

Appendix A

The MacLaurin expansion of $(r^2 + t^2 + 1)^{-1/2}$

The Taylor's series of a function $f(x, y)$ of two variables is

$$f(a+r, b+t) = f(a, b) + {}^*Df(a, b) + \frac{1}{2!} {}^*D^2 f(a, b) + \frac{1}{3!} {}^*D^3 f(a, b) \dots$$

Where

$${}^*D = \left(r \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + t \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \right)$$

Now if $a = b = 0$ we obtain the MacLaurin series :

$$\begin{aligned} f(r, t) = & f(0,0) + \left(r \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + t \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \right) f(0,0) \\ & + \frac{1}{2!} \left(r^2 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + 2rt \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x \partial y} + t^2 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} \right) f(0,0) \\ & + \frac{1}{3!} \left(r^3 \frac{\partial^3}{\partial x^3} + 3r^2 t \frac{\partial^3}{\partial x^2 \partial y} + 3rt^2 \frac{\partial^3}{\partial x \partial y^2} + t^3 \frac{\partial^3}{\partial y^3} \right) f(0,0) \\ & + \frac{1}{4!} \left(r^4 \frac{\partial^4}{\partial x^4} + 4r^3 t \frac{\partial^4}{\partial x^3 \partial y} + 6r^2 t^2 \frac{\partial^4}{\partial x^2 \partial y^2} + 4rt^3 \frac{\partial^4}{\partial x \partial y^3} + t^4 \frac{\partial^4}{\partial y^4} \right) f(0,0) \\ & \dots \dots \dots \end{aligned} \quad (A.1)$$

To find the MacLaurin expansion of

$$f(x, y) = (x^2 + y^2 + 1)^{-1/2}$$

we must first find the partial derivatives at $(x, y) = (0, 0)$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} f(x, y) &= -\frac{1}{2} (x^2 + y^2 + 1)^{-3/2} \cdot 2x \\ &= -x (x^2 + y^2 + 1)^{-3/2} \\ \Rightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial x} f(0,0) &= 0 \end{aligned} \quad (A.2)$$

$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} f(x, y) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left[-x (x^2 + y^2 + 1)^{-3/2} \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \left\{ -\left(x^2 + y^2 + 1\right)^{-\frac{3}{2}} \right\} + \left\{ -x - \frac{3}{2}\left(x^2 + y^2 + 1\right)^{-\frac{5}{2}}.2x \right\} \\
&= -\left(x^2 + y^2 + 1\right)^{-\frac{3}{2}} + 3x^2\left(x^2 + y^2 + 1\right)^{-\frac{5}{2}} \\
&\Rightarrow \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} f(0,0) = -1
\end{aligned} \tag{A.3}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\partial^3}{\partial x^3} f(x, y) &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left[-\left(x^2 + y^2 + 1\right)^{-\frac{3}{2}} + 3x^2\left(x^2 + y^2 + 1\right)^{-\frac{5}{2}} \right] \\
&= \frac{3}{2}\left(x^2 + y^2 + 1\right)^{-\frac{5}{2}}.2x + \left\{ 6x\left(x^2 + y^2 + 1\right)^{-\frac{5}{2}} + 3x^2 \cdot -\frac{5}{2}\left(x^2 + y^2 + 1\right)^{-\frac{7}{2}}.2x \right\} \\
&= 3x\left(x^2 + y^2 + 1\right)^{-\frac{5}{2}} + 6x\left(x^2 + y^2 + 1\right)^{-\frac{5}{2}} - 15x^3\left(x^2 + y^2 + 1\right)^{-\frac{7}{2}} \\
&= 9x\left(x^2 + y^2 + 1\right)^{-\frac{5}{2}} - 15x^3\left(x^2 + y^2 + 1\right)^{-\frac{7}{2}} \\
&\Rightarrow \frac{\partial^3}{\partial x^3} f(0,0) = 0
\end{aligned} \tag{A.4}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\partial^4}{\partial x^4} f(x, y) &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left[9x\left(x^2 + y^2 + 1\right)^{-\frac{5}{2}} - 15x^3\left(x^2 + y^2 + 1\right)^{-\frac{7}{2}} \right] \\
&= 9\left(x^2 + y^2 + 1\right)^{-\frac{5}{2}} - 9x \frac{5}{2}\left(x^2 + y^2 + 1\right)^{-\frac{7}{2}}.2x \\
&\quad - 45x^2\left(x^2 + y^2 + 1\right)^{-\frac{7}{2}} + 15x^3 \frac{7}{2} \cdot \left(x^2 + y^2 + 1\right)^{-\frac{9}{2}}.2x \\
&= 9\left(x^2 + y^2 + 1\right)^{-\frac{5}{2}} - 45x^2\left(x^2 + y^2 + 1\right)^{-\frac{7}{2}} \\
&\quad - 45x^2\left(x^2 + y^2 + 1\right)^{-\frac{7}{2}} + 205x^4\left(x^2 + y^2 + 1\right)^{-\frac{9}{2}} \\
&= 9\left(x^2 + y^2 + 1\right)^{-\frac{5}{2}} - 90x^2\left(x^2 + y^2 + 1\right)^{-\frac{7}{2}} - 205x^4\left(x^2 + y^2 + 1\right)^{-\frac{9}{2}} \\
&\Rightarrow \frac{\partial^4}{\partial x^4} f(0,0) = 9
\end{aligned} \tag{A.5}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x \partial y} f(x, y) &= \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y} \left[-x\left(x^2 + y^2 + 1\right)^{\frac{3}{2}} \right] \\
&= -x - \frac{3}{2} \cdot \left(x^2 + y^2 + 1\right)^{-\frac{5}{2}}.2y \\
&= 3xy\left(x^2 + y^2 + 1\right)^{-\frac{5}{2}} \\
&\Rightarrow \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x \partial y} f(0,0) = 0
\end{aligned} \tag{A.6}$$

$$\frac{\partial^3}{\partial x^2 \partial y} f(x, y) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left[3xy\left(x^2 + y^2 + 1\right)^{-\frac{5}{2}} \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= 3y(x^2 + y^2 + 1)^{-\frac{5}{2}} - 3xy \cdot \frac{5}{2}(x^2 + y^2 + 1)^{-\frac{7}{2}} \cdot 2x \\
&= 3y(x^2 + y^2 + 1)^{-\frac{5}{2}} - 15x^2y(x^2 + y^2 + 1)^{-\frac{7}{2}} \\
\Rightarrow \frac{\partial^3}{\partial x^2 \partial y} f(0,0) &= 0
\end{aligned} \tag{A.7}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\partial^4}{\partial x^3 \partial y} f(x, y) &= \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left[9x(x^2 + y^2 + 1)^{-\frac{5}{2}} - 15x^3(x^2 + y^2 + 1)^{-\frac{7}{2}} \right] \\
&= \left[9x \cdot -\frac{5}{2}(x^2 + y^2 + 1)^{-\frac{7}{2}} \cdot 2y \right] - \left[15x^3 \cdot -\frac{7}{2}(x^2 + y^2 + 1)^{-\frac{9}{2}} \cdot 2y \right] \\
&= -45xy(x^2 + y^2 + 1)^{-\frac{7}{2}} + 105x^3y(x^2 + y^2 + 1)^{-\frac{9}{2}} \\
\Rightarrow \frac{\partial^4}{\partial x^3 \partial y} f(0,0) &= 0
\end{aligned} \tag{A.8}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\partial^4}{\partial x^2 \partial y^2} f(x, y) &= \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left[3y(x^2 + y^2 + 1)^{-\frac{5}{2}} - 15x^2y(x^2 + y^2 + 1)^{-\frac{7}{2}} \right] \\
&= 3(x^2 + y^2 + 1)^{-\frac{5}{2}} - 15y^2(x^2 + y^2 + 1)^{-\frac{7}{2}} \\
&\quad - 15x^2(x^2 + y^2 + 1)^{-\frac{7}{2}} - 105x^2y^2(x^2 + y^2 + 1)^{-\frac{9}{2}} \\
\Rightarrow \frac{\partial^4}{\partial x^2 \partial y^2} f(0,0) &= 3
\end{aligned} \tag{A.9}$$

Substituting the partial derivatives (A.2) to (A.9) in the MacLaurin expansion (A.1) gives:

$$\begin{aligned}
f(r, t) &= 1 + [r \cdot 0 + t \cdot 0] + \frac{1}{2!} [-r^2 + 2rt \cdot 0 - t^2] \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{3!} [r^3 \cdot 0 + 3r^2t \cdot 0 + 3rt^2 \cdot 0 + t^3 \cdot 0] \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{4!} [r^4 \cdot 9 + 4r^3t \cdot 0 + 6r^2t^2 \cdot 0 + 4rt^3 \cdot 0 + t^4 \cdot 9] \\
&\quad + \dots\dots
\end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow (r^2 + t^2 + 1)^{-\frac{1}{2}} = 1 - \frac{1}{2!}(r^2 + t^2) + \frac{9}{4!}(r^2 + t^2)^2 \dots\dots$$