$$1. f(x, y) = y^2 \cos(\pi x y)$$

- a) Evaluate f and the first partial derivatives of f at (x, y) = (2,1) using proper notation for all derivatives evaluated in the process.
- b) Evaluate the four second partial derivatives of f at (x, y) = (2,1) using proper notation for all derivatives evaluated in the process.
- c) Do your formulas for the two mixed partial derivative functions f_{xy} and f_{yx} agree as they should?
- d) What can you conclude about how f is increasing or decreasing at (2,1) as you increase x and y respectively? What can you conclude about the concavity of the cross-sectional curves for y = 1 and x = 2 respectively?

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