

## Multivariable Calculus and Differential Equations

## Section A

1. (a)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x^2 + 2}{3x^2 + 4x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1 + \frac{2}{x^2}}{3 + \frac{4}{x}} = \frac{\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (1 + \frac{2}{x^2})}{\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (3 + \frac{4}{x})} = \frac{1 + 0}{3 + 0} = \frac{1}{3}$   
 (b) Without using L'Hôpital's rule:  

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{-2h} - 1}{e^h - 1} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} -e^{-2h} \frac{e^{2h} - 1}{e^h - 1} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} -e^{-2h}(e^h + 1) = -1 \cdot (1 + 1) = -2$$
 Alternatively use L'Hôpital's rule.
2. (a)  $\nabla f(x, y) = \begin{pmatrix} f_x(x, y) \\ f_y(x, y) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3x^2 + y \\ x + 2y \end{pmatrix}$   
 (b) Note that  $\mathbf{u}$  is a unit vector. We have  $f_{\mathbf{u}}(1, 3) = \nabla f(1, 3) \cdot \mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} -3/5 \\ 4/5 \end{pmatrix} = -\frac{18}{5} + \frac{28}{5} = 2$ .
3. (a) By the chain rule we have  $\frac{\partial g}{\partial x}(x, y) = f'(x^2 - 2y) \cdot 2x$  and  $\frac{\partial g}{\partial y}(x, y) = f'(x^2 - 2y) \cdot (-2)$ .  
 Hence  $g(2, 1) = f(2) = 1$ ,  $\frac{\partial g}{\partial x}(2, 1) = f'(2) \cdot 4 = 8$  and  $\frac{\partial g}{\partial y}(2, 1) = f'(2) \cdot (-2) = -4$ .  
 (b) We have  $g(2 + h, 1 + k) = g(2, 1) + (hg_x(2, 1) + kg_y(2, 1)) + \dots = 1 + 8h - 4k + \dots$ .  
 So the degree 1 Taylor approximation is  $g(2 + h, 1 + k) \approx 1 + 8h - 4k$ .
4.
 
$$\begin{aligned} \iint_D xy \, dx \, dy &= \int_0^2 \int_0^{4-2x} xy \, dy \, dx \\ &= \int_0^2 \left[ \frac{1}{2} xy^2 \right]_0^{4-2x} dx \\ &= \int_0^2 (8x - 8x^2 + 2x^3) \, dx \\ &= \left[ 4x^2 - \frac{8}{3}x^3 + \frac{1}{2}x^4 \right]_0^2 = \frac{8}{3}. \end{aligned}$$
5. (a) After multiplying the equation with  $x$  we have (with the notation from the course)  $M(x, y) = x + xy^2$  and  $N(x, y) = x^2y$ . Hence  $\frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = 2xy = \frac{\partial N}{\partial x}$ , so the equation becomes exact, i.e.  $x$  is an integrating factor for the original equation.  
 (b) We have to find a function  $f(x, y)$  with  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = x + xy^2$  and  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = x^2y$ . The first equation gives  $f(x, y) = 1/2x^2 + 1/2x^2y^2 + g(y)$ . Then the second equation gives  $g'(y) = 0$ , so we can take  $g(y) = 0$ . Then  $f(x, y) = 1/2x^2 + 1/2x^2y^2$ , and the general solution is  $1/2x^2 + 1/2x^2y^2 = c$  where  $c$  is a constant.

6. With  $z = x + y + 2$  we get

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dz}{dx} &= 1 + \frac{dy}{dx} \\ &= 1 + \frac{1}{z} \\ &= \frac{z+1}{z}.\end{aligned}$$

The differential equation  $\frac{dz}{dx} = \frac{z+1}{z}$  is variables separable, and separating the variables gives  $\int \frac{z}{z+1} dz = \int dx$ . After evaluating the integrals we find  $z - \ln(z+1) = x + c$  where  $c$  is a constant. Hence the general solution of the differential equation is

$$x + y + 2 - \ln(x + y + 2 + 1) = x + c,$$

which can be simplified to

$$y + 2 - \ln(x + y + 3) = c.$$

7. (a)  $\frac{dM}{dt} = \alpha M$

(b) Separating the variables gives  $\int \frac{1}{M} dM = \int \alpha dt$ , so  $\ln M = \alpha t + c$  and hence  $M(t) = Ae^{\alpha t}$  for a constant  $A = e^c$ . From  $M(0) = 2$  we get  $A = 2$ , so  $M(t) = 2e^{\alpha t}$ .

(c) From  $M(100) = 0.5$  we get  $2e^{100\alpha} = 0.5$ , so  $\alpha = \ln(0.25)/100 \approx -0.0139$ .

8. (a) Use integration by parts with  $u = t^{x-1}$  and  $v' = e^{-t}$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}\Gamma(x) &= [-t^{x-1}e^{-t}]_0^\infty + \int_0^\infty (x-1)t^{x-2}e^{-t} dt \\ &= (x-1) \int_0^\infty (x-1)t^{(x-1)-1}e^{-t} dt \\ &= (x-1)\Gamma(x-1).\end{aligned}$$

(b) From the given formula with  $x = \frac{1}{2}$  we get  $\Gamma(\frac{1}{2})\Gamma(1 - \frac{1}{2}) = \frac{\pi}{\sin(\frac{\pi}{2})} = \pi$ , so  $\Gamma(\frac{1}{2}) = \sqrt{\pi}$ .  
Hence  $\Gamma(\frac{5}{2}) = \frac{3}{2}\Gamma(\frac{3}{2}) = \frac{3}{2}\frac{1}{2}\Gamma(\frac{1}{2}) = \frac{3}{4}\sqrt{\pi}$ .

## Section B

9. (a) (i) stationary point of  $f$ : A stationary point of  $f$  is a point  $(a, b) \in U$  such that the tangent plane to  $f$  at  $(a, b)$  exists and is horizontal.

local maximum of  $f$ : A local maximum of  $f$  is a point  $(a, b) \in U$  such that  $f(a, b) \geq f(x, y)$  for all  $(x, y) \in U$  that are in a sufficiently small disk around  $(a, b)$ .

global maximum of  $f$ : A global maximum of  $f$  is a point  $(a, b) \in U$  such that  $f(a, b) \geq f(x, y)$  for all  $(x, y) \in U$ .

(ii) A boundary point of  $U$  is a point  $(a, b) \in \mathbb{R}^2$  such that every disk around  $(a, b)$  contains points from  $U$  and from  $\mathbb{R}^2 \setminus U$ .

(b) (i)  $f_x = 4x + y + 6$ ,  $f_y = x + 4y$ ,  $f_{xx} = 4$ ,  $f_{xy} = 1$ ,  $f_{yy} = 4$

- (ii) To find the stationary points we have to solve  $f_x = 0$  and  $f_y = 0$ . This gives the stationary point  $(-\frac{8}{5}, \frac{2}{5})$ . The Hessian matrix is  $\begin{pmatrix} 4 & 1 \\ 1 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$  which has determinant  $> 0$  and diagonal elements  $> 0$ , so the stationary point is a local minimum.
- (iii) The Lagrange function is

$$L(x, y, \lambda) = 2x^2 + xy + 2y^2 + 6x - \lambda(x^2 + y^2 - 8).$$

We have to solve  $L_x = L_y = L_\lambda = 0$ , i.e.

$$\begin{aligned} 4x + y + 6 - 2\lambda x &= 0 \\ x + 4y - 2\lambda y &= 0 \\ x^2 + y^2 - 8 &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

The first two equations give  $y^2 + 6y - x^2 = 0$ . Substituting  $x^2 = 8 - y^2$  into this equation gives the quadratic equation  $y^2 + 3y - 4 = 0$  with solutions  $y = 1$  and  $y = -4$ . Clearly  $y = -4$  is impossible because of  $x^2 + y^2 - 8 = 0$ . So  $y = 1$  and it follows that  $x = \pm\sqrt{7}$ . So the two critical points are  $(\sqrt{7}, 1)$  and  $(-\sqrt{7}, 1)$ . Since

$$\begin{aligned} f(\sqrt{7}, 1) &= 16 + 7\sqrt{7} \approx 34.5 \\ f(-\sqrt{7}, 1) &= 16 - 7\sqrt{7} \approx -2.5, \end{aligned}$$

it follows that the first point is the maximum and the second is the minimum on the circle.

- (iv) Note that the stationary point is inside the disk and we have  $f(-\frac{8}{5}, \frac{2}{5}) = \frac{-24}{5} \approx -4.8$ . The global extrema are either local extrema inside the disk or extrema on the boundary. Hence the global minimum value is  $-4.8$  and the global maximum value is  $16 + 7\sqrt{7}$ .
10. (a) (i) A function  $f : U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is continuous at a point  $a \in U$  if  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = f(a)$ .
- (ii) The derivative of a function  $f$  is defined as

$$\frac{df}{dx}(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}.$$

For the function  $f(x) = e^x$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dx}e^x &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{x+h} - e^x}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^x(e^h - 1)}{h} \\ &= e^x \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^h - 1}{h} \\ &= e^x. \end{aligned}$$

- (b) (i)  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = (y - 2x^2y)e^{-(x^2+y^2)}$ ,  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = (x - 2y^2x)e^{-(x^2+y^2)}$   
(ii) We have  $f(1, 2) = 2e^{-5}$ ,  $f_x(1, 2) = -2e^{-5}$ ,  $f_y(1, 2) = -7e^{-5}$ . The tangent plane has equation

$$\begin{pmatrix} x-1 \\ y-2 \\ z-f(1,2) \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} f_x(1,2) \\ f_y(1,2) \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = 0,$$

so in this case we obtain

$$z = -2e^{-5}x - 7e^{-5}y + 18e^{-5}.$$

(iii)  $f(0.9, 2.1) \approx (-2 \cdot 0.9 - 7 \cdot 2.1 + 18)e^{-5} = \frac{3}{2}e^{-5} \approx 0.0101$ .

- (c) Using polar coordinates  $x = r \cos \theta$ ,  $y = r \sin \theta$  we get:

$$\begin{aligned} \iint_D xy e^{-(x^2+y^2)} dx dy &= \int_0^{\pi/2} \int_0^{\sqrt{2}} r \cos \theta \cdot r \sin \theta \cdot e^{-r^2} \cdot r dr d\theta \\ &= \int_0^{\pi/2} \cos \theta \sin \theta d\theta \cdot \int_0^{\sqrt{2}} r^3 e^{-r^2} dr \end{aligned}$$

Substituting  $u = \sin \theta$  in the first integral gives

$$\int_0^{\pi/2} \cos \theta \sin \theta d\theta = \int_0^1 u du = \left[ \frac{1}{2} u^2 \right]_0^1 = \frac{1}{2}.$$

Substituting  $u = -r^2$  in the second integral gives

$$\int_0^{\sqrt{2}} r^3 e^{-r^2} dr = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{-2} u e^u du = \frac{1}{2} [u e^u - e^u]_0^{-2} = \frac{1}{2} (-2e^{-2} - e^{-2} + 1).$$

Hence

$$\iint_D xy e^{-(x^2+y^2)} dx dy = \frac{1}{4} (-3e^{-2} + 1).$$

11. (a) (i) For  $y(x) = e^{tx}$  we have  $\frac{dy}{dx} = te^{tx}$  and  $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = t^2 e^{tx}$ . Thus if  $y(x)$  is a solution of the differential equation then

$$Pt^2 e^{tx} + Qte^{tx} + Re^{tx} = 0.$$

We can divide by  $e^{tx}$  because  $e^{tx} \neq 0$ , and obtain  $Pt^2 + Qt + R = 0$  as required.

- (ii) In this case the general solution is  $y(x) = Ae^{\alpha x} + Be^{\beta x}$  where  $A$  and  $B$  are constants.

- (b) (i) The auxiliary equation is  $t^2 + 6t + 25 = 0$ . This has solutions  $t = -3 \pm 4i$ . Hence the general solution of the differential equation is

$$y(x) = e^{-3x}(A \cos(4x) + B \sin(4x))$$

where  $A$  and  $B$  are constants.

(ii) We have

$$\begin{aligned} y'(x) &= -3e^{-3x}(A \cos(4x) + B \sin(4x)) + e^{-3x}(-4A \sin(4x) + 4B \cos(4x)) \\ &= e^{-3x}((-3A + 4B) \cos(4x) + (-4A - 3B) \sin(4x)). \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $y(0) = 2$  and  $y'(0) = 5$  imply that  $A = 2$  and  $-3A + 4B = 5$ , so  $B = \frac{11}{4}$ . Therefore the required solution is

$$y(x) = e^{-3x}(2 \cos(4x) + \frac{11}{4} \sin(4x)).$$

Since  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} e^{-3x} = 0$  and  $2 \cos(4x) + \frac{11}{4} \sin(4x)$  is bounded, it follows that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} y(x) = 0$ .

(c) We look for a particular integral of the form  $p(x) = a \cos(2x) + b \sin(2x)$ . Then  $p'(x) = -2a \sin(2x) + 2b \cos(2x)$  and  $p''(x) = -4a \cos(2x) - 4b \sin(2x)$ . Substituting this into the differential equation gives

$$\begin{aligned} (-4a \cos(2x) - 4b \sin(2x)) + 6(-2a \sin(2x) + 2b \cos(2x)) + 25(a \cos(2x) + b \sin(2x)) \\ = 39 \sin(2x). \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} 21a + 12b &= 0 \\ -12a + 21b &= 39. \end{aligned}$$

This has the solution  $a = -\frac{4}{5}$ ,  $b = \frac{7}{5}$ . Hence a particular integral is  $p(x) = -\frac{4}{5} \cos(2x) + \frac{7}{5} \sin(2x)$ . The general solution is the complementary function plus the particular integral, so

$$y(x) = e^{-3x}(A \cos(4x) + B \sin(4x)) - \frac{4}{5} \cos(2x) + \frac{7}{5} \sin(2x).$$

12. (a)  $\sinh x = \frac{e^x - e^{-x}}{2}$ ,  $\cosh x = \frac{e^x + e^{-x}}{2}$ ,  
 $\frac{d}{dx} \sinh x = \frac{e^x - (-1)e^{-x}}{2} = \cosh x$ ,  $\frac{d}{dx} \cosh x = \frac{e^x + (-1)e^{-x}}{2} = \sinh x$

(b) (i) We have  $x_{i+1} = x_i + 0.5$  and  $y_{i+1} = y_i + 0.5(y_i + \sinh x_i) = 1.5y_i + 0.5 \sinh x_i$  with  $x_0 = 0$ ,  $y_0 = 1$ .

$i$	$x_i$	$y_i$
0	0	1
1	0.5	1.5
2	1	2.5105

Hence  $y(1) \approx 2.5105$ .

(ii) We assume the solution has the form

$$y(x) = y(0) + y'(0)x + \frac{y''(0)}{2!}x^2 + \frac{y^{(3)}(0)}{3!}x^3 + \dots$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} y(0) &= 1 \\ y' &= y + \sinh x &\Rightarrow y'(0) &= y(0) + \sinh 0 = 1 \\ y'' &= y' + \cosh x &\Rightarrow y''(0) &= y'(0) + \cosh 0 = 2 \\ y^{(3)} &= y'' + \sinh x &\Rightarrow y^{(3)}(0) &= y''(0) + \sinh 0 = 2 \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$y(x) \approx 1 + x + x^2 + \frac{1}{3}x^3,$$

so  $y(1) \approx 3.3333$ .

- (iii) The equation  $\frac{dy}{dx} - y = \sinh x$  is linear. The integrating factor is  $\mu(x) = \exp(\int -1 dx) = e^{-x}$ . Hence the general solution is

$$\begin{aligned} y &= \frac{1}{e^{-x}} \int e^{-x} \sinh x dx \\ &= e^x \int e^{-x} \frac{e^x - e^{-x}}{2} dx \\ &= \frac{e^x}{2} \int (1 - e^{-2x}) dx \\ &= \frac{e^x}{2} \left( x + \frac{e^{-2x}}{2} + c \right) \\ &= \frac{xe^x}{2} + \frac{e^{-x}}{4} + \frac{ce^x}{2} \end{aligned}$$

where  $c$  is a constant. The initial condition  $y(0) = 1$  gives  $0 + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{c}{2} = 1$ , so  $c = \frac{3}{2}$ . Thus the required solution is

$$y = \frac{xe^x}{2} + \frac{e^{-x}}{4} + \frac{3e^x}{4}.$$

We obtain

$$y(1) = \frac{e}{2} + \frac{e^{-1}}{4} + \frac{3e}{4} = \frac{5e}{4} + \frac{1}{4e} \approx 3.4898.$$

- (c) If  $x = \sinh y = \frac{e^y - e^{-y}}{2}$  then  $y = \operatorname{arcsinh}(x)$ . Set  $z = e^y$ . Then  $2x = z - \frac{1}{z}$  and hence  $z^2 - 2xz - 1 = 0$ . It follows that  $z = x \pm \sqrt{x^2 + 1}$ , and since  $z = e^y > 0$  we must have  $z = x + \sqrt{x^2 + 1}$ . Now  $e^y = x + \sqrt{x^2 + 1}$  implies  $y = \ln(x + \sqrt{x^2 + 1})$ , as required.