

**Sheet of exercises N°3 - Differential calculus**

**Exercise 1**

1. Show that the function  $f : (x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mapsto \sin(x+y)$  admits directional derivative according to the two vectors  $\mathbf{u} = (-1, 1)$  and  $\mathbf{v} = (1, 1)$  at every point  $a \in \mathbb{R}^2$  and calculate  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial \mathbf{u}}(a)$  and  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial \mathbf{v}}(a)$ .
2. Let  $g$  be a function from  $\mathbb{R}$  to  $\mathbb{R}$  differentiable on  $\mathbb{R}$  and  $f$  the function  $f : (x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mapsto g(x+y)$ . Determine the derivatives of  $f$  in all directions  $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{(0, 0)\}$  and at every point  $a \in \mathbb{R}^2$ .

**Exercise 2** Write the Jacobian matrix of the function  $f : (x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mapsto (xyz, x^2y + y)$  at every point of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

**Exercise 3** Calculate the differential of the function  $f : (x, y) \mapsto 3x^2y - 4xy$  at the point  $a = (1, 2)$ .

Deduce the directional derivative of  $f$  at the point  $a = (1, 2)$  along the direction  $\mathbf{v} = \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}\right)$ .

**Exercise 4** Consider the function  $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defined by

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

1. Calculate the first partial derivatives of  $f$ .
2. Determine the Jacobian matrix of  $f$  at the point  $(1, 1)$  then deduce the expression of the differential of  $f$  at  $(1, 1)$ .

**Exercise 5** Form the equations of the tangent plane and the normal to the surface  $z = \frac{x^2}{2} - y^2$  at the point  $(2, -1, 1)$ .

**Exercise 6** Let  $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be defined by

$$f(x, y) = x e^{xy}.$$

Is  $f$  differentiable at the point  $(1, 0)$  ? If yes, linearize  $f$  in the neighborhood of  $(1, 0)$  and approach the value  $f(1.1, -0.1)$ .

**Exercice 7** The height of a cone is  $H = 30$  cm, the radius of its base is  $R = 10$  cm. Study the variation of the volume of the cone if we increase  $H$  by 3 mm and decrease  $R$  by 1 mm.

*Indication:* the volume of the cone is given by the relation  $V = \frac{1}{3}\pi R^2 H$ .

**Exercice 8** One side of a rectangle is  $a = 10$  cm, the other  $b = 24$  cm. Study the variation of the diagonal  $l$  of the rectangle if side  $a$  lengthens by 4 mm and side  $b$  shortens by 1 mm. Calculate the approximate value of the variation and compare with the exact value.

**Exercice 9** Let  $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be defined by

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{x^2 y^3}{x^2 + y^2} & \text{if } (x, y) \neq (0, 0), \\ 0 & \text{else.} \end{cases}$$

1. Explain why  $f$  is of class  $C^1$  on  $\mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{(0, 0)\}$ .
2. Is  $f$  continuous on  $\mathbb{R}^2$ ? (We can switch to polar coordinates)
3. Does  $f$  admit partial derivatives of order 1 on  $\mathbb{R}^2$ ?
4. Is  $f$  of class  $C^1$  on  $\mathbb{R}^2$ ? (We can switch to polar coordinates)
5. Is  $f$  differentiable on  $\mathbb{R}^2$ ?

**Exercice 10** Consider the function  $f$  from  $\mathbb{R}^2$  to  $\mathbb{R}$  defined by

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} y^2 \sin\left(\frac{x}{y}\right) & \text{if } y \neq 0, \\ 0 & \text{if } y = 0. \end{cases}$$

1. Show that  $f$  is of class  $C^1$  on the open set  $U = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 ; y \neq 0\}$ .
2. Show that  $f$  is continuous on  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .
3. Show that  $f$  is differentiable on  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .
4. Calculate the two partial derivatives  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}$  and  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}$  on  $\mathbb{R}^2$ . Deduce that  $f$  is not of class  $C^1$  on  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .
5. Calculate  $\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x}(0, 0)$  and  $\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y}(0, 0)$ .

**Exercice 11** Consider the function  $f$  defined on  $\mathbb{R}^2$  by:

$$f(x, y) = \frac{\sin(xy)}{|x| + |y|} \quad \text{if } (x, y) \neq (0, 0) \quad \text{and} \quad f(0, 0) = 0.$$