Assignment 8 MAT 257

Q2:

WLOG suppose that  $D_{12}f - D_{21}f > 0$  at some point (x, y). Since both functions are continuous, so must be their linear combination. Thus we know that in some open rectangle, B, around (x, y),  $D_{12}f - D_{21}f > 0$  holds. Choose  $A = [a, b] \times [c, d]$  such that it is contained in the interiour of B. By HW7Q3 it must be that  $\int_A f(x, y) dx dy > \int_A 0 = 0$ . We compute that

$$\int_A D_{12}f - D_{21}f dx dy = \int_c^d \int_a^b D_{12}f - D_{21}f dx dy \qquad \text{(by Fubini's Theorem)}$$

$$= \int_c^d \int_a^b D_1 D_2 f(x,y) dx dy - \int_c^d \int_a^b D_2 D_1 f(x,y) dx dy \qquad \text{(by linearity of the integral)}$$

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$$= \int_c^d [D_2 f(a,y) - D_2 f(b,y)] dy - \int_a^b [D_1 f(x,c) - D_1 f(x,d)] dx \qquad \text{(by FTC)}$$

$$= \int_c^d D_2 f(a,y) dy - \int_c^d D_2 f(b,y) dy - \int_a^b D_1 f(x,c) dx + \int_a^b D_1 f(x,d) dx \qquad \text{(By linearity of the integral)}$$

$$= f(a,d) - f(a,c) - [f(b,d) - f(b,c)] - [f(b,c) - f(a,c)] + f(b,d) - f(a,d) \qquad \text{(by FTC)}$$

$$= 0$$

We get that 0 > 0, a contradiction. Hence  $D_{12}f = D_{21}f$