

VCU  
MATH 307  
MULTIVARIATE CALCULUS

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TEST 2



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GOOD LUCK!

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**Directions.** Solve the following questions in the space provided. Unless noted otherwise, you must show your work to receive full credit. This is a closed-book, closed-notes test. Calculators, computers, etc., are not used. Put a your final answer in a box, where appropriate.

1. (30 pts.) Consider function  $z = f(x, y) = \ln(x^2 + y^2)$ .

(a) State the domain of  $f$ . All points  $(x, y)$  in the plane except  $(0, 0)$

(b) State the range of  $f$ . All real numbers

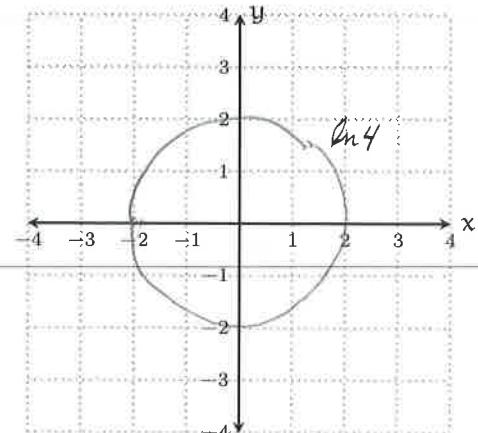
(d)  $f(0, \frac{1}{e}) = \ln(0^2 + (\frac{1}{e})^2) = \ln(\frac{1}{e^2}) = \boxed{-2}$

- (d) Sketch the level curve for  $z = \ln(4)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \ln(4) &= \ln(x^2 + y^2) \\ 4 &= x^2 + y^2 \\ 2^2 &= x^2 + y^2 \end{aligned}$$

circle of radius 2

(e)  $\nabla f(x, y) = \left\langle \frac{2x}{x^2+y^2}, \frac{2y}{x^2+y^2} \right\rangle$



- (f) Find the rate of change of  $f(x, y)$  in the direction of  $\langle 5, 5 \rangle$  at the point  $(1, 3)$ .

Direction is  $\vec{u} = \frac{\langle 5, 5 \rangle}{\|\langle 5, 5 \rangle\|} = \frac{\langle 5, 5 \rangle}{\sqrt{50}} = \frac{\langle 5, 5 \rangle}{5\sqrt{2}} = \langle \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \rangle$

Rate of change at  $(x, y)$  is  $D_{\vec{u}} f(x, y) = \nabla f \cdot \vec{u} = \left\langle \frac{y}{x^2+y^2}, \frac{x}{x^2+y^2} \right\rangle \cdot \left\langle \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right\rangle$

Rate of change at  $(1, 3)$  is thus  $\left\langle \frac{2 \cdot 3}{1^2+3^2}, \frac{2 \cdot 1}{1^2+3^2} \right\rangle \cdot \left\langle \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right\rangle = \left\langle \frac{6}{10}, \frac{2}{10} \right\rangle \cdot \left\langle \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right\rangle = \frac{8}{10\sqrt{2}} = \boxed{\frac{4}{5\sqrt{2}}} = \boxed{\frac{2\sqrt{2}}{5}}$

2. (24 pts.) Evaluate each limit, if possible; if not, explain why it does not exist.

$$(a) \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{x-y}{x+y}$$

Consider the following two approaches  $(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)$ :

$\circ (x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)$  along  $x$ -axis ( $y=0$ ):  $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{x-y}{x+y} = \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{x}{x} = \boxed{1}$

$\circ (x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)$  along  $y$ -axis ( $x=0$ ):  $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{x-y}{x+y} = \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{-y}{y} = \boxed{-1}$

Since we get different values along different paths, limit DNE

$$(b) \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (1,1)} \frac{xy - y - 2x + 2}{x-1} = \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (1,1)} \frac{y(x-1) - 2(x-1)}{x-1} = \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (1,1)} \frac{(x-1)(y-2)}{x-1}$$

$$= \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (1,1)} (y-2) = \boxed{-1}$$

3. (20 pts.) Consider the function  $f(x,y) = e^{4x-x^2-y^2}$ . Find all local maxima, local minima and/or saddle points.

$$\nabla f(x,y) = \left\langle e^{\underbrace{4x-x^2-y^2}_{\text{positive}}}(4-2x), -e^{\underbrace{4x-x^2-y^2}_{\text{negative}}} 2y \right\rangle = \langle 0,0 \rangle$$

From this we see that there is one critical point  $(2,0)$

$$f_{xx}(x,y) = e^{4x-x^2-y^2} (4-2x)^2 + e^{4x-x^2-y^2} (-2)$$

$$f_{xx}(2,0) = e^4 (4-2 \cdot 2)^2 + e^4 (-2) = -2e^4$$

$$f_{yy}(x,y) = e^{4x-x^2-y^2} 4y^2 - e^{4x-x^2-y^2} (2)$$

$$f_{yy}(2,0) = e^4 \cdot 0 + 2e^4 = -2e^4$$

$$f_{xy}(x,y) = e^{4x-x^2-y^2} (-2y)(4-2x)$$

$$f_{xy}(2,0) = 0$$

$$\text{Now, } f_{xx}(2,0) f_{yy}(2,0) - f_{xy}(2,0)^2 = (-2e^4)(-2e^4) - 0^2 = 4e^8 > 0$$

$$\text{Also } f_{xx}(2,0) = -2e^4 < 0$$

Therefore there is a local maximum at  $(2,0)$

4. (16 pts.) Consider  $f(x, y) = \ln(xy) \tan^{-1}(x)$ .

$$(a) \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = \frac{y}{xy} \tan^{-1}(x) + \ln(xy) \frac{1}{1+x^2} = \left[ \frac{\tan^{-1}(x)}{x} + \frac{\ln(xy)}{1+x^2} \right]$$

$$(b) \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = \frac{x}{xy} \tan^{-1}(x) = \boxed{\frac{\tan^{-1}(x)}{y}}$$

$$(c) \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x} = \frac{x}{xy} \frac{1}{1+x^2} = \boxed{\frac{1}{y(1+x^2)}}$$

$$(d) f_x(1, 1) = \frac{\tan^{-1}(1)}{1} + \frac{\ln(1 \cdot 1)}{1+1^2} = \frac{\pi}{4} + \frac{0}{2} = \boxed{\frac{\pi}{4}}$$

5. (10 pts.) Sketch the domain of

$$f(x, y) = \frac{\sqrt{1-x+y}}{x+2}$$

Need  $1-x+y \geq 0 \rightarrow \boxed{y \geq x-1}$

and  $x+2 \neq 0 \rightarrow \boxed{x \neq -2}$

↙ (line  $x=-2$  not included)

