

Calculus, Spring 2026, week 11

From now on, we will consider (real-valued) functions of several variables such as

$$f(x, y) = x^2 + y^2$$

$$g(x, y, z) = x^2 + y^2 + z^2$$

§ Partial derivatives

Consider functions of 2 variables for simplicity.

Recall

$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$$

Def (Def. 15.4.1)

$\frac{d}{dx}$

$$f(x) = f(x, y)$$

Let $f: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. The partial derivatives of f are defined as follows:

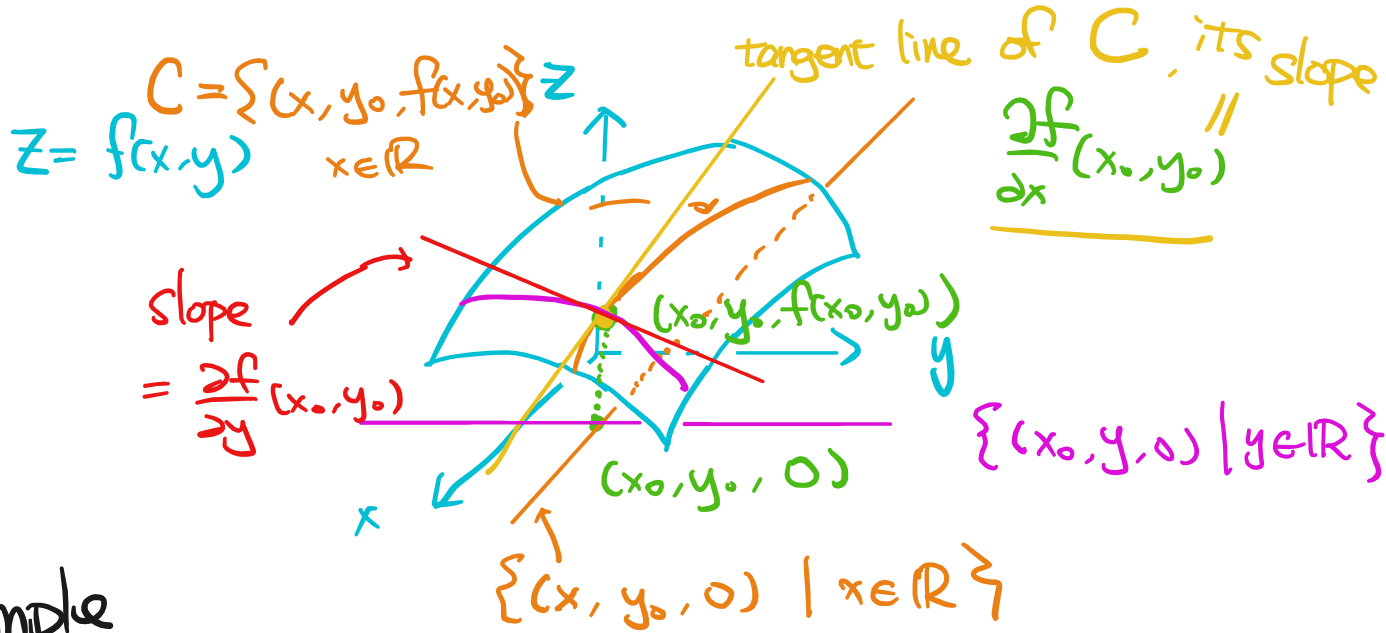
notations

$$f'_x(x, y) = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x, y) := \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h, y) - f(x, y)}{h}$$

partial derivative of f with respect to x

$$f'_y(x, y) = \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x, y) := \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x, y+h) - f(x, y)}{h}$$

provided these limits exist.



Example

Calculate f_x and f_y

① $f(x, y) = x^2 + y^2$

$$\Rightarrow f_x = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = 2x + 0 = 2x$$

$$f_y = 0 + 2y = 2y \quad \#$$

② $f(x, y) = x \tan^{-1}(xy)$ Recall: $\frac{d}{d\theta} \tan^{-1}\theta = \frac{1}{1+\theta^2}$

$$\Rightarrow f_x = \frac{d}{dx}(x) \cdot \tan^{-1}(xy) + x \cdot \frac{d}{dx} \tan^{-1}(xy)$$

$$= \tan^{-1}(xy) + x \cdot \frac{1}{1+(xy)^2} \cdot \frac{\partial(xy)}{\partial x} = y$$

$$= \tan^{-1}(xy) + \frac{x \cdot y}{1+(xy)^2} \quad \frac{\partial(xy)}{\partial x} = y$$

$$f_y = x \cdot \frac{1}{1+(xy)^2} \cdot x = \frac{x^2}{1+(xy)^2} \quad \#$$

③ $f(x, y) = e^{xy} + \ln(x^2 + y)$

$$\Rightarrow f_x = e^{xy} \cdot \underbrace{y}_{\frac{\partial(xy)}{\partial x}} + \frac{1}{x^2+y} \cdot \underbrace{(2x)}_{\frac{\partial(x^2+y)}{\partial x}}$$

$$f_y = e^{xy} \cdot \underbrace{x}_{\frac{\partial(xy)}{\partial y}} + \frac{1}{x^2+y} \cdot \underbrace{1}_{\frac{\partial(x^2+y)}{\partial y}} \neq$$

Def (Def 15.4.2)

Let $f: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. $f = f(x, y, z)$

Define $\frac{d\phi}{dx} = \phi'(x)$ where $\phi(x) = f(x, y, z)$

$$f_x(x, y, z) = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x, y, z) := \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h, y, z) - f(x, y, z)}{h}$$

the partial derivative of f with respect to x .

$$f_y(x, y, z) = \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x, y, z) := \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x, y+h, z) - f(x, y, z)}{h}$$

$$f_z(x, y, z) = \frac{\partial f}{\partial z}(x, y, z) := \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x, y, z+h) - f(x, y, z)}{h}$$

More generally, if $f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. $f = f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$

then we define

$$f_{x_k}(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_k}(x_1, \dots, x_n)$$

$$:= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x_1, \dots, x_{k-1}, x_k+h, x_{k+1}, \dots, x_n) - f(x_1, \dots, x_n)}{h}$$

Example

$$\textcircled{1} f(x, y, z) = x y^2 z^3$$

$$\Rightarrow f_x = y^2 z^3, \quad f_x(0, 1, 2) = 1^2 \cdot 2^3 = 8$$

$$f_y = x(2y) \cdot z^3$$

$$f_z = x y^2 (3z^2)$$

$$\textcircled{2} f(x, y, z, u, v) = x y^2 - e^{z+uv}$$

$$\Rightarrow f_x = y^2 - 0 = y^2$$

$$f_y = x \cdot 2y - 0 = 2xy$$

$$f_z = 0 - e^{z+uv} \cdot 1 = -e^{z+uv}$$

$$f_u = 0 - e^{z+uv} \cdot v = -v e^{z+uv}$$

$$f_v = 0 - e^{z+uv} \cdot u = -u e^{z+uv} \#$$

Def (Higher order partial derivatives, p.782)

Let $f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

A second order derivative of f is

a partial derivative of a partial derivative of f

More generally, a k-th order partial derivative of f is a partial derivative of a $(k-1)$ -th order partial derivative of f .

Example

Let $f(x,y,z) = x y^2 z^3$. Compute the k -th order partial derivatives of f .

1st order:

$$f_x = \underline{y^2 z^3}, \quad f_y = \underline{2xy z^3}, \quad f_z = \underline{3xy^2 z^2}$$

2nd order:

$$f_{xx} = (f_x)_x = 0, \quad (f_x)_y = f_{xy} = \underline{2yz^3}, \quad (f_x)_z = f_{xz} = \underline{3y^2 z^2}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right) \quad \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right) \quad \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial z \partial x} = \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right)$$

$$f_{yx} = (f_y)_x = \underline{2yz^3}, \quad f_{yy} = 2xz^3, \quad f_{yz} = \underline{6xyz^2}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right)$$

$$\rightarrow f_{zx} = \underline{3y^2 z^2}, \quad f_{zy} = \underline{6xyz^2}, \quad f_{zz} = 6xy^2 z$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial z^2} \right) = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial z^2}$$

3rd order:

$$f_{xyy} = 2z^3 = f_{yxy} = f_{yyx},$$

$$f_{xyz} = f_{xzy} = f_{yxz} = f_{yzx} = f_{zxy} = f_{zyx} = 6yz^2,$$

$$f_{xzz} = f_{zxx} = f_{zzx} = 6y^2z,$$

$$f_{yyz} = f_{yzy} = f_{zyy} = 6xz^2$$

$$f_{yzz} = f_{zyz} = f_{zzy} = 12xyz.$$

$$f_{zzz} = 6xy^2, \text{ and the others } = 0.$$

Remark

From this computation, observe that

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right) = f_{xy} = f_{yx} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right) \quad \textcircled{*}$$

in this example.

In general, $\textcircled{*}$ holds under some suitable assumptions = ?

To describe the assumptions, we need

the notions of ^{continuity} and limit for functions of several variables.

Def (§15.6)

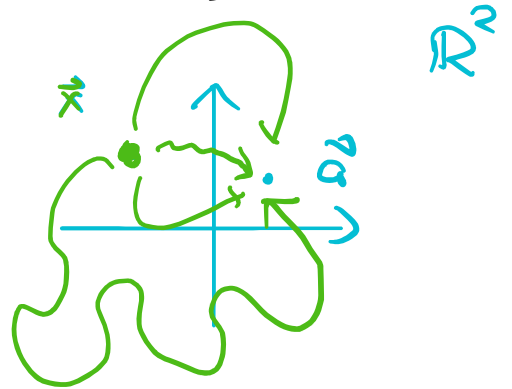
Let $f: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ (in general, $f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$)

$$f(\vec{x}) = f(x_1, x_2)$$

$$\vec{x} = (x_1, x_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2$$
$$\vec{a} = (a_1, a_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2$$

We say the limit

$$\lim_{\vec{x} \rightarrow \vec{a}} f(\vec{x}) (= L)$$



exists if $\exists L \in \mathbb{R}$ st. $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0$ st.

$$|f(\vec{x}) - L| < \epsilon$$

$$= \sqrt{(x_1 - a_1)^2 + (x_2 - a_2)^2}$$

whenever $0 < \|\vec{x} - \vec{a}\| < \delta$



In this case, we write

$$\lim_{\vec{x} \rightarrow \vec{a}} f(\vec{x}) = L$$

Recall:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = L \Leftrightarrow$$

$$|f(x) - L| < \epsilon$$

whenever $0 < |x - a| < \delta$

Example

Let $f(x_1, x_2) = x_1 \cdot x_2$

Then $\lim_{(x_1, x_2) \rightarrow (0, 0)} f(x_1, x_2) = 0$

Pf

$\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists \delta (= \sqrt{\varepsilon}) > 0$. s.t. $\begin{cases} |x_1| < \delta \\ |x_2| < \delta \end{cases}$

if

$$0 < \|(x_1, x_2) - (0, 0)\| < \delta = \sqrt{x_1^2 + x_2^2} \geq \sqrt{x_1^2} = |x_1| \geq \sqrt{x_2^2} = |x_2|$$

then

$$\begin{aligned} |f(x_1, x_2) - 0| &= |x_1 x_2 - 0| \\ &= |x_1| \cdot |x_2| < \sqrt{\varepsilon} \cdot \sqrt{\varepsilon} = \varepsilon \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow \lim_{(x_1, x_2) \rightarrow (0, 0)} f(x_1, x_2) = 0 \quad \#$

Def

A function $f: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ (or $f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$)

is continuous at $\vec{x} = \vec{a}$ if

$$\lim_{\vec{x} \rightarrow \vec{a}} f(\vec{x}) = f(\vec{a}) \quad (\text{or } \mathbb{R}^n)$$

We say that f is continuous on \mathbb{R}^2

if f is continuous at each point
in \mathbb{R}^2 .
(or \mathbb{R}^n)

Example

(Smooth)

Following functions are some continuous functions on \mathbb{R}^2

① Constant functions

② Polynomials of two variables

eg. $x, xy, xy^2, x + xy + x^3 - xy^4$

③ $e^{P(x,y)}, \sin P(x,y), \cos P(x,y)$

($P(x,y)$ = a polynomial of 2 variables)

and combination of them (addition, scalar product, multiplication, composition)

eg. $\sin(e^{x \cdot \cos y + e^{xy} + x^2 + y^2})$ is continuous on \mathbb{R}^2

Thm (Page 783)

Let $f = f(x,y)$ be a real-valued function of 2 variables. Suppose

$f, f_x, f_y, f_{xy}, f_{yx}$ are continuous on \mathbb{R}^2 .

Remark:

Apply Thm

$$f_{xy} = (f_x)_y = (f_y)_x$$

under some assumption

Then $f_{xy} = f_{yx}$ on \mathbb{R}^2

~~pf~~: skip.

§ Gradient

For convenience, unless otherwise stated, we will assume that the functions in discussion are smooth, i.e. all the partial derivative of any order are continuous on \mathbb{R}^n

Def (Def 16.1.2, Thm 16.1.3)

Let f be a real-valued function of 3 variables (in general, n variables).

The gradient ^{梯度} of f at $\vec{p} \in \mathbb{R}^3$ is the vector

$$\nabla f(\vec{p}) := (f_{x_1}(\vec{p}), f_{x_2}(\vec{p}), f_{x_3}(\vec{p})) \in \mathbb{R}^3$$

(If $f = f(x_1, \dots, x_n)$, then $\vec{p} \in \mathbb{R}^n$
 $\nabla f|_{\vec{p}} = (f_{x_1}|_{\vec{p}}, f_{x_2}|_{\vec{p}}, \dots, f_{x_n}|_{\vec{p}}) \in \mathbb{R}^n$)

Example

① Let

$$f(x, y) = e^y - ye^x$$

Then

$$f_x = 0 - ye^x, \quad f_y = e^y - e^x$$

$$\Rightarrow \nabla f = (-ye^x, e^y - e^x) \in \mathbb{R}^2$$

$$\nabla f(0, 1) = (-1 \cdot e^0, e^1 - e^0)$$

$$= (-1, e - 1) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \quad \neq$$

② Let $g(x, y, z) = x \sin(\pi y) + y \cos(z)$

Then

$$g_x = \sin(\pi y), \quad g_y = x (\cos \pi y) \cdot \pi$$

$$+ \cos z$$

$$g_z = -y \sin z$$

$$\Rightarrow \nabla g = (\sin(\pi y), \pi x \cos(\pi y) + \cos z, -y \sin z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \quad \neq$$

Thm (16.2, 1)

Let f, g be smooth functions, $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$.

$$(i) \quad \nabla (f(\vec{x}) + g(\vec{x})) \stackrel{\uparrow}{=} \nabla f(\vec{x}) + \nabla g(\vec{x})$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} (f + g) = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i} + \frac{\partial g}{\partial x_i}$$

$$(ii) \quad \nabla (\alpha f(\vec{x})) \stackrel{\uparrow}{=} \alpha \cdot \nabla f(\vec{x})$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}(\alpha f(\vec{x})) = \alpha \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i}(\vec{x})$$

$$(iii) \nabla(f(\vec{x})g(\vec{x})) = g(\vec{x}) \cdot \nabla f(\vec{x}) + f(\vec{x}) \cdot \nabla g(\vec{x})$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}(f \cdot g) = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i} \cdot g + f \cdot \frac{\partial g}{\partial x_i}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{\partial(fg)}{\partial x_1}, \dots, \frac{\partial(fg)}{\partial x_n} \right) &= \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1} g + f \cdot \frac{\partial g}{\partial x_1}, \dots, \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_n} g + f \frac{\partial g}{\partial x_n} \right) \\ &= g \cdot (f_{x_1}, \dots, f_{x_n}) + f \cdot (g_{x_1}, \dots, g_{x_n}) \end{aligned}$$

Def (Def 16.2.2)

Let \vec{u} be a unit vector, i.e. $\|\vec{u}\| = 1$.

The limit

$$\left(f'_{\vec{u}} \Rightarrow \nabla_{\vec{u}} f(\vec{x}) \right) := \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(\vec{x} + h\vec{u}) - f(\vec{x})}{h}$$

方向
導數

if exists, is called the directional derivative of f at \vec{x} in the direction \vec{u} .

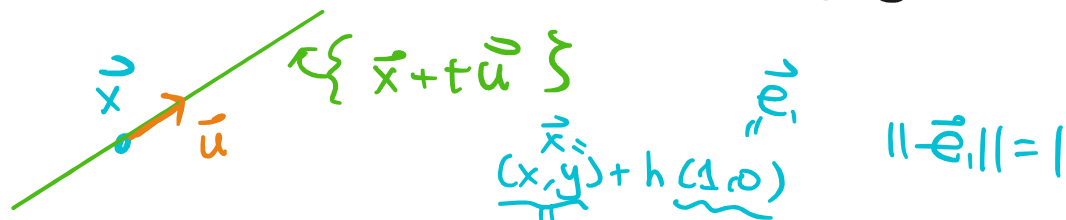
Remark

① The assumption " $\|\vec{u}\| = 1$ " is not important for the limit $\nabla_{\vec{u}} f(\vec{x}) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(\vec{x} + h\vec{u}) - f(\vec{x})}{h}$

We impose this assumption " $\|\vec{u}\| = 1$ " because a "direction" is conventionally represented by a unit vector.

② $\nabla_{\vec{u}} f(\vec{x})$ = rate of change of f in the direction \vec{u} , and

$$\nabla_{\vec{u}} f(\vec{x}) = \left. \frac{d}{dt} f(\vec{x} + t\vec{u}) \right|_{t=0}$$



$$\textcircled{3} \quad f_x(x, y) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h, y) - f(x, y)}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(\vec{x} + h\vec{e}_1) - f(\vec{x})}{h}$$

$$= \nabla_{\vec{e}_1} f(x, y)$$

More generally

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i}(\vec{x}) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(\vec{x} + h\vec{e}_i) - f(\vec{x})}{h}$$

$$= \nabla_{\vec{e}_i} f(\vec{x})$$

$$\vec{e}_i = (0, \dots, 0, \underset{\substack{i\text{-th} \\ \downarrow}}{1}, 0, \dots, 0)$$

$$(x_1, \dots, x_{i-1}, \underbrace{x_i + h}_{\vec{x} + h\vec{e}_i}, x_{i+1}, \dots, x_n)$$

Note that \vec{u} can be $(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}) \neq (1, 0) \neq (0, 1)$

$\Rightarrow \infty$ many directions

Thm (Thm 16.2.4)

$$\nabla_{\vec{u}} f(\vec{x}) = \nabla f(\vec{x}) \cdot \vec{u}$$

~~pf~~ $\vec{u} = (u_1, u_2)$, $\vec{x} = (x_1, x_2)$

We prove it for the case of 2 variables

The case of n variables is similar.

$$f(\vec{x} + h\vec{u}) - f(\vec{x}) = f(x_1 + hu_1, x_2 + hu_2) - f(x_1, x_2)$$

$$= \underbrace{f(x_1 + hu_1, x_2 + hu_2) - f(x_1, x_2 + hu_2)}_{\text{view it as a fixed number } x} + f(x_1, x_2 + hu_2) - f(x_1, x_2)$$

MVT
 $\frac{1}{hu_1} \cdot f'_{x_1}(c_h, x_2 + hu_2)$

By Mean Value Thm (apply to the function $f(-, x_2 + hu_2)$)

$\exists c_h$ between x_1 and $x_1 + hu_1$ s.t.

$$f(x_1 + hu_1, x_2 + hu_2) - f(x_1, x_2 + hu_2)$$

$$= (x_1 + hu_1 - x_1) \cdot f'_{x_1}(c_h, x_2 + hu_2)$$

By MVT (apply to $f(x_1, -)$)

$\exists c'_h$ between x_2 and $x_2 + hu_2$ s.t.

$$f(x_1, x_2 + hu_2) - f(x_1, x_2)$$

$$= (x_2 + hu_2 - x_2) \cdot f'_{x_2}(x_1, c'_h)$$

MVT: If $f \in C^1$ then
 $f(x) - f(y) = (x - y) f'(c)$
 for some c between x and y

So

$$\nabla_{\vec{u}} f(\vec{x}) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(\vec{x} + h\vec{u}) - f(\vec{x})}{h}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{h u_1 \cdot f_{x_1}(C_h, x_2 + h u_2) + h u_2 f_{x_2}(x_1, C_h')}{h} \\
&\quad \begin{array}{l} \text{between } x_1 \text{ and } x_1 + h u_1 \\ \text{between } x_2 \text{ and } x_2 + h u_2 \end{array} \\
&= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} u_1 \cdot f_{x_1}(C_h, x_2 + h u_2) + u_2 f_{x_2}(x_1, C_h') \\
&\quad \begin{array}{l} \downarrow x_1 \\ \downarrow x_2 \end{array} \\
&\quad \leftarrow f_{x_1}, f_{x_2} \text{ are continuous (f is smooth)} \\
&= u_1 \cdot f_{x_1}(x_1, x_2) + u_2 \cdot f_{x_2}(x_1, x_2) \\
&= \nabla f(\vec{x}) \cdot \vec{u} \quad \#
\end{aligned}$$

Remark

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{d f(\vec{x} + t \vec{u})}{dt} &= \frac{d}{ds} \Big|_{s=0} \left(f(\vec{x} + (t+s) \vec{u}) \right) \\
&\quad (\vec{x} + t \vec{u}) + s \vec{u} \\
&= \nabla_{\vec{u}} f(\vec{x} + t \vec{u}) \\
&= \nabla f(\vec{x} + t \vec{u}) \cdot \vec{u}
\end{aligned}$$

Example

Let $f(x, y) = x^2 + y^2$, $\vec{u} = \left(\frac{3}{5}, \frac{4}{5}\right)$

Then

$$\begin{aligned}
\nabla_{\vec{u}} f &= \nabla f \cdot \vec{u} \\
&= (2x, 2y) \cdot \left(\frac{3}{5}, \frac{4}{5}\right)
\end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{6}{5}x + \frac{8}{5}y$$

$$\nabla_{\vec{u}} f(1, 2) = \frac{6}{5} + \frac{16}{5} \quad \#$$

1. 上學期的極限。會的就會，不會的還是沒搞懂。
2. 一堆人以為級數收斂會蘊含 ratio 或 root 的極限 < 1 ，但此為級數收斂的充分而非必要條件。
3. 前兩小題還好，第三小題很多人直接用 alternating series test (Leibniz test)，當然是沒辦法直接用。
4. 幾乎都會寫，少部分在原點打開級數。
5. 很多人算收斂半徑會有以下問題：
 - (i). 取了 root 的上極限 (ratio 的極限) 後忘記倒數。
 - (ii). 有人這樣算

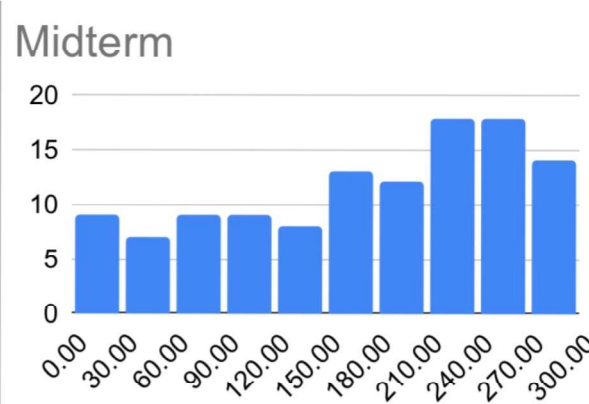
$$R = \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{|a_n|^{\frac{1}{n}}}$$

。這當然不行，因為 limit superior 不會保持四則運算的關係。

(iii). 還是很多人忘記處理邊界斂散性。

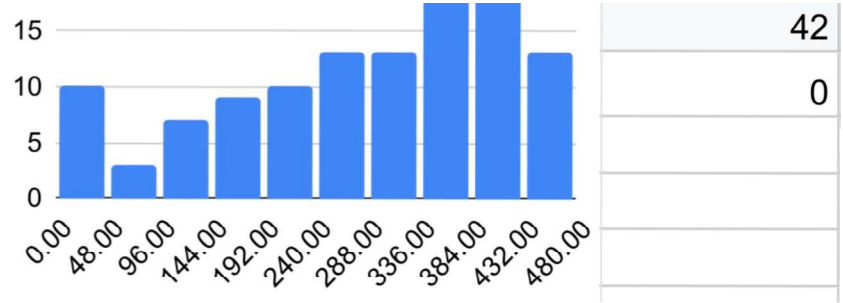
6. (i). 有少部分人沒有發現 $-\frac{1}{x}$ 會抵消掉，所以最終的式子保留 $-\frac{1}{x}$ ，並沒有整理乾淨。
 - (ii). 或者更進一步的把其中一個 $\frac{1}{x}$ 在 $x = 1$ 展開，所以式子包含 $\frac{1}{x}, x^k$ 和 $(1-x)^k$ 且收斂區間較小。
7. 有部分人不會寫，少部分人在最後計算時忘記乘上 π 。
8. (b). Parseval's identity 中的 $\|f(x)\|^2$ 記成 $|f(x)|^2$ 。
9. (a)(b). 有些人會直接把 p, q 當成非負整數，所以直接寫

$$\Gamma(p) = (p-1)!$$

Average		Midterm	171.3162393
Average (except zero)			182.2181818
Quartile 0			0
Quartile 1			105
Quartile 2			188
Quartile 3			245
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Calculus (II) – Final exam

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- This exam contains 9 pages (including this cover page) and 9 questions.
- Total of points is 300.
- Time limit: **100 minutes**.
- Write down your computation or arguments in details unless otherwise stated.
- The use of a calculator, cell phone, or any other electronic device is **NOT** permitted.
- The use of books or notes of any kind is **NOT** permitted.

Distribution of Marks

Question	Points	Score
1	40	
2	20	
3	30	
4	30	
5	40	
6	30	
7	30	
8	40	
9	40	
Total:	300	

1. Let $(a_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$ and $(b_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$ be convergent sequences. Suppose that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n \neq 0$.

(a) (20 points) Prove that there exists M such that $b_n \neq 0$ for any $n \geq M$.

(b) (20 points) Prove that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{b_n} = \frac{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n}{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n}$.

(a) Let $\beta = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n$ and $\epsilon = \frac{|\beta|}{2}$. Since $\beta \neq 0$, $\epsilon > 0$.

$\Rightarrow \exists N_\epsilon$ s.t.

$$|\beta| - |b_n| \leq |b_n - \beta| < \epsilon = \frac{|\beta|}{2} \quad \forall n \geq N_\epsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow |b_n| > |\beta| - \epsilon = \frac{|\beta|}{2} > 0 \quad \forall n \geq N_\epsilon$$

Choose $M = N_\epsilon \Rightarrow b_n \neq 0 \quad \forall n \geq M$. $\#$

(b) Let $\alpha = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n$, $\beta = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n$

$$\left| \frac{a_n}{b_n} - \frac{\alpha}{\beta} \right| = \frac{|\beta a_n - \alpha b_n|}{|\beta| |b_n|}$$

By (a), $\exists N$ s.t. $|b_n| > \frac{|\beta|}{2} \quad \forall n \geq M \Rightarrow |\beta| |b_n| > \frac{|\beta|^2}{2} \quad \forall n \geq M$

Since $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \alpha$, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n = \beta$, $\forall \epsilon > 0 \exists N_1, N_2$ s.t.

$$|a_n - \alpha| < \epsilon \cdot \frac{|\beta|}{4} \quad \forall n \geq N_1$$

$$|b_n - \beta| < \epsilon \cdot \frac{\beta^2}{4(|\alpha| + 1)} \quad \forall n \geq N_2$$

Take $\tilde{N} = \max\{N_1, N_2, M\}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{|\beta a_n - \alpha b_n|}{|\beta| |b_n|} \leq \frac{|\beta a_n - \beta \alpha + \beta \alpha - \alpha b_n|}{\frac{|\beta|^2}{2}}$$

$$\leq \frac{|\beta| |a_n - \alpha| + |\alpha| |b_n - \beta|}{\frac{|\beta|^2}{2}}$$

$$< \frac{2}{|\beta|} \cdot \frac{|\beta|}{4} \cdot \epsilon + \frac{2|\alpha|}{\beta^2} \cdot \frac{\beta^2}{2(|\alpha| + 1)} \epsilon < \frac{\epsilon}{2} + \frac{\epsilon}{2} = \epsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{b_n} = \frac{\alpha}{\beta} \quad \#$$

$\forall n \geq \tilde{N}$

2. (20 points) Suppose that the series $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |a_k|$ is convergent. Prove that the series $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k^2$ is convergent.

$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |a_k|$ converges $\Rightarrow \exists M > 0$ s.t. $\sum_{k=1}^n |a_k| \leq M \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$.
 $\Rightarrow \sum_{k=1}^n a_k^2 \leq \left(\sum_{k=1}^n |a_k|\right) \cdot \left(\sum_{k=1}^n |a_k|\right) \leq M^2 \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$
 $\Rightarrow \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k^2$ converges.

~~$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[k]{|a_k|} < 1$
 $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|a_{k+1}|}{|a_k|} < 1$~~

3. Does the series converge absolutely, converge conditionally, or diverge? Explain your reasoning. (Here, $[x]$ denotes the greatest integer less than or equal to x .)

(a) (10 points) $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (-1)^k k \sin(1/k)$.
 (a) $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} k \sin(1/k) = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sin(1/k)}{1/k} = 1 \neq 0$

(b) (10 points) $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{\sin(\pi k/2)}{k \sqrt{k}}$.
 $\Rightarrow \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} (-1)^k k \sin(1/k) \neq 0 \Rightarrow$ diverges $\#$
 = 1, 1, -1, -1, 1, 1, -1, -1, 1, 1, -1, -1, ...

(c) (10 points) $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{[k/3]}}{k}$.
 (b) $\left| \frac{\sin(\pi k/2)}{k \sqrt{k}} \right| \leq \frac{1}{k^{3/2}}$ and $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k^{3/2}}$ converges $\#$
 $\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \sum_{3i+1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^i}{3i+1} + \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \sum_{3i+2}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^i}{3i+2} + \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \sum_{3i+3}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^i}{3i+3} \Rightarrow \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{\sin(\pi k/2)}{k \sqrt{k}}$ absolutely converges. $\#$

(c) Since $\left| \sum_{k=1}^n (-1)^{[k/3]} \right|$ is bounded by 3,
 $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{k} = 0$ and $\left(\frac{1}{k}\right)_{k=1}^{\infty}$ is decreasing
 by Dirichlet Test, $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{[k/3]}}{k}$ is conditionally converges $\#$
 and $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left| \frac{(-1)^{[k/3]}}{k} \right| = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k}$ diverges. $\#$

4. Let $f(x) = x \sin x$.

(a) (15 points) Find the Taylor expansion of $f(x)$ at $\frac{\pi}{2}$.

(b) (15 points) Use the Taylor expansion of $f(x)$ to find the value of $f^{(100)}(\frac{\pi}{2})$.

(a) Recall $\sin x = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{(2k+1)!} x^{2k+1} \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\cos x = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{(2k)!} x^{2k}$$

$$\Rightarrow x \sin x = (x - \frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{\pi}{2}) \cdot \sin(x - \frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{\pi}{2})$$

$$= (x - \frac{\pi}{2}) \cdot \cos(x - \frac{\pi}{2}) + \frac{\pi}{2} \cos(x - \frac{\pi}{2})$$

$$= (x - \frac{\pi}{2}) \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{(2k)!} (x - \frac{\pi}{2})^{2k} + \frac{\pi}{2} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{(2k)!} (x - \frac{\pi}{2})^{2k}$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{(2k)!} (x - \frac{\pi}{2})^{2k+1} + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{(2k)!} \frac{\pi}{2} (x - \frac{\pi}{2})^{2k} \quad \#$$

b) $\frac{f^{(100)}(\frac{\pi}{2})}{100!} =$ coefficient of $(x - \frac{\pi}{2})^{100}$ in Taylor expansion at $\frac{\pi}{2}$

$$= \frac{(-1)^{50}}{(2 \cdot 50)!} \cdot \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow f^{(100)}(\frac{\pi}{2}) = \frac{\pi}{2} \quad \#$$

5. Find the interval of convergence.

(a) (20 points) $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (-1)^k \frac{k!}{k^3} (x-1)^k$.

(b) (20 points) $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{k}\right)^k (x+2)^k$.

(a)
$$\left| \frac{(-1)^{k+1} \frac{(k+1)!}{(k+1)^3}}{(-1)^k \frac{k!}{k^3}} \right| = (k+1) \cdot \left(\frac{k}{k+1}\right)^3$$

Ratio Test $\rightarrow +\infty$ as $k \rightarrow \infty$

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[k]{|a_k|} \neq \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt[k]{|a_k|}} \Rightarrow \text{radius of conv.} = 0$$

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[k]{|a_k|} \Rightarrow \text{interval of conv.} = \{1\} \quad \#$$

(b)
$$\sqrt[k]{\left(1 + \frac{1}{k}\right)^k} = \left(1 + \frac{1}{k}\right) \rightarrow 1 \text{ as } k \rightarrow \infty$$

Root Test \Rightarrow radius of conv. = 1

At $x = -1$:

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{k}\right)^k \cdot (1)^k = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{k}\right)^k \text{ diverges since}$$

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{k}\right)^k = e \neq 0$$

At $x = -3$:

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{k}\right)^k (-1)^k \text{ diverges since } \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{k}\right)^k (-1)^k \neq 0$$

(diverges)

Conclusion:

interval of conv. = $(-3, -1)$. $\#$

6. Set $f(x) = \frac{e^x - 1}{x}$.

- (a) (15 points) Expand $f(x)$ in a power series.
- (b) (15 points) Differentiate the series and prove that

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n}{(n+1)!} = 1.$$

(a) $e^x = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^k}{k!} \Rightarrow$

$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k x^k$
 $\frac{e^x - 1}{x} = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{x^{k-1}}{k!} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^k}{(k+1)!}$

(b) By a,

$$\left(\frac{e^x - 1}{x} \right)' = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{k}{(k+1)!} x^{k-1}$$

$$= \frac{e^x \cdot x - (e^x - 1) \cdot 1}{x^2} = \frac{x e^x - e^x + 1}{x^2}$$

$x=1$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{k}{(k+1)!} = \frac{1 \cdot e^1 - e^1 + 1}{1^2} = 1 \quad \#$$

$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k$ converges $\Rightarrow \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} a_k = 0$



$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k$ diverges $\Leftarrow \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} a_k \neq 0$

7. (30 points) Let $f(x) = \cos^6 x$. Define

$$F(c_0, c_1, c_2, d_1, d_2) = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \left| f(x) - \frac{c_0}{2} - c_1 \cos x - d_1 \sin x - c_2 \cos 2x - d_2 \sin 2x \right|^2 dx.$$

Find the minimum value of F . (Hint: You may use the identities $\cos(4x) = 8 \cos^4 x - 8 \cos^2 x + 1$ and $\cos(6x) = 32 \cos^6 x - 48 \cos^4 x + 18 \cos^2 x - 1$.)

$$\begin{aligned} \cos 2x &= \\ & 2\cos^2 x - 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\cos^6 x = \frac{1}{32} \left(\cos 6x + 48 \cos^4 x - 18 \cos^2 x + 1 \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{32} \left(\cos 6x + \frac{6}{8} (\cos 4x + 8 \cos^2 x - 1) - 18 \cos^2 x + 1 \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{32} \left(\cos 6x + 6 \cos 4x + \overset{15(\cos 2x + 1)}{30 \cos^2 x} - 5 \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{32} \cos 6x + \frac{3}{16} \cos 4x + \frac{15}{32} \cos 2x + \frac{5}{16}$$

\Rightarrow The minimum of F occurs when

$$c_0 = \frac{5}{8}, \quad c_1 = d_1 = d_2 = 0, \quad c_2 = \frac{15}{32}$$

$$\text{and } \min \text{ of } F = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \left| \frac{1}{32} \cos 6x + \frac{3}{16} \cos 4x \right|^2 dx$$

$$= \pi \left(\left(\frac{1}{32} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{3}{16} \right)^2 \right) \quad \#$$

Recall (Parseval's identity)

$$\text{If } f(x) \sim \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (a_k \cos kx + b_k \sin kx)$$

then

$$\|f\|^2 = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} (f(x))^2 dx = \frac{a_0^2}{2} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (a_k^2 + b_k^2)$$

$$\|f(x)\|^2$$

8. Let $f(x)$ be the periodic function with period 2π such that $f(x) = x^2$ for $x \in (-\pi, \pi]$.

(a) (20 points) Find the Fourier series of $f(x)$.

(b) (20 points) Prove that $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^4} = \frac{\pi^4}{90}$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 (a) \quad a_k &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} x^2 \cos kx \, dx = \frac{1}{\pi} \left(x^2 \frac{\sin kx}{k} \Big|_{x=-\pi}^{x=\pi} - \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} 2x \frac{\sin kx}{k} \, dx \right) \\
 &= \frac{1}{\pi} \left(+2x \cdot \frac{\cos kx}{k^2} \Big|_{-\pi}^{\pi} - \underbrace{\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} 2 \frac{\cos kx}{k^2} \, dx}_{= 2 \frac{\sin kx}{k^3} \Big|_{-\pi}^{\pi} = 0} \right) \\
 &= 4 \frac{(-1)^k}{k^2}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} x^2 \, dx = \frac{2}{\pi} \frac{\pi^3}{3} = \frac{2}{3} \pi^2$$

$$b_k = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} x^2 \underbrace{\sin kx}_{\text{odd}} \, dx = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow f(x) \sim \frac{\pi^2}{3} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{4(-1)^k}{k^2} \cos kx \quad \#$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (b) \quad \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} (f(x))^2 \, dx &= \frac{a_0^2}{2} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (a_k^2 + b_k^2) \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{2\pi^2}{3} \right)^2 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{16}{k^4}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} x^4 \, dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \cdot 2 \cdot \frac{\pi^5}{5} = \frac{2}{5} \pi^4$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Rightarrow \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k^4} &= \frac{1}{16} \left(\frac{2}{5} - \frac{2}{9} \right) \pi^4 = \frac{\pi^4}{90} \quad \# \\
 &\quad \frac{18-10}{45} = \frac{8}{45}
 \end{aligned}$$

9. Recall that for $x, y > 0$, the Gamma function is

$$\Gamma(x+1) = x \Gamma(x)$$

$$\Gamma(x) = \int_0^\infty t^{x-1} e^{-t} dt, \quad = (x-1)!$$

only when $x \in \mathbb{N}$.

and the Beta function $B(x, y)$ is defined as:

$$B(x, y) = \int_0^1 t^{x-1} (1-t)^{y-1} dt = \frac{\Gamma(x)\Gamma(y)}{\Gamma(x+y)}$$

Prove the following properties:

(a) (10 points) For $p, q > 0$, show that $B(p, q) = B(p+1, q) + B(p, q+1)$.

(b) (10 points) For $p > 0$ and $n \in \mathbb{N}$, show that

$$B(p, n+1) = \frac{n!}{p(p+1)\cdots(p+n)}$$

(c) (20 points) Show that $\Gamma(\frac{1}{2}) = \sqrt{\pi}$.

$$(a) B(p+1, q) = \frac{\Gamma(p+1)\Gamma(q)}{\Gamma(p+q+1)} = \frac{p \Gamma(p)\Gamma(q)}{(p+q)\Gamma(p+q)}$$

$$B(p, q+1) = \frac{\Gamma(p)\Gamma(q+1)}{\Gamma(p+q+1)} = \frac{q \Gamma(p)\Gamma(q)}{(p+q)\Gamma(p+q)}$$

$$\Rightarrow B(p+1, q) + B(p, q+1) = B(p, q) \quad \#$$

$$(b) B(p, n+1) = \frac{\Gamma(p)\Gamma(n+1)}{\Gamma(p+n+1)} = \frac{\Gamma(p) \cdot n!}{(p+n)(p+n-1)\cdots p \Gamma(p)} = \frac{n!}{(p+n)\cdots p} \quad \#$$

$$(c) B(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}) = \int_0^1 t^{\frac{1}{2}-1} (1-t)^{\frac{1}{2}-1} dt = \int_0^1 t^{-1/2} (1-t)^{-1/2} dt$$

$t = \sin^2 \theta \Rightarrow dt = 2 \sin \theta \cos \theta d\theta$

$$= \int_0^{\pi/2} (\sin^2 \theta)^{-1/2} (\cos^2 \theta)^{-1/2} 2 \sin \theta \cos \theta d\theta$$

$$\stackrel{\Gamma(\frac{1}{2}) \cdot \Gamma(\frac{1}{2})}{\Gamma(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2})} = \left(\Gamma(\frac{1}{2})\right)^2 = \int_0^{\pi/2} 2 d\theta = \pi$$

$$\Rightarrow \Gamma(\frac{1}{2}) = \sqrt{\pi} \quad \#$$