1. We conclude from f(x+h)-f(x)=Ah=Df(x)h+R(h) that Df(x)=A and R=0. Moreover,

$$g(x+h) - g(x) = \langle h, Ax \rangle + \langle x, Ah \rangle + \langle h, Ah \rangle = \langle (A+A^{\top})x, h \rangle + \langle h, Ah \rangle$$

implies that  $g(x+h) - g(x) = x^{\top}(A+A^{\top})h + R(h)$  with  $R(h) = \langle h, AH \rangle$ . Since

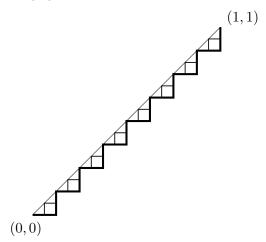
$$0 \le \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{\|R(h)\|_2}{\|h\|_2} \le \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{\|A\| \cdot \|h\|_2^2}{\|h\|_2} = 0,$$

we see that the error term R(h) behaves the right way and we have  $Df(x) = x^{\top}(A + A^{\top})$ .

2. The statement is false. Choose  $c:[0,1] \to \mathbb{R}^2$ , c(t)=(t,t), and  $c_n:[0,1] \to \mathbb{R}^2$  to be an approximation, which is piecewise defined and looking like a staircase with  $2^n$  steps. The functions  $c, c_3$  and  $c_4$  are illustrated below. Obviously, we have

$$\max_{t \in [a,b]} \|c(t) - c_n(t)\|_2 \to 0 \quad \text{as } n \to \infty,$$

but  $L(c) = \sqrt{2}$  and  $L(c_n) = 2$  for all n.

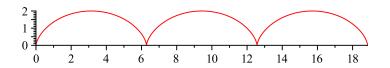


3. (a) We apply the chain rule to  $f(\gamma(t)) = c$  and obtain

$$0 = \frac{d}{dt}f(\gamma(t)) = Df(\gamma(t))(\gamma'(t)) = \langle \nabla f(\gamma(t)), \gamma'(t) \rangle.$$

(b) Let  $S_r = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid ||x|| = r\}$  and  $\gamma : [a, b] \to S_r$  be a curve in the sphere  $S_r$ . It suffices to show that  $g \circ \gamma$  is constant, which is equivalent to

$$\frac{d}{dt}g(\gamma(t)) = 0.$$



Using, again, the chain rule, we obtain

$$\frac{d}{dt}g(\gamma(t)) = \langle \nabla g(\gamma(t)), \gamma'(t) \rangle = h(\gamma(t))\langle \gamma(t), \gamma'(t) \rangle.$$

Since  $\|\gamma(t)\|^2 = \langle \gamma(t), \gamma(t) \rangle = r^2$ , we conclude that

$$0 = \frac{d}{dt} \langle \gamma(t), \gamma(t) \rangle = 2 \langle \gamma(t), \gamma'(t) \rangle.$$

Put together, this implies  $\frac{d}{dt}g(\gamma(t)) = 0$ , which we wanted to show.

4. Three full turns of the cycloid are illustrated above. Since  $c'(t) = (r - r\cos(t), r\sin(t))$  we have

$$||c'(t)||^2 = 2r^2(1 - \cos(t)) = 4r^2\sin^2(t/2),$$

and the required length is given by

$$2r \int_0^{2\pi} \sin(t/2)dt = 4r \int_0^{\pi} \sin(t)dt = 8r.$$

5. We have

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial y}(x,y) = 4y(1+x^2+y^2),$$

i.e.,  $\frac{\partial F}{\partial y}$  vanishes precisely at y=0. Looking at the level sets, they have vertical tangents at all points  $(x,y)=(x,0)\neq (0,0)$  and, therefore, the y-coordinate cannot be decribed, locally near these points, as function of the x-coordinate. At (x,y)=(0,0), the lemniscate has a cross-over and, again, it is not possible to describe the y-coordinate of the lemniskate, as a function of the x-coordinate near the origin (every x-value near 0 would correspond to two y-values).

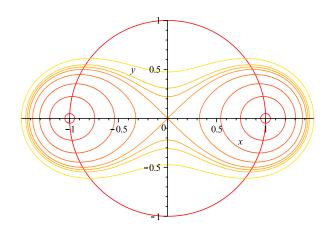
Assuming y as a function of x in a level set (which means we exclude y = 0), we obtain by differentiation:

$$0 = 2(x^2 + y^2)(2x + 2yy') - 4x + 4yy',$$

i.e.,

$$y' = \frac{x(1 - x^2 - y^2)}{y(1 + x^2 + y^2)}.$$

This shows that y' vanishes at x = 0 and at  $x^2 + y^2 = 1$ , which describes a unit circle. The picture, again, illustrates that the y-coordinate of the level sets assumes its maximal and minimal value at its intersection with the circle  $x^2 + y^2 = 1$ .



6. We have  $Df(x_1, x_2) = \begin{pmatrix} 2x_1 & 0 \\ 1 & 3x_2^2 \end{pmatrix}$ . If f were locally invertible at x = (0,0),  $Df(0,0) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  would have to be an invertible matrix, which it is not. Since  $Df(1,1) = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$  is invertible, f is locally invertible at x = (1,1), by the Inverse Function Theorem. Moreover,

$$Df^{-1}(1,2) = Df^{-1}(f(x)) = (Df(x))^{-1} = \frac{1}{6} \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

7. (a) We have

$$\operatorname{div}(fF)(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{\partial (fF_i)}{\partial x_i}(x) = \sum_{i} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i} F_i(x) + f(x) \frac{\partial F_i}{\partial x_i}(x)$$
$$= \langle \nabla f(x), F(x) \rangle + f(x) \operatorname{div} F(x).$$

(b) Using the product rule, we obtain

$$\nabla(fg)(x) = \left(\frac{\partial(fg)}{\partial x_1}(x), \dots, \frac{\partial(fg)}{\partial x_n}(x)\right) = f(x)\nabla g(x) + g(x)\nabla f(x).$$

This implies with (a)

$$\Delta(fg) = \operatorname{div}\nabla(fg) = \operatorname{div}(f\nabla g) + \operatorname{div}(g\nabla f) = f\Delta g + 2\langle \nabla f, \nabla g \rangle + g\Delta f.$$

8. (a) f is not a diffeomorphism even though it is bijective: If  $(x, x+y^3) = (x_1, x_1 + y_1^3)$ , then  $x = x_1$  and  $y^3 = y_1^3$ , and the injectivity follows

from the injectivity of the function  $y\mapsto y^3$  on the reals. For the surjectivity, we have to solve  $(x,x+y^3)=(u,v)$ , which yields x=u and  $y^3=v-u$ . The latter has a solution because  $y\mapsto y^3$  on the reals is surjective. If  $(u,v)\neq (0,0)$ , then  $u\neq 0$  (in which case  $x\neq 0$  and  $(x,y)\neq (0,0)$ ) or u=0 and  $v\neq 0$  (in which case  $y^3=v\neq 0$  and  $(x,y)\neq (0,0)$ ). But if f were a diffeomorphism, its Jacobi matrix Df(x,y) would have to be invertible for all  $(x,y)\neq (0,0)$  (since  $(Df(x,y))^{-1}=Df^{-1}(f(x,y))$ ). we have

$$Df(x,y) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 3y^2 \end{pmatrix},$$

which is obviously not invertible whenever y = 0.

- (b) f is obviously bijective and we have f'(x) = 2x > 0 for all  $x \in (0,1)$ . The same argument as above shows that f is a diffeomorphism.
- (c) f is not a diffeomorphism, since we have  $\det Df(0,0)=0$ : Let  $t=\tan(\frac{\pi}{2}(x^2+y^2))$ , for simplicity. Then

$$\frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x}(x,y) = \pi(1+t^2)x^2 + t,$$

$$\frac{\partial f_1}{\partial y}(x,y) = \pi(1+t^2)xy,$$

$$\frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x}(x,y) = \pi(1+t^2)xy,$$

$$\frac{\partial f_2}{\partial y}(x,y) = \pi(1+t^2)y^2 + t.$$

This implies that  $\det Df(x,y) = \pi t(1+t^2)(x^2+y^2) + t^2$ . Note that t=0 for (x,y)=(0,0), i.e.,  $\det Df(0,0)=0$ .