

Honors Math 2450, Quiz 2  
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Name Answers

1. (10 pts) Suppose  $z = f(x, y) = (e^y - x)^2$  and  $x = v^2 - u^2$ ,  $y = \ln(u^2 + v^2)$ .

(a) Use the chain rule to compute the partial derivatives. Express your answer in terms of  $u$  and  $v$  and simplify.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial z}{\partial u} &= \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial u} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial u} = 2(e^y - x)(-1)(-2u) + 2(e^y - x)(e^y) \frac{2u}{u^2 + v^2} \\ &= (u^2 + v^2 - v^2 + u^2) 4u + 4u \frac{(u^2 + v^2 - v^2 + u^2)(e^y)}{u^2 + v^2} \\ &= 4u(2u^2) + 4u(2u^2) = \boxed{16u^3} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial z}{\partial v} &= \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial v} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial v} = 2(e^y - x)(-1)2v + 2(e^y - x)(e^y) \frac{2v}{u^2 + v^2} \\ &= -4v(2u^2) + 4v(2u^2) = \boxed{0} \end{aligned}$$

OR

$$z = (2u^2)^2 = 4u^4 \quad \frac{\partial z}{\partial u} = \boxed{16u^3} \quad \frac{\partial z}{\partial v} = \boxed{0}$$

2. (5 pts) Given the function  $z = f(x, y) = 3x^2y + e^{xy} - 5$ , compute the following:

(a) Differential of  $f$ ,  $df = \underline{(6xy + ye^{xy})dx + (3x^2 + xe^{xy})dy}$

(b) Approximate  $f(2.99, 0.01)$  using the differential of  $f$  when  $(x_0, y_0) = (3, 0)$

$$\begin{aligned} f(2.99, 0.01) &\approx f(3, 0) + df = \underbrace{(27(0) + 1 - 5)}_{f(3,0)} + 0 \underbrace{(-0.1)}_{df} + \underbrace{(27 + 3)(0.01)}_{df} \\ &= \underline{-4} + \underline{0.30} = \boxed{-3.70} \end{aligned}$$

3. (10 pts) Write an equation for a plane in standard form that is tangent to the following surface:

(a)  $z = (x+1)^2 + 4(y-2)^2$  at the point  $P_0(1, 3, 8)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} f_x &= 2(x+1) = 4 & z - 8 &= 4(x-1) + 8(y-3) \\ f_y &= 8(y-2) = 8 \\ & & \boxed{4x + 8y - z - 20} &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

(b)  $x^3 + 2xy + z^3 = 4$  at the point  $P_0(1, 1, 1)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} f_x &= 3x^2 + 2y & &= 5 & 5x + 2y + 3z + D &= 0 \\ f_y &= 2x & &= 2 & \boxed{5x + 2y + 3z - 10} &= 0 \\ f_z &= 3z^2 & &= 3 & & \end{aligned}$$

4. (10 pts) Given the function  $z = f(x, y) = x^2y^2 + 3\sin(x-1)$ , compute the following:

(a) Gradient of  $f$ ,  $\nabla f(x, y)$  at  $P_0(1, 1, 1)$ .

$$\nabla f = [2xy^2 + 3\cos(x-1)]\vec{i} + 2x^2y\vec{j}$$

$$\nabla f|_{P_0} = 5\vec{i} + 2\vec{j}$$

(b) Directional derivative  $D_{\vec{u}}f(x, y)$  at the point  $P_0(1, 1, 1)$  in the direction of  $\vec{v} = 2\vec{i} - 3\vec{j}$ .

$$D_{\vec{u}}f(x, y) = \nabla f \cdot \vec{u} = \langle 5, 2 \rangle \cdot \left\langle \frac{2}{\sqrt{13}}, \frac{-3}{\sqrt{13}} \right\rangle = \frac{10}{\sqrt{13}} - \frac{6}{\sqrt{13}}$$

$$= \frac{4}{\sqrt{13}}$$

(c) Direction  $\vec{u}$  from  $P_0(1, 1, 1)$  in which  $f$  increases most rapidly and the magnitude of the greatest rate of increase.

$$\text{Direction: } \vec{u} = \frac{\nabla f}{\|\nabla f\|} = \frac{5\vec{i} + 2\vec{j}}{\sqrt{29}} = \frac{5}{\sqrt{29}}\vec{i} + \frac{2}{\sqrt{29}}\vec{j}$$

$$\text{Magnitude } \|\nabla f\| = \sqrt{29}$$

5. (15 pts) Consider the function  $z = f(x, y) = x^3 + y^3 - 6xy$ .

(a) Find all critical points.

(b) Apply the second derivative test for a function of two variables to classify each critical point as a relative minimum, relative maximum, or saddle point.

$$\left. \begin{aligned} f_x &= 3x^2 - 6y \\ f_y &= 3y^2 - 6x \end{aligned} \right\} \begin{aligned} x^2 &= 2y \\ y^2 &= 2x \end{aligned} \Rightarrow \left. \begin{aligned} y &= \frac{x^2}{2} \\ x &= \frac{y^2}{2} \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow x = \frac{\left(\frac{x^2}{2}\right)^2}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{x^4}{8} \Rightarrow x^4 - 8x = 0 \quad x = 0, x = 2$$

$$x(x^3 - 8) = 0 \quad y = 0, y = 2$$

Critical Points  $(0, 0)$   
 $(2, 2)$

$$\text{Test } D(x, y) = f_{xx}f_{yy} - (f_{xy})^2$$

$$= (6x)(6y) - (-6)^2$$

$D(0, 0) = -36 \Rightarrow$  Saddle point at  $(0, 0)$

$D(2, 2) = 36(4) - 36 > 0$  and  $f_{xx}(2, 2) = 12 > 0$

$\Rightarrow$  Relative minimum at  $(2, 2)$

see graph of  $z = f(x, y)$

`plot3d(x3 + y3 - 6·x·y, x=-2..4, y=-2..4);`

