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This lab contains instructions for using *Mathematica* to answer questions about scalar and vector-valued functions of two variables. The commands you need are introduced one by one. Most of the parts of the problems below simply tell you to enter a command in *Mathematica*. However, some parts of some problems also ask you to answer a question, so make sure to answer all the questions! When you have completed the lab, print off your *Mathematica* work, and staple it to this packet.

General *Mathematica* tips:

1. **Capital Letters** Every built-in function (like `Plot`, `Sqrt`, `Sin`) and every built-in constant (like `Pi`) begins with a capital letter.
2. **Parentheses** Use parentheses to specify the order of operations, as when using a graphing calculator.
3. **Square Brackets** Whenever passing an argument to a function (i.e. plugging something in to a function), you must use square brackets. For example, use `Sin[Pi/4]` to find $\sin(\pi/4)$.
4. **Curly Braces** Whenever creating lists or ranges, use curly braces. For example, when using the `Plot` command, use `{x, -10, 10}` to set the x -range to $[-10, 10]$.
5. **Shift + Enter** To execute a command, it is necessary to press `Shift + Enter`.

I. Graphs and Contour Plots of Scalar-Valued Functions of Two Variables.

1. Recall that the behavior of a vibrating guitar string of length π can be modeled using the function $f(x, t) = \cos(t) \sin(x)$ for $0 \leq x \leq \pi$ and $0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$. Here $f(t, x)$ represents the vertical displacement of a point on the string x units from one end, t units of time after the string has been plucked.

- (a) Use `Plot3D` to obtain a graph of $z = f(x, t)$ in 3-space.

```
Plot3D[Cos[t]Sin[x], {x, 0, Pi}, {t, 0, 2*Pi}]
```

- (b) Use the `ContourPlot` command to create a contour diagram for $f(x, t)$.

```
ContourPlot[Cos[t]Sin[x], {x, 0, Pi}, {t, 0, 2*Pi}]
```

Notice that there are no labels on the contour lines.

- (c) To add labels to the contour lines, include the option `ContourLabels -> True` in the `ContourPlot` command:

```
ContourPlot[Cos[t]Sin[x], {x, 0, Pi}, {t, 0, 2*Pi}, ContourLabels->True]
```

- (d) Use the `Plot` command to obtain a graph of $z = f(x, 0)$, which represents the one-variable function obtained by fixing $t = 0$ and letting x vary from 0 to π :

```
Plot[Cos[0]Sin[x], {x, 0, Pi}, PlotRange->{-1, 1}]
```

The option `PlotRange->{-1, 1}` specifies the z -range.

- (e) Use the `Manipulate` command with the `Plot` to obtain graphs of $z = f(x, t)$ as a function of x , for a range of t -values.

```
Manipulate[Plot[Cos[t]Sin[x], {x, 0, Pi}, PlotRange->{-1, 1}], {t, 0, 2*Pi}]
```

Use the slider to allow t to vary. This shows the motion of the guitar string over time.

2. Consider the function $g(x, y) = 2 + 4x + 4x^2 - 4y + y^2$.

(a) Use `Plot3D` to obtain a graph of $z = g(x, y)$ in 3-space. What kind of surface is this?

(b) Use `ContourPlot` to obtain a contour diagram for $g(x, y)$ with labeled contours.

II. Optimizing Scalar-Valued Functions of Two Variables.

3. Consider $f(x, t) = \cos(t) \sin(x)$ on the region $(t - \frac{\pi}{2})^2 + (x - \pi)^2 \leq 2$.

(a) Use the `RegionFunction` option within the `Plot3D` command to plot $f(x, t)$ on the specified region:

```
RegionFunction -> Function[{t, x, z}, (t - Pi/2)^2 + ((x - Pi)^2) < 2]
```

Note: You need to insert this as an option into the `Plot3D` command. That means you should put it where the “...” are in the following:

```
Plot3D[Cos[t] Sin[x], {x, -Pi, Pi}, {t, 0, 2*Pi}, ...]
```

(b) Use the `RegionFunction` option within the `ContourPlot` command to obtain a contour plot for $f(x, t)$ on the specified region. (Make sure the contours are labeled in your contour diagram.)

```
ContourPlot[Cos[t] Sin[x], {x, 0, Pi}, {t, 0, 2*Pi}, ContourLabels->True, ...]
```

(c) Use your contour diagram to estimate the global maximum and minimum values of the function on the specified region.

Global min value: _____ Location(s) of global min value: _____

Global max value: _____ Location(s) of global max value: _____

4. Consider the function $g(x, y) = 2 + 4x + 4x^2 - 4y + y^2$.

(a) Use the contour diagram from above to estimate the global min value for $g(x, y)$ and its location.

Global minimum value: _____ Location of global minimum value: _____

(b) Use the `Minimize` command to find the exact global minimum value and its location.

```
Minimize[2 + 4x + 4x^2 - 4y + y^2, {x, y}]
```

Global minimum value: _____ Location of global minimum value: _____

(c) Now restrict $g(x, y)$ to the domain \mathcal{D} given by $x^2 + y^2 < 25$. Use `Plot3D` with the `RegionFunction` option to graph $g(x, y)$ on \mathcal{D} .

```
RegionFunction -> Function[{x, y, z}, x^2 + y^2 < 25]
```

(d) Use `ContourPlot` with the `RegionFunction` option to obtain a contour diagram of $g(x, y)$ on \mathcal{D} .

(e) Use the contour diagram to estimate the values and locations of global extrema of $g(x, y)$ on \mathcal{D} .

Global min value: _____ Location(s) of global min value: _____

Global max value: _____ Location(s) of global max value: _____

II. Vector Fields.

5. Use `VectorPlot` to depict the vector field $\vec{F}(x, y) = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j}$.

`VectorPlot[{x, y}, {x, -10, 10}, {y, -10, 10}]`

Use the option `VectorStyle -> Arrowheads[0.02]` to make the arrowheads smaller.

Is the circulation of \vec{F} around the origin positive, negative, or zero? _____

6. Use `VectorPlot` to depict the vector field $\vec{F}(x, y) = -y\hat{i} + x\hat{j}$.

`VectorPlot[{-y, x}, {x, -10, 10}, {y, -10, 10}, VectorStyle->Arrowheads[0.02]]`

Is the circulation of \vec{F} around the origin positive, negative, or zero? _____

7. (a) Use `VectorPlot` to depict the vector field $\vec{F}(x, y) = y\hat{i} + x\hat{j}$.

(b) Use `VectorPlot` to depict the vector field $\vec{F}(x, y) = (y/\sqrt{x^2 + y^2})\hat{i} + (x/\sqrt{x^2 + y^2})\hat{j}$. Note that the square root command in *Mathematica* is `Sqrt`.

(c) Compute the gradient of $f(x, t) = \cos(t) \sin(x)$ and use `VectorPlot` to depict it.

8. Print off your *Mathematica* work, and staple it to this packet. Make sure that all of the commands you were asked to enter into *Mathematica* are shown in your print-off.