

# Advanced Calculus

## MA1132

### Homework Assignment 2

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YOUR SOLUTIONS TO YOUR TUTOR**

0. (#13) Determine whether the limit exists. If so, find its value

(a)

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{e^{-\frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2+y^2}}}}{e^{x^2+y^2} - 1}$$

(b)

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (1,-1)} \frac{1 - \cosh(x+y)}{\sin(x^2 - y^2) \ln(\frac{2x}{x-y})}$$

(c)

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{3 + \cos(2x) - 4 \cosh(y)}{1 - \sqrt[4]{1 + x^2 + y^2}}$$

1. Find all first and second order partial derivatives of the function

$$f(x, y) = x \sin(y \ln(x)),$$

and hence verify that  $\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x}$  for this function.

2. Let  $f(x, y, z) = x \cos(x + y + z)$ .

(a) Find the directional derivative of  $f$  at the point  $\left(\frac{\pi}{12}, \frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{\pi}{4}\right)$  in the direction  $(8, -4, -1)$ .

(b) Find the unit vectors in the directions in which  $f$  is increasing/decreasing most rapidly at the point  $\left(\frac{\pi}{12}, \frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{\pi}{4}\right)$ , and give the rate of increase and decrease, respectively.

3. Find and classify the critical points of the function  $f(x, y) = x^2y - 2xy^2 + 3xy + 4$ .

4. Show that if  $z = f(x, y)$ ,  $x = r \cos \theta$ ,  $y = r \sin \theta$ , then

$$\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial y^2} = \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial z}{\partial r} + \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial \theta^2}.$$

5. Consider the surface

$$z = f(x, y) = \ln \left( \frac{1}{2} e^{2/3} \sqrt[3]{8x^2 - 6xy^2 - y^3 + 32 - 12 \sin(2x - y)} \right).$$

- Find an equation for the tangent plane to the surface at the point  $P = (1, 2, z_0)$  where  $z_0 = f(1, 2)$ .
  - Find points of intersection of the tangent plane with the  $x$ -,  $y$ - and  $z$ -axes.
  - Sketch the tangent plane, and show the point  $P = (1, 2, z_0)$  on it.
  - Find parametric equations for the normal line to the surface at the point  $P = (1, 2, z_0)$ .
  - Sketch the normal line to the surface at the point  $P = (1, 2, z_0)$ .
6. Show that the equation of the plane that is tangent to the cone

$$\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} - \frac{z^2}{c^2} = 0$$

at  $(x_0, y_0, z_0)$  can be written in the form

$$\frac{x_0}{a^2}x + \frac{y_0}{b^2}y - \frac{z_0}{c^2}z = 0.$$

7. Prove: If the surfaces  $z = f(x_1, \dots, x_n)$  and  $z = g(x_1, \dots, x_n)$  intersect at  $P = (x_1^o, \dots, x_n^o, z^o)$ , and if  $f$  and  $g$  are differentiable at  $(x_1^o, \dots, x_n^o)$ , then the normal lines at  $P$  are perpendicular if and only if

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\partial f(x_1^o, \dots, x_n^o)}{\partial x_i} \frac{\partial g(x_1^o, \dots, x_n^o)}{\partial x_i} = -1.$$

8. Consider the function

$$f(x, y) = x^2 - xy^2 - 3x + y^4 + 5$$

Locate all relative maxima, relative minima, and saddle points, if any. Use Mathematica to plot its graph.

9. Consider the function

$$z = 3e^{y-\frac{\pi}{4}} \cos x - 2e^{\frac{\pi}{2}-x} \sin y$$

- (a) Find

$$iii) \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x \partial y} \left( \frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{4} \right), \quad iv) \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial y \partial x} \left( \frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{4} \right).$$

- (b) Find the slope of the surface  $z = 3e^{y-\frac{\pi}{4}} \cos x - 2e^{\frac{\pi}{2}-x} \sin y$  in the  $y$ -direction at the point  $(\frac{\pi}{3}, \frac{\pi}{6})$ .
- (c) Show that the function  $z = 3e^{y-\frac{\pi}{4}} \cos x - 2e^{\frac{\pi}{2}-x} \sin y$  satisfies Laplace's equation

$$\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial y^2} = 0.$$

10. The equations of motion of a system of  $n$  particles are given by

$$m_i \ddot{x}_i = -\frac{\partial U(x_1, \dots, x_n)}{\partial x_i}, \quad \ddot{x}_i = \frac{d^2 x_i}{dt^2}, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n,$$

where  $m_i$  is the mass and  $x_i$  is the coordinate of the  $i$ -th particle, and  $U(x_1, \dots, x_n)$  is the potential energy of the system.

- (a) Consider a system of  $n$  particles moving in a central field

$$U(x_1, \dots, x_n) = V(r), \quad r = \left| \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \mathbf{e}_i \right|,$$

where  $V$  is a smooth function of a single variable.

- i. Find the equations of motion of the first particle ( $x_1$ ).
  - ii. Find the equations of motion of the second particle ( $x_2$ ).
  - iii. Find the equations of motion of the last particle ( $x_n$ ).
  - iv. Find the equations of motion of the  $i$ -th particle ( $x_i$ ) for  $1 < i < n$ .
  - v. Write the equations of motion of the  $i$ -th particle ( $x_i$ ) for  $1 \leq i \leq n$  by using the Kronecker delta  $\delta_{ij}$ .
- (b) Find the equations of motion of a system of  $n$  particles with the rational Calogero-Moser potential

$$U(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \sum_{i,j=1, i \neq j}^n \frac{\alpha}{(x_i - x_j)^2}.$$

11. Compute the differential  $df$  of

$$f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = \left(\frac{1}{2} + x_1\right)^{\alpha_1} \left(\frac{1}{2} + x_2\right)^{\alpha_2} \cdots \left(\frac{1}{2} + x_n\right)^{\alpha_n},$$

and find its local linear approximation at  $(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \dots, \frac{1}{2})$ .

12. Consider the function  $f(x, y, z) = \cos(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)$ . Find the Taylor series expansion of  $f(x, y, z)$  about the point  $\mathbf{x}_0 = (0, 0, 0)$  up to the third order.
13. Consider the “Higgs” potential

$$U(x_1, \dots, x_n) = -\frac{\kappa^2}{2} r^2 + \frac{\lambda^2}{4} r^4, \quad r = \left| \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \mathbf{e}_i \right|, \quad \kappa > 0, \lambda > 0.$$

- (a) Plot the potential for  $n = 1$ , and for  $\kappa = \lambda = 2$ .
- (b) Plot the potential for  $n = 2$ , and for  $\kappa = \lambda = 2$ .
- (c) Find the Taylor series expansion of the “Higgs” potential about the point  $x_1^o = \frac{\kappa}{\lambda}$ ,  $x_i^o = 0$ ,  $i = 2, \dots, n$  up to the fourth order in  $y_i \equiv x_i - x_i^o$ . Use Mathematica to check your answer.