

12. exercise sheet for Mathematics for Advanced Materials Science

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12.1. (Differentiation)

(4 credits)

Consider the two maps $f: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$, $(x, y) \mapsto (xy, x - y)$, and $g: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $(v, w) \mapsto v^2 + w^2$. Compute the following:

(a) $(g \circ f)(x, y)$;

(b) the Jacobian matrices $J_f(x, y)$, $J_g(v, w)$, and $J_{g \circ f}(x, y)$,

(c) the matrix–matrix product $J_g(f(x, y))J_f(x, y)$.

12.2. (Gradient)

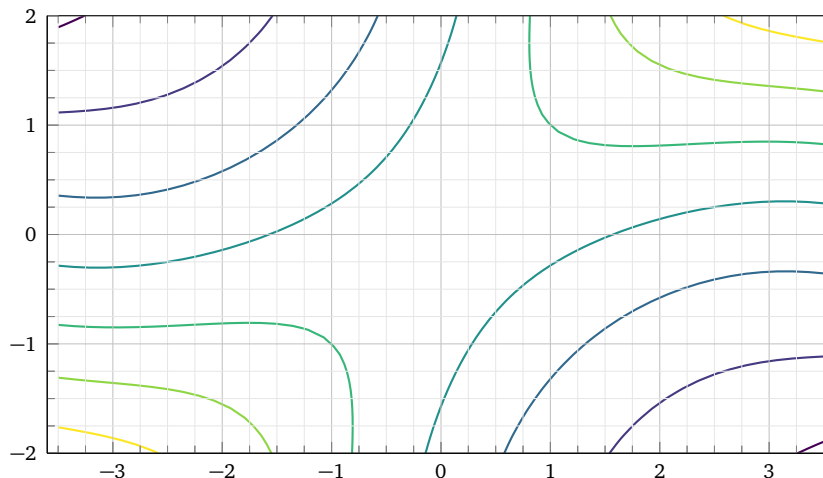
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Consider the map $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, (x, y) \mapsto \cos(x - y) + xy$.

(a) Compute $J_f(x, y)$.

(b) Compute $\text{grad } f(x, y)$.

(c) Pick three distinct points $(x, y) \in [-3, 3] \times [-2, 2]$ for which you compute the gradient $\text{grad } f(x, y)$ numerically and draw it as a vector based at (x, y) in the following picture:



(Hint: the curved lines are curves on which f is constant.)

12.3. (Polar coordinates, differentiation)

(4 credits)

Consider the function

$$f : \mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{\vec{0}\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, (x, y) \mapsto \frac{2xy}{(x^2 + y^2)^2},$$

as well as the well-known polar coordinate map $\vec{P} : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2, (r, \varphi) \mapsto (r \cos \varphi, r \sin \varphi)$. Let $\vec{v} = (1/\sqrt{2}, 1/\sqrt{2})$. Compute the following quantities.

(a) $\partial_1 f(x, y) =$ and $\partial_2 f(x, y) =$.

(b) $\frac{\partial f}{\partial \vec{v}}(x, y) =$. (Hint: Lemma 5.1)

(c) $(f \circ \vec{P})(r, \varphi) =$ $.$

(d) $\frac{\partial f}{\partial r}(r, \varphi) =$ $\text{ and } \frac{\partial f}{\partial \varphi}(r, \varphi) =$ $.$

(Hint: this notation means $\partial_1(f \circ \vec{P})$ and $\partial_2(f \circ \vec{P})$.)

12.4. (Divergence)

(4 credits)

Let $\vec{F}: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$, $(x, y) \mapsto (F_1(x, y), F_2(x, y))$ be a vector field. Define the ***divergence*** $\text{div } \vec{F}(x, y)$ of \vec{F} at (x, y) to be $\partial_1 F_1(x, y) + \partial_2 F_2(x, y)$ if the appearing partial derivatives exist. Compute $\text{div grad } f(x, y)$ and $\text{div grad } g(x, y)$, where f and g are the functions from exercise 11.3, i.e., $f(x, y) = x^2 y - x + c_f$ and $g(x, y) = x \sin(x - y) + c_g$, for arbitrary constants $c_f, c_g \in \mathbb{R}$.

(Hint: here the main task is to decipher the notation.)