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MATH 251 (Fall 2004) Exam 2, Oct 27th

No calculators, books or notes! Show all work and give **complete explanations** for all your answers.  
This 65 minute exam is worth 75 points.

(1) [12 pts] Let  $z = f(x, y) = x^2 - 3y^2 - x \cos(\pi y^2)$ .

(a) Find the first partial derivatives of  $f$  at the point  $(1, -2, -12)$ .

(b) Find an equation of the form  $z = ax + by + c$  for the tangent plane to the graph of  $f$  at  $(1, -2, -12)$ .

(2) [15 pts] In each case, evaluate the limit or show that it does not exist.

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

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

(3) [12 pts]

(a) Suppose  $z = f(x, y)$  is a function and  $\mathbf{r}(t) = (x(t), y(t))$  is a parametrized curve. State the version of the Chain Rule that you would use to differentiate the composition  $f \circ \mathbf{r}$ .

(b) Suppose now that  $\mathbf{r}(t) = (e^t + \cos t, e^t + \sin t)$ . Calculate  $(f \circ \mathbf{r})'(0)$  using the following table of values.

$(a, b)$	$f(a, b)$	$f_x(a, b)$	$f_y(a, b)$
$(1, 2)$	8	7	6
$(2, 1)$	6	-3	11

(4) [24 pts] Consider the parametrized surface

$$\begin{aligned}x &= 3u \cos v \\y &= u \sin v \quad (\star) \\z &= u^2\end{aligned}$$

(a) Find a parametrization for the tangent plane to this surface at  $(u, v) = (1, \frac{\pi}{3})$ .

(b) Find an equation of the form  $z = f(x, y)$  for the parametrized surface given by  $(\star)$  and carefully sketch the level curves of this function at levels  $k = 1, 2, 3$ .

(c) Use the equation  $z = f(x, y)$  in (b) to sketch the graph of the surface. Also sketch the grid curves  $u = 1$  and  $v = \frac{\pi}{3}$  on the surface.

(d) Suppose that  $w = f(x, y, z) = x^2 + y^2 + z$  is temperature at  $(x, y, z)$  and that  $x, y, z$  are the functions of  $(u, v)$  given by  $(\star)$  above. Use the Chain Rule to compute  $\frac{\partial w}{\partial v}$  at  $(u, v) = (1, \frac{\pi}{3})$ .

Also: Explain the geometrical meaning of  $\frac{\partial w}{\partial v}$  at  $(u, v) = (1, \frac{\pi}{3})$ .

(5) [12 pts] Suppose that

$$z = f(x, y) = y \sin(xy^7 + \sqrt{x^3y + \tan y}) + e^{\sin x + \cos y}.$$

Find  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(0, 0)$ .

[Hint: There is an hard way and an easy way to do this calculation. *You will get zero points for doing the problem the hard way!!*]

Pledge: *I have neither given nor received aid on this exam*

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