

QUIZ 3

(Math 200-Section A)

1. Find the limits: (a) $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (\frac{\pi}{2}, 0)} \frac{\cos y - 2}{y - \sin x}$ (b) $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (1,1)} \frac{xy - y - 2x + 2}{x - 1}$ (4 pts)

$$(a). \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (\frac{\pi}{2}, 0)} \frac{\cos y - 2}{y - \sin x} = \frac{\cos(0) - 2}{0 - \sin(\pi/2)} = \frac{1 - 2}{0 - 1} = 1$$

$$(b). \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (1,1)} \frac{xy - y - 2x + 2}{x - 1} = \frac{y(x - 1) - 2(x - 1)}{(x - 1)} = \frac{y - 2}{1} = 1 - 2 = -1$$

2. Check whether the function $f(x, y) = \frac{1}{x^2 - y}$ is continuous at $(-1, 1)$. Can you describe all points of discontinuity of f ? (4 pts)

$$f(x, y) = \frac{1}{x^2 - y} = \frac{1}{1 - 1} = \frac{1}{0}$$

Since $f(x, y)$ is not defined at $(-1, 1)$ it is not continuous there.

f is discontinuous at all point where $x^2 = y$.

3. By considering different paths of approach, show that the function $f(x, y) = \frac{xy}{|xy|}$ has no limit as $(x, y) \rightarrow (0, 0)$. (4 pts)

First take the limit as $(x, y) \rightarrow (0^+, 0^+)$. Which is 1.

Then take the limit as $(x, y) \rightarrow (0^-, 0^+)$. Which is -1.

Since there are two different limits as f approaches $(0, 0)$ the limit does not exist.

4. Find the partial derivatives $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}$ and $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}$ of the function $f(x, y) = e^{-x} \sin(x + y)$. (4 pts)

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = e^{-x} \cos(x + y) - e^{-x} \sin(x + y)$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = e^{-x} \cos(x + y)$$

5. Find the value of $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}$ at $(1, 1, 1)$ if the equation $xy + z^3x - 2yz = 0$ defines z as a function of the two independent variables x and y , and the partial derivatives exist. (4 pts)

$$y + z^3 + \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} 3z^2x - \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} 2y = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} (3z^2x - 2y) = -y - z^3$$

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = \frac{-y - z^3}{3z^2x - 2y} = \frac{-1 - 1}{3 - 2} = -2$$