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Term Test Solutions

1. (a) From the lecture notes we have

Let $f : U \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^k$ be a given function. We say that f is *differentiable at* $\mathbf{a} \in U$ if the partial derivatives of f exist at \mathbf{a} and if

$$\lim_{\mathbf{x} \rightarrow \mathbf{a}} \frac{\|f(\mathbf{x}) - f(\mathbf{a}) - Df(\mathbf{a})(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{a})\|}{\|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{a}\|} = 0,$$

where $Df(\mathbf{a})$ is the $k \times n$ matrix $\left(\frac{\partial f_i}{\partial x_j} \right)$ evaluated at \mathbf{a} .

$Df(\mathbf{a})$ is called the *derivative of f at \mathbf{a}* .

- (b) 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

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

2. Clearly, the suitable function would be $f(x, y) = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$ and we wish to approximate $f(4.01, 2.98)$.

$$f(4, 3) = \sqrt{4^2 + 3^2} = 5; f_x = \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}}, f_x(4, 3) = \frac{4}{5}; f_y = \frac{y}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}}, f_y(4, 3) = \frac{3}{5}$$

and the linear approximation is $T_1(x, y) = f(4, 3) + f_x(4, 3)(x - 4) + f_y(4, 3)(y - 3)$.

Hence $\sqrt{(4.01)^2 + (2.98)^2}$ is approximated by $5 + \frac{4}{5}(4.01 - 4) + \frac{3}{5}(2.98 - 3) = 5 + 0.008 - 0.012 = 4.996$.

3. (a) (i) $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{1 - \cos 2x + \sin 2y}{x^2 + 2y}$. Evaluating along the line $x = 0$, the limit re-

duces to $\lim_{y \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin 2y}{2y} = 1$. On the other hand, evaluating along $y = 0$, the limit

becomes $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \cos 2x}{x^2} \stackrel{\text{H\^o pital's Rule}}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2 \sin 2x}{2x} = (2)(1) = 2$. Hence the limit does not exist.

- (ii) $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{3xy^2}{x^2 + y^2}$. We note that $\left| \frac{3xy^2}{x^2 + y^2} \right| = 3|x| \frac{y^2}{x^2 + y^2} \leq 3|x| \rightarrow 0$ as

$x \rightarrow 0$. Since $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \left| \frac{3xy^2}{x^2 + y^2} \right| = 0$, we also have $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{3xy^2}{x^2 + y^2} = 0$.

$$(b) \quad f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{xy + 2x}{x^2 + (y + 2)^2} & , \text{ if } (x, y) \neq (0, -2) \\ 0 & , \text{ if } (x, y) = (0, -2) \end{cases} . \text{ For } f \text{ to be continuous at } (0, -2),$$

we need $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,-2)} f(x, y) = 0 = f(0, -2)$. Evaluating the limit along the line $x = y + 2$, we have $\lim_{y \rightarrow -2} \frac{(y + 2)^2}{2(y + 2)^2} = \frac{1}{2}$. Since $f(0, -2) = 0 \neq \frac{1}{2}$, we can conclude that f is not continuous at $(0, -2)$.

$$4. \quad (a) \quad \det A = \det \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & x \\ y & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & z \end{pmatrix} = (1) \det \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & z \end{pmatrix} + (x) \det \begin{pmatrix} y & 1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = z - 4 + 2xy.$$

$$(b) \quad f(x, y, z) = \det A = z - 4 + 2xy, \text{ so } \nabla f = (2y, 2x, 1).$$

$$(c) \quad \ell_1 \text{ has direction vector } \mathbf{v} = \nabla f(2, 1, 0) = (2, 4, 1) \text{ and } \ell_2 \text{ has direction vector } \mathbf{w} = (0, 1, 2) - (2, 1, 0) = (-2, 0, 2). \text{ The angle } \theta \text{ between } \ell_1 \text{ and } \ell_2 \text{ is the angle between their direction vectors. Therefore, } \theta = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{w}}{\|\mathbf{v}\| \|\mathbf{w}\|} \right) = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{(2, 4, 1) \cdot (-2, 0, 2)}{\|(2, 4, 1)\| \|(-2, 0, 2)\|} \right) = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{-2}{\sqrt{21} \sqrt{8}} \right) = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{-1}{\sqrt{42}} \right).$$

$$5. \quad (a) \quad \text{For a function } f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ the equation of the tangent plane at } (a, b) \text{ is } z = f(a, b) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(a, b)(x - a) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(a, b)(y - b). \text{ Here we have } f_x = -2 \sin(2x + y), f_x \left(\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{4} \right) = \frac{2}{\sqrt{2}}, f_y = -\sin(2x + y), f_y \left(\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{4} \right) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \text{ and } f \left(\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{4} \right) = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}. \text{ Hence the equation of the tangent plane is } z = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \sqrt{2} \left(x - \frac{\pi}{2} \right) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(y - \frac{\pi}{4} \right) = \sqrt{2}x + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}y - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} - \frac{5\pi}{4\sqrt{2}}, \text{ which can be rewritten as } 2x + y - \sqrt{2}z = \frac{4 + 5\pi}{4}.$$

$$(b) \quad \text{To find an equation for the tangent plane to the graph of the function } z = f(x, y) \text{ defined implicitly by } xz + 2x^2y + y^2z^3 = 11 \text{ at the point } (2, 1, 1), \text{ we put } g(x, y, z) = xz + 2x^2y + y^2z^3 - 11. \text{ A normal to the level surface } g(x, y, z) = 0 \text{ is } \nabla g = (z + 4xy, 2x^2 + 2yz^3, x + 3y^2z^2). \text{ Hence a normal at } (2, 1, 1) \text{ is } \nabla g(2, 1, 1) = (9, 10, 5). \text{ Therefore, the tangent plane has normal } (9, 10, 5) \text{ and its equation is } 9x + 10y + 5z = d. \text{ Since } (2, 1, 1) \text{ is point on the tangent plane, we have } 9(2) + 10(1) + 5(1) = 33. \text{ Hence the equation of the tangent plane is } 9x + 10y + 5z = 33.$$

$$(c) \quad \text{Let } (a, b, c) \text{ be a point on the surface } z^2 = x^2 + y^2. \text{ To find a tangent plane to this surface at } (a, b, c), \text{ we put } g(x, y, z) = x^2 + y^2 - z^2. \text{ A normal to the level surface } g(x, y, z) = 0 \text{ is } \nabla g = (2x, 2y, -2z). \text{ Hence a normal at } (a, b, c) \text{ is } \nabla g(a, b, c) = (2a, 2b, -2c). \text{ Therefore, the tangent plane can be given by } 2a(x - a) + 2b(y - b) - 2c(z - c) = 0 \text{ and, because } (a, b, c) \text{ is a point on the surface, rewritten as } ax + by - cz = a^2 + b^2 - c^2 = 0, \text{ which is a plane through the origin.}$$

6. (a) We know that the value of a function is constant on level sets. Here, to stay at the same temperature, the bug must stay on the level set which passes through $(1, 1, 1)$; i.e., on the surface $x^2 + yz + xz^2 = 1^2 + (1)(1) + (1)(1^2) = 3$.

- (b) The direction of the maximum rate of increase is the direction of the gradient of T at $(1, 1, 1)$. Now $\nabla T = (2x + z^2, z, y + 2xz)$, so the temperature would increase fastest in direction $\nabla T(1, 1, 1) = (3, 1, 3)$.

The maximum rate of increase is the magnitude of the gradient. Hence the maximum rate is $\|\nabla T(1, 1, 1)\| = \|(3, 1, 3)\| = \sqrt{9 + 1 + 9} = \sqrt{19}$.

- (c) To reach the food, the bug would travel in direction $(3, -2, 1) - (1, 1, 1) = (2, -3, 0)$. The rate of change in temperature in this direction is given by the directional derivative, $D_{(2, -3, 0)}T(1, 1, 1) = \nabla T(1, 1, 1) \cdot \frac{(2, -3, 0)}{\|(2, -3, 0)\|} = \frac{(3, 1, 3) \cdot (2, -3, 0)}{\sqrt{4 + 9}} = \frac{3}{\sqrt{13}}$.

7. $f(x, y, z) = x^2 - 3y^2 + 2z^2$, so $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = 2x$, $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = -6y$ and $\frac{\partial f}{\partial z} = 4z$. Now $\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} = 2$, $\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} = -6$ and $\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial z^2} = 4$. Since the 2nd partials are continuous and $\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial z^2} = 2 + (-1)6 + 4 = 0$, we conclude that $f(x, y, z)$ is harmonic.

8. $f : \mathbb{R}^4 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^4$ is given by $f(x, y, z, w) = (xw, yz, xy, zw)$ so $Df = \begin{pmatrix} w & 0 & 0 & x \\ 0 & z & y & 0 \\ y & x & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & w & z \end{pmatrix}$.

$g : \mathbb{R}^4 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ is given by $g(x, y, z, w) = (wx^2, wyz)$ so $Dg = \begin{pmatrix} 2xw & 0 & 0 & x^2 \\ 0 & wz & wy & yz \end{pmatrix}$

and $Dg(f(x, y, z, w)) = \begin{pmatrix} 2xzw^2 & 0 & 0 & x^2w^2 \\ 0 & xyzw & yz^2w & xy^2z \end{pmatrix}$.

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

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 2xzw^2 & 0 & 0 & x^2w^2 \\ 0 & xyzw & yz^2w & xy^2z \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} w & 0 & 0 & x \\ 0 & z & y & 0 \\ y & x & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & w & z \end{pmatrix}$$

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

$$\begin{aligned}
9. \quad \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial v \partial u} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial v} \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial u} \right) \stackrel{\text{Chain Rule}}{=} \frac{\partial}{\partial v} \left[\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial u} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial u} \right] = \frac{\partial}{\partial v} \left[\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} (1) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} (-3) \right] = \\
&= \frac{\partial}{\partial v} \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right) - 3 \frac{\partial}{\partial v} \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right) \stackrel{\text{Chain Rule}}{=} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} \frac{\partial x}{\partial v} + \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x} \frac{\partial y}{\partial v} - 3 \left[\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} \frac{\partial x}{\partial v} + \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} \frac{\partial y}{\partial v} \right] \\
&= \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} (-1) + \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x} (2) - 3 \left[\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} (-1) + \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} (2) \right] = -\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} + 2 \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x} + 3 \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} - \\
&6 \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} \stackrel{f \text{ is of class } C^2}{=} -\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} + 5 \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} - 6 \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2}
\end{aligned}$$

$$10. \text{ Recall } e^t = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{t^k}{k!}, |t| < \infty, \text{ so } e^{2x} = 1 + 2x + \frac{1}{2}(2x)^2 + \frac{1}{3!}(2x)^3 + \frac{1}{4!}(2x)^4 + \dots,$$

$$|2x| < \infty \text{ (by replacement). We also recall } \ln(1+t) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-1)^k \frac{t^{k+1}}{k+1}, |t| < 1, \text{ so}$$

$$\ln(1+xy) = xy - \frac{(xy)^2}{2} + \frac{(xy)^3}{3} - \dots, |xy| < 1 \text{ (by replacement). We now obtain a Taylor series for } f(x,y) = e^{2x} \ln(1+xy),$$

$$T = \left(1 + 2x + \frac{1}{2}(2x)^2 + \frac{1}{3!}(2x)^3 + \dots \right) \left(xy - \frac{(xy)^2}{2} + \frac{(xy)^3}{3} - \dots \right),$$

using multiplication of series. Hence the 4th degree Taylor polynomial for f about the origin is

$$T_4 = xy + 2x^2y + 2x^3y - \frac{1}{2}x^2y^2.$$