

Assignment 8

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1. Let $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be given by $f(x, y) = 1$ if $x = 0$ or $y = 0$ and $f(x, y) = 0$ otherwise. Show that $f_x(0, 0) = f_y(0, 0) = 0$ but f is not continuous at $(0, 0)$.
2. Let $f, g : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be defined by $f(x, y) = |x| + |y|$ and $g(x, y) = |xy|$ for $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$. Show that
 - (a) $f_x(0, 0)$ and $f_y(0, 0)$ do not exist whereas $g_x(0, 0)$ and $g_y(0, 0)$ exist.
 - (b) for $x_0 \neq 0$, $g_y(x_0, 0)$ does not exist and for $y_0 \neq 0$, $g_x(0, y_0)$ does not exist.
3. Discuss the differentiability of $f(x, y) = x^2 + \sin y + y^2 e^x$ at $(0, 0)$.

4. Discuss the differentiability of

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5. Discuss the differentiability of

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

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6. Consider the function $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined by $f(x, y) = (x - y)^2 \sin \frac{1}{(x - y)}$ if $x \neq y$ and $f(x, x) = 0$. Show that
 - (a) f_x and f_y exist at all points of \mathbb{R}^2 .
 - (b) f is differentiable at $(0, 0)$.
 - (c) f_x and f_y are not continuous on the line $y = x$.
7. Let $z = f(x, y)$, $x = r \cos \theta$ and $y = r \sin \theta$.
 - (a) Show that $\frac{\partial z}{\partial r} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \cos \theta + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \sin \theta$ and $\frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial z}{\partial \theta} = -\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \sin \theta + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \cos \theta$.
 - (b) If $f(x, y) = x^2 + 2xy$, show that $\frac{\partial z}{\partial \theta} = 2(x^2 - xy - y^2)$.

8. (a) express $\frac{\partial z}{\partial u}$ and $\frac{\partial z}{\partial v}$ as functions of u and v both by using the Chain Rule and by expressing z directly in terms of u and v before differentiating. Then (b) evaluate $\frac{\partial z}{\partial u}$ and $\frac{\partial z}{\partial v}$ at the given point (u, v)
Consider $z = 4e^x \ln y$, $x = \ln(u \cos v)$, $y = u \sin v$; $(u, v) = (2, \pi/4)$.