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1. Quickies: (a) Let  $F : [0, 1] \times \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be continuous and  $a = (a_0, \dots, a_{m-1}) \in \mathbb{R}^m$ . Suppose that  $F$  is uniformly Lipschitz in the  $\mathbb{R}^m$  variables near  $a$ , i.e. for some constant  $K$  and an open subset  $U$  of  $\mathbb{R}^m$  containing  $a$ ,  $|F(t, x) - F(t, y)| \leq K\|x - y\|$  for all  $t \in [0, 1]$ ,  $x, y \in U$ . Use the Picard–Lindelöf existence theorem for first order ODE systems to show that there is an  $\epsilon > 0$  such that, writing  $f^{(j)}$  for the  $j$ th derivative of  $f$ , the  $m$ th order initial value problem

$$f^{(m)}(t) = F(t, f(t), f^{(1)}(t), \dots, f^{(m-1)}(t)) \quad \text{for } t \in [0, \epsilon];$$

$$f^{(j)}(0) = a_j \quad \text{for } 0 \leq j \leq m - 1$$

has a unique  $C^m$  solution  $f : [0, \epsilon] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  (see also Q2 below).

(b) Let  $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ . If  $f$  is differentiable at  $0 \in \mathbb{R}^2$ , and if the partial derivatives of  $f$  exist in a neighborhood of  $0$ , does it follow that one partial derivative is continuous at  $0$ ?

(c) Let  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  be continuous, and differentiable on  $(a, b)$ . Does it follow that there exists  $c \in (a, b)$  such that  $f(b) - f(a) = f'(c)(b - a)$ ?

2. Let  $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $F : [a, b] \times \overline{B_R(x_0)} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  be continuous with  $\sup_{[a, b] \times \overline{B_R(x_0)}} \|F\| \leq R(b - a)^{-1}$  and  $\|F(t, x) - F(t, y)\| \leq K\|x - y\|$  for some  $K$  and all  $t \in [a, b]$ ,  $x, y \in \overline{B_R(x_0)}$ . We showed in lecture that for each  $t_0 \in [a, b]$ , there is a unique  $f \in C([a, b]; \overline{B_R(x_0)})$  solving the integral equation  $f(t) = x_0 + \int_{t_0}^t F(s, f(s)) ds$ ,  $t \in [a, b]$ . Assuming that  $F$  extends to all of  $[a, b] \times \mathbb{R}^n$  as a continuous function, show that this  $f$  is in fact the unique function in  $C([a, b]; \mathbb{R}^n)$  solving the integral equation. (Hint: for  $g \in C([a, b]; \mathbb{R}^n)$  solving  $g(t) = x_0 + \int_{t_0}^t F(s, g(s)) ds$ ,  $t \in [a, b]$ , let  $\Lambda^+ = \{t \in [t_0, b] : \|g(\sigma) - x_0\| \leq R \ \forall \sigma \in [t_0, t]\}$  and consider the possibility that  $\sup \Lambda^+ < b$ .)

3. (a) Let  $f = (f_1, \dots, f_m) : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ . Show that  $f$  is differentiable at  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  iff each  $f_i : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is differentiable at  $x$ , and in this case,  $Df(x)(h) = (Df_1(x)(h), \dots, Df_m(x)(h))$  for each  $h \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .

(b) Define  $f : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  by  $f(x, y, z) = (e^{x+y+z}, \cos x^2 y)$ . Without making use of partial derivatives, show that  $f$  is everywhere differentiable and find  $Df(a)$  at each  $a \in \mathbb{R}^3$ . Find all partial derivatives of  $f$  and hence, using appropriate results on partial derivatives, give an alternative proof of this result.

4. Consider the map  $f : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  given by  $f(x) = x/\|x\|$  for  $x \neq 0$ , and  $f(0) = 0$ . Show that  $f$  is differentiable except at  $0$ , and that

$$Df(x)(h) = \frac{h}{\|x\|} - \frac{x(x \cdot h)}{\|x\|^3}.$$

Verify that  $Df(x)(h)$  is orthogonal to  $x$  and explain geometrically why this is the case.

5. At which points of  $\mathbb{R}^2$  is the function  $f(x, y) = |x||y|$  differentiable? What about the function  $g: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defined by  $g(x, y) = xy/\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$  if  $(x, y) \neq (0, 0)$ ,  $g(0, 0) = 0$ ?

6. Let  $f$  be a real-valued function on an open subset  $U$  of  $\mathbb{R}^2$  such that  $f(\cdot, y)$  is continuous for each fixed  $y \in U$  and  $f(x, \cdot)$  is continuous for each fixed  $x \in U$ . Give an example to show that  $f$  need not be continuous on  $U$ . If additionally  $f(\cdot, y)$  is Lipschitz for each  $y \in U$  with Lipschitz constant independent of  $y$ , show that  $f$  is continuous on  $U$ . Deduce that if  $D_1f$  exists and is bounded on  $U$  and  $f(x, \cdot)$  is continuous for each fixed  $x \in U$ , then  $f$  is continuous on  $U$ .

7. Let  $f: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  and  $a \in \mathbb{R}^2$ . If  $D_1f$  exists in some open ball around  $a$  and is continuous at  $a$ , and if  $D_2f$  exists at  $a$ , show that  $f$  is differentiable at  $a$ .

8. (i) If  $A: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  and  $B: \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^p$  are linear maps, show that  $B \circ A: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^p$  is linear and that  $\|B \circ A\| \leq \|B\|\|A\|$  where  $\|\cdot\|$  is the operator norm. (ii) If  $A: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is linear, show that there is  $a \in \mathbb{R}^n$  such that  $Ax = a \cdot x$  for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , and that  $\|A\| = \|a\|$ , where  $\|a\|$  is the Euclidean norm of  $a$ .

9. Let  $f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  be a  $C^1$  map. Suppose that  $\|Df(x) - I\| \leq \mu$  for some  $\mu \in (0, 1)$  and all  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , where  $I$  is the identity map on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and  $\|\cdot\|$  is the operator norm. Show that  $f$  is an open mapping, i.e. that  $f$  maps open subsets to open subsets. Show that  $\|x - y\| \leq (1 - \mu)^{-1}\|f(x) - f(y)\|$  for all  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , and deduce that  $f$  is one-to-one and that  $f(\mathbb{R}^n)$  is closed in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Conclude that  $f$  is a diffeomorphism of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , i.e. that  $f$  is a bijection with  $C^1$  inverse. What can you say about a  $C^1$  map  $f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  assumed to satisfy only that  $\|Df(x) - I\| < 1$  for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ?

10. Let  $C = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : x^3 + y^3 - 3xy = 0\}$  and define  $F: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  by  $F(x, y) = (x, x^3 + y^3 - 3xy)$ . Show that  $F$  is locally  $C^1$ -invertible around each point of  $C$  except  $(0, 0)$  and  $(2^{\frac{2}{3}}, 2^{\frac{1}{3}})$ ; that is, show that if  $(x_0, y_0) \in C \setminus \{(0, 0), (2^{\frac{2}{3}}, 2^{\frac{1}{3}})\}$  then there are open sets  $U$  containing  $(x_0, y_0)$  and  $V$  containing  $F(x_0, y_0) = (x_0, 0)$  such that  $F$  maps  $U$  bijectively to  $V$  with inverse a  $C^1$  function. What is the derivative of the inverse function? Deduce that for each point  $(x_0, y_0) \in C \setminus \{(0, 0), (2^{\frac{2}{3}}, 2^{\frac{1}{3}})\}$ , there exists an open subset  $I \subset \mathbb{R}$  containing  $x_0$  and a  $C^1$  function  $g: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  such that  $C \cap U = \text{graph } g \equiv \{(x, g(x)) : x \in I\}$ .

11. Let  $\mathcal{M}_n$  be the space of  $n \times n$  real matrices equipped with a norm. Show that the determinant function  $\det: \mathcal{M}_n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is differentiable at the identity matrix  $I$  with  $D \det(I)(H) = \text{tr}(H)$ . Deduce that  $\det$  is differentiable at any invertible matrix  $A$  with  $D \det(A)(H) = \det A \text{tr}(A^{-1}H)$ . Show further that  $\det$  is twice differentiable at  $I$  and find  $D^2 \det(I)$  as a bilinear map.

12\*. (i) Let  $f$  be a real-valued  $C^2$  function on an open subset  $U$  of  $\mathbb{R}^2$ . If  $f$  has a local maximum at a point  $a \in U$  (meaning that there is  $\rho > 0$  such that  $B_\rho(a) \subset U$  and  $f(x) \leq f(a)$  for every  $x \in B_\rho(a)$ ), show that  $Df(a) = 0$  and that the matrix  $H = (D_{ij}f(a))$  is negative semi-definite (i.e. has non-positive eigenvalues).

(ii) Let  $U$  be a bounded open subset of  $\mathbb{R}^2$  and let  $f: \bar{U} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be continuous on  $\bar{U}$  (the closure of  $U$ ) and  $C^2$  in  $U$ . If  $f$  satisfies the partial differential inequality  $\Delta f + aD_1f + bD_2f + cf \geq 0$  in  $U$  where  $\Delta$  is the Laplace's operator defined by  $\Delta f = D_{11}f + D_{22}f$ , and  $a, b, c$  are real-valued functions on  $U$  with  $c < 0$  on  $U$ , and if  $f$  is positive somewhere in  $\bar{U}$ , show that

$$\sup_{\bar{U}} f = \sup_{\partial U} f$$

where  $\partial U = \bar{U} \setminus U$  is the boundary of  $U$ . Deduce that if  $a, b, c$  are as above,  $\varphi: \partial U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a given continuous function, then for any  $g: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  there is at most one continuous function  $f$  on  $\bar{U}$  that is  $C^2$  in  $U$  and solves the boundary value problem  $\Delta f + aD_1f + bD_2f + cf = g$  in  $U$ ,  $f = \varphi$  on  $\partial U$ .