

**Midterm Mock**

Chapters covered: 12.1  $\rightarrow$  15.2.

For each question, please provide a short answer in the answer sheet on the next page.

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**Answer Sheet**

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**Problem 1 - 10m**

Let  $a, b, c \geq 0$ . It can be shown that if  $a + b + c > \sigma$ , the limit

$$\lim_{(x,y,z) \rightarrow (0,0,0)} \frac{x^a y^b z^c}{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$$

always exists. Find  $\sigma$ .

**Problem 2 - 9m**

Over most of the earth, a magnetic compass does not point to true (geographic) north; instead, it points at some angle east or west of true north. The angle  $D$  between magnetic north and true north is called the magnetic declination. Use Figure 1 to determine which of the following statements is true:

1.

$$\left. \frac{\partial D}{\partial x} \right|_C > 0$$

2.

$$\left. \frac{\partial D}{\partial y} \right|_A < 0$$

3.

$$\left. \frac{\partial D}{\partial y} \right|_A < \left. \frac{\partial D}{\partial y} \right|_B$$

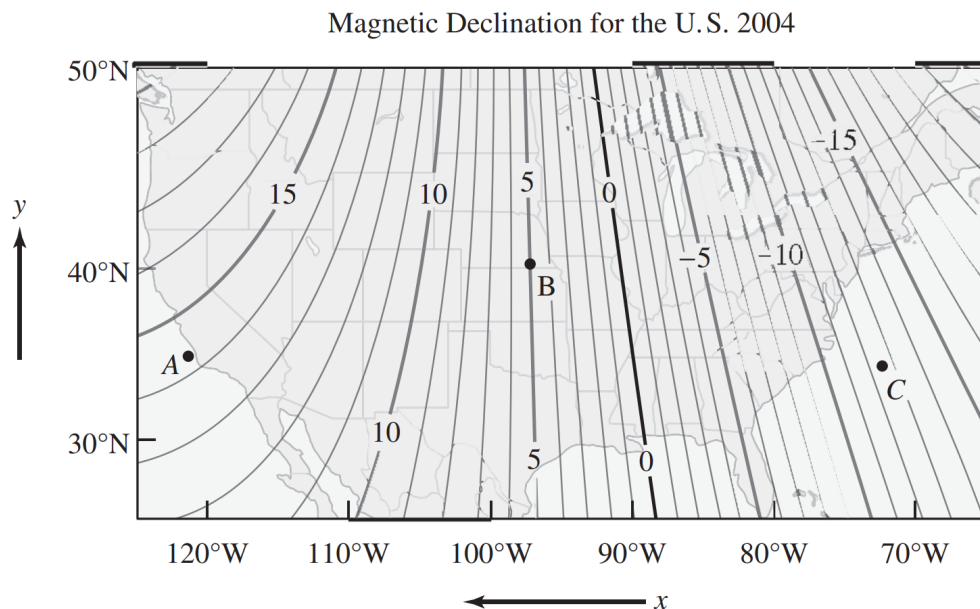


Figure 1: Contour interval 1 degree

**Problem 3 - 8m**

Find a vector of length 13 that is normal to the surface  $-x^3 + yz^2 = -17$  at the point P(-1, -2, -3).

**Problem 4 - 12m**

For all  $x > 0$ , there is a unique value  $y = \sigma(x)$  that solves the equation  $4xy + y^3 - 16 = 0$ . Let  $g(x) = f(x, \sigma(x))$ . Calculate  $g_x(1)$ , knowing that  $f_x(1, 2) = 9$  and  $f_y(1, 2) = 10$ .

For Problem 5, 6, let  $f(x, y, z) = xy + 2z$  be the function that we are interested to optimize. Constraint  $g$  is given by the set of points in the Oxyz space that are of distance 6 from the origin.

**Problem 5 - 8m**

How many critical points are there in this optimization problem?

**Problem 6 - 8m**

What is the largest value of  $f(x, y, z)$  under the given constraints?

**Problem 7 - 14m**

The number of stay-at-home fathers in Canada in recent years is given below.

Year	1976	1984	1991	2000	2010
Number of stay-at-home fathers	20610	28725	43530	47665	53555

This data can be assumed to follow a linear growth model. The model can be represented by the following formula:

$$f(x) = mx + b$$

where  $m$ ,  $b$  are constants, and  $x$  is the year of interest. One method to evaluate the accuracy of such models is to use the best-square-fit method, where the "error" of prediction is determined by

$$E(m, b) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (f(x_i) - y_i)^2$$

By this criterion, the smaller the prediction error, the better the model. Determine a model that best fit the given data. Give your answer in the form  $y = mx + b$ . Round your  $m$  and  $b$  to 7 significant digits.

**Problem 8 - 9m**

Parametrize the intersection of the surfaces  $y^2 - z^2 = x - 2$  and  $y^2 + z^2 = 9$  using trigonometric identities.

**Problem 9 - 10m**

Evaluate

$$I_9 = \iint_M x \cos y dA$$

where  $M$  is bounded by  $y = 0, y = x^2, x = 1$ .

**Problem 10 - 12m**

Suppose you are hiking on a terrain modeled by  $z = xy + y^3 - x^2$ . You are at the point  $(2, 1, -1)$ . Determine the steepest slope you could encounter from your position, and the compass direction measured in degrees from East that you would head to realize this steepest slope.

**Key**

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1	2	----- / 10
2	1. True; 2. False; 3. False	----- / 9
3	$\langle -3, 4, 12 \rangle$	----- / 8
4	9	----- / 12
5	10	----- / 8
6	20	----- / 8
7	$y=992.3857x-1938214$	----- / 14
8	$\mathbf{r}(t) = \langle 2 + 9 \cos 2t, 3 \cos t, 3 \sin t \rangle$	----- / 9
9	$\frac{1}{2}(1 - \cos 1)$	----- / 10
10	Slope = $\sqrt{34}$ Angle = 2.1112 rad = 120.96 degrees	----- / 12