

1. (8 points) Compute the following limits or explain why they do not exist.

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

(b)  $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} |y|^x$ .

(c)  $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (-1,1)} \frac{x^2 + 2xy^2 + y^4}{1 + y^4}$ .

(d)  $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{\sin xy}{x^2 + y^2}$ .

2. (12 points) Suppose that a planet moves around the sun in a circular orbit of radius  $r > 0$  with the sun at the center. By Kepler's third law, the period  $T$  of the orbit (i.e., the length of a year on the planet) is given by

$$T^2 = \alpha r^3$$

where  $\alpha$  is a positive constant.

(a) Using Kepler's second law, show that the speed of the planet is constant. (Hint: As explained in class, Kepler's second law states that the orbit sweeps out equal area in equal times.)

(b) Show that the acceleration,  $\vec{a} = \ddot{\vec{r}}$ , of the planet is given by

$$\vec{a} = C \frac{\vec{r}}{r^3}$$

for some constant  $C$  depending on  $\alpha$ . Determine  $C$  in terms of  $\alpha$ .

3. (15 points) Let  $f(x,y) = xy(5x + y - 15)$ .

(a) Find all critical points and classify them as local minima, local maxima or saddle points.

(b) Does  $f$  have any global minima or maxima on  $\mathbb{R}^2$ . If it does, compute them.

(c) Does  $f$  have any global minima or maxima on  $\{(x,y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid x \geq 0, y \geq 0\}$ . If it does, compute them.

4. (10 points) Let  $z = f(x, y)$  and set  $x = 3s + 2t, y = s + 2t$ . Find the values of the constants  $a, b$  and  $c$  such that

$$a \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2} + b \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x \partial y} + c \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial y^2} = \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial s^2} + \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial t^2}.$$

5. (15 points) Let  $(a_1, \dots, a_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and let  $f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be the linear function given by

$$f(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i x_i.$$

(a) Compute the minimum and maximum values of  $f$  on the ball of radius  $r$  centered at the origin in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

(b) Now compute the minimum and maximum values of  $f$  on the ball of radius  $r$  centered at a point  $\vec{y} = (y_1, \dots, y_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .

(c) Now let  $g: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be the function given by  $g(x, y, z) = 5x + 3y + 2z$ . Compute the minimum and maximum values of  $g$  on the ball of radius 5 centered at the point  $(1, 1, 1)$ .

6. (20 points) Let

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{x^2 y}{x^2 + y^2} & (x, y) \neq (0, 0); \\ 0 & \text{else.} \end{cases}$$

- (a) Use the definition of partial derivatives to compute  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}$  and  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}$  at  $(0, 0)$ .
- (b) Let  $a$  be a non-zero constant and let  $\vec{x}(t) = (t, at)$ . Show that  $f \circ \vec{x}: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is differentiable and compute  $D(f \circ \vec{x})(0)$ .
- (c) Now compute  $Df(0, 0) \circ D\vec{x}(0)$ .
- (d) Is  $f$  differentiable at  $(0, 0)$ ?

7. (20 points) Suppose  $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  is a function.

(a) State the definition of

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} f(x,y).$$

(b) State the definition of the derivative  $Df$  of  $f$  at  $(0,0)$ .

Math 226

Final Exam

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**Instructions:**

- (1) No calculators, books, notes, or other aids allowed.
- (2) Give your answer in the space provided. If you need extra space, use the back of the page. **PLEASE BOX ALL FINAL ANSWERS!** And **clearly indicate whether you are planning to prove a statement or give a counterexample at the beginning of the problem.**
- (3) Show enough of your work to justify your answer. Show ALL steps.

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