

**MATH 349**  
**Handout #4**

1. For  $f(x, y) = \sqrt{2x + y^2}$  find the range; sketch the domain;  
sketch the level curves for  $c = 0, -1, 2$ ;  
and show that  $y f_x = f_y$  in the domain ( $f_x, f_y$  are partial derivatives).
2. Find  $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{x^3}{x^2 + 2y^2}$ , if it exists.
3. For  $f(x, y) = \frac{e^y}{x}$ 
  - (a) sketch the domain and level curves for  $c = 0, \pm 1, e$  in the  $xy$ -plane
  - (b) find the second mixed partial derivative  $f_{xy}$ .
4. Show that  $f(x, y) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{yx^2 + y^2 + \frac{1}{4}x^4}}$  satisfies the equation  
 $f_x = x f_y$  in the domain - find it!
5. For  $f(x, y) = \ln(x^2 + y^2 + x)$  find the range; sketch the domain of  $f$ ;  
and sketch the level curves of  $f$  for  $c = 0, 1, \ln 2, -\ln 2, \dots$
6. Find  $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (-1,0)} \frac{xy + y}{(x+1)^2 + y^2}$  as  $(x, y) \rightarrow (-1, 0)$  if it exists.
7. For  $f(x, y) = \arctan \frac{x}{y}$  show that  $y \cdot f_x - x \cdot f_y = 1$  for any  $x$  and  $y \neq 0$ .  
( $f_x$  and  $f_y$  denote partial derivatives with respect to  $x$  and  $y$  respectively)
8. For  $f(x, y) = \frac{2x}{x^2 + y}$  sketch the domain of  $f$ ;  
sketch in the  $xy$ -plane the level curves for  $c = 0, -2, 1$ ;  
and find an equation of the tangent plane to  $z = f(x, y)$  at  $x = -1, y = 1$ .
9. Find  $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,1)} \frac{xy - x}{3x^2 + 2(y-1)^4}$ , if it exists.