

136.275, Assignment No. 5

February 4, 2005

The assignment is due Friday, February 11, 2004 in class. Late assignments receive a mark zero.

1. a) Let $f(x,y)$ be such that $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (a,b)} f(x,y) = 0$ and let $g(x,y)$ be bounded in a neighbourhood of the point (a,b) , i.e. $\exists r > 0, \exists M > 0$, such that $\forall (x,y) \in D((a,b);r)$ we have $|g(x,y)| \leq M$. Use the ϵ, δ definition of the limit to prove that $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (a,b)} f(x,y)g(x,y) = 0$. [3]
b) Prove that if a function f is differentiable at the point (x,y) and if $D_u f(x,y) = 0$ in two nonparallel directions, then $D_u f(x,y) = 0$ in all directions. [4]
2. a) A particle is moving along a metal plate in the xy plane with velocity $\mathbf{v} = \langle 1, -4 \rangle$ at the point $(3, 2)$. Given that the temperature of the plate is $T(x,y) = y^2 \ln x, x > 0$, find $\frac{dT}{dt}$ at the point $(3, 2)$. What is the direction of the greatest increase of the temperature at the point $(3, 2)$? [5]
b) Let $H(u,v) = f(uv, u/v)$. Find $\partial^2 H / \partial v^2$ in terms of u, v and partial derivatives of f in terms of $(uv$ and $u/v)$. [5]
3. a) Find the equation of the tangent plane to the surface $z = x^2 e^{2y}$ at the point $(1, \ln 2, 4)$. [4]
b) Find all points on the surface $z = 2 - xy$ at which the normal line passes through the origin. [5]
4. Let d be the usual metric on $\mathbb{R}^2$, let $A = \{(x,y); x > 0, y = \sin \frac{1}{x}\}$, $B = \{(x,y); x \in \mathbb{Z}, y = x\}$ and $C = D(\mathbf{0}; 2) \setminus \{(-1, 0), (1, 0)\}$. For each of A, B and C determine by explaining your work:
a) interior points and boundary points,
b) are they open, closed or neither,
c) are they bounded or not. [7]
5. Let $f(x,y) = xe^y - x^2 - e^y$.
a) Determine the local extremes and saddle points of f on $\mathbb{R}^2$. [4]
b) Find the absolute extremes of f over the closed region bounded by $y = \ln x$, $y = 0$ and $x = e$. [6]