

Seminar 9

1. Study the limits of the following functions when $(x, y) \rightarrow (0, 0)$:

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

2. Compute the partial derivatives (and specify where they exist) for the following functions:

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

3. Let $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, f(x, y) = xy$. Using the definition, prove that $Df(x_0, y_0) = (y_0, x_0)$.

4. Prove that

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

is continuous and has partial derivatives, but it is not differentiable in the origin.

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

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

Prove that

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