

Math 2220
Prelim 1
February 19th 2013 Duration - 1.5 hours

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Please circle your instructor/lecture section and your TA/discussion section.

Bruce Fontaine	MWF 10:10am - 11:00am
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Zhexiu Tu	W 2:30pm - 3:20pm (MRL 106)
Zhexiu Tu	W 3:35pm - 4:25pm (MRL 106)
Chenxi Wu	W 3:35pm - 4:25pm (RCK 102)

INSTRUCTIONS

1. This exam has 6 questions worth 100 points on 7 pages (including this one).
2. Please enter your name and circle your lecture/discussion sections now.
3. Please show your work and when possible indicate your final answer by putting it in a box.
4. You are allowed a single, one-sided letter sized page of notes in the exam. No other aids are allowed (i.e. no calculators).

Question	Points	Score
1	15	
2	15	
3	15	
4	15	
5	20	
6	20	
Total:	100	

1. (15 points) Define a function

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2+y^2}} & \text{if } (x, y) \neq (0, 0) \\ 0 & \text{if } (x, y) = (0, 0) \end{cases}$$

- a) Determine the set of points where f is continuous.
- b) Compute the partial derivatives where they exist.
- c) Are the partial derivatives continuous at all points in \mathbb{R}^2 ?

2. (15 points) Let $f : U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ where f is a continuous function and $U \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ is an open set. Let $\mathbf{x} \in U$ such that $f(\mathbf{x}) > 0$. Show that there is a nonempty open set $V \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ such that $f(\mathbf{y}) > 0$ for all $\mathbf{y} \in V$.

3. (15 points) A subset $U \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ is called **path-connected** if for every $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in U$, there exists a smooth function $\mathbf{c} : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ (the “path”) such that $\mathbf{c}(0) = \mathbf{x}$ and $\mathbf{c}(1) = \mathbf{y}$. Let $f : U \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a continuous function on an open path-connected set U . If $\nabla f(\mathbf{x}) = 0$ for all $\mathbf{x} \in U$, then show that f is constant.
Hint: show that $f(\mathbf{x}) = f(\mathbf{y})$ for all $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in U$.

4. (15 points) Find the equation of the tangent plane at the point $(1, 0, 0)$ to the surface $z + 1 = xe^y \cos(z)$.

5. (20 points) Consider the function

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x > 0 \text{ and } y > \sqrt{x} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

a) Along each line $y = mx$ through the origin, of slope m , calculate the limit of $f(x, y)$ as $(x, y) \rightarrow (0, 0)$.

b) Is $f(x, y)$ continuous at $(0, 0)$? Prove or disprove.

Hint: it may help to draw the regions where $f(x, y)$ is 0 and 1.

6. (20 points) A rectangular box without a lid (i.e. it only has 5 sides) is constructed from 27 m^2 of cardboard. We want to find the maximum possible volume.
- a) First, set up this problem as a maximization problem you can solve.
 - b) Then, solve.