

**Math 20****Answer key****Quiz 7****Date: 3/19/2014****Name:**

**Directions:** Calculators are allowed, but you shouldn't need to use your calculator. Use your equals signs!  
Use the back of the page if you run out of space.

**1. (4 marks)** Let

$$f(x,y) = y^2 e^{x+3y}.$$

Find the partial derivatives  $f_x$  and  $f_y$ .

$$f(x,y) = y^2 e^{x+3y}$$

$$f_x(x,y) = y^2 e^{(x+3y)}$$

Using the product rule,

$$\begin{aligned} f_y(x,y) &= 2ye^{x+3y} + y^2 e^{x+3y}(3) \\ &= ye^{x+3y}(2 + 3y). \end{aligned}$$

**2. (6 marks)** For the function  $f(x,y) = 9xy - x^3 - y^3 - 6$ , find

- (a) The values of  $x$  and  $y$  for which  $f_x = f_y = 0$ . (Fun fact: there are two solutions!)  
 (b)  $f_{xx}$ ,  $f_{yy}$ , and  $f_{xy}$ .

$$(a) f(x,y) = 9xy - x^3 - y^3 - 6$$

$$f_x = 9y - 3x^2$$

$$f_y = 9x - 3y^2$$

$$\text{Let } f_x = 9y - 3x^2 = 0 \quad \dots (1)$$

$$\text{& } f_y = 9x - 3y^2 = 0 \quad \dots (2).$$

$$\text{From (1), } 9y = 3x^2$$

$$y = \frac{x^2}{3}.$$

$$\text{Sub into (2): } 9x - 3\left(\frac{x^2}{3}\right)^2 = 0.$$

$$9x - \frac{3x^4}{9} = 0.$$

$$81x - 3x^4 = 0$$

$$27x - x^4 = 0.$$

$$x(27 - x^3) = 0.$$

$$\text{So } x = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad x^3 = 27$$

$$x = 3.$$

$$\therefore y = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad y = \frac{9}{3} = 3.$$

$$(x,y) = (0,0) \quad \text{or} \quad (3,3).$$

$$(b) f_x = 9y - 3x^2$$

$$f_{xx} = -6x$$

$$f_y = 9x - 3y^2$$

$$f_{yy} = -6y$$

$$f_{xy} = 9 \quad (= f_{yx}).$$