

1. (15 points) Let  $s_k = \sum_{j=1}^k \frac{1}{j}$ ,  $k = 1, 2, \dots$ , and  $A(x) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} s_k x^k$ .

(a) Find the interval of convergence of  $A(x)$ .

(b) Express  $A(x)$  in terms of elementary functions by comparing  $A(x)$  and  $xA(x)$ .

**Solution:**

(a)

Using ratio test, (knowing how to use ratio test or root test in the correct way earn 1 point)

$$\frac{s_{k+1}}{s_k} = 1 + \frac{\left(\frac{1}{k+1}\right)}{s_k} \rightarrow 1 \text{ as } k \rightarrow \infty,$$

thus the radius of convergence of  $A(x)$  is 1. (having computed the radius of convergence earn 3 points)  
(The radius of convergence can also be calculated using root test.)

$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt[k]{s_k} &= \sqrt[k]{\frac{1}{1} + \frac{1}{2} + \dots + \frac{1}{k}} \leq \sqrt[k]{1 + 1 + \dots + 1} = \sqrt[k]{k} \\ \sqrt[k]{s_k} &= \sqrt[k]{\frac{1}{1} + \frac{1}{2} + \dots + \frac{1}{k}} \geq \sqrt[k]{\frac{1}{k} + \frac{1}{k} + \dots + \frac{1}{k}} = 1 \end{aligned}$$

Since

$$\sqrt[k]{k} = e^{\frac{\ln k}{k}}$$

and

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln t}{t} = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\left(\frac{1}{t}\right)}{1} = 0 \text{ by l'hospital rule.}$$

Thus

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[k]{k} = 1$$

and by squeezing

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[k]{s_k} = 1.$$

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Note that

$$|s_k(\pm 1)^k| = s_k \rightarrow \infty \neq 0 \text{ as } k \rightarrow \infty,$$

hence  $A(x)$  diverges at  $x = \pm 1$ . The interval of convergence of  $A(x)$  is  $(-1, 1)$ . (obtaining the endpoints behavior earn 1 point)

(b)

For  $x \in (-1, 1)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} A(x) &= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} s_k x^k = x + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} s_k x^k \\ xA(x) &= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} s_k x^{k+1} = \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} s_{k-1} x^k. \end{aligned}$$

Subtracting them, we obtain

$$(1-x)A(x) = x + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} (s_k - s_{k-1})x^k = x + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k}x^k = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k}x^k. \quad (5 \text{ points})$$

But

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k}x^k = -\ln(1-x),$$

So

$$A(x) = -\frac{\ln(1-x)}{1-x}. \quad (5 \text{ points})$$

2. (15 points)

- (a) Expand  $f(x) = (x - 1) \ln(1 + 3x)$  in powers of  $x - 1$ .  
 (b) For what values of  $x$  is the above expansion valid?  
 (c) Find the sum  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k} \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^k$ .

**Solution:**

- (a)  $f(x) = (x-1) \ln(1+3x) = (x-1) \ln[3(x-1)+4] = (x-1) \ln[4(1+\frac{3}{4}(x-1))] = (x-1)[\ln 4 + \ln[1+\frac{3}{4}(x-1)]] = (x-1)[\ln 4 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{k+1}}{k} [\frac{3}{4}(x-1)]^k]$   
 (b)  $-1 < \frac{3}{4}(x-1) \leq 1$ , which is say if  $\frac{-1}{3} < x \leq \frac{7}{3}$   
 (c)  $f(0) = 0 = -\ln 4 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k} (\frac{3}{4})^k$   
 $\Rightarrow \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k} (\frac{3}{4})^k = \ln 4$ .

3. (15 points) Let  $\mathcal{C}$  be the curve given by  $\mathbf{r}(t) = \frac{2}{3}(1+t)^{\frac{3}{2}}\mathbf{i} + \frac{2}{3}(1-t)^{\frac{3}{2}}\mathbf{j} + at\mathbf{k}$ ,  $t \in (-1, 1)$ ,  $a \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$ .  
 (a) Find the length  $s(b)$  of the curve from  $t = 0$  to  $t = b \in (0, 1)$ .  
 (b) Find the unit tangent, the principal normal, and the osculating plane of  $\mathcal{C}$  at  $\mathbf{r}(t)$ .  
 (c) Find the curvature  $\kappa(t)$  of  $\mathcal{C}$  at  $\mathbf{r}(t)$ .

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma'(t) &= ((1+t)^{\frac{1}{2}}, -(1-t)^{\frac{1}{2}}, a) \\ |\mathbf{T}'(t)| &= \sqrt{a^2 + 2} \\ s(b) &= \int_0^b |\mathbf{T}'(t)| dt = b\sqrt{a^2 + 2} \dots \dots \dots (3pts) \\ \mathbf{T}(t) &= \frac{\gamma'(t)}{|\gamma'(t)|} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{a^2 + 2}} ((1+t)^{\frac{1}{2}}, -(1-t)^{\frac{1}{2}}, a) \dots \dots \dots (3pts) \\ \mathbf{T}'(t) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{a^2 + 2}} (\frac{1}{2}(1+t)^{-\frac{1}{2}}, \frac{1}{2}(1-t)^{-\frac{1}{2}}, 0) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{a^2 + 2}} (1+t)^{-\frac{1}{2}}, (1-t)^{-\frac{1}{2}}, 0) \\ |\mathbf{T}'(t)| &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2(a^2 + 2)(1-t^2)}} \\ \mathbf{N}(t) &= \frac{\mathbf{T}'(t)}{|\mathbf{T}'(t)|} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} ((1-t)^{\frac{1}{2}}, (1+t)^{\frac{1}{2}}, 0) \dots \dots \dots (3pts) \\ \mathbf{B}(t) &= \mathbf{T}(t) \times \mathbf{N}(t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2(a^2 + 2)}} (-a(1+t)^{\frac{1}{2}}, a(1-t)^{\frac{1}{2}}, 2) \\ \text{Osculating plane at } \gamma(t) &: (x - \frac{2}{3}(1+t)^{\frac{2}{3}}, y - \frac{2}{3}(1-t)^{\frac{2}{3}}, z - at) \cdot \mathbf{B}(t) = 0 \dots \dots \dots (3pts) \\ \kappa(t) &= \frac{|\mathbf{T}'(t)|}{|\gamma'(t)|} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2(a^2 + 2)}\sqrt{1-t^2}}, \quad t \in (-1, 1) \dots \dots \dots (3pts) \end{aligned}$$

4. (15 points) Let  $f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{x^2y}{x^2 + y^2}, & (x, y) \neq (0, 0); \\ 0, & (x, y) = (0, 0). \end{cases}$   
 (a) Compute  $f_x(0, 0)$  and  $f_y(0, 0)$ .  
 (b) Calculate  $f_x(x, y)$  and  $f_y(x, y)$  for  $(x, y) \neq (0, 0)$ .  
 (c) Are  $f_x$  and  $f_y$  continuous at  $(0, 0)$ ?  
 (d) Determine  $f_{xy}(0, 0)$  and  $f_{yx}(0, 0)$  if they exist. If they do not exist, explain why.  
 (e) Is  $f(x, y)$  differentiable at  $(0, 0)$ ?

**Solution:**

(a) by definition ,

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}\bigg|_{(0,0)} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(h,0) - f(0,0)}{h} = 0$$

similarly ,

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}\bigg|_{(0,0)} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(0,h) - f(0,0)}{h} = 0 \text{ (each 1 pts.)}$$

(b) when  $f$  on  $(x,y) \neq (0,0)$ 

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = \frac{2xy(x^2 + y^2) - x^2y(2x)}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} = \frac{2xy^3}{(x^2 + y^2)^2}$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = \frac{x^2(x^2 + y^2) - x^2y(2y)}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} = \frac{x^2(x^2 - y^2)}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} \text{ (each 2pts.)}$$

(c) observe  $f$  along  $y = mx$  ,  $m$  arbitrary

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} f_x(x,y) = \lim_{(x,mx) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{2x(mx)^3}{(x^2 + (mx)^2)^2} = \frac{2m^3}{(1+m^2)^2} \neq f_x(0,0) = 0$$

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} f_y(x,y) = \lim_{(x,mx) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{x^2(x^2 - (mx)^2)}{(x^2 + (mx)^2)^2} = \frac{1-m^2}{(1+m^2)^2} \neq f_y(0,0) = 0$$

 $\Rightarrow$  limit doesn't exist at  $(0,0)$  $\Rightarrow f_x, f_y$  not conti. at  $(0,0)$  (3 pts.)

$$(d) f_{xy} = \frac{\partial f_x}{\partial y}(0,0) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f_x(0,h) - f_x(0,0)}{h} = 0$$

$$f_{yx} = \frac{\partial f_y}{\partial x}(0,0) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f_y(h,0) - f_y(0,0)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{h} \rightarrow \infty \text{ (3 pts.)}$$

$$(e) \text{ sol.1 If } f \text{ diff. at } (0,0) \text{ , then } \lim_{\sqrt{h^2+k^2} \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(h,k) - f(0,0) - \nabla f(0,0) \cdot (h,k)}{\sqrt{h^2+k^2}} = 0 \text{ (1 pts)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{\sqrt{h^2+k^2} \rightarrow 0} \frac{h^2k}{(h^2+k^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}} = 0$$

But along  $h = k$ 

$$\lim_{\sqrt{h^2+k^2} \rightarrow 0} \frac{h^2k}{(h^2+k^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{h^3}{2^{\frac{3}{2}}h^3} = 2^{-\frac{3}{2}} \neq 0 \text{ so } f \text{ not diff. at } (0,0) \text{ (3 pts.)}$$

$$\text{sol.2 set } \vec{u} = \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{m^2+1}}, \frac{m}{\sqrt{m^2+1}} \right)$$

$$f_u(0,0) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f\left(\frac{h}{\sqrt{m^2+1}}, \frac{mh}{\sqrt{m^2+1}}\right) - f(0,0)}{h} = \frac{m}{(1+m^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}}$$

$$\text{But } \nabla f(0,0) \cdot \vec{u} = \langle f_x(0,0), f_y(0,0) \rangle \cdot \vec{u} = 0$$

a contradiction , so  $f$  not diff. at  $(0,0)$  (3 pts.)5. (15 points) Let  $f(x,y,z) = e^{xy} \ln z$ . Find the directional derivatives of  $f$  at  $P(1,0,e)$  in the following directions.(a) In the direction in which  $f$  increases most rapidly at  $P$ .(b) In the directions parallel to the line in which the planes  $x + y - z = 2$  and  $4x - y - z = 1$  intersect.(c) In the direction of increasing  $t$  along the path

$$\mathbf{r}(t) = \sqrt{1+t^2} \mathbf{i} + \tan t \mathbf{j} + e^{2t+1} \mathbf{k}$$

**Solution:**

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

$$\Rightarrow \nabla f(x, y, z) = (ye^{xy} \ln z) \mathbf{i} + (xe^{xy} \ln z) \mathbf{j} + \left(\frac{1}{z}e^{xy}\right) \mathbf{k} \quad (2 \text{ pts})$$

$$\Rightarrow \nabla f(1, 0, e) = \mathbf{j} + \frac{1}{e} \mathbf{k} \quad (1 \text{ pt})$$

(Get the correct expression of  $\nabla f(x, y, z)$  but the wrong value of  $\nabla f(1, 0, e)$ : 2-point deduction for whole question.)

(a)

The desired directional derivative is  $\|\nabla f(1, 0, e)\| = \frac{\sqrt{1+e^2}}{e}$ . (4 pts)

(b)

The directions of this line are  $\mathbf{v} = (1, 1, -1) \times (4, -1, -1) = (-2, -3, -5)$  and  $-\mathbf{v} = (2, 3, 5)$ .

$\Rightarrow$  The unit vectors are  $\mathbf{u} = \frac{\mathbf{v}}{\|\mathbf{v}\|} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{38}}(-2, -3, -5)$  and  $-\mathbf{u} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{38}}(2, 3, 5)$ . (2 pts)

$\Rightarrow$  The directional derivative in  $\mathbf{u}$  is  $\nabla f(1, 0, e) \cdot \mathbf{u} = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{38}}(3 + 5e^{-1})$ , and directional derivative the in  $-\mathbf{u}$  is

$\frac{1}{\sqrt{38}}(3 + 5e^{-1})$ . (2 pts)

(If you only write one of the two derivatives, you get at most 3 pts.)

(c)

$$\mathbf{r}'(t) = \frac{t}{\sqrt{1+t^2}} \mathbf{i} + \sec^2 t \mathbf{j} + 2e^{2t+1} \mathbf{k}$$

$\Rightarrow \mathbf{r}'(0) = \mathbf{j} + 2e \mathbf{k}$ . (2 pts)

$\Rightarrow$  The desired directional derivative is  $\nabla f(\mathbf{r}(0)) \cdot \frac{\mathbf{r}'(0)}{\|\mathbf{r}'(0)\|} = \frac{3}{\sqrt{1+4e^2}}$ . (2 pts)

(Calculation error: 1-point deduction for each error.)

(Correct formula but with wrong answer form: 1-point deduction for each error.)

(Did not use unit vectors: 1-point deduction for each error.)

6. (15 points) Suppose  $f(x, y) = x^2 + cxy + 2y^2$  where  $c$  is a constant.

- Find all values of  $c$  such that  $(0, 0)$  is a stationary point of  $f$ .
- Find all values of  $c$  such that  $(0, 0)$  is a saddle point of  $f$ .
- Find all values of  $c$  such that  $f$  has a local minimum at  $(0, 0)$ .
- Find all values of  $c$  and all  $(x_0, y_0) \neq (0, 0)$  such that  $f$  has a local minimum at  $(x_0, y_0)$ .

**Solution:**

(a) (3 %)

**solution:**

For  $\nabla f = (2x + cy)\hat{i} + (cx + 4y)\hat{j}$ , we have a point  $(x, y)$  is a stationary point if  $\nabla f(x, y) = 0$ , that is  $2x + cy = 0$  and  $cx + 4y = 0$ . So, for  $(0, 0)$  to be a stationary point of  $f$ , it is clear that  $c$  can be any real number, i.e.  $c \in \mathbb{R}$ .

(b) (4 %)

**solution:**

For  $\nabla f = (2x + cy)\hat{i} + (cx + 4y)\hat{j} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}\hat{i} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}\hat{j}$ , we have  $\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2}(x, y) = 2$ ,  $\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2}(x, y) = 4$ , and  $\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y}(x, y) =$

$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x}(x, y) = c$  for all  $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ . Thus, at  $(0, 0)$ ,  $A = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2}(0, 0) = 2$ ,  $C = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2}(0, 0) = 4$ , and  $B = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y}(0, 0) =$

$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x}(0, 0) = c$ .

The discriminant is  $D = AC - B^2 = 8 - c^2$ .

By second partials test, for  $(0, 0)$  to be a saddle point, we must have  $D < 0$ , that is  $8 - c^2 < 0$ , so  $c > 2\sqrt{2}$  and  $c < -2\sqrt{2}$ .

If you do this problem only until here, you can get 4 points ,but the check for the case  $D = 0$  will be 2 points in next problem (c).

When  $D = 0$ , we have  $c = \pm 2\sqrt{2}$ , so if  $c = 2\sqrt{2}$ , we have  $f(x, y) = x^2 + 2\sqrt{2}xy + 2y^2 = (x + \sqrt{2}y)^2 \geq 0$  for all  $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ , thus  $(0, 0)$  is a local minimum if  $c = 2\sqrt{2}$ . Similarly, when  $c = -2\sqrt{2}$ , we have  $f(x, y) = x^2 - 2\sqrt{2}xy + 2y^2 = (x - \sqrt{2}y)^2 \geq 0$  for all  $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ , thus  $(0, 0)$  is a local minimum if  $c = -2\sqrt{2}$ .

Therefore, the point  $(0, 0)$  is a saddle point only when  $c > 2\sqrt{2}$  and  $c < -2\sqrt{2}$ .

(c) (4 %)

**solution:**

The discriminant is  $D = AC - B^2 = 8 - c^2$ .

By second partials test, for  $(0, 0)$  to be a local minimum, we must have  $D > 0$  and  $A > 0$ , but  $A = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2}(0, 0) = 2 > 0$ , which is clear. So we only need to consider  $D > 0$ , that is  $8 - c^2 > 0$ , so  $-2\sqrt{2} < c < 2\sqrt{2}$ .

If you do this problem only until here, you can get 2 points.

By the argument in the problem (b), we know that when  $c = \pm 2\sqrt{2}$ ,  $(0, 0)$  is a local minimum. Thus  $(0, 0)$  is a local minimum only when  $-2\sqrt{2} \leq c \leq 2\sqrt{2}$

(d) (4%)

**solution:**

Note that if a point  $(x_0, y_0)$  is a local minimum of  $f$ , we must have the point  $(x_0, y_0)$  satisfies  $\nabla f(x_0, y_0) = 0$ , that is  $2x_0 + cy_0 = 0$  and  $cx_0 + 4y_0 = 0$ . But to have the point  $(x_0, y_0) \neq (0, 0)$ , we need the above system of equations ( $2x_0 + cy_0 = 0$  &  $cx_0 + 4y_0 = 0$ ) have solutions other than  $(0, 0)$  this is equivalent to  $8 - c^2 = 0$  (which is the determinant of the matrix of the coefficients of the above system of equations).

So  $c = \pm 2\sqrt{2}$ , when  $c = 2\sqrt{2}$ , we have  $f(x, y) = x^2 + 2\sqrt{2}xy + 2y^2 = (x + \sqrt{2}y)^2 \geq 0$  for all  $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ , thus we have all the points on the line  $x + \sqrt{2}y = 0$  are local minimum of  $f$ .

Similarly, when  $c = -2\sqrt{2}$ , we have  $f(x, y) = x^2 - 2\sqrt{2}xy + 2y^2 = (x - \sqrt{2}y)^2 \geq 0$  for all  $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ , thus we have all the points on the line  $x - \sqrt{2}y = 0$  are local minimum of  $f$ .

Therefore, the value of  $c$  are  $\pm 2\sqrt{2}$ , and the corresponding  $(x_0, y_0) \neq (0, 0)$  are the set  $\{(x, y) \neq (0, 0) : x + \sqrt{2}y = 0\}$  and  $\{(x, y) \neq (0, 0) : x - \sqrt{2}y = 0\}$ , respectively.

7. (15 points) A rectangular box has three of its faces on the coordinate planes and one vertex in the first octant on the paraboloid  $z = 4 - 5x^2 - 6y^2$ . Determine the maximum volume of the box.

**Solution:**

We want to find the maximum of  $xyz$  with side condition  $z = 4 - 5x^2 - 6y^2$ . So putting  $f(x, y, z) = xyz$  and  $g(x, y, z) = 5x^2 + 6y^2 + z$ , and using Lagrangian's method by setting  $\nabla f = \lambda \nabla g$ , we have

$$\begin{cases} yz = 10\lambda x \\ xz = 12\lambda y \\ xy = \lambda. \end{cases}$$

Substituting  $xy = \lambda$  to the first and the second equation, we have

$$\begin{cases} yz = 10x^2y \\ xz = 12\lambda xy^2. \end{cases}$$

Hence, we get  $z = 10x^2 = 12y^2$ , since  $z = 4 - 5x^2 - 6y^2$ , we get  $x^2 = \frac{1}{5}$ ,  $y^2 = \frac{1}{6}$ , and  $z = 2$  (also we get  $\lambda = \frac{1}{\sqrt{30}}$ )

when  $xyz$  attains extrema. We then deduce the maximum should be  $\sqrt{\frac{2}{15}}$ .

評分標準：

- 算出  $\nabla f$  及  $\nabla g$ ，並列出  $\nabla f = \lambda \nabla g$  以明示使用 Lagrange 方法，得 2 分
- 滿足前述條件且列出  $yz = 10\lambda x$ ,  $xz = 12\lambda y$ ,  $xy = \lambda$  之明顯的等價敘述，得 3 分
- 滿足前述條件且列出  $10x^2 = 12y^2$  之明顯的等價敘述，得 3 分
- 滿足前述條件且列出  $z = 10x^2 = 12y^2$  之明顯的等價敘述，得 2 分
- 滿足前述條件且得到正確答案，得 5 分。但若滿足前述條件且得到達最大值之座標、比值或  $\lambda$  卻計算出錯誤答案，得 3 分。
- 使用其他方法（例如：第二偏導數判定法、算幾不等式等等）斟酌給分。