CS164 LESSON 3.2 - PRECLASS WORK EXERCISES

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Complete the exercises below and be prepared to share your results during the class.

- (1) For each of the functions below, plot a diagram of their level sets and determine whether or not the functions are coercive. You may use a graphical package to plot the level sets.
 - (a) f(x,y) = x + y
 - (b) $f(x,y) = x^2 + 4y^2$
 - (c) f(x,y) = xy
 - (d) $f(x,y) = x^2 y^2$
 - (e) $f(x,y) = x^2 + 2xy + y^2$ (f) $f(x,y) = x^4 + 2xy + y^4$
- (2) Prove that the following function is coercive and describe its sublevel sets mathematically (no need to plot them).

$$f(x, y, z) = e^{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$$