

The final will cover the following sections.

- Lay §6.1-6.3 and §7.1-7.2
- Colley §1.1-1.7, §2.1-2.6, §4.1-4.2

### Practice Questions:

1. Complete each definition.

- (a) “A matrix  $A$  is **orthogonally diagonalizable** if ...”
- (b) “Let  $f : X \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ . Let  $c \in \mathbb{R}$ . The **level set of  $f$  at height  $c$**  is ...”
- (c) A matrix  $A$  is **symmetric** if ...
- (d) “Suppose  $X \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  is open and  $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ . The function  $f$  has a **local maximum** at  $\mathbf{a} \in X$  if ...”
- (e) “Let  $X$  be an open set in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and let  $\mathbf{a} \in X$ . A function  $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  has a **local minimum** at  $\mathbf{a}$  if ...”

2. True or False.

- (a) There is a differentiable function  $f$  such that  $D_{\mathbf{u}}f(0,0)$  is defined and positive for all unit vectors  $\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{R}^2$ .
- (b) If  $\mathbf{a} \neq \mathbf{0} \in \mathbb{R}^3$  then the set  $\{\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{i}, \mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{j}, \mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{k}\}$  is linearly independent.
- (c) The surface  $S$  defined by the equation  $e^{z(x^2+y^2-1)} + z = x^2$  contains the curve parameterized by  $\mathbf{r}(\theta) = (\cos \theta, \sin \theta, -1 + \cos^2 \theta)$ .
- (d) If  $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{c} \in \mathbb{R}^3$  and  $\mathbf{c} \cdot (\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}) = 0$  then  $\mathbf{c} \in \text{Span}\{\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}\}$ .
- (e) The quadratic form with standard matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  is positive definite.
- (f) If  $f$  is a scalar-valued function with domain  $\mathbb{R}^2$  so that both  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(0,0)$  and  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(0,0)$  exist, then  $f$  is differentiable at  $(0,0)$ .
- (g) Near the point  $(2,2)$ , the function  $f(x,y) = x^2 + xy^2 + 2y$  is most sensitive to changes in  $x$ .
- (h) If  $f$  is a scalar-valued function with domain  $\mathbb{R}^2$ , then  $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} f(x,y) = f(0,0)$ .
- (i) Every  $n \times n$  matrix  $A$  with the property that  $A^2 = A$  is the matrix of an orthogonal projection onto a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .
- (j) Let  $f : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be differentiable at  $(0,0,0)$ . The tangent plane to the level set of  $f$  through  $(0,0,0)$  is the null space of  $Df(0,0,0)$ .
- (k) There is a  $C^2$  function  $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  so that  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x,y) = xy$  and  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x,y) = xy$ .
- (l) Every continuous function  $f : X \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  has a global minimum.

3. Suppose  $g : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is of class  $C^1$  and that  $Dg(0, 1) \neq \mathbf{0}$ . Let  $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be defined by  $f(x, y) = g(xy, x^2)$ . Prove that  $f$  does not have a local extremum at  $(1, 0)$ .
4. Consider the function  $\mathbf{r}(t) = (\cos t, \sin t, t)$  and the formula for the spherical coordinate  $\rho(x, y, z) = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$ .
- Compute the matrices of partial derivatives,  $D\mathbf{r}$  and  $D\rho$ .
  - Use the chain rule to compute  $\frac{d}{dt}[\rho \circ \mathbf{r}]$  as a function of  $t$ .
  - Consider the spherical coordinate  $\varphi$  as a function of  $x$ ,  $y$  and  $z$ . Use substitution and the fact that  $\tan \varphi = \frac{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}}{z}$  to compute  $\frac{d}{dt}[\varphi \circ \mathbf{r}]$  as a function of  $t$ . (*Hint:* Recall that  $\frac{d}{d\theta} \tan \theta = \sec^2 \theta$ .)
5.  $M$  is a real symmetric matrix with the eigenvalues 1 and 2. The eigenspace corresponding to the eigenvalue 2 is one dimensional and contains the vector  $\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$ . The eigenspace corresponding to the eigenvalue 1 is two dimensional and contains the vector  $\mathbf{w} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -6 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ .
- Find a unit vector orthogonal to both  $\mathbf{v}$  and  $\mathbf{w}$ .
  - Orthogonally diagonalize the matrix  $M$ . That is, find an orthogonal matrix  $P$  and a diagonal matrix  $D$  such that  $M = PDP^{-1}$ .
  - Consider the line  $L$  with the parametric equation  $\mathbf{r}(t) = t\mathbf{v} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$ . Find a parametric equation for the surface consisting of the set of points of distance 14 from  $L$ .
  - Name the surface described in part (c).
6. Let  $f(x, y) = \sqrt{|xy|}$ .
- Find the unit vector  $\mathbf{u}$  which maximizes  $D_{\mathbf{u}}(3, 12)$ .
  - Let  $\mathbf{u} = (\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2})$ . Evaluate the directional derivative  $D_{\mathbf{u}}(3, 12)$ .
  - Compute the partial derivatives  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(0, 0)$  and  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(0, 0)$ .
  - Use the definition of differentiable to prove that  $f$  is not differentiable at the origin.
7. Consider the function  $g(x, y) = 3x - x^3 - 3xy^2$ .
- Show that  $(0, -1)$  is a critical point of  $g$ .
  - Compute the second order Taylor polynomial at  $(0, -1)$ .
  - Classify the critical point  $(0, -1)$ .
8. Consider the function  $\mathbf{r}(t, \theta) = (2\sqrt{t^2 + 1} \cos \theta, \sqrt{t^2 + 1} \sin \theta, t)$ .

- (a) The range of this function is a surface  $S$ . Find a function  $f(x, y, z)$  such that the range of  $\mathbf{r}$  is the same as the level set  $f(x, y, z) = 0$ .
- (b) Sketch the intersection of this surface with the plane  $z = 2\sqrt{2}$ . (You may draw this in the plane.)
- (c) Sketch the surface  $S$ . What is the name of the surface?
9. Evaluate  $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{xy}{x^2 + y^2}$ , or show that the limit does not exist.
10. The function  $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defined by

$$f(x, y) = 10e^{-(x^2+3y^2)}$$

describes the temperature in degrees Celsius at a point  $(x, y)$  on a patch of snow where  $x$  and  $y$  are measured in meters. Wally the Walrus is wallowing in the snow at the point  $(2, -1)$ .

- (a) In which direction should Wally waddle to warm up most quickly?
- (b) If Wally waddles through the snow so that the path  $\mathbf{x} : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  defined by

$$\mathbf{x}(t) = (2e^t, 3t - 1)$$

describes his position at time  $t$  measured in minutes, then what is the rate of change in temperature that Wally feels as he waddles through the point  $(2e^4, 11)$ ? Provide units for your answer.

11. Define  $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  by  $f(x, y) = e^{xy}$ .
- (a) Find  $Df(x, y)$ .
- (b) Find the critical points of  $f$ .
- (c) Find the Hessian matrix  $Hf(0, 0)$ .
- (d) Find the second-order Taylor approximation to  $f$  at  $(0, 0)$ .
- (e) Orthogonally diagonalize  $Hf(0, 0)$ .
- (f) Classify  $Hf(0, 0)$  as positive definite, negative definite or indefinite.
- (g) Find the principal axes of  $Hf(0, 0)$ .
- (h) Define  $Q : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  by

$$Q(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x}^T Hf(0, 0)\mathbf{x}.$$

Describe and sketch the level curves of  $Q$ .

- (i) Describe and sketch the graph of  $Q$ .
- (j) Classify all the critical points of  $f$ .