

The exam is on Thursday, October 30 and will cover Chapter 14. Here is a sample of problems that have been given in the past. All problems will be computational in nature like your webwork, homework exercises or the problems below; there will be no true/false questions on this exam.

1. Consider the function

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

- (a) Sketch the domain of f .
(b) Sketch the level curves $f(x, y) = k$ for $k = 0, 1, 2, 3$.
(c) Find f_x .
(d) Find f_y .
(e) Find the equation of the tangent plane to f at the point $(2, 6, 2)$.
2. Show that $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{3xy}{x^2 + y^2}$ doesn't exist.
3. Given $u(t, x) = e^{-\alpha^2 k^2 t} \sin(kx)$, evaluate $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} - \alpha^2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}$, simplifying as much as possible.
4. Given $x - z = \arctan(yz)$, find

(a) $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}$

(b) $\frac{\partial z}{\partial y}$

5. Consider the surface given implicitly by $xy + yz + xz = 7$. Find

(a) $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}$

(b) $\frac{\partial z}{\partial y}$

6. Suppose $u = xy + yz + xz$, $x = st$, $y = e^{st}$ and $z = t^2$.

(a) Find $\frac{\partial u}{\partial s}$ at the point $(s, t) = (0, 1)$.

(b) Find $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t}$ at the point $(s, t) = (0, 1)$.

7. Suppose $z = 2xy + 3y^2 + ye^x$, $x = r \cos \theta$ and $y = r \sin \theta$.

(a) Find $\frac{\partial z}{\partial r}$ at the point $(r, \theta) = (2, \pi)$.

(b) Find $\frac{\partial z}{\partial \theta}$ at the point $(r, \theta) = (2, \pi)$.

8. Verify that the function $f(x, y) = \ln \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$ is a solution to Laplace's equation

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} = 0.$$

9. Calculate the limits, or show that they don't exist.

(a) $\lim_{(x,y,z) \rightarrow (4,1,-2)} e^{x^2 z} \cos(2y + z)$

(b) $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{5x^4 y^2}{x^8 + y^8}$

10. Find all second partial derivatives of $f(x, y) = \ln(3x + 5y)$.

11. Find the linear approximation of $f(x, y) = \ln(x - 3y)$ at $(7, 2)$ and use it to approximate $f(6.9, 2.06)$.
12. The pressure, volume and temperature of a mole of an ideal gas are related by the equation $PV = 8.31T$, where P is measured in kilopascals, V in liters, and T in kelvins. Use differentials to find the approximate change in the pressure if the volume increases from 12 L to 12.3 L and the temperature decreases from 310 K to 305 K.
13. Consider the function $f(x, y) = 3x^2 - xy + y^3$.
 - (a) Find the rate of change of f at $(1, 2)$ in the direction of $\mathbf{u} = 3\mathbf{i} + 4\mathbf{j}$.
 - (b) From the point $(1, 2)$, in what direction does f decrease the most? Give your answer as a unit vector. What is this maximum rate of decrease?
 - (c) From the point $(1, 2)$, in what direction does f increase the most? Give your answer as a unit vector. What is this maximum rate of increase?
 - (d) From the point $(1, 2)$, in what direction(s) is the rate of change of f equal to zero? Give your answer(s) as unit vector(s).
14. Suppose $f(x, y)$ is a function such that $\nabla f(2, 4)$ has norm of 5. Is there a direction \mathbf{u} such that the directional derivative $D_{\mathbf{u}}f(2, 4) = 7$? Explain your answer.
15. Consider the ellipsoid $x^2 + 4y^2 = 169 - 9z^2$ and the point $P(3, 2, 4)$ on the ellipsoid.
 - (a) Find the equation of the tangent plane to the ellipsoid at the point P .
 - (b) Find the parametric equations for the normal line to the ellipsoid at the point P .
16. Let $f(x, y) = x^2 + \frac{y^2}{2} + x^2y$.
 - (a) Find all critical points of f .
 - (b) Apply the second derivative test to each of them, and write down the result of the test.
17. Consider the function $f(x, y) = y^2 - x^2 + x^4$. Find and classify (as maxima, minima or saddles) the critical points of f , showing all work.
18. Find the maximum of $f(x, y) = xy$ restricted to the curve $(x + 1)^2 + y^2 = 1$. Give both the coordinates of the point and the value of f .
19. Find the dimensions of a rectangular box of maximum volume such that the sum of the lengths of its 12 edges is a constant, C .
20. Find the absolute maximum and minimum of $f(x, y) = x^2 + xy + y^2$ over the disk $\{(x, y) \mid x^2 + y^2 \leq 9\}$.