

Quiz #6

Monday, March 25 2018

Duration: 25 min

NAME: _____

Please write clearly and properly.

Explain your answers appropriately.

Problem	Grade
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Total	

Problem 1 (~ 12 points.).

Consider the function f of two variables defined by:

$$f(x, y) = \frac{x^2}{4} + \frac{y^2}{9}.$$

- (1) What is the domain of definition of f ?

- (2) What is the equation of the graph of f ? What kind of surface is this?

You may refer to the table on the last page of this quiz.

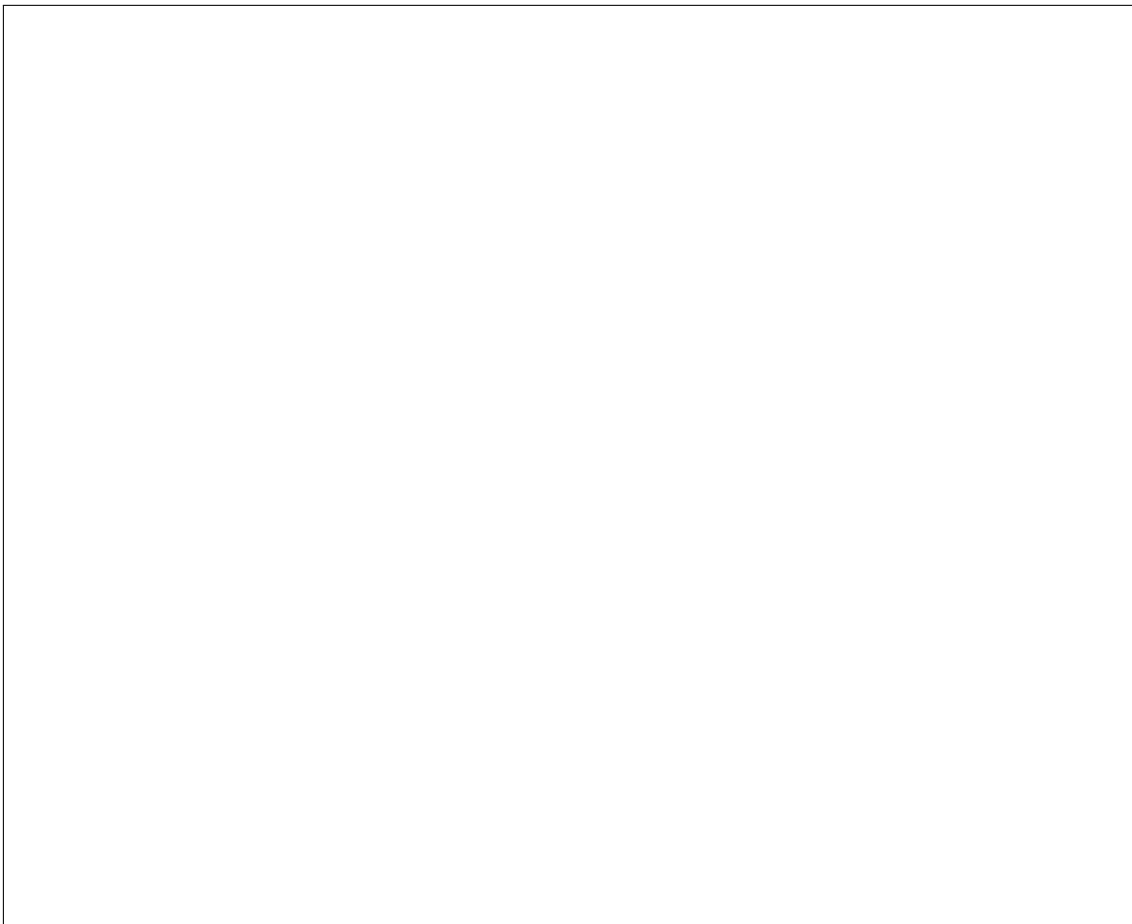
- (3) Let P be the point with coordinates $(0, 3)$ in the xy -plane. Find the equation of the level curve of f through P . What is this curve? Draw a sketch of it in the xy -plane.



- (4) Compute the gradient $\vec{\nabla}f(x, y)$ for any (x, y) . Compute $\vec{\nabla}f(P)$ (where P is the point introduced in the previous question). Draw the vector $\vec{\nabla}f(P)$ on your previous sketch.



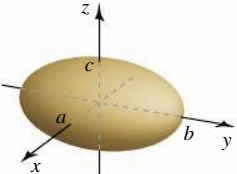
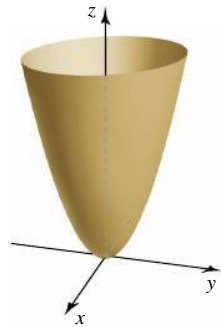
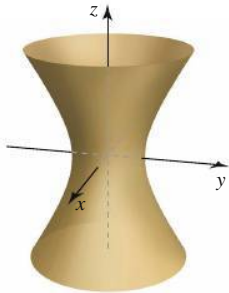
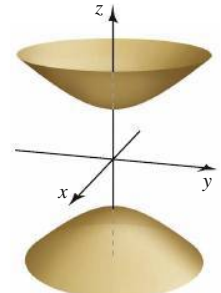
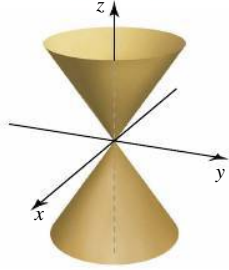
- (5) Find **unit** vectors \vec{u} , \vec{v} , \vec{w} in the xy -plane such that, at the point P :
- \vec{u} gives the direction of maximal rate of increase for f (steepest ascent).
 - \vec{v} gives the direction of maximal rate of decrease for f (steepest descent).
 - $\pm\vec{w}$ gives the direction of no change for f (zero directional derivative).



(6) Compute the directional derivatives $D_{\vec{u}}f(P)$, $D_{\vec{v}}f(P)$ and $D_{\vec{w}}f(P)$.

(7) What is the tangent line to the level curve through P ? Find a vector that gives the direction of this line. Check that it is orthogonal to $\vec{\nabla}f(P)$. Is this expected?

Table 12.1

Name	Standard Equation	Features	Graph
Ellipsoid	$\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} + \frac{z^2}{c^2} = 1$	All traces are ellipses.	
Elliptic paraboloid	$z = \frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2}$	Traces with $z = z_0 > 0$ are ellipses. Traces with $x = x_0$ or $y = y_0$ are parabolas.	
Hyperboloid of one sheet	$\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} - \frac{z^2}{c^2} = 1$	Traces with $z = z_0$ are ellipses for all z_0 . Traces with $x = x_0$ or $y = y_0$ are hyperbolas.	
Hyperboloid of two sheets	$-\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} + \frac{z^2}{c^2} = 1$	Traces with $z = z_0$ with $ z_0 > c $ are ellipses. Traces with $x = x_0$ and $y = y_0$ are hyperbolas.	
Elliptic cone	$\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = \frac{z^2}{c^2}$	Traces with $z = z_0 \neq 0$ are ellipses. Traces with $x = x_0$ or $y = y_0$ are hyperbolas or intersecting lines.	
Hyperbolic paraboloid	$z = \frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2}$	Traces with $z = z_0 \neq 0$ are hyperbolas. Traces with $x = x_0$ or $y = y_0$ are parabolas.	