

18.022 Recitation Handout  
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1. Find the second order Taylor polynomial for  $f(x, y) = \cos(x + 2y)$  at the origin. What is the second order Taylor polynomial for  $g(\theta) = \cos \theta$  at  $\theta = 0$ ?

2. (a) Find the critical points of  $f(x, y) = x^2 + 4xy + y^2$ . Use the second derivative test for local extrema to determine whether the point is a local maximum, a local minimum, or a saddle point.

(b) Find the critical points of  $g(x, y) = x^2 + xy + y^2$ . Use the second derivative test for local extrema to determine whether the point is a local maximum, a local minimum, or a saddle point.

3. (a) What theorem ensures that the function  $f(x, y) = x \sin(x + y)$  defined on the rectangle  $\{(x, y) : 0 \leq x \leq \pi, 0 \leq y \leq 7\}$  has an absolute maximum and an absolute minimum? Verify the hypotheses of that theorem.

(b) Find the absolute extrema of  $f$ . You are given that there are no absolute extrema on the top or bottom of the rectangle; see the surface plot below to guide your intuition.

