

**Math 211 First Exam** (Version A: Sections 1, 3, 51, and 53)23 June 2018

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Questions 1–5: 5 points each, questions 6–10: 15 points each.

1. The unit tangent vector to the curve  $\mathbf{r}(t) = (t^2 - 4t)\mathbf{i} + (t^3 - t + 2)\mathbf{j} + (t^3 + 1)\mathbf{k}$  at the point  $(5, 2, 0)$  is

(a)  $-\frac{6}{7}\mathbf{i} + \frac{2}{7}\mathbf{j} + \frac{3}{7}\mathbf{k}$

(c)  $\frac{6}{7}\mathbf{i} - \frac{2}{7}\mathbf{j} - \frac{3}{7}\mathbf{k}$

(b)  $\frac{5}{\sqrt{29}}\mathbf{i} + \frac{2}{\sqrt{29}}\mathbf{j}$

(d)  $-\frac{2}{\sqrt{17}}\mathbf{i} + \frac{2}{\sqrt{17}}\mathbf{j} + \frac{3}{\sqrt{17}}\mathbf{k}$

2. The arc-length of the curve  $\mathbf{r}(t) = -4\cos t\mathbf{i} + 2t\mathbf{j} + 4\sin t\mathbf{k}$  between the points  $(-4, 0, 0)$  and  $(4, 2\pi, 0)$  is

(a)  $\pi$

(b)  $\pi/2$

(c)  $\sqrt{5}\pi$

(d)  $2\sqrt{5}\pi$

3. The curvature at any point of the curve  $\mathbf{r}(t) = 2\cos t\mathbf{i} + 2\sin t\mathbf{j} + 10\mathbf{k}$  is

(a) 2

(b) 3

(c)  $1/2$

(d)  $1/3$

4. The limit of  $f(x, y) = \frac{xy^2}{x^2 + y^4}$  as  $(x, y) \rightarrow (0, 0)$  is

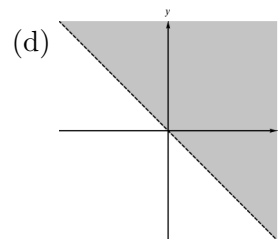
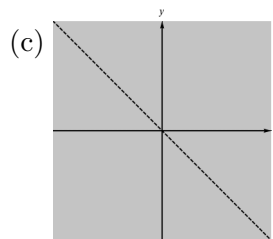
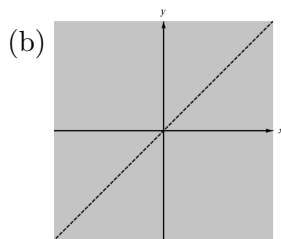
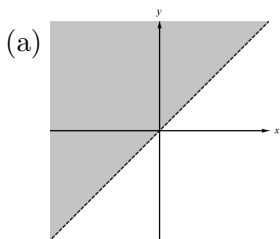
(a) 0

(b)  $1/2$

(c) 1

(d) Undefined

5. Which of the following regions is the domain of  $f(x, y) = \frac{\cos(x+y)}{x-y}$ ?



6. Find the value and direction of the maximum directional derivative of  $f(x, y) = xy^2 - 2\sqrt{x}$  at the point  $(1, 2)$ .

7. Find an equation for the tangent plane to the surface  $x + y + z = e^{xyz}$  at the point  $(3, 0, -2)$ .

8. Let  $z = f(x, y)$  where  $x = s + t$ ,  $y = s - t$ , and  $f$  is a differentiable function. Show that

$$\left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}\right)^2 - \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}\right)^2 = \frac{\partial z}{\partial s} \cdot \frac{\partial z}{\partial t}.$$

9. Find and classify all critical points of the function  $f(x, y) = 4 + x^3 + y^3 - 3xy$ .

10. Find the maximum value of  $f(x, y, z) = xyz$  on the part of the paraboloid  $x^2 + y^2 + z = 16$  that lies in the first octant.

## SOLUTIONS

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1. The correct choice is (a).

At the point  $(5, 2, 0)$  we have  $t^3 + 1 = 0$  which holds if and only if  $t = -1$ . On the other hand,

$$\mathbf{r}'(t) = (2t - 4)\mathbf{i} + (3t^2 - 1)\mathbf{j} + 3t^2\mathbf{k} \Rightarrow \mathbf{r}'(-1) = -6\mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{j} + 3\mathbf{k} \Rightarrow |\mathbf{r}'(-1)| = 7.$$

We conclude that  $\mathbf{T}(-1) = -\frac{6}{7}\mathbf{i} + \frac{2}{7}\mathbf{j} + \frac{3}{7}\mathbf{k}$ .

2. The correct choice is (d).

The points  $(-4, 0, 0)$  and  $(4, 2\pi, 0)$  correspond to  $t = 0$  and  $t = \pi$  respectively. On the other hand,

$$|\mathbf{r}'(t)| = |4\sin t\mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{j} + 4\cos t\mathbf{k}| = 2\sqrt{5}.$$

Now the desired arc-length is

$$L = \int_0^\pi |\mathbf{r}'(t)| dt = \int_0^\pi 2\sqrt{5} dt = 2\sqrt{5}\pi.$$

3. The correct choice is (c).

The given curve is a circle of radius 2, hence it has curvature  $1/2$  at any point.

4. The correct choice is (d).

The limit is undefined by the two-path rule: along the line  $y = 0$  we have

$$L_1 = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{0}{x^2} = 0,$$

while along the parabola  $x = y^2$  we get

$$L_2 = \lim_{y \rightarrow 0} \frac{y^4}{2y^4} = \frac{1}{2} \neq L_1.$$

5. The correct choice is (b).

The function is undefined only when the denominator equals 0. Hence  $D_f = \{(x, y) \mid x - y \neq 0\}$ .

6.  $\nabla f = \langle y^2 - 1/\sqrt{x}, 2xy \rangle \Rightarrow \nabla f(1, 2) = \langle 3, 4 \rangle \Rightarrow |\nabla f(1, 2)| = 5$ .

Hence the maximum directional derivative of  $f$  at the point  $(1, 2)$  is 5 and it occurs in the direction of the vector  $\langle 3, 4 \rangle$ .

7. Let  $F(x, y, z) = x + y + z - e^{xyz}$ . Then  $\nabla F = \langle 1 - yz e^{xyz}, 1 - xz e^{xyz}, 1 - xy e^{xyz} \rangle$ . Now the vector  $\nabla F(3, 0, -2) = \langle 1, 7, 1 \rangle$  is normal to the tangent plane at the point  $(3, 0, -2)$ . Therefore, an equation for this tangent plane is

$$1(x - 3) + 7(y - 0) + 1(z + 2) = 0, \quad \text{or} \quad x + 7y + z = 1.$$

8. By the chain rule we have

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial s} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial s} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial s} = f_x + f_y \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial z}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial t} = f_x - f_y.$$

These imply  $\frac{\partial z}{\partial s} \frac{\partial z}{\partial t} = (f_x + f_y)(f_x - f_y) = (f_x)^2 - (f_y)^2$ .

9. The partial derivatives of  $f$  are  $f_x = 3x^2 - 3y$  and  $f_y = 3y^2 - 3x$  which are defined everywhere in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ . Thus the critical points of  $f$  are solutions of the system of equations  $f_x = f_y = 0$ , that is

$$\begin{cases} 3x^2 - 3y = 0 \\ 3y^2 - 3x = 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} y = x^2 \\ y^2 - x = 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow x^4 - x = 0 \Rightarrow x(x^3 - 1) = 0 \Rightarrow x = 0, 1.$$

From the equation  $y = x^2$  we see that the critical points of  $f$  are  $(0, 0)$  and  $(1, 1)$ . We may classify these critical points using the Second Derivatives Test. With the discriminator

$$D(x, y) = f_{xx}f_{yy} - (f_{xy})^2 = (6x)(6y) - (-3)^2 = 9(4xy - 1)$$

we obtain:

- $D(0, 0) = -9 < 0$ , thus  $f$  has a saddle point at  $(0, 0)$ .
- $D(1, 1) = 27 > 0$  and  $f_{xx}(1, 1) = 6 > 0$ , thus  $f$  has a local minimum at  $(1, 1)$ .

10. Let  $g(x, y, z) = x^2 + y^2 + z$ . By the method of Lagrange multipliers the maximum occurs at a point on the paraboloid where  $\nabla f = \lambda \nabla g$ . That is a solution of the system

$$\begin{cases} yz = \lambda \cdot 2x \\ xz = \lambda \cdot 2y \\ xy = \lambda \cdot 1 \\ x^2 + y^2 + z = 16. \end{cases}$$

Note that in the first octant,  $x, y, z > 0$ . Thus  $\lambda \neq 0$  since otherwise the first equation implies  $y = 0$  or  $z = 0$ . Now multiplying the first equation by  $x$ , the second equation by  $y$ , and the third equation by  $z$  we obtain

$$xyz = 2\lambda x^2 = 2\lambda y^2 = \lambda z.$$

Since  $\lambda \neq 0$  this gives  $x^2 = y^2 = z/2$ , which with the last equation implies  $z/2 + z/2 + z = 16$ . Therefore,  $z = 8$  and  $x^2 = y^2 = 4$ . We conclude that the only solution of the above system in the first octant is the point  $(2, 2, 8)$  which is where the maximum occurs. Hence the maximum value of  $f$  on the paraboloid  $g = 16$  is  $f(2, 2, 8) = 32$ .

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(c)  $-\frac{2}{7}\mathbf{i} + \frac{6}{7}\mathbf{j} + \frac{3}{7}\mathbf{k}$

(b)  $\frac{3}{\sqrt{13}}\mathbf{i} + \frac{2}{\sqrt{13}}\mathbf{j}$

(d)  $-\frac{2}{3}\mathbf{i} + \frac{2}{3}\mathbf{j} + \frac{1}{3}\mathbf{k}$

2. The arc-length of the curve  $\mathbf{r}(t) = -4\cos t\mathbf{i} + 2t\mathbf{j} + 4\sin t\mathbf{k}$  between the points  $(-4, 0, 0)$  and  $(0, \pi, 4)$  is

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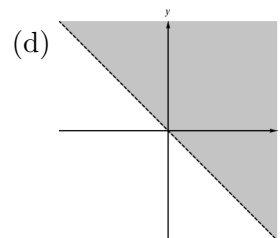
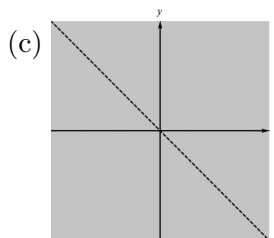
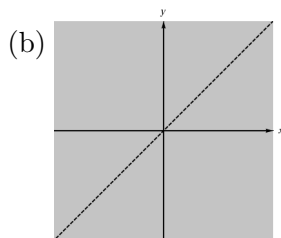
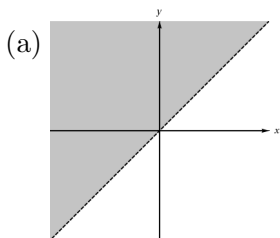
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6. Find the value and direction of the maximum directional derivative of  $f(x, y) = xy^2 - 2\sqrt{x}$  at the point  $(1, 1)$ .

7. Find an equation for the tangent plane to the surface  $x + y + z = \ln(1 + xyz)$  at the point  $(0, -2, 2)$ .

8. Let  $w = f(u, v)$ , where  $u = xy$ ,  $v = \frac{x}{y}$ , and  $f$  is a differentiable function. Show that

$$x \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} = 2xy \frac{\partial f}{\partial u}.$$

9. Find and classify all critical points of the function  $f(x, y) = 6 - x^4 + 2x^2 - y^2$ .

10. Find the maximum value of  $f(x, y, z) = xyz$  on the part of the paraboloid  $x^2 + y^2 + z = 1$  that lies in the first octant.

## SOLUTIONS

(Version B: Sections 2, 52, and 54)

1. The correct choice is (c).

At the point  $(3, 2, 0)$  we have  $t^3 + 1 = 0$  which holds if and only if  $t = -1$ . On the other hand,

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5. The correct choice is (d).

The function is defined if and only if the argument of  $\ln$  is positive. Hence  $D_f = \{(x, y) \mid y + x > 0\}$ .

6.  $\nabla f = \langle y^2 - 1/\sqrt{x}, 2xy \rangle \Rightarrow \nabla f(1, 1) = \langle 0, 2 \rangle \Rightarrow |\nabla f(1, 1)| = 2$ .

Hence the maximum directional derivative of  $f$  at the point  $(1, 1)$  is 2 and it occurs in the direction of the vector  $\langle 0, 2 \rangle$ .

7. Let  $F(x, y, z) = x + y + z - \ln(1 + xyz)$ . Then  $\nabla F = \langle 1 - \frac{yz}{1+xyz}, 1 - \frac{xz}{1+xyz}, 1 - \frac{xy}{1+xyz} \rangle$ . Now the vector  $\nabla F(0, -2, 2) = \langle 5, 1, 1 \rangle$  is normal to the tangent plane at the point  $(0, -2, 2)$ . Therefore, an equation for this tangent plane is

$$5(x - 0) + 1(y + 2) + 1(z - 2) = 0, \quad \text{or} \quad 5x + y + z = 2.$$

8. By the chain rule we have

$$\frac{\partial w}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial w}{\partial u} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial v} \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} = yf_u + \frac{1}{y}f_v \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial w}{\partial u} \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial v} \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = xf_u - \frac{x}{y^2}f_v.$$

These imply  $x \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} = xyf_u + \frac{x}{y}f_v + xyf_u - \frac{x}{y}f_v = 2xyf_u$ .

9. The partial derivatives of  $f$  are  $f_x = -4x^3 + 4x$  and  $f_y = -2y$  which are defined everywhere in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ . Thus the critical points of  $f$  are solutions of the system of equations  $f_x = f_y = 0$ , that is

$$\begin{cases} -4x^3 + 4x = 0 \\ -2y = 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} 4x(x^2 - 1) = 0 \\ y = 0 \end{cases}$$

From the first equation,  $x$  is 0 or  $\pm 1$ . Thus the critical points of  $f$  are  $(0, 0)$  and  $(\pm 1, 0)$ . We may classify these critical points using the Second Derivatives Test. With the discriminator

$$D(x, y) = f_{xx}f_{yy} - (f_{xy})^2 = (-12x^2 + 4)(-2) - (0)^2 = 8(3x^2 - 1)$$

we obtain:

- $D(0, 0) = -8 < 0$ , thus  $f$  has a saddle point at  $(0, 0)$ .
  - $D(\pm 1, 0) = 16 > 0$  and  $f_{yy}(\pm 1, 0) = -2 < 0$ , thus  $f$  has a local maximum at  $(\pm 1, 0)$ .
10. Let  $g(x, y, z) = x^2 + y^2 + z$ . By the method of Lagrange multipliers the maximum occurs at a point on the paraboloid where  $\nabla f = \lambda \nabla g$ . That is a solution of the system

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Since  $\lambda \neq 0$  this gives  $x^2 = y^2 = z/2$ , which with the last equation implies  $z/2 + z/2 + z = 1$ . Therefore,  $z = \frac{1}{2}$  and  $x^2 = y^2 = \frac{1}{4}$ . We conclude that the only solution of the above system in the first octant is the point  $(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$  which is where the maximum occurs. Hence the maximum value of  $f$  on the paraboloid  $g = 1$  is  $f(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}) = \frac{1}{8}$ .