MATH253X-UX1 Spring 2016

Midterm Exam 2

Name: Answer Key

**Instructions.** You have 60 minutes. Closed book, closed notes, no calculator. *Show all your work* in order to receive full credit.

1. Show that  $\lim_{(x,y)\to(2,-1)} \frac{xy+2}{x^2+4y}$  does not exist. Solution: Setting x = 2 and letting  $y \to -1$  to approach (2, -1) along the line (2, y), we see  $\lim_{y\to -1} \frac{2y+2}{4+4y} = \frac{1}{2}$ . Setting y = -1 and letting  $x \to 2$  to approach (2, -1) along the line (x, -1), we see  $\lim_{x\to 2} \frac{2-x}{x^2-4} = -\frac{1}{4}$ . Since these limits are different, the original multivariable limit does not exist.

- **2.** Consider the function  $z = f(x, y) = x^2 4y^2$ .
  - (a) Sketch the level curve z = 4. Solution:



(b) Use Lagrange multipliers to find the absolute maximum  $z_{\text{max}}$  of f on the line 2x + y = 15. Solution: Define g(x, y) = 2x + y. Then we must solve (along with the constraint g(x, y) = 15):

$$\nabla f = \lambda \nabla g \quad \Longleftrightarrow \quad \langle 2x, -8y \rangle = \lambda \langle 2, 1 \rangle \quad \Longleftrightarrow \quad \begin{cases} 2x = 2\lambda \\ -8y = \lambda \end{cases} \quad \Longleftrightarrow \quad \lambda = x = -8y \end{cases}$$

Substituting into the constraint, we have:

$$2(-8y) + y = 15 \quad \Longleftrightarrow \quad y = -1$$

and so x = -8(-1) = 8. Thus,

$$z_{\max} = f(8, -1) = 64 - 4 = 60.$$

(c) What is the geometrical relationship between 2x + y = 15 and the level curves  $z = z_{\text{max}}$  at their intersection?

Solution: Note that the line 2x + y = 15 can be parametrized by  $\langle x, 15 - 2x \rangle$  so its direction is  $\langle 1, -2 \rangle$  and  $\nabla g \perp \langle 1, -2 \rangle$ . But then  $\nabla f$  is orthogonal to (the tangent of) the level curve at any point so also at (8, -1) along  $z = z_{\text{max}}$ . Now since  $\nabla f$  and  $\nabla g$  are parallel, then so are the line and the tangent to the level curve. They also share the point (8, -1) so

the line 2x + y = 15 is the tangent to the level curve  $z = z_{\text{max}}$  at (8, -1)

**3.** Consider the double integral:

$$I = \iint_R e^{x^2} \, dA$$

where R is the triangular region with vertices (0,0), (1,1), and (1,-1).

(a) Write I as an iterated integral in two ways.

Solution: Let's sketch the region R:



We have the lines y = x, y = -x and x = 1 so the double integral can be written as either of these forms in rectangular coordinates:

$$I = \int_0^1 \int_{-x}^x e^{x^2} \, dy \, dx = \int_{-1}^0 \int_{-y}^1 e^{x^2} \, dx \, dy + \int_0^1 \int_y^1 e^{x^2} \, dx \, dy$$

(b) Compute the integral using the form of your choice.

Solution: Note that we need to use the dy dx order because  $e^{x^2}$  can not be integrated directly wrt x using elementary functions:

$$I = \int_0^1 \int_{-x}^x e^{x^2} dy dx = \int_0^1 \left[ y e^{x^2} \right]_{y=-x}^{y=x} dx$$
$$= \int_0^1 2x e^{x^2} dx = \begin{vmatrix} u = x^2 & du = 2x dx \\ x = 0 & u = 0 \\ x = 1 & u = 1 \end{vmatrix}$$
$$= \int_0^1 e^u du = \left[ e^u \right]_0^1 = \boxed{e-1}$$

4. Find an equation of the tangent plane to the surface

$$x^{2}y - z^{2} + \ln(x+y) = 1$$

at the point  $(x_0, y_0, z_0) = (-1, 2, 1)$ . Solution: For  $F(x, y, z) = x^2y - z^2 + \ln(x + y) = 1$ , we find

$$\nabla F(x,y,z) = \left\langle 2xy + \frac{1}{x+y}, x^2 + \frac{1}{x+y}, -2z \right\rangle,$$

so  $\nabla F(-1,2,1) = \langle -3,2,-2 \rangle$ . The tangent plane is thus given by

$$-3(x+1) + 2(y-2) - 2(z-1) = 0,$$

or

$$\boxed{-3x + 2y - 2z = 5.}$$

5. Compute the mass m of the planar lamina with density  $\rho(x, y) = x^2 y$  shown below.



Solution: Let's use polar coordinates:  $\rho(r\cos\theta, r\sin\theta) = r^3\cos^2\theta\sin\theta$  and R will have constant bounds in  $(r, \theta)$ , that is  $0 \le r \le 1$  and  $0 \le \theta \le \pi$ . Hence

$$m = \int_0^1 \int_0^\pi r^3 \cos^2 \theta \sin \theta \ r \ d\theta \ dr = \int_0^1 r^4 \left[ -\frac{\cos^3 \theta}{3} \right]_0^\pi \ dr = \int_0^1 r^4 \left( \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} \right) \ dr = \frac{2}{3} \left[ \frac{r^5}{5} \right]_0^1 = \boxed{\frac{2}{15}}.$$

6. Find and classify all critical points of

$$f(x,y) = x^2y - 2x + 4y^2.$$

Solution: The gradient is

$$\nabla f = \langle f_x, f_y \rangle = \langle 2xy - 2, x^2 + 8y \rangle$$

is defined everywhere and when setting it to the zero vector, we get  $f_x = 0$  if xy = 1; that means  $x, y \neq 0$ and  $y = \frac{1}{x}$  so  $f_y = 0$  becomes

$$x^{2} + \frac{8}{x} = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad x^{3} + 8 = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad x = -2$$

This in turns means  $y = -\frac{1}{2}$ . So we have one critical point  $\left(-2, -\frac{1}{2}\right)$ . To classify it, we use the Second Partials Test:

$$f_{xx} = 2y$$
 ,  $f_{yy} = 8$  ,  $f_{xy} = 2x$   $\Rightarrow$   $d(x,y) = 16y - 4x^2$ 

Now,

$$d\left(-2, -\frac{1}{2}\right) = -8 - 16 < 0 \text{ so saddle point at } \left(-2, -\frac{1}{2}, 3\right).$$

- 7. Fully SET UP bounds and integrands but DO NOT EVALUATE the following double integrals.
  - (a) the volume below the plane 2x + 4y + z = 4 in the first octant:





Solve for z = 4 - 2x - 4y for the integrand, then set z = 0 to get a boundary line in the *xy*-plane, the others being x = 0, y = 0. Finally for the order dy dxset y = 0 in the line to get the upper constant bound in *x*. Thus we have:

$$V = \int_0^2 \int_0^{1-\frac{x}{2}} 4 - 2x - 4y \, dy \, dx$$

- (b) the volume of the solid bounded by the cone  $z = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$  and the inverted paraboloid  $z = 6 x^2 y^2$  using polar coordinates.
  - Solution: The cone is below the paraboloid and for the base, we have a disk where the radius can be found using the intersection of the surfaces, i.e. set  $\sqrt{x^2 + y^2} = 6 - x^2 + y^2$  or in polar  $r = 6 - r^2$  for  $r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \ge 0$ . So  $r^2 + r - 6 = 0$  which has for solutions r = -3, 2 and we keep r = 2. And so the volume is:

$$V = \int_0^2 \int_0^{2\pi} (6 - r^2 - r) r \, d\theta \, dr$$



(c) the surface area of  $z = 4 - x^2 - y$  above the region R bounded by the graphs of y = -x,  $y = 2x - x^2$ , x = 0 and x = 1 as sketched below:

Solution:

The gradient is  $\nabla z = \langle z_x, z_y \rangle = \langle -2x, -1 \rangle$ so noting that R is vertically simple, we have that the surface area of our surface above R is:

$$SA = \int_0^1 \int_{-x}^{2x-x^2} \sqrt{4x^2 + 2} \, dy \, dx$$



8. Let

$$f(x,y) = \frac{x}{x-y}$$

(a) Compute the maximum rate of change of f at the point (1,2) and specify a unit vector in the direction where this maximum change occurs.

Solution: The gradient is

$$\nabla f(x,y) = \left\langle \frac{1(x-y) - x(1)}{(x-y)^2}, \frac{x}{(x-y)^2} \right\rangle = \left\langle \frac{-y}{(x-y)^2}, \frac{x}{(x-y)^2} \right\rangle.$$

So the maximum rate of change of f at (1, 2) is:

$$|\nabla f(1,2)|| = ||\langle -2,1\rangle|| = \sqrt{5},$$

and a unit direction of greatest increase is

$$\boxed{\frac{\nabla f(1,2)}{\|\nabla f(1,2)\|} = \left\langle -\frac{2}{\sqrt{5}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \right\rangle.}$$

(b) Find the directional derivative of f at (1, 2) in the direction of  $\mathbf{v} = 2\mathbf{i} + 3\mathbf{j}$ .

Solution: The direction we consider is  $\mathbf{u} = \frac{\mathbf{v}}{||\mathbf{v}||} = \langle 2/\sqrt{13}, 3/\sqrt{13} \rangle$ . Then

$$D_{\mathbf{u}}f(1,2) = \nabla f(1,2) \cdot \mathbf{u} = \langle -2,1 \rangle \cdot \langle 2/\sqrt{13}, 3/\sqrt{13} \rangle = -1/\sqrt{13}.$$

(c) Use the differential df to find an approximation of f(1.1, 1.95). Solution:

$$f(1.1, 1.95) \approx f(1, 2) + df$$
  
=  $f(1, 2) + f_x(1, 2)(1.1 - 1) + f_y(1, 2)(1.95 - 2)$   
=  $-1 - 2(0.1) + 1(-0.05) = -1.25$