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CS102 Calculus 3 Section G - Homework 4

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Problem 1 (20 points).

Find the limit, if it exists, or show that the limit does not exist.

a) $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (1,0)} \frac{\ln(x + e^y)}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}}$

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (1,0)} \frac{\ln(x + e^y)}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} = \frac{\ln(1 + e^0)}{\sqrt{1^2 + 0^2}} = \ln(2)$$

b) $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} (x^2 + y^2)^{|x|}$

Take $x = r \cos \varphi$ and $y = r \sin \varphi$

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} (x^2 + y^2)^{|x|} = \lim_{(r,\varphi) \rightarrow (0,0)} 1^{|r \cos \varphi|} = 1$$

c) $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,1)} \frac{\ln(y^2 - 2y + 2) \sin^2(x)}{x^4 + (y - 1)^4}$

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,1)} \frac{\ln(y^2 - 2y + 2) \sin^2(x)}{x^4 + (y - 1)^4} \stackrel{x=0}{=} \lim_{y \rightarrow 1} \frac{\ln(y^2 - 2y + 2) \cdot 0}{(y - 1)^4} = 0$$

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,1)} \frac{\ln(y^2 - 2y + 2) \sin^2(x)}{x^4 + (y - 1)^4} \stackrel{y=x+1}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\ln(x^2 + 1)}{2x^2} \cdot \left(\frac{\sin x}{x}\right)^2 = \frac{1}{2}$$

$\therefore$ the limit does not exist

d) $\lim_{(x,y,z) \rightarrow (0,0,0)} \frac{xy + yz^2 + xz^2}{x^2 + y^2 + z^4}$

$$\lim_{(x,y,z) \rightarrow (0,0,0)} \frac{xy + yz^2 + xz^2}{x^2 + y^2 + z^4} \stackrel{\substack{x=z^2 \\ y=z^2}}{=} \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \frac{z^4 + z^4 + z^4}{z^4 + z^4 + z^4} = 1$$

$$\lim_{(x,y,z) \rightarrow (0,0,0)} \frac{xy + yz^2 + xz^2}{x^2 + y^2 + z^4} \stackrel{x=z}{=} \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \frac{z^2 + 2z^3}{2z^2 + z^4} = \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 + 2z}{2 + z^2} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$\therefore$ the limit does not exist

Problem 2 (20 points).

Study the continuity of the following functions

a) $f(x, y) = \operatorname{sgn}(y^2 - x^3)$

Function is not continuous, as at points where $y^2 = x^3$ there is a discontinuity.

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0^+)} f(x, y) = 1, \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0^-)} f(x, y) = -1, f(0, 0) = 0$$

b) $f(x, y) = [x + y]$, where $[a]$ is the integer part of a .

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,1^-)} [x + y] = 0, \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,1^+)} [x + y] = 1 \implies \text{not continuous}$$

c) $f(x, y) = x \sin\left(\frac{1}{y}\right) + y \sin\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)$, $f(x, 0) = f(0, y) = 0$

$$\left| \sin\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) \right| \leq 1 \implies \left| y \sin\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) \right| \leq y \text{ and } \left| \sin\left(\frac{1}{y}\right) \right| \leq 1 \implies \left| x \sin\left(\frac{1}{y}\right) \right| \leq x$$

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} f(x, y) \stackrel{\text{squeeze}}{=} 0 = f(0, 0) \text{ and no other discontinuity points } \implies f \text{ is continuous}$$

d) $f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{\ln(1 + |xy|)}{2x^2 + y^2}, & \text{if } (x, y) \neq (0, 0) \\ 0, & \text{if } (x, y) = (0, 0) \end{cases}$

$$\text{Take } x = \frac{r}{\sqrt{2}} \cos \varphi \text{ and } y = r \sin \varphi$$

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{\ln(1 + |xy|)}{2x^2 + y^2} = \lim_{(r,\varphi) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{\ln(1 + |r^2 \sin 2\varphi|)}{r^2 \sin 2\varphi} \cdot \sin 2\varphi = 0$$

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} f(x, y) = 0 = f(0, 0) \text{ and no other discontinuity points } \implies f \text{ is continuous}$$

Problem 3 (30 points).

Find the general equation of the tangent plane to the graph of the given function at the specified point P whenever it exists.

a) $f(x, y) = 3y^2 - 2x^2 + x$, $P = (2, -1, -3)$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = 1 - 4x \text{ and } \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = 6y \text{ are continuous}$$

$$\text{General equation of a tangent plane: } z - z_0 = f'_x(x_0, y_0) \cdot (x - x_0) + f'_y(x_0, y_0) \cdot (y - y_0)$$

$$z + 3 = -7(x - 2) - 6(y + 1) \implies 7x + 6y + z = 5$$

b) $f(x, y) = x \sin(x + y)$, $P = (-1, 1, 0)$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = \sin(x + y) + x \cos(x + y) \text{ and } \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = x \cos(x + y) \text{ are continuous}$$

$$z - 0 = -1(x + 1) - 1(y - 1) \implies x + y + z = 0$$

c) $f(x, y) = \sqrt[3]{x^3 + y^3}$, $P = (0, 0, 0)$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = \frac{3x^2}{(x^3 + y^3)^{\frac{2}{3}}} \text{ and } \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = \frac{3y^2}{(x^3 + y^3)^{\frac{2}{3}}} \text{ are not continuous at point } P$$

$\therefore$ the function does not have a tangent plane at point P

Problem 4 (30 points).

For the following function f compute the partial derivatives of f at $P = (0, 0)$ whenever they exist. Is f differentiable at P ?

a) $f(x, y) = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$

$$\left. \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right|_{(x,y)=(0,0)} = \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{(0 + \Delta x)^2 + 0^2} - 0}{\Delta x} = \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta x}{\Delta x} = 1$$

$$\left. \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right|_{(x,y)=(0,0)} = \lim_{\Delta y \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{0^2 + (0 + \Delta y)^2} - 0}{\Delta y} = \lim_{\Delta y \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta y} = 1$$

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

$$= \lim_{(r, \varphi) \rightarrow (0,0)} 1 - \frac{r(\sin \varphi + \cos \varphi)}{r} = 0$$

$\therefore f$ is differentiable at $P = (0, 0)$

b) $f(x, y) = \sqrt[3]{x^4 + y^4}$

$$\left. \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right|_{(x,y)=(0,0)} = \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt[3]{(0 + \Delta x)^4 + 0^4} - 0}{\Delta x} = \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta x^{\frac{4}{3}}}{\Delta x} = 0$$

$$\left. \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right|_{(x,y)=(0,0)} = \lim_{\Delta y \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt[3]{0^4 + (0 + \Delta y)^4} - 0}{\Delta y} = \lim_{\Delta y \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta y^{\frac{4}{3}}}{\Delta y} = 0$$

$$\lim_{(\Delta x, \Delta y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{f(0 + \Delta x, 0 + \Delta y) - f(0, 0) - 0\Delta x - 0\Delta y}{\sqrt{\Delta x^2 + \Delta y^2}} = \lim_{(\Delta x, \Delta y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{\sqrt[3]{\Delta x^4 + \Delta y^4}}{\sqrt{\Delta x^2 + \Delta y^2}}$$

$$= \lim_{(r, \varphi) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{r^{\frac{4}{3}} \sqrt[3]{\sin^4 \varphi + \cos^4 \varphi}}{r} = 0$$

$\therefore f$ is differentiable at $P = (0, 0)$

$$\text{c) } f(x, y) = \begin{cases} e^{-\frac{1}{x^2 + y^2}}, & \text{if } (x, y) \neq (0, 0) \\ 0, & \text{if } (x, y) = (0, 0) \end{cases}$$

$$\left. \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right|_{(x,y)=(0,0)} = \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{-\frac{1}{\Delta x^2}} - 0}{\Delta x} \stackrel{w=\frac{1}{\Delta x}}{=} \lim_{w \rightarrow \infty} \frac{w}{e^{w^2}} = 0$$

$$\left. \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right|_{(x,y)=(0,0)} = \lim_{\Delta y \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{-\frac{1}{\Delta y^2}} - 0}{\Delta y} \stackrel{w=\frac{1}{\Delta y}}{=} \lim_{w \rightarrow \infty} \frac{w}{e^{w^2}} = 0$$

$$\lim_{(\Delta x, \Delta y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{f(0 + \Delta x, 0 + \Delta y) - f(0, 0) - 0\Delta x - 0\Delta y}{\sqrt{\Delta x^2 + \Delta y^2}} = \lim_{(\Delta x, \Delta y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{e^{-\frac{1}{\Delta x^2 + \Delta y^2}}}{\sqrt{\Delta x^2 + \Delta y^2}}$$

$$\stackrel{w=\frac{1}{\Delta x^2 + \Delta y^2}}{=} \lim_{w \rightarrow \infty} \frac{e^{-w}}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{w}}} = \lim_{w \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{w}}{e^w} = 0$$

$\therefore f$ is differentiable at $P = (0, 0)$