

- (1) Consider the following system of linear equations

$$\begin{cases} 3x + 2y + 2az &= -13 \\ x + 2y + az &= -5 \\ 5x + 2ay - 3z &= -18 \end{cases}$$

where  $a \in \mathbb{R}$  is a constant.

- (a) Classify the system according to the values of  $a$ .
  - (b) Solve the above linear system for the values of  $a$  for which the system has infinitely many solutions. How many parameters are needed to describe the solution?
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- (2) Consider the function  $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ .

- (a) Write the definition that  $f$  is continuous at the point  $p = (x_0, y_0)$ .
- (b) Consider the function

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{2x^2y}{x^4+y^2} & \text{if } (x, y) \neq (0, 0), \\ 0 & \text{if } (x, y) = (0, 0). \end{cases}$$

Determine if the function  $f$  is continuous at the point  $(0, 0)$ .

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- (3) Consider the function

$$f(x, y) = 2xe^{y/x},$$

the point  $p = (2, 0)$  and the vector  $v = (3, 2)$ .

- (a) Compute the gradient of the function  $f$  at the point  $p$ . Compute the tangent plane to the graph of  $f$  at the point  $(2, 0, 4)$ .
  - (b) Compute the directional derivative of the function  $f$  at the point  $p$  in the direction of the vector  $v$ . Which is the direction of maximal growth of  $f$  at the point  $p$ ? Which is the maximum value of the directional derivative?
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- (4) Consider the function

$$f(x, y, z) = x^2 - y^2 + 2xy - \frac{z^2}{2} + 6$$

and the set

$$A = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 : z = 2x + 2y - 1\}$$

- (a) Compute the Lagrange equations that determine the extreme values of  $f$  on  $A$ .
  - (b) Determine the points that satisfy the Lagrange equations.
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- (5) Consider the following maximization problem

$$\begin{aligned} \max_{x, y} \quad & y(x - 1) \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & (x - 1)^2 + y^2 \leq 2 \end{aligned}$$

- (a) Compute the Kuhn-Tucker equations that determine the extreme values of  $f$  on  $A$ .
  - (b) Determine the points that satisfy the Kuhn-Tucker equations.
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