(1) Consider the following system of linear equations with a parameter  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ .

$$\begin{cases} ax + y + z = b \\ ax + ay + z = a \\ x + ay + az = 1 \end{cases}$$

Please, answer the following questions.

- (a) Classify the system according to the values of a. **1 point**
- (b) Solve the above system for the values a = b = -1. **1 point**

(2) Consider the function f(x, y) = 4x - y and the set  $A = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : 0 \le x \le 3, 0 \le y < 9, x^2 \le y\}.$ 

- (a) Represent the set A, its boundary, closure and interior. Argue whether the function f and the et A satisfy the conditions of Weierstrass' Theorem. **1 point**
- (b) Represent the level curves of the function f on the set A, indicating the directions in which f increases/decreases. Using the level curves, determine (if they exist) the global extreme points of f on A. 1 point
- (3) Consider the function  $f(x,y) = bx^2 + y^3 6bxy$  with  $b \in \mathbb{R}, b \neq 0$ .
  - (a) Determine the critical points (if they exist) of the function f on the set  $\mathbb{R}^2$ . **1 point**
  - (b) Classify the critical points found above into (local or global) maximum, minimum and saddle points. **1 point**
- (4) Consider the equation  $3xz 8y^3 z^3 + 6z = 3$ .
  - (a) Prove that the above equation defines a differentiable function z(x, y) in a neighbourhood of the point (2, 1, 1). **1 point**
  - (b) Compute Taylor's polynomial of order 1 of the function z(x, y), computed above, at the point (2, 1). **1 point**
- (5) Consider the function f(x, y, z) = 2x + y<sup>2</sup> + z<sup>2</sup> on the set A = {(x, y, z) ∈ ℝ<sup>3</sup> : x<sup>2</sup> + y<sup>2</sup> + z<sup>2</sup> = 9, z = 0}
  (a) Write the Lagrange equations for f on the set A. Compute the points that satisfy those equations and the value of the corresponding Lagrange multipliers. 1 point
  - (b) Knowing that the set A is closed and bounded, study the existence of global extreme points of f on A and compute those points. **1 point**