

Differential Calculus Problem Set 3

1. Verify Green's Theorem in the plane for $\oint_C [(x^2 - xy^3)dx + (y^2 - 2xy)dy]$, where C is a rectangle with vertices at $(-1, -2)$, $(1, -2)$, $(1, 1)$ and $(-1, 1)$. [15]
2. Determine the surface area of the plane $2x + y + 4z = 16$ cut off by (a) $x = 0$, $y = 0$, $x = 2$, $y = 3$, (b) $x^2 + y^2 = 64$. Begin by sketching the surface in each case. [6]
3. A sphere of radius a has its centre at the origin. The charge per unit area on the sphere is given by $\sigma = x^2 + 2y^2$. Find the total charge on the sphere. [7]
4. Evaluate $\int_{-5}^5 \int_{-5}^5 5xy\delta(x-2)\delta(y+3) dx dy$. [4]
5. By considering $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) \frac{d(\delta(x))}{dx} dx$ and $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) \frac{\delta(x)}{x} dx$ verify that $\frac{d}{dx} \delta(x) = -\frac{1}{x} \delta(x)$. (Hint: make a Taylor expansion of function f as a function of x about $x = 0$ and note that $\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{\delta(x)}{x} dx = 0$ since the integrand is an odd function of x). [9]
6. Show that the value of the integral $\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{n}{\pi(1+n^2x^2)} dx$ does not depend upon the value of n . [4]