

Sketchy solutions of Midterm, Hedva2.ME  
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(1) a. Denote  $c_n = \frac{x^n}{a\sqrt[n]{n}}$ . To check whether  $\sum c_n$  converges we use e.g. Cauchy criterion.  $\sqrt[n]{|c_n|} = \frac{|x|}{a\sqrt[n]{n}} \rightarrow |x|$ .

Therefore the series converges absolutely for  $|x| < 1$  and diverges when  $|x| > 1$ .

The boundary points. Suppose  $|x| = 1$  and  $a > 1$ . Then  $|c_n| < \frac{1}{n^2}$  for  $n \gg 1$ . (For example take  $ln$  of both sides.) Therefore the series converges absolutely. Suppose  $|x| = 1$  and  $0 < a \leq 1$ . Then  $|c_n| \geq 1$ , in particular  $c_n \not\rightarrow 0$ . Thus the series diverges.

b. Apply Cauchy criterion:  $\sqrt[n]{|a_n|} = \left(\frac{n-1}{n+1}\right)^{n-1} \rightarrow e^{-2} < 1$ . Therefore the series converges absolutely.

(2) a. Note that the function is not defined for  $x = 0 = z$ . The level surfaces are:  $\frac{x^2+y^2}{x^2+z^2} = c$ . Note that the whole expression is non-negative, so  $c \geq 0$ .

• If  $c = 0$  then  $x = 0 = y$ , but  $z \neq 0$ , i.e. this is a line without a point.

• Suppose  $c > 0$  then the equation can be written in the form:  $x^2(1-c) + y^2 = cz^2$ . If  $c < 1$  this is a cone around  $\hat{z}$ -axis (with the point  $(0,0,0)$  erased). If  $c = 1$  this is the union of two planes:  $y = z$  and  $y = -z$ . (with the point  $(0,0,0)$  erased) If  $c > 1$  this is again a cone,  $y^2 = cz^2 + (c-1)x^2$ , around  $\hat{y}$ -axis (with the point  $(0,0,0)$  erased).

b. Let the equation of the plane be  $ax + by + cz = d$ . Checking the point  $F$  one gets:  $d = 6c$ . Then the point  $P$  gives:  $a = c$ . Finally the point  $Q$  gives  $b = 4c$ . So the plane is:  $x + 4y + z = 6$ . The line through the two points is parameterized by  $(0, 1, 3) + t(1, 2, -3)$ . This intersects the plane for  $t = -\frac{1}{6}$ . Thus the intersection point is:  $(-\frac{1}{6}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{7}{2})$ .

(3) a. The function is continuous and  $f|_{(x,0)} = x$ ,  $f|_{(0,y)} = y$ . Therefore  $\partial_x f|_{(0,0)} = 1 = \partial_y f|_{(0,0)}$ . For the differentiability it remains to check the remainder:  $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{\sqrt[3]{x^3+y^3-1} \cdot x - 1 \cdot y}{\sqrt{x^2+y^2}}$ .

We check this limit along some paths. For example, along  $x = 0$  (or  $y = 0$ ) the limit is 0. But along  $x = y$  the expression is  $\frac{(\sqrt[3]{2}-2)x}{\sqrt{2}|x|}$ , thus the limit does not exist. Therefore  $f(x, y)$  is not differentiable at  $(0, 0)$ .

b.

$$(1) \quad (\partial_u \phi + \partial_v \phi + \partial_w \phi)|_{(1,2,3)} = \left( \partial_x f \cdot \partial_u(u^2 - v^2) + \partial_y f \cdot \partial_u(u^2 v w) \right)|_{(1,2,3)} + \left( \partial_x f \cdot \partial_v(u^2 - v^2) + \partial_y f \cdot \partial_v(u^2 v w) \right)|_{(1,2,3)} + \left( \partial_x f \cdot \partial_w(u^2 - v^2) + \partial_y f \cdot \partial_w(u^2 v w) \right)|_{(1,2,3)} = \partial_x f 2(u - v)|_{(1,2,3)} + \partial_y f (2uvw + u^2 w + u^2 v)|_{(1,2,3)} = 4 + 17$$