

Math 217 Fall 2013 Homework 6

DUE THURSDAY OCT. 31, 2013 5PM

- This homework consists of 6 problems of 5 points each. The total is 30.
- You need to fully justify your answer – prove that your function indeed has the specified property – for each problem.
- Please read this week’s lecture notes before working on the problems.

Question 1. Let $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}^N$ be convex. Let $r > 0$ and $B := \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^N \mid \text{dist}(\mathbf{x}, A) < r\}$, where $\text{dist}(\mathbf{x}, A) := \inf_{\mathbf{y} \in A} \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}\|$. Prove that B is convex.

Question 2. Consider $\mathbf{f}: \mathbb{R}^2 \mapsto \mathbb{R}^2$ defined through

$$\mathbf{f}(x, y) := \begin{pmatrix} x^3 - 3xy^2 \\ 3x^2y - y^3 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (1)$$

Prove:

- For every $(x_0, y_0) \neq (0, 0)$ there is open set $U \ni (x_0, y_0)$ such that \mathbf{f} is one-to-one on U ;
- Let U be open and $(0, 0) \in U$. Then \mathbf{f} is not one-to-one on U .

Question 3. Let $f: (a, b) \mapsto \mathbb{R}$ such that $f^{(n+1)}(x)$ is continuous. For any $x_0, x \in (a, b)$, write

$$f(x) = f(x_0) + f'(x_0)(x - x_0) + \frac{f''(x_0)}{2!}(x - x_0)^2 + \dots + \frac{f^{(n)}(x_0)}{n!}(x - x_0)^n + R_n(x, x_0). \quad (2)$$

- Prove that $\frac{\partial R_n}{\partial x_0}$ exists;
- Calculate $\frac{\partial R_n}{\partial x_0}$;
- Prove that

$$R_n(x, x_0) = \frac{1}{n!} \int_{x_0}^x (x - y)^n f^{(n+1)}(y) dy. \quad (3)$$

Question 4. Calculate all third order partial derivatives for $f(x, y) = x^4 + y^4 + 4x^2y^2$.

Question 5. Let $f(x, y, z) := xyz e^{x+y+z}$. Find $\frac{\partial^{p+q+r} f}{\partial x^p \partial y^q \partial z^r}$. Here $p, q, r \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$.

Question 6. Let $f: \mathbb{R}^2 \mapsto \mathbb{R}$. Assume $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}$ are differentiable at (x_0, y_0) . Prove

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x}(x_0, y_0) = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y}(x_0, y_0). \quad (4)$$