

Name (print): \_\_\_\_\_

Solutions.

Each problem is worth 2 points. Show all your work.

1. Find an equation of the tangent plane to the given surface at the specified point:

$$z = 3y^2 - 2x^2 + x, \quad (2, -1, -3).$$

Express your answer in the form  $ax + by + cz = d$ .

$$\begin{aligned} f(x, y) &= 3y^2 - 2x^2 + x \\ f_x &= -4x + 1 ; \quad f_x(2, -1) = -7 \\ f_y &= 6y ; \quad f_y(2, -1) = -6 \end{aligned}$$

Tangent plane:

$$z + 3 = -7(x - 2) - 6(y + 1)$$

$$\underline{\underline{7x + 6y + z = 5}}.$$

2. Use the chain rule to find the derivative  $dz/dt$ :

$$z = \sqrt{1+x^2+y^2}, \quad x = \ln t, \quad y = \cos t. \quad ; \quad \frac{dx}{dt} = \frac{1}{t} \quad \frac{dy}{dt} = -\sin t$$

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = \frac{2x}{2\sqrt{1+x^2+y^2}} = \frac{x}{\sqrt{1+x^2+y^2}} \quad \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = \frac{2y}{2\sqrt{1+x^2+y^2}} = \frac{y}{\sqrt{1+x^2+y^2}}$$

$$\frac{dz}{dt} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \frac{dy}{dt} = \frac{\frac{x}{\sqrt{1+x^2+y^2}} - y \sin t}{\sqrt{1+x^2+y^2}}$$

$$= \frac{\ln t - t \cos \sin t}{t \sqrt{1+\ln^2 t + \cos^2 t}}.$$

3. Find the maximum rate of change of  $f$  at the given point and the direction in which it occurs:

$$f(x, y) = \sin(xy), \quad (x_0, y_0) = (1, 0).$$

$$f_x = y \cos(xy) ; \quad f_y = x \cos(xy)$$

$$f_x(1, 0) = 0, \quad f_y(1, 0) = 1$$

$$\nabla f = (0, 1)$$

$$|\nabla f| = 1 \text{ - maximum rate of change}$$

Direction of the gradient:  $(0, 1)$ .