

Problem Set 9

DUE: Thurs. Nov. 19 in class. [Late papers will be accepted (without penalty) until 1:00 PM Friday.]

Please carefully read Chapter 9 in the Marsden-Hoffman text.

The following short answer problems from Marsden-Hoffman are not assigned, but you should know how to do them. Some short answer problems will be on our exams.

p. 466 #3, p. 469 #2, p. 490 #5, p. 505 #4, p. 508 #3, p. 508 #5, p. 512 #5

1. In the plane \mathbb{R}^2 , prove that the points on the graph of the curve $y = x^2$ have measure zero.

2. Determine if the following improper integrals converge or converge absolutely. Justify your assertions.

a) $\int_1^{\infty} \frac{\sin x}{1+x} dx$

b) $\int_1^{\infty} \frac{\sin x}{1+x^2} dx$

3. Let $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a continuous function with $f(x) \geq 0$. If the improper integral $\int_0^{\infty} f(x) dx$ exists, then $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = 0$. Proof or counterexample.

4. [Marsden-Hoffman, p. 493 #35] Let $A_n = [(n+1) + (n+2) + \cdots + (n+n)]/n$. Prove that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n/n = 3/2$. [SUGGESTION: Use the Riemann integral.]

5. [Marsden-Hoffman, p. 494 #41] Let $\mathcal{R} = \{f : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \mid f \text{ is Riemann Integrable} \}$ and define

$$d(f, g) = \int_0^1 |f(x) - g(x)| dx.$$

Is d a metric on the space \mathcal{R} ? Why?

6. [Marsden-Hoffman p. 495 #47] For every $\alpha > 0$, compare $\int_0^N x^\alpha dx$ with $\sum_{n=1}^N n^\alpha$ and $\sum_{n=0}^{N-1} n^\alpha$ and hence determine

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N^{1+\alpha}} \sum_{n=1}^N n^\alpha.$$

7. Let $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be an invertible continuous function, $y = f(x)$ and let $\int_a^b f(x) dx = F(b) - F(a)$, so $F' = f$. Say $x = \varphi(y)$ is the inverse function of f . Let $\alpha = F(a)$ and $\beta = F(b)$.

a) Show that

$$\int_{\alpha}^{\beta} \varphi(y) dy + \int_a^b f(x) dx = bf(b) - af(a).$$

Equivalently,

$$\int_{\alpha}^{\beta} \varphi(y) dy = bf(b) - af(a) - [F(b) - F(a)].$$

Thus, if you can explicitly integrate a function, you can also integrate the inverse function.

b) Apply this to the examples $y = x^2$ and $y = e^x$.

8. Let $f(x) \in C([a, b])$. Show that

$$\exp \left[\frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx \right] \leq \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b \exp[f(x)] dx$$

Similarly, let $\mathcal{D} \in \mathbb{R}^2$ be a bounded region whose boundary is smooth enough that the integrals below all exist. Define the *average*, \bar{h} , of a continuous function h by $\bar{h} = \frac{1}{\text{Area}(\mathcal{D})} \iint_{\mathcal{D}} h dA$, where dA is the usual element of area. Show that

$$\frac{1}{\text{Area}(\mathcal{D})} \iint_{\mathcal{D}} e^h dA \geq e^{\bar{h}}$$

9. If A is a positive definite 2×2 matrix and $b \in \mathbb{R}^2$ is any vector, show that the improper integral

$$\iint_{\mathbb{R}^2} e^{-[\langle x, Ax \rangle + \langle b, x \rangle]} dx dy$$

exists. [Challenge: find an explicit formula for this in terms of A and b .]

10. a) Compute

$$\iint_{\mathbb{R}^2} \frac{dx dy}{(1 + 4x^2 + 9y^2)^2}, \quad \iint_{\mathbb{R}^2} \frac{dx dy}{(1 + x^2 + 2xy + 5y^2)^2}, \quad \iint_{\mathbb{R}^2} \frac{dx dy}{(1 + 5x^2 - 4xy + 5y^2)^2}.$$

b) Compute $\iint_{\mathbb{R}^2} \frac{dx_1 dx_2}{[1 + \langle x, Cx \rangle]^2}$, where C is a positive definite (symmetric) 2×2 matrix, and $x = (x_1, x_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2$.

11. [GENERALIZATION OF THE PREVIOUS PROBLEM] Let $h(t)$ be a given function and say you know that $\int_0^{\infty} h(t) dt = \alpha$.

a) If C be a positive definite 2×2 matrix. Show that

$$\iint_{\mathbb{R}^2} h(\langle x, Cx \rangle) dA = \frac{\pi \alpha}{\sqrt{\det C}}.$$

b) Generalize this to obtain a formula for

$$\iint_{\mathbb{R}^n} h(\langle x, Cx \rangle) dV,$$

where now C be a positive definite $n \times n$ matrix. The answer will involve some integral involving h and also the “area” of the unit sphere S^{n-1} in \mathbb{R}^n .

12. a) Compute $\iint_{\mathbb{R}^2} e^{-(5x^2-4xy+5y^2)} dx dy$. b) Compute $\iint_{\mathbb{R}^2} e^{-(5x^2-4xy+5y^2-2x+3)} dx dy$.

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