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and how well you organize your solutions.**

Instructions:

1. Complete the information section above, indicating your instructor's name by a checkmark in the appropriate box.
2. Answer all questions. Two marks of each question are for exposition.
3. This examination has 8 pages.

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Questions	Maximum	Mark
1	18	18
2	12	12
3	14	14
4	14	14
5	27	26
6	15	10
Total	100	94

explanations

[18] 1. A function f is defined by

$$f(x, y) = (x - 2y)^2$$

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a) Sketch the level curves for $C = 0, 1, 2$.

$$f(x, y) = x^2 - 4xy + 4y^2$$

... parabolic cylinder, rotated

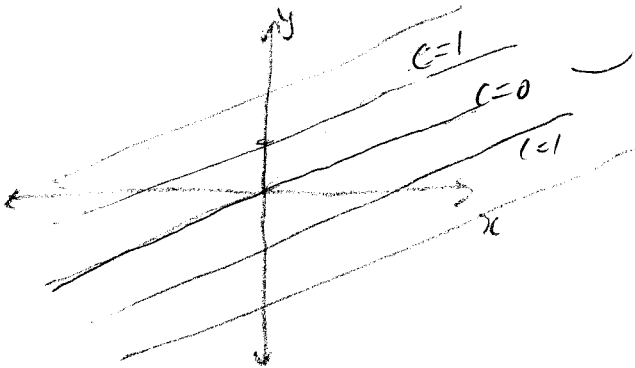
$$C=0: 0 = (x - 2y)^2 \Rightarrow x = 2y, x, y = 0$$

$$C=1: 1 = (x - 2y)^2$$

$$1 = \pm(x - 2y)$$

$$1 = x - 2y \Rightarrow y = \frac{1}{2} - x$$

$$1 = 2y - x \Rightarrow y = \frac{1}{2} + x$$



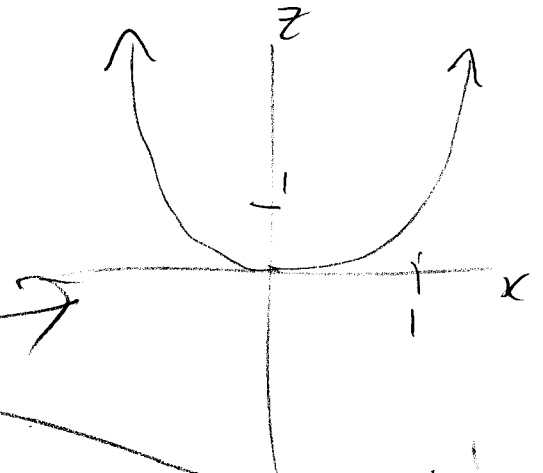
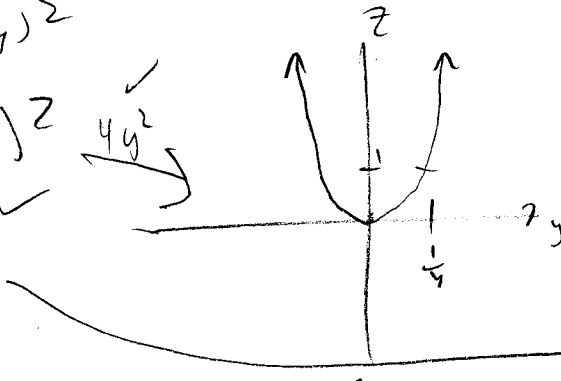
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b) Sketch the cross-sections with the $x = 0$ and $y = 0$ planes.

$$z = (x - 2y)^2$$

$$z = (-2y)^2 \xrightarrow{4y^2}$$

$$z = x^2$$



$$x^2 - 4yx + 4y^2$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = 2x - 4y$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = 8y - 4x$$

c) Determine the equation of the tangent plane to the surface $z = f(x, y)$ at the point $(1, 1, 1)$.

$$z = f(a, b) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x-a) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(y-b)$$

$(1, 1, 1)$

$$z = 1 + (-2)(x-1) + (4)(y-1)$$

$$z = 1 - 2(x-1) + 4(y-1)$$

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[12] 2. The volume of a silo is given by

$$V(r, h) = \frac{2}{3}\pi r^3 + \pi r^2 h$$

where r is the radius and h is the height of its cylindrical wall.

a) Suppose the silo has a radius 5 m and a height 25 m. Estimate by linear approximation the change ΔV in volume if the radius is decreased by 0.1 m and the height is increased by 0.1 m.

$$\Delta V = \frac{\partial V}{\partial r} \Delta r + \frac{\partial V}{\partial h} \Delta h \quad \frac{\partial V}{\partial r} = \frac{2}{3}\pi 3r^2 + \pi h 2r \checkmark$$

$$\Delta V = \left[(2\pi)(5\text{m})^2 + \pi(25\text{m})2(5\text{m}) \right](-0.1) + \left[\pi(5\text{m})^2 \right](0.1\text{m}) \quad \frac{\partial V}{\partial h} = \pi r^2 \checkmark$$

$$\Delta V = [50\pi + 250\pi](-0.1) + 25\pi(0.1)\text{m} \checkmark$$

$$\Delta V = -\frac{1}{10}300\pi + 2.5\pi =$$

$$\Delta V = -30\pi + \frac{5}{2}\pi \checkmark$$

b) Discuss the validity of your estimation, i.e. explain why the approximation error is expected to be small.

$V(r, h)$ is differentiable at $(5, 25\text{m})$. (to see this note that the partial derivatives $\frac{\partial V}{\partial r}$ and $\frac{\partial V}{\partial h}$ exist and are continuous at $(5, 25)$.)

By definition this means that the error in the linear approximation $f(x, y) - L(x, y)$ goes to zero faster than the displacement of \vec{x} from \vec{a} as \vec{x} goes to \vec{a} , and that the approximation is a good one.

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- Unique ...

[14] 3. A function is defined by

$$f(x, y) = e^x \sin y + 2x^2y$$

a) Find the directional derivative of $f(x, y)$ at the point $(0, \frac{\pi}{2})$ in the direction of the vector $(3, 4)$.

$$D_{\vec{u}}f(\vec{a}) = \nabla f(\vec{a}) \cdot \vec{u}$$

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$$f_x = e^x \sin y + 4xy \quad ; \quad f_y = e^x \cos y + 2x^2$$

$$\nabla f(0, \frac{\pi}{2}) = (1+0, 0+0) = (1, 0)$$

$$\vec{u} = \frac{(3, 4)}{\|(3, 4)\|} = \frac{(3, 4)}{\sqrt{3^2+4^2}} = (\frac{3}{5}, \frac{4}{5})$$

$$D_{\vec{u}}f(0, \frac{\pi}{2}) = (1, 0) \cdot (\frac{3}{5}, \frac{4}{5}) = \frac{3}{5} + 0 = \frac{3}{5}$$

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b) Find the direction and the rate of the most rapid change of f at $(0, \frac{\pi}{2})$.

* Direction of most rapid increase is the direction of the gradient

* Magnitude " " " magnitude "

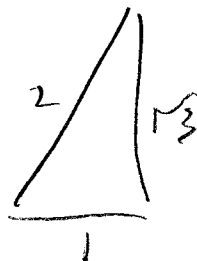
$$\|\nabla f(0, \frac{\pi}{2})\| = \|(1, 0)\| = \sqrt{1^2+0^2} = 1$$

$\frac{6}{6}$ Then the gradient itself is a unit vector, and so it gives its normalized direction.

$$\vec{u} = (1, 0)$$

[14] 4. Suppose $f(x, y)$ is differentiable, and $T(r, \theta) = f(r \cos \theta, r \sin \theta)$.

a) Calculate $\frac{\partial T}{\partial \theta} \left(2, \frac{\pi}{3} \right)$ if $\nabla f(1, \sqrt{3}) = (-1, 1)$.



$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial \theta} = D_1 f r (-\sin \theta) + D_2 f r \cos \theta$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial T}{\partial \theta} \left(2, \frac{\pi}{3} \right) &= (-1)(2) \sin \left(\frac{\pi}{3} \right) + (1)(2) \cos \frac{\pi}{3} = 2 \sin \frac{\pi}{3} + 2 \cos \frac{\pi}{3} \\ &= 2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} + 2 \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} = 1 + \sqrt{3} \quad \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

because $\nabla f(1, \sqrt{3}) = (D_1 f, D_2 f) = (-1, 1)$

(b) Show $\left(\frac{\partial T}{\partial r} \right)^2 + \frac{1}{r^2} \left(\frac{\partial T}{\partial \theta} \right)^2 = \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right)^2$

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial r} = D_1 f \cos \theta + D_2 f \sin \theta$$

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial \theta} = -D_1 f r \sin \theta + D_2 f r \cos \theta$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial T}{\partial r} \right)^2 = (D_1 f \cos \theta)^2 + 2 D_1 f D_2 f \cos \theta \sin \theta + (D_2 f \sin \theta)^2$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial T}{\partial \theta} \right)^2 = (D_1 f r \sin \theta)^2 - 2 D_1 f D_2 f r^2 \sin \theta \cos \theta + (D_2 f r \cos \theta)^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{\partial T}{\partial r} \right)^2 + \frac{1}{r^2} \left(\frac{\partial T}{\partial \theta} \right)^2 &= (D_1 f)^2 \cos^2 \theta + \cancel{2 D_1 f D_2 f \cos \theta \sin \theta} + (D_2 f)^2 \sin^2 \theta \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{r^2} \left((D_1 f)^2 r^2 \sin^2 \theta - \cancel{2 D_1 f D_2 f r^2 \sin \theta \cos \theta} + (D_2 f)^2 r^2 \cos^2 \theta \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$= (D_1 f)^2 \cos^2 \theta + (D_2 f)^2 \sin^2 \theta + (D_1 f)^2 \sin^2 \theta + (D_2 f)^2 \cos^2 \theta$$

$$= (D_1 f)^2 (\cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta) + (D_2 f)^2 (\cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta)$$

$$= (D_1 f)^2 + (D_2 f)^2$$

* which proves the above equation is true.

[27] 5. Let f be defined by

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{x^2 y}{x^2 + y^2}, & (x, y) \neq (0, 0) \\ 0, & (x, y) = (0, 0) \end{cases}$$

a) State the definition of differentiability of a function $f: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ at a given point $\mathbf{a} = (a, b)$.

a function $f: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is differentiable at the point (a, b) iff

a) $D_1 f$ and $D_2 f$ exist ✓

b)
$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (a,b)} \frac{|f(x,y) - L_{(a,b)}(x,y)|}{\|(x,y) - (a,b)\|} = 0$$
 ✓

b) Show that the given function f is continuous at $(0,0)$.

we must show that:

a) $f(0,0)$, $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} f(x,y)$ exist

b) $f(0,0) = \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} f(x,y)$

let $\vec{x} = (x, y)$, $\vec{a} = (0, 0)$

$\lim_{\vec{x} \rightarrow \vec{a}} \frac{x^2 y}{x^2 + y^2}$, limit probably exists, probably equals 0
($f(x,y) \sim \frac{u^3}{u^2}$)

prove that $|f(x,y) - 0| \leq M(x,y)$ for some function $M(x,y)$ in order to show that squeeze theorem

$\lim_{\vec{x} \rightarrow \vec{a}} f(x,y) = \lim_{\vec{x} \rightarrow \vec{a}} M(x,y)$

$$\left| \frac{x^2 y}{x^2 + y^2} \right| \leq \frac{(x^2 + y^2)|y|}{x^2 + y^2} = |y|$$
 (1)

because $\lim_{\vec{x} \rightarrow \vec{a}} |y| = 0$, $\lim_{\vec{x} \rightarrow \vec{a}} f(x,y) = 0 = f(0,0)$, so

$f(x,y)$ is continuous at $(0,0)$

5. c) For the given function f , calculate $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(0,0)$ and $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(0,0)$.

$$f(x,y) = \begin{cases} \frac{x^2 y}{x^2 + y^2} & \text{if } (x,y) \neq (0,0) \\ 0 & \text{if } (x,y) = (0,0) \end{cases}$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(0,0) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(0+h,0) - f(0,0)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{h^2 \cdot 0}{h} = 0$$

BAH! Clearly the top term in $f(a,0)$, $f(h,0)$, and $f(0,b)$ will all be 0 and so $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}$ and $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}$ will both be 0 at $(0,0)$. This is because the cross sections in either case are 0 at the axes and the value of f everywhere else is 0.

d) Is f differentiable at $(0,0)$?

$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{|f(x,y) - L(x,y)|}{\|(x,y) - (0,0)\|}$ must equal 0 too (already proved the other condition, above).

$$L_0(x,y) = f(0,0) + 0(x-0) + 0(y-0) = 0$$

$$g(x,y) = \frac{|f(x,y)|}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} = \frac{|x^2 y|}{(x^2 + y^2) \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} = \frac{x^2 |y|}{(x^2 + y^2)^{3/2}}$$

$$\lim_{\vec{x} \rightarrow \vec{0}} g(x,y)$$

let $y = mx$

$$\frac{x^2 |mx|}{(x^2 + m^2 x^2)^{3/2}} = \frac{|m| |x|^3}{(x^2(1+m^2))^{3/2}} = \frac{|m| |x|^3}{(1+m^2)^{3/2} |x|^3}$$

because $\lim_{\vec{x} \rightarrow \vec{0}} g(x,y)$ depends on m , it is not unique, and therefore doesn't exist.

10 [15] 6. Answer true (T) or false (F) for the following statements. You don't have to justify your answer, but you'll get a penalty of a negative mark of 2 for each wrong answer and zero marks for no answer.

- [F] a) If $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(a,b)$ and $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(a,b)$ exist, then f is continuous at (a,b) .
- [T] b) If $f: R^2 \rightarrow R$ and $\nabla f(a,b) = (0,0)$ for all $(a,b) \in R^2$, then $f(x,y)$ is a constant.
- [T] c) If both $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}$ and $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}$ are continuous at (a,b) , then f is differentiable at (a,b) .
- [F] d) $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (a,b)} f(x,y) = L$ if and only if $f(x,y)$ tends to L when (x,y) approaches (a,b) along any straight line. ball curve
- [X] e) The plane curve $\mathbf{F}(t) = \left(\frac{t^2}{2} + t - 3, \frac{t^2}{2} - t + 5\right)$ intersects the level curve of $f(x,y) = 5x^2 + 3y^2$ orthogonally when $t = 0$. 2