



Functions of Two or More variables :-

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Before going through the Functions of two or more Variables let's start with the basic one,

a. Function of one variable :-

$$f(x) = a \quad \leftarrow \text{Function in terms of "x"}$$

EX) $y = 4x^2$ \leftarrow Function of one variable.

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 $f(x)$

b. Function of two variables :-

$$z = f(x, y) \quad \leftarrow \text{Function of Two variables}$$

EX) $A = \frac{1}{2}bh$ \leftarrow Area of the triangle is fun of two variables.

z --- dependent variable.

x, y --- independent variables.

c. Function of more than two variables :-

$$w = f(x, y, z) \quad \leftarrow \text{Function of three variables}$$

w --- dep. variable.

x, y, z --- indep. variables.



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The restriction of the independent variables :

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Determine the domain of $f: D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ where $D \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$

EX

Find the domain of $f(x, y) = \ln(xy)$?

Solution

There are several ways to determine the function's domain

graph a- By graphing

as xy indep variable under \ln

$xy > 0$ then all $\begin{cases} x > 0 & y > 0 \\ x < 0 & y < 0 \end{cases}$



In words b- Domain is all ordered pairs in quadrants I & III (not on axis).

Math short hand

c- Domain is all $(x, y) : xy > 0$

EX

Find the domain of $f(x, y, z) = \frac{x}{\sqrt{9 - x^2 - y^2 - z^2}}$?

Solution

$$9 - x^2 - y^2 - z^2 > 0 \rightarrow x^2 + y^2 + z^2 < 9 \quad (\text{sphere})$$

a- D: all (x, y, z) such that $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 < 9$.

or

In word b- Its domain is inside a sphere of radius $r=3$ centered at origin $(0, 0, 0)$

EX Find the domain of $f(x, y) = \sqrt{4 - x^2 - y^2}$ by graph?

Solution

$$f(x, y) = z = \sqrt{4 - x^2 - y^2} \rightarrow z^2 = 4 - x^2 - y^2$$

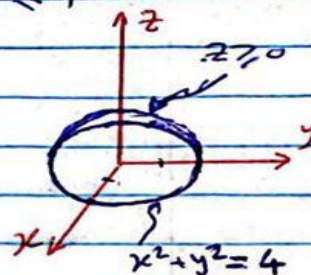
$$\therefore x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 4 \quad (\text{sphere, centered at origin with } r=2)$$

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As $f(x,y) = z \geq 0$, then $x^2 + y^2 \leq 4$

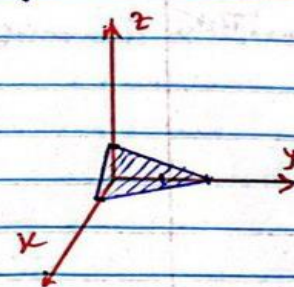
Ex] Find the domain by graphing
of the function $f(x,y) = 1 - x - \frac{1}{2}y$



Solution

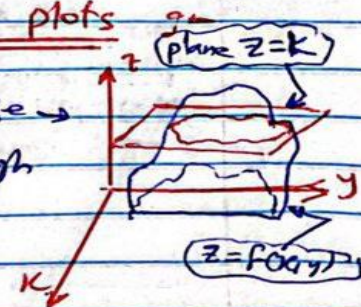
As the Fun is of one order ^{sup} the Fun is plane!
So, we need to find the intercepts which is the
easiest way to go with.

- 1- put $y = z = 0 \Rightarrow x = 1 \Rightarrow (1, 0, 0)$
- 2- put $x = z = 0 \Rightarrow y = 2 \Rightarrow (0, 2, 0)$
- 3- put $x = y = 0 \Rightarrow z = 1 \Rightarrow (0, 0, 1)$



Level Curves & Level Contour plots

Lets say we have some figure like →
If we take a plane & slice it through
horizontally at $z = k$,
So, the intersection of a plane
with a surface is called
a level curve

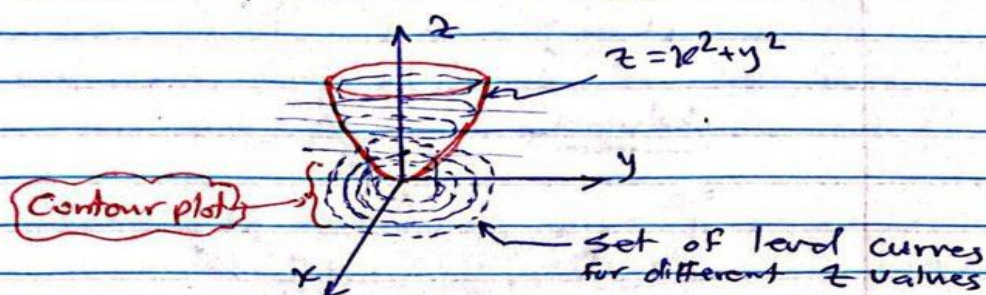




Ex) plot the Following function & Find a level curve $z = x^2 + y^2$

Solution

1st to sketch the fun $z = x^2 + y^2$, we need to change z & plot the fun. From this we can find it parabola in positive z direction.



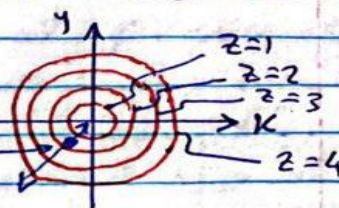
To find a level curve, we would give z different values, like

$$\text{Put } z=1 \Rightarrow 1 = x^2 + y^2$$

$$\text{Put } z=2 \Rightarrow 2 = x^2 + y^2$$

$$\vdots \quad \quad \quad \vdots \quad \quad \quad \vdots$$

When we sketch a set of "level curves" we get a "Contour Plot"



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Ex sketch the contour plot of $f(x,y) = x^2 - 4y^2$

Solution

لرسم القوس نحتاج عدة قيم لـ $f(x,y)$ والى حاله الاولى $z=0$ وكذا الى ادناه :

* Put $z=0 \Rightarrow x^2 = 4y^2$

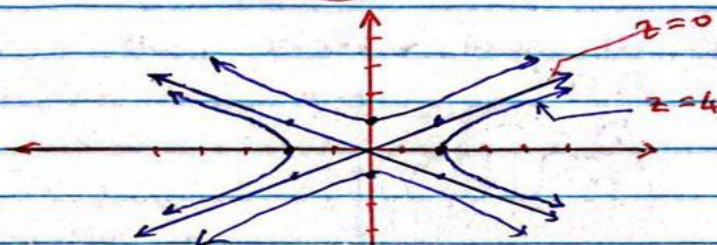
or $\begin{cases} x = \pm 2y \\ y = \pm \frac{1}{2}x \end{cases} \rightarrow \text{line}$

* Put $z=4 \Rightarrow (4 = x^2 - 4y^2) \div 4$

$1 = \frac{x^2}{4} - y^2 \rightarrow \text{Hyperbola}$

* put $z=-4 \Rightarrow (-4 = x^2 - 4y^2) \div -4$

$1 = y^2 - \frac{x^2}{4} \rightarrow \text{Hyperbola}$



هذا القوس شكله كذا وكذا ونغيره قليلا قليلا
- (Saddle) نقطة مركبة

Level surface :

* If we look at the graph of function of two variables, we can project a "level curve"
 $f(x,y) \rightarrow \text{Two variables fun} \rightarrow (3 \text{ Dimensions})$

* But if we look at the graph of fun of three variables, we can project a "level surface"

In other way;

① 2-variables fun $\rightarrow f(x,y) \rightarrow 3D \rightarrow \text{"level curve"}$

② 3-variables fun $\rightarrow f(x,y,z) \rightarrow 4D \rightarrow \text{"level surface"}$



Ex) Consider $F(x, y, z) = x^2 + y^2 + z^2$

Here, we put $F(x, y, z) = 1 \rightarrow 1 = x^2 + y^2 + z^2$

put $F(x, y, z) = 4 \rightarrow 4 = x^2 + y^2 + z^2$

So generally ;

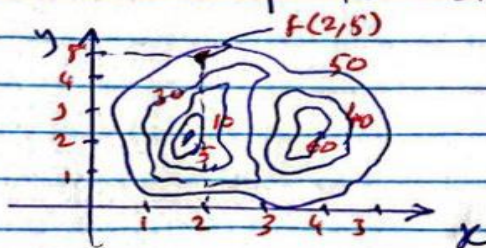
$$K = x^2 + y^2 + z^2$$

If we plot these mins we can get a sphere centered at the origin

So, the level surfaces are sphere centered at the origin.

Ex) Use the contour map to estimate value of $F(2, 5)$

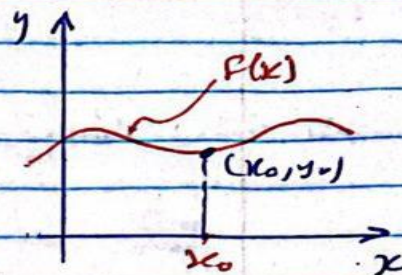
Sol.)
From the contour
 $F(2, 5) \approx \underline{48}$ Ans





Limits in 2D :-

Here to calculate the limit we need to calculate the limit from right side & from the left side. If they are equals, then the limit is exist.



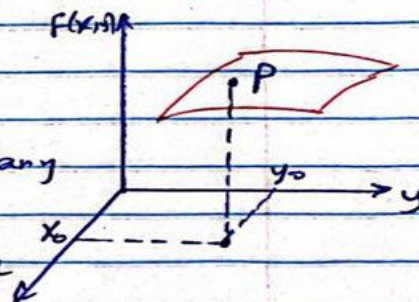
$$\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0^+} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0^-} f(x) \longrightarrow \text{limit exists}$$

Limits in 3D :-

If we have a plane $f(x, y)$, and we have a point $P \rightarrow (x_0, y_0)$, then when we look at the limit then we need to look at limit approaches (x_0, y_0)

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (x_0,y_0)} f(x,y)$$

In 3-D, There are infinitely many curves approach (x_0, y_0, z_0) to check not like the 2-D which has just two (left & right) !!



كل امكان القايه على الامور بعد، فحنا نحتاج ان نجرب القايه بآكثر من طريقه كان يكون على $x=0$ او $y=0$ او $x=y$ ، فلو كانت النتيجة غير متساويه فحنا القايه غير موجوده والنتيجه صحيحه. ولكن هياليه نحتاج ان نفحص على قيسي $x=0$ و $y=0$ يمكن مبادرتهم ان كانت تقوى فحنا القايه موجوده او لا فنعمل بالطريقه الاولى.



Ex) Find $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (2,1)} f(x,y)$ if $f(x,y) = \frac{-xy}{x^2+y^2}$?

Sol.

هذا مثال القويض المباشر ونرى فيما لو يعبره أم لا ؟

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (2,1)} \frac{-xy}{x^2+y^2} = \frac{-2 \times 1}{(2)^2 + (1)^2} = \boxed{\frac{-2}{5}} \quad \text{Ans}$$

Ex) Find $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{-xy}{x^2+y^2}$?

Sol.

هنا على (قويض) المباشر نلاحظ أنه لا يوجد له قيمة واحدة، (التي)
التي هي التي هو مباشر، أي من طريق ونرى النتيجة فإذا
كانت متساوية فيكون يوجد فإلا لا وإذا لا فلا يوجد غاية.

a) lim along x-axis $\rightarrow y=0$ so

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} f(x,y) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{0}{x^2} = \boxed{0}$$

b) lim along y-axis $\rightarrow x=0$

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow 0} f(x,y) = \lim_{y \rightarrow 0} \frac{0}{y^2} = \boxed{0}$$

c) lim along $y=x$

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} f(x,y) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{-x \cdot x}{x^2 + x^2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{-x^2}{2x^2} = \boxed{\frac{-1}{2}}$$

هذا يعني أن النتائج على x -axis و y -axis و $y=x$ غير متساوية
أي لا يوجد لها القيمة تكون غير متساوية.

So, here the limit may be does not exist.



Important Theorem

- (a) If $f(x,y) \rightarrow L$ as $f(x,y) \rightarrow (x_0, y_0)$, then $f(x,y) \rightarrow L$ as $(x,y) \rightarrow (x_0, y_0)$ along any smooth curve.
- (b) If $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (x_0, y_0)} f(x,y)$ does not exist (DNE) along some smooth curve or if $f(x,y)$ has different values along different curves, then the limit DNE.

Ex) Find $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (1,2)} \frac{5x^2y}{x^2+y^2}$?

Sol.

By direct plug in on x & y by $(1,2)$

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (1,2)} \frac{5x^2y}{x^2+y^2} = \frac{10}{5} = \boxed{2} \rightarrow \text{limit does exist}$$

Ex) Find $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{(x^2-y^2)^2}{x^2+y^2}$?

Sol.

The direct substitution / plug in of x & y does not work, so let's check the limits on some paths.

(a) along $x=0$:-

$$\lim_{y \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{-y^2}{y^2} \right)^2 = \boxed{1}$$

(b) along $y=x$:-

$$\lim_{y \rightarrow 0} \frac{(y^2-y^2)^2}{y^2+y^2} = \lim_{y \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{0}{2y^2} \right)^2 = \boxed{0}$$

(different values) \Rightarrow limit DNE



Continuity :

تعريف

Def. = تعريف

A function $f(x, y)$ is said to be continuous at (x_0, y_0) if $f(x_0, y_0)$ is defined &

$$\lim_{(x, y) \rightarrow (x_0, y_0)} f(x, y) = f(x_0, y_0)$$

Notes

If the function is continuous on disk D ,
If it is continuous at every point in
an open set.

Theorem : تعريف

(a) $f(x, y) = g(x) \cdot h(y)$ is continuous at (x_0, y_0) if
 $g(x)$ is continuous at x_0 & $h(y)$ is continuous at y_0 .

(b) Compositions are continuous ($f(x, y) = g(h(x, y))$) if
 $h(x, y)$ is continuous at (x_0, y_0) & $g(u)$ is
continuous at $u = h(x_0, y_0)$

Ex Check whether the fun $f(x, y) = 3x^2 y^5$ is
continuous or not?

Sol.

From theorem (a) : $f(x, y) = g(x) h(y)$

Consider : $\left. \begin{array}{l} g(x) = 3x^2 \\ h(y) = y^5 \end{array} \right\} \rightarrow \text{Both are continuous everywhere,}$

Then $f(x, y)$ is continuous
everywhere



Ex) Is the fun $f(x,y) = \sin(3x^2y^5)$ Cont or not?

Sol.

* $h(x,y) = 3x^2y^5$ is continuous everywhere

* $g(u) = \sin(u)$ is ~ ~ ~ ~ ~

∴ $f(x,y)$ is Cont. everywhere.

Ex) check against continuity the fun
 $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} y \ln(x^2+y^2)$

Sol.

Here we can't do direct substitute on x & y . So we need to convert it to polar form as;

$$r^2 = x^2 + y^2, \quad y = r \sin \theta$$

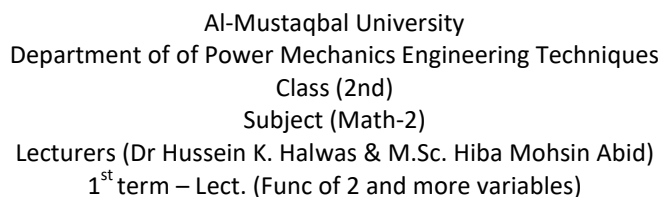
$$\therefore \lim_{r \rightarrow 0} (r \sin \theta) \ln r^2 = \lim_{r \rightarrow 0} 2r \sin \theta \ln r$$

$$= \lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin \theta \ln r}{\frac{1}{2r}} = \frac{\infty}{\infty} \quad (\text{L'Hopital Rule})$$

$$= \lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin \theta \cdot \frac{1}{r}}{\frac{-1}{2r^2}} = \lim_{r \rightarrow 0} (\sin \theta \cdot (-2r))$$

$$= \boxed{0}$$

Here the limit does exist even though we can't plug in $(0,0)$!!



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$$F_x = \frac{\partial F(x,y)}{\partial x} = \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+\Delta x, y) - f(x, y)}{\Delta x}$$

$$F_y = \frac{\partial F(x,y)}{\partial y} = \lim_{\Delta y \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x, y + \Delta y) - f(x, y)}{\Delta y}$$

Ex 11 Find f_x & f_y of $f(x,y) = 3x - x^2y^2 + 2xy$
Sol

$$f_x = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = 3 - 2xy^2 + 6x^2y \quad (\text{treat } y \text{ like a const.})$$

$$f_y = \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = -2x^2y + 2x^3 \quad (\text{treat } x \text{ like a constant})$$

Ex) If $f(x, y) = x e^{x^2 y}$, Find f_x , f_y and evaluate f_x & f_y at $(1, \ln 2)$?

Solving

$$f_x = x \cdot 2xy e^{x^2y} + e^{x^2y} \Rightarrow f_x|_{(1, \ln 2)} = 2 \ln 2 e^{\ln 2} + e^{\ln 2}$$

$$-f_y = x_1 x_2^2 x_3^2 = x^3 x_3^2 \rightarrow f_y|_{(1,1,2)} = 1^3 \cdot e^{\frac{1^2 - 1 \cdot 2}{2}} = 2$$



Higher Order Partial Derivative

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

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

2. x is 1st, then y.

Ex Find f_{xx} , f_{yy} , f_{xy} & f_{yx} for
 $f(x,y) = 3xy^2 - 2y + 5x^2y^2$

Soln

$$\begin{aligned} f_x &= 3y^2 + 10xy^2 & ; & \quad f_y = 6xy - 2 + 10x^2y \\ f_{xx} &= 10y^2 & ; & \quad f_{yy} = 6x + 10x^2 \\ f_{xy} &= 6y + 20xy & ; & \quad f_{yx} = 6y + 20xy \end{aligned}$$

Ex If $z = x^3 + y^4 + x \sin y + y \cos x$ then find
 z_{xy} , z_{yx}

Soln

$$\begin{aligned} - z_x &= 3x^2 + \sin y - y \sin x \\ - z_{yx} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (z_x) = \cos y - \sin x \\ - z_y &= 4y^3 + x \cos y + \cos x \\ - z_{xy} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (z_y) = \cos y - \sin x \end{aligned}$$

Notice From these two examples, we can see that $f_{xy} = f_{yx}$ if $z_{xy} = z_{yx}$!!

Theorem 2 Rules

IF f is a Func of x & y such that f_{xy} & f_{yx} are continuous on an open disk R , then for every (x,y) in R , $f_{xy}(x,y) = f_{yx}(x,y)$.



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Ex] If $f(x,y) = y \cdot \sin(xy)$, then Find f_x & f_y ?

Sol]

$$f_x = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = y \cdot \cos(xy) \cdot y + \sin(xy) \cdot 0 = \boxed{y^2 \cos(xy)}$$

$$f_y = \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = y \cdot \cos(xy) \cdot x + \sin(xy) \cdot 1 = \boxed{yx \cos(xy) + \sin(xy)}$$

Ex] If $z = \tan^{-1}(\frac{y}{x})$ then show that $x \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = 0$

Sol]

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = \frac{1}{1 + (\frac{y}{x})^2} \cdot \frac{x \cdot 0 - y \cdot 1}{x^2} = \boxed{\frac{-y}{x^2 + y^2}}$$

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = \frac{1}{1 + (\frac{y}{x})^2} \cdot \frac{x \cdot 1 - y \cdot 0}{x^2} = \boxed{\frac{x}{x^2 + y^2}}$$

$$\therefore x \left(\frac{-y}{x^2 + y^2} \right) + y \left(\frac{x}{x^2 + y^2} \right) = \boxed{0} \quad \checkmark$$

Question For Discussion 2

If $f(x,y,z) = y e^x + x \ln z$ show that:

$$f_{xzz} = f_{z x z} = f_{zz x}$$

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