

# Review for Midterm 1

Office hour: Feb. 20, 3:30-4:30pm; Exam: Feb. 22

## I. Partial derivative

We start to learn functions of several variables.

Definition:

How to find **Domain**, what is **Level curves** (and **Level curves**, etc.

Limit and Continuity:

When an rational polynomial has **NO** limit: Find two difference paths.

How to find limit? Definition is **TOO HARD**. But if the function is continuous at the point, it is easy!

Try these examples

**Exercise 1:** If the limit exists, find it. If it does not exist, give the reason.

1).

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{x^{10} + y \ln(x^2 + 1)}{x^3 + y^6 + 1}.$$

2)

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \ln(x^2 + y^3 + 2).$$

3)

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

Partial derivative:

How to compute the partial derivatives (include how to check a function solving a partial differential equation): All those old tricks from previous Calculus courses are still useful. Key part: **Chain rule**.

**Exercise 2:** Check  $u(x, t) = f(x + at)$  solves the following equation:

$$u_{tt} - a^2 u_{xx} = 0.$$

Applications of derivatives: Tangent plane and normal line. The general way to find the formula using level surface: Where the normal direction

$$(F_x(x_0, y_0, z_0), F_y(x_0, y_0, z_0), F_z(x_0, y_0, z_0))$$

come from?

**Exercise 3:** Assume that  $g(x, y) = f(x^2 + \sin y)$  where  $f(t)$  is a differentiable function of  $t$ . If  $f'(0) = 2$ ,

(a). Find  $\partial g / \partial y(0, 0) = ?$ .

(b). Find the tangent plane of  $g(x, y)$  at point  $(0, 0)$ .

**Exercise 4:**

Find the tangent plane and normal line to the sphere  $x^2 + (y - 1)^2 + z^2 = 2$  at point  $(1, 1, 1)$ .

### Maximum and Minimum

How to find **Critical Points**: Solve the system of equations.

How to distinguish the local MAX and MIN from critical points: compute the determinant and  $f_{xx}$ .

How to find GLOBAL extreme value: 1). find extreme value inside the region, 2). find with constraint using Lagrange multipliers.

**Exercise 5.** Typical example: find the maximum and minimum value of  $f(x, y) = xy$  in the closed disk:  $\{(x, y) : x^2 + y^2 \leq 1\}$ .

## II. Double integrals

We start with the definition of double integral (the **VOLUME**).

**How to compute it?**

Integrals on rectangles: The link between a double integral and **ITERATED ingeral** is the deep **FUBINI**'s theorem.

**Exercise 6:** Evaluate

$$\int \int_R xy e^{x+y^2} dA$$

where  $R = [0, 1] \times [0, 1]$ .

Integrals on general regions ( **will cover it after the first midterm!**): Basically, we extend  $f(x, y)$  to  $F(x, y)$  over a bigger rectangle. **TWO TYPES** regions.  
One:

$$D = \{(x, y) : a \leq x \leq b, \text{ (for fixed } x), g_1(x) \leq y \leq g_2(x)\};$$

The second

$$D = \{(x, y) : c \leq y \leq d, \text{ (for fixed } y), h_1(y) \leq x \leq h_2(y)\}.$$

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