

MATH 20C
Exam 2

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Question:	1	2	3	4	Total
Points:	15	30	25	30	100
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1. (15 points) The variables x, y, z satisfy the relation $x^2yz^3 + z^4 = 24$. Find $\frac{\partial z}{\partial y}$ at the point $(1, 1, 2)$.

$$x^2 y z^3 + z^4 = 24$$

Take $\frac{\partial}{\partial y}$ of both sides of the equation

$$x^2 \cdot [1 \cdot z^3 + y (3z^2 \frac{\partial z}{\partial y})] + 4z^3 \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = 0$$

Substitute $x=1, y=1, z=2$

$$1 \left[8 + 12 \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \right] + 32 \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = 0$$

$$8 + 44 \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = -\frac{8}{44} = \boxed{-\frac{2}{11}}$$

2. Let $f(x, y, z) = y \sin(x - z) + xy^3$.

(a) (5 points) Find ∇f at $(2, 1, 2)$.

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla f &= \langle f_x, f_y, f_z \rangle = \\ &= \langle y \cos(x-z) + y^3, \sin(x-z) + 3xy^2, \\ &\quad -y \cos(x-z) \rangle\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla f(2, 1, 2) &= \langle 1 \cos 0 + 1, \sin 0 + 6, -1 \cos(0) \rangle \\ &= \langle 2, 6, -1 \rangle\end{aligned}$$

(b) (5 points) Write the equation for the tangent plane to the surface $f = 2$ at the point $(2, 1, 2)$.

normal vector: $\nabla f(2, 1, 2) = \langle 2, 6, -1 \rangle$

passes through $(2, 1, 2)$

$$2x + 6y - z = 2 \cdot 2 + 6 \cdot 1 - 2$$

$$\boxed{2x + 6y - z = 8}$$

(c) (10 points) Use a linear approximation to find the approximate value of $f(1.9, 1.1, 2)$.

$$\Delta f \approx f_x \Delta x + f_y \Delta y + f_z \Delta z$$

$$f(1.9, 1.1, 2) - f(2, 1, 2) \approx$$

$$\approx 2 \Delta x + 6 \Delta y - \Delta z$$

$$= 2(1.9 - 2) + 6(1.1 - 1) - (2 - 2)$$

$$= 2(-0.1) + 6(0.1)$$

$$= 0.4$$

$$f(2, 1, 2) = 1 \sin 0 + 2 \cdot 1 = 2$$

$$\text{So } \boxed{f(1.9, 1.1, 2) \approx 2.4}$$

(d) (10 points) Find the directional derivative of f at $(2, 1, 2)$ in the direction of $-i + j$.

$$\vec{v} = \langle -1, 1, 0 \rangle \quad |\vec{v}| = \sqrt{2}$$

unit vector $\hat{u} = \frac{\vec{v}}{|\vec{v}|} = \langle -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, 0 \rangle$

$$D_{\hat{u}} f = \nabla f(2, 1, 2) \cdot \hat{u} = \langle 2, 6, -1 \rangle \cdot \langle -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, 0 \rangle$$

$$= -\frac{2}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{6}{\sqrt{2}} + 0 = \frac{4}{\sqrt{2}} = \boxed{2\sqrt{2}}$$

3. (25 points) Use Lagrange multipliers to find the closest point(s) to the origin along the curve $4x^2 + 9y^2 = 16$. Hint: instead of minimizing the distance to the origin, you might want to consider minimizing the square of the distance.

$f(x, y) = x^2 + y^2$ is the square of the distance from (x, y) to the origin

Want min $f(x, y)$ subject to $4x^2 + 9y^2 = 16$

$$g(x, y) = 4x^2 + 9y^2$$

Step 1 ~~Find~~ Gradients

$$\nabla f = \langle 2x, 2y \rangle \quad \nabla g = \langle 8x, 18y \rangle$$

Step 2 Equations $\nabla f = \lambda \nabla g, g = c$

$$2x = 8\lambda x \Rightarrow x=0 \text{ or } \lambda = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$2y = 18\lambda y$$

Step 3 solve

$$4x^2 + 9y^2 = 16$$

$$\underline{x=0} \Rightarrow 9y^2 = 16 \Rightarrow y = \pm \frac{4}{3} \text{ so } (0, \frac{4}{3}) \quad (0, -\frac{4}{3})$$

$$\underline{\lambda = \frac{1}{4}} \Rightarrow 2y = \frac{9}{2}y \Rightarrow y=0 \Rightarrow 4x^2 = 16 \Rightarrow x = \pm 2$$

$$\text{so } (2, 0) \quad (-2, 0)$$

Step 4 values $f(2, 0) = f(-2, 0) = 4$
 $f(0, \frac{4}{3}) = f(0, -\frac{4}{3}) = \frac{16}{9} < 4$

$4x^2 + 9y^2 = 16$ is closed, so minimum is at one of these points. Since $\frac{16}{9} < 4$, $(0, \frac{4}{3})$ & $(0, -\frac{4}{3})$ are the points closest to the origin.

4. Consider the function $f(x, y) = x^3 - 3xy + y^3$.

- (a) (10 points) In which direction should one go from the point $(1, 0)$ to obtain the most rapid increase in f ? Express your answer as a unit vector.

In the direction of the gradient $\nabla f(1, 0)$

$$\nabla f = \langle 3x^2 - 3y, -3x + 3y^2 \rangle$$

$$\nabla f(1, 0) = \langle 3, -3 \rangle$$

$$|\nabla f(1, 0)| = \sqrt{9+9} = 3\sqrt{2}$$

$$\hat{u} = \left\langle \frac{3}{3\sqrt{2}}, -\frac{3}{3\sqrt{2}} \right\rangle = \left\langle \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right\rangle$$

- (b) (20 points) Find all critical points of the function f and decide whether they are local maxima, local minima, or saddle.

critical points: $\nabla f = 0$: $3x^2 - 3y = 0 \Rightarrow x^2 = y$
 $-3x + 3y^2 = 0 \Rightarrow x = y^2$

So $x^3 = y^2 = (x^2)^2 \Rightarrow x = x^4 \Rightarrow x(x^3 - 1) = 0$

$x = 0 \Rightarrow y = 0$

$x = 1 \Rightarrow y = x^2 = 1$

$(0, 0)$

$(1, 1)$

critical points

$$H(x, y) = \begin{bmatrix} f_{xx} & f_{xy} \\ f_{yx} & f_{yy} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 6x & -3 \\ -3 & 6y \end{bmatrix}$$

$$H(0, 0) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -3 \\ -3 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\det H = -9 < 0 \Rightarrow (0, 0)$ saddle point

$$H(1, 1) = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & -3 \\ -3 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\det H = 36 - 9 = 27 > 0$
 $f_{xx} = 6 > 0$

$\Rightarrow (1, 1)$ local min