PHYS 160 - Assignment #1

Due: Friday January. 8^{th}

Make sure your name is listed as a comment at the beginning of your worksheet.

Basic Plotting:

Make sure that each plot has a title that properly identifies it. Plot all functions over the domain x = [-2, 2]

- Plot: $f1(x) = e^{-0.3x^2} \sin(x)$
- Plot: $f2(x) = \cos(x)\sin(x)$
- Plot: $f3(x) = \sin(x) + \cos(x)$
- Plot: $f4(x) = \sin(x) + \sin(2x)$
- On the same plot, graph f1, f2, f3, f4 simultaneously.
- Find by inspection the intercept of $f_1(x)$ with the x-axis over the interval x = [2, 4].

3D Plots

Make sure that each plot has a title that properly identifies it. Plot all functions over the domain x = [-2, 2] and y = [-2, 2] in a boxed plot.

- Define the function $r1(x, y) = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$
- Define the function $r^2(x,y) = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} + \sin(x)\cos(2y)$
- Define the function $g(m) = e^{-m^2}$
- Plot g(r1(x,y))
- Plot g(r2(x,y))

Problem Solving

• Which of these is greater: $a = (\frac{3}{4})^{42}$ or $b = (\frac{7}{8})^{91}$? Make sure your answer is well justified.