

Exercise 1 Check if the following limits exist:

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{x}{x^2 + y^2}, \quad \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{(x + 2y)^3}{x^2 + y^2}, \quad \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (1,0)} \frac{\log(x + e^y)}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}},$$

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{x^4 + y^3 - xy}{x^4 + y^2}, \quad \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{x^3y}{x^4 + y^4}.$$

Exercise 2 Study continuity (or not) of the functions

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{xy}{x^2+y^2} & (x, y) \neq (0, 0) \\ 0 & (x, y) = (0, 0) \end{cases} \quad \text{and} \quad g(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{x^3+y^3}{x^2+y^2} & (x, y) \neq (0, 0) \\ 0 & (x, y) = (0, 0) \end{cases}$$

Exercise 3 Let $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a function such that

- a) For all x , the function $y \mapsto f(x, y)$ is continuous.
- b) For all y , the function $x \mapsto f(x, y)$ is uniformly continuous.

Show that f is continuous. Hint: consider f at the points (x, y) , (x, y') and (x', y') . *An important Remark:* if we replace (b) by (b'): "For all y , the function $x \mapsto f(x, y)$ is continuous", the conclusion becomes wrong! consider for example the function $f(x, y) = \frac{|x|-|y|}{|x|+|y|}$ on $\mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{(0, 0)\}$ that admits no limit in $(0, 0)$ while (a) and (b') are satisfied.

Exercise 4 Prove that the concepts "open", "closed", "bounded", "compact" for a set $A \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ do not depend on the chosen norm.

Exercise 5 Let $(E, \|\cdot\|)$ be a normed vector space. Prove or disprove the following propositions.

- i) The empty set is compact.
- ii) Singletons are compact.
- iii) Finite sets are compact (start thinking with a two-point set).
- iv) Countable sets are compact.

Are the following sets compact in \mathbb{R}^2 ?

$$A = \{(x, y) : 2x^2 + 3y^2 < 1\} \quad \text{and} \quad B = \{(x, y) : 0 \leq x, y, \quad xy \leq 1\}.$$

For subsets of \mathbb{R}^n , prove or disprove

- a) Intersections of compact sets are compact.
- b) Compact sets are closed.
- c) A closed subset of a compact set is compact.
- d) A union of finitely many compact sets is compact (start thinking with two compact sets).
- e) An arbitrary union of compact sets is itself compact.

Exercise 6 Let $K \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ be compact and $r > 0$. Let $K_r = \bigcup_{x \in K} B[x, r]$. Prove that K_r is compact.

Exercise 7 Show that $\max(a, b) = \frac{1}{2}(a + b + |a - b|)$ and $\min(a, b) = \frac{1}{2}(a + b - |a - b|)$. What can be said on $\max(f, g)$, if f, g are continuous real-valued functions?

Exercise 8 Let $f(x, y) = \max(e^x \sin(\arctan(y)), \ln(1 + x^2 + y^4))$. Prove that f admits a maximum on the set $A = \{(x, y) : x^{16} + y^{16} = 64\}$ (do not try to calculate any numerical value!). Prove that f admits a global minimum on \mathbb{R}^2 . Give it without calculating!

Exercise 9 Let $K \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ be compact and $F \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ be closed. Prove that

$$g(x) = \inf\{\|x - f\| : f \in F\}$$

is 1-Lipschitz, hence continuous. (hint: start with $\|x - f\| \leq \|x - y\| + \|y - f\|$). Deduce that if the sets K and F do not intersect, they must have a strictly positive distance. Show that compactness is needed here by providing an example of two disjoint closed sets whose distance is zero.

Exercise 10 Let $\gamma(t) = (r \cos(t), r \sin(t))$ for $t \in [0, 2\pi]$. Calculate the arc-length of the curve γ .

Exercise 11 Let $\gamma(t) = (\frac{2}{3}t^3, \sqrt{2}t^2)$ for $t \in [\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{7}]$. Calculate the arc-length of the curve γ .

Exercise 12 Let $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a continuous function. Parameterise its graph as a curve, and give an integral expression for the arc-length of the curve. Concrete examples (observe that these functions are of class C^1):

$$f_1(t) = -t \quad \text{on } [-2, 2], \quad f_2(t) = \frac{2}{3}(t - 1)^{3/2} \quad \text{on } [1, 4] \quad \text{and} \quad f_3(t) = \cosh(t) \quad \text{on } [0, 1]$$

Exercise 13 Calculate the length of one turn of the helix given by $\gamma(t) = (\cos(t), \sin(t), t)$. What is the length from $(1, 0, 0)$ to $\gamma(t)$? Find an arc length parameterization of the helix, i.e. a function $\tilde{\gamma}$ such that the distance from $(1, 0, 0)$ to $\tilde{\gamma}(t)$ is exactly t .

Exercise 14 Let $f(x, y) = 3x^2y^3$, and $(a, b) \in \mathbb{R}^2$. Let $\gamma_1(t) = (t, b)$ and $\gamma_2(t) = (a, t)$ two curves on a suitable interval I containing a and b . Calculate $g'(a)$ where $g = f \circ \gamma_1$ and $h'(b)$ where $h = f \circ \gamma_2$. Show that write $f_x(a, b) = g'(a)$ and $f_y(a, b) = h'(b)$.

Exercise 15 Find all of the first order partial derivatives for the following functions.

$$\begin{aligned} f(x, y) &= x^3 + 2\sqrt{y} - 10 & g(x, y, z) &= x^2y - 8y^2z^3 + 42x - 12 \tan(2y) \\ h(s, t) &= t^7 \ln(s^2) + 9t^3 - \sqrt[7]{s^4} & k(x, y) &= \cos(2/x) \exp(xy^2 - 3y^3) \\ u(x, y) &= \frac{9x}{x^2+y} & v(x, y, z) &= \frac{x \sin(y)}{z^2} - \sqrt{x^2 + \ln(5z - 3y^2)} \end{aligned}$$

Exercise 16 Calculate all second order derivatives of the functions in the preceding exercise.