

## Math 316 Hwk 4

**Problem 1.** Prove the following: If  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow [a, b]$  is continuous, then there exists  $x \in [a, b]$  such that  $f(x) = x$ .

**Problem 2.** A set  $E \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  is said to be path connected if for any  $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in E$  there is a continuous map  $\gamma : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  such that  $\gamma([0, 1]) \subset E$ ,  $\gamma(0) = \mathbf{x}$  and  $\gamma(1) = \mathbf{y}$ . Prove that a path connected space is connected.

**Problem 3.** Let

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

Define  $\phi(t) = (t, at)$  and  $\psi(t) = (t, t^2)$ . Show that:

(a).  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} f(\phi(t)) = 0$ .

(b).  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} f(\psi(t)) = 1$ .

What does this mean? Explain your results.

**Problem 4.** A function  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is called periodic, if there exists a number  $T > 0$  such that  $f(x + T) = f(x)$  for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ . Show that a continuous periodic function is bounded and uniformly continuous on  $\mathbb{R}$ .

**Problem 5.** Show that the function  $f(x) = (x+1)^{-1}$  is uniformly continuous on the interval  $(0, \infty)$ , but not on the interval  $(-1, 0)$ .

**Problem 6.** Determine if the limit of  $f(x, y)$  exists at  $(0, 0)$  for

(a).  $f(x, y) = \frac{\sqrt{xy}}{x^2 + y^2}$ .

(b).  $f(x, y) = \frac{xy}{x^2 + y^2}$ .

(c).  $f(x, y) = \frac{xy}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}}$ .

**Definition.** Let  $f : \mathbb{R}^m \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ . We have the following sets:

- (a). The domain,  $\mathcal{D}(f) = \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^m \mid f(\mathbf{x}) \text{ exists}\}$ .
- (b). The range,  $\mathcal{R}(f) = \{\mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid f(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{y} \text{ for some } \mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{D}(f)\}$ .
- (c). The graph,  $\mathcal{G}(f) = \{(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \in \mathbb{R}^m \times \mathbb{R}^n \mid \mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{D}(f) \text{ and } f(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{y}\}$ .
- (d). The level set of  $f$  at  $\mathbf{b}$ ,  $f^{-1}(\mathbf{b}) = \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^m \mid f(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{b}\}$ .

**Problem 7.** Sketch the domain, range, graph, and level sets of the function  $f(x, y) = \frac{1}{xy}$ .

**Problem 8.** Sketch the following:

- (a). The range and graph of  $f(t) = (\cos t, \sin t)$ .
- (b). The range of  $f(r, \theta) = (r \cos \theta, r \sin \theta, r)$ ,  $0 \leq r \leq 1$  and  $0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$ .
- (c). The level set of  $f(x, y, z) = (x + y + z, x^2 + y^2 + z^2)$  at  $(1, 1)$ .
- (d). The range of  $f(\theta, \phi) = (\sin \phi \cos \theta, \sin \phi \sin \theta, \cos \phi)$ ,  $-\frac{\pi}{2} \leq \phi \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$  and  $0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$ .

**Problem 9.** Let  $f : \mathbb{R}^n \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ . Find:

- (a). A function whose range is the graph of  $f$ .
- (b). A function whose level set at  $\mathbf{0}$  is the graph of  $f$ .

**Problem 10.** Find the following:

- (a). A function  $g : \mathbb{R}^2 \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  so that  $g(f(x, y)) = (x, y)$ , where the function  $f$  is defined by  $f(x, y) = (3x + 2y, x - y)$ .
- (b). For the function  $F : \mathbb{R}^4 \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  defined by

$$F(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) = (x_1 - x_2 + x_3 + x_4, 2x_1 - 3x_2 + x_3 + 4x_4),$$

let  $S$  be the level set of  $F$  at  $(1, -1)$ . Find (i) a function whose range is  $S$  and (ii) a function whose graph is  $S$ .