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Math 2580A - Term Test #1

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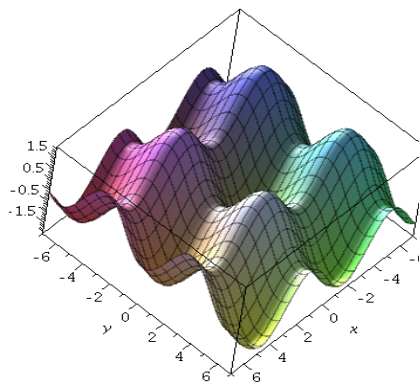
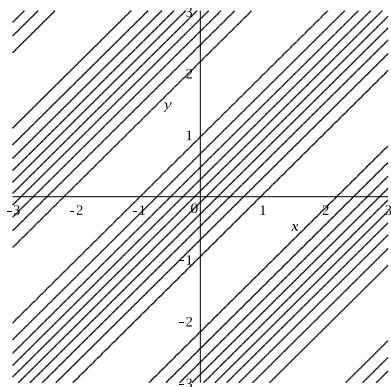
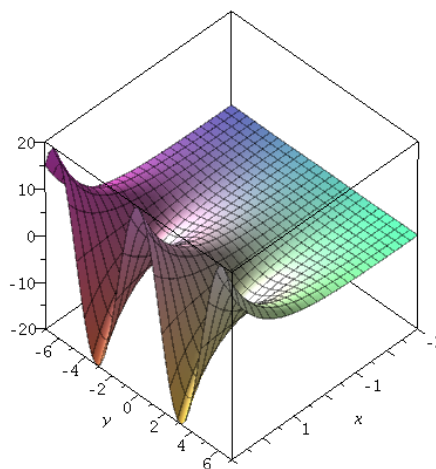
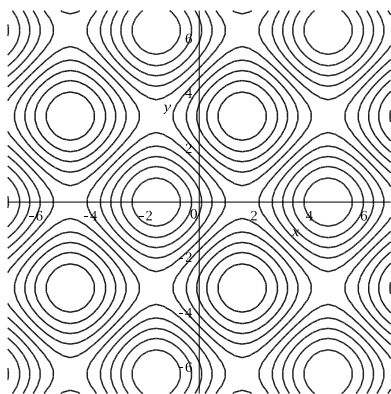
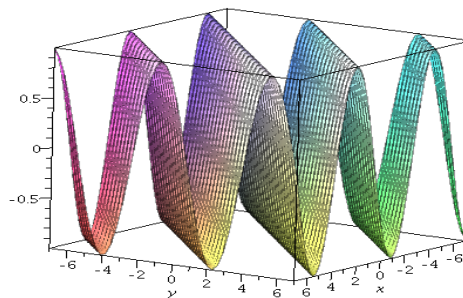
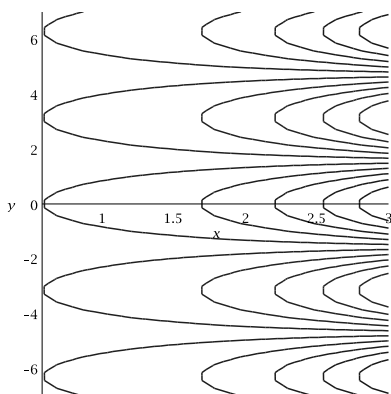
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1. Match the following functions with (a) its graph, and (b) its contour plot. (Write the letter (f , g , or h) corresponding to the function next to the correct graph and contour plot.)

$$f(x, y) = \sin x - \sin y \quad g(x, y) = \sin(x - y) \quad h(x, y) = e^x \cos y$$

Hint: think about the curves you obtain from each function by holding either x or y constant.



2. Consider the function $f(x, y) = 3\sqrt{x^2 + y^3}$.

[4] (a) Calculate the partial derivatives f_x and f_y .

[4] (b) Find the equation of the tangent plane to the graph $z = 3\sqrt{x^2 + y^3}$ at the point $(1, 2, 9)$.

[4] (c) Approximate the value of $3\sqrt{(0.99)^2 + (2.02)^3}$.

- [4] 3. Show that $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{xy}{x^2 + y^2}$ does not exist.
- [8] 4. Calculate the derivative of the function $f(x, y, z) = 2xy^2 - 3x^2z + 4xyz$ at the point $(2, 1, -1)$ in the direction of the vector $\vec{v} = \langle \frac{2}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{-2}{3} \rangle$.

- [8] 5. Calculate $\frac{\partial z}{\partial u}$ and $\frac{\partial z}{\partial v}$, where $z = x^2y - 2xy^2$, if $x = 2uv^2$, and $y = 4u^2v$, using the Chain Rule.

- [4] 6. Find the equation of the tangent plane to the surface $xy^2 + yz^2 + xyz = 5$ at the point $(2, 1, 1)$.

- [12] 7. Find and classify the critical points of the function $f(x, y) = 2x^3 + y^3 - 3x^2 - 3y$.

8. Recall that a function $f : D \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is differentiable at $\vec{a} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ if and only if

$$\lim_{\vec{x} \rightarrow \vec{a}} \frac{|f(\vec{x}) - f(\vec{a}) - \nabla f(\vec{a}) \cdot (\vec{x} - \vec{a})|}{\|\vec{x} - \vec{a}\|} = 0.$$

- [6] Using this definition, prove that if f is differentiable at \vec{a} , then for any unit vector \vec{v} ,

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(\vec{a} + h\vec{v}) - f(\vec{a})}{h} = \nabla f(\vec{a}) \cdot \vec{v}.$$

(In other words, use the definition of differentiability to derive the gradient formula for the directional derivative.)

Hint: If the limit in the definition above exists, you use any path along which \vec{x} approaches \vec{a} to evaluate it.

List of potentially useful formulas and facts:

- Clairaut's Theorem: If f is defined on a disk D and f_{xy} , f_{yx} are continuous on D , then $f_{xy} = f_{yx}$ on D .

- The linearization of a function $f(x, y)$ at a point (a, b) is given by

$$L(x, y) = f(a, b) + f_x(a, b)(x - a) + f_y(a, b)(y - b),$$

and the equation of the tangent plane to $z = f(x, y)$ at the point $(a, b, f(a, b))$ is $z = L(x, y)$.

- If the first order partial derivatives of a function f exist in a neighborhood of a point, and are continuous at that point, then f is differentiable at that point.
- If $w = f(x, y, z)$ and $x = x(t)$, $y = y(t)$, $z = z(t)$, then

$$\frac{dw}{dt} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \frac{dy}{dt} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} \frac{dz}{dt}.$$

If $x = x(u, v)$, $y = y(u, v)$, $z = z(u, v)$, then

$$\frac{\partial w}{\partial u} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial u} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial u} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} \frac{\partial z}{\partial u},$$

with a similar formula for $\partial w / \partial v$, and variations on the above Chain Rule formulas for other numbers of variables.

- The derivative of f in the direction of a vector \mathbf{v} at a point \mathbf{x}_0 can be computed according to $d_{\mathbf{v}}f(\mathbf{x}_0) = \frac{\nabla f(\mathbf{x}_0) \cdot \mathbf{v}}{\|\mathbf{v}\|}$.
- The tangent plane to a level surface $f(x, y, z) = k$ at a point (a, b, c) is given by $\nabla f(a, b, c) \cdot \langle x - a, y - b, z - c \rangle = 0$.
- The tangent vector to a curve $\mathbf{r}(t) = \langle x(t), y(t), z(t) \rangle$ is $\mathbf{r}'(t) = \langle x'(t), y'(t), z'(t) \rangle$.
- Suppose f has a critical point at (a, b) , and the second derivatives of f are continuous on a neighborhood of (a, b) . Let $D = f_{xx}(a, b)f_{yy}(a, b) - f_{xy}(a, b)^2$. If
 - (a) $D > 0$ and $f_{xx}(a, b) > 0$, then f has a local minimum at (a, b) .
 - (b) $D > 0$ and $f_{xx}(a, b) < 0$, then f has a local maximum at (a, b) .
 - (c) $D < 0$, then f has a saddle point at (a, b) .