

Quiz 3

B Term, 2017

Show all work needed to reach your answers.

1. (5 points) If $f(x, y) = 3x^2y^3 - \sin x$, please find f_x and f_{xy} .

#2
§10.3

High: 25
Median: 25
Low: 17

$$f_x(x, y) = \underline{6xy^3 - \cos x} \quad f_{xy}(x, y) = \underline{18x^2y^2}$$

2. (10 points) Please compute each limit or explain why the limit does not exist.

$$(a) \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{x^4 + y^4}{x^2 + y^2} = \lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \frac{r^4(\cos^4\theta + \sin^4\theta)}{r^2} = \lim_{r \rightarrow 0} r^2(\cos^4\theta + \sin^4\theta) = 0 \text{ because } |\cos^4\theta + \sin^4\theta| \leq |\cos^2\theta + \sin^2\theta| = 1$$

use polar coordinates

$$(b) \lim_{\substack{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0) \\ y \neq \pm x}} \frac{x-y}{x^2-y^2} = \lim_{\substack{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0) \\ y \neq \pm x}} \frac{(x-y)}{(x+y)(x-y)} = \lim_{\substack{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0) \\ y \neq \pm x}} \frac{1}{x+y}$$

But since the denominator goes to zero through both positive and negative numbers, this limit can not exist.

Limit: 0

Limit: DNE

3. (10 points)

- (a) Can the expression in 1(b) be defined to be continuous at $(0, 0)$? Please explain why or why not.

#4b
§3, p.67

Since the limit in 2(b) does not exist, this expression can not be continuous at $(0, 0)$

- (b) Can the expression in 1(b) be defined to be continuous at $(1, 1)$? Please explain why or why not.

Since $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (1,1)} \frac{x-y}{x^2-y^2} = \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (1,1)} \frac{\frac{x-y}{x-y}}{(x+y)(x-y)} = \frac{1}{2}$, this expression can be defined continuous at $(1,1)$.