

Brief solutions to Quiz 4

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1. (40 pts) Give formal definition of $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (x_0,y_0)} f(x,y) = L$. Does $f(x,y) = \frac{x^2y}{x^4 + y^2}$ have a limit at $(0,0)$? Explain.

Ans:

Definition: See page 816 of the textbook.

No. See Section 14.2, Example 6 on page 820 of the textbook.

2. (40 pts)

(a) Give formal definition of ‘ $f(x,y)$ is differentiable at (x_0,y_0) ’.

(b) True or False? Explain:

If $f(x,y)$ is differentiable at (x_0,y_0) , then it is continuous at (x_0,y_0) .

Ans:

(a): See page 832 of the textbook, or page 2 of Lecture 13 note. Either one will do.

(b): True. See page 832 of the textbook, or page 9 of Lecture 13 note.

3. (20 pts) Find $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}$ and $\frac{\partial z}{\partial y}$ at $(x,y,z) = (1,2,3)$ if $z(x,y)$ is implicitly defined by $x^2 + \frac{y^2}{4} + \frac{z^2}{9} = 3$.

Ans:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \implies 2x + \frac{2z}{9}z_x = 0 &\implies z_x = \frac{-9x}{z} = -3 \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \implies \frac{y}{2} + \frac{2z}{9}z_y = 0 &\implies z_y = \frac{-9y}{4z} = -\frac{3}{2} \end{aligned}$$