

Homework Set 5

DUE: FEB 23, 2017 (IN CLASS)

1. Compute the following limits, or prove that they do not exist:

- (a) $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{x^4 - y^4}{x^2 - y^2}$
- (b) $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{x - y}{x^2 + y^2}$
- (c) $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{x + y}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}}$
- (d) $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{(x^2 + y^2) \sin(x^2 + y^2)}{x^4 + y^4}$

2. Compute the following partial derivatives of the function $f(x, y, z) = x^2y + \sin(z^2 - x)$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}, \quad \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}, \quad \frac{\partial f}{\partial z}, \quad \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2}, \quad \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2}, \quad \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial z^2}, \quad \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y}, \quad \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial z}, \quad \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial z}$$

3. Let $z = f(x, y)$ be the function implicitly defined by $z^3 + z = x^2 + y^2$. Note that when $x = 1$ and $y = 1$, then $z = 1$ as well. Compute $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(1, 1)$.
4. Consider the parametrization $x(t) = e^{-t} \cos t$, $y(t) = e^{-t} \sin t$, of the logarithmic spiral. Let $f(x, y) = x + y$, and set $w(t) = f(x(t), y(t))$. Compute $w'(t)$ using the Chain Rule for functions of 2 variables, and then verify you obtained the correct answer by substituting and using the explicit formula for $w(t)$.
5. An ice block, in the format of a brick (more precisely, a *rectangular parallelepiped*), is left under the sun to melt. At a given instant, the lengths of its three sides a , b , and c , are 1cm , 2cm , and 3cm . At that same time, you observe that each of the sides a , b , and c , is respectively shrinking at rates of 0.5cm/sec , 1cm/sec , and 3cm/sec . At what rates are the *volume* and the *surface area* of this ice block changing at that instant?