

Math 105 - Practice Midterm 2 for Midterm 2

Solutions

*This practice midterm may be harder and/or longer than the real midterm.
Not all question will be worth the same number of points.*

1. Find the area of the region in the first quadrant that is bounded above by $y = \sqrt{x}$ and below by the x -axis and the line $y = x - 2$.

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2. A bank account has \$20,000 earning 5% interest compounded continuously. A pensioner uses the account to pay himself an annuity, drawing continuously at a \$2000 annual rate. How long will it take for the balance in the account to drop to zero?

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dx}{dt} &= 0.05x - 2000 = 0.05(x - 40000), & x(0) &= 20000 \\ \Rightarrow \int \frac{1}{x - 40000} dx &= \int 0.05 dt & \Rightarrow \ln|x - 40000| &= 0.05t + C_1. \\ & \Rightarrow \pm(x - 40000) &= e^{0.05t + C_1} &= e^{C_1} e^{0.05t} \\ & \Rightarrow x &= 40000 + C_2 e^{0.05t},\end{aligned}$$

where C_2 can be any number (e^{C_1} can only be positive, but because of the \pm we can have $C_2 = \pm e^{C_1}$).

$$\begin{aligned}20000 = x(0) &= 40000 + C_2 e^{0.05 \cdot 0} = 40000 + C_2 \Rightarrow C_2 = -20000 \\ \Rightarrow x(t) &= 40000 - 20000 e^{0.05t} = 20000(2 - e^{0.05t}).\end{aligned}$$

The balance will equal zero when

$$0 = 2 - e^{0.05t} \Rightarrow t = \frac{1}{0.05} \ln(2) = \boxed{20 \ln(2)} (\approx 14 \text{ years}).$$

3. Sketch the xy -trace, xz -trace, and yz -trace of the surface $z = 4y^2 - 9x^2$.
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4. Evaluate the limit $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (4,1)} \frac{x^2 - 4xy^4}{\sqrt{x} - 2y^2}$, or show that it doesn't exist.

$$\begin{aligned}\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (4,1)} \frac{x^2 - 4xy^4}{\sqrt{x} - 2y^2} &= \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (4,1)} \frac{x(x - 4y^4)}{\sqrt{x} - 2y^2} = \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (4,1)} \frac{x(\sqrt{x} - 2y^2)(\sqrt{x} + 2y^2)}{\sqrt{x} - 2y^2} \\ &= \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (4,1)} x(\sqrt{x} + 2y^2) = 4(\sqrt{4} + 2 \cdot 1^2) = 16.\end{aligned}$$

We could also have multiplied by the conjugate $\sqrt{x} + 2y^2$ in the numerator and denominator.

5. Consider the function $f(x, y) = x^2 - 3y^2$.

(a) Calculate f_x and f_y .

$$f_x(x, y) = 2x, \quad f_y(x, y) = -6y$$

(b) Find the rate of maximum increase when $x = 3$, $y = 2$.

The rate of maximum increase is $|\nabla f(3, 2)|$, the length of the gradient vector, which is

$$\nabla f(3, 2) = \langle f_x(3, 2), f_y(3, 2) \rangle = \langle 2 \cdot 3, -6 \cdot 2 \rangle = \langle 6, -12 \rangle$$

$$\Rightarrow |\nabla f(3, 2)| = \sqrt{6^2 + (-12)^2} = \sqrt{36 + 144} = \sqrt{180} = \boxed{6\sqrt{5}}.$$

(c) Sketch the level curve at height $z = 4$. Find the slope $\frac{dy}{dx}$ of the tangent line to this level curve at $(x, y) = (4, 2)$.

See the last page of these solutions.

6. Find the linear approximation for $\sqrt{(3.06)^2 + (3.92)^2}$.

We should use $z = f(x, y) = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$ and $(a, b) = (3, 4)$, and the linear approximation formula for either $L(x, y)$ or dz . For both we need

$$f_x = \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}}, \quad f_y = \frac{y}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}},$$

$$f(3, 4) = \sqrt{3^2 + 4^2} = \sqrt{25} = 5, \quad f_x(3, 4) = \frac{3}{5}, \quad f_y(3, 4) = \frac{4}{5}.$$

Using the linear approximation formula

$$L(x, y) = f_x(a, b)(x - a) + f_y(a, b)(y - b) + f(a, b)$$

we get the approximation

$$L(3.06, 3.92) = \frac{3}{5}(3.06 - 3) + \frac{4}{5}(3.92 - 4) + 5 = \frac{3}{5} \cdot 0.06 + \frac{4}{5} \cdot (-0.08) + 5 = 0.036 - 0.064 + 5 = \boxed{4.972}.$$

Note: on the midterm, you could leave $\frac{3}{5} \cdot 0.06 + \frac{4}{5} \cdot (-0.08) + 5$ as your answer (or probably the calculation would be easier).

With the formula

$$dz = f_x(a, b)dx + f_y(a, b)dy$$

we get (with $dx = 3.06 - 3 = 0.06$, $dy = 3.92 - 4 = -0.08$)

$$dz = \frac{3}{5} \cdot 0.06 + \frac{4}{5} \cdot (-0.08) = 0.036 - 0.064 = -0.028,$$

so the approximation is

$$\sqrt{(3.06)^2 + (3.92)^2} \approx f(3, 4) + dz = 5 + (-0.028) = \boxed{4.972}.$$

Note: the actual value is $\sqrt{(3.06)^2 + (3.92)^2} = 4.9729 \dots$.

7. Find the critical points of $f(x, y) = 3y^2 - 2y^3 - 3x^2 + 6xy$, and classify each one as a maximum, minimum or saddle point.

$$f_x = -6x + 6y = 0, \quad f_y = 6y - 6y^2 + 6x = 0$$

To solve these equations, we can get $y = x$ from the first equation, and plug that into the second:

$$\Rightarrow 6y - 6y^2 + 6y = 0 \Rightarrow 0 = 12y - 6y^2 = 6y(2 - y) \Rightarrow y = 0, y = 2.$$

So the critical points are $(0, 0)$ and $(2, 2)$.

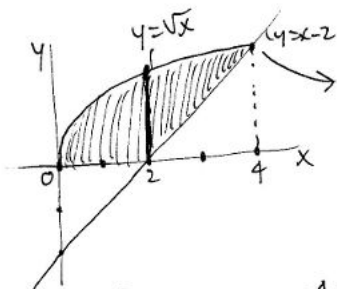
To classify them with the Second Derivative Test, we need the second partial derivatives and the discriminant:

$$f_{xx} = -6, \quad f_{yy} = 6 - 12y, \quad f_{xy} = 6$$

$$\Rightarrow D(x, y) = f_{xx}f_{yy} - f_{xy}^2 = -6(6 - 12y) - 6^2 = -72 + 72y = 72(y - 1).$$

Then for the critical point $(0, 0)$ we have $D(0, 0) = -72 < 0$, so $(0, 0)$ is a saddle point. For $(2, 2)$ we have $D(2, 2) = 72 > 0$, so we look at $f_{xx}(2, 2) = -6 < 0$, which tells us that $(2, 2)$ is a local maximum.

1) Area in first quadrant between $y = \sqrt{x}$ and the x-axis and $y = x - 2$



$$x - 2 = \sqrt{x} \Rightarrow (x - 2)^2 = x$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 5x + 4 = 0$$

$$(x - 4)(x - 1) \Rightarrow x = 4 \quad \rightarrow (x = 1 \text{ is no solution: } 1 - 2 \neq \sqrt{1})$$

$$\Rightarrow A = \int_0^2 \sqrt{x} dx + \int_2^4 (\sqrt{x} - (x - 2)) dx$$

$$= \frac{2}{3} x^{\frac{3}{2}} \Big|_0^2 + \left(\frac{2}{3} x^{\frac{3}{2}} - \frac{1}{2} x^2 + 2x \right) \Big|_2^4$$

$$= \frac{2}{3} \cdot 2^{\frac{3}{2}} + \left(\frac{2}{3} \cdot 8 - \frac{1}{2} \cdot 16 + 2 \cdot 4 \right) - \left(\frac{2}{3} \cdot 2^{\frac{3}{2}} - \frac{1}{2} \cdot 4 + 2 \cdot 2 \right)$$

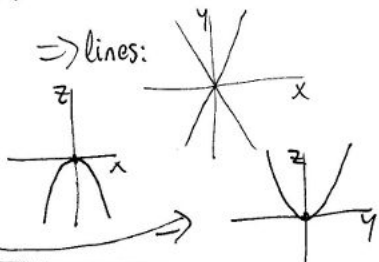
$$= \frac{16}{3} + 6 = \frac{34}{3}$$

3) $z = 4y^2 - 9x^2$
 • xy-trace: $z = 0 \Rightarrow 4y^2 - 9x^2 = 0 \Rightarrow y = \frac{3}{2}x$ or $y = -\frac{3}{2}x$

$$(2y - 3x)(2y + 3x) \Rightarrow \text{lines:}$$

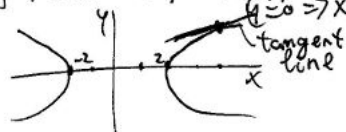
• xz-trace: $y = 0 \Rightarrow z = -9x^2$

\Rightarrow parabola:



• yz-trace: $x = 0 \Rightarrow z = 4y^2$

5c) $4 = x^2 - 3y^2 \Rightarrow$ hyperbola
 $(x = 0 \Rightarrow x = \pm 2)$



slope at (4, 2):

implicit diff. $\Rightarrow 0 = 2x - 6y \frac{dy}{dx}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{x}{3y}$$

at (4, 2): $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{4}{6} = \frac{2}{3}$