

## MAT 175 HOMEWORK #5

**DUE APRIL 5 (WEDNESDAY)**

**Note:** Please staple if necessary. Numbering of problems is as in the textbook.

(12.2.18) Let  $f(x, y) = (x^3 + y^2)^5$ . Verify that

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x} = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y}$$

(12.2.34) Show that  $f(x, y) = \ln(4x^2 + 4y^2)$  satisfies **Laplace's Equation**:

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} = 0$$

(12.3.4) Find the indicated limit or state that the limit does not exist.

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (1,2)} \frac{x^3 - 3x^2y + 3xy^2 - y^3}{y - 2x^2}$$

(12.3.10) Find the indicated limit or state that the limit does not exist.

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{x^4 - y^4}{x^2 + y^2}$$

(12.3.36) Show that

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{xy + y^3}{x^2 + y^2}$$

does not exist by considering one path to the origin along the  $x$ -axis and another path along the line  $y = x$ .

(12.4.12) Find the gradient vector of the function

$$f(x, y) = x^3y + 3xy^2$$

at the point  $\mathbf{p} = (2, -2)$ . Then find the equation of the tangent plane at  $\mathbf{p}$ .

(12.4.14) Find the gradient vector of the function

$$f(x, y) = \frac{x^2}{y}$$

at the point  $\mathbf{p} = (2, -1)$ . Then find the equation of the tangent plane at  $\mathbf{p}$ .

(12.5.14) In what direction  $\mathbf{u}$  does  $f(x, y) = \sin(3x - y)$  decrease most rapidly at  $\mathbf{p} = (\pi/6, \pi/4)$ ?

(12.5.16) Sketch the level curve of  $f(x, y) = x^2 + 4y^2$  that goes through  $\mathbf{p} = (2, 1)$ . Calculate the gradient  $\nabla f(\mathbf{p})$  and draw this vector, placing its initial point at  $\mathbf{p}$ . What should be true about  $\nabla f(\mathbf{p})$ ?

(12.5.18) Find the directional derivative of  $f(x, y) = e^{-x} \cos y$  at  $(0, \pi/3)$  in the direction toward the origin.