

Quiz for lecture 8

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- Find the directional derivative of the function $f(x, y, z) = xy^2z^3$ at the point $(2, 1, 1)$ in the direction $\langle 2, -1, -1 \rangle$.

$$\nabla f = \langle y^2 z^3, 2xyz^3, 3xy^2z^2 \rangle$$

when the point is $(2, 1, 1)$

$$\nabla f = \langle 1, 4, 6 \rangle$$

$$\sqrt{2^2 + (-1)^2 + (-1)^2} = \sqrt{6}$$

$$\text{the unit vector is } \left\langle \frac{\sqrt{6}}{3}, -\frac{\sqrt{6}}{6}, -\frac{\sqrt{6}}{6} \right\rangle$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{the desired slope is } & \langle 1, 4, 6 \rangle \cdot \left\langle \frac{\sqrt{6}}{3}, -\frac{\sqrt{6}}{6}, -\frac{\sqrt{6}}{6} \right\rangle \\ \text{directional derivative} &= \frac{\sqrt{6}}{3} - \frac{2\sqrt{6}}{3} - \sqrt{6} \\ &= -\frac{4}{3}\sqrt{6}. \end{aligned}$$

- Find the maximum rate of change of $f(x, y) = x^2 + y^3$ at point $(2, 1)$ and the direction when it occurs.

$$\nabla f = \langle 2x, 3y^2 \rangle \quad u = \left\langle \frac{4}{5}, \frac{3}{5} \right\rangle$$

$$\text{when the point is } (2, 1). \quad D_u f = \langle 4, 3 \rangle \cdot \left\langle \frac{4}{5}, \frac{3}{5} \right\rangle$$

$$\nabla f = \langle 4, 3 \rangle \quad = \frac{4}{5} \times 4 + \frac{3}{5} \times 3$$

$$D_u f = \nabla f \cdot u = |\nabla f| |u| \cos \theta. \quad = 5.$$

$$\text{when } \cos \theta = 1, \theta = 0^\circ$$

$D_u f$ maximum.

And the direction is $\langle 4i + 3j \rangle$

$$\sqrt{4^2 + 3^2} = 5.$$



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