

## Problem set and solutions

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1. A quadratic surface is the graph of a second-degree equation in three variables  $x, y, z$

$$Ax^2 + By^2 + Cz^2 + Dxy + Exz + Fyz + Gx + Hy + Iz + J = 0,$$

where  $A, B, C, \dots$  are constants. In particular, a two-variable scalar function  $z = f(x, y)$  can determine a quadratic surface. For example, if  $z = \sqrt{2x^2 - 4y^2}$ . It determines a quadratic surface given by

$$-2x^2 + 4y^2 + z^2 = 0. \quad (1.1)$$

Now determine the quadratic surfaces given by the following two-variable functions and specify the domain and range. (Domain is the admissible values of  $(x, y)$  and range is the admissible values of  $z$ .)

(i)  $f(x, y) = 2\sqrt{1 - x}$ .

(ii)  $f(x, y) = \frac{x^2}{4} + \frac{y^2}{2}$ .

(iii)  $f(x, y) = \frac{x^2}{4} - \frac{y^2}{2}$ .

- (i) The quadratic surface is given by

$$z^2 + 4x - 4 = 0.$$

$$\text{Domain} = \{(x, y) : x \leq 1, y \in \mathbb{R}\} = (-\infty, 1] \times (-\infty, +\infty). \text{ Range} = [0, +\infty).$$

- (ii) The quadratic surface is given by

$$x^2 + 2y^2 - 4z = 0$$

$$\text{Domain} = \mathbb{R}^2. \text{ Range} = [0, +\infty).$$

- (iii) The quadratic surface is given by

$$x^2 - 2y^2 - 4z = 0$$

$$\text{Domain} = \mathbb{R}^2. \text{ Range} = (-\infty, +\infty).$$

2. Evaluate the limit or show the limit does not exist.

- (i)

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

- (ii)

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{x^2 + y^2}\right).$$

(iii)

$$\lim_{(x,y,z) \rightarrow (0,0,0)} \frac{xy}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}}.$$

(iv)

$$\lim_{(x,y,z) \rightarrow (0,0,0)} \frac{xyz}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}}.$$

(i) We use squeeze theorem:

$$\left| \frac{x^2 - y^2}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} \right| \leq \frac{x^2 + y^2}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \rightarrow 0, \quad (x, y) \rightarrow (0, 0),$$

thus

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

(ii) We use  $\varepsilon - \delta$  language to formally prove it: for any  $\varepsilon \in (0, 1)$ ,  $\exists \delta = \sqrt{-\frac{1}{\ln \varepsilon}}$ , such that when  $0 < \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} < \delta$ , we have

$$\exp\left(-\frac{1}{x^2 + y^2}\right) < \exp\left(-\frac{1}{\delta^2}\right) = \varepsilon,$$

thus

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{x^2 + y^2}\right) = 0.$$

(iii) We use squeeze theorem:

$$\left| \frac{xy}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}} \right| \leq \left| \frac{xy}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} \right| \leq \frac{1}{2} \left| \frac{x^2 + y^2}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} \right| = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \rightarrow 0, \quad (x, y) \rightarrow (0, 0),$$

thus

$$\lim_{(x,y,z) \rightarrow (0,0,0)} \frac{xy}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}} = 0.$$

(iv) We use squeeze theorem:

$$\left| \frac{xyz}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}} \right| \leq \left| \frac{xyz}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} \right| \leq \frac{1}{2} \left| \frac{x^2 + y^2}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} z \right| = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} |z| \rightarrow 0, \quad (x, y, z) \rightarrow (0, 0, 0),$$

thus

$$\lim_{(x,y,z) \rightarrow (0,0,0)} \frac{xyz}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}} = 0.$$

3. Suppose  $a, b, c, d$  are positive numbers such that  $(a, b) \neq (c, d)$ . Show that

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{|x|^a + |y|^b}{|x|^c + |y|^d} \quad (1.2)$$

exists if and only if  $a > c$  and  $b > d$ .

Sufficiency: If  $a > c, b > d$  we need to show that

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{|x|^a + |y|^b}{|x|^c + |y|^d} = 0. \quad (1.3)$$

We use  $\varepsilon - \delta$  language to prove it. For any  $\varepsilon \in (0, 1)$ , we choose

$$\delta = \{\varepsilon^{\frac{1}{a-c}}, \varepsilon^{\frac{1}{b-d}}\}.$$

Then when  $0 < \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} < \delta$ , in particular  $|x|, |y| < \delta$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} & |x|^a + |y|^b - \varepsilon(|x|^c + |y|^d) \\ &= |x|^c(|x|^{a-c} - \varepsilon) + |y|^d(|y|^{b-d} - \varepsilon) \\ &< |x|^c(\delta^{a-c} - \varepsilon) + |y|^d(\delta^{b-d} - \varepsilon) \\ &\leq |x|^c(\varepsilon - \varepsilon) + |y|^d(\varepsilon - \varepsilon) \\ &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\frac{|x|^a + |y|^b}{|x|^c + |y|^d} < \varepsilon, \quad 0 < \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} < \delta. \quad (1.4)$$

Necessity: We show that if  $a \leq b$  or  $b \leq d$  and  $(a, c) \neq (b, d)$ , then  $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{|x|^a + |y|^b}{|x|^c + |y|^d}$  does not exist (DNE). In fact, if  $a \leq c$  and  $b \leq d$ , we choose  $|y| = k|x|^{\frac{a}{b}}$ , then

$$\frac{|x|^a + |y|^b}{|x|^c + |y|^d} = \frac{1 + k^b}{|x|^{c-a} + k^b |y|^{d-b}} \rightarrow \begin{cases} \frac{1+k^b}{k^b}, & a < c, b = d, \\ +\infty, & a < c, b < d, \\ 1 + k^b, & a = c, b < d. \end{cases}$$

Since the choice of  $k > 0$  is arbitrary, we have  $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{|x|^a + |y|^b}{|x|^c + |y|^d}$  does not exist. Other cases are similar. We have the following table exhibiting each case:

Limit Comparison of $a, c$	Comparison of $b, d$		
	$b < d$	$b = d$	$b > d$
$a < c$	DNE; $ y  = k x ^{\frac{a}{b}}$	DNE; $ y  = k x ^{\frac{a}{b}}$	DNE; $ y  = k x ^{\frac{a}{d}}$
$a = c$	DNE; $ y  = k x ^{\frac{a}{b}}$	1	DNE; $ y  = k x ^{\frac{a}{d}}$
$a > c$	DNE; $ y  = k x ^{\frac{c}{b}}$	DNE; $ y  = k x ^{\frac{c}{b}}$	0

4. Suppose  $a, b, c, d$  are positive numbers. Show that

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{|x|^a |y|^b}{|x|^c + |y|^d} \quad (1.5)$$

exists if and only if

$$\frac{a}{c} + \frac{b}{d} > 1.$$

(Hint: use Young's inequality: suppose  $x, y \geq 0$ , then for any  $p, q \geq 1$  with  $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$ , we have  $xy \leq \frac{x^p}{p} + \frac{y^q}{q}$ )

Sufficiency: If  $\frac{a}{c} + \frac{b}{d} > 1$  we need to show that

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{|x|^a |y|^b}{|x|^c + |y|^d} = 0. \quad (1.6)$$

We use Squeeze Theorem to prove it. In fact, since  $\frac{a}{c} + \frac{b}{d} > 1$  then there exist  $p, q \geq 1$  with  $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$  such that  $\frac{a}{c} > \frac{1}{p}, \frac{b}{d} > \frac{1}{q}$ . Then apply Young's inequality, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{|x|^a |y|^b}{|x|^c + |y|^d} \\ & \leq \frac{|x|^{pa/p} + |y|^{bq/q}}{|x|^c + |y|^d} \\ & \leq \max\left\{\frac{1}{p}, \frac{1}{q}\right\} \frac{|x|^{pa} + |y|^{bq}}{|x|^c + |y|^d} \rightarrow 0, (x, y) \rightarrow (0, 0). \end{aligned}$$

Note that we apply Question 3 above to get the limit converging to zero.

Necessity: We show that if  $\frac{a}{c} + \frac{b}{d} \leq 1$  then  $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{|x|^a |y|^b}{|x|^c + |y|^d}$  does not exist(DNE). In fact, we choose

$$|y| = k|x|^{\frac{c}{d}}, \quad (1.7)$$

we have

$$\frac{|x|^a |y|^b}{|x|^c + |y|^d} = |x|^{\frac{ad+bc-cd}{d}} \frac{k^b}{1+k^d}, \quad ad+bc-cd \leq 0$$

Since the choice of  $k > 0$  is arbitrary, we have  $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{|x|^a |y|^b}{|x|^c + |y|^d}$  does not exist.

## 5. Differentiability and Continuity.

- (i) State the definition:  $f(x, y)$  is differentiable at  $(a, b)$ . (See 5.1 in Möbius)
  - (ii) Show that if  $f(x, y)$  is differentiable at  $(a, b)$  then  $f(x, y)$  is continuous at  $(a, b)$ . (See 5.2 in Möbius)
  - (iii) Show that if the partial derivatives  $f_x$  and  $f_y$  are continuous at  $(a, b)$  then  $f(x, y)$  is differentiable at  $(a, b)$ . (See Theorem 2, 5.3 in Möbius)
6. Show that  $f(x, y) = |x^2 + y^2 - 1|$  is not differentiable at any  $(x_0, y_0)$  with  $x_0^2 + y_0^2 = 1$ .

We use the definition of differentiable functions. For any  $(x_0, y_0)$  with  $x_0^2 + y_0^2 = 1$ , if

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (x_0,y_0)} \frac{f(x,y) - f(x_0,y_0) - f_x(x_0,y_0)(x-x_0) - f_y(x_0,y_0)(y-y_0)}{\sqrt{(x-x_0)^2 + (y-y_0)^2}}$$

does not exist, then we are done.

15 points: Calculation of  $f_x(x_0, y_0)$ ,  $f_y(x_0, y_0)$ , show that either  $f_x(x_0, y_0)$  or  $f_y(x_0, y_0)$  does not exist:

$$f_x(x_0, y_0) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{|(x_0 + h)^2 + y_0^2 - 1| - |x_0^2 + y_0^2 - 1|}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{|2x_0h + h^2|}{h} = \begin{cases} 2|x_0|, & h > 0 \\ -2|x_0|, & h < 0. \end{cases} \quad (1.8)$$

Thus the limit exists only for  $x_0 = 0$ . Similar argument shows that  $f_y(x_0, y_0)$  only exists for  $y_0 = 0$ . Since  $x_0^2 + y_0^2 = 1$ ,  $x_0$  and  $y_0$  cannot be zero simultaneously. Thus either  $f_x(x_0, y_0)$  or  $f_y(x_0, y_0)$  does not exist.

7. For the following functions, determine the differentiability at  $(0, 0)$ :

(i)  $f(x, y) = x(|y| - 1)$ .

(ii)

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

(iii)

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{x^{100}y^2}{x^{100} + y^{98}}, & (x, y) \neq (0, 0), \\ 0, & (x, y) = (0, 0). \end{cases}$$

(Hint: Apply Problem 4)

(i) Calculation of  $f_x$ :

Note that  $f(x, 0) = -x$ , thus  $f_x(0, 0) = -1$ .

Calculation of  $f_y$ :

Note that  $f(0, y) = 0$ , thus  $f_y(0, 0) = 0$ .

Differentiability:

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{f(x, y) - f(0, 0) - f_x(0, 0)x - f_y(0, 0)y}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} = \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{x|y|}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} = 0$$

The limit is zero via squeeze theorem  $\frac{|xy|}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} \leq |x| \rightarrow 0$ . Therefore, it is differentiable.

(ii) Calculation of  $f_x$ :

Note that  $f(x, 0) = 0$ , thus  $f_x(0, 0) = 0$ .

Calculation of  $f_y$ :

Note that  $f(0, y) = 0$ , thus  $f_y(0, 0) = 0$ .

Differentiability:

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{f(x, y) - f(0, 0) - f_x(0, 0)x - f_y(0, 0)y}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} = \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{xy}{x^2 + y^2}$$

does not exist by choosing  $y = mx$ .

(iii) One can show that  $f_x, f_y$  are continuous at  $(0, 0)$  and use 1. iii). For the differentiability, one can also use the definition.

Calculation of  $f_x$  and continuity:

$$f_x = \frac{100x^{99}y^{100}}{(x^{100} + y^{98})^2},$$

which is continuous at  $(0, 0)$  In fact,

$$\left| \frac{100x^{99}y^{100}}{(x^{100} + y^{98})^2} \right| = \left( \frac{100|x|^{99/2}y^{50}}{x^{100} + y^{98}} \right)^2$$

which converges to 0 when  $(x, y) \rightarrow (0, 0)$  since  $99/200 + 50/98 > 1$  via Problem 4 in Written assignment 1.

Calculation of  $f_y$  and continuity:

$$f_y = \frac{2x^{200}y - 96x^{100}y^{99}}{(x^{100} + y^{98})^2}$$

which converges to 0 when  $(x, y) \rightarrow (0, 0)$  since  $\frac{2x^{200}y}{(x^{100} + y^{98})^2}$  tends to zero by  $100/100 + \frac{1}{2 \times 98} > 1$  and  $\frac{96x^{100}y^{99}}{(x^{100} + y^{98})^2}$  tends to zero by  $50/100 + \frac{99}{2 \times 98} > 1$  via Problem 4 in Written assignment 1.

In summary  $f_x$  and  $f_y$  are continuous thus  $f$  is differentiable via 1. iii).

Remark: one can also show the differentiability via definition

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{f(x,y) - f(0,0) - f_x(0,0)x - f_y(0,0)y}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} = \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{x^{100}y^2}{(x^{100} + y^{98})\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} = 0.$$

One can use polar coordinate  $x = r \cos \theta, y = \sin \theta$  to show the limit is 0.

8. Evaluate the limit or show the limit does not exist.

(i)

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{x^3 - y^3}{x^3 + y^3}.$$

(ii)

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{x^4 y^4}{(x^3 + y^6)^2}.$$

(iii) Suppose  $a, b, c, d$  are positive numbers and  $\frac{a}{c} + \frac{b}{d} > 1$ . Find

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} (|x|^c + |y|^d)^{|x|^a |y|^b}.$$

(i) Take  $x = 0$ , we get  $-1$  and take  $y = 0$  we get  $1$ . Thus the limit does not exist.

(ii) Take  $x = my^2$ , we get  $\frac{m^2}{(m^3+1)^2}$ , thus the limit does not exist.

(iii) Note that

$$(|x|^c + |y|^d)^{|x|^a|y|^b} = \exp(|x|^a|y|^b \ln(|x|^c + |y|^d)) = \exp\left(\frac{|x|^a|y|^b}{|x|^c + |y|^d} (|x|^c + |y|^d) \ln(|x|^c + |y|^d)\right)$$

Since  $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{|x|^a|y|^b}{|x|^c + |y|^d} = 0$  and  $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} (|x|^c + |y|^d) \ln(|x|^c + |y|^d) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} t \ln t = 0$ , we get the original limit is  $\exp(0) = 1$  by limit theorem.

9. Suppose

$$f(x, y, z) = e^x \sqrt{y} z$$

(i) Find the gradient of  $f$ .

(ii) Find the linear approximation at the point  $(0, 25, 1)$

(iii) Use the linear approximation above to estimate  $e^{0.01} \times \sqrt{24.8} \times 1.02$ .

(i) The gradient of  $f$  is given by

$$\nabla f(x, y, z) = (e^x \sqrt{y} z, \frac{e^x z}{2\sqrt{y}}, e^x \sqrt{y}).$$

(ii) The linear approximation at  $(0, 25, 1)$  is given by

$$L(x, y, z) = f(0, 25, 1) + \nabla f(0, 25, 1) \cdot (x, y - 25, z) = 5x + \frac{y}{10} + 5z - 2.5.$$

(iii)  $e^{0.01} \times \sqrt{24.8} \times 1.02$  can be approximated by

$$f(0, 25, 1) + \nabla f(0, 25, 1) \cdot (0.01, -0.2, 0.02) = 5.13.$$

10. Suppose

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

(i) Is  $f(x, y)$  continuous at  $(0, 0)$ ?

(ii) Calculate  $f_{xy}(0, 0)$  and  $f_{yx}(0, 0)$ .

(iii) State Clairaut's Theorem. Discuss why (ii) is not contradictory to Clairaut's Theorem.



(i) Note that

$$\left| xy \frac{x^2 - y^2}{x^2 + y^2} \right| \leq \left| xy \frac{x^2 + y^2}{x^2 + y^2} \right| = |xy| \rightarrow 0.$$

Thus  $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} f(x,y) = 0 = f(0,0)$  and continuity follows.

(ii) We first calculate for  $(x,y) \neq (0,0)$

$$f_x(x,y) = y \frac{x^2 - y^2}{x^2 + y^2} + y \frac{4x^2 y^2}{(x^2 + y^2)^2}.$$

In particular, for  $x = 0$ , we have

$$f_x(0,y) = -y,$$

thus by definition,

$$f_{xy}(0,0) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f_x(0,h) - f_x(0,0)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{-h}{h} = -1.$$

Similarly, for  $(x,y) \neq (0,0)$

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

In particular, for  $y = 0$ , we have

$$f_y(x,0) = x,$$

thus by definition,

$$f_{yx}(0,0) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f_y(h,0) - f_y(0,0)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{h}{h} = 1.$$

(iii) Clairaut's Theorem: If  $f_{xy}$  and  $f_{yx}$  are defined in some neighborhood of  $(a,b)$  and are both continuous at  $(a,b)$ , then  $f_{xy}(a,b) = f_{yx}(a,b)$ .  $f_{xy}$  and  $f_{yx}$  are not continuous at  $(0,0)$  so they can be different.

11. Suppose  $f(x,y)$  is bounded on the disk

$$D = \{(x,y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : x^2 + y^2 \leq 1\}.$$

Moreover,  $f$  is homogeneous with order  $k \geq 1$ , i.e.,

$$\forall t \in \mathbb{R}, (x,y) \in \mathbb{R}^2, \quad f(tx,ty) = t^k f(x,y).$$

Find

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} f(x,y).$$

Use the polar coordinate

$$\begin{aligned}x &= r \cos \theta, \\y &= r \sin \theta,\end{aligned}$$

where  $r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$ . Then we have

$$f(x, y) = f(r \cos \theta, r \sin \theta) = r^k f(\cos \theta, \sin \theta).$$

Note that by the boundedness condition  $|f(\cos \theta, \sin \theta)| \leq M$ , then by Squeeze theorem, we have

$$|f(x, y)| \leq r^k |f(\cos \theta, \sin \theta)| \leq M r^k \rightarrow 0, \quad (x, y) \rightarrow (0, 0). \quad (1.9)$$

12. Chain rules for multivariable functions.

(i) If  $z = f(x, y)$  and  $f_x, f_y$  are differentiable. Let  $x = r \cos \theta, y = r \sin \theta$ , verify that

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

(ii) If  $z = f(x, y)$ ,  $y = g(x)$  and  $x = h(u, v)$ , find  $\frac{\partial z}{\partial u}$ .

(iii) If  $w = f(x, y, z)$ ,  $x = g(y, z)$ ,  $y = h(z)$ , find  $\frac{dw}{dz}$ .

(Hint: See 6.4 in Möbius)

(i) Using Chain rules, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 z_r &= \frac{\partial z}{\partial r} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial r} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial r} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \cos \theta + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \sin \theta \\
 z_\theta &= \frac{\partial z}{\partial \theta} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial \theta} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial \theta} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} (-r \sin \theta) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} (r \cos \theta) \\
 z_{rr} &= \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial r^2} = \frac{\partial z_r}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial r} + \frac{\partial z_r}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial r} \\
 z_{\theta\theta} &= \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial \theta^2} = \frac{\partial z_\theta}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial \theta} + \frac{\partial z_\theta}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial \theta} + \frac{\partial z_\theta}{\partial \theta} \\
 \frac{\partial z_r}{\partial x} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (f_x \cos \theta + f_y \sin \theta) = f_{xx} \cos \theta + f_{yx} \sin \theta \\
 \frac{\partial z_r}{\partial y} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (f_x \cos \theta + f_y \sin \theta) = f_{xy} \cos \theta + f_{yy} \sin \theta \\
 \frac{\partial z_\theta}{\partial x} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (f_x (-r \sin \theta) + f_y (r \cos \theta)) = -f_{xx} (r \sin \theta) + f_{yx} (r \cos \theta) \\
 \frac{\partial z_\theta}{\partial y} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (f_x (-r \sin \theta) + f_y (r \cos \theta)) = -f_{xy} (r \sin \theta) + f_{yy} (r \cos \theta) \\
 \frac{\partial z_\theta}{\partial \theta} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} (f_x (-r \sin \theta) + f_y (r \cos \theta)) = -f_x (r \cos \theta) - f_y (r \sin \theta)
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 z_{rr} &= \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial r^2} = \frac{\partial z_r}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial r} + \frac{\partial z_r}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial r} = f_{xx} \cos^2 \theta + 2f_{xy} \cos \theta \sin \theta + f_{yy} \sin^2 \theta, \\
 \frac{1}{r} z_r &= \frac{1}{r} \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \cos \theta + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \sin \theta \right), \\
 \frac{1}{r^2} z_{\theta\theta} &= \frac{1}{r^2} \left( \frac{\partial z_\theta}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial \theta} + \frac{\partial z_\theta}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial \theta} + \frac{\partial z_\theta}{\partial \theta} \right) \\
 &= f_{xx} \sin^2 \theta - 2f_{xy} \cos \theta \sin \theta + f_{yy} \cos^2 \theta - \frac{1}{r} \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \cos \theta + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \sin \theta \right).
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, we have the desired identity

$$z_{rr} + \frac{1}{r} z_r + \frac{1}{r^2} z_{\theta\theta} = z_{xx} + z_{yy}.$$

(ii) Using the Chain rule,

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial u} = f_x(h(u, v), g(h(u, v)))h_u(u, v) + f_y(h(u, v), g(h(u, v)))g_x(h(u, v))h_u(u, v)$$

(iii) Rewrite  $w = f(x, y, z) = f(g(h(z), z), h(z), z)$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{dw}{dz} &= f_x(g(h(z), z), h(z), z) \frac{dg}{dz}(h(z), z) + f_y(g(h(z), z), h(z), z) \frac{dh}{dz} + f_z(g(h(z), z), h(z), z) \\
 &= f_x(g(h(z), z), h(z), z) [g_y(h(z), z)h'(z) + g_z(h(z), z)] + f_y(g(h(z), z), h(z), z)h'(z) + f_z(g(h(z), z), h(z), z)
 \end{aligned}$$

### 13. Directional derivatives.

(i) State the definition: The directional derivative of  $f(x, y)$  at a point  $(a, b)$  in the direction of a unit

vector  $\vec{u} = (u_1, u_2)$  with  $u_1^2 + u_2^2 = 1$ .

$$D_{\vec{u}}f(a, b) =$$

(ii) Prove the following important fact: suppose  $f(x, y)$  is differentiable at  $(a, b)$  and  $\nabla f(a, b) \neq (0, 0)$ , then the largest value of  $D_{\vec{u}}f(a, b)$  is given by  $\|\nabla f(a, b)\|$  and occurs when  $\vec{u}$  is the unit vector in the direction of  $\nabla f(a, b)$ .

(iii) In what directions at the point  $(2, 1)$  does the directional derivative of the function  $f(x, y) = xy$  equal to  $\sqrt{\frac{5}{2}}$ ? Express your answer by giving the angle between the required directions and  $\nabla f(2, 1)$ .

(i) Either one of the following can get 10 points:

$$D_{\vec{u}}f(a, b) = \frac{d}{ds}f(a + su_1, b + su_2)\big|_{s=0} = \nabla f(a, b) \cdot \vec{u}$$

(ii) Proof: Since  $f$  is differentiable at  $(a, b)$  and  $\|\vec{u}\| = 1$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} D_{\vec{u}}f(a, b) &= \nabla f(a, b) \cdot \vec{u} \\ &= \|\nabla f(a, b)\| \|\vec{u}\| \cos \theta \\ &= \|\nabla f(a, b)\| \cos \theta \end{aligned}$$

where  $\theta$  is the angle between  $\vec{u}$  and  $\nabla f(a, b)$ . Thus,  $D_{\vec{u}}f(a, b)$  assumes its largest value when  $\cos \theta = 1$ , i.e.,  $\theta = 0$ . Consequently, the largest value of  $D_{\vec{u}}f(a, b)$  is  $\|\nabla f(a, b)\|$  and occurs when  $\vec{u}$  is in the direction of the gradient vector  $\nabla f(a, b)$ .

(iii) Since  $\nabla f(x, y) = (y, x)$ , we have

$$\nabla f(2, 1) = (1, 2).$$

Note that  $\|\nabla f(2, 1)\| = \sqrt{5}$  thus the angle between the required directions and  $\nabla f(2, 1)$  is  $45^\circ$  or  $\frac{\pi}{4}$ .

14. Taylor theorem for multivariable functions.

(i) State the definition: let  $f(x, y)$  be a function of two variables. The second degree Taylor polynomial  $P_{2,(a,b)}(x, y)$  of  $f(x, y)$  at  $(a, b)$  is given by

$$P_{2,(a,b)}(x, y) =$$

(ii) State Taylor's Theorem for Functions of Two Variables and prove it. (See Theorem 2 of 8.2 in Möbius).

(iii) Let  $f(x, y) = e^{x-4y}$ . Use Taylor's Theorem to show that if  $0 \leq x \leq 1, 0 \leq y \leq 1$ , the error in the linear approximation  $L_{(1,1)}(x, y)$  is at most

$$\frac{e}{2}[5(x-1)^2 + 20(y-1)^2].$$

(i) The second degree Taylor polynomial  $P_{2,(a,b)}$  of  $f(x, y)$  at  $(a, b)$  is given by

$$P_{2,(a,b)}(x, y) = f(a, b) + f_x(a, b)(x - a) + f_y(a, b)(y - b) + \frac{1}{2} [f_{xx}(a, b)(x - a)^2 + 2f_{xy}(a, b)(x - a)(y - b) + f_{yy}(a, b)(y - b)^2].$$

(ii) If  $f(x, y) \in C^2$  in some neighborhood  $N(a, b)$  of  $(a, b)$ , then for all  $(x, y) \in N(a, b)$  there exists a point  $(c, d)$  on the line segment joining  $(a, b)$  and  $(x, y)$  such that

$$f(x, y) = f(a, b) + f_x(a, b)(x - a) + f_y(a, b)(y - b) + R_{1,(a,b)}(x, y)$$

where

$$R_{1,(a,b)}(x, y) = \frac{1}{2} [f_{xx}(c, d)(x - a)^2 + 2f_{xy}(c, d)(x - a)(y - b) + f_{yy}(c, d)(y - b)^2]$$

The proof is given in Theorem 2 of 8.2 in Möbius.

(iii) Note that the error in the linear approximation  $L_{(1,1)}(x, y)$  is given by

$$\begin{aligned} R_{1,(1,1)}(x, y) &= \frac{1}{2} [f_{xx}(c, d)(x - 1)^2 + 2f_{xy}(c, d)(x - 1)(y - 1) + f_{yy}(c, d)(y - 1)^2] \\ &= \frac{e^{c-4d}}{2} [(x - 1)^2 - 8(x - 1)(y - 1) + 16(y - 1)^2], \end{aligned}$$

where  $x \leq c \leq 1, y \leq d \leq 1$ . (Up to here, 5 points)

Therefore we have  $e^{c-4d} \leq e$  and use the fact that  $8|(x - 1)(y - 1)| \leq 4(x - 1)^2 + 4(y - 1)^2$ , we have

$$|R_{1,(1,1)}(x, y)| \leq \frac{e}{2} [5(x - 1)^2 + 20(y - 1)^2].$$

Remark: For (iii), a different and sharper bound is allowed. For example, the bound can be

$$\frac{e^{c-4d}}{2} [(x - 1)^2 - 8(x - 1)(y - 1) + 16(y - 1)^2] = \frac{e^{c-4d}}{2} (x - 4y + 3)^2 \leq \frac{e}{2} (x - 4y + 3)^2.$$

15. Suppose  $F(x, y, z)$  is a differentiable function on  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . Its partial derivatives  $F_x, F_y, F_z$  are continuous and they satisfy

$$yF_x - xF_y + F_z \geq \alpha > 0, \forall (x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3.$$

Calculate

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow +\infty} F(-\cos t, \sin t, t).$$

Using the chain rule, take the derivative of  $t$  we get

$$\frac{d}{dt}F(-\cos t, \sin t, t) = \sin t \cdot F_x(-\cos t, \sin t, t) + \cos t \cdot F_y(-\cos t, \sin t, t) + F_z(-\cos t, \sin t, t) \geq \alpha > 0 \quad (1.10)$$

where we have  $x = -\cos t, y = \sin t, z = t$  and we apply the assumption. (Up to here 5 points). Then by fundamental theorem of calculus, we have

$$F(-\cos t, \sin t, t) - F(-1, 0, 0) = \int_0^t \frac{d}{ds}F(-\cos s, \sin s, s) ds \geq \alpha t,$$

thus for any  $t > 0$ , we have

$$F(-\cos t, \sin t, t) \geq F(-1, 0, 0) + \alpha t.$$

Let  $t$  tend to  $\infty$  we have  $\lim_{t \rightarrow +\infty} F(-\cos t, \sin t, t) = +\infty$ .

## 16. Local Extrema and Critical Points

- (i) State the definition of the critical point of two-variable functions. What are the three classes of critical points?
- (ii) Suppose  $f(x, y) = x^2 + y^2 + x^2y + 4$ . Find all the critical points of  $f(x, y)$ .

(i) A point  $(a, b)$  in the domain of  $f(x, y)$  is called a critical point of  $f$  if  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(a, b) = 0$  or  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(a, b)$  does not exist, and  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(a, b) = 0$  or  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(a, b)$  does not exist.

Local maximum point, local minimum point and saddle point.

(ii) By calculation, we have

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x, y) = 2x + 2xy, \quad \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x, y) = x^2 + 2y.$$

$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x, y) = 0$  implies  $x = 0$ , or  $y = -1$ .  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x, y) = 0$  implies  $y = -\frac{x^2}{2}$ . If  $x = 0$  then  $y = 0$ ; if  $y = -1$  then  $x = \sqrt{2}, -\sqrt{2}$ . Therefore, there are three critical points:

$$(0, 0), (\sqrt{2}, -1), (-\sqrt{2}, -1).$$

## 17. The Second Derivative Test and convex functions of two variables.

- (i) State the Theorem of Second partial derivatives test. Classify the critical points of  $f(x, y) = x^2 + y^2 + x^2y + 4$ .
- (ii) State the definition of convex and strictly convex functions of two variables. Prove the following fact: Suppose  $f(x, y) \in C^2$  is a convex function, then for every critical point  $(c, d)$  of  $f(x, y)$ , we have

$$f(x, y) \geq f(c, d), \quad \forall (x, y) \neq (c, d).$$

(See Möbius 9.3)

(i) Second partial derivatives test: suppose that  $f(x, y) \in C^2$  in some neighborhood of  $(a, b)$  and that

$$f_x(a, b) = 0 = f_y(a, b)$$

If  $Hf(a, b)$  is positive definite, then  $(a, b)$  is a local minimum point of  $f$ . If  $Hf(a, b)$  is negative definite, then  $(a, b)$  is a local maximum point of  $f$ . If  $Hf(a, b)$  is indefinite, then  $(a, b)$  is a saddle point of  $f$ . If  $Hf(a, b)$  is semidefinite, then the test is inconclusive.

The Hessian matrix is given by

$$Hf(x, y) = \begin{pmatrix} f_{xx} & f_{xy} \\ f_{yx} & f_{yy} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 + 2y & 2x \\ 2x & 2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

At  $(0, 0)$ , the Hessian matrix is  $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$  which is positive definite, thus it is a local minimum.

At  $(\sqrt{2}, -1)$ , the Hessian matrix is  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2\sqrt{2} \\ 2\sqrt{2} & 2 \end{pmatrix}$  which is indefinite (the eigenvalues are 4 and -2), thus it is a saddle point.

At  $(-\sqrt{2}, -1)$ , the Hessian matrix is  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & -2\sqrt{2} \\ -2\sqrt{2} & 2 \end{pmatrix}$  which is indefinite (the eigenvalues are 4 and -2), thus it is a saddle point. (ii) Let  $f(x, y)$  have continuous second partial derivatives. We say that  $f$  is convex if  $Hf(x, y)$  is positive semi-definite for all  $(x, y)$  and that  $f$  is strictly convex if  $Hf(x, y)$  is positive definite for all  $(x, y)$ .

We use Taylor's theorem at  $(c, d)$ :

If  $f(x, y) \in C^2$  in some neighborhood  $N(c, d)$  of  $(c, d)$ , then for all  $(x, y) \in N(c, d)$  there exists a point  $(u, v)$  on the line segment joining  $(c, d)$  and  $(x, y)$  such that

$$f(x, y) = f(c, d) + f_x(c, d)(x - c) + f_y(c, d)(y - d) + R_{1,(c,d)}(x, y)$$

where

$$R_{1,(c,d)}(x, y) = \frac{1}{2} [f_{xx}(u, v)(x - c)^2 + 2f_{xy}(u, v)(x - c)(y - d) + f_{yy}(u, v)(y - d)^2]$$

Note that  $f$  is a convex function, then

$$Hf(u, v) = \begin{pmatrix} f_{xx}(u, v) & f_{xy}(u, v) \\ f_{xy}(u, v) & f_{yy}(u, v) \end{pmatrix}$$

is positive semi-definite thus the quadratic form given by

$$(x - c \quad y - d) Hf(u, v) \begin{pmatrix} x - c \\ y - d \end{pmatrix} = f_{xx}(u, v)(x - c)^2 + 2f_{xy}(u, v)(x - c)(y - d) + f_{yy}(u, v)(y - d)^2 \geq 0$$

Also note that  $(c, d)$  is a critical point thus  $f_x(c, d) = f_y(c, d) = 0$ . Finally we have

$$\begin{aligned} f(x, y) &= f(c, d) + f_x(c, d)(x - c) + f_y(c, d)(y - d) + R_{1,(c,d)}(x, y) \\ &= f(c, d) + R_{1,(c,d)}(x, y) \geq f(c, d). \end{aligned}$$

## 18. Extreme values and Lagrange multiplier.

(i) Find the maximum and minimum values of  $f(x, y) = x + 2y$  on the disc  $x^2 + y^2 \leq 4$ .

(ii) Find the maximum value of  $x + y + z$  on the surface

$$x^2 + \frac{1}{4}y^2 + \frac{1}{9}z^2 = 1.$$

(i) Since  $f_x = 1, f_y = 2$ , there is no critical point inside the disc. The maximum and minimum occur on the boundary  $x^2 + y^2 = 4$ . To find the maximum and minimum, suppose  $x = 2 \cos \theta, y = 2 \sin \theta$ , then we have  $x + 2y = 2 \cos \theta + 4 \sin \theta$ , then the maximum value is given by  $\sqrt{2^2 + 4^2} = 2\sqrt{5}$  and the minimum value is given by  $-2\sqrt{5}$ .

(ii) We follow the standard Lagrange algorithm to find the maximum. Denote  $f(x, y, z) = x + y + z, g(x, y, z) = x^2 + \frac{1}{4}y^2 + \frac{1}{9}z^2$ . First set

$$\nabla f(x, y, z) = \lambda \nabla g(x, y, z), \quad g(x, y, z) = 1.$$

The solution of the above equations is given by

$$x = \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{14}}, \quad y = \pm \frac{4}{\sqrt{14}}, \quad z = \pm \frac{9}{\sqrt{14}}$$

Second,  $\nabla g(x, y, z) = 0, g(x, y, z) = 1$ , the solution does not exist. Finally, there is no edge point since the surface is closed.

Therefore, the maximum occurs at  $x = \frac{1}{\sqrt{14}}, y = \frac{4}{\sqrt{14}}, z = \frac{9}{\sqrt{14}}$  thus the maximum value is  $\sqrt{14}$ .

## 19. Miscellaneous problems.

(i) Prove  $ab \leq a \ln a - a + e^b$  for  $a \geq 1, b \geq 0$ .

(ii) Prove the following elementary inequality:

$$ab^2c^3 \leq 108 \left( \frac{a+b+c}{6} \right)^6, \quad a, b, c > 0.$$

(Hint: Find the maximum value of  $\ln x + 2 \ln y + 3 \ln z$  on the sphere  $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 6r^2$ .)



(i) Define the function  $f(x, y) = x \ln x - x + e^y - xy$ , our goal is to show that the global minimum of  $f(x, y)$  on the region  $\{x \geq 1, y \geq 0\}$  is 0.

To calculate the global minimum, we use the following approach: for any fixed  $y_0 \geq 0$ , we find the minimum of one-variable function  $\varphi(x) := f(x, y_0)$ . In fact,

$$\varphi'(x) = \ln x - y_0, \quad \varphi''(x) = \frac{1}{x} > 0.$$

Thus by second derivative test for one-variable function,  $x = e^{y_0}$  is the only local minimum of  $\varphi(x)$  thus is the global minimum. Therefore, for any fixed  $y_0 \geq 0$ ,

$$\min_{x \geq 1} \varphi(x) = \varphi(e^{y_0}) = 0,$$

we have

$$\min_{y_0 \geq 0} \min_{x \geq 1} f(x, y_0) = \min_{y_0 \geq 0} 0 = 0.$$

(ii) We use Lagrange multiplier method. For any fixed  $r > 0$ , we set

$$\nabla(\ln x + 2 \ln y + 3 \ln z) = \lambda \nabla(x^2 + y^2 + z^2), \quad x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 6r^2.$$

We get the solution  $x = r, \quad y = \sqrt{2}r, \quad z = \sqrt{3}r$ .

Next, we find  $\nabla(x^2 + y^2 + z^2) = (2x, 2y, 2z) = 0$  and in this case  $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - 6r^2$  cannot be zero. Finally, the edge point of  $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - 6r^2 = 0$  does not exist because it is a closed surface.

Therefore, note that as  $x$  approaches zero, the function  $\ln x + 2 \ln y + 3 \ln z$  approaches  $-\infty$ . At the point  $x = r, \quad y = \sqrt{2}r, \quad z = \sqrt{3}r$ , it achieves global maximum, which means

$$\ln x + 2 \ln y + 3 \ln z \leq \ln \left( r(\sqrt{2}r)^2(\sqrt{3}r)^3 \right) = \ln \left( 6\sqrt{3}r^6 \right) = \ln \left( 6\sqrt{3} \left( \frac{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}{6} \right)^3 \right).$$

Taking the exponential on both sides, we have

$$xyz^3 \leq 6\sqrt{3} \left( \frac{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}{6} \right)^3.$$

Finally taking square on both sides, and take  $a = x^2, b = y^2, c = z^2$ , we have

$$ab^2c^3 = x^2y^4z^6 \leq 6^2 \times 3 \left( \frac{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}{6} \right)^6 = 108 \left( \frac{a + b + c}{6} \right)^6.$$

Note that for part (i), using second derivative test for two-variable function is not possible. In fact,

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = \ln x - y, \quad \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = e^y - x.$$

Therefore, on the region  $\{x \geq 1, y \geq 0\}$ , the critical points of  $f$  is given by

$$\mathcal{C}_f := \{y = \ln x, x \geq 1, y \geq 0\}.$$

The second derivative test fails. The Hessian matrix is given by

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{x} & -1 \\ -1 & e^y \end{pmatrix}$$

which has determinant zero on the critical points  $\mathcal{C}_f$ . It is possible to do more detailed analysis to argue that it is a local minimum and also global minimum but the details are much more technical.

## 20. Partial derivatives.

- (i) Determine the differentiability of the following function at  $(0, 0)$ :

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

- (ii) Suppose  $z = f(r)$  and  $r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$ . Then use the chain rule to show that

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

(i)

$$\begin{aligned} f_x(0, 0) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(h, 0) - f(0, 0)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{0 - 0}{h} = 0, \\ f_y(0, 0) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(0, h) - f(0, 0)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{0 - 0}{h} = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Using the definition of differentiability, we have

$$\left| \frac{f(x, y) - f(0, 0) - f_x(0, 0)x - f_y(0, 0)y}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} \right| = \frac{x^2 y^2}{(x^2 + y^2)^2}.$$

The limit does not exist, since we can choose  $y = mx$  and by varying  $m$  we get different values as  $(x, y) \rightarrow (0, 0)$ . Thus the function is not differentiable at  $(0, 0)$ .

- (ii) The calculation proceeds as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} &= \frac{dz}{dr} \frac{\partial r}{\partial x} = \frac{dz}{dr} \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}}, & \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} &= \frac{dz}{dr} \frac{\partial r}{\partial y} = \frac{dz}{dr} \frac{y}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}}, \\ \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2} &= \frac{d^2 z}{dr^2} \left( \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} \right)^2 + \frac{dz}{dr} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} \right) = \frac{d^2 z}{dr^2} \frac{x^2}{x^2 + y^2} + \frac{dz}{dr} \frac{y^2}{(x^2 + y^2)^{3/2}}, \\ \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial y^2} &= \frac{d^2 z}{dr^2} \left( \frac{y}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} \right)^2 + \frac{dz}{dr} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( \frac{y}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} \right) = \frac{d^2 z}{dr^2} \frac{y^2}{x^2 + y^2} + \frac{dz}{dr} \frac{x^2}{(x^2 + y^2)^{3/2}}. \end{aligned}$$

Then it is easy to see that we have

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

21. Suppose  $g(x, y, z) = 3 \ln(x + e^{yz})$ .

(i) Find the gradient of  $g$ .

(ii) Calculate the directional derivative of  $g$  at  $(0, 1, 0)$  in the direction from the point  $(0, 1, 0)$  to the point  $(5, 3, 3)$ .

(i) The gradient is given by

$$\nabla g(x, y, z) = \left( \frac{3}{x + e^{yz}}, \frac{3ze^{yz}}{x + e^{yz}}, \frac{3ye^{yz}}{x + e^{yz}} \right)$$

(ii) Find the direction vector:  $\vec{v} = (5, 3, 3) - (0, 1, 0) = (5, 2, 3)$ . Next, normalize the vector

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{v}^* &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{5^2 + 2^2 + 3^2}}(5, 2, 3) \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{38}}(5, 2, 3). \end{aligned}$$

Note that  $\nabla g(0, 1, 0) = (3, 0, 3)$ .

Since  $g$  has continuous partial derivatives at  $(0, 1, 0)$ , it is differentiable at  $(0, 1, 0)$ . Thus, we can apply the Directional derivative theorem to get

$$\begin{aligned} D_{\vec{v}^*} g(0, 1, 0) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{38}}(5, 2, 3) \cdot (3, 0, 3) \\ &= \frac{24}{\sqrt{38}}. \end{aligned}$$

22. Suppose  $f(x, y) = \ln(-2 \sin^2 x + 4 \cos^2 y)$ .

- (i) Find the linearization at  $(0, 0)$ ,  $L_{(0,0)}(x, y)$ .
- (ii) Find the second order Taylor polynomial at  $(0, 0)$ ,  $P_{2,(0,0)}(x, y)$ .

i) First we find  $f(0, 0) = \ln(-2 \sin^2(0) + 4 \cos^2(0)) = \ln(4)$  Next we find the gradient vector:

$$\nabla f = \left( \frac{-2 \sin(2x)}{-2 \sin^2 x + 4 \cos^2 y}, -\frac{4 \sin(2y)}{-2 \sin^2 x + 4 \cos^2 y} \right) \Rightarrow \nabla f(0, 0) = (0, 0)$$

Therefore, the linear approximation at  $(0, 0)$  is (10 points)

$$\begin{aligned} L_{(0,0)}(x, y) &= f(0, 0) + f_x(0, 0)(x - 0) + f_y(0, 0)(y - 0) \\ &= \ln(4) + 0(x - 0) + 0(y - 0) \end{aligned}$$

ii) To set up the equation for the Taylor polynomial, we need to find the Hessian matrix. We begin by finding the second order derivatives:

$$\begin{aligned} f_{xx} &= \frac{(-2) [2 \cos(2x) (-2 \sin^2 x + 4 \cos^2 y) - (-2) \sin^2(2x)]}{(-2 \sin^2 x + 4 \cos^2 y)^2} \\ f_{xy} = f_{yx} &= \frac{-8 \sin(2x) \sin(2y)}{(-2 \sin^2 x + 4 \cos^2 y)^2} \\ f_{yy} &= \frac{-(4) [2 \cos(2y) (-2 \sin^2 x + 4 \cos^2 y) + 4 \sin^2(2y)]}{(-2 \sin^2 x + 4 \cos^2 y)^2} \end{aligned}$$

Then the Hessian matrix will be  $Hf(0, 0) = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$ . Using the Hessian matrix, we get (10 points)

$$P_{2,(0,0)}(x, y) = L_{(0,0)}(x, y) + \frac{1}{2} (f_{xx}(0, 0)(x - 0)^2 + 2f_{xy}(0, 0)(x - 0)(y - 0) + f_{yy}(0, 0)(y - 0)^2)$$

Therefore,

$$P_{2,(0,0)}(x, y) = \underbrace{\ln(4)}_{\text{From part a)}} + \frac{1}{2} \left( \underbrace{-1}_{\text{From } Hf(0,0)} x^2 + \underbrace{0}_{\text{From } Hf(0,0)} xy + \underbrace{(-2)}_{\text{From } Hf(0,0)} y^2 \right)$$

23. Miscellaneous problems.

- (i) Suppose  $\varphi(u)$  is a one-variable function such that for any  $u \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $|\varphi(u)| \leq u^2$ . Determine the differentiability of  $f(x, y) = \varphi(|xy|)$  at  $(0, 0)$ .
- (ii) Suppose the second order partial derivatives of  $f(x, y)$  exist. Moreover, we assume  $f(x, y) > 0$  for any  $x, y$ . Then show that  $f(x, y) = g(x)h(y)$  for some one-variable function  $g, h$  if and only if

$$f \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}.$$

(Hint: Consider  $\varphi = \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}$  and try to calculate  $\frac{\partial}{\partial x}(\frac{\varphi}{f})$ .)

(i)

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(0, 0) &= \varphi(0) = 0, \\
 f_x(0, 0) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(h, 0) - f(0, 0)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{0 - 0}{h} = 0, \\
 f_y(0, 0) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(0, h) - f(0, 0)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{0 - 0}{h} = 0.
 \end{aligned}$$

Using the definition of differentiability and squeeze theorem, we have (2 points)

$$\left| \frac{f(x, y) - f(0, 0) - f_x(0, 0)x - f_y(0, 0)y}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} \right| \leq \frac{|\varphi(|xy|)|}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} \leq \frac{|xy|^2}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} \leq |xy|^{\frac{3}{2}} \rightarrow 0.$$

Therefore,  $f$  is differentiable at  $(0, 0)$ .

(ii) Sufficiency. First, note that

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( \frac{\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}}{f} \right) = \frac{f \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} - \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}}{f^2} = 0,$$

we have a function  $\tilde{h}$  of variable  $y$ , such that

$$\frac{\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}}{f} = \tilde{h}(y).$$

Notice that  $\frac{\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}}{f} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y}(\ln f)$ , which implies that there exists a function  $\tilde{g}(x)$  such that

$$\ln f = \int \tilde{h}(y) dy + \tilde{g}(x).$$

Finally, taking exponential on both sides, we have

$$f(x, y) = \exp\left(\int \tilde{h}(y) dy\right) \exp(\tilde{g}(x)).$$

Take  $g(x) = \exp(\tilde{g}(x))$ ,  $h(y) = \exp\left(\int \tilde{h}(y) dy\right)$  and we finish the proof.

Necessity. If  $f(x, y) = g(x)h(y)$  for some one-variable function  $g, h$ , then

$$f(x, y) \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y}(x, y) = h(y) \frac{dg}{dx}(x) g(x) \frac{dh}{dy}(y) = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x, y) \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x, y).$$

## 24. Polar coordinates, Cylindrical coordinates and Spherical coordinates

- (i) Write down the transform equation from Cartesian to Polar, Cylindrical and Spherical coordinates and the other way around.
- (ii) For the region  $R = \{(x, y, z) : z \geq \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}, x^2 + y^2 + z^2 \leq 2\}$  given in Cartesian coordinates, give a description in cylindrical coordinates and spherical coordinates.

Coordinate System	Coordinates	From Cartesian	To Cartesian	When to use
Polar	$(r, \theta)$	$r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$ $\tan(\theta) = \frac{y}{x}$	$x = r \cos(\theta)$ $y = r \sin(\theta)$	When there is symmetry about the origin in 2D
(i) Cylindrical	$(r, \theta, z)$	$r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$ $\tan(\theta) = \frac{y}{x}$ $z = z$	$x = r \cos(\theta)$ $y = r \sin(\theta)$ $z = z$	When there is symmetry about the $z$ -axis in 3D
Spherical	$(\rho, \varphi, \theta)$	$\rho = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$ $\tan(\theta) = \frac{y}{x}$ $\cos(\varphi) = \frac{z}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}}$	$x = \rho \sin(\varphi) \cos(\theta)$ $y = \rho \sin(\varphi) \sin(\theta)$ $z = \rho \cos(\varphi)$	When there is symmetry about the origin in 3D

(ii)

Description in spherical coordinates:  $\{(\rho, \varphi, \theta) : 0 \leq \varphi \leq \pi/4, \rho \leq \sqrt{2}\}$ .Description in cylindrical coordinates:  $\{(z, r, \theta) : z \geq r, r^2 + z^2 \leq 2\}$ .25. Mappings from  $\mathbb{R}^2$  to  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

- (i) Find the image of  $D = \{(x, y) : 0 \leq x \leq 2, 0 \leq y \leq 2\}$  under the mapping  $T(x, y) = (x^2 - y^2, x^2 + y^2)$ .
- (ii) Use the linear approximation for mappings to approximate the image of  $(0.01, 0.02)$  under the mapping  $F(x, y) = (e^x + y, e^x - y)$ .

(i) Set  $u = x^2 - y^2, v = x^2 + y^2$ , we have  $x^2 = \frac{u+v}{2}, y^2 = \frac{v-u}{2}$ . Since we have  $0 \leq x^2 \leq 4, 0 \leq y^2 \leq 4$ , the conditions on  $(u, v)$  is given by

$$0 \leq u + v \leq 8$$

$$0 \leq v - u \leq 8.$$

Thus it is a parallelogram in the  $(u, v)$ -plane with the four vertices given by  $(0, 0), (4, 4), (0, 8), (-4, 4)$ .

(ii) Use the approximation  $F(x, y) = F(a, b) + DF(a, b)(\Delta x)$ , with  $\Delta x = \begin{pmatrix} x - a \\ y - b \end{pmatrix}$ .

$$DF(x, y) = \begin{pmatrix} e^x & 1 \\ e^x & -1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Finally, we have  $F(0.01, 0.02) \approx F(0, 0) + DF(0, 0) \begin{pmatrix} 0.01 \\ 0.02 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1.03 \\ 0.99 \end{pmatrix}$ .

## 26. Composite Mappings and the Chain Rule.

- (i) State the Chain Rule in matrix form for mappings from  $\mathbb{R}^2$  to  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .  
 (ii) Consider the maps  $F$  and  $G$  defined by

$$F(u, v) = (v + u^2, u), \quad G(x, y) = (e^x y, 2e^{-x} y)$$

Calculate the derivative  $D(F \circ G)(0, 1)$  of the composite map.

(i) Let  $F$  and  $G$  be mappings from  $\mathbb{R}^2$  to  $\mathbb{R}^2$ . If  $G$  has continuous partial derivatives at  $(x, y)$  and  $F$  has continuous partial derivatives at  $(u, v) = G(x, y)$ , then the composite mapping  $F \circ G$  has continuous partial derivatives at  $(x, y)$  and

$$D(F \circ G)(x, y) = DF(u, v)DG(x, y)$$

(ii) Note that

$$DF(u, v) = \begin{pmatrix} 2u & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad DG(x, y) = \begin{pmatrix} e^x y & e^x \\ -2e^{-x} y & 2e^{-x} \end{pmatrix}.$$

when  $(x, y) = (0, 1)$ , we have  $(u, v) = G(x, y) = (1, 2)$ . Therefore,

$$D(F \circ G)(0, 1) = DF(1, 2)DG(0, 1) = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -2 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 4 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

27. See related discussion in Möbius 12.4, application.

Recall that any complex number  $z \in \mathbb{C}$  can be written as  $z = x + iy, x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ . Here  $i$  is the imaginary unit satisfying  $i^2 = -1$ . There is a natural one-to-one correspondence of  $\mathbb{C}$  and  $\mathbb{R}^2$  defined by the map  $\varphi : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2 : z = x + iy \mapsto (x, y)$  with the inverse map  $\varphi^{-1} : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{C} : (x, y) \mapsto x + iy$ . Then any complex function  $f : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  can be viewed as a mapping  $F$  from  $\mathbb{R}^2$  to  $\mathbb{R}^2$  defined by

$$F(x, y) := \varphi \circ f \circ \varphi^{-1}(x, y).$$

- (i) Rewrite the famous Möbius transform  $f(z) = \frac{az+b}{cz+d}$  as a mapping  $F$  from  $\mathbb{R}^2$  to  $\mathbb{R}^2$ . Here  $a, b, c, d$  are complex numbers

$$a = a_1 + ia_2, \quad b = b_1 + ib_2, \quad c = c_1 + ic_2, \quad d = d_1 + id_2.$$

- (ii) What is the image of the open unit disc  $\{z = x + iy \in \mathbb{C} : x^2 + y^2 < 1\}$  under Möbius transformation  $f(z) = \frac{1+z}{1-z}$ . (Hint: The answer is the right half plane. You need to explain why.)



(i) Plug in the expression of the complex numbers, we have

$$f(z) = \frac{(a_1 + ia_2)(x + iy) + (b_1 + ib_2)}{(c_1 + ic_2)(x + iy) + (d_1 + id_2)}$$

Expanding and separating into real and imaginary parts:

$$f(z) = \frac{(a_1x - a_2y + b_1) + i(a_2x + a_1y + b_2)}{(c_1x - c_2y + d_1) + i(c_2x + c_1y + d_2)}$$

Let:

$$u = c_1x - c_2y + d_1$$

$$v = c_2x + c_1y + d_2$$

Then:  $f(z) = \frac{(a_1x - a_2y + b_1) + i(a_2x + a_1y + b_2)}{u + iv}$ . To simplify this expression, we multiply the numerator and the denominator by the conjugate of the denominator:

$$f(z) = \frac{((a_1x - a_2y + b_1) + i(a_2x + a_1y + b_2))((c_1x - c_2y + d_1) - i(c_2x + c_1y + d_2))}{(c_1x - c_2y + d_1)^2 + (c_2x + c_1y + d_2)^2}$$

The real part  $u'$  and imaginary part  $v'$  of the resulting complex number can be written as functions of  $x$  and  $y$ . After simplifying the expression, the result will be in the form:

$$f(z) = u'(x, y) + iv'(x, y)$$

Thus, the Möbius transformation can be represented as a mapping from  $\mathbb{R}^2$  to  $\mathbb{R}^2$ :

$$(x, y) \mapsto (u'(x, y), v'(x, y))$$

where

$$u'(x, y) = \frac{(a_1x - a_2y + b_1)(c_1x - c_2y + d_1) + (a_2x + a_1y + b_2)(c_2x + c_1y + d_2)}{(c_1x - c_2y + d_1)^2 + (c_2x + c_1y + d_2)^2}$$

$$v'(x, y) = \frac{(a_2x + a_1y + b_2)(c_1x - c_2y + d_1) - (a_1x - a_2y + b_1)(c_2x + c_1y + d_2)}{(c_1x - c_2y + d_1)^2 + (c_2x + c_1y + d_2)^2}$$

(ii) For this example,  $a_1 = b_1 = d_1 = 1, c_1 = -1, a_2 = b_2 = c_2 = d_2 = 0$ . Therefore,

$$u'(x, y) = \frac{1 - x^2 - y^2}{(x - 1)^2 + y^2}, v'(x, y) = \frac{2y}{(x - 1)^2 + y^2}.$$

Note that  $x^2 + y^2 < 1$ , thus  $u'(x, y) > 0$  and  $v'(x, y)$  can be arbitrary real number. (Up to here you can get full score. A more detailed calculation is provided) We claim that the image is the right half plane, i.e.,  $\{(u, v) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : u > 0, v \in \mathbb{R}\}$ . In fact, for any  $(u, v)$  in the right half plane, we need to find  $z$  inside the unit disk such that  $\frac{1+z}{1-z} = w = u + iv$ , and we have  $z = \frac{w-1}{w+1}$ . The existence of  $z$  is verified if we can show that  $|z| = \left|\frac{w-1}{w+1}\right| < 1$ . Since  $w$  is a point in the right half plane, the geometric meaning is that the distance to the point  $(-1, 0)$  is larger than the distance to the point  $(1, 0)$ . This is true as long as  $u > 0$ :

$$\left|\frac{u-1+iv}{u+1+iv}\right| < 1 \iff u^2 + v^2 - 2u + 1 < u^2 + v^2 + 2u + 1 \iff u > 0.$$

(i) State the Change of Variable Theorem for double integrals.

(ii) Suppose  $a, b$  are two real numbers. Calculate

$$\iint_D (ax + by) dx dy$$

where  $D$  is the region in the first quadrant bounded by the circle  $x^2 + y^2 = 4$  and the lines  $x = 0$  and  $y = 0$ .

(i) Let each of  $D_{uv}$  and  $D_{xy}$  be a closed bounded set whose boundary is a piecewise-smooth closed curve. Let

$$(x, y) = F(u, v) = (f(u, v), g(u, v))$$

be a one-to-one mapping of  $D_{uv}$  onto  $D_{xy}$ , with  $f, g \in C^1$ , and  $\frac{\partial(x, y)}{\partial(u, v)} \neq 0$  except for possibly on a finite collection of piecewise-smooth curves in  $D_{uv}$ . If  $G(x, y)$  is continuous on  $D_{xy}$ , then

$$\iint_{D_{xy}} G(x, y) dx dy = \iint_{D_{uv}} G(f(u, v), g(u, v)) \left| \frac{\partial(x, y)}{\partial(u, v)} \right| du dv$$

(ii) Use the Polar coordinate

$$\begin{cases} x = r \cos \theta \\ y = r \sin \theta \end{cases}$$

and it is straightforward to calculate  $\left| \frac{\partial(x, y)}{\partial(r, \theta)} \right| = r$ . Moreover, the regions are given by  $D_{xy} = \{(x, y) : 0 \leq x, y \leq 2, x^2 + y^2 \leq 4\}$  and  $D_{r\theta} = \{(r, \theta) : 0 \leq r \leq 2, 0 \leq \theta \leq \frac{\pi}{2}\}$ . Using the Change of Variable Theorem for double integrals, we have

$$\iint_{D_{xy}} (ax + by) dx dy = \iint_{D_{r\theta}} (a \cos \theta + b \sin \theta) r^2 dr d\theta = \frac{8}{3}(a + b).$$

29. Change of variable method: three dimensional.

(i) State the Change of Variable Theorem for triple integrals.

(ii) Find the volume of ellipsoid using change of variable method:

$$\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} + \frac{z^2}{c^2} = 1, \quad a, b, c > 0.$$

(i) Let

$$x = f(u, v, w), \quad y = g(u, v, w), \quad z = h(u, v, w)$$

be a one-to-one mapping of  $D_{uvw}$  onto  $D_{xyz}$  with  $f, g, h$  having continuous partials, and

$$\frac{\partial(x, y, z)}{\partial(u, v, w)} \neq 0 \quad \text{on} \quad D_{uvw}$$

If  $G(x, y, z)$  is continuous on  $D_{xyz}$ , then

$$\iiint_{D_{xyz}} G(x, y, z) dV = \iiint_{D_{uvw}} G(f(u, v, w), g(u, v, w), h(u, v, w)) \left| \frac{\partial(x, y, z)}{\partial(u, v, w)} \right| dV$$

(ii) Use the transformation

$$\begin{cases} x = au \\ y = bv \\ z = cw \end{cases}$$

and it is straightforward to check  $\frac{\partial(x, y, z)}{\partial(u, v, w)} = abc$ . The regions are  $D_{xyz} = \{(x, y, z) : \frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} + \frac{z^2}{c^2} \leq 1\}$  and  $D_{uvw} = \{(u, v, w) : u^2 + v^2 + w^2 \leq 1\}$ . Then the volume of the ellipsoid is calculated as

$$\iiint_{D_{xyz}} dV = \iiint_{D_{uvw}} \left| \frac{\partial(x, y, z)}{\partial(u, v, w)} \right| dV = abc \cdot \text{volume of unit ball} = \frac{4\pi}{3} abc.$$

Volume of unit ball is  $\frac{4\pi}{3}$  and it can be calculated via Spherical coordinates:

$$\int_0^1 \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\pi r^2 \sin \varphi dr d\theta d\varphi = \frac{4\pi}{3}.$$

30. Evaluate the following triple integrals:

(i)

$$\int_0^1 \int_0^{\sqrt{1-x^2}} \int_{\sqrt{x^2+y^2}}^{\sqrt{2-x^2-y^2}} dz dy dx.$$

(ii)

$$\int_0^1 \int_0^{\sqrt{1-y^2}} \int_{\sqrt{3x^2+3y^2}}^{\sqrt{3}} dz dx dy.$$

(i) We use cylindrical coordinates

$$\begin{cases} x = r \cos \theta \\ y = r \sin \theta \\ z = z \end{cases}$$

it is straightforward to calculate  $\left| \frac{\partial(x,y,z)}{\partial(r,\theta,z)} \right| = r$ . The regions are given by  $D_{xyz} = \{(x,y,z) : 0 \leq x \leq 1, 0 \leq y \leq \sqrt{1-x^2}, \sqrt{x^2+y^2} \leq z \leq \sqrt{2-x^2-y^2}\}$  and  $D_{r\theta z} = \{(r,\theta,z) : 0 \leq r \leq 1, 0 \leq \theta \leq \frac{\pi}{2}, r \leq z \leq \sqrt{2-r^2}\}$ . The integral can be calculated as follows:

$$\int_0^1 \int_0^{\sqrt{1-x^2}} \int_{\sqrt{x^2+y^2}}^{\sqrt{2-x^2-y^2}} dz dy dx = \frac{\pi}{2} \int_0^1 (\sqrt{2-r^2} - r) r dr = \pi \frac{\sqrt{2}-1}{3}.$$

(ii) We use cylindrical coordinates

$$\begin{cases} x = r \cos \theta \\ y = r \sin \theta \\ z = z \end{cases}$$

it is straightforward to calculate  $\left| \frac{\partial(x,y,z)}{\partial(r,\theta,z)} \right| = r$ . The regions are given by  $D_{xyz} = \{(x,y,z) : 0 \leq y \leq 1, 0 \leq x \leq \sqrt{1-y^2}, \sqrt{3(x^2+y^2)} \leq z \leq \sqrt{3}\}$  and  $D_{r\theta z} = \{(r,\theta,z) : 0 \leq r \leq 1, 0 \leq \theta \leq \frac{\pi}{2}, \sqrt{3}r \leq z \leq \sqrt{3}\}$ . The integral can be calculated as follows:

$$\int_0^1 \int_0^{\sqrt{1-y^2}} \int_{\sqrt{3x^2+3y^2}}^{\sqrt{3}} dz dx dy = \frac{\pi}{2} \int_0^1 \sqrt{3}(1-r) r dr = \frac{\sqrt{3}\pi}{12}.$$

### 31. Miscellaneous problems.

(i) Suppose  $D$  is the region surrounded by  $z = 0, z = 1$  and  $x^2 + \frac{1}{2}(y-z)^2 = 1$ . Calculate

$$\iiint_D (y-z) \arctan z \, dx dy dz.$$

(Hint: Use transformation  $x = u, y - z = \sqrt{2}v, z = w$ )

(ii) Suppose  $f(x,y)$  has continuous second partial derivatives. If  $D = \{(x,y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : a \leq x \leq b, c \leq y \leq d\}$ , calculate

$$\iint_D f_{xy}(x,y) dx dy, \quad \iint_D f_{yx}(x,y) dx dy.$$

Briefly discuss how the above calculation can imply Clairaut's Theorem (For the statement, see Möbius 4.2).

(i) Use the transformation

$$\begin{cases} x = u \\ y - z = \sqrt{2}v \\ z = w \end{cases}$$

It is straightforward to calculate  $\left| \frac{\partial(x,y,z)}{\partial(u,v,w)} \right| = \sqrt{2}$ . The regions are given by  $D_{xyz} = \{(x,y,z) : 0 \leq z \leq 1, x^2 + \frac{1}{2}(y-z)^2 \leq 1\}$ , and  $D_{uvw} := \{(u,v,w) : 0 \leq w \leq 1, u^2 + v^2 \leq 1\}$ . The integral can be calculated via change of variable method as follows:

$$\iiint_{D_{xyz}} (y-z) \arctan z \, dx dy dz = \iiint_{D_{uvw}} 2v \arctan(w) du dv dw.$$

Note that by symmetry

$$\iint_{u^2+v^2 \leq 1} v du dv = 0,$$

the above integral is 0.

(ii) Since  $f_{xy}$  and  $f_{yx}$  are continuous, recall that  $D = \{(x,y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : a \leq x \leq b, c \leq y \leq d\}$ , calculate

$$\begin{aligned} \iint_D f_{xy}(x,y) dx dy &= \iint_D f_{xy}(x,y) dy dx = \int_a^b \int_c^d \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x,y) \right) dy dx \\ &= \int_a^b \left[ \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x,d) - \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x,c) \right] dx \\ &= f(b,d) - f(a,d) - (f(b,c) - f(a,c)) \\ &= f(a,c) + f(b,d) - f(a,d) - f(b,c). \end{aligned}$$

Similarly,

$$\begin{aligned} \iint_D f_{yx}(x,y) dx dy &= \int_c^d \int_a^b \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x,y) \right) dx dy \\ &= \int_c^d \left[ \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(b,y) - \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(a,y) \right] dy \\ &= f(b,d) - f(b,c) - (f(a,d) - f(a,c)) \\ &= f(a,c) + f(b,d) - f(a,d) - f(b,c). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $\iint_D f_{xy}(x,y) dx dy = \iint_D f_{yx}(x,y) dx dy = f(a,c) + f(b,d) - f(a,d) - f(b,c)$ . For any  $(x_0, y_0)$ , we choose  $D_n = [x_0, x_0 + \frac{1}{n}] \times [y_0, y_0 + \frac{1}{n}]$  and let  $n$  go to infinity, we have  $f_{yx}(x_0, y_0) = f_{xy}(x_0, y_0)$  which implies Clairaut's theorem. (This explanation is optional and no point for this part.

32. Use the method of Lagrange multipliers to find the maximum and minimum values of  $f(x,y) = x$  on the curve defined by

$$y^2 + x^4 - x^3 = 0.$$

We apply the Lagrange Multiplier, we first solve

$$\nabla f(x, y) = \lambda \nabla g(x, y), g(x, y) = y^2 + x^4 - x^3 = 0.$$

Note that  $\nabla f(x, y) = (1, 0) = \lambda \nabla g(x, y)$ ,  $\nabla g(x, y) = (4x^3 - 3x^2, 2y)$ , our solution is given by the following two points

$$(x, y) = (1, 0), (0, 0); \quad \lambda = 1$$

Second, we solve

$$\nabla g(x, y) = (0, 0), g(x, y) = y^2 + x^4 - x^3 = 0.$$

The only solution is given by  $(x, y) = (0, 0)$ . Finally, we find that the curve  $y^2 + x^4 - x^3 = 0$  is closed and no end point exists.

In summary, we have two candidates  $(1, 0)$  and  $(0, 0)$  and the maximum is 1 which occurs at  $(1, 0)$  and the minimum is 0 which occurs at  $(0, 0)$ .

33.

- (i) Convert the following equations in Cartesian coordinates to spherical coordinates:

$$z = -\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}.$$

- (ii) Convert the following equations in Cartesian coordinates to cylindrical coordinates:

$$z = \sqrt{5x^2 + 5y^2}.$$

- (i) The spherical coordinates are given by

$$\begin{cases} x = \rho \sin(\varphi) \cos(\theta) \\ y = \rho \sin(\varphi) \sin(\theta) \\ z = \rho \cos(\varphi) \end{cases}$$

we have  $\cos \varphi = -|\sin \varphi|$ . **(15 points)**

- (ii) The cylindrical coordinates are given by

$$\begin{cases} x = r \cos(\theta) \\ y = r \sin(\theta) \\ z = z \end{cases}$$

we have  $z = \sqrt{5}r$ . **(15 points)**

34. Consider the map defined by

$$(u, v) = F(x, y) = (y + xy, y - xy).$$

- (i) Show that  $F$  has an inverse map by finding  $F^{-1}$  explicitly.
- (ii) Find the derivative matrices  $DF(x, y)$  and  $DF^{-1}(u, v)$  and verify that

$$DF(x, y)DF^{-1}(u, v) = I.$$

- (iii) Verify that the Jacobians satisfy

$$\frac{\partial(x, y)}{\partial(u, v)} = \left[ \frac{\partial(u, v)}{\partial(x, y)} \right]^{-1}.$$

For part (i), we need to solve

$$\begin{cases} u = y(1+x) \\ v = y(1-x) \end{cases} \quad (1.11)$$

and the solution is

$$\begin{cases} x = \frac{u-v}{u+v}, \\ y = \frac{u+v}{2}. \end{cases} \quad (1.12)$$

Therefore, the explicit expression is

$$F^{-1}(u, v) = \left( \frac{u-v}{u+v}, \frac{u+v}{2} \right),$$

which exists when  $u+v \neq 0$  (**1 point**).

For part (ii), the derivative matrix can be calculated directly using the definition

$$\begin{aligned} DF(x, y) &= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \\ \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} y & 1+x \\ -y & 1-x \end{pmatrix}, \\ DF^{-1}(u, v) &= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial x}{\partial u} & \frac{\partial x}{\partial v} \\ \frac{\partial y}{\partial u} & \frac{\partial y}{\partial v} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{2v}{(u+v)^2} & \frac{-2u}{(u+v)^2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Then we can direct verify using  $x = \frac{u-v}{u+v}, y = \frac{u+v}{2}$  :

$$\begin{aligned} DF(x, y)DF^{-1}(u, v) &= \begin{pmatrix} y & 1+x \\ -y & 1-x \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{2v}{(u+v)^2} & \frac{-2u}{(u+v)^2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{2vy}{(u+v)^2} + \frac{1+x}{2} & \frac{-2uy}{(u+v)^2} + \frac{1+x}{2} \\ \frac{-2vy}{(u+v)^2} + \frac{1-x}{2} & \frac{2uy}{(u+v)^2} + \frac{1-x}{2} \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{v}{u+v} + \frac{u}{u+v} & \frac{-u}{u+v} + \frac{u}{u+v} \\ \frac{-v}{u+v} + \frac{v}{u+v} & \frac{u}{u+v} + \frac{v}{u+v} \end{pmatrix} = I. \end{aligned}$$

For part (iii),

$$\frac{\partial(x, y)}{\partial(u, v)} = \det(DF^{-1}(u, v)) = \frac{1}{u+v}, \quad \frac{\partial(u, v)}{\partial(x, y)} = \det(DF(x, y)) = 2y = u+v.$$

Therefore, we have

$$\frac{\partial(x, y)}{\partial(u, v)} = \left[ \frac{\partial(u, v)}{\partial(x, y)} \right]^{-1}.$$



## 35. Miscellaneous problems.

- (i) Find the local maximum and minimum of the function  $f(x, y) = (1 + e^y) \cos x - ye^y$  and the corresponding critical points if they exist.
- (ii) Suppose  $f(x, y), g(x, y)$  are two functions with continuous partial derivatives. Show that if for any  $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$  we have

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x, y) \frac{\partial g}{\partial y}(x, y) \neq \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x, y) \frac{\partial g}{\partial x}(x, y),$$

then the number of solutions of  $\begin{cases} f(x, y) = 0 \\ g(x, y) = 0 \end{cases}$  in the region  $\{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : 0 \leq x \leq 100, 0 \leq y \leq 50\}$  is finite.

( Hint: Use the Inverse Mapping Theorem.

Additional hint: You can freely use the following property: if the region  $\{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : 0 \leq x \leq 100, 0 \leq y \leq 50\}$  is covered by infinitely many neighbors(open sets)  $\{O_i : i \in I\}$ ,  $|I| = +\infty$ , i.e.,

$$\{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : 0 \leq x \leq 100, 0 \leq y \leq 50\} \subseteq \bigcup_{i \in I} O_i$$

then there are finitely many neighbors covering the region, i.e.,

$$\exists J \subseteq I, |J| < +\infty, \quad \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : 0 \leq x \leq 100, 0 \leq y \leq 50\} \subseteq \bigcup_{i \in J} O_i$$

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(i) We calculate the first derivatives

$$f_x(x, y) = -\sin x(1 + e^y), \quad f_y(x, y) = (\cos x - 1 - y)e^y$$

and second derivatives

$$f_{xx}(x, y) = -\cos x(1 + e^y), \quad f_{xy}(x, y) = -e^y \sin x, \quad f_{yy}(x, y) = (\cos x - 2 - y)e^y.$$

To find the critical points, we set  $f_x = f_y = 0$ , then we have a sequence of critical points given by

$$(x_n, y_n) = (n\pi, \cos n\pi - 1), \quad n = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$$

For even  $n$ ,  $(x_n, y_n) = (n\pi, 0)$ , and we can show that  $\begin{pmatrix} f_{xx} & f_{xy} \\ f_{xy} & f_{yy} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$  is negative definite thus  $(n\pi, 0)$  for  $n$  even are local maxima and the local maximum value is **(1 point)**

$$(1 + e^0) \cos n\pi - 0e^0 = 2.$$

For odd  $n$ ,  $(x_n, y_n) = (n\pi, -2)$ , and we can show that  $\begin{pmatrix} f_{xx} & f_{xy} \\ f_{xy} & f_{yy} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 + e^{-2} & 0 \\ 0 & -e^{-2} \end{pmatrix}$  which is indefinite and via second derivative test, it is a saddle point.

**In summary, we only have local maxima  $(n\pi, 0)$  with  $n$  even integers, and the local maximum value is 2.**

(ii) Construct a mapping from  $\mathbb{R}^2$  to  $\mathbb{R}^2$  as  $F(x, y) = (f(x, y), g(x, y))$ . Denote the region  $D = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : 0 \leq x \leq 100, 0 \leq y \leq 50\}$ . Then the solution of  $\begin{cases} f(x, y) = 0 \\ g(x, y) = 0 \end{cases}$  in  $D$  is given by the solution of  $F(x, y) = (0, 0)$  in  $D$ . By inverse mapping theorem, for any  $(x_0, y_0) \in D$ , we have a neighborhood  $O(x_0, y_0)$  including  $(x_0, y_0)$  such that  $F$  is injective in  $O(x_0, y_0)$ . Then we have

$$D \subseteq \bigcup_{(x_0, y_0) \in D} O(x_0, y_0).$$

Since  $D$  is bounded and closed, there exist finitely many  $(x_i, y_i), 1 \leq i \leq n$  such that (use the additional hint).

$$D \subseteq \bigcup_{i=1}^n O(x_i, y_i).$$

Note that for each  $i$ ,  $F$  is injective in  $O(x_i, y_i)$ , there is at most one solution of  $F(x, y) = (0, 0)$  in  $O(x_i, y_i)$ . Therefore, there are at most  $n$  solution in  $D \subseteq \bigcup_{i=1}^n O(x_i, y_i)$ .

An alternative solution: prove by contradiction. Suppose there are infinitely many solutions, then there must be a sequence  $\{(x_n, y_n)\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  such that  $(x_n, y_n) \rightarrow (x_0, y_0)$  such that  $F(x_n, y_n) = 0$ .