

MATH 2010A/B Advanced Calculus I  
(2014-2015, First Term)  
Homework 5  
Suggested Solution

5.  $f(x, y) = \frac{x + y}{x - y}$ ;  
 $f_x = \frac{(x - y)(1) - (1)(x + y)}{(x - y)^2} = \frac{-2y}{(x - y)^2}$ ;  
 $f_y = \frac{(x - y)(1) - (-1)(x + y)}{(x - y)^2} = \frac{2x}{(x - y)^2}$
6.  $f(x, y) = \frac{xy}{x^2 + y^2}$   
 $f_x = \frac{(x^2 + y^2)(y) - (xy)(2x)}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} = \frac{y(y^2 - x^2)}{(x^2 + y^2)^2}$ ;  
 $f_y = \frac{(x^2 + y^2)(x) - (xy)(2y)}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} = \frac{x(x^2 - y^2)}{(x^2 + y^2)^2}$ ;
15.  $f(x, y) = x^2 e^y \ln z$ ;  
 $f_x = 2x e^y \ln z$ ;  $f_z = x^2 e^y \ln z$ ;  $f_z = \frac{x^2 e^y}{z}$ ;
16.  $f(u, v) = (2u^2 + 3v^2)e^{-u^2 - v^2}$ ;  
 $f_u = 4ue^{-u^2 - v^2} + (2u^2 + 3v^2)e^{-u^2 - v^2}(-2u) = 2u(2 - 2u^2 - 3v^2)e^{-u^2 - v^2}$ ;  
 $f_v = 6ve^{-u^2 - v^2} + (2u^2 + 3v^2)e^{-u^2 - v^2}(-2v) = 2v(3 - 2u^2 - 3v^2)e^{-u^2 - v^2}$ ;
18.  $f(u, v) = e^{uv}(\cos uv + \sin uv)$ ;  
 $f_u = ve^{uv}(\cos uv + \sin uv) + e^{uv}(-v \sin uv + v \cos uv) = 2ve^{uv} \cos uv$ ;  
 $f_v = ue^{uv}(\cos uv + \sin uv) + e^{uv}(-u \sin uv + u \cos uv) = 2ue^{uv} \cos uv$ ;
19.  $f(u, v, w) = ue^v + ve^w + we^u$ ;  
 $f_u = e^v + we^u$ ;  
 $f_v = ue^v + e^w$ ;  
 $f_w = ve^w + e^u$ ;
27.  $z = e^{-3x} \cos y$ ;  
 $z_x = -3e^{-3x} \cos y \Rightarrow z_{xy} = 3e^{-3x} \sin y$ ;  
 $z_y = -e^{-3x} \sin y \Rightarrow z_{yz} = 3e^{-3x} \sin y$ ;  
 $\therefore z_{xy} = z_{yx}$
38.  $z = e^{-x^2 - y^2}$ ;  $P = (0, 0, 1)$   
 $z_x = -2xe^{-x^2 - y^2}$ ; At  $P$ ,  $z_x = 0$ ;  
 $z_y = -2ye^{-x^2 - y^2}$ ; At  $P$ ,  $z_y = 0$ ;  
Therefore, equation of the tangent plane is  
$$z - 1 = (0)(x - 0) + (0)(y - 0) \Rightarrow z = 1$$
40.  $z = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$ ;  $P = (3, -4, 5)$   
 $z_x = x(x^2 + y^2)^{-\frac{1}{2}}$ ; At  $P$ ,  $z_x = 3((3)^2 + (-4)^2)^{-\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{3}{5}$ ;

$$z_x = y(x^2 + y^2)^{-\frac{1}{2}}; \text{ At } P, z_x = -4((3)^2 + (-4)^2)^{-\frac{1}{2}} = -\frac{4}{5};$$

Therefore, equation of the tangent plane is

$$z - 5 = \left(\frac{3}{5}\right)(x - 3) + \left(-\frac{4}{5}\right)(y - (-4)) \Rightarrow -3x + 4y + 5z = 0$$

55.  $u = u(x, t) = e^{-n^2 kt} \sin nx;$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = -n^2 k e^{-n^2 kt} \sin nx;$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = n e^{-n^2 kt} \cos nx \Rightarrow \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial^2 x} = -n^2 e^{-n^2 kt} \sin nx;$$

Therefore,

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = k \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial^2 x}$$

56.  $u(x, y, t) = e^{-[m^2+n^2]kt} \sin mx \cos ny;$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = -(m^2 + n^2) k e^{-[m^2+n^2]kt} \sin mx \cos ny;$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = m e^{-[m^2+n^2]kt} \cos mx \cos ny \Rightarrow \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial^2 x} = -m^2 e^{-[m^2+n^2]kt} \cos mx \cos ny;$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = -n e^{-[m^2+n^2]kt} \sin mx \sin ny \Rightarrow \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial^2 y} = -n^2 e^{-[m^2+n^2]kt} \sin mx \cos ny;$$

Therefore,

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = k \left( \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial^2 x} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial^2 y} \right)$$

68.  $z = \ln(\cos x) - \ln(\cos y);$

$$z_x = -\tan x; z_y = \tan y; z_{xx} = -\sec^2 x; z_{yy} = \sec^2 y; z_{xy} = 0;$$

Then,

$$\begin{aligned} & (1 + z_y^2)z_{xx} - z z_x z_y z_{xy} + (1 + z_x^2)z_{yy} \\ &= (1 + \tan^2 y)(-\sec^2 x) - (\ln(\cos x) - \ln(\cos y))(-\tan x)(\tan y)(0) + (1 + (-\tan x)^2) \sec^2 y \\ &= (\sec^2 y)(-\sec^2 x) + (\sec^2 x) \sec^2 y \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

73.

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

(a) For  $x = y = 0,$

$$\begin{aligned}
f_x &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(h, 0) - f(0, 0)}{h} \\
&= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{(h)(0)}{h^2 + 0^2} - 0}{h} \\
&= 0
\end{aligned}$$

Similarly,

$$\begin{aligned}
f_y &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(0, h) - f(0, 0)}{h} \\
&= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{(0)(h)}{0^2 + h^2} - 0}{h} \\
&= 0
\end{aligned}$$

From question 6, we then have

$$f_x(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{y(y^2 - x^2)}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} & \text{unless } x = y = 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } x = y = 0 \end{cases}$$

And

$$f_y(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{x(x^2 - y^2)}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} & \text{unless } x = y = 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } x = y = 0 \end{cases}$$

Therefore,  $f_x$  and  $f_y$  are defined everywhere and are continuous except at the origin.

(b) Consider along the straight line  $y = 2x$ ,

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} f_x = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2x(4x^2 - x^2)}{(x^2 + 4x^2)^2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{6x^3}{25x^4} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{6}{25x} = \text{limit does not exist}$$

And

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} f_y = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x(x^2 - 4x^2)}{(x^2 + 4x^2)^2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{-3x^3}{25x^4} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} -\frac{3}{25x} = \text{limit does not exist}$$

(c) For  $x$  and  $y$  not both zero,

$$\begin{aligned}
f_{xx} &= \frac{(x^2 + y^2)^2(-2xy) - y(y^2 - x^2)(2)(x^2 + y^2)(2x)}{(x^2 + y^2)^4} \\
&= \frac{(x^2 + y^2)(-2xy) - 4xy(y^2 - x^2)}{(x^2 + y^2)^3} \\
&= \frac{-2xy(-x^2 + 3y^2)}{(x^2 + y^2)^3}
\end{aligned}$$

Similarly,

$$\begin{aligned}
 f_{yy} &= \frac{(x^2 + y^2)^2(-2xy) - x(x^2 - y^2)(2)(x^2 + y^2)(2y)}{(x^2 + y^2)^4} \\
 &= \frac{(x^2 + y^2)(-2xy) - 4xy(x^2 - y^2)}{(x^2 + y^2)^3} \\
 &= \frac{-2xy(3x^2 - y^2)}{(x^2 + y^2)^3}
 \end{aligned}$$

And

$$\begin{aligned}
 f_{xy} &= \frac{(x^2 + y^2)^2(3y^2 - x^2) - y(y^2 - x^2)(2)(x^2 + y^2)(2y)}{(x^2 + y^2)^4} \\
 &= \frac{(x^2 + y^2)(3y^2 - x^2) - 4y^2(y^2 - x^2)}{(x^2 + y^2)^3} \\
 &= \frac{-x^4 + 6x^2y^2 - y^4}{(x^2 + y^2)^3} \\
 f_{yx} &= \frac{(x^2 + y^2)^2(3x^2 - y^2) - x(x^2 - y^2)(2)(x^2 + y^2)(2x)}{(x^2 + y^2)^4} \\
 &= \frac{(x^2 + y^2)(3x^2 - y^2) - 4x^2(x^2 - y^2)}{(x^2 + y^2)^3} \\
 &= \frac{-x^4 + 6x^2y^2 - y^4}{(x^2 + y^2)^3}
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the second-order partial derivatives of  $f$  are all defined and continuous except possibly at the origin.

(d) For  $x = y = 0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
 f_{xx} &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f_x(h, 0) - f_x(0, 0)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{(0)(0^2 - h^2)}{(h^2 + 0^2)^2} - 0}{h} = 0 \\
 f_{yy} &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f_y(0, h) - f_y(0, 0)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{(0)(0^2 - h^2)}{(0^2 + h^2)^2} - 0}{h} = 0
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $f_{xx}$  and  $f_{yy}$  exist at the origin.

$$f_{xy} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f_x(0, h) - f_x(0, 0)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{(h)(h^2 - 0^2)}{(0^2 + h^2)^2} - 0}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{h^2} = \text{limit does not exist}$$

And

$$f_{yx} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f_y(h, 0) - f_y(0, 0)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{(h)(h^2 - 0^2)}{(h^2 + 0^2)^2} - 0}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{h^2} = \text{limit does not exist}$$

Therefore, the mixed partial derivatives  $f_{xy}$  and  $f_{yx}$  do not exist.

74.

$$g(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{xy(x^2 - y^2)}{x^2 + y^2} & \text{unless } x = y = 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } x = y = 0 \end{cases}$$

(a) For  $x$  and  $y$  not both zero,

$$\begin{aligned} g_x &= \frac{(x^2 + y^2)(3x^2y - y^3) - xy(x^2 - y^2)(2x)}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} \\ &= \frac{(x^2 + y^2)(3x^2y - y^3) - 2x^2y(x^2 - y^2)}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} \\ &= \frac{x^4y + 4x^2y^3 - y^5}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} g_y &= \frac{(x^2 + y^2)(x^3 - 3xy^2) - xy(x^2 - y^2)(2y)}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} \\ &= \frac{(x^2 + y^2)(x^3 - 3xy^2) - 2xy^2(x^2 - y^2)}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} \\ &= \frac{x^5 - 4x^3y^2 - xy^4}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} \end{aligned}$$

For  $x = y = 0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} g_x &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{g(h, 0) - g(0, 0)}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(h)(0)(h^2 - 0^2)}{h^2 + 0^2} - 0 \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{h^2 + 0^2}{h} - 0 \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

And

$$\begin{aligned} g_y &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{g(0, h) - g(0, 0)}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(0)(h)(0^2 - h^2)}{0^2 + h^2} - 0 \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{0^2 + h^2}{h} - 0 \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $g_x$  and  $g_y$  are defined everywhere and are continuous except at the origin.

(b) Use polar coordinates  $x = r \sin \theta$  and  $y = r \cos \theta$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
& \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} g_x \\
= & \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{x^4 y + 4x^2 y^3 - y^5}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} \\
= & \lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \frac{r^5 \sin^4 \theta \cos \theta + 4r^5 \sin^2 \theta \cos^3 \theta - r^5 \cos^5 \theta}{(r^2 \sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta)^2} \\
= & \lim_{r \rightarrow 0} r(\sin^4 \theta \cos \theta + 4 \sin^2 \theta \cos^3 \theta - \cos^5 \theta) \\
= & 0
\end{aligned}$$

Since  $|\sin^4 \theta \cos \theta + 4 \sin^2 \theta \cos^3 \theta - \cos^5 \theta|$  is bounded. Similarly,

$$\begin{aligned}
& \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} g_y \\
= & \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{x^5 - 4x^3 y^2 - xy^4}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} \\
= & \lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \frac{r^5 \sin^5 \theta - 4r^5 \sin^3 \theta \cos^2 \theta - r^5 \cos \theta \sin^4 \theta}{(r^2 \sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta)^2} \\
= & \lim_{r \rightarrow 0} r(\sin^5 \theta - 4 \sin^3 \theta \cos^2 \theta - \cos \theta \sin^4 \theta) \\
= & 0
\end{aligned}$$

Since  $|\sin^5 \theta - 4 \sin^3 \theta \cos^2 \theta - \cos \theta \sin^4 \theta|$  is bounded. Therefore,  $g_x$  and  $g_y$  are continuous at  $(0,0)$ .

(c) For  $x$  and  $y$  not both zero,

$$\begin{aligned}
g_{xx} &= \frac{(x^2 + y^2)^2(4x^3y + 8xy^3) - (x^4y + 4x^2y^3 - y^5)(2)(x^2 + y^2)(2x)}{(x^2 + y^2)^4} \\
&= \frac{(x^2 + y^2)(4x^3y + 8xy^3) - 4x(x^4y + 4x^2y^3 - y^5)}{(x^2 + y^2)^3} \\
&= \frac{-4x^3y^3 + 12xy^5}{(x^2 + y^2)^3} \\
g_{yy} &= \frac{(x^2 + y^2)^2(-8x^3y - 4xy^3) - (x^5 - 4x^3y^2 - xy^4)(2)(x^2 + y^2)(2y)}{(x^2 + y^2)^4} \\
&= \frac{(x^2 + y^2)(-8x^3y - 4xy^3) - 4y(x^5 - 4x^3y^2 - xy^4)}{(x^2 + y^2)^3} \\
&= \frac{-12x^5y + 4x^3y^3}{(x^2 + y^2)^3} \\
g_{xy} &= \frac{(x^2 + y^2)^2(x^4 + 12x^2y^2 - 5y^4) - (x^4y + 4x^2y^3 - y^5)(2)(x^2 + y^2)(2y)}{(x^2 + y^2)^4} \\
&= \frac{(x^2 + y^2)(x^4 + 12x^2y^2 - 5y^4) - 4y(x^4y + 4x^2y^3 - y^5)}{(x^2 + y^2)^3} \\
&= \frac{x^6 + 9x^4y^2 - 9x^2y^4 - y^6}{(x^2 + y^2)^3} \\
g_{yx} &= \frac{(x^2 + y^2)^2(5x^4 - 12x^2y^2 - y^4) - (x^5 - 4x^3y^2 - xy^4)(2)(x^2 + y^2)(2x)}{(x^2 + y^2)^4} \\
&= \frac{(x^2 + y^2)(5x^4 - 12x^2y^2 - y^4) - 4x(x^5 - 4x^3y^2 - xy^4)}{(x^2 + y^2)^3} \\
&= \frac{x^6 + 9x^4y^2 - 9x^2y^4 - y^6}{(x^2 + y^2)^3}
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the second-order partial derivatives of  $g$  are all defined and continuous except possible at the origin.

(d) For  $x = y = 0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
g_{xx} &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{g_x(h, 0) - g_x(0, 0)}{h} \\
&= \frac{(h^4)(0) + 4(h^2)(0^3) - (0^5)}{(h^2 + 0^2)^2} - 0 \\
&= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{h^4}{h^4} \\
&= 1 \\
g_{yy} &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{g_y(0, h) - g_y(0, 0)}{h} \\
&= \frac{(0^5) - 4(0^3)(h^2) - (0)(h^4)}{(0^2 + h^2)^2} - 0 \\
&= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{-4h^2}{h^4} \\
&= -\infty \\
g_{xy} &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{g_x(0, h) - g_x(0, 0)}{h} \\
&= \frac{(0)(h^4) + 4(0^2)(h^3) - (h^5)}{(h^2 + 0^2)^2} - 0 \\
&= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{-h^5}{h^4} \\
&= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} -h \\
&= 0 \\
g_{yx} &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{g_y(h, 0) - g_y(h, 0)}{h} \\
&= \frac{(h^5) - 4(h^3)(0^2) - (h)(0^4)}{(h^2 + 0^2)^2} - 0 \\
&= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{h^5}{h^4} \\
&= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} h \\
&= 0
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, all four second-order partial derivatives of  $g$  exist at the origin but that  $g_{xy}(0, 0) \neq g_{yx}(0, 0)$ .

(e) Consider along the straight line  $y = x$ ,

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} g_{xx} = \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{-4x^3y^3 + 12xy^5}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{-4x^6 + 12x^6}{x^6} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} 8 = 8$$

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} g_{yy} = \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{-12x^5y + 4x^3y^3}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{-12x^6 + 4x^6}{x^6} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} -8 = -8$$

Consider along the straight line  $y = 2x$ ,

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} g_{xy} = \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{x^6 + 9x^4y^2 - 9x^2y^4 - y^6}{(x^2 + y^2)^3} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^6 + 36x^6 - 144x^6 - 64x^6}{x^6} = -173$$



$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} g_{yx} = \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{x^6 + 9x^4y^2 - 9x^2y^4 - y^6}{(x^2 + y^2)^3} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^6 + 36x^6 - 144x^6 - 64x^6}{x^6} = -173$$

Therefore, none of the four second-order partial derivatives of  $g$  is continuous at the origin.

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