

Seminar 9

1. Sketch the level sets $L_c = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid f(x, y) = c\}$ for the function $f(x, y) = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$ and the values $c = 0, 1, 4$. Compare the graph of this function with the paraboloid $z = x^2 + y^2$.
2. Study the limits of the following functions when $(x, y) \rightarrow (0, 0)$:

(a) $\frac{x+y}{x^2+y^2}$ (b) $\frac{x^2-y^2}{x^2+y^2}$ (c) $\frac{x^3+y^3}{x^2+y^2}$ (d) $\frac{\sin x - \sin y}{x - y}$.

3. Study the continuity and the partial differentiability of the function $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$,

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{xy}{x^2+y^2}, & (x, y) \neq (0, 0) \\ 0, & (x, y) = (0, 0). \end{cases}$$

4. Compute the first order partial derivatives (where they exist) for the following functions:

(a) $f(x, y) = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$. (c) $f(x, y) = \cos x \cos y - \sin x \sin y$.
(b) $f(x, y) = \ln \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$. (d) $f(x, y, z) = x^2 yz + ye^z$.

5. Find the gradient of the function f at the point a for the following:

(a) $f(x, y) = e^{-x} \sin(x + 2y)$, $a = (0, \frac{\pi}{4})$. (c) $f(x, y, z) = e^{xyz}$, $a = (0, 0, 0)$.
(b) $f(x, y) = \arctan(\frac{y}{x})$, $a = (1, 1)$. (d) $f(x, y, z) = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$, $a = (1, 1, 1)$

6. Let $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a differentiable function and let $g : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be defined by

$$g(x, y) = f(x^2 + y^2), \quad \forall (x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2.$$

Prove that

$$x \frac{\partial g}{\partial y}(x, y) = y \frac{\partial g}{\partial x}(x, y).$$