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Problem 1) (20 points)

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 F

The function $f(t, x, y) = \sin(x-t)y$ satisfies the partial differential equation $f_{tt} = (f_{xx} + f_{yy})$.

Solution:

Indeed this is a solution. The partial differential equation is called two dimensional wave equation.

 T
 F

The acceleration of the curve $\vec{r}(t) = (\cos(t), \sin(t), t)$ at time $t = 0$ is 1.

Solution:

The acceleration is a vector.

 T
 F

There exists a function $f(x, y)$ of two variables which has no critical points at all.

Solution:

True. Every non-constant linear function for example.

 T
 F

If $f_x(x, y) = f_y(x, y) = 0$ for all (x, y) then $f(x, y) = 0$ for all (x, y) .

Solution:

False, f could be constant.

 T
 F

$(0, 0)$ is a local maximum of the function $f(x, y) = x^2 - y^2 + x^4 + y^4$.

Solution:

$(0, 0)$ is a saddle point.

 T
 F

If $f(x, y)$ has a local maximum at the point $(0, 0)$ with discriminant $D > 0$ then $g(x, y) = f(x, y) - x^4 + y^3$ has a local maximum at the point $(0, 0)$ too.

Solution:

Adding $x^4 + y^3$ does not change the first and second derivatives.

T F

The value of the function $f(x, y) = \sqrt{1 + 3x + 5y}$ at $(-0.002, 0.01)$ can by linear approximation be estimated as $1 - (3/2) \cdot 0.002 + (5/2) \cdot 0.01$.

Solution:

Use formula for $L(x, y)$.

T F

The curve $\vec{r}(t) = (x(t), y(t)) = (t^3, t^3)$ is a line in the plane

Solution:

True.

T F

The directional derivative $D_{\vec{v}}f$ is a vector, which is normal to \vec{v} .

Solution:

The directional derivative is a number, not a vector.

T F

The gradient of f at a point (x_0, y_0, z_0) is tangent to the level surface of f which contains (x_0, y_0, z_0) .

Solution:

It is a basic and important fact that ∇f is **perpendicular** to the level surface.

T F

The sign of the Lagrange multiplier λ tells you whether the extrema under constraint is a local maximum or local minimum.

Solution:

No, while changing the sign of f indeed changes the sign of the Lagrange multipliers and also interchanges local maxima and local minima, the change of the sign of g does not change the nature of the critical point but changes the sign of λ .

T F

If $D_{\vec{v}}f(1, 1) = 0$ for all vectors \vec{v} , then $(1, 1)$ is a critical point of $f(x, y)$.

Solution:

Especially, $D_{\nabla f}(f) = |\nabla f|^2 = 0$ so that $\nabla f = (0, 0, 0)$.

T F

The vector $\nabla f(1, 1, 1)$ is perpendicular to the surface $f(x, y, z) = x^2 + y^2 + 2z^2 = 4$ at the point $(1, 1, 1)$.

Solution:

This is a basic property of gradients.

T F

The function $u(x, t) = x^3 + t^3$ satisfies the wave equation $u_{tt} = u_{xx}$.

Solution:

Just differentiate.

T F

For any curve $\vec{r}(t)$, the vectors $\vec{r}''(t)$ and $\vec{r}'(t)$ are always perpendicular to each other.

Solution:

This is most of the time wrong.

T F

Every critical point (x, y) of a function $f(x, y)$ for which the discriminant D is not zero is either a local maximum or a local minimum.

Solution:

The second derivative test give for negative D that we have a saddle point.

T F

The function $f(x, y) = e^y x^2 \sin(y^2)$ satisfies the partial differential equation $f_{xxyyyxyy} = 0$.

Solution:

By Clairots theorem, we can have all three x derivatives at the beginning.

T F

If $(0, 0)$ is a critical point of $f(x, y)$ and the discriminant D is zero but $f_{xx}(0, 0) < 0$ then $(0, 0)$ can not be a local minimum.

Solution:

If $f_{xx}(0, 0) < 0$ then on the x -axis the function $g(x) = f(x, 0)$ has a local maximum. This means that there are points close to $(0, 0)$ where the value of f is larger.

T **F**

In the second derivative test, one can replace the condition $D > 0, f_{xx} > 0$ with $D > 0, f_{yy} > 0$ to check whether a point is a local minimum.

Solution:

True. If $f_{xx}f_{yy} - f_{xy}^2 > 0$, then f_{xx} and f_{yy} must have the same signs.

T **F**

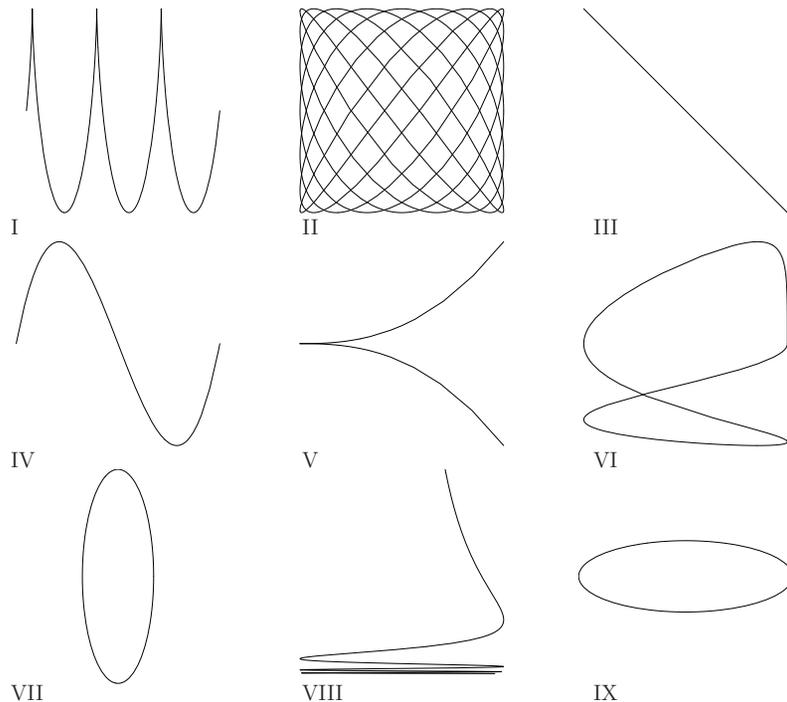
The length of the curve $\vec{r}(t) = (0, 0, 1) + t(0, 3, 4)$ with $t \in [0, 2]$ is equal to 10.

Solution:

The speed is 5. The path has length $\int_0^2 5 dt = 10$.

Problem 2) (10 points)

Match the parameterizations with the curves. No justifications are needed.



Enter I,II,...., until IX here	Parametrization	Parameter interval $[a, b]$.
	$\vec{r}(t) = (\cos(7t), \sin(9t))$	$[0, 2\pi]$
	$\vec{r}(t) = (t, 1 - t)$	$[-1, 1]$
	$\vec{r}(t) = (t, t^3 - t)$	$[-1, 1]$
	$\vec{r}(t) = (t^2, t^5)$	$[-1, 1]$
	$\vec{r}(t) = (\cos(t), 3 \sin[t])$	$[0, 2\pi]$
	$\vec{r}(t) = (\cos(\pi t^2), \sin(\pi t))$	$[0, 2]$
	$\vec{r}(t) = (\sin(1/t), t)$	$[0, \pi]$
	$\vec{r}(t) = (3 \cos(t), \sin(t))$	$[0, 2\pi]$
	$\vec{r}(t) = (\cos(t) + t, \sin(t))$	$[0, 6\pi]$

Solution:

II III IV V VII VIII IX I

Problem 3) (10 points)

Tell from each of the 10 following objects, whether they are a vector or a scalar. No justifications are needed. Each correct answer is 1 point.

object	vector	scalar
velocity		
speed		
acceleration		
arc length		
curvature		
discriminant		
directional derivative		
gradient		
partial derivative		

Solution:

Only velocity, acceleration and the gradient are vectors. For partial derivatives, it depends. The partial derivative of a function $f(x, y)$ is a scalar. The partial derivative of a parametrization $\vec{r}(u, v) = (x(u, v), y(u, v), z(u, v))$ is a vector.

Problem 4) (10 points)

Find all the critical points of $f(x, y) = \frac{x^5}{5} - \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{y^3}{3} - y$ and indicate whether they are local maxima, local minima or saddle points.

Solution:

$\nabla f(x, y) = (x^4 - x, y^2 - 1) = (0, 0)$ so that the critical points are $(0, 1), (0, -1), (1, 1), (1, -1)$. We have $D = (4x^3 - 1)2y$ and $f_{xx} = 4x^3 - 1$.

Point	D	f_{xx}	type
(0, 1)	$D = -2$	-	saddle
(0, -1)	$D = 2$	-1	local max
(1, 1)	$D = 6$	3	local min
(1, -1)	$D = -6$	-	saddle

Problem 5) (10 points)

Use the technique of linear approximation to estimate $f(0.003, -0.0001, \pi/2 + 0.01)$ for

$$f(x, y, z) = \cos(xy + z) + x + 2z .$$

Solution:

$$L(x, y) = f(x_0, y_0, z_0) + f_x(x_0, y_0, z_0)(x - x_0) + f_y(x_0, y_0, z_0)(y - y_0) + f_z(x_0, y_0, z_0)(z - z_0)$$

$$f(x_0, y_0, z_0) = \cos(\pi/2) + \pi = \pi$$

$$a = f_x(x_0, y_0, z_0) = -0 \sin(\pi/2) + 1 = 1$$

$$b = f_y(x_0, y_0, z_0) = -0 \sin(\pi/2) = 0$$

$$c = f_z(x_0, y_0, z_0) = -\sin(\pi/2) + 2 = 1$$

$$L(x, y) = \pi + 0.003 \cdot 1 + -0.0001 \cdot 0 + 0.01 \cdot 1 = \pi + 0.013.$$

Problem 6) (10 points)

Find the equation $ax + by + cz = d$ for the tangent plane to the level surface of

$$f(x, y, z) = \cos(xy + z) + x + 2z$$

(same function as in last problem) which contains the point $(0, 0, \pi/2)$.

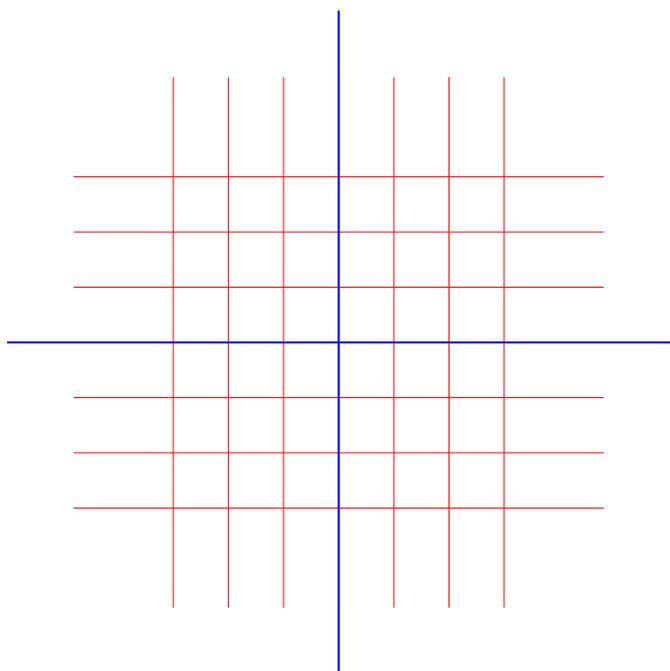
Solution:

We have $\nabla f(0, 0, \pi/2) = (1, 0, 1)$ so that the plane is $x + z = \pi/2$

Problem 7) (10 points)

Consider the function $f(x, y) = x^2 - y^2$ of two variables.

- a) Sketch in the diagram below the level curves $f(x, y) = c$ for values $c = 0, 1, 3$.
- b) Find and draw the gradient vector $\nabla f(x, y)$ at the point $(2, 1)$.
- c) Find the directional derivative $D_{\vec{u}}f$ of $f(x, y)$ at the point $(2, 1)$ into the direction $\vec{u} = (3, 4)/5$.



Solution:

- a) The level curves to $c = 0$ are lines $x = y, x = -y$. The level curves to $c = 1, c = 3$ are hyperbola, opened to the right and to the left.
 b) $\nabla f(x, y) = (2x, -2y)$, so that $\nabla f(2, 1) = (4, -2)$.
 c) $\nabla f(2, 1) \cdot (3, 4)/5 = 12/5 - 8/5 = \boxed{4/5}$.

Problem 8) (10 points)

A drawer of length x , width y and height z is open on the top and has the volume 32. For which dimensions are the material costs minimal?

Hint. The problem is to minimize $f(x, y, z) = xy + 2yz + 2xz$ under the constraint $g(x, y, z) = xyz = 32$.

Solution:

To minimize $f(x, y, z) = xy + 2yz + 2xz$ under the constraint $g(x, y, z) = xyz = 32$ we solve Lagrange equations

$$\begin{aligned} y + 2z &= \lambda yz \\ x + 2z &= \lambda xz \\ 2y + 2x &= \lambda xy \\ xyz &= 32 \end{aligned}$$

Subtracting 2) from the 1) gives $(y - x) = \lambda(y - x)z$. If $y - x$ is not zero, then $\lambda z = 1$ which in 1) would give $y + 2z = y$ or $z = 0$ contradicting 4). Therefore, $y - x = 0$ or $y = x$. Equation 3) gives $4x = \lambda x^2$. Again $x = 0$ would contradict the 4) so that we can divide by x and get $4 = \lambda x$. Equation 2) gives $x + 2z = 4z$ or $x = 2z$. We have now $x = y = 2z$. Using 4) gives $xyz = 4z^3 = 32$ so that $z = 2$ and $x = 4, y = 4$. The solution is $\boxed{x = y = 4, z = 2}$.

Problem 9) (10 points)

A stone follows a path $\vec{r}(t) = (x(t), y(t), z(t))$. It has the initial velocity $\vec{r}'(0) = (3, 0, 3)$ and is launched at the point $(5, 10, 14)$. It is subject to the gravitational force which means $\vec{r}''(t) = (0, 0, -10)$. Where will the stone hit the ground $z = 0$?

Solution:

$r(t) = (5, 10, 14) + (3, 0, 3)t + (0, 0, -10t^2/2)$. $14 + 3t - 5t^2 = 0$ gives $t = 2$. At time $t = 2$, the stone is at $\boxed{(11, 10, 0)}$.