

Solutions Multivariable calculus, 2004-10-28.

1. Find an equation of the plane tangent to the surface $z = ye^{x^2-y} + \frac{x}{y}$ at the point $(1, 1, 2)$. (2p)

Answer:

Set: $f(x, y) = ye^{x^2-y} + \frac{x}{y}$. The equation is then given by:

$$\begin{aligned} z &= f(1, 1) + f_x(1, 1)(x-1) + f_y(1, 1)(y-1) = \\ 2 + (2xe^{y^2-x} + \frac{1}{y})_{(1,1)}(x-1) + (e^{x^2-y}(1-y) - \frac{x}{y^2})_{(1,1)}(y-1) &= 2 + 3(x-1) + (-1)(y-1) \Leftrightarrow \\ z - 3x + y &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

2. Calculate the directional derivative of $f(x, y, z) = xy + y^3 + x \ln z$ at the point $P = (2, -1, 1)$ and in the direction $\mathbf{u} = (1, 2, 2)$. (2p)

Answer:

$$\begin{aligned} f'_{\hat{\mathbf{u}}}(2, -1, 1) &= \frac{\mathbf{u}}{|\mathbf{u}|} \cdot \nabla f(2, -1, 1) = \frac{1}{3}(1, 2, 2) \cdot (y + \ln z, x + 3y^2, \frac{x}{z})_{(2, -1, 1)} = \\ \frac{1}{3}(1, 2, 2) \cdot (-1, 5, 2) &= \frac{13}{3}. \end{aligned}$$

3. Find the following limit or show that it does not exist $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{xy}{2x^2 + y^2}$. (2p)

Answer:

$$\text{Set } (x, y) = (t, mt), (m = \text{const.}). \text{ This gives: } \frac{xy}{2x^2 + y^2} = \frac{mt^2}{2t^2 + m^2t^2} = \frac{m}{m^2 + 2} (t \neq 0).$$

Since the expression above is m -dependent the limit can not exist. Set, e.g., $m = 1$ and $m = 3$ and confirm that the expression will approach $\frac{1}{3}$ and $\frac{3}{11}$, respectively, as $(x, y) \rightarrow (0, 0)$.

4. Find all local maxima, minima, and saddle points of the function $f(x, y) = x^3 - 2y^2 + 2xy + x - 2y$. (3p)

Answer:

Critical points given by:

$$\begin{aligned} f_x = 0 &\Leftrightarrow 3x^2 + 2y + 1 = 0 \\ f_y = 0 &\Leftrightarrow 2x - 4y - 2 = 0 \Leftrightarrow (x, y) = (-\frac{1}{3}, -\frac{2}{3}) \vee (x, y) = (0, -\frac{1}{2}). \end{aligned}$$

Second order derivatives:

$$f_{xx} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(3x^2 + 2y + 1) = 6x,$$

$$f_{yy} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y}(2x - 4y - 2) = -4,$$

$$f_{xy} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y}(3x^2 + 2y + 1) = 2.$$

$$\text{Hence: } \Delta = f_{xx} f_{yy} - (f_{xy})^2 = -24x - 4.$$

$(x, y) = (-\frac{1}{3}, -\frac{2}{3})$ gives: $\Delta = 4 > 0$. Also $f_{xx}(-\frac{1}{3}, -\frac{2}{3}) = -2 < 0$. This means that $(-\frac{1}{3}, -\frac{2}{3})$ is a local maximum point (with local maximum value $f(-\frac{1}{3}, -\frac{2}{3}) = \frac{14}{27}$).

$(x, y) = (0, -\frac{1}{2})$ gives: $\Delta = -4 < 0$. $(0, -\frac{1}{2})$ is then a saddle-point.

5. Find the absolute minimum and maximum values of $f(x, y) = x^2 + 2y^2 + 2xy - 2x - 2y$ on the set $\Delta = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid x \geq 0, \frac{x}{2} - 1 \leq y \leq -\frac{x}{2} + 1\}$. (5p)

Answer:

Interior critical points:

$$\begin{aligned} f_x = 0 &\Leftrightarrow 2x + 2y - 2 = 0 \\ f_y = 0 &\Leftrightarrow 4y + 2x - 2 = 0 \end{aligned} \Leftrightarrow (x, y) = (1, 0).$$

We note that the point $(1, 0)$ lies within Δ .

Next we investigate the boundary which, in this case, can be seen to consist of the three sides of a triangle:

(a) $x = 0, -1 \leq y \leq 1$: $f(0, y) = 2y^2 - 2y = h_1(y) \Rightarrow h_1'(y) = 4y - 2$.
 $h_1'(y) = 0 \Rightarrow y = \frac{1}{2}$.

Hence we find the following interesting (potentially extremal) points: $(0, \frac{1}{2}), (0, -1), (0, 1)$, where the latter two are endpoints on the line segment.

(b) $y = \frac{x}{2} - 1, 0 \leq x \leq 2$:

$$\begin{aligned} f(x, \frac{x}{2} - 1) &= x^2 + 2(\frac{x}{2} - 1)^2 + 2x(\frac{x}{2} - 1) - 2x - 2(\frac{x}{2} - 1) = \frac{5}{2}x^2 - 7x + 4 = h_2(x) \Rightarrow \\ h_2'(x) &= 5x - 7. \\ h_2'(x) = 0 &\Rightarrow x = \frac{7}{5}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence two additional interesting points: $(\frac{7}{5}, -\frac{3}{10}), (2, 0)$.

(c) $y = -\frac{x}{2} + 1, 0 \leq x \leq 2$:

$$\begin{aligned} f(x, -\frac{x}{2} + 1) &= x^2 + 2(-\frac{x}{2} + 1)^2 + 2x(-\frac{x}{2} + 1) - 2x - 2(-\frac{x}{2} + 1) = \frac{1}{2}x^2 - x = h_3(x) \Rightarrow \\ h_3'(x) &= x - 1. \\ h_3'(x) = 0 &\Rightarrow x = 1. \end{aligned}$$

Hence one additional interesting points: $(1, \frac{1}{2})$.

Finally, we compare the function values at these 7 points:

$$f(1, 0) = -1, f(0, \frac{1}{2}) = -\frac{1}{2}, f(0, -1) = 4, f(0, 1) = 0, f(\frac{7}{5}, -\frac{3}{10}) = -\frac{9}{10}, f(2, 0) = 0, f(1, \frac{1}{2}) = -\frac{1}{2}. \text{ This means that } f_{min} = f(1, 0) = -1 \text{ and } f_{max} = f(0, -1) = 4.$$

6. The equation $z^3 + z + x^2 + xy^3 = 2$ implicitly defines a function $z = g(x, y)$ for which $g(1, -1) = 1$. Calculate $g_{xy}(1, -1)$. (5p)

Answer:

Taking the partial derivative of the equation with respect to x gives:

$$3z^2 z_x + z_x + 2x + y^3 = 0 \Leftrightarrow z_x = -\frac{2x + y^3}{3z^2 + 1} \Rightarrow z_x(1, -1) = -\frac{2 \cdot 1 + (-1)^3}{3 \cdot 1 + 1} = -\frac{1}{4}.$$

Partial derivative wrt y :

$$3z^2 z_y + z_y + 3xy^2 = 0 \Leftrightarrow z_y = -\frac{3xy^2}{3z^2 + 1} \Rightarrow z_y(1, -1) = -\frac{3 \cdot 1 \cdot (-1)^2}{3 \cdot 1 + 1} = -\frac{3}{4}.$$

Finally z_{xy} can be calculated from:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(3z^2 z_x + z_x + 2x + y^3 \right) = 0 \Leftrightarrow 6z z_y z_x + 3z^2 z_{xy} + z_{xy} + 3y^2 = 0 \Leftrightarrow z_{xy} = -\frac{6z z_y z_x + 3y^2}{3z^2 + 1} \Rightarrow z_{xy}(1, -1) = -\frac{33}{32}.$$

7. Calculate $\iint_A e^{-(4x^2 + 9y^2)} dx dy$, $A = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid y \geq 0, 4x^2 + 9y^2 \leq 1\}$. (3p)

Answer:

Set $x = \frac{1}{2} r \cos \theta$, $y = \frac{1}{3} r \sin \theta$. Then $\frac{\partial(x, y)}{\partial(r, \theta)} = \frac{r}{6}$.

The limits in the polar coordinates (consistent with the conditions on A) are:

$$0 \leq \theta \leq \pi, \quad 0 \leq r \leq 1.$$

Inserted: $\iint_A e^{-(4x^2 + 9y^2)} dx dy = \int_0^\pi \int_0^1 e^{-r^2} \frac{r}{6} dr d\theta = \frac{\pi}{6} \left[-\frac{1}{2} e^{-r^2} \right]_0^1 = \frac{\pi}{12} (1 - e^{-1})$.

8. Calculate $\iint_D \frac{1}{x^2} \ln\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) dx dy$, $D = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid 1 \leq x + y \leq 2, x \leq y \leq 2x\}$. (3p)

Hint: Use the following transformation $u = x + y$, $v = \frac{y}{x}$.

Answer:

Using the hint we obtain $\frac{\partial(x, y)}{\partial(u, v)} = \left(\frac{\partial(u, v)}{\partial(x, y)} \right)^{-1} = \frac{x^2}{x + y}$.

Inserted: $\iint_D \frac{1}{x^2} \ln\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) dx dy = \int_1^2 \int_1^2 \frac{1}{u} \ln v du dv = \left[\ln u \right]_1^2 \left[v \ln v - v \right]_1^2 = (2 \ln 2 - 1) \ln 2$.

9. Calculate $\iiint_K z \, dx \, dy \, dz$, $K = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid 1 \leq x^2 + y^2 + z^2 \leq 4, z \geq \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}\}$. (5p)

Answer:

Using spherical coordinates the condition $z \geq \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$ translates to $\rho \cos \phi \geq \rho \sin \phi \Rightarrow 0 \leq \phi \leq \frac{\pi}{4}$. Likewise $1 \leq x^2 + y^2 + z^2 \leq 4$ means that $1 \leq \rho \leq 2$. Inserted:

$$\begin{aligned} \iiint_K z \, dx \, dy \, dz &= \int_{\theta=0}^{2\pi} \int_{\phi=0}^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \int_{\rho=1}^2 \rho \cos \phi \rho^2 \sin \phi \, d\rho \, d\phi \, d\theta = 2\pi \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \cos \phi \sin \phi \, d\phi \int_1^2 \rho^3 \, d\rho = \\ [u = \cos \phi] &= 2\pi \int_0^{\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}} u \, du \left[\frac{1}{4} \rho^4 \right]_1^2 = 2\pi \cdot \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{15}{4} = \frac{15\pi}{8}. \end{aligned}$$

Alternatively, we may perform the integral using cylindrical coordinates.

Since $\sqrt{1 - x^2 - y^2} > \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$ when $r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} < \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$, the integral will in this case have two separate contributions:

$$\begin{aligned} \iiint_K z \, dx \, dy \, dz &= 2\pi \int_0^{\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}} \int_{\sqrt{1-r^2}}^{\sqrt{4-r^2}} z \, dz \, r \, dr + 2\pi \int_{\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}}^{\sqrt{2}} \int_r^{\sqrt{4-r^2}} z \, dz \, r \, dr = \\ 3\pi \int_0^{\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}} r \, dr + 2\pi \int_{\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}}^{\sqrt{2}} (2r - r^3) \, dr &= \frac{15\pi}{8}. \end{aligned}$$