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1. Consider the function  $f(x, y) = e^{2x} \sin(x + y^2)$ .

(a) (1 point) Compute the partial derivative  $f_x = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}$ .

**Solution:**  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = 2e^{2x} \sin(x + y^2) + e^{2x} \cos(x + y^2)$

This can also be factored and written as

$$e^{2x} (2 \sin(x + y^2) + \cos(x + y^2))$$

(b) (1 point) Compute the second partial derivative  $f_{xy} = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x}$ .

**Solution:**  $\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x} = 4ye^{2x} \cos(x + y^2) - 2ye^{2x} \sin(x + y^2)$

This can also be factored and written as

$$2ye^{2x} (2 \cos(x + y^2) - \sin(x + y^2))$$

2. (2 points) Compute the following limit, or show that it does not exist:

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{y^2}{x^2 + y^2}$$

**Solution:** The limit does not exist, so we will show that there are at least two different paths approaching  $(0, 0)$  which give different limits. Let's approach along an arbitrary line  $y = mx$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{(mx)^2}{x^2 + (mx)^2} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{m^2 x^2}{(1 + m^2)x^2} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{m^2}{1 + m^2} \\ &= \frac{m^2}{1 + m^2} \end{aligned}$$

The limit depends on  $m$ , so the limit does not exist.

For a more straightforward solution, you could just compute two different limits. For example, the limit along  $y = x$  would be  $\frac{1}{2}$ , but the limit along  $y = 2x$  would be  $\frac{4}{5}$ .