

Please write solutions to two of these problems. Hand them in Wednesday, March 5. The written solutions should be accompanied by explanations using complete English sentences. Students should work **alone**. They may ask me questions.

1. a) Suppose $h(x, y) = x^y$. Rewrite h as a composition of standard functions, and then find the domain of h and the first partial derivatives of h based on the standard restrictions. I know that $2^3 = 8$. If x is increased by .01 (so (x, y) changes from $(2, 3)$ to $(2.01, 3)$), approximate the change in h using the linear approximation. If y is increased by .01 (so (x, y) changes from $(2, 3)$ to $(2, 3.01)$), approximate the change in h using the linear approximation. Compare the "exact answers" to the linearization answers.

b) Suppose $j(x, y, z) = x^{(y^z)}$. Rewrite j as a composition of standard functions, and then find the domain of j and the first partial derivatives of j based on the standard restrictions. I know that $2^{(3^4)} \approx 2.417 \cdot 10^{24}$ *. If one of the variables is increased by .01, which variable will likely make the biggest change in the value of j ? Support your assertion by an argument using linear approximation based on the derivatives which have been calculated**.

2. a) Suppose $f(u, v)$ is a differentiable function of u and v , and that $u = e^x \cos y$ and $v = e^x \sin y$. Express $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}$ in terms of $\frac{\partial f}{\partial u}$, $\frac{\partial f}{\partial v}$, and functions involving x and y .

b) Note that if $x = 0$ and $y = \frac{\pi}{2}$ then $u = 0$ and $v = 1$. Suppose also that you know $\frac{\partial f}{\partial u}(0, 1) = 7$ and $\frac{\partial f}{\partial v}(0, 1) = -3$. Use this information together with your formula in a) to compute $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}$ when $x = 0$ and $y = \frac{\pi}{2}$.

3. Suppose $R(x, y) = v(x + y^2)$ where v is a four times differentiable function of *one* variable. Suppose you know also that:

$$v(0) = \alpha, v'(0) = \beta, v^{(2)}(0) = \gamma, v^{(3)}(0) = \delta, v^{(4)}(0) = \epsilon$$

Compute the seven quantities:

$$R(0, 0), \frac{\partial R}{\partial x}(0, 0), \frac{\partial R}{\partial y}(0, 0), \frac{\partial^2 R}{\partial x^2}(0, 0), \frac{\partial^2 R}{\partial y^2}(0, 0), \frac{\partial^2 R}{\partial x \partial y}(0, 0), \frac{\partial^4 R}{\partial x^2 \partial y^2}(0, 0)$$

in terms of $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta,$ and ϵ .

4. Suppose $g(t) = Q(t^3, t^5)$. Suppose you also know that

$$Q(1, 1) = A, \frac{\partial Q}{\partial x}(1, 1) = B, \frac{\partial Q}{\partial y}(1, 1) = C, \frac{\partial^2 Q}{\partial x^2}(1, 1) = D, \frac{\partial^2 Q}{\partial x \partial y}(1, 1) = E, \frac{\partial^2 Q}{\partial y^2}(1, 1) = F$$

Compute the quantities $g(1), g'(1),$ and $g''(1)$ in terms of $A, B, C, D,$ and E .

* Actually, it is *exactly* 24178 51639 22925 83494 12352.

** Please note that I am *not* interested in the exact values of the perturbed function here, only in the linearized approximations to the perturbed function values.