

# TEST 2

MATH 32A @ UCLA (FALL 2020)

Assigned: December 02, 2020.

## Instructions/Admonishment

1. SHOW ALL WORK.

A correct answer with no relevant work may receive no credit, while an incorrect answer accompanied by some correct work may receive partial credit.

2. Duration: 24 hours.

3. The following is my own work, without the aid of any other person.

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**Exercise 1** TRUE OR FALSE.

State whether the following statements are *TRUE* or *FALSE*. Explain your choice.

- (i) Every element of the range of  $f(x, y)$  is contained in some level curve of  $f(x, y)$ .
- (ii) There is a function  $f(x, y)$  with continuous second partial derivative such that  $f_x = f_y = e^x \sin(xy)$ .

**Exercise 2** EXAMPLES.

Give one example of:

- (i) A function  $f(x, y)$  for which *Clairaut's Theorem* of equality of mixed partials does not apply. Explain.
- (ii) A function  $f(x, y)$  with domain and range,  $\{(x, y) \mid x > 0\}$  and  $\mathbb{R}$ , respectively. Explain.

**Exercise 3** LIMIT AND CONTINUITY.

(i) At what points is  $f(x, y)$  continuous?

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{x^3 + y^3}{x^2 + y^2}; & (x, y) \neq (0, 0). \\ 1; & (x, y) = (0, 0). \end{cases}$$

(ii) Find  $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \left( \frac{x^2 + y^2}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + 4} - 2} \right)$ .

**Exercise 4 DIFFERENTIABILITY .**

Consider the function

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

- (i) Prove that  $f(x, y)$  is discontinuous at  $(0, 0)$ ? Give the reason why  $f(x, y)$  is not differentiable at  $(0, 0)$  .
- (ii) Use the limit definition of partial derivative to compute  $f_x(0, 0)$  and  $f_y(0, 0)$ . What can you conclude?

**Exercise 5** DIRECTIONAL DERIVATIVE.Let  $f(x, y) = \ln(xy)$ .

- (i) Find  $\nabla f(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3})$  and the directional derivative of  $f(x, y)$  at  $(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3})$  in the direction of the vector  $\mathbf{v} = \langle 1, 2 \rangle$ .
- (ii) Find the direction in which the directional derivative of  $f(x, y)$  at  $(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3})$  is largest. Find this largest value.

**Exercise 6** CHAIN RULE.

A rectangle has sides of length  $x$  and  $y$ , which change at the rates  $\frac{dx}{dt} = 2$  and  $\frac{dy}{dt} = -1$ . If  $x = 3$  and  $y = 4$ , find the rate of change of the length of a diagonal of the rectangle.

**Exercise 7** BEAUTIFUL HEAT EQUATION (BONUS QUESTION).

The flow of heat along a thin conducting bar is governed by the one-dimensional heat equation,  $\frac{\partial T}{\partial t} = k \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2}$ , where  $T$  is a measure the temperature at a location  $x$  of the bar at time  $t$  and the positive constant  $k$  is related to the conductivity of the material.

Show that the following function satisfy the heat equation with  $k = 1$ :  $T(x, t) = Ae^{-a^2t} \cos(ax)$  for any real numbers  $a$  and  $A$ .