

Math 213 Calculus III

Reading the Text

Read Section 11.2, 11.3, 11.4 and answer the following questions

1. When talking about limits for functions of several variables, why isn't it sufficient to say $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} f(x,y) = L$ if $f(x,y)$ gets close to L as we approach $(0,0)$ along the x axis and along the y axis. Hint: Consider path independence.
2. Show that $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} (x^2 + y^2) = 0$.
3. Consider $\lim_{x,y \rightarrow \infty} \frac{xy}{3x^2 + 2y^2}$. Why does the limit not exist?
4. Suppose that $f(x,y)$ is continuous everywhere. Assume that $f_x(1,1) = 2$, $f_y(1,1) = -2$, $f_{xy}(1,1) = 3$. Can we compute $f_{yx}(1,1)$ from this information alone?
5. Find a function $f(x,y)$ for which $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = x + y$, $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = x$

Math 213 Class 06: Contour Maps

Draw a contour map for each of the following functions.

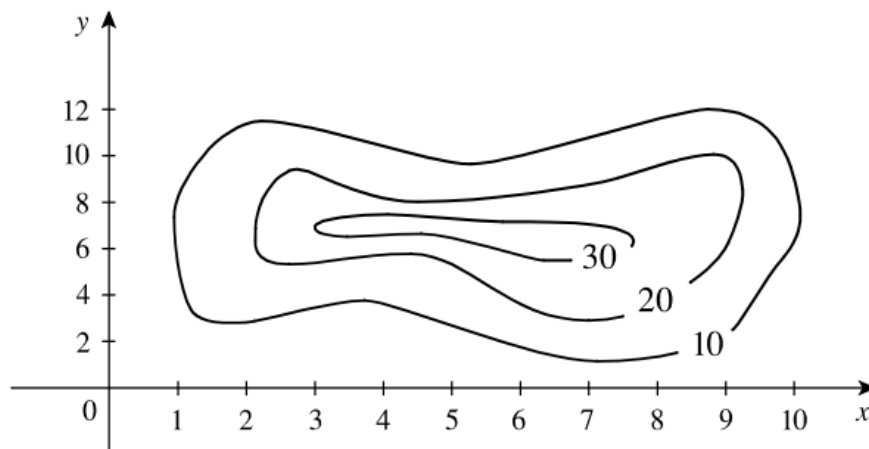
$$f(x, y) = x + y + 1$$

$$f(x, y) = x + 2y - 1$$

$$f(x, y) = y - x^2$$

Math 213 Class 06: Contour Maps

Consider the following contour map of a continuous function $f(x,y)$:



1. For approximately what values of y is it true that $10 \leq f(5, y) \leq 30$?
2. What can you estimate $f(2,4)$ to be and why?
3. Do we have any good estimates for $f(6,6)$? Explain.
4. How many values of y satisfy $f(7, y) = 20$?
5. How many values of x satisfy $f(x, 8) = 20$?

Math 213 Class 06: Level Surfaces

It can be difficult to visualize functions of three variables. One way to do it is by thinking of each level surface as representing a different point in time. As we let t vary in the equation for the level surface $f(x, y, z) = t$ we can think of the function $f(x, y, z)$ as a surface whose shape and size varies as time changes.

Consider the function $f(x, y, z) = x^2 + y^2 - z^2$.

1. What is the level surface $f(x, y, z) = 0$?
2. What is the level surface $f(x, y, z) = 1$?
3. For $t > 0$, what do the level surfaces $f(x, y, z) = t$ look like?
4. What is the level surface $f(x, y, z) = -1$?
5. Describe all the level surfaces $f(x, y, z) = t$.