

Directions: Show all of your work to get credit. No calculators. Good luck!

1. [15 points] Find an equation of the plane passing through the points  $(0, 0, 3)$ ,  $(1, 0, -6)$ , and  $(1, 2, 3)$ .

$$P = (0, 0, 3)$$

$$\vec{PR} = \langle 1-0, 2-0, 3-3 \rangle = \langle 1, 2, 0 \rangle$$

$$Q = (1, 0, -6)$$

$$\vec{PQ} = \langle 1-0, 0-0, -6-3 \rangle = \langle 1, 0, -9 \rangle$$

$$R = (1, 2, 3)$$

$$\vec{n} = \vec{PR} \times \vec{PQ} = \begin{vmatrix} i & j & k \\ 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & -9 \end{vmatrix} = i \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & -9 \end{vmatrix} - j \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -9 \end{vmatrix} + k \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= i(-18) - j(-9) + k(-2) \\ &= -18i + 9j - 2k \end{aligned}$$

Plane equation

$$\vec{n} = \langle -18, 9, -2 \rangle$$

point on plane  $(0, 0, 3)$

$$-18(x-0) + 9(y-0) - 2(z-3) = 0$$

$$-18x + 9y - 2z + 6 = 0$$

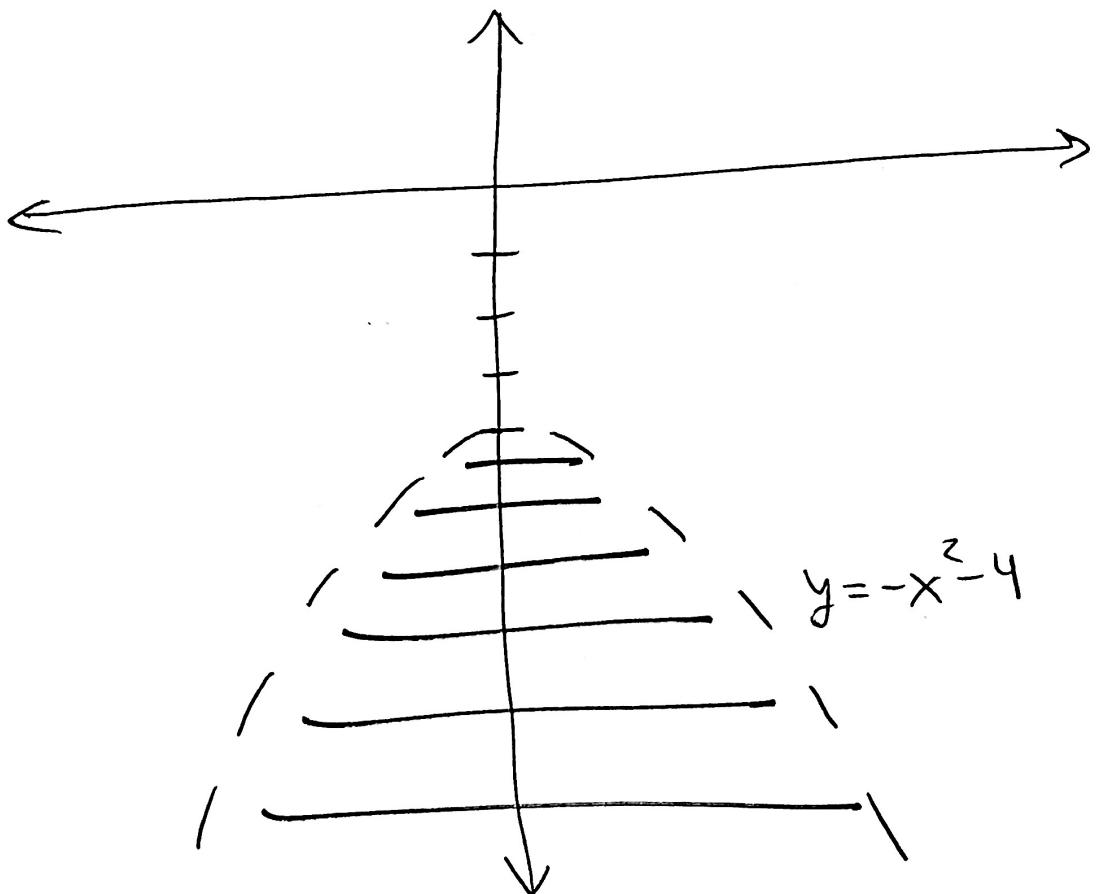
2. [5 points] Find and sketch the domain of

$$f(x, y) = \frac{2x}{\sqrt{-x^2 - y - 4}}$$

Need  $-x^2 - y - 4 > 0$ .

So,  $\boxed{-x^2 - 4 > y}$ .

The domain of  $f$  consists of all  $(x, y)$  with  $-x^2 - 4 > y$ .



3. [10 points - 5 each] If the limit exists, calculate it. If the limit does not exist show why.

$$(a) \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (-1,5)} \frac{e^{xy}}{x-y} = \frac{e^{-11(5)}}{-1-5} = \boxed{-\frac{1}{6} e^{-5}}$$

$$(b) \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{4xy}{3x^2+y^2}$$

If  $x=0$ , then  $\frac{4xy}{3x^2+y^2} = \frac{0}{y^2} = 0 \rightarrow 0$  as  $y \rightarrow 0$ .

If  $y=0$ , then  $\frac{4xy}{3x^2+y^2} = \frac{0}{3x^2} = 0 \rightarrow 0$  as  $x \rightarrow 0$

If  $y=x$ , then  $\frac{4xy}{3x^2+y^2} = \frac{4x^2}{3x^2+x^2} = 1 \rightarrow 1$  as  $x \rightarrow 0$ .

Since we get different values by approaching  $(0,0)$  on the  $x$ -axis and the curve  $y=x$ ,  
ie  $0 \neq 1$ , the limit does not exist.

4. [10 points - 5 each] Calculate the following partial derivatives.

(a) Find  $f_x$  where  $f(x, y) = \frac{x^2}{3x^2 - 5y^2}$

$$f_x(x, y) = \frac{2x(3x^2 - 5y^2) - 6x(x^2)}{(3x^2 - 5y^2)^2}$$

$$= \frac{6x^3 - 10xy^2 - 6x^3}{(3x^2 - 5y^2)^2} = \boxed{\frac{-10xy^2}{(3x^2 - 5y^2)^2}}$$

(b) Find  $g_{xy}$  where  $g(x, y) = x \cos(y^2 + 2x^3)$

$$g_x = 1 \cdot \cos(y^2 + 2x^3) + x[-\sin(y^2 + 2x^3) \cdot 6x^2]$$

$$g_x = \cos(y^2 + 2x^3) - 6x^3 \sin(y^2 + 2x^3)$$

$$g_{xy} = -\sin(y^2 + 2x^3) \cdot 2y - 6x^3 \cos(y^2 + 2x^3) \cdot 2y$$

$$g_{xy} = -2y \sin(y^2 + 2x^3) - 12x^3 y \cos(y^2 + 2x^3)$$

or start with

$$g_y = x(-\sin(y^2 + 2x^3) \cdot 2y) = -2xy \sin(y^2 + 2x^3)$$

5. [5 points] Let  $z = \sin(2x + y)$  where  $x = s^2 - t^2$  and  $y = s^2 + t^2$ . Calculate  $\frac{\partial z}{\partial s} = z_s$ .

Note: Make sure your answer only has  $s$ 's and  $t$ 's in it.

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial z}{\partial s} &= \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \cdot \frac{\partial x}{\partial s} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \cdot \frac{\partial y}{\partial s} \\&= [\cos(2x+y) \cdot 2][2s] + [\cos(2x+y)][2s] \\&= 4s \cos(2(s^2-t^2) + (s^2+t^2)) \\&\quad + 2s \cos(2(s^2-t^2) + (s^2+t^2)) \\&= 4s \cos(3s^2-t^2) + 2s \cos(3s^2-t^2) \\&= 6s \cos(3s^2-t^2)\end{aligned}$$

6. [10 points - 5 each] Consider the function  $f(x, y) = \frac{x}{x-y}$ .

- Find the directional derivative of  $f$  at the point  $(0, 1)$  in the direction of  $(4, 1)$
- Find a vector that points in a direction of no change in the function at  $(0, 1)$ .

(a)  $\nabla f = \langle f_x, f_y \rangle$

$$\nabla f = \left\langle \frac{(1)(x-y) - (1)(x)}{(x-y)^2}, \frac{0(x-y) - (-1)(x)}{(x-y)^2} \right\rangle$$

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

$$\nabla f(0, 1) = \left\langle \frac{-1}{(0-1)^2}, \frac{0}{(0-1)^2} \right\rangle = \langle -1, 0 \rangle$$

direction is (using  $P = (0, 1)$  and  $Q = (4, 1)$ )

$$\vec{PQ} = \langle 4-0, 1-1 \rangle = \langle 4, 0 \rangle \quad |\vec{PQ}| = \sqrt{4^2 + 0^2} = 4$$

Now make it a unit vector

$$\vec{u} = \frac{\vec{PQ}}{|\vec{PQ}|} = \frac{1}{4} \langle 4, 0 \rangle = \langle 1, 0 \rangle$$

$$D_{\vec{u}} f(0, 1) = \nabla f(0, 1) \cdot \vec{u} = \langle -1, 0 \rangle \cdot \langle 1, 0 \rangle = \boxed{-1}$$

(b) We need a vector that is perpendicular to  $\nabla f(0, 1) = \langle -1, 0 \rangle$ . Use  $\langle 0, 1 \rangle$ .

$$\text{Then } D_{\langle 0, 1 \rangle} f(0, 1) = \langle -1, 0 \rangle \cdot \langle 0, 1 \rangle = 0.$$

Answer:  $\boxed{\langle 0, 1 \rangle}$

7. [5 points] Find the linear approximation of  $f(x, y) = 4 \cos(2x - y)$  at the point  $(\frac{\pi}{4}, 0)$ . Then approximate  $f(0.8, 0)$ .

Recall that

$$\cos(0) = 1 \quad \cos(\pi/4) = \sqrt{2}/2 \quad \cos(\pi/2) = 0$$

$$\sin(0) = 0 \quad \sin(\pi/4) = \sqrt{2}/2 \quad \sin(\pi/2) = 1$$

$$\pi \approx 3.14159 \quad 2\pi \approx 6.283185 \quad \pi/4 \approx 0.7854$$

$$f\left(\frac{\pi}{4}, 0\right) = 4 \cos\left(2\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) - 0\right) = 4 \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = 0$$

$$f_x = 4 \left[ -\sin(2x - y) \cdot 2 \right] = -8 \sin(2x - y)$$

$$f_y = 4 \left[ -\sin(2x - y) \cdot (-1) \right] = 4 \sin(2x - y)$$

$$f_x\left(\frac{\pi}{4}, 0\right) = -8 \sin\left(2\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) - 0\right) = -8 \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = -8$$

$$f_y\left(\frac{\pi}{4}, 0\right) = 4 \sin\left(2\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) - 0\right) = 4 \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = 4$$

$$L(x, y) = 0 - 8(x - \frac{\pi}{4}) + 4(y - 0)$$

$$L(x, y) = -8x + 4y + 2\pi$$

$$f(0.8, 0) \approx L(0.8, 0) = -8(0.8) + 4(0) + 2\pi$$

$$\approx -6.4 + 6.28$$

$$\approx \boxed{-0.12}$$