

10. exercise sheet for Engineering Mathematics

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10.1. (Differentiation) (4 credits)

Consider the two maps

$$f: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2, \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} x^2 \cos y \\ x - y^4 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \text{and} \quad g: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \begin{pmatrix} v \\ w \end{pmatrix} \mapsto v + w^2.$$

Compute the following:

(a) $(g \circ f)(x, y)$; (Hint: for verification: $(g \circ f)(2, 1) \approx 3.161$.)

$$(g \circ f)(x, y) = \boxed{}.$$

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

$$J_f(x, y) = \begin{pmatrix} \boxed{} & \boxed{} \\ \boxed{} & \boxed{} \end{pmatrix}, \quad J_g(v, w) = \begin{pmatrix} \boxed{} & \boxed{} \end{pmatrix},$$

$$J_{g \circ f}(x, y) = \begin{pmatrix} \boxed{} & \boxed{} \end{pmatrix}.$$

(c) the matrix–matrix product $J_g(f(x, y))J_f(x, y)$. (Hint: at $(2, 1)$: $\approx (4.161 \quad -11.366)$.)

$$\begin{pmatrix} \boxed{} & \boxed{} \end{pmatrix}.$$

10.2. (Gradient)

(4 credits)

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

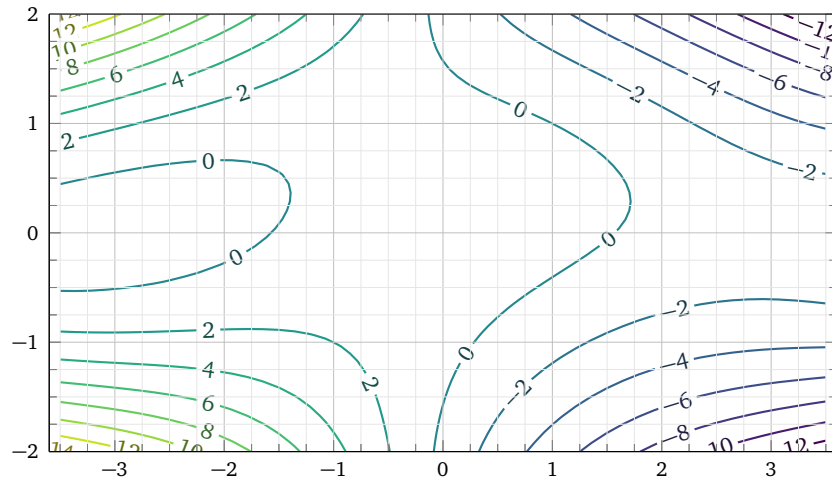
(a) Compute $J_f(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^{1 \times 2}$.

$$J_f(x, y) = \left(\begin{array}{|c|} \hline \phantom{\rule{1.5cm}{0.4pt}} \\ \hline \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \phantom{\rule{1.5cm}{0.4pt}} \\ \hline \end{array} \right).$$

(b) Compute $\text{grad } f(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$. (Hint: for verification: $\text{grad } f(1, 10) \approx (-99.588, -20.412)$.)

$$\text{grad } f(x, y) = \left(\begin{array}{|c|} \hline \phantom{\rule{1.5cm}{0.4pt}} \\ \hline \phantom{\rule{1.5cm}{0.4pt}} \\ \hline \end{array} \right).$$

(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. For (c) make sure that the vectors you draw have the correct length and orientation.)

10.3. (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 $\text{div grad}(xy + y^2 - x)$.

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

$$\text{div grad } f(x, y) = \boxed{\phantom{\rule{1.5cm}{0.4pt}}}.$$

10.4. (Start-up of laminar flow in a tube, I)

(4 credits)

Let $\phi: [-1, 1] \times \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a (the) function satisfying the partial differential equation

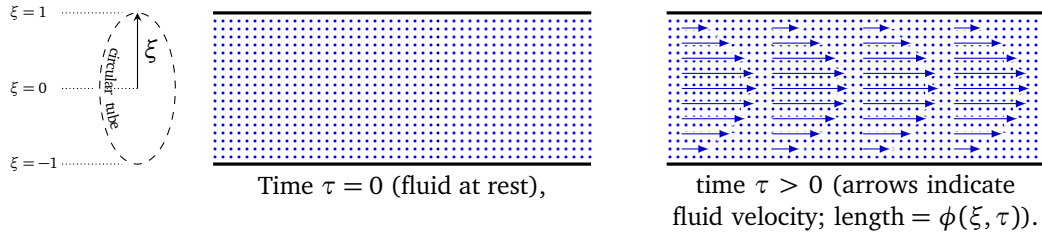
$$\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial \tau}(\xi, \tau) = 4 + \frac{1}{\xi} \frac{\partial}{\partial \xi} \left(\xi \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial \xi}(\xi, \tau) \right) \quad (\partial)$$

at all points $(\xi, \tau) \in (-1, 1) \times \mathbb{R}$, $\xi \neq 0$, and the boundary conditions

$$\phi(\pm 1, \tau) = 0 \quad \text{for } \tau \geq 0, \quad (\dagger)$$

$$\phi(\xi, 0) = 0 \quad \text{for } \xi \in [-1, 1]. \quad (\ddagger)$$

(Provided suitable physical assumptions which we do not explicate here, the function ϕ can be used to model the velocity profile of laminar flow building up from a fluid in a circular tube, initially at rest (imposed by (\ddagger)), with a pressure gradient applied at the ends of the tube at time $\tau = 0$. The boundary condition (\dagger) imposes zero velocity at the tube walls.¹)



Let $y: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a solution to the Bessel differential equation studied in exercise 2.3. Let $\alpha > 0$ denote a number such that $y(\alpha) = 0$. Verify the following (on a separate sheet):

(a) ϕ_∞ given by $\phi_\infty(\xi, \tau) = 1 - \xi^2$ satisfies²

- $\frac{\partial \phi_\infty}{\partial \tau}(\xi, \tau) = 0$,
- the partial differential equation (∂) , and
- the boundary condition (\dagger) , but not (\ddagger) .

(b) ϕ_* : $(\xi, \tau) \mapsto \phi_\infty(\xi) - \phi(\xi, \tau)$ satisfies the partial differential equation

$$\frac{\partial \phi_*}{\partial \tau}(\xi, \tau) = \frac{1}{\xi} \frac{\partial}{\partial \xi} \left(\xi \frac{\partial \phi_*}{\partial \xi}(\xi, \tau) \right). \quad (\partial')$$

(c) ϕ_α : $(\xi, \tau) \mapsto y(\alpha\xi) \exp(-\alpha^2\tau)$ satisfies (∂') and (\dagger) .³

¹For more context, consult Exercise 4D.2 of R. B. Bird, W. E. Stewart, E. N. Lightfoot, *Transport Phenomena*, 2nd edition, Wiley: New York, 2001. In a later exercise, we shall use the above results in order to obtain a formula for ϕ . An animation of the outcome of this can be viewed here: <https://www.math.tugraz.at/~mtechnau/images/2023-w-engimaths-flow.gif>

²Physically, ϕ_∞ models the steady-state velocity profile that is approached by as time goes to infinity.

³Using a “separation ansatz”, that is, looking for solutions to (∂') of the form $(\xi, \tau) \mapsto Y(\xi)E(\tau)$, one can actually deduce that Y must satisfy the Bessel differential equation from exercise 2.3 and E must satisfy $E' = cE$ for a suitable constant c related to Y . Here we are turning this approach on its head for simplicity’s sake.