

**Math 241, Exam 2. 10/24/12.****Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

- Read problems carefully. Show all work. No notes, calculator, or text.
- The exam is roughly 15 percent of the total grade. There are 100 points total.
- Write your full name in the upper right corner of page 1.
- Do problem 1 on p. 1, problem 2 on p. 2,...(or at least present your solutions in numerical order).
- Circle or otherwise clearly identify your final answer.

1. (15 points): Suppose that  $z = f(x, y)$ , where

$$x = g(s, t), \quad y = h(s, t), \quad g(1, 2) = 3, \quad g_s(1, 2) = -1,$$

$$h(1, 2) = 6, \quad h_s(1, 2) = -5, \quad f_x(3, 6) = 7, \quad f_y(3, 6) = 8.$$

Use the chain rule to find  $\partial z / \partial s$ .

**Solution:** We have

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial s} = f_x(x, y)g_s(s, t) + f_y(x, y)h_s(s, t) = f_x(3, 6)g_s(1, 2) + f_y(3, 6)h_s(1, 2) = (7)(-1) + (8)(-5) = -47.$$

2. (15 points): Consider the surface with equation  $\sin(xyz) = x + 2y + 3z$ . Find an equation for the plane tangent to the surface at the point  $(2, -1, 0)$ .

Write your answer in the form  $ax + by + cz = d$ .

**Solution:** We have  $F(x, y, z) = \sin(xyz) - x - 2y - 3z$ ; it follows that

$$\nabla F(x, y, z) = \langle yz \cos(xyz) - 1, xz \cos(xyz) - 2, xy \cos(xyz) - 3 \rangle.$$

Hence, we have

$$\nabla F(2, -1, 0) = \langle -1, -2, -5 \rangle.$$

The tangent plane has equation

$$-1(x - 2) - 2(y + 1) - 5(z - 0) = 0 \iff -x - 2y - 5z = 0 \iff x + 2y + 5z = 0.$$

3. (25 points): Let  $f(x, y) = x^2y - 2y^{3/2}$ .

(a) (9 points): Find the maximum rate of change of  $f(x, y)$  at the point  $(1, 4)$ .

In which direction does it occur? (Specify a vector; it need not be a unit vector.)

**Solution:** We compute  $\nabla f(x, y) = \langle 2xy, x^2 - 3y^{1/2} \rangle$ . It follows that the direction of maximum rate of change at  $(1, 4)$  is  $\nabla f(1, 4) = \langle 8, -5 \rangle$ , while the maximum rate of change at  $(1, 4)$  is  $\|\nabla f(1, 4)\| = \|\langle 8, -5 \rangle\| = \sqrt{89}$ .

- (b) **(8 points):** Suppose that the  $D_{\vec{v}}f(1, 4)$  is half of its maximum value (the value from part (a)). What is the angle  $0 \leq \theta \leq \pi$  (in radians) that  $\vec{v}$  makes with the vector that points in the direction of maximum increase (the direction from (a))?

**Solution:** We have  $D_{\vec{v}}f(1, 4) = \nabla f(1, 4) \cdot \vec{v} = \|\nabla f(1, 4)\| \cos \theta = (1/2)\|\nabla f(1, 4)\|$  if and only if  $\cos \theta = 1/2$ , which holds if and only if  $\theta = \pi/3$ .

- (c) **(8 points):** Find a unit vector  $\vec{u} = \langle u_1, u_2 \rangle$  for which  $D_{\vec{u}}f(1, 4) = 0$ . (You may use your work from (a), if you choose.)

**Solution:** We have

$$D_{\vec{u}}f(1, 4) = \nabla f(1, 4) \cdot \langle u_1, u_2 \rangle = \langle 8, -5 \rangle \cdot \langle u_1, u_2 \rangle = 8u_1 - 5u_2 = 0 \iff u_2 = (8/5)u_1.$$

Since  $\|\vec{u}\| = 1$ , we also have

$$1 = u_1^2 + u_2^2 = u_1^2 + 64u_1^2/25 \iff 89u_1^2 = 25 \iff u_1 = \frac{5}{\sqrt{89}}, \quad u_2 = \frac{8}{\sqrt{89}}.$$

Hence, a unit vector with the desired property is  $\vec{u} = (1/\sqrt{89})\langle 5, 8 \rangle$ .

4. **(15 points):** The function  $f(x, y) = 3xy - x^2y - xy^2$  has four critical points. Three of them are  $(0, 0)$ ,  $(3, 0)$ , and  $(0, 3)$ .

- (a) **(7 points):** Find the fourth critical point.

**Solution:** We compute  $f_x = 3y - 2xy - y^2$  and  $f_y = 3x - x^2 - 2xy$ . We solve  $f_x = 0, f_y = 0$  by subtracting the first two equations, we get  $0 = 3y - 3x - y^2 + x^2 = (x - y)(x + y) - 3(x - y) = (x - y)(x + y - 3)$  which holds if and only if  $x = y$  or  $x + y = 3$ . If  $x = y$ , then we have  $f_x = 0 = 3y - 2xy - y^2 = 3x - 2x^2 - x^2 = 3x - 3x^2 = 3x(1 - x)$ . In this case, we get  $x = y = 0$  or  $x = y = 1$ . Hence, the fourth point is  $(1, 1)$ . We also get the point  $(0, 0)$ . If  $y = 3 - x$ , then we have  $f_y = 0 = 3x - x^2 - 2x(3 - x) = 3x - x^2 - 6x + 2x^2 = x^2 - 3x = x(x - 3)$ . In this case, we get  $x = 0, y = 3$  and  $x = 3, y = 0$ , accounting for all critical points.

- (b) **(8 points):** Identify the critical point  $(0, 0)$  and the critical point from (a) as local maxima, local minima, saddle points, or neither.

**Solution:** We compute  $f_{xx} = -2y, f_{yy} = -2x$ , and  $f_{xy} = 3 - 2x - 2y$ . We have

$$(0, 0): D(0, 0) = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 3 \\ 3 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 9 < 0; \text{ hence, } (0, 0) \text{ is a saddle point.}$$

$$(1, 1): D(1, 1) = \begin{vmatrix} -2 & -1 \\ -1 & -2 \end{vmatrix} = 3 > 0; \text{ since } f_{xx}(1, 1) = -2 < 0, \text{ the point } (1, 1) \text{ is a local maximum.}$$

5. (10 points): Compute the double integral  $\iint_D x \cos(xy) dA$ , where  $D$  is the rectangle bounded by  $0 \leq x \leq \pi/2$  and  $0 \leq y \leq 2$ .

(Choose carefully whether to use  $dA = dx dy$  or  $dA = dy dx$ .)

**Solution:** We compute

$$\begin{aligned} \iint_D x \cos(xy) dA &= \int_0^{\pi/2} \int_0^2 x \cos(xy) dy dx = \int_0^{\pi/2} x \left( \frac{1}{x} \sin(xy) \right) \Big|_{y=0}^2 dx \\ &= \int_0^{\pi/2} \sin(2x) dx = -\frac{1}{2} \cdot \cos(2x) \Big|_{x=0}^{\pi/2} = -\frac{1}{2} \cdot (-1 - 1) = 1. \end{aligned}$$

6. (20 points): Use Lagrange Multipliers to find the minimum value of

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

subject to the constraint  $g(x, y, z) = y^2 - xz - 9 = 0$ .

**Solution:** We compute  $\nabla f(x, y, z) = \langle 2x, 2y, 2z \rangle$  and  $\nabla g(x, y, z) = \langle -z, 2y, -x \rangle$ . Therefore, we solve the system

$$2x = -\lambda z, \quad y = \lambda y, \quad 2z = -\lambda x, \quad y^2 - xz = 9.$$

The second equation gives  $\lambda = 1$  or  $y = 0$ .

**$y \neq 0$ :** We have  $\lambda = 1$ . Equations (1) and (3) become  $2x = -z$  and  $2z = -x$ . We solve for  $x$  in the first and substitute in the second to obtain  $2z = z/2$ , which gives  $z = 0$ ; hence, we also have  $x = 0$ . We substitute in the constraint equation to get  $y^2 = 9$ . It follows that  $(0, \pm 3, 0)$  are critical points. The value of  $f$  at these points is 9.

**$y = 0$ :** Neither  $x$  nor  $z = 0$ . (If either were zero, then the constraint equation reads  $0 = 9$ , a contradiction.). We may now divide by  $x, z \neq 0$  in equations (1) and (3) to obtain  $2x/z = 2z/x$ , from which we deduce that  $x^2 = z^2$ . Therefore, we have  $x = \pm z$ . We substitute  $x = z$  in the constraint equation to get  $-x^2 = 9$ , which has no solution. With  $x = -z$  in the constraint equation, we get  $x^2 = 9$ , so  $x = \pm 3$ . It follows that  $(3, 0, -3)$  and  $(-3, 0, 3)$  are critical points. The value of  $f$  at these points is 18.

We conclude that the minimum value of  $f$  subject to the constraint  $g = 0$  is  $f(0, \pm 3, 0) = 9$ .