

MAT 367S – Mock Midterm Test #2

4:00 – 4:50 (+20min to upload your work), March 24, 2020

No tools allowed. The test will not be graded.

Problem #1:

a) Find the integral $\int_{\gamma} \alpha$ of

$$\alpha = dz + ydx \in \Omega^1(\mathbb{R}^3)$$

along the path

$$\gamma: [0, 2\pi] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3, \quad \gamma(t) = (\cos t, \sin t, t^2).$$

b) Is α closed? exact? Explain **briefly**.

Problem #2:

a) Show that the function

$$\Phi(t, x) = \left(\sqrt[3]{x} + t\right)^3,$$

is the flow $\Phi_t(x) = \Phi(t, x)$ of a vector field on $\{x \mid x \neq 0\} \subset \mathbb{R}$.

b) Find the vector field on $\{x \mid x \neq 0\} \subset \mathbb{R}$ having the flow $\Phi_t(x)$ from part a).

c) Is this vector field complete? Explain **briefly**.

Problem #3:

Consider the following coordinate transformation on \mathbb{R}^2 ,

$$u = -2x - 7y, \quad v = x + 5y.$$

Express the coordinate vector fields

$$\partial/\partial x, \partial/\partial y$$

for the (x, y) coordinates in terms of the coordinate vector fields

$$\partial/\partial u, \partial/\partial v$$

for the (u, v) coordinates.

Problem #4: Consider the following vector fields on $\mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{0\}$,

$$X = -y \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + x \frac{\partial}{\partial y}, \quad Y = x \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial}{\partial y}.$$

Find a 1-form $\alpha \in \Omega^1(\mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{0\})$ such that

$$\alpha(X) = 0, \quad \alpha(Y) = -1.$$

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Problem #5:

a) Compute the Lie brackets $[X, Y]$, $[[X, Y], Y]$, and $[[[X, Y], Y], Y]$ of the following two vector fields on \mathbb{R}^3 .

$$X = \frac{\partial}{\partial z} + y^3 \frac{\partial}{\partial x}, \quad Y = \frac{\partial}{\partial y}.$$

b) Explain **briefly** if there can be a 2-dimensional submanifold $S \subset \mathbb{R}^3$ such that X, Y are everywhere tangent to S .