

**Name:**

**Matricule number:**

End-term test  
Business Mathematics 2  
Group 6  
Winter 2014

<i>example</i>	<i>max.pts.</i>	<i>pts.</i>
1	3	...
2	3	...
3	3	...
4	3	...
<i>total :</i>	12	...

**Instructions:**

- No documents, no calculators
- Write your answers for an example in the corresponding indicated blank spaces
- All the answers must be justified
- The clarity and readability of the copy will be taken into account in the final mark

- 1) a) Let  $f(x, y) = x^3 - y^3 + xy$ . Find two critical points of  $f$ . (You do not have to determine their nature).  
 b) Let  $f(x, y) = e^{x^2+1} - e^{y^2+1}$ . Then  $(0, 0)$  is a critical point of  $f$  (you do not have to show it). What is the nature of the critical point  $(0, 0)$ ?

- 2) a) **Using the graphical method**, find the global maximizer for the problem

$$\begin{aligned} \max \quad & y \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & x^2 + y^2 = 1. \end{aligned}$$

(No points will be given if you do not use the graphical method).

- b) Using the method of your choice, find a local maximizer for the problem

$$\begin{aligned} \max \quad & xy \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & x + y = 1. \end{aligned}$$

- 3) a) Show that the function  $f(x, y, z) = e^x + z^2 + (1 + y)^2$  is convex on  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .  
 b) Show that the set  $\{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2; x^2 \leq 1, x \leq 2 - y^2\}$  is convex.

- 4) a) Consider the problem

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & x \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & x \geq 0 \\ & x^2 + y^2 \leq 1. \end{aligned}$$

Can  $(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}})$  be a local minimizer for this problem?

- b) Consider the problem

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & (x + 1)^2 + y^2 \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & x \leq 0 \\ & y \leq 0. \end{aligned}$$

Find a point  $(x^*, y^*)$  that satisfies the KKT conditions and show that no other points can satisfy the KKT conditions. Which constraints are active at the point  $(x^*, y^*)$ .

Answer to 1) a):

Answer to 1) b):

Answer to 2) a):

Answer to 2) b):

Answer to 3) a):

Answer to 3) b):

Answer to 4) a):

Answer to 4) b):