

Quiz 4

(Math 200-Section A)

1. Find the directional derivative of $f(x, y) = 2xy - 3y^2$ at $P = (5, 5)$ in the direction of $\mathbf{v} = 4\mathbf{i} + 3\mathbf{j}$. (4 pts)

$$|\mathbf{v}| = 5 \quad (\mathbf{v}/|\mathbf{v}|) = \mathbf{u} = 4/5\mathbf{i} + 3/5\mathbf{j}$$

$$f_x(5, 5) = (2y - 0) = 10$$

$$f_y(5, 5) = (2x - 6y) = -20$$

$$\text{Gradient of } f = f_x + f_y = 10\mathbf{i} - 20\mathbf{j}$$

$$(D_{\mathbf{u}} f)|_{(5,5)} = (10\mathbf{i} - 20\mathbf{j}) \cdot (\mathbf{u}) = 8 - 12 = -4$$

2. Find the directions in which $f(x, y) = x^2 - xy + y^2$: (4 pts)

a) Increases most rapidly at $P = (1, -1)$

b) Decreases most rapidly at $P = (1, -1)$

c) Has zero change at $P = (1, -1)$

$$f_x(1, -1) = (2x - y + 0) = 3$$

$$f_y(1, -1) = (0 - x + 2y) = -3$$

$$\text{Gradient of } f = 3\mathbf{i} - 3\mathbf{j}$$

(a) $|\text{Gradient of } f| = (3/\sqrt{18})\mathbf{i} - (3/\sqrt{18})\mathbf{j}$

(b) $-|\text{Gradient of } f| = -(3/\sqrt{18})\mathbf{i} + (3/\sqrt{18})\mathbf{j}$

(c) Any direction orthogonal to the gradient is a direction of zero change.

$(3/\sqrt{18})\mathbf{i} + (3/\sqrt{18})\mathbf{j}$ or $-(3/\sqrt{18})\mathbf{i} - (3/\sqrt{18})\mathbf{j}$

3. Find the equations for the tangent plane and normal line for $x^2 - xy - y^2 - z = 0$ at $P = (1,1,-1)$. (4 pts)

$$f_x(1,1,-1) = (2x - y - 0 - 0) = (2 - 1) = 1$$

$$f_y(1,1,-1) = (0 - x - 2y - 0) = (-1 - 2) = -3$$

$$f_z(1,1,-1) = (0 - 0 - 0 - 1) = -1$$

$$\text{Gradient of } f = i - 3j - k$$

$$\text{plane} = (x - 1) - 3(y - 1) - (z + 1) = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad x - 3y - z = -1$$

$$\text{line} = x = 1 + t$$

$$y = 1 - 3t$$

$$z = -1 - t$$

4. Find the equation for the tangent line for $x^2 - y = 1$ at $P = (\sqrt{2}, 1)$. (4 pts)

$$f_x(\sqrt{2}, 1) = (2x - 0) = 2\sqrt{2}$$

$$f_y(\sqrt{2}, 1) = (0 - 1) = -1$$

$$\text{Gradient of } f = 2\sqrt{2}i - j$$

$$2\sqrt{2}(x - \sqrt{2}) - (y + 1) = 0$$

$$2\sqrt{2}x - 4 - y + 1 = 0$$

$$2\sqrt{2}x - y = 3$$

$$y = 2\sqrt{2}x - 3$$

5. Find the parametric equations of the line tangent to the curve of intersection of the surfaces $xyz = 1$ and $x^2 + 2y^2 + 3z^2 = 6$ at $P = (1,1,1)$. (4 pts)

$$\text{Let } f(x) = xyz \text{ and let } g(x) = x^2 + 2y^2 + 3z^2$$

$$f_x(1,1,1) = yz = 1$$

$$f_y(1,1,1) = xz = 1$$

$$f_z(1,1,1) = xy = 1$$

$$g_x(1,1,1) = 2x + 0 + 0 = 2$$

$$g_y(1,1,1) = 0 + 4y + 0 = 4$$

$$g_z(1,1,1) = 0 + 0 + 6z = 6$$

$$\mathbf{u} = \text{Gradient of } f = i + j + k$$

$$\mathbf{v} = \text{Gradient of } g = 2i + 4j + 6k$$

$$\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v} = 2i - 4j + 2k$$

$$\text{Tangent Line} = x = 1 + 2t, y = 1 - 4t, z = 1 + 2t$$