

Question 3 (a) $f(x, y) := \frac{x^2 y^2}{x^2 y^2 + (x-y)^2} = \frac{1}{1 + (\frac{x-y}{xy})^2} = \frac{1}{1 + (\frac{1}{y} - \frac{1}{x})^2}$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x, y) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{1 + (\frac{1}{y} - \frac{1}{x})^2} = 0 \implies \lim_{y \rightarrow 0} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x, y) = 0$$

And as the expression is symmetric in x and y ,

$$\lim_{y \rightarrow 0} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x, y) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \lim_{y \rightarrow 0} f(x, y)$$

But the simultaneous limit at $(0, 0)$ along $T(t) := (t, t)$ is

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} f(T(t)) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{1 + (\frac{1}{t} - \frac{1}{t})^2} = 1$$

If the simultaneous limit existed, all the iterated limits would be equal to it. So, there is a curve, $S(t) := (\frac{1}{t}, \frac{1}{t+1})$ with

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} f(S(t)) = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{1 + (t + 1 - t)^2} = \frac{1}{2}$$

Thus, f is discontinuous at $(0, 0)$

$$(b) f(x, y) := \frac{e^{-\frac{1}{x^2}} y}{e^{-\frac{1}{x^2}} + y^2} = \frac{y e^{\frac{1}{x^2}}}{1 + (y e^{\frac{1}{x^2}})^2} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{y e^{1/x^2}} + y e^{1/x^2}}$$

$$\lim_{y \rightarrow 0} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\frac{1}{y e^{1/x^2}} + y e^{1/x^2}} = \lim_{y \rightarrow 0} 0 = 0$$

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To show the non-existence of simultaneous limit at $(0, 0)$, consider the curve $T(t) := (t, e^{-1/t^2})$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} f(T(t)) = \frac{e^{-1/t^2} \times e^{1/t^2}}{1 + (e^{-1/t^2} \times e^{1/t^2})^2} = \frac{1}{2}$$

Question 4 (b) $f(x, y) := \frac{2xy}{\sqrt{x^2+y^2}}$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(h, 0) - f(0, 0)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{h} \left(\frac{2h \times 0}{\sqrt{h^2 + 0}} - 0 \right) = 0$$

So, the partial derivative along x exists at $(0, 0)$. And by symmetry, it also exists along y . And in a neighbourhood of

$$(0, 0), \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = \frac{2y\sqrt{x^2+y^2} - 2xy\left(\frac{2x}{2\sqrt{x^2+y^2}}\right)}{x^2+y^2} = \frac{y\left(2\sqrt{x^2+y^2} - 2x\left(\frac{2x}{2\sqrt{x^2+y^2}}\right)\right)}{x^2+y^2}.$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f_x(h, 0) - f_x(0, 0)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{0 - 0}{0} = 0$$

Again, by symmetry, $\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2}(0, 0) = 0$. Thus, as second partial derivative exists along x and y , the first derivatives are continuous at $(0, 0)$, and hence, f is differentiable at $(0, 0)$.

$$(a) f(x, y) := \frac{xy(x+y)\sin(x-y)}{x^2+y^2}$$

The partial derivative along x ,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{f(h, 0) - f(0, 0)}{h} \right) \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(h \times 0(h+0)\sin(h-0) - 0)}{h^2 + 0} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

And in the neighbourhood of $(0, 0)$,

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = \frac{y((-x^2y + 2xy^2 + y^3)\sin(x-y) + (x^3 + x^3y + x^2y^2 + xy^3))}{(x^2 + y^2)^2}$$

Thus, for the second partial derivative along x ,

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{h} \left(\frac{\partial f(h, 0)}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial f(0, 0)}{\partial x} \right) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(0 \times (...)) - 0}{h} = 0$$

Similarly, along the y-direction,

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(0, h) - f(0, 0)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{0 - 0}{h} = 0$$

And,

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = \frac{-x}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} [(-x^3 - 2x^2y + xy^2)\sin(x - y) + \dots]$$

the second order derivative is,

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f_y(0, h) - f_y(0, 0)}{h} = 0$$

Now, as the second partial derivative exists along x and y directions, the first partial derivatives are continuous. Hence, f is differentiable at $(0,0)$.

Question 5

$$f(x, y) = xy(1 - x^2 - y^2)$$

$$f_x = y - 3x^2y - y^3 \text{ and } f_y = x - x^3 - 3xy^2$$

So, a critical point is $(0, 0)$. And,

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If $x \neq 0 \neq y$, then

$f_y = y - 3x^2y - y^3 = 0 = x - x^3 - 3xy^2 = f_x$ gives
 $(\pm 0.5, \pm 0.5)$

Now, to classify these critical points, looking at $rt - s^2$

$$r = f_{xx} = -6xy = f_{yy} = t \text{ and } s = f_{xy} = 1 - 3x^2 - 3y^2$$

At $(0, 0)$, $r = 0 = t$ and $s = 1$. Thus, $rt - s^2 = 0 - 1 < 0$
Thus, $(0, 0)$ is a maxima.

At $(\pm 1, 0)$ and $(0, \pm 1)$,

$rt = 36x^2y^2 = 0$ and $s = 1 - 3$. Thus, $rt - s^2 = 0 - 4 < 0$
Thus, $(\pm 1, 0), (0, \pm 1)$ are maxima.

At $(\pm 0.5, \pm 0.5)$ and $(-0.5, -0.5)$,

$$rt = 36x^2y^2 = \frac{9}{4} \text{ and } s = 1 - 3(0.25 + 0.25) = -0.5$$

$$\text{Hence, } rt - s^2 = 2.25 - 0.25 = 2 > 0$$

Thus, all four points, $(\pm 0.5, \pm 0.5)$ are minima.