

Analysis III for Engineering Students

Homework sheet 3, Solutions

Exercise 1:

Compute the derivative in direction $\mathbf{h} = (h_1, h_2)^T$ for the function $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ $f(x, y) = x^2 + y$ at the point (x_0, y_0) . What is the slope of the function at the point $(2, -3)$ in the directions given by the straight line $2x + 7y = 3$?

Solution:

Since f is continuously partially differentiable, the directional derivative can be calculated at point (x_0, y_0) as follows:

$$D_{\mathbf{h}} f(x_0, y_0) = \langle \text{grad } f(x_0, y_0), \mathbf{h} \rangle = (2x_0, 1) \begin{pmatrix} h_1 \\ h_2 \end{pmatrix} = 2x_0 h_1 + h_2$$

The straight line $2x + 7y = 3$ in parametric form is given by:

$$\mathbf{g}(x) = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y(x) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ 3/7 - 2x/7 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 3/7 \end{pmatrix} + x \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2/7 \end{pmatrix}$$

To calculate the slope, we need to normalize first the direction vector \mathbf{h} from the straight line equation:

$$\mathbf{h} = \pm \frac{7}{\sqrt{53}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2/7 \end{pmatrix} = \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{53}} \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

The ascent or descent at the point $(x_0, y_0) = (2, -3)$ is therefore

$$D_{\mathbf{h}} f(2, -3) = 4h_1 + h_2 = \pm \left(\frac{28}{\sqrt{53}} - \frac{2}{\sqrt{53}} \right) = \pm \frac{26}{\sqrt{53}}.$$

Exercise 2:

Given the coordinate transformation

$$\Phi(r, \varphi) = \begin{pmatrix} x(r, \varphi) \\ y(r, \varphi) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2r \cos \varphi \\ 3r \sin \varphi \end{pmatrix}$$

with $(r, \varphi) \in Q :=]0, 1] \times \left] -\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2} \right[$.

- Compute $\mathbf{J} \Phi(r, \varphi)$ and $\det(\mathbf{J} \Phi(r, \varphi))$ as well as
- $\Phi^{-1}(x, y)$, $\mathbf{J} \Phi^{-1}(x, y)$ and $\det(\mathbf{J} \Phi^{-1}(x, y))$.
- Make a sketch of Q and $\Phi(Q)$.

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{a) } \mathbf{J} \Phi(r, \varphi) &= \begin{pmatrix} x_r & x_\varphi \\ y_r & y_\varphi \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \cos \varphi & -2r \sin \varphi \\ 3 \sin \varphi & 3r \cos \varphi \end{pmatrix}, \\ \det(\mathbf{J} \Phi(r, \varphi)) &= 6r \end{aligned}$$

b) So Φ represents elliptic coordinates, i.e. it holds

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{x^2}{2^2} + \frac{y^2}{3^2} = r^2 &\stackrel{0 < r \leq 1}{\Rightarrow} r(x, y) = \sqrt{x^2/4 + y^2/9} = \left(\sqrt{9x^2 + 4y^2} \right) / 6 \\ \frac{y}{x} = \frac{3r \sin \varphi}{2r \cos \varphi} = \frac{3}{2} \tan \varphi &\stackrel{-\pi/2 < \varphi < \pi/2}{\Rightarrow} \varphi(x, y) = \arctan \frac{2y}{3x} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Phi^{-1}(x, y) = \begin{pmatrix} r(x, y) \\ \varphi(x, y) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \left(\sqrt{9x^2 + 4y^2} \right) / 6 \\ \arctan \frac{2y}{3x} \end{pmatrix},$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{J} \Phi^{-1}(x, y) &= \begin{pmatrix} r_x & r_y \\ \varphi_x & \varphi_y \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{2 \cdot 9x}{2 \cdot 6 \sqrt{9x^2 + 4y^2}} & \frac{2 \cdot 4y}{2 \cdot 6 \sqrt{9x^2 + 4y^2}} \\ -\frac{2y}{3x^2(1+(2y/3x)^2)} & \frac{2}{3x(1+(2y/3x)^2)} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{3x}{2\sqrt{9x^2+4y^2}} & \frac{2y}{3\sqrt{9x^2+4y^2}} \\ -\frac{6y}{9x^2+4y^2} & \frac{6x}{9x^2+4y^2} \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \det(\mathbf{J} \Phi^{-1}(x, y)) &= \frac{3x}{2\sqrt{9x^2+4y^2}} \cdot \frac{6x}{9x^2+4y^2} - \frac{2y}{3\sqrt{9x^2+4y^2}} \cdot \left(-\frac{6y}{9x^2+4y^2} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{9x^2+4y^2}} \end{aligned}$$

Alternatively:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{J} \Phi^{-1}(x, y) &= (\mathbf{J} \Phi(r(x, y), \varphi(x, y)))^{-1} \\ &= \frac{1}{6r} \begin{pmatrix} 3r \cos \varphi & 2r \sin \varphi \\ -3 \sin \varphi & 2 \cos \varphi \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{1}{6r} \begin{pmatrix} 3x/2 & 2y/3 \\ -y/r & x/r \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{3x}{2\sqrt{9x^2+4y^2}} & \frac{2y}{3\sqrt{9x^2+4y^2}} \\ -\frac{6y}{9x^2+4y^2} & \frac{6x}{9x^2+4y^2} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\det(\mathbf{J} \Phi^{-1}(x, y)) = \frac{1}{\det(\mathbf{J} \Phi(r, \varphi))} = \frac{1}{6r} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{9x^2 + 4y^2}}.$$

c)

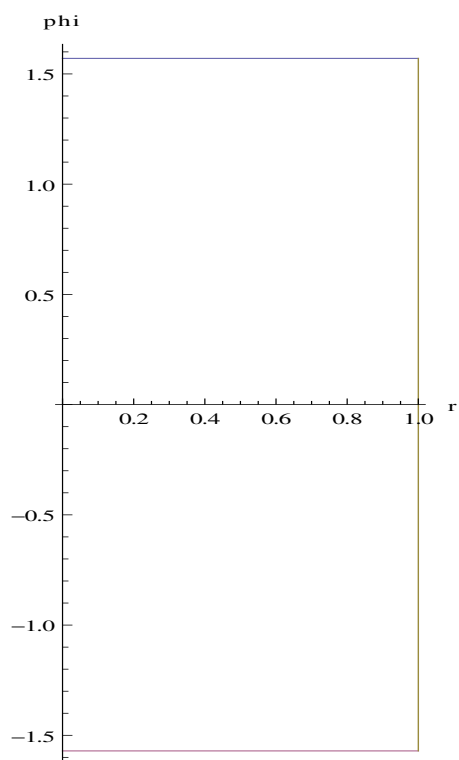


Figure 2 a: Q

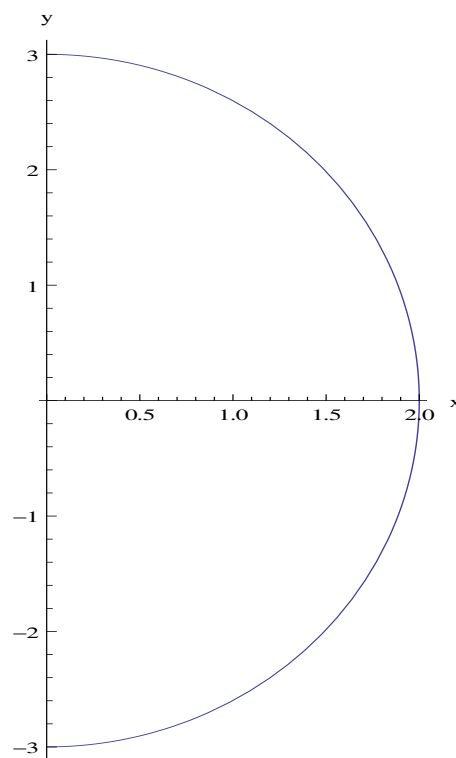


Figure 2 b: $\Phi(Q)$

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