

MATH 217 FALL 2013 HOMEWORK 5

- 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. Consider $f: \mathbb{R} \mapsto \mathbb{R}^3$ defined through

$$\mathbf{f}(t) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos t \\ \sin t \\ t \end{pmatrix}. \quad (1)$$

Find $t_1 < t_2$ such that there is no $\xi \in (t_1, t_2)$ satisfying

$$\mathbf{f}(t_2) - \mathbf{f}(t_1) = \mathbf{f}'(\xi)(t_2 - t_1). \quad (2)$$

Explain why this is not contradicting Mean Value Theorem.

Question 2. Find $f(x, y)$ such that f is differentiable (meaning differentiable everywhere) but $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}$, $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}$ are not continuous.

Question 3. Let $f(x, y) = \sin(2x) \sin y \sin(2x + y)$ and $A := \{(x, y) \mid x \geq 0, y \geq 0, 2x + y \leq \pi\}$. Find $\max_{(x, y) \in A} f(x, y)$.

Question 4. Let $z = Z(x, y)$ be determined through the equation

$$xy + yz + zx = 1. \quad (3)$$

Find $\frac{\partial Z}{\partial x}$, $\frac{\partial Z}{\partial y}$ without solving Z explicitly.

Question 5. Let $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_N \in \mathbb{R}^N$ be such that $\|\mathbf{v}_i\| = 1$ for all i , $\mathbf{v}_i \cdot \mathbf{v}_j = 0$ for all $i \neq j$. Let $f: \mathbb{R}^N \mapsto \mathbb{R}$ be differentiable. Prove

$$\left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial \mathbf{v}_1}\right)^2 + \dots + \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial \mathbf{v}_N}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1}\right)^2 + \dots + \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_N}\right)^2. \quad (4)$$

Question 6. Let $\mathbf{f}: \mathbb{R}^N \mapsto \mathbb{R}^N$ have continuous partial derivatives. Let $\alpha > 0$. Assume that \mathbf{f} satisfies

$$\|\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}) - \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{y})\| \geq \alpha \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}\| \quad (5)$$

for all $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^N$. Prove

- a) $\det\left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{f}}{\partial \mathbf{x}}\right) \neq 0$ for all \mathbf{x} ;
- b) For any fixed $\mathbf{y}_0 \in \mathbb{R}^N$, $F(\mathbf{x}) := \|\mathbf{y}_0 - \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x})\|$ reaches minimum but not maximum;
- c) $\mathbf{f}(\mathbb{R}^N) = \mathbb{R}^N$.