Math 225 Multivariable Calculus and Analytic Geometry II Spring 2012

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Text Calculus: Multivariable (5th ed.)

Hughes-Hallett et al.

Calculator TI-85 or higher

Course content

This course is a continuation of Multivariable Calculus I (MATH 224). We will cover Sections 16.3, 16.5, 16.7 and Chapters 17–20 of the book. The two main themes are **analytic geometry** and **vector calculus**. Vector calculus is central to many areas of theoretical physics: for instance, **Maxwell's equations**, connecting electric and magnetic fields, are written in the language of vector calculus.

Some of the most useful tools in vector calculus are **Green's theorem**, **Stokes' theorem** and the **Divergence theorem**. These are generalizations of the fundamental theorem of calculus. We will spend much time understanding and applying these theorems.

Exams

Midterm 1 Friday 20 AprilMidterm 2 Friday 18 May

Final Tuesday 5 June 8–10 am

Grading

The midterms are each worth 20%, and the final is worth 30%. In addition, there will be six 30 minute quizzes on 30 March, 6 April, 27 April, 4 May, 11 May, and 25 May, which are worth 5% each. If you feel too ill to take an exam, don't take it, but bring a doctor's certificate to me when you feel better and I will make arrangements.

Office hours

My office hours are 3-3:50 on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays, in 216 Bond Hall. My phone number is 650~7569 and my e-mail is amites.sarkar@wwu.edu

Course Objectives

The successful student will demonstrate:

- 1. Understanding of the analytic ideas behind the definite integral of a multivariable function, including its definition as a limit of Riemann sums.
- 2. Competence in the computation of multiple integrals, including integration in cylindrical and spherical coordinates, and the ability to choose a convenient system of coordinates.
- 3. Ability to use parametrization to represent curves and surfaces.
- 4. Ability to use parameterizations of curves to study the motion of a particle and to solve geometric problems.
- 5. Understanding of the basic concept of a vector field, and familiarity with examples of vector fields.
- 6. Ability to determine whether a vector field is the gradient of a function, and, if so, the ability to find such a function.
- 7. Competence in the use of Green's theorem, Stokes' theorem and the Divergence theorem.
- 8. Understanding of the analytic ideas and of the geometrical and physical interpretations of line and flux integrals.
- 9. Competence in the computation of line and flux integrals.
- 10. Competence in the computation of the divergence and the curl of a vector field, and understanding of their physical interpretations.

Relation to Overall Program Goals

Among other things, this course will (i) enhance your problem-solving skills; (ii) help you recognize that a problem can have different useful representations (graphical, numerical, or symbolic); (iii) increase your appreciation of the role of mathematics in the sciences and the real world; (iv) inform you about the historical context of the area of mathematics studied.