Assignment 2 MAT 257

Q2a:

First we consider h(t).

$$h(t) = f(tx)$$

$$= ||tx|| g(\frac{tx}{||tx||})$$

$$= |t| ||x|| g(\frac{tx}{|t| ||x||})$$

$$= t ||x|| g(\frac{x}{||x||})$$

$$= tf(x)$$

Therefore, h is linear and so from single variable calculus we get that h' = f(x)

First, if g=0 then clearfly f is differntiable with Df(x,y)=0. If $g(x)\neq 0$ then suppose that Df(0,0) exists. We see that

$$\lim_{h \to 0} \frac{\|f(h,0) - f(0,0) - Df(0,0)(h,0)\|}{\|h\|} = 0$$

$$\implies Df(0,0)(h,0) = 0$$

and

$$\lim_{k \to 0} \frac{\|f(0,k) - f(0,0) - Df(0,0)(0,k)\|}{\|k\|} = 0$$

$$\implies Df(0,0)(0,k) = 0$$

Therefore, Df(0,0) = 0. So if this is the differntial it must be the case that

$$\begin{split} & \lim_{x \to 0} \frac{f(x) - f(0) - Df(0, 0)}{\|x\|} \\ &= \lim_{x \to 0} \frac{\|x\| \, g(\frac{x}{\|x\|})}{\|x\|} \\ &= \lim_{x \to 0} g(\frac{x}{\|x\|}) = 0 \end{split}$$

However by the definition of g this limit does not exist unless g = 0. We obtain a contradiction and so Df(0,0) does not exist unless g = 0.