

① continuity ~~and differentiability~~
of function

Def: - Let $f(x, y)$ be real valued function of two variables x and y defined on set $S \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ and $(a, b) \in S$. The function f is said to be continuous at (a, b) if for every $\epsilon > 0$ there exists $\delta > 0$ such that
 $|x - a| < \delta, |y - b| < \delta \Rightarrow$
 $|f(x, y) - f(a, b)| < \epsilon$
for all $(x, y) \in S$

In other words $f(x, y)$ is said to be continuous at ~~the~~ (a, b) if simultaneous limit
 $\lim_{\substack{x \rightarrow a \\ y \rightarrow b}} f(x, y)$ exists and is equal to its functional value $f(a, b)$ at (a, b)

problem ① Investigate the

② Continuity at $(0,0)$ of
 $f(x,y) = \begin{cases} \frac{x^2-y^2}{x^2+y^2}, & (x,y) \neq (0,0) \\ 0, & (x,y) = (0,0) \end{cases}$

Solution: -

Here

$$f(x,y) = \frac{x^2-y^2}{x^2+y^2}, (x,y) \neq (0,0)$$

$$\text{and } f(0,0) = 0$$

To test continuity at the origin, we find that

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

If we put $x = my$ in ① we get

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{x^2-y^2}{x^2+y^2} &= \lim_{y \rightarrow 0} \frac{m^2y^2-y^2}{m^2y^2+y^2} \\ &= \lim_{y \rightarrow 0} \frac{m^2-1}{m^2+1} \end{aligned}$$

which depends upon m .

Hence the function is not continuous

problem 2

Examine whether the

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function

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} x^2 + 4y, & (x, y) \neq (1, 2) \\ 0, & (x, y) = (1, 2) \end{cases}$$

is continuous at $(1, 2)$

Soln: - Here $f(x, y) = \begin{cases} x^2 + 4y \\ 0 \end{cases}$

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{\substack{x \rightarrow 1 \\ y \rightarrow 2}} (x^2 + 4y) &= 1^2 + 4 \times 2 \\ &= 1 + 8 = 9, \text{ so the} \\ \text{limit exists and equals to} \\ &9 \end{aligned}$$

Since $f(1, 2) = 0$ and $\lim_{\substack{x \rightarrow 1 \\ y \rightarrow 2}} f(x, y) = 9$

we have $\lim_{\substack{x \rightarrow 1 \\ y \rightarrow 2}} f(x, y) \neq f(1, 2)$

Hence the function is not continuous at $(1, 2)$

which is a discontinuity of the first kind. Hence the function is not continuous.

problem 3

investigate the

continuity at $(0,0)$ of

$$f(x,y) = \begin{cases} 2xy \frac{x^2-y^2}{x^2+y^2}, & (x,y) \neq (0,0) \\ 0, & (x,y) = (0,0) \end{cases}$$

Soln: - Here $f(x,y) = 2xy \frac{x^2-y^2}{x^2+y^2}$ where $(x,y) \neq (0,0)$

and $f(x,y) = 0$ when $(x,y) = (0,0)$

putting $x = r \cos \theta, y = r \sin \theta$

we have

$$x^2 + y^2 = r^2 (\cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta) \Rightarrow r^2 = x^2 + y^2$$

Now given $\epsilon > 0$ we have

$$\left| 2xy \frac{x^2-y^2}{x^2+y^2} \right| = \left| 2r^2 \cos \theta \sin \theta \frac{r^2 \cos^2 \theta - r^2 \sin^2 \theta}{r^2} \right|$$

$$= \left| 2r^2 \cos \theta \sin \theta \frac{r^2 \cos 2\theta}{r^2} \right|$$

$$= \left| r^2 \sin 2\theta \cos 2\theta \right| = \left| \frac{r^2}{2} \sin 4\theta \right|$$

$$\leq \frac{r^2}{2} = \frac{x^2 + y^2}{2} < \epsilon$$

Thus for given $\epsilon > 0$ there exists $\delta > 0$ s.t. $\left| 2xy \frac{x^2-y^2}{x^2+y^2} - 0 \right| < \epsilon$ for $|x-0| < \delta, |y-0| < \delta$

Therefore $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} f(x,y) = 0 = f(0,0)$

Here $(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)$

problem (4) construct an example of a function which is separately continuous but not continuous

(5) Soln: - let a function

$$f(x,y) = \begin{cases} \frac{x^2 y^2}{x^4 + y^4} & (x,y) \neq (0,0) \\ 0 & (x,y) = (0,0) \end{cases}$$

This function is not continuous at $(0,0)$ $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} f(x,y)$ does not exist

We see by taking $(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)$ through the curve $y = mx, m \neq 0$

$$f(x,y) = \frac{x^2 \cdot m^2 x^2}{x^4 + m^4 x^4} = \frac{m^2 x^4}{x^4(1+m^4)} = \frac{m^2}{1+m^4}$$

which is depend on m

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x,0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^2 \cdot 0}{x^4 + 0} = 0 = f(0,0)$$

$$\lim_{y \rightarrow 0} f(0,y) = \lim_{y \rightarrow 0} \frac{0 \cdot y^2}{0 + y^4} = 0 = f(0,0)$$

Thus f is separately continuous but it is not continuous at $(0,0)$