

Multi-Variable Calculus – Post 2018 Mix – Mark Scheme

1.

(i)	$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = \frac{1}{y} \sin y - \frac{y}{x} \sin x - \frac{y}{x^2} \cos x$ oe	M1	1.1a	Partial differentiation w.r.t.x (including use of the <i>Product</i> or <i>Quotient Rule</i>)
		A1	1.1	
		M1	1.1a	
		A1 [4]	1.1	
(ii)	When $x = y = \frac{1}{4}\pi$, $z = \sqrt{2}$ $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{2}}$ and $\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$ oe Eqn. of tangent-plane is $z = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{2}}(x - \frac{1}{4}\pi) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(y - \frac{1}{4}\pi) + \sqrt{2}$ $\Rightarrow x - y + z\sqrt{2} = 2$ oe	B1	1.1	
		B1	1.1	
		B1	1.1	
		M1	2.2a	
(iii)	$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ \sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix}$ or any suitable multiple	A1	1.1	FT from their answer to (ii)
		[5]		
		B1	2.2a	
		[1]		

2.

(i)	(a)	$f_x = 2xyz + 2y^2z + 3yz^2 - 24yz$ or $yz(2x + 2y + 3z - 24)$ *	M1	1.1a	Good attempt at (at least) one partial derivative
		$f_y = x^2z + 4xyz + 3xz^2 - 24xz$ or $xz(x + 4y + 3z - 24)$	A1	1.2	
		$f_z = x^2y + 2xy^2 + 6xyz - 24xy$ or $xy(x + 2y + 6z - 24)$	A1	1.1	
			A1	1.1	
(b)	Setting all p.d.s to zero	M1	1.1a	Factoring out the non-zero terms and setting up a solvable system of equations	
	$2x + 2y + 3z = 24$				
	All three are zero ($x, y, z \neq 0$) when	M1	2.1		
	$x + 4y + 3z = 24$				
	$x + 2y + 6z = 24$				
	$x = 6, y = 3, z = 2$	M1	1.1a		
(ii)	$w = -216$	A1	1.1	Solving a 3×3 system of equations (BC, for instance) Correct ca0 (no need to mention these are a, b, c, d)	
		A1	1.1		
		A1	1.1		
		[5]			
(ii)	Want (e.g.) x large and $-_{ve}$, y small and $-_{ve}$, z small and $+_{ve}$ e.g. $x = -10, y = -1, z = 1$ so that $w = -330 < -216$	M1	3.1a	Correct idea	
		A1	3.2a		Demonstrated correctly
		[2]			

3.

(a)	$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = \tan y$ and $\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = x \sec^2 y$	B1	1.1	
		B1	1.1	
		[2]		
(b)	$x = 1, y = \frac{1}{4}\pi$ substituted into the two partial derivatives $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = 1$ and $\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = 2$ $z = 1$ Equation of tangent plane is $z - 1 = 1(x - 1) + 2(y - \frac{1}{4}\pi)$ i.e. $x + 2y - z = \frac{1}{2}\pi$ oe	M1	1.1a	Both
		A1	1.1	
		B1	1.1	
		M1FT	1.1a	
		A1	1.1	FT three previous values
		[5]		

4.

$z = tx^2 + y^2 + 3xy - y$ $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = 2tx + 3y$ $\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = 2y + 3x - 1$	B1 B1	3.1a 1.1	Finding the coordinates of the stationary points is not required.
When $t = \frac{9}{4}$, if there is a stationary point then $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = \frac{9}{2}x + 3y = 0$ and $\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = 2y + 3x - 1 = 0$	M1	3.1a	
$2\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = 9x + 6y = 0$ $3\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = 6y + 9x - 3 = 0$ which is a contradiction, so there is no stationary point on S when $t = \frac{9}{4}$.	E1 [4]	3.2a	

5.

$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = \sin y - y \cos x$ $\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = x \cos y + \cos x$	M1 A1	2.1 1.1	Attempt at 1 st and 2 nd partial derivatives of z with respect to x and y ; at least one correct
$\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2} = -y \cos x$ $\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial y^2} = -x \sin y$	A1 FT A1 FT	1.1 1.1	FT for each correct second partial derivative
$\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial y^2} + z$ $= -y \cos x - x \sin y + (x \sin y + y \cos x) = 0$	E1 [5]	2.1	AG Shown clearly

6.

(i)	(a)	$f_x = 4x + 3y$ and $f_y = -2y + 3x + 17$ Both are zero when $4x + 3y = 0$ and $-2y + 3x + 17 = 0$ $x = -3, y = 4$ $z = 34$	B1 B1 M1 A1 A1 [5]	1.1 1.1 2.1 1.1 1.1	The connection must be made explicitly BC	
(ii)		$z = f(a, b) + (x - a)f_x(a, b)$ $+ (y - b)f_y(a, b)$ i.e. $z = 38 + 10(x - 1) + 16(y - 2)$ or $10x + 16y - z = 4$	M1 A1 [2]	1.1 1.1	Quoting correct form, including attempt to substitute in values Any correct simplified form	

7.

(a)		$f_x = 2x \sin y - 2y \sin x$ $f_y = x^2 \cos y + 2 \cos x$ $f_{xx} = 2 \sin y - 2y \cos x$ $f_{yy} = -x^2 \sin y$ $f_{xy} = f_{yx} = 2x \cos y - 2 \sin x$	1.1a 1.1 1.1 2.5 1.1	B1 B1 B1 B1 B1 [5]	Both must be written down, or stated equal
(b)	i	When $x = y = \frac{1}{2}\pi$, $f_x = f_y = 0$ \Rightarrow stationary point Visible check/calculation that $z = \left(\frac{1}{2}\pi\right)^2 \times 1 + 2 \times \left(\frac{1}{2}\pi\right) \times 0 = \frac{1}{4}\pi^2$	1.1a 2.2a 2.1	M1 A1 B1 [3]	Allow statement only

8.

(a)	$f_x = 4xy^7 + 15x^4y^4 - 40x^7y$ and $f_y = 14x^2y^6 + 12x^5y^3 - 5x^8$	M1	1.1	Clear attempt at partial differentiation
	Then $xf_x + yf_y = 4x^2y^7 + 15x^5y^4 - 40x^8y + 14x^2y^7 + 12x^5y^4 - 5x^8y$ $= 18x^2y^7 + 27x^5y^4 - 45x^8y = 9f$	A1 A1 M1 A1 [5]	1.1 1.1 2.1 1.1	
(b)	$f_{xx} = 4y^7 + 60x^3y^4 - 280x^6y$ and $f_{xy} = 28xy^6 + 60x^4y^3 - 40x^7$	B1 B1	1.1 1.1	
	Then $xf_{xx} + yf_{xy} = 4xy^7 + 60x^4y^4 - 280x^7y + 28xy^7 + 60x^4y^4 - 40x^7y$ $= 32xy^7 + 120x^4y^4 - 320x^7y = 8f_x$	M1 A1	2.1 1.1	
Alternative method Differentiate. (a)'s result w.r.t. x : $xf_{xx} + f_x + yf_{yx} = n f_x$ M1 A1 $f_{yx} = f_{xy}$ (by the Mixed Derivative Theorem) B1 $\Rightarrow xf_{xx} + yf_{yx} = (n-1)f_x$ A1				
		[4]		

9.

(a)	Differentiating $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = xyz - 1$ partially w.r.t. either x or y	M1	1.1	Attempt with LHS correct
	x : $2x + 2z \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = xy \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + yz$ 1 y : $2y + 2z \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = xy \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} + xz$ 2 $x \cdot \mathbf{1} + y \cdot \mathbf{2} \Rightarrow 2(x^2 + y^2) + 2z \left(x \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \right) = xy \left(x \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \right) + 2xyz$ Now $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = xyz - 1 \Rightarrow xyz - x^2 - y^2 = z^2 + 1$ giving $(2z - xy) \left(x \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \right) = 2(1 + z^2)$	A1 A1 M1 M1 A1 [6]	1.1 1.1 3.1a 1.1 2.2a	First correct Correct or FT $x \leftrightarrow y$ (by symmetry) $\Rightarrow (2z - xy) \left(x \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \right) = 2(xy - x^2 - y^2)$ AG legitimately obtained
(b)	If both $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}$ and $\frac{\partial z}{\partial y}$ are zero ...	M1	2.1	Considering conditions for stationary points
	... then LHS = 0 while RHS ≥ 2 (i.e. > 0) ($\Rightarrow \Leftarrow$)	A1 [2]	2.4	Contradiction justified

10.

(a)	The section $x = 0$, i.e. $z = f(0, y)$ drawn	B1	3.4	\cup -shaped parabola in y - z plane (axes labelled)
	The section $y = 0$, i.e. $z = f(x, 0)$ drawn	B1 [2]	3.4	
(b)	Suggestion $z = ay^2 - bx^2$	M1 *	3.3	M for quadratic (only) terms in both x and y Details, including signs of coefficients (Domain not required) Use of "boundary" conditions to evaluate a, b (at least one fully attempted)
	$(-0.25 \leq x \leq 0.25, -0.3 \leq y \leq 0.3)$	A1	1.1	
	$z = 0.27$ when $x = 0, y = (\pm) 0.3$	M1	3.4	
	$\Rightarrow a = 3$	*dep		
	$z = -0.4$ when $y = 0, x = (\pm) 0.25 \Rightarrow b = 6.4$	A1	1.1	
		A1	2.2a	
		[5]		

11.

a	$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = \frac{1}{2}z^{-1} \cdot -6x$	$\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = \frac{1}{2}z^{-1} \cdot -4y$	M1	1.1	Attempt at partial differentiation (at least one case) $ax \times z^{-1}$ or $by \times z^{-1}$
			A1	1.1	At least one correct (any form)
	$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = -\frac{3x}{z} = -11$	and $\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = -\frac{2y}{z} = \frac{16}{3}$	M1	1.1	Substituting values into <i>their</i> partial derivatives to get numerical “gradients” (can be implied by a correct answer)
			A1	1.1	Both correct
Alternative method					
	$2z \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = -6x$	$2z \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = -4y$	M1		Squaring and use of implicit differentiation (at least one case)
			A1		At least one correct (any form)
	$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = -\frac{3x}{z} = -11$	and $\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = -\frac{2y}{z} = \frac{16}{3}$	M1		Substituting values to get numerical “gradients”
			A1		Both correct
			[4]		
b	$z - 3 = -11(x - 11) + \frac{16}{3}(y + 8)$		M1	1.1	Eqn. for tangent plane used
	$\Rightarrow 33x - 16y + 3z = 500$		A1	1.1	Must have numerical “gradients” involved
			[2]		CAO (any non-zero integer multiple)

12.

a	$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = 8x + 4y + 6$ and $\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = 4x + 2y + 3$	M1 A1 [2]	1.1 1.1	Both first partial derivatives attempted Both correct
b	Considering z as a function of $2x + y$ $z = (2x + y)^2 + a(2x + y) + b$ $a=3$ and $b=k$ For S always lying above the x - y plane $z > 0$ $t = 2x + y$ so $z = t^2 + 3t + k$ (> 0) so Discriminant of $t^2 + 3t + k < 0$ Discriminant $= 9 - 4k$ $k > \frac{9}{4}$ so least integer k is 3	M1 M1 A1 B1 M1 A1 B1	3.1a 3.2a 2.1 1.1 3.1a 1.1 2.4	a and b non-zero constants Or completing the square $\left(t + \frac{3}{2}\right)^2 + c$ (This implies the first two M1) and stating $c > 0$ If completing the square, $\left(t + \frac{3}{2}\right)^2 - \frac{9}{4} + k$ This implies the first A1 SC1 $k=3$ with no evidence
Alternative method $8x + 4y + 6 = 0$ and/or $4x + 2y + 3 = 0$ $x = -\frac{3}{4} - \frac{1}{2}y$ or $y = -2x - \frac{3}{2}$ Substituting either into z		M1 M1 M1		
Correct substitution $-\frac{9}{4} + k$ For S always lying above the x - y plane $z > 0$ $\Rightarrow k > \frac{9}{4}$ so least integer k is 3		A1 A1 B1 B1		seen Must justify that a minimum value of z occurs when $4x + 2y + 3 = 0$ (eg through a sketch)
		[7]		

13.

(a)	A straight line with positive gradient $z = 2y + 1$ clearly shown in the y - z plane	M1 A1 [2]	2.2a 1.1	i.e. with correct axes (labelled or otherwise shown or implied by an equation in y - z) By intercepts $(-\frac{1}{2}, 0)$ and $(0, 1)$ or any other means
(b)	A \cup -shaped parabola $z = x^2 + 2x$ clearly shown in the x - z plane	M1 A1 [2]	2.2a 1.1	i.e. with correct axes (labelled or otherwise shown or implied by an equation in x - z) By intercepts $(-2, 0)$ and $(0, 0)$ or any other means