

Math 3593H Honors Math II
Midterm exam 1, Thursday February 16, 2017

Instructions:

50 minutes, closed book and notes, no electronic devices.

There are four problems, worth 25 points each.

1.(i) (10 points) Show the solution set in \mathbb{R}^3 to this system is a manifold:

$$\begin{aligned}x^2 + y^2 &= z, \\x + y + z &= 4.\end{aligned}$$

(ii) (5 points) What is its dimension as a manifold?

(iii) (10 points) Find equations that cut out its tangent space $T_{\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}} M$.

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2. (i) (10 points) Compute the 4th degree Taylor polynomial $P_{f,(\mathbf{0})}^4$ at the origin in \mathbb{R}^2 , for $f\left(\frac{x}{y}\right) = e^{x^2-3y^2+y^3}$.

(ii) (5 points) Prove that f has a critical point at the origin in \mathbb{R}^2 .

(iii) (10 points) Classify this critical point as either a local maximum, a local minimum, a saddle, or something indeterminate.

3. Write down a system of m equations in m unknowns, for some value of m , whose solution would let you compute the point(s) in \mathbb{R}^2 on the hyperbola $xy = 1$ closest to the point $(\frac{1}{0})$. Don't bother with solving the system, but do explain what you would do with its solution to find the closest point(s).

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4. Find the signature of the quadratic form $\mathbb{R}^4 \xrightarrow{Q} \mathbb{R}$ in the four variables w, x, y, z defined by

$$Q \begin{pmatrix} w \\ x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \det \begin{bmatrix} x & y \\ z & w \end{bmatrix}.$$