

Homework assignment, Oct. 15, 2007.

1. Find the differential df for f defined by $f(r, \theta) = \begin{pmatrix} r \cos \theta \\ r \sin \theta \end{pmatrix}$
2. Find the differential df and the gradient ∇f for a f defined on \mathbb{R}^n by
 - a) $f(\mathbf{x}) = (\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}_0)$ (here \mathbf{x}_0 is a fixed vector in \mathbb{R}^n) ;
 - b) $f(\mathbf{x}) = |\mathbf{x}|^2$;
 - c) $f(\mathbf{x}) = |\mathbf{x}|$;
 - d) $f(\mathbf{x}) = 1/|\mathbf{x}|$ ($\mathbf{x} \neq \mathbf{0}$) ;
3. p. 196 # 2.
4. p. 197 # 8.