

Exercises

1. a) Find the domain of the scalar function:

$$f(x, y) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (xy)^k$$

- b) Find and classify the critical points of $f(x, y)$

2. Assume that y is a differentiable function of x which satisfies the equation. Obtain dy/dx by implicit differentiation.

$$x^2 - 2xy + y^4 = 4.$$

$$x e^y + y e^x - 2x^2 y = 0.$$

$$x^{2/3} + y^{2/3} = a^{2/3}. \quad (a \text{ is a constant})$$

$$x \cos xy + y \cos x = 2.$$

3. Let $u = u(x, y)$, where $x = x(s)$ and $y = y(s)$, and assume that these functions have continuous second derivatives. Find the expression for $\frac{d^2 u}{ds^2}$.

4. a) Show that the expression

$$x^6 y + y^2 \int_0^x \frac{1}{1 + \sin^6 t} dt + y^5 - 1 = 0$$

defines y as an implicit differentiable function $y = f(x)$ around the point $(0, 1)$.

- b) Write the equation of the tangent line to $y = f(x)$ at the point $(0, 1)$.

5. Assume that $u = u(x, y)$ is differentiable.

- a) Show that the change of variables to polar coordinates $x = r \cos \theta$, $y = r \sin \theta$ gives

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} &= \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \cos \theta + \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \sin \theta \\ \frac{\partial u}{\partial \theta} &= -\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} r \sin \theta + \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} r \cos \theta \end{aligned}$$

- b) Express in terms of $\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}$ and $\frac{\partial u}{\partial y}$ the following expression:

$$\left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial r} \right)^2 + \frac{1}{r} \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial \theta} \right)^2$$