Math 53 Discussion Problems Oct 8

- 1. For each of the following functions, find $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}$ and $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}$.
 - (a) $f(x,y) = (x^2 1)(y + 2)$ (b) $f(x,y) = x^y$
- 2. For each of the following functions, find all the second-order partial derivatives.

(a)
$$f(x,y) = \sin(xy)$$

(b)
$$f(x, y) = \tan^{-1}(\frac{y}{x})$$

- 3. Let $f(x, y) = \begin{cases} y^3, \text{ if } y \ge 0\\ -y^2, \text{ if } y < 0 \end{cases}$ Find $f_x, f_y, f_{xy}, f_{yx}.$
- 4. Find an equation for the tangent plane to the given surface at the specified point.

(a)
$$z = 1 - x - y$$
, (0, 1, 0)
(b) $z = 4x^2 + y^2$, (1, 1, 5)

5. Find the linearization L(x, y) of the given function at the specified point.

(a)
$$f(x,y) = x^3 y^4, (1,1)$$

(b) $f(x,y) = e^x \cos y, (0, \frac{\pi}{2})$