

M273Q Multivariable Calculus
An Old Exam 2

Name and section: Key

Instructor's name: _____

Instructions: Closed book. No calculator allowed. Double-sided exam. NO CELL PHONES.
Show all work and use correct notation to receive full credit! Write legibly.

1. (2 credit ___) Let $f(x, y, z) = \sin(xyz) - x - 2y - 3z$. Note that

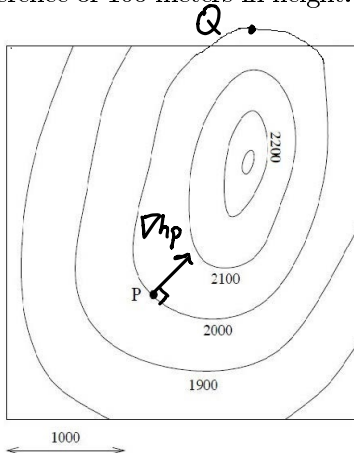
$$\nabla f(x, y, z) = \langle -1 + yz \cos(xyz), -2 + xz \cos(xyz), -3 + xy \cos(xyz) \rangle.$$

Find an equation for the tangent plane to the surface $\sin(xyz) = x + 2y + 3z$ at the point $(2, -1, 0)$.

Let $P = (2, -1, 0)$. Then, $\nabla f_P = \langle -1, -2, -5 \rangle$

$$-(x-2) - 2(y+1) - 5z = 0$$

2. On the topographical map below, the level curves for the height function $h(x, y)$ are marked (in meters); adjacent level curves represent a difference of 100 meters in height. A scale is given.



(a) (1 credit ___) At the point P , sketch a vector pointing in the direction of the gradient of h .

(b) (1 credit ___) Mark on the map a point Q at which $h = 2000$, $\frac{\partial h}{\partial x} = 0$ and $\frac{\partial h}{\partial y} < 0$.

$\frac{\partial h}{\partial x} = 0$ means that a small change in the positive x -direction won't change the altitude.

$\frac{\partial h}{\partial y} < 0$ means that a small change in the positive y -direction will decrease the altitude.

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3. (2 credit ___) Let

$$w(x, y, z) = xy + yz + zx, \quad x(r, \theta) = r \cos \theta, \quad y(r, \theta) = r \sin \theta, \quad z(r, \theta) = r\theta.$$

Find $\frac{\partial w}{\partial r}$, where $r = 2, \theta = \pi/2$. Let $p = (r, \theta) = (2, \frac{\pi}{2})$. Then,

$$\begin{aligned} x(p) &= 0 & \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} \Big|_p &= y + z \Big|_p = \pi + 2 & \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} \Big|_p &= x + z \Big|_p = \pi \\ y(p) &= 2 & & & & \\ z(p) &= \pi & \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} \Big|_p &= x + y \Big|_p = 2 & \frac{\partial x}{\partial r} \Big|_p &= \cos \theta \Big|_p = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{\partial y}{\partial r} \Big|_p = \sin \theta \Big|_p = 1 \quad \frac{\partial z}{\partial r} \Big|_p = \theta \Big|_p = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\frac{\partial w}{\partial r} \Big|_p = \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial r} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial r} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} \frac{\partial z}{\partial r} \Big|_p = 2\pi$$

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4. Evaluate the limit or show that the limit does not exist.

(a) (1 credit ___) $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{x^2}{x^2 + y^2}$ "0/0" Approach along the line $y = mx$, where $m \in \mathbb{R}$:

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{x^2}{x^2 + y^2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^2}{x^2 + m^2 x^2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{1+m^2} \Rightarrow \text{DNE} \quad \text{The limit does not exist}$$

because the value depends on m , the slope of the line. e.g.
If $(0,0)$ is approached on the $y=0$, then the answer is 1 but if approached along $y=x$ then the value is $\frac{1}{2}$. Thus, different paths produce different values, i.e. the limit is path-dependent and therefore does not exist.

(b) (1 credit ___) $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (1,1)} \frac{4+x-y}{3+x-3y}$ The expression $\frac{4+x-y}{3+x-3y}$ is defined at $(1,1)$.
So, direct substitution:

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (1,1)} \frac{4+x-y}{3+x-3y} = \frac{4}{1} = \underline{\underline{4}}$$

5. (2 credit ___) Given that $x^3 z - 3xy^2 - (yz)^3 = -3$ find $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}$.

Define $F = x^3 z - 3xy^2 - y^3 z^3$. Then, $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = -\frac{F_x}{F_z}$

where $F_x = 3x^2 z - 3y^2$ and $F_z = x^3 - 3y^3 z^2$. Thus,

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = -\frac{3x^2 z - 3y^2}{x^3 - 3y^3 z^2}$$

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6. (3 credit ___) Find all critical points of $f(x, y) = x^2 + \frac{1}{3}y^3 - 2xy - 3y$ and classify them (local maximum, local minimum, or saddle) using the Second Derivative Test.

$$f_x = 2x - 2y \quad f_y = y^2 - 2x - 3 \quad f_{xy} = -2 = f_{yx}$$

$$f_{xx} = 2 \quad f_{yy} = 2y \quad D = 4y - 4 = 4(y-1)$$

f_x and f_y are continuous on \mathbb{R}^2 , so:

$$2x - 2y = 0 \quad y^2 - 2x - 3 = 0$$

$$y = x \quad x^2 - 2x - 3 = 0$$

$$(x-3)(x+1) = 0 \Rightarrow x = 3 \text{ or } x = -1$$

$$\Rightarrow (3, 3) \text{ or } (-1, -1).$$

$$D(3, 3) = 8 > 0 \text{ and } f_{xx} > 0 \Rightarrow \text{local minimum at } (3, 3)$$

$$D(-1, -1) = -8 < 0 \Rightarrow \text{saddle at } \underline{\underline{(-1, -1)}}$$

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7. (3 credit ___) Find the coordinates of the points on the ellipse $\frac{x^2}{8} + \frac{y^2}{2} = 1$ at which the function $f(x, y) = xy$ is maximized and those at which f is minimized.

$$f(x, y) = xy \leftarrow \text{objective function.} \quad g(x, y) = \frac{1}{8}x^2 + \frac{1}{2}y^2 - 1 = 0 \leftarrow \text{constraint function.}$$

$$\nabla f = \lambda \nabla g$$

$$\langle y, x \rangle = \lambda \langle \frac{1}{4}x, y \rangle$$

$$y = \frac{\lambda}{4}x$$

$$x = \lambda y$$

$$\Rightarrow y = \frac{\lambda}{4}(\lambda y)$$

$$y - \frac{\lambda^2}{4}y = 0$$

$$y(1 - \frac{\lambda^2}{4}) = 0 \Rightarrow y = 0 \text{ or } \lambda = \pm 2.$$

If $y = 0$ then $x = 0$, so $(0, 0)$. But $g(0, 0) \neq 0$, so this is extraneous.

If $\lambda = \pm 2$ then $y = \pm \frac{1}{2}x$.

If $y = \frac{1}{2}x$ then $\frac{1}{8}x^2 + \frac{1}{8}x^2 = 1$ and so, $x = \pm 2$ and $y = \pm 1$,

and therefore: $(\pm 2, \pm 1)$.

If $y = -\frac{1}{2}x$ then $\frac{1}{8}x^2 + \frac{1}{8}x^2 = 1$ and so, $x = \pm 2$ and $y = \mp 1$,

and therefore: $(\pm 2, \mp 1)$.

$f(\pm 2, \pm 1) = (\pm 2)(\pm 1) = 2 \Rightarrow$ Absolute maximum of 2 at $(\pm 2, \pm 1)$.

$f(\pm 2, \mp 1) = (\pm 2)(\mp 1) = -2 \Rightarrow$ Absolute minimum of -2 at $(\pm 2, \mp 1)$

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8. Your house lies on the surface $z = f(x, y) = 2x^2 - y^2$ directly above the point $(4, 3)$ in the xy -plane.

(a) (1 credit ___) How high above the xy -plane do you live?

$$f(4, 3) = 32 - 9 = \underline{\underline{23}}$$

(b) (1 credit ___) Calculate the gradient of f at the point $(4, 3)$.

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla f &= \langle 4x, -2y \rangle \\ \nabla f(4, 3) &= \langle 16, -6 \rangle\end{aligned}$$

(c) (1 credit ___) What is the slope of your lawn as you look from your house directly toward the z -axis (that is, along the vector $\langle -4, -3 \rangle$)?

$$\text{Let } \vec{u} = \left\langle -\frac{4}{5}, -\frac{3}{5} \right\rangle$$

$$\begin{aligned}D_{\vec{u}} f &= \nabla f \cdot \vec{u} \\ &= \langle 16, -6 \rangle \cdot \left\langle -\frac{4}{5}, -\frac{3}{5} \right\rangle \\ &= \frac{-64 + 18}{5} = -\frac{46}{5}\end{aligned}$$

(d) (1 credit ___) When you wash your car in the driveway, on this surface above the point $(4, 3)$, which way does the water run off? (Give your answer as a two-dimensional vector.)

$$\begin{aligned}-\nabla f(4, 3) &= -\langle 16, -6 \rangle \\ &= \langle -16, 6 \rangle\end{aligned}$$

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