

**MATH 11: MULTIVARIABLE CALCULUS  
MIDTERM 2 REVIEW**

**Problem 1.** Short answers.

- (a) Let  $(\nabla f)(1, 1) = \langle 3, -5 \rangle$ . What are the signs of the directional derivative of  $f$  at  $(1, 1)$  in the direction  $\nearrow$  and  $\downarrow$ ?
- (b) True or false: the function  $f(x, y) = x^2y + 4xy + 4y$  has a local maximum at the origin.
- (c) Maximize  $x^2y^2$  subject to  $x^2 + y^2 = 4$ .

**Problem 2.** Evaluate the integral

$$\iint_R x^3 \sin(x^2 y) \, dA$$

over the rectangle  $R$  with  $0 \leq x \leq \sqrt{\pi/2}$  and  $0 \leq y \leq 2$ .

**Problem 3.** Find the local maxima and minima of  $f(x, y) = y^2 - 2y \cos x$ .

**Problem 4.** What is the average value of the function  $f(x, y) = xy$  on the region bounded by the curves  $y = 8\sqrt{x}$  and  $y = x^2$ ?

**Problem 5.** Let  $D$  be the circle of radius  $a$ . Compute  $\iint_D e^{-x^2-y^2} dA$ . What is the limit as  $a \rightarrow \infty$ ?

**Problem 6.** Rewrite the integral

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{\sqrt{2}} \int_r^{\sqrt{4-r^2}} f(r, \theta, z) r \, dz \, dr \, d\theta$$

in the orders  $dr \, dz \, d\theta$  and  $d\theta \, dz \, dr$ , and convert to spherical coordinates (in any order).

**Problem 7.** Consider the region  $R$  bounded on 4 sides by the curves

$$xy = 1, \quad xy = 4, \quad x = y, \quad \text{and} \quad y = 3x.$$

Sketch the region  $R$ . Under the transformation  $T$  defined by  $u = xy$ ,  $v = y/x$ , what does the region  $R$  become? Use this change of coordinates to evaluate

$$\iint_R e^{xy} \, dA.$$

**Problem 8.** Let  $f(x, y) = \log(1 + xy)$ .

- (a) Compute the gradient of  $f$  at  $P = (2, 3)$ .
- (b) Find a unit vector in the direction of steepest ascent for  $f$  at  $P$ ; what is the maximal rate of change?
- (c) Find the unit vectors in the direction of no change for  $f$  at  $P$ .
- (d) Sketch the level curves of  $f$  in the first quadrant (including the point  $P$ ) and the unit vectors in (b) and (c).