

MATH 223 Fall 2022  
Assignment 6  
**Due: Monday, September 25**

**Reading**

Read carefully Sections 3.4 “Parametrized Surfaces” in our text *Multivariable Calculus: A Linear Algebra Based Approach*.

**Writing**

Write out careful and complete solutions of Exercise 12 in Chapter 3 and the exercises below. (If you have the earlier version of the text, this is Exercise 10)

1. In class, we examined the function given by  $f(x, y) = \frac{xy}{x^2+2y^2}$ .

(a) Show that  $3/19$  is a possible value for this function by exhibiting a specific point  $(a, b)$  such that  $f(a, b) = \frac{3}{19}$ .

(b) Show that there is no point  $(a, b)$  such that  $f(a, b) = 1$ .

(c) What is the largest possible value  $\mathbf{M}$  of this function?

[*Hint* for this problem: every point in the plane not on the vertical axis lies on a line with equation  $y = mx$  for some constant  $m$ . ]

2. Let  $g$  be the function defined by  $g(x, y) = \frac{xy}{2x^2+3y^2}$ .

(a) What is the domain of this function?

(b) Show that  $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} g(x, y)$  does not exist.

(c) For which points  $(x, y)$  in the plane is  $g(x, y) > 0$ ? For which points if  $g(x, y) < 0$ ?

(d) What is the image of this function? You should carefully describe the set of real numbers which are possible values for this function.

3. Let  $f$  be the function defined by  $g(x, y) = \frac{x^2y}{x^4+y^2}$ .

(a) Show that the limit of  $f$  as  $(x, y)$  approaches the origin along any line is 0.

(b) Show that the limit of  $f$  as  $(x, y)$  approaches the origin along the curve  $y = x^2$  is  $1/2$ .

(c) Does  $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} f(x, y)$  exist? Justify your answer.