

**Topics for Exam 2****1. Real Values Functions of Two Variables**

- 1.1 Graph of functions of two variables
  - 1.1 Sections and level sets
  - 1.2 Contour plots
  - 1.3 Surfaces in three dimensions
- 1.2 Differentiability
  - 2.1 Partial derivatives
  - 2.2 Directional derivatives
  - 2.3 The gradient of a function of two variables
  - 2.4 Tangent plane to a surface
  - 2.5 Linear approximations to a function of two variables
  - 2.6 The differential of a function of two variables
- 1.3 Linear functions

**2. Vectors**

- 2.1 The dot product
- 2.2 Norm of vectors
- 2.3 Vector form of the Chain Rule

**Relevant sections in text:** 12.1, 12.2, 12.3, 12.4, 13.3, 14.1, 14.2, 14.3, 14.4, 14.6

**Relevant assignments:** 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14.

**Important concepts:** Sections, level sets, contour plots, partial derivatives, gradient, directional derivatives, the Chain Rule, the dot product.

**Important skills:**

- Know how to sketch graphs of functions of two variables
- Know how to sketch contour plots
- Know how to compute partial derivatives
- Know how to compute directional derivatives
- Know how to compute the gradient of a function of two variables
- Know how to compute linear approximations
- Know how to find equations of tangent planes to surfaces
- Know how to compute the dot product of two vectors
- Know how to apply the Chain Rule