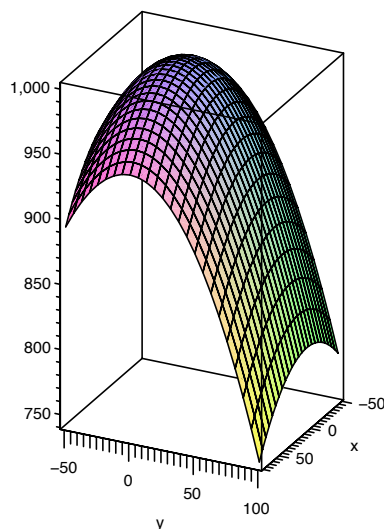


# Mth 254H Fall 2013 Take Home Quiz

Due Friday, February 22nd, in class.

1. **Chain Rule:** Let  $z = \arctan\left(\frac{x}{y}\right)$ ,  $x = \ln(u - v)$ , and  $y = u^2v$ . Find  $\frac{\partial z}{\partial v}$  and  $\frac{\partial z}{\partial u}$ .
2. You are standing on a hill whose shape is give by the equation:  $z = 1000 - 0.01x^2 - 0.02y^2$  where  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$  are given in feet. You are standing at the point with coordinates  $(50, 80, 847)$ . The positive  $x$  axis points east and the positive  $y$  axis points north.



- (a) **Partial Derivatives:** If you walk due north or due east, will you start to ascend or descend? At what rate?
- (b) **Directional Derivatives:** If you walk due south or due northwest, will you start to ascend or descend? At what rate?
- (c) **Gradient:** In which direction (as a 2 dimensional vector) is the slope largest? What is the rate of ascent in that direction?
- (d) **Angle between Vectors:** At what angle above the horizontal will you be heading if you head in the direction from part (c)?
- (e) In which directions in 3 dimensional space would you be heading if you started at your present location and walked in the compass directions from part (c) ?
- (f) **Normal Vector:** Find a vector perpendicular to the surface of the hill at  $(50, 80, 847)$  by thinking of this surface as a level surface for  $f(x, y, z) = 1000 - 0.01x^2 - 0.02y^2 - z$ . Verify that this vector and the vector from part (e) are perpendicular.