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MATH 251                      Quiz 3                      Fall 2005  
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Multiple Choice & Work Out: (5 points each)

1. For the function  $f(x,y) = x \cos(xy)$  which partial derivative is incorrect?

- a.  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = \cos(xy) - xy \sin(xy)$
- b.  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = -x^2 \sin(xy)$
- c.  $\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} = -y \sin(xy) - x^2 y \cos(xy)$       Correct Choice
- d.  $\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} = -2x \sin(xy) - x^2 y \cos(xy)$
- e.  $\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x} = -2x \sin(xy) - x^2 y \cos(xy)$

Use chain rule and product rule:  $\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} = -2y \sin(xy) - xy^2 \cos(xy)$

2. Find the equation of the plane tangent to  $z = x^2 y^3$  at the point  $(2, 1, 4)$ .

- a.  $z = -4x - 12y + 24$
- b.  $z = -4x - 12y + 4$
- c.  $z = 4x + 12y + 4$
- d.  $z = 4x + 12y - 8$
- e.  $z = 4x + 12y - 16$       Correct Choice

$$f(x,y) = x^2 y^3 \quad f(2,1) = 4$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = 2xy^3 \quad \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(2,1) = 4$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = 3x^2 y^2 \quad \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(2,1) = 12$$

$$z = f_{\text{tan}}(x,y) = f(2,1) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(2,1)(x-2) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(2,1)(y-1) = 4 + 4(x-2) + 12(y-1)$$

$$z = 4x + 12y - 16$$

3. The plane tangent to  $z = f(x,y) = xy^2 - x^2$  at the point  $(1,2,-3)$  is  
 $z = f_{\tan}(x,y) = 3 + 2(x-1) + 4(y-2)$ . Use this information to approximate  $f(1.1, 1.8)$ .
- 2
  - 2.4 Correct Choice
  - 3.6
  - 4
  - 12.4

$$f(1.1, 1.8) \approx f_{\tan}(1.1, 1.8) = 3 + 2(1.1 - 1) + 4(1.8 - 2) = 3 + 2(.1) + 4(-.2) = 2.4$$

4. Consider a function  $g(x,y)$ . If  $g(2,3) = 4$ ,  $\frac{\partial g}{\partial x} = 5$ , and  $\frac{\partial g}{\partial y} = 1$ , estimate  $g(1.9, 3.3)$ .
- 3.8 Correct Choice
  - 4.2
  - 4.8
  - 10
  - 16.8

$$g_{\tan}(x,y) = g(2,3) + \frac{\partial g}{\partial x}(2,3)(x-2) + \frac{\partial g}{\partial y}(2,3)(y-3) = 4 + 5(x-2) + 1(y-3)$$

$$g(1.9, 3.3) \approx g_{\tan}(1.9, 3.3) = 4 + 5(1.9 - 2) + 1(3.3 - 3) = 4 + 5(-.1) + 1(.3) = 3.8$$

5. The mass of a body is  $M = \rho V$  where  $\rho$  is its density and  $V$  is its volume. If the density is measured to be  $\rho = 1.2 \frac{\text{g}}{\text{cm}^3}$  with an uncertainty of  $\Delta\rho = \pm 0.01 \frac{\text{g}}{\text{cm}^3}$  and the volume is measured to be  $V = 2 \text{ cm}^3$  with an uncertainty of  $\Delta V = \pm 0.02 \text{ cm}^3$ , then the mass is  $M = 2.4 \text{ g}$ . Use differentials to estimate the uncertainty in the mass. NOTE: The uncertainty in a quantity is its differential.

$$\frac{\partial M}{\partial \rho} = V = 2 \quad \frac{\partial M}{\partial V} = \rho = 1.2$$

$$\Delta M \approx dM = \frac{\partial M}{\partial \rho} d\rho + \frac{\partial M}{\partial V} dV = 2(\pm 0.01) + 1.2(\pm 0.02) = \pm 0.044 \text{ g}$$