

Math 214 Hwk 7

Problem 1. Using the chain rule, find $\partial w/\partial s$ and $\partial w/\partial t$, where

$$w = \sin(2x + 3y), \quad x = s + t, \quad \text{and} \quad y = s - t.$$

Express your answer in terms of s and t .

Problem 2. Show that

$$u(x, t) = \frac{1}{2}[f(x - ct) + f(x + ct)]$$

is a solution to the one-dimensional wave equation

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2} = c^2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}.$$

Problem 3. Show that any tangent plane to the cone $z^2 = a^2x^2 + b^2y^2$ passes through the origin.

Problem 4. A corporation manufactures a product at two locations. The cost of producing x_1 units at the first location is

$$C_1 = 0.02x_1^2 + 4x_1 + 500.$$

The cost of producing x_2 units at the second location is

$$C_2 = 0.05x_2^2 + 4x_2 + 275.$$

If the product sells for \$15 per unit, find the quantity that should be produced at each location to maximize profit.

Problem 5. Show that a triangle is equilateral if the product of the sines of its angles is maximum.

Problem 6. Use Lagrange multipliers to prove that the product of 3 positive numbers x, y, z , whose sum has the constant value S , is maximum when the 3 numbers are equal. Use this result to prove that

$$\sqrt[3]{xyz} \leq \frac{x + y + z}{3}, \quad x, y, z > 0.$$