

Exercise 1 (8.5 points). The two parts of this exercise can be solved independently, using the results of Part I in Part II.

Part I – Study of a power series expansion — 4 points

We define the function

$$p : (-1, 1) \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$u \longmapsto \sqrt{1+u}.$$

1. Justify that p is a solution on I of the following differential equation

$$(E) \quad (2 + 2u)y'(u) - y(u) = 0$$

such that $y(0) = 1$.

We recall that p is the only solution of Equation (E) on $(-1, 1)$ that takes the value 1 at 0.

2. By looking for a solution of the differential equation (E) such that $y(0) = 1$ in the form of a function y that possesses a power series expansion, say

$$y(u) = \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} b_n u^n,$$

show that:

- the function p possesses a power series expansion (and specify its radius of convergence);
- the power series expansion of p is

$$p(u) = \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} b_n u^n$$

where $b_0 = 1$ and

$$\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, b_{n+1} = -\frac{2n-1}{2(n+1)} b_n.$$

3. Show that:

$$\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, b_n = (-1)^{n-1} \frac{(2n)!}{(2n-1)2^{2n}(n!)^2}.$$

4. Prove that the sequence $(|b_n|)_{n \in \mathbb{N}^*}$ is a non-increasing sequence.

5. We admit the following equivalent (known as *Stirling's formula*) :

$$n! \underset{n \rightarrow +\infty}{\sim} \sqrt{2\pi n} \left(\frac{n}{e}\right)^n.$$

Show, using Stirling's formula, that

$$|b_n| \underset{n \rightarrow +\infty}{\sim} \frac{1}{\alpha n^\beta}$$

where α and β are two real numbers strictly greater than 1.

Part II – An approximation an arc length — 4.5 points

Let $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ such that $a < b$. For a function $f : [a, b] \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$ of class C^1 we define

$$L(f) = \int_a^b \sqrt{1 + f'(t)^2} dt.$$

We recall that this number $L(f)$ is the arc length of the graph of f . The goal of this part is to determine an approximation of the arc length of the hyperbola, graph of the following function:

$$f : [1/2, 1] \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$t \longmapsto 1/t.$$

We're hence in the case where $a = 1/2$ et $b = 1$.

1. Explicit the integral expression of $L(f)$.

2. The goal of this question is to obtain an expression of $L(f)$ in the form of a series.

a) Show that

$$\forall t \in (0, 1), \quad \frac{\sqrt{1+t^4}}{t^2} = \frac{1}{t^2} + \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} b_n t^{4n-2},$$

where the sequence $(b_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}^*}$ is the sequence defined in the previous part.

b) We define the sequence of function $(S_N)_{N \in \mathbb{N}^*}$ by:

$$\begin{aligned} \forall N \in \mathbb{N}^*, \quad S_N : \mathbb{R} &\longrightarrow \mathbb{R} \\ t &\longmapsto \sum_{n=1}^N b_n t^{4n-2}. \end{aligned}$$

i) Show that the series $(S_N(1))_{N \in \mathbb{N}^*}$ converges absolutely.

ii) Using the Dominated Convergence Theorem (that is recalled below) applied to the sequence of functions $(S_N)_{N \in \mathbb{N}^*}$ on $[1/2, 1)$, show that

$$\int_{1/2}^1 \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} b_n t^{4n-2} dt = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \int_{1/2}^1 b_n t^{4n-2} dt.$$

c) Deduce that

$$L(f) = 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{b_n}{4n-1} \left(1 - \frac{1}{2^{4n-1}} \right).$$

3. Explain why an upper bound of the error committed by approximating $L(f)$ by

$$1 + \sum_{n=1}^4 \frac{b_n}{4n-1} - \sum_{n=1}^4 \frac{b_n}{2^{4n-1}(4n-1)}$$

is

$$\frac{|b_5|}{19} + \frac{|b_5|}{2^{19} \times 19}.$$

Remark: Maple gives $L(f) = 1.13\dots$, and an upper bound of the error committed when approximating $L(f)$ by the first five terms is 0.00144.

Theorem 1 (Dominated Convergence Theorem). Let I be a real interval with endpoints a and b in $\overline{\mathbb{R}}$ (with $a < b$). Let $(f_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ be a sequence of piecewise continuous functions on I such that:

- the sequence of functions $(f_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ converges pointwise on I to a piecewise continuous function f ,
- there exists a piecewise continuous function g on I such that

$$\forall t \in I, \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}, \quad |f_n(t)| \leq g(t),$$

and, in the case where I is not a closed and bounded interval, the improper integral

$$\int_a^b g(t) dt$$

converges (the domination condition).

Then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \int_a^b |f_n(t) - f(t)| dt = 0,$$

and in particular,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \int_a^b f_n(t) dt = \int_a^b f(t) dt,$$

and, in the case where I is not a closed and bounded interval, the improper integral on the right-hand side is absolutely convergent.

Exercise 2 (11.5 points). In this exercise, we work in \mathbb{R}^2 with its standard dot product and with the standard Euclidean norm. The first two parts are independent from each other.

Part I – 4.5 points

1. Let q be the quadratic form defined by:

$$\begin{aligned} q : \mathbb{R}^2 &\longrightarrow \mathbb{R} \\ (x, y) &\longmapsto 3x^2 + 2xy + 3y^2. \end{aligned}$$

a) Determine an orthonormal basis \mathcal{B}' in which the matrix of q is diagonal.

b) We define

$$\mathcal{S} = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid x^2 + y^2 = 1\}.$$

Let $u \in \mathcal{S}$. We denote by

$$[u]_{\mathcal{B}' } = \begin{pmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{pmatrix}$$

the coordinates of the vector u in the basis \mathcal{B}' . Show that $x'^2 + y'^2 = 1$ and deduce that $2 \leq q(u) \leq 4$.

c) Show that there exists $u_m \in \mathcal{S}$ such that $q(u_m) = 2$ and that there exists $u_M \in \mathcal{S}$ such that $q(u_M) = 4$. Deduce the value of $\max_{u \in \mathcal{S}} q(u)$ and the value of $\min_{u \in \mathcal{S}} q(u)$.

2. Let f be the mapping defined by:

$$\begin{aligned} f : \mathbb{R}^2 &\longrightarrow \mathbb{R} \\ (x, y) &\longmapsto \frac{2}{3}(x+y)^3 + 2(x+y)^2 + (x-y)^2. \end{aligned}$$

a) Determine the critical points of f .

b) Show that f admits a unique local minimum, and that this local minimum is attained at a unique point $N \in \mathbb{R}^2$ that you will determine. Is this local minimum a global minimum of f on \mathbb{R}^2 ?

c) Let q_N be the quadratic form, the matrix of which, in the standard basis of \mathbb{R}^2 is the Hessian matrix $H_N f$ of f at the point N . Determine the value of $\max_{u \in \mathcal{S}} q_N(u)$ and the value of $\min_{u \in \mathcal{S}} q_N(u)$.

Part II – 3.5 points

Let $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ and $R \in \mathbb{R}_+^*$. Let f be the mapping defined by:

$$\begin{aligned} f : \mathbb{R}^2 &\longrightarrow \mathbb{R} \\ (x, y) &\longmapsto (x-a)^2 + (y-b)^2. \end{aligned}$$

We define the circle \mathcal{C} centered at (a, b) of radius R :

$$\mathcal{C} = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid f(x, y) = R^2\}.$$

1. For what points $(x, y) \in \mathcal{C}$ do we have $\partial_2 f(x, y) = 0$? what do we observe for the tangent line to the circle \mathcal{C} at these points?

2. In this question and the next one, $(x_0, y_0) \in \mathcal{C}$ is such that $\partial_2 f(x_0, y_0) \neq 0$.

a) Justify that there exists an open interval $I \subset \mathbb{R}$ such that $x_0 \in I$, an open interval $J \subset \mathbb{R}$ such that $y_0 \in J$ and a function $\psi : I \rightarrow J$ of class C^2 such that

$$\forall (x, y) \in I \times J, \left((x, y) \in \mathcal{C} \iff y = \psi(x) \right).$$

b) What is the value of $\psi(x_0)$?

c) Show that

$$\psi'(x_0) = -\frac{x_0 - a}{y_0 - b}.$$

d) Show that

$$\psi''(x_0) = -\frac{1 + \psi'(x_0)^2}{y_0 - b}.$$

e) Deduce that

$$R = \frac{(1 + \psi'(x_0)^2)^{3/2}}{|\psi''(x_0)|}.$$

3. Determine an equation of the tangent line to the circle \mathcal{C} at the point (x_0, y_0) .

The notion of curvature enables us to quantify how much the graph of a function of one variable recedes from its tangent line at a point. Let I be an real interval and let $h : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a function of class C^2 . We admit that we can define the curvature of h at a point $t \in I$ by the number

$$\frac{h''(t)}{(1 + h'(t)^2)^{3/2}}.$$

The goal of the next part is to define a similar notion of curvature for the graph of a function of 2 variables.

Part III – 3.5 points

Let $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a function of class C^2 . Let (x_0, y_0) be a critical point of f . Let $v = (v_1, v_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2$. We define the mapping

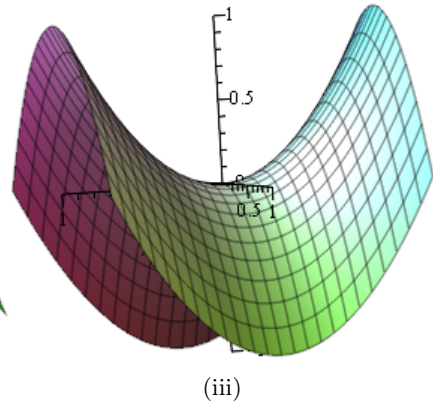
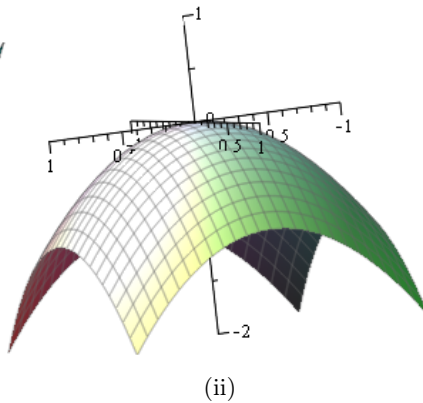
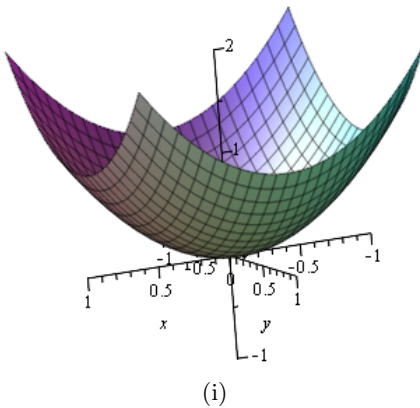
$$g_v : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \\ t \mapsto f(x_0 + tv_1, y_0 + tv_2).$$

1. Compute $g'_v(t)$ and $g''_v(t)$ in terms of the partial derivatives of f .
2. Let ρ be the mapping defined by

$$\rho : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \\ v \mapsto \frac{g''_v(0)}{(1 + g'_v(0)^2)^{3/2}}.$$

Deduce from the previous questions a simple expression of $\rho(v)$. The number $\rho(v)$ is called *the curvature of the function f in the direction (x_0, y_0) at the critical point (x_0, y_0)* .

3. Check that the mapping ρ is in fact the quadratic form the matrix of which in the standard basis of \mathbb{R}^2 is the Hessian matrix of f at the point (x_0, y_0) .
4. Determine the maximal curvature $\max_{\|v\|=1} \rho(v)$ as well as the minimal curvature $\min_{\|v\|=1} \rho(v)$ of the function f defined in Part I at the point N as well as the directions in which they are attained.
5. Back to the general case. We define the Gaussian curvature of f at the critical point (x_0, y_0) as the product of the eigenvalues of its Hessian matrix at the point (x_0, y_0) .
 - a) Justify that the Gaussian curvature is a real number.
 - b) Determine the sign of the Gaussian curvature of the functions f , given by the graphs below, at the critical point $(0, 0)$, which is *non-degenerate* (that is, the Hessian matrix is invertible at the point $(0, 0)$).



- c) What is the value of the Gaussian curvature at the critical point $(0, 0)$ of the function f given by the graph below?

