

Math241, Quiz 4-version b, Oct 8

Name: SOLUTIONS

Question 1: [5pt] Find $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial z}{\partial y}$.

$$xy^2 = z^3 + z^2x$$

Sol) Let $F(x, y, z) = xy^2 - z^3 - z^2x$.

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = - \frac{F_x}{F_z} = - \frac{y^2 - z^2}{-3z^2 - 2zx} = \frac{y^2 - z^2}{3z^2 + 2zx},$$

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = - \frac{F_y}{F_z} = - \frac{2xy}{-3z^2 - 2zx} = \frac{2xy}{3z^2 + 2zx}.$$

Question 2: [5pt] Find the local maximum and minimum values and saddle points of the function.

$$f(x, y) = 36x^3 + y^4 - 12xy + 14$$

Sol) For critical points,

$$f_x = 3 \cdot 36x^2 - 12y = 0 \Rightarrow y = 9x^2$$

$$f_y = 4y^3 - 12x = 0 \Rightarrow x = \frac{y^3}{3}$$

$$y = 9 \cdot \left(\frac{y^3}{3}\right)^2, \quad y = y^6, \quad y(y^5 - 1) = 0. \quad y = 0, 1.$$

$$y = 0 \Rightarrow x = 0, \quad y = 1 \Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{3}.$$

$$(0, 0), \left(\frac{1}{3}, 1\right).$$

For D, $f_{xx} = 6 \cdot 36x, \quad f_{xy} = -12, \quad f_{yy} = 12y^2,$

$$D = f_{xx}f_{yy} - f_{xy}^2 = 6 \cdot 36x \cdot 12y^2 - 12^2,$$

$$D(0, 0) = -12^2 < 0, \quad \text{saddle points.}$$

$$D\left(\frac{1}{3}, 1\right) = 6 \cdot 36 \cdot \frac{1}{3} \cdot 12 - 12^2 = 6 \cdot 12^2 - 12^2 > 0.$$

But $f_{xx}\left(\frac{1}{3}, 1\right) = 6 \cdot 36 \cdot \frac{1}{3} > 0$ local minimum.

$$f\left(\frac{1}{3}, 1\right) = 36 \cdot \frac{1}{27} + 1 - 12 \cdot \frac{1}{3} + 14$$

$$= \frac{4}{3} + 11 = 12\frac{1}{3} = \frac{37}{3}. \quad \text{local min. value.}$$