

1. (a) Give the equation of a paraboloid opening down with vertex at  $(0, 0, 1)$ . [5 pts]  
**Solution:** There are various options but the most basic would be  $z = 1 - x^2 - y^2$ . You could also do things like  $z = 1 - 4x^2 - 4y^2$  and so on, which just stretch the paraboloid vertically.
- (b) Use tangent plane approximation to approximate  $\sqrt{2.02^2 + 4.95}$ . [15 pts]  
**Solution:** The values 2.02 and 4.95 are close to 2 and 5. We assign  $f(x, y) = \sqrt{x^2 + y}$  and  $x_0 = 2$  and  $y_0 = 5$  and then we're looking for  $f(2.02, 4.95)$ . Then the formula states that for  $(x, y)$  near  $(x_0, y_0)$  we have:

$$\begin{aligned} f(x, y) &\approx f(x_0, y_0) + f_x(x_0, y_0)(x - x_0) + f_y(x_0, y_0)(y - y_0) \\ f(2.02, 4.95) &\approx f(2, 5) + f_x(2, 5)(2.02 - 2) + f_y(2, 5)(4.95 - 5) \end{aligned}$$

So we find:

$$\begin{aligned} f(2, 5) &= \sqrt{2^2 + 5} \\ f(2, 5) &= 3 \end{aligned}$$

and:

$$\begin{aligned} f_x(x, y) &= \frac{1}{2}(x^2 + y)^{-1/2}(2x) \\ f_x(2, 5) &= \frac{1}{2}(2^2 + 5)^{-1/2}(2 \cdot 2) \\ f_x(2, 5) &= \frac{2}{3} \end{aligned}$$

and:

$$\begin{aligned} f_y(x, y) &= \frac{1}{2}(x^2 + y)^{-1/2}(1) \\ f_y(2, 5) &= \frac{1}{2}(2^2 + 5)^{-1/2}(1) \\ f_y(2, 5) &= \frac{1}{6} \end{aligned}$$

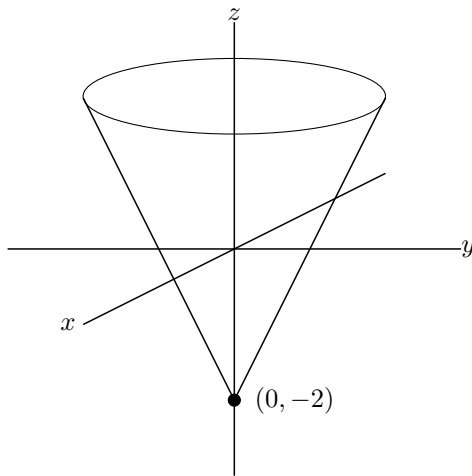
and so:

$$f(2.02, 4.95) \approx f(2, 5) + f_x(2, 5)(2.02 - 2) + f_y(2, 5)(4.95 - 5) = 3 + \frac{2}{3}(2.02 - 2) + \frac{1}{6}(4.95 - 5)$$

2. (a) Sketch the graph of the equation  $z = -2 + \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$ . Label one point with its coordinates. [5 pts]  
Name the shape.

**Solution:**

This is a cone:



- (b) Suppose  $f(x, y) = xy + y^2$ . If  $\bar{u}$  is a unit vector which makes an angle of  $\pi/6$  with  $\nabla f$  at  $(2, -1)$ , find  $D_{\bar{u}}f(2, -1)$ . [15 pts]

**Solution:** We can do:

$$D_{\bar{u}}f(x, y) = \bar{u} \cdot \nabla f(x, y)$$

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In this case we have

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla f(x, y) &= f_x \hat{i} + f_y \hat{j} \\ &= y \hat{i} + (x + 2y) \hat{j} \end{aligned}$$

and so:

$$\begin{aligned} D_{\bar{u}}f(x, y) &= \|\nabla f(x, y)\| \cos \theta \\ D_{\bar{u}}f(2, -1) &= \|\nabla f(2, -1)\| \cos \theta \\ &= \|-1 \hat{i} + (2 + 2(-1)) \hat{j}\| \cos(\pi/6) \\ &= \|-1 \hat{i} + 0 \hat{j}\| \cos(\pi/6) \\ &= \sqrt{3}/2 \end{aligned}$$

3. (a) Find a vector perpendicular to the graph of the function  $f(x, y) = x^2y + 2x - y$  at  $(-1, 2)$ . [10 pts]

**Solution:** The graph of a function of two variables is a surface. In order to get a vector perpendicular to a surface we need to write the surface as the level surface for a function of three variables. So we change  $f(x, y)$  to  $z$  and rearrange:

$$\begin{aligned} f(x, y) &= x^2y + 2x - y \\ z &= x^2y + 2x - y \\ x^2y + 2x - y - z &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Then we create a new function  $g(x, y, z) = x^2y + 2x - y - z$  and take its gradient:

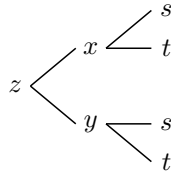
$$\begin{aligned} g(x, y, z) &= x^2y + 2x - y - z \\ \nabla g(x, y, z) &= (2xy + 2)\hat{i} + (x^2 - 1)\hat{j} - 1\hat{k} \\ \nabla g(-1, 2, z) &= -2\hat{i} + 0\hat{j} - 1\hat{k} \end{aligned}$$

Note that we can find the  $z$  that goes with  $(-1, 2)$  by doing  $f(-1, 2)$  but we don't actually need to since there's no  $z$  in  $\nabla g$ .

- (b) If  $z = x^2 + y$  where  $x = \frac{s}{t}$  and  $y = st$ , use the Chain Rule to find  $\frac{\partial z}{\partial s}$  in terms of  $s$  and  $t$ . [10 pts]

**Solution:**

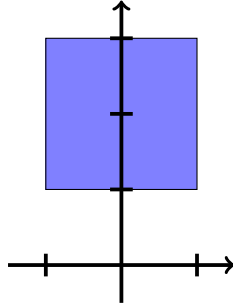
The chart for the chain rule is:



And so we have:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial z}{\partial s} &= \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial s} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial s} \\ &= (2x) \left( \frac{1}{t} \right) + (1) (t) \\ &= \left( 2 \left( \frac{s}{t} \right) \right) \left( \frac{1}{t} \right) + (1) (t) \end{aligned}$$

4. Find the maximum and minimum of  $f(x, y) = x^2 + y^2$  where  $(x, y)$  is restricted by the filled-in box shown here. Each tick mark is one unit. [20 pts]



**Solution:**

First we find the critical points in the region. Since:

$$f_x(x, y) = 2x \text{ and } f_y(x, y) = 2y$$

there is only one critical point at  $(0, 0)$ . Since it's not in the region we throw it out.

Next we look at the edge. The edge is in four pieces so we must look at them all:

- Top Edge: Here  $y = 3$  and  $-1 \leq x \leq 1$ . So then  $f = x^2 + 9$  which has a minimum of 9 when  $x = 0$  and a maximum of 10 when  $x = \pm 1$ .
- Bottom Edge: Here  $y = 1$  and  $-1 \leq x \leq 1$ . So then  $f = x^2 + 1$  which has a minimum of 1 when  $x = 0$  and a maximum of 2 when  $x = \pm 1$ .
- Left Edge: Here  $x = -1$  and  $1 \leq y \leq 3$ . So then  $f = 1 + y^2$  which has a minimum of 2 when  $y = 1$  and a maximum of 10 when  $y = 3$ .
- Right Edge: Here  $x = 1$  and  $1 \leq y \leq 3$ . So then  $f = 1 + y^2$  which has a minimum of 2 when  $y = 1$  and a maximum of 10 when  $y = 3$ .

All together therefore we see a maximum of 10 and a minimum of 1.

5. Use Lagrange Multipliers to find the maximum value (there is no minimum value) of the function [20 pts]

$f(x, y) = xy^2$  subject to the constraint  $x + y^2 = 2$ .

Note: Your system should have three solutions.

**Solution:**

We have the objective:

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

We have the constraint:

$$g(x, y) = x + y^2$$

We solve the system:

$$\begin{array}{ll} y^2 = \lambda(1) & (a) \text{ This is } f_x = \lambda g_x \\ 2xy = \lambda(2y) & (b) \text{ This is } f_y = \lambda g_y \\ x + y^2 = 2 & (c) \text{ This is the constraint.} \end{array}$$

From (a) we get  $\lambda = y^2$  which we plug into (b) to get  $2xy = y^2(2y)$  which we factor and solve:

$$\begin{aligned} 2xy &= y^2(2y) \\ 2xy - 2y^3 &= 0 \\ 2y(x - y^2) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

So either  $y = 0$  or  $x = y^2$ .

If  $y = 0$  then (c) tells us  $x = 2$  and we get the point  $(2, 0)$ .

If  $x = y^2$  then (c) tells us  $y^2 + y^2 = 2$  so  $y = \pm 1$ . Since  $x = y^2$  we get the points  $(1, 1)$  and  $(1, -1)$ .

We test these points:

- $f(2, 0) = 0$
- $f(1, 1) = 1$
- $f(1, -1) = 1$

So the maximum is 1 and the minimum is 0.