-1}, c_3, c_{-3}

Question 4.

Let $F : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ be the vector field defined by:

$$F(x, y) = (x, y),$$

and let Γ be the curve defined by:

$$\Gamma = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid x^2 + y^2 = R^2\},$$

with $R \in \mathbb{R}, R > 0$. The line integral $\int_{\Gamma} F \cdot dl$ is equal to:

Correct answer: 0

Question 5.

Let $F : \Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$, with $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^2$, be the vector field defined by:

$$F(x, y) = \left(x, 4\frac{x}{y} \right).$$

Does the field F derive from a potential?

Correct answer: No.

2 Open questions

Question 6.

1. We have that $\gamma'(t) = (\cos(2t), \cos(t))$. By direct calculation we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned}\int_C \phi \, dl &= \int_0^\pi \phi(\gamma(t)) \cdot \gamma'(t) dt \\&= \int_0^\pi \begin{pmatrix} -\sin(t) \\ \frac{1}{2} \sin(2t) \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} \cos(2t) \\ \cos(t) \end{pmatrix} dt \\&= \int_0^\pi \left(-\sin(t) \cos(2t) + \frac{1}{2} \sin(2t) \cos(t) \right) dt \\&= \int_0^\pi \left(-\sin(t) [\cos^2(t) - \sin^2(t)] + \sin(t) \cos^2(t) \right) dt \\&= \int_0^\pi \sin^3(t) dt \\&= \int_0^\pi \sin(t) (1 - \cos^2(t)) dt \\&= 2 - \int_0^\pi \sin(t) \cos^2(t) dt\end{aligned}$$

Integrating by parts with $u = \cos(t)$ and $du = -\sin(t)dt$:

$$\begin{aligned}&= 2 - \int_{-1}^1 u^2 du = 2 - \frac{2}{3} \\&= \frac{4}{3}\end{aligned}$$

2. We have $\text{curl } \phi = \partial_x \phi_2 - \partial_y \phi_1 = 2$. Applying Green's theorem:

$$\int_C \phi \, dl = \int_R \left(\frac{\partial \phi_2}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial \phi_1}{\partial y} \right) dx dy = 2 \int_R dx dy = 2 \cdot \text{Area}(R).$$

The curvilinear integral computed in (1) is the double of the area of the surface R .

Common mistakes: part 1

The most common mistakes arise from the integration of sine/cosine (missing signs) and computation. Most mistakes were on the integration of $\sin(t) \cos^2(t)$ (sign error the most common one).

Common mistakes: part 2

Citing Green's theorem without computing $\text{curl}(F) = 2$ it is not sufficient to get full points, the important observation was that $\text{curl}(F) = 2$, then it is constant and give a precise relation between the area of R and the curvilinear integral.

Question 7.

1. We remark that \mathbb{R}^3 is convex and simply connected. Under this hypothesis, a necessary and sufficient condition for F deriving from a potential is given by $\text{curl}F = 0$ for every $(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3$. A direct calculation gives us:

$$\text{curl}F = \text{curl} \begin{pmatrix} x^2 + 5\lambda y + 3yz \\ 5x + 3\lambda xz - 2 \\ (2 + \lambda)xy - 4z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} (2 + \lambda)x - 3\lambda x \\ 3y - (2 + \lambda)y \\ 5 + 3\lambda z - 5\lambda - 3z \end{pmatrix}.$$

We obtain the following conditions, that must be true for every point $(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3$.

$$(2 + \lambda)x - 3\lambda x = 0 \tag{1}$$

$$3y - (2 + \lambda)y = 0 \tag{2}$$

$$5 + 3\lambda z - 5\lambda - 3z = 0 \tag{3}$$

For (1),

$$(2 + \lambda)x - 3\lambda x = 0 \iff 2(1 - \lambda)x = 0 \iff \lambda = 1,$$

because this condition is true for every $(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3$. Similarly, (2) gives

$$3y - (2 + \lambda)y = 0 \iff (1 - \lambda)y = 0 \iff \lambda = 1,$$

because this condition is true for every $(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3$. Finally, (3) yields

$$5 + 3\lambda z - 5\lambda - 3z = 0 \iff (1 - \lambda)(5 - 3z) = 0 \iff \lambda = 1,$$

because this condition is true for every $(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3$.

We conclude that the vector field F derives from a potential if, and only if, $\lambda = 1$.

2. Following the previous point, necessarily $\lambda = 1$. We set $F = \text{grad}\phi$ and resolve:

$$\partial_x \phi = x^2 + 5\lambda y + 3yz \stackrel{!}{=} F_1 = x^2 + 5\lambda y + 3yz \implies \phi(x, y, z) = \frac{x^3}{3} + 5yx + 3xyz + \alpha_1(y, z)$$

$$\partial_y \phi = 5x + 3xz + \partial_y \alpha_1(y, z) \stackrel{!}{=} F_2 = 5x + 3xz - 2 \implies \phi(x, y, z) = \frac{x^3}{3} + 5yx + 3xyz - 2y + \alpha_2(z)$$

$$\partial_z \phi = 3xy + \partial_z \alpha_2(z) \stackrel{!}{=} F_3 = 3xy - 4z \implies \phi(x, y, z) = \frac{x^3}{3} + 5yx + 3xyz - 2y - 2z^2 + \alpha_3.$$

The condition $\phi(3, 2, -1) = 0$ implies

$$0 = \phi(3, 2, -1) = 9 + 15 - 18 - 2 + \alpha_3 \iff \alpha_3 = 4.$$

The sought potential is then:

$$\phi(x, y, z) = \frac{x^3}{3} + 5yx + 3xyz - 2y - 2z^2 + 4.$$

Common mistakes: part 1

- Forgetting to remark on the requirement for convex and/or simply connected domain.
- Mistakes in the sign while computing the curl.
- Adding together the three components instead of writing it as a vector (it was a system of 3 equations, not a single equation).

Common mistakes: part 2

- Mistakes in the integration constants like leaving out dependence on x, y, z , introducing multiple constants when only one is needed, or not explaining how they went from $\alpha(y, z), \beta(x, z), \gamma(x, y)$ to the final form of the potential.
- Minor mistakes in the integration for the $2y, 2z^2$ terms.
- Arithmetic mistakes in the computation of the constant final constant for fixing $\phi(3, 1, -2) = 0$, or forgetting entirely to compute the constant.

Question 8.

We start computing $\iint_S \text{curl} F \cdot ds$.

A parameterization of the upper semi-sphere is just given by $\sigma(\theta, \varphi) = (3 \cos \theta \sin \varphi, 3 \sin \theta \sin \varphi, 3 \cos \varphi)$ with $(\theta, \varphi) \in [0, 2\pi] \times [0, \pi/2] =: A$. We compute

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_\theta &= (-3 \sin \theta \sin \varphi, 3 \cos \theta \sin \varphi, 0) \\ \sigma_\varphi &= (3 \cos \theta \cos \varphi, 3 \sin \theta \cos \varphi, -3 \sin \varphi),\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\sigma_\theta \wedge \sigma_\varphi = \begin{pmatrix} -9 \cos \theta \sin^2 \varphi \\ -9 \sin \theta \sin^2 \varphi \\ -9 \sin \varphi \cos \varphi \end{pmatrix}.$$

In addition, $\text{curl} F = (0, 0, -2)$. Thus

$$\begin{aligned}\iint_S \text{curl} F \cdot ds &= -2 \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{\pi/2} -9 \sin \varphi \cos \varphi d\varphi d\theta \\ &= 2 \cdot 9 \cdot 2\pi \cdot \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\pi/2} \sin 2\varphi d\varphi = 18\pi \left[-\frac{1}{2} \cos(2\varphi) \right]_0^{\pi/2} = 18\pi.\end{aligned}$$

Now we compute $\int_C F \cdot dl$, with $C = \sigma(\partial A) = \Gamma_1 \cup \Gamma_2 \cup \Gamma_3 \cup \Gamma_4$, where

$$\begin{aligned}\Gamma_1 &= \{\sigma(\theta, 0) = (0, 0, 3) \mid \theta : 0 \rightarrow 2\pi\} & \Gamma_2 &= \{\sigma(2\pi, \varphi) = (3 \sin \varphi, 0, 3 \cos \varphi) \mid \varphi : 0 \rightarrow \pi/2\} \\ \Gamma_3 &= \{\sigma(\theta, \pi/2) = (3 \cos \theta, 3 \sin \theta, 0) \mid \theta : 2\pi \rightarrow 0\} & \Gamma_4 &= \{\sigma(0, \varphi) = (3 \sin \varphi, 0, 3 \cos \varphi) \mid \varphi : \pi/2 \rightarrow 0\}\end{aligned}$$

It is clear that Γ_1 is a point and that the curves Γ_2 and Γ_4 have the same image but with opposite senses. Thus, the boundary positively oriented of the semi-sphere is given by Γ_3 , whose parameterization is obtained as $\gamma(t) = (3 \cos(2\pi - t), 3 \sin(2\pi - t), 0)$, $t \in [0, 2\pi]$. In addition, $\gamma'(t) = (3 \sin(2\pi - t), -3 \cos(2\pi - t), 0)$. We have then:

$$\begin{aligned}\int_C F \cdot dl &= \int_0^{2\pi} F(\gamma(t)) \cdot \gamma'(t) dt \\ &= \int_0^{2\pi} (-3 \sin t, -3 \cos t, 0) \cdot (-3 \sin t, -3 \cos t, 0) dt \\ &= \int_0^{2\pi} (9 \sin^2(t) + 9 \cos^2(t)) dt = 9 \int_0^{2\pi} dt \\ &= 18\pi\end{aligned}$$

Then, the equality is verified:

$$\iint_S \text{curl} F \cdot ds = \int_C F \cdot dl.$$

Common mistakes

- $\text{curl}F$:

- $\text{curl}F(x, y, z) = (0, 0, \frac{d}{dx}F_y - \frac{d}{dy}F_x) = (0, 0, -1 - 1) = (0, 0, -2) \neq (0, 0, 2)$

- $(\text{curl}F)(\sigma(\theta, \varphi)) = (0, 0, -2) \neq (0, 0, -6 \cos \phi)$

Warning: $\text{curl}F$ is the constant vector $(0, 0, -2)$ for every $(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3$, *i.e.*, when we evaluate it at the point $\sigma(\theta, \varphi)$, it is equal to $(0, 0, -2)$.

- Normal vector: during the course we defined

$$\int_S \text{curl}F \cdot ds = \int_A (\text{curl}F)(\sigma(\theta, \varphi)) \cdot (\sigma_\theta \wedge \sigma_\varphi) d\theta d\varphi,$$

i.e., for computing the integral, it is not necessary to choose the outer normal vector, but simply $\sigma_\theta \wedge \sigma_\varphi$. If we use the parameterization given in the exercise, $\sigma_\theta \wedge \sigma_\varphi$ is an inner normal vector and it is not necessary to change its orientation. If we modify the parameterization of the exercise and consider, *e.g.*, $\sigma(\varphi, \theta)$ instead of $\sigma(\theta, \varphi)$, then $\sigma_\varphi \wedge \sigma_\theta$ is an outer normal vector.

- ∂S : with the exercise's parameterization, the parameterization of the boundary is given by $\gamma(t) = (3 \cos t, -3 \sin t, 0)$ and not $\tilde{\gamma}(t) = (3 \cos t, 3 \sin t, 0)$.

Question 9.

- The function is even thus $b_k = 0$ for $k \geq 1$.
- a_0

$$\begin{aligned} a_0 &= \frac{2}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) dx = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} (1 + \cos(2x) + |x|) dx \\ &= 2 + \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} |x| dx = 2 + \pi \end{aligned}$$

- $a_k, k \geq 1$

The Fourier series is a linear operator; then

$$F(1 + \cos(2x) + |x|) = F(1 + \cos(2x)) + F(|x|).$$

We denote by \bar{a}_k the coefficients of $F(1 + \cos(2x))$ and by \tilde{a}_k the coefficients of $F(|x|)$. As $1 + \cos(2x)$ is a trigonometric polynomial, it is straightforward to realize that $F(1 + \cos(2x)) = 1 + \cos(2x)$, and that $\bar{a}_2 = 1$ and $\bar{a}_k = 0$ for every $k \neq 0, 2$. We now compute \tilde{a}_k ($k \neq 0$):

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{a}_k &= \frac{2}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |x| \cos(kx) dx = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} x \cos(kx) dx \\ &= \frac{2}{\pi} \left(\frac{1}{k} x \sin(kx) \Big|_0^{\pi} - \frac{1}{k} \int_0^{\pi} \sin(kx) dx \right) \\ &= \frac{2}{\pi k^2} \left[\cos(kx) \right]_0^{\pi} = \frac{2}{\pi k^2} ((-1)^k - 1) \end{aligned}$$

Finally, $a_k = \bar{a}_k + \tilde{a}_k$ and we conclude:

$$\begin{cases} a_0 = 2 + \pi \\ a_2 = \bar{a}_2 + \tilde{a}_2 = 1 \\ a_{2k} = \bar{a}_{2k} + \tilde{a}_{2k} = 0 & \text{for } k \geq 2 \\ a_{2k+1} = \bar{a}_{2k+1} + \tilde{a}_{2k+1} = -\frac{4}{\pi(2k+1)^2} & \text{for } k \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

Common mistakes

- Some coefficients (a_0 and a_2) must be treated separately,
- Use the following wrong statement “even function $\Rightarrow a_n = 0$ ”.
- The domain in the exercise was $[-\pi, \pi]$ and not $[0, 2\pi]$. In particular the function $|x|$ over the domain $[-\pi, \pi]$ and extended by periodicity is not the same as $|x|$ over the domain $[0, 2\pi]$ and extended by periodicity.

Question 10.

1. The function $f(x)$ is 2π -periodic and piecewise regular. Using Parseval's theorem, and the identities provided in the question, we get:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} (x^3)^2 dx &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n^2 = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{4\pi^4}{n^2} - \frac{48\pi^2}{n^4} + \frac{144}{n^6} \\ &= 4\pi^4 \frac{\pi^2}{6} - 48\pi^2 \frac{\pi^4}{90} + 144 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^6} \\ &= \frac{2\pi^6}{15} + 144 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^6}, \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

On the other hand,

$$\frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} x^6 dx = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} x^6 dx = \frac{2}{7\pi} \pi^7 = \frac{2\pi^6}{7}. \quad (5)$$

Finally, making (4) equal to (5), we obtain:

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^6} = \frac{\pi^6}{945}.$$

2. We set $h(x) = x^4/4$. It is clear that $Fh(x) = Fg(x)/4$ (this equality holds for the coefficients term by term). We denote a_k^h and b_k^h the Fourier coefficients of $Fh(x)$, a_k^f and b_k^f , a_k^g and b_k^g those of Ff and Fg , respectively. As h is even, $b_k^h = 0$ for every $k \geq 1$. In addition, for $k \geq 1$,

$$\begin{aligned} a_k^h &= \frac{2}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{x^4}{4} \cos(kx) dx \\ &= \left[\frac{x^4}{4\pi k} \sin(kx) \right]_{-\pi}^{\pi} - \frac{1}{k\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} x^3 \sin(kx) dx \\ &= -\frac{1}{k} b_k^f \end{aligned}$$

Finally, we directly compute a_0^g :

$$a_0^g = \frac{2}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} x^4 dx = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} x^4 dx = \frac{2}{\pi} \left[\frac{x^5}{5} \right]_0^{\pi} = \frac{2\pi^4}{5}$$

We conclude

$$a_0^g = \frac{2\pi^4}{5}, \text{ and } \begin{cases} a_k^g = 4a_k^h & = -\frac{4}{k} b_k^f \\ b_k^g = 0 \end{cases} \text{ pour } k \geq 1$$

Common mistakes: part 1

- State Parseval's theorem with the integration bounds $(0, 2\pi)$ instead of $(-\pi, \pi)$.
- To forget the coefficient $\frac{2}{2T}$ in front of the integral.
- To forget the square of the function in Parseval's theorem.
- Incorrect computation of b_n^2 .

Common mistakes: part 2

- Forgetting the coefficient 4 in the equality between the Fourier coefficients of f and g .
- Incorrect computation of a_0 .

Question 11.

We reformule the equation

$$2u(x) + 3f \star u(x) = f(x),$$

with $f(x) = e^{-|x|}$. Applying the Fourier transform we obtain

$$2\hat{u}(\alpha) + \sqrt{2\pi} \cdot 3\hat{f}(\alpha)\hat{u}(\alpha) = \hat{f},$$

with the convention $\hat{g}(\alpha) = \mathcal{F}[g](\alpha)$. We isolate \hat{u} and obtain:

$$\hat{u}(\alpha) = \frac{\hat{f}(\alpha)}{2 + 3\hat{f}(\alpha)\sqrt{2\pi}}.$$

In addition,

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{f}(\alpha) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-|t|} e^{-i\alpha t} dt \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \left(\int_{-\infty}^0 e^{(1-i\alpha)t} dt + \int_0^{\infty} e^{-(1+i\alpha)t} dt \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \left[\frac{1}{1-i\alpha} + \frac{1}{1+i\alpha} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \frac{2}{1+\alpha^2}.\end{aligned}$$

Thus:

$$\hat{u}(\alpha) = \frac{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \frac{2}{1+\alpha^2}}{2 + 3 \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \frac{2}{1+\alpha^2} \sqrt{2\pi}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}(4 + \alpha^2)}.$$

Finally, we conclude

$$\begin{aligned}u(x) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}} \mathcal{F}^{-1} \left(\sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \frac{1}{2^2 + \alpha^2} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \frac{e^{-|2x|}}{2} = \frac{e^{-2|x|}}{4}.\end{aligned}$$

Common mistakes

- Most common error: at the end, after correctly identifying the table's line, to use $e^{-2|x|} = e^{-2x}$.
- To forget the factor $\sqrt{2\pi}$ when applying the Fourier transform to a convolution product
 $\mathcal{F}(f \star g) = \sqrt{2\pi} \mathcal{F}(f) \cdot \mathcal{F}(g)$
- To forget the factor 3 in the equation when applying the Fourier transform.

- To not use the table of Fourier transform for turning back to the space domain (solution expressed in the Fourier transform form).
- Wrong use of the table. In particular, line 3 instead of line 7.
- After a precedent calculation mistake, it is possible to find a solution of \hat{u} such that, its inverse Fourier transform is given by:

$$u(x) = \begin{cases} e^{-|wx|} & \text{if } x > 0 \quad (w > 0) \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

(Given by the table.) Frequently, the students concluded that $u(x) = e^{-|wx|}$ without specifying the case $x < 0$.

- Common calculation mistakes:

$$2 + \frac{6}{1 + \alpha^2} = \frac{2\alpha^2 + 7}{\alpha^2 + 1}$$

$$\frac{1}{2\alpha^2 + 8} = \frac{2}{\alpha^2 + 4}$$