

# MATH 2023 – Multivariable Calculus

Lecture #05 Worksheet ♣ February 21, 2019

**Problem 1.** Find  $\frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right)$  where

$$f(x, y) = \frac{e^{2019x^2}}{\ln \sqrt{x^2 + 2023}} + \sin(xy)$$

$$= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right)$$

$$= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (\pi \cos(xy))$$

$$= -xy \sin(xy) + \cos(xy)$$

is  
continuous

( $\ln, e, x^2$  are cont. in  
their domain)

By Mixed Partial Theorem,

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right)$$

**Problem 2.** Consider the function

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

① Show that  $f$  is continuous,  $f_x, f_y$  continuous, but

②  $f_{xy}(0, 0) \neq f_{yx}(0, 0)$

Why does this violate the Mixed Partial Theorem?

$f, f_x, f_y, f_{xy}$  etc are all continuous in  $\mathbb{R}^2 \setminus (0, 0)$

① Polar Coordinates  $x = r \cos \theta, y = r \sin \theta$

$$\frac{r^2 \cos \theta \sin \theta (r^2 \cos^2 \theta - r^2 \sin^2 \theta)}{\frac{1}{2} \sin 2\theta \quad r^2 \quad \cos 2\theta}$$

$$= \frac{r^2}{2} \sin 2\theta \cos 2\theta$$

$$= \frac{r^2}{4} \sin 4\theta$$

$$|f(x, y)| \leq \frac{r^2}{4} \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{Limit } (x, y) \rightarrow (0, 0)$$

exists and equal  $\frac{0}{2}$  (0,0)

$$\textcircled{2} f_x : \frac{(x^2+y^2)(y(x^2-x^2)+xy(2x)) - xy(x^2-y^2)(2x)}{(x^2+y^2)^2}$$

$$= \frac{y(x^2+4xy-y^2)}{(x^2+y^2)} \quad (\text{for } (x,y) \neq (0,0))$$

$$f_x(0,0) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(h,0) - f(0,0)}{h} = \frac{0-0}{h} = 0$$

Check  $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} f_x = 0$  (use polar coord.)

$f_x = \text{cont.}$

$$f_y = \frac{-x(y^2+4xy-x^2)}{x^2+y^2}$$

$f_y \rightarrow \text{continuous.}$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad f_{xy}(0,0) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f_x(0,h) - f_x(0,0)}{h}$$

**Problem 3.** (a) Show that

$$u(x, t) = \sin(x - at)$$

is a solution to the **wave equation**

$$u_{tt} = a^2 u_{xx}$$

(b) Show that

$$u(x, y, z) = e^{3x+4y} \sin 5z$$

is a solution to the **Laplace's equation**

$$u_{xx} + u_{yy} + u_{zz} = 0$$

**Problem 4.** Let  $z = f(x, y) = x^2 + 3xy - y^2$ .

- (a) Find the differential  $dz$
- (b) Find the tangent plane of  $f(x, y)$  at  $(2, 3)$
- (c) Compare the values of  $\Delta z$  and  $dz$  when  $x$  changes from 2 to 2.05 and  $y$  changes from 3 to 2.96.