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Term Test Solutions

1. (a) (i) Suppose  $f : U \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ . A point  $\mathbf{a} \in U$  is called a **local (relative) minimum** of  $f$  if there is an open ball  $B_r(\mathbf{a})$  such that  $f(\mathbf{x}) \geq f(\mathbf{a})$  for all  $\mathbf{x} \in B_r(\mathbf{a})$ .
- (ii) Those points  $\mathbf{a}$ , in the domain of  $f$ , at which  $f$  is either not differentiable or  $Df(\mathbf{a}) = \mathbf{0}$  are called **critical points**.
- (b) From the lecture notes we have

**Extreme Value Theorem.** Let  $D$  be a compact set in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and let  $f : D \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be continuous. Then  $f$  assumes both a (global) maximum and a (global) minimum on  $D$ .

2. (a) (i)  $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{x^2 - 5xy + y^2}{x^2 + y^2}$ . Evaluating along the line  $y = 0$ , we have
- $$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{x^2 - 5xy + y^2}{x^2 + y^2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^2}{x^2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} 1 = 1, \text{ but along the line } y = x \text{ we}$$
- have  $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{x^2 - 5xy + y^2}{x^2 + y^2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{-3x^2}{2x^2} = \frac{-3}{2} \neq 1$ . Hence this limit does not exist.
- (ii)  $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{\cos(xy) - 1}{x^2 y^2}$ . Using another single variable technique, we have
- $$\begin{aligned} \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{\cos(xy) - 1}{x^2 y^2} &= \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{(\cos xy - 1)(\cos xy + 1)}{x^2 y^2 (\cos xy + 1)} = \\ \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{-\sin^2 xy}{x^2 y^2 (\cos xy + 1)} &= - \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \left( \frac{\sin^2 xy}{(xy)^2} \right) \left( \frac{1}{\cos xy + 1} \right) = - \left( 1 \right) \left( \frac{1}{2} \right) = \\ &= -\frac{1}{2}. \end{aligned}$$
- (b) For  $f$  to be continuous at  $(0,0)$ , we need  $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} f(x,y) = 2 = f(0,0)$ . Now
- $$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} f(x,y) = \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{y^4 + 2y^2 + 2x^2 - x^4}{x^2 + y^2} \stackrel{\text{divide}}{=} \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} (2 - x^2 + y^2) = 2 = f(0,0).$$
- Hence we conclude that  $f$  is continuous at  $(0,0)$ .

3.  $f(x, y) = \frac{y}{x^2 + y^2}$ .

Domain is  $\{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid (x, y) \neq (0, 0)\}$ .

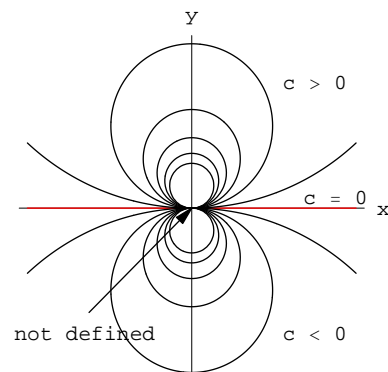
Putting  $f(x, y) = c$  we have  $\frac{y}{x^2 + y^2} = c$ . For

$c = 0$ , the level curve is  $y = 0$ . For  $c \neq 0$ , we have  $y = c(x^2 + y^2) \iff x^2 + y^2 - \frac{y}{c} =$

$$0 \iff x^2 + \left(y - \frac{1}{2c}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{1}{2c}\right)^2.$$

These are circles centered at  $\left(0, \frac{1}{2c}\right)$  with radius  $\frac{1}{2c}$ .

(All circles pass through  $(0, 0)$ .)



4. Recall, if we put  $h(x, y, z) = f(x, y) - z$ , the graph of  $f$  is a level surface of  $h$ , with normal  $\nabla h(x, y, z) = (f_x(x, y), f_y(x, y), -1)$ .

Hence the tangent plane to the graph of  $f(x, y) = e^{x \sin y}$  at the point  $(x, y, f(x, y))$  has normal  $(f_x, f_y, -1) = ((\sin y) e^{x \sin y}, (x \cos y) e^{x \sin y}, -1)$ . At the point  $(1, 0, 1)$  the normal is  $(0, 1, -1)$ .

Similarly, the tangent plane to the graph of  $g(x, y) = 2x^2 + bxy + \frac{3}{2}y^2$  at the point  $(x, y, g(x, y))$  has normal  $(g_x, g_y, -1) = (4x + by, bx + 3y, -1)$ . At the point

$\left(1, -1, -b + \frac{7}{2}\right)$  the normal is  $(4 - b, b - 3, -1)$ .

- (a) For  $\pi_1$  and  $\pi_2$  to be parallel, their normals must also be parallel. Hence we need  $(4 - b, b - 3, -1) = k(0, 1, -1)$ ,  $k \neq 0$ . This is only possible if  $b = 4$ .
- (b) In order for  $\pi_1$  and  $\pi_2$  to intersect in a line parallel to  $(1, 1, 1)$ ,  $(1, 1, 1)$  must be orthogonal to both normals. This holds because  $(1, 1, 1) \cdot (0, 1, -1) = 0$  and  $(1, 1, 1) \cdot (4 - b, b - 3, -1) = 0$ , all  $b$ . From part (a),  $\pi_1$  and  $\pi_2$  will intersect for all  $b$  except  $b = 4$ . Hence, they intersect in a line parallel to  $(1, 1, 1)$  for all  $b$  except  $b = 4$ .
5. (a) To find the equation of the tangent plane to the surface  $x^2z^3 + y^2x^3 + z^2y^3 = 1$  at  $\mathbf{p} = (1, -1, 1)$ , we put  $g(x, y, z) = x^2z^3 + y^2x^3 + z^2y^3 - 1$ . A normal to the level surface  $g(x, y, z) = 0$  is the gradient,  $\nabla g(x, y, z) = (2xz^3 + 3y^2x^2, 2yx^3 + 3z^2y^2, 3x^2z^2 + 2zy^3)$ . Hence a normal at  $\mathbf{p} = (1, -1, 1)$  is  $\nabla g(1, -1, 1) = (5, 1, 1)$ . Therefore the tangent plane has normal  $(5, 1, 1)$  and its equation is of the form  $5x + y + z = d$ . Since  $(1, -1, 1)$  is a point on the plane, we have  $d = 5(1) + (-1) + (1) = 5$ . Hence the equation of the tangent plane is  $5x + y + z = 5$ .
- (b) Let  $\mathbf{p} = (1, 2, 0)$  be a position vector for the line  $\ell$ . Then  $\mathbf{v} = (0, 1, 2) - (1, 2, 0) = (-1, -1, 2)$  is a direction vector for  $\ell$ . Hence a parametric description of  $\ell$  is  $\mathbf{p} + t\mathbf{v} = (1, 2, 0) + t(-1, -1, 2)$ ,  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ . The line  $\ell$  will intersect the tangent plane from (a) if and only if  $(1, 2, 0) + t(-1, -1, 2) = (1 - t, 2 - t, 2t)$ , a point on  $\ell$ , satisfies  $5x + y + z = 5$ , the equation of the tangent plane. Now  $5(1 - t) + (2 - t) + 2t = 5 \iff 7 - 4t = 5 \iff$

$-4t = -2 \iff t = \frac{1}{2}$ . Hence  $\ell$  meets the tangent plane when  $t = \frac{1}{2}$ . The point of intersection is  $\left(1 - \frac{1}{2}, 2 - \frac{1}{2}, 2\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\right) = \left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{2}, 1\right)$ .

6. We know that  $D_v f(\mathbf{a}) = \nabla f(\mathbf{a}) \cdot \frac{1}{\|\mathbf{v}\|} \mathbf{v} = \|\nabla f(\mathbf{a})\| \frac{\|\mathbf{v}\|}{\|\mathbf{v}\|} \cos \theta = \|\nabla f(\mathbf{a})\| \cos \theta$ , where  $\theta$  is the angle between  $\nabla f$  and  $\mathbf{v}$ . Thus  $D_v f(\mathbf{a})$  will be maximized when  $\cos \theta$  is maximized. This occurs when  $\cos \theta = 1 \implies \theta = 0$  (or an integer multiple multiple of  $2\pi$ ). Therefore  $D_v f(\mathbf{a})$  is maximized when  $\mathbf{v}$  is in the same direction as  $\nabla f(\mathbf{a})$ .

Hence the required unit vector is  $\mathbf{v} = \frac{1}{\|\nabla f(\mathbf{a})\|} \nabla f(\mathbf{a})$ .

7. (a)  $f(x, y, z) = x^3 + y^2 - z^2 - 6xy + 6x + 3y + 1$ . Since  $f$  is continuous for all  $(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3$ , critical points can only occur when  $\nabla f = \mathbf{0}$ . Computing the partial derivatives we have  $f_x = 3x^2 - 6y + 6$ ,  $f_y = 2y - 6x + 3$  and  $f_z = -2z$ . Equating to 0, we have, from the third,  $z = 0$ , and from the second,  $y = 3x - \frac{3}{2}$ . Now the first becomes  $3x^2 - 18x + 15 = 0$  or  $0 = x^2 - 6x + 5 = (x - 5)(x - 1) \implies x = 5$  or  $x = 1$ . Hence there are two critical points:  $\left(1, \frac{3}{2}, 0\right)$  and  $\left(5, \frac{27}{2}, 0\right)$ .

- (b) When moving from  $(1, 2, 0)$  to  $(3, 0, 1)$  you move in direction  $\mathbf{v} = (3, 0, 1) - (1, 2, 0) = (2, -2, 1)$ . The rate of change in  $f$  is given by the directional derivative of  $f$  at  $(1, 2, 0)$  in direction  $\mathbf{v} = (2, -2, 1)$ . Now  $\nabla f = (3x^2 - 6y + 6, 2y - 6x + 3, -2z)$  and  $\nabla f(1, 2, 0) = (-3, 1, 0)$  so  $D_v f(1, 2, 0) = \nabla f(1, 2, 0) \cdot \frac{1}{\|(2, -2, 1)\|} (2, -2, 1) = \frac{(-3, 1, 0) \cdot (2, -2, 1)}{\sqrt{4 + 4 + 1}} = \frac{-8}{\sqrt{9}} = \frac{-8}{3}$ .

- (c) For the most rapid increase you would go in the direction of the gradient; i.e., in direction  $\nabla f(2, 1, 0) = (12, -7, 0)$ .

The rate of maximum increase is  $D_{\nabla f} f(2, 1, 0) = \|\nabla f(2, 1, 0)\| = \|(12, -7, 0)\| = \sqrt{144 + 49 + 0} = \sqrt{193}$ .

8. (a) From the lecture notes we have

**Chain Rule.** Let  $f : U \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  and  $g : V \subset \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^k$  be given functions such that  $f[U] \subset V$  so that  $g \circ f$  is defined. Let  $\mathbf{a} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $\mathbf{b} = f(\mathbf{a}) \in \mathbb{R}^m$ . If  $f$  is differentiable at  $\mathbf{a}$  and  $g$  is differentiable at  $\mathbf{b}$ , then  $g \circ f$  is differentiable at  $\mathbf{a}$  and

$$D(g \circ f)(\mathbf{a}) = [Dg(\mathbf{b})][Df(\mathbf{a})].$$

- (b)  $f : \mathbb{R}^4 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  is given by  $f(x, y, z, w) = (yzw, x^2y, xz)$  so

$$Df = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & zw & yw & yz \\ 2xy & x^2 & 0 & 0 \\ z & 0 & x & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

$g : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  is given by  $g(x, y, z) = (xy, yz)$  so  $Dg = \begin{pmatrix} y & x & 0 \\ 0 & z & y \end{pmatrix}$  and

$$Dg(f(x, y, z)) = \begin{pmatrix} x^2y & yzw & 0 \\ 0 & xz & x^2y \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$\text{Now } D(g \circ f)(x, y, z, w) = [Dg(f(x, y, z, w))] [Df(x, y, z, w)]$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} x^2y & yzw & 0 \\ 0 & xz & x^2y \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & zw & yw & yz \\ 2xy & x^2 & 0 & 0 \\ z & 0 & x & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 2xy^2zw & 2x^2yzw & x^2y^2w & x^2y^2z \\ 3x^2yz & x^3z & x^3y & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

9. We first note that  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial v} \stackrel{\text{Chain Rule}}{=} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial v} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial v} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(u) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(-3) = u \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} - 3 \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}.$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now } \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial u \partial v} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial u} \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial v} \right) = \frac{\partial}{\partial u} \left[ u \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} - 3 \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right] = \frac{\partial}{\partial u} \left[ u \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right] - 3 \frac{\partial}{\partial u} \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right) = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} + \\ &u \frac{\partial}{\partial u} \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right) - 3 \frac{\partial}{\partial u} \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right) \stackrel{\text{Chain Rule}}{=} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} + u \left[ \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} \frac{\partial x}{\partial u} + \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x} \frac{\partial y}{\partial u} \right] - 3 \left[ \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} \frac{\partial x}{\partial u} + \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} \frac{\partial y}{\partial u} \right] = \\ &\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} + u \left[ \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2}(v) + \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x}(2) \right] - 3 \left[ \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y}(v) + \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2}(2) \right] = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} + uv \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} + 2u \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x} - \\ &3v \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} - 6 \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} \stackrel{f \text{ is of class } C^2}{=} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} + uv \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} + (2u - 3v) \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x} - 6 \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} + x \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} + \\ &y \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x} - 6 \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2}. \end{aligned}$$

10. Recall  $e^t = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{t^k}{k!}$ ,  $|t| < \infty$ , so  $e^{x^2} = 1 + x^2 + \frac{x^4}{2!} + \dots$ ,  $|x| < \infty$  (by replacement). Also

$$\text{recall that } \cos t = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-1)^k \frac{t^{2k}}{(2k)!}, \quad |t| < \infty \text{ so } \cos(xy) = 1 - \frac{x^2y^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4y^4}{4!} - \dots, \quad |xy| < \infty$$

(by replacement). We now obtain a Taylor series for  $f(x, y) = e^{x^2} \cos(xy)$ ,

$$T = \left( 1 + x^2 + \frac{x^4}{2!} + \dots \right) \left( 1 - \frac{x^2y^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4y^4}{4!} - \dots \right),$$

by multiplication of series. Hence the 4<sup>th</sup> degree Taylor polynomial for  $f$  about the origin is

$$T_4 = 1 + x^2 + \frac{x^4}{2} - \frac{x^2y^2}{2} = 1 + x^2 + \frac{1}{2}(x^4 - x^2y^2).$$