

# Midterm Exam 2

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1. (20%) Find the limit.

(a)  $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{2x \sin(y)}{x^2 + y^2}.$

(b)  $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (1,1)} \frac{\ln(x) \ln(y)}{(\ln(x))^2 + (\ln(y))^2}.$

2. (10%) Let  $S$  be the surface obtained by rotating the curve  $y = x^2 + 2$  on the  $xy$ -plane about the  $x$ -axis. Find the tangent plane to  $S$  at  $(1, -2, \sqrt{5})$ .

3. (20%) Prove or disprove.

(a) If the partial derivatives  $f_x$  and  $f_y$  exist, then the directional derivative  $D_u f(x, y) = \nabla f(x, y) \cdot u$ , where  $\nabla f(x, y)$  is the gradient of  $f$  at  $(x, y)$ .

(b) If the directional derivative  $D_u f(0, 0)$  exists for any unit vector  $u$ , then  $f(x, y)$  is continuous at  $(0, 0)$ .

4. (20%) Assume that  $f(x, y)$  is differentiable and set  $g(t) = f(at, bt)$ , where  $a$  and  $b$  are constants.

(a) Prove or disprove that if, for any  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $g$  has a local maximum at 0, then  $f$  has a local maximum at  $(0, 0)$ .

(b) Prove or disprove that if  $\nabla f(0, 0) = \langle 0, 0 \rangle$ , then  $g$  has a local maximum at 0 for any  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ .

5. (10%) Find the absolute maximum value of  $f(x, y, z) = xy - yz$  with the constraint  $x^2 + y^2 + \frac{z^2}{2} = 24$ .

6. (20%) Let  $f(x, y) = \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y}$  for  $x \neq 0$  and  $y \neq 0$ .

(a) Assume that  $f$  attains its maximum at  $P$  with the constraint  $\frac{1}{x^2} + \frac{1}{y^2} = 1$ . Find  $P$ .

(b) Let  $P$  be the point in part (a). Assume that, on the parametric curve  $\langle t, at^2 + bt \rangle$ ,  $f$  has a local maximum at  $P$ . Find the values of  $a$  and  $b$ .