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MA1521 Calculus for Computing

Tutorial 9

1. Find the limits:

$$(a) \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (2,-3)} \left(\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} \right)^2$$

(Thomas' Calculus (14th edition), p. 773, Problem 4)

$$(b) \lim_{\substack{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0) \\ x \neq y}} \frac{x - y + 2\sqrt{x} - 2\sqrt{y}}{\sqrt{x} - \sqrt{y}}$$

(Thomas' Calculus (14th edition), p. 774, Problem 17)

$$(c) \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{1 - \cos(xy)}{xy}$$

(Thomas' Calculus (14th edition), p. 774, Problem 22)

2. Show that the following limits do not exist.

$$(a) \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (1,-1)} \frac{xy + 1}{x^2 - y^2}$$

(Thomas' Calculus (14th edition), p. 774, Problem 50)

$$(b) \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (1,1)} \frac{\tan y - y \tan x}{y - x}$$

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3. The inequality

$$1 - \frac{x^2 y^2}{3} < \frac{\tan^{-1} xy}{xy} < 1$$

holds for (x, y) “close to $(0, 0)$ ”. What can you say about $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{\tan^{-1} xy}{xy}$?

(Thomas’ Calculus (14th edition), p. 775, Problem 59)

4. Find $\partial f / \partial x$ and $\partial f / \partial y$ for the following functions f .

(a) $f(x, y) = (xy - 1)^2$

(Thomas’ Calculus (14th edition), p. 785, Problem 5)

(b) $f(x, y) = e^{xy} \ln y$

(Thomas’ Calculus (14th edition), p. 785, Problem 16)

(c) $f(x, y) = x^y$

(Thomas’ Calculus (14th edition), p. 785, Problem 19)

5. For each of the following functions, determine f_{xy} .

(a) $f(x, y) = y + x^2 y + 4y^3 - \ln(y^2 + 1)$

(Thomas’ Calculus (14th edition), p. 786, Problem 61(d))

(b) $f(x, y) = x \ln(xy)$

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6. Show that the function $f(x, y) = \ln(x^2 + y^2)$ satisfies the two-dimensional Laplace equation

$$f_{xx} + f_{yy} = 0.$$

(Thomas’ Calculus (14th edition), p. 787, Problem 86)

7. Find the absolute maxima and minima of the functions on the given domains.

(a) $D(x, y) = x^2 - xy + y^2 + 1$ on the closed triangular plate in the first quadrant bounded by the lines $x = 0$, $y = 4$ and $y = x$.

(Thomas’ Calculus (14th edition), p. 823, Problem 32)

- (b) Find two numbers a and b with $a \leq b$ such that

$$\int_a^b (6 - x - x^2) dx$$

has its largest values.

(Thomas' Calculus (14th edition), p. 823, Problem 39)

8. Let

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

Show that $f_x(0, 0)$ and $f_y(0, 0)$ exist, but f is not differentiable at $(0, 0)$.

(Thomas' Calculus (14th edition), p. 788, Problem 101)

9. Find the extreme values of $f(x, y) = xy$ subject to the constraint $g(x, y) = x^2 + y^2 - 10 = 0$.

(Thomas' Calculus (14th edition), p. 832, Problem 2)

10. (a) Find the extreme values of $f(x, y) = (xy)^2$ subject to the constraint that $g(x, y) = x^2 + y^2 - r^2 = 0$ and deduce that for positive real numbers a, b ,

$$\sqrt{ab} \leq \frac{a+b}{2}.$$

- (b) (Optional) The Lagrange multiplier method works for functions of n variables. Find the extreme values of

$$f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = (x_1 x_2 \cdots x_n)^n$$

subject to the constraint that

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for some $r > 0$ and deduce that for positive real numbers a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n ,

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