

## Textbook (14th Edition) Problems of 14.3

12, 20, 21, 22, 28, 33, 39, 46, 62, 67, 69, 73, 75, 81, 82, 89, 97, 98, 99, 101, 102, 104

### Exercise 1: Partial derivatives and continuity

1. Let  $f(x, y, z) = \ln \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$ . Find the first-order partial derivatives  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}$ ,  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}$ , and  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial z}$ .

2. Consider the function

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

(a) Determine  $f_x(0, 0)$  and  $f_y(0, 0)$ .

(b) Analyze the continuity of  $f$  at  $(0, 0)$ .

3. Consider the function

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{x^3y - xy^3}{x^2+y^2}, & \text{if } (x, y) \neq (0, 0), \\ 0, & \text{if } (x, y) = (0, 0). \end{cases}$$

(a) Determine  $f_x(0, 0)$  and  $f_y(0, 0)$ .

(b) Analyze the continuity of  $f$  at  $(0, 0)$ .

### Exercise 2: Higher-Order Partial Derivatives

1. Compute the third-order partial derivative  $\frac{\partial^3 f}{\partial x^2 \partial y}$  for  $f(x, y) = x^3y^2$ .

2. Consider the function

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

Check whether  $f_{xy}(0, 0) = f_{yx}(0, 0)$  or not. Justify.

3. Prove or disprove: If  $z = f(x, y)$ , then  $f_{xy}(0, 0) = f_{yx}(0, 0)$  always holds.

### Exercise 3: Applications of Partial Derivatives

1. The temperature at a point  $(x, y)$  on a plate is given by  $T(x, y) = 100 - 4x^2 - 9y^2$ .

(a) Find the rate of change of temperature at the point  $(2, 1)$  in the  $x$ -direction.

(b) Find the rate of change of temperature at the point  $(2, 1)$  in the  $y$ -direction.

## Exercise 4: Differentiability and Continuity

1. Consider the function

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

- (a) Check whether  $f$  is continuous at  $(0, 0)$  or not, justify.
  - (b) Check whether  $f$  is differentiable at  $(0, 0)$  or not, justify.
2. Consider the function  $f(x, y) = ||x| - |y|| - |x| - |y|$ .
    - (a) Check whether  $f$  is continuous at  $(0, 0)$  or not, justify.
    - (b) Check whether  $f$  is differentiable at  $(0, 0)$  or not, justify.

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## Exercise 5. Chain rule Problems

1. Let  $z = \frac{x^2 - y^2}{x^2 + y^2}$ , where  $x = r \cos(\theta)$  and  $y = r \sin(\theta)$ . Find  $\frac{\partial z}{\partial r}$  and  $\frac{\partial z}{\partial \theta}$ .
2. Let  $w = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$ , where  $x = u^2 - v^2$ ,  $y = 2uv$ , and  $z = u + v$ . Find  $\frac{\partial w}{\partial u}$  and  $\frac{\partial w}{\partial v}$ .
3. Let  $w = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{y}{x}\right)$ , where  $x = r \cos(\theta)$  and  $y = r \sin(\theta)$ . Prove that  $\frac{\partial w}{\partial r} = 0$  and find  $\frac{\partial w}{\partial \theta}$ .
4. Given  $w = f(x, y, z)$  where  $x = r \sin(\theta) \cos(\phi)$ ,  $y = r \sin(\theta) \sin(\phi)$ , and  $z = r \cos(\theta)$ , derive the formula for  $\frac{\partial w}{\partial r}$  using the chain rule.
5. Let  $w = \ln(xy)$ , where  $x = e^u \cos(v)$  and  $y = e^u \sin(v)$ . Find  $\frac{\partial w}{\partial u}$  and  $\frac{\partial w}{\partial v}$ .
6. Suppose  $z = f(x, y)$ , where  $x = g(s, t)$ ,  $y = h(s, t)$ . then using the chain rule, show that

$$\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial t^2} = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} \left( \frac{\partial g}{\partial t} \right)^2 + 2 \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} \frac{\partial g}{\partial t} \frac{\partial h}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} \left( \frac{\partial h}{\partial t} \right)^2 + f_x \frac{\partial^2 g}{\partial t^2} + f_y \frac{\partial^2 h}{\partial t^2}$$

7. Express the Laplace equation in polar form using the chain rule.

## Exercise 6: True/False Questions

1. If a function  $f(x, y)$  has partial derivatives at  $(0, 0)$ , then it must be continuous at  $(0, 0)$ . (True/False)
2. A function that is continuous at  $(0, 0)$  and has partial derivatives at  $(0, 0)$  is necessarily differentiable at  $(0, 0)$ . (True/False)
3. For the function  $f(x, y) = \frac{x^2 - y^2}{x^2 + y^2}$  defined as 0 at  $(0, 0)$ ,  $f$  is discontinuous at  $(0, 0)$ . (True/False)
4. If  $f(x, y)$  has continuous second-order partial derivatives, then  $\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x}$ . (True/False)
5. If  $f_x(x, y)$  and  $f_y(x, y)$  exist at a point  $(x_0, y_0)$ , then  $f$  is differentiable at  $(x_0, y_0)$ . (True/False)
6. Higher-order partial derivatives are always continuous. (True/False)
7. The mixed derivative theorem can be applied to  $f(x, y) = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$  at  $(0, 0)$ . (True/False)

8. The function  $f(x, y) = |x| + |y|$  is differentiable at  $(0, 0)$ . (True/False)
9. For  $f(x, y) = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$ , the partial derivatives exist at  $(0, 0)$ , so the function is differentiable there. (True/False)
10. For  $w = f(x, y, z)$ , where  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$  are functions of  $u$  and  $v$ , the partial derivative  $\frac{\partial w}{\partial u}$  includes terms involving derivatives of  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$  with respect to  $u$ . (True/False)