

MATH 417 Homework 10

Note that this is problems: Section 15.3 #1,2,3. Section 16.1 #7,8,9

1. Suppose that the function $\psi : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is continuously differentiable. Define the function $g : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by

$$g(s, t) = \psi(s^2t, s) \quad \text{for } (s, t) \in \mathbb{R}^2.$$

Find $\frac{\partial g}{\partial s}(s, t)$ and $\frac{\partial g}{\partial t}(s, t)$.

Solution:

Define $F : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ by $F(s, t) = (s^2t, s)$ and to keep notation clear, write $\psi(x, y)$. Then $g = (\psi \circ F)$ with $F_1(s, t) = s^2t$ and $F_2(s, t) = s$. In particular, observe that $F_1(s, t) = s^2t$ and $F_2(s, t) = s$. Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial s} &= 2st, \\ \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial t} &= s^2, \\ \frac{\partial F_2}{\partial s} &= 1, \\ \frac{\partial F_2}{\partial t} &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the chain rule gives us that

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial g}{\partial s}(s, t) &= \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x}(s^2t, s)(2st) + \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial y}(s^2t, s), \\ \frac{\partial g}{\partial t}(s, t) &= \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x}(s^2t, s)s^2. \end{aligned}$$

2. Suppose that the function $h : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is continuously differentiable. Define the function $\eta : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by

$$\eta(u, v, w) = (3u + 2v)h(u^2, v^2, uvw) \quad \text{for all } (u, v, w) \in \mathbb{R}^3.$$

Find $D_1\eta(u, v, w)$, $D_2\eta(u, v, w)$, $D_3\eta(u, v, w)$.

Solution: Define $F : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ as

$$F(u, v, w) = (u^2, v^2, uvw)$$

and to keep notation clear, write $h(x, y, z)$. Then $F_1(u, v, w) = u^2 = x$, $F_2(u, v, w) = v^2 = y$, and $F_3(u, v, w) = uvw = z$. Thus we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial u} &= 2u, & \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial v} &= 0, & \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial w} &= 0, \\ \frac{\partial F_2}{\partial u} &= 0, & \frac{\partial F_2}{\partial v} &= 2v, & \frac{\partial F_2}{\partial w} &= 0, \\ \frac{\partial F_3}{\partial u} &= vw, & \frac{\partial F_3}{\partial v} &= uw, & \frac{\partial F_3}{\partial w} &= uv. \end{aligned}$$

Then the chain rule gives

$$\begin{aligned} D_1\eta(u, v, w) &= 3h(u^2, v^2, uvw) + (3u + 2v)\left(D_1h(F(u, v, w))2u + D_3h(F(u, v, w))vw\right), \\ D_2\eta(u, v, w) &= 2h(u^2, v^2, uvw) + (3u + 2v)\left(D_2h(F(u, v, w))2v + D_3h(F(u, v, w))uw\right), \\ D_3\eta(u, v, w) &= (3u + 2v)D_3h(F(u, v, w))uv. \end{aligned}$$

3. Suppose that the functions $g : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and $h : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ have continuous second-order partial derivatives. Define the function $u : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by

$$u(s, t) = g(s - t) + h(s + t) \quad \text{for all } (s, t) \in \mathbb{R}^2.$$

Prove that

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2}(s, t) - \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial s^2}(s, t) = 0 \quad \text{for all } (s, t) \in \mathbb{R}^2.$$

Solution: We can actually use the chain rule for functions of single variable to prove this. We calculate,

$$\frac{\partial^2 g}{\partial t^2} = g''(s - t),$$

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$$\frac{\partial^2 h}{\partial t^2} = h''(s + t),$$

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Since the operators $\frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2}$ and $\frac{\partial^2}{\partial s^2}$ are linear, then

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2}(s, t) - \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial s^2}(s, t) = (g''(s - t) + h''(s + t)) - (g''(s - t) + h''(s + t)) = 0$$

as desired.

7. Let \mathcal{O} and V be open subsets of \mathbb{R} and suppose that the differentiable function $f : \mathcal{O} \rightarrow V$ is one-to-one and onto. Suppose that x_0 is a point in \mathcal{O} at which $f'(x_0) = 0$. Show that the inverse function $f^{-1} : V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ cannot be differentiable at the point $f(x_0)$.

Solution: We use proof by contradiction. Suppose that f^{-1} is differentiable. Then it follows that we can use implicit differentiation to obtain

$$\frac{df^{-1}}{dx}(f(x)) \frac{df}{dx}(x) = 1$$

from

$$f^{-1}(f(x)) = x.$$

But since $\frac{df}{dx}(x) = 0$, this then tells us that $1 = 0$, a contradiction.

8. For each of the following mappings $F : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$, apply the Inverse Function Theorem at the point $(x_0, y_0) = (0, 0)$ and calculate the partial derivatives of the components of the inverse mapping at the point $(u_0, v_0) = F(0, 0)$:

(a) $F(x, y) = (x + x^2 + e^{x^2 y^2}, -x - y + \sin(xy))$

(b) $F(x, y) = (e^{x+y}, e^{x-y})$.

Solution:

- (a) It is clear that F is continuously differentiable. The derivative matrix for F is

$$DF(x, y) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 + 2x + 2xy^2 e^{x^2 y^2} & 2yx^2 e^{x^2 y^2} \\ -1 + y \cos(xy) & -1 + x \cos(xy) \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then at $(x, y) = (0, 0)$ we have

$$DF(0, 0) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

and $F(0, 0) = (1, 0)$. This matrix is invertible as its determinant is -1 . The inverse of this matrix is,

$$[DF(0, 0)]^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Therefore, if we write the inverse as $F^{-1} = (G_1(u, v), G_2(u, v))$ then we can calculate the partial derivatives of G_1 and G_2 at $(1, 0)$ to be

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial G_1}{\partial u}(1, 0) &= 1 & \text{and} & & \frac{\partial G_1}{\partial v}(1, 0) &= 0 \\ \frac{\partial G_2}{\partial u}(1, 0) &= -1 & \text{and} & & \frac{\partial G_2}{\partial v}(1, 0) &= -1.\end{aligned}$$

(b) It is clear that F is continuously differentiable. The derivative matrix for F is

$$DF(x, y) = \begin{bmatrix} e^{x+y} & e^{x+y} \\ e^{x-y} & -e^{x-y} \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then at $(x, y) = (0, 0)$ we have

$$DF(0, 0) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

and $F(0, 0) = (1, 1)$. This matrix is invertible as its determinant is -2 . The inverse of this matrix is,

$$[DF(0, 0)]^{-1} = -\frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}.$$

Therefore, if we write the inverse as $F^{-1} = (G_1(u, v), G_2(u, v))$ then we can calculate the partial derivatives of G_1 and G_2 at $(1, 1)$ to be

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial G_1}{\partial u} &= \frac{1}{2} & \text{and} & & \frac{\partial G_1}{\partial v} &= \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{\partial G_2}{\partial u} &= \frac{1}{2} & \text{and} & & \frac{\partial G_2}{\partial v} &= -\frac{1}{2}.\end{aligned}$$

9. Define the function $F : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ by

$$F(x, y) = (e^x \cos(y), e^x \sin(y)).$$

- (a) Show that the Inverse Function Theorem is applicable at every point (x_0, y_0) in the plane \mathbb{R}^2 .
- (b) Show that the function F is not one-to-one.
- (c) Does (b) contradict (a).

Solution:

- (a) The derivative matrix for this function is

$$DF(x, y) = \begin{bmatrix} e^x \cos(y) & -e^x \sin(y) \\ e^x \sin(y) & e^x \cos(y) \end{bmatrix}.$$

The determinant of this matrix is $e^{2x}(\cos^2(y) + \sin^2(y)) = e^{2x} > 0$, and hence this matrix is invertible for any point $(x_0, y_0) \in \mathbb{R}^2$.

- (b) On the other hand, F is not one-to-one. For example, $F(0, 0) = F(0, 2\pi)$.
- (c) This is not a contradiction because the Inverse Function Theorem only tells us that a function is one-to-one locally in some neighborhood (potentially very small) of the function that we are interested in.