

Sheet 2 (will not be marked)

1. If $z = e^{xy}$ and $x = 2u + v$, $y = \frac{u}{v}$ find $\frac{\partial z}{\partial u}$ and $\frac{\partial z}{\partial v}$ in terms of u and v using the chain rule.

2. Let $z = f(x - y, y - x)$. Show that $\partial z / \partial x + \partial z / \partial y = 0$.

3. Find the stationary points of the function

$$f(x, y) = y^2 + xy + 3y + 2x + 3$$

and determine their nature.

4. Find the stationary points of the function

$$f(x, y) = xy^2 - 2y^3 - x^2 + 2xy$$

and determine their nature.

5. Find the stationary points of the function

$$f(x, y) = x^2 + y^2 + \frac{2}{xy}$$

and determine their nature.

6. Find the dimensions of the most economical open-top rectangular crate 96 m^3 in volume when the base costs 30 pence per square meter and the sides cost 10 pence per square meter. What is the actual minimum cost ?

Answers/Hints:

1. $\frac{\partial z}{\partial u} = \left(\frac{4u}{v} + 1\right) e^{(2u+v)(u/v)}$, $\frac{\partial z}{\partial v} = -\frac{2u^2}{v^2} e^{(2u+v)(u/v)}$.

2. Introduce intermediate variables $u = x - y$ and $v = y - x$.

3. $(1, -2)$ saddle.

4. $(0, 0)$ saddle, $(\frac{3}{2}, 1)$ maximum, $(4, 2)$ saddle.

5. $(1, 1)$ and $(-1, -1)$, both minimum.

6. $4 \times 4 \times 6$. Cost is £14.40.