

## Homework #6

1. Check whether the following limits exist (possibly in the generalized sense):

- i.  $\lim_{x^2+y^2 \rightarrow \infty} (x^2 + y^2) \exp(-x - y)$ ;      ii.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0, y \rightarrow 2} \frac{\sqrt{x^2 + (y-2)^2 + 1} - 1}{x^2 + (y-2)^2}$ ;  
 iii.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0, y \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \cos 2xy}{x^2 y \sin \pi y}$ ;      iv.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1, y \rightarrow -1} \frac{x^4 - x^2 - y^4 + y^2}{x + y}$ .

2. Is  $f(x, y) = x^2 - xy + y^2$  uniformly continuous on  $R^2$ ?

3 Let  $f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{x^3 + y^3}{2x^2 + y^2}, & (x, y) \neq (0, 0); \\ 0, & (x, y) = (0, 0). \end{cases}$

Is  $f$  continuous at  $(0, 0)$ ? Do  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(0, 0)$  and  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(0, 0)$  exist? Is  $f$  differentiable at  $(0, 0)$ ?

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

- i. For which  $k > 0$  is  $f$  continuous at  $(0, 0)$ ?  
 ii. For which  $k > 0$  do all the directional derivatives of  $f$  exist at  $(0, 0)$ ?  
 iii. For which  $k > 0$  is  $f$  differentiable at  $(0, 0)$ ?

5 Calculate  $f_{xy}$  and  $f_{yx}$  at  $(0, 0)$ , where

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} x^2 \sin \frac{1}{x} + y^2 \sin \frac{1}{y}; & x, y \neq 0; \\ x^2 \sin \frac{1}{x}, & x \neq 0, y = 0; \\ y^2 \sin \frac{1}{y}; & x = 0, y \neq 0; \\ 0, & x = y = 0. \end{cases}$$

6. Let  $f(x, y)$  satisfy  $|f(x, y)| \leq M(x^2 + y^2)$ , for some  $M > 0$  and for all  $(x, y)$  in a neighborhood of  $(0, 0)$ . Prove that  $f$  is differentiable at  $(0, 0)$ .

**7.** Let  $g(u, v, w)$  be differentiable in  $R^3$ . Define  $f$  by  $f(x, y, z) = g(x, xy, xyz)$ . Find a condition on  $g$  (involving derivatives) that guarantees that  $f$  does not depend on  $x$ .

**8.** Let  $u(x, y) = \ln \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$  and  $v(x, y) = \arctan \frac{y}{x}$ . Show that  $u$  and  $v$  solve *Laplace's equation*:  $w_{xx} + w_{yy} = 0$ . Such functions are called *harmonic*.

**9** Let  $f$  be differentiable at  $(x_0, y_0)$ . Prove that there exists a direction  $v$  for which the directional derivative of  $f$  is equal to 0.

**10** Let  $f(u, v, w)$  be differentiable on  $R^3$ . Assume that

$$f(x, y, 2x^2 + y^2) = 3x - 5y$$

and that  $\frac{df}{dn}(1, 2, 6) = 1$ , where  $n = (\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3})$ . Calculate  $(\nabla f)(1, 2, 6)$ .

**11** Find the equation of the tangent plane and find the normal to the tangent plane of the function  $z = e^x \sin y$  at the point  $(0, 0, 0)$ .

**12** Let  $m \in R$ . A function  $f(x, y)$  is called *homogeneous of order  $m$*  if it satisfies  $f(\lambda x, \lambda y) = \lambda^m f(x, y)$ , for all  $x, y, \lambda$ .

i. Show that any function  $f$  homogeneous of order  $m$  can be represented in the form  $f(x, y) = x^m F(\frac{y}{x})$ , for all  $x \neq 0$ , where  $F$  is some function of one variable.

ii. Show that if  $f$  is homogeneous of order  $m$  then it satisfies the differential equation  $xf_x + yf_y = mf$ .