

# Assignment 8

## Question

Find the directional derivative of  $f = x^2 y^2 z^2$  at  $(1,1,1)$  along  $2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$ .

## Code

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1  syms x y z;
2  f = x^2 * y^2 * z^2;
3  disp('Function f = ');
4  disp(f);
5  grad = gradient(f,[x,y,z]);
6  disp('gradient of f at (x,y,z)')
7  disp(grad);
8  b = subs(grad, [x,y,z], [1,1,1]);
9  c = double(b);
10 disp('gradient of f at (1,1,1)')
11 disp(c);
12 a = [2,-1,4];
13 magnitude = norm(a);
14 unit_vec = a/magnitude;
15 direc_deriv = dot(b,unit_vec);
16 disp('Directional Derivative of f at (1,1,1) along 2i^ - j^ +
17 4k^ = ')
17 disp(direc_deriv);

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## Output

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>> Assignment_8
Function f =
x^2*y^2*z^2

gradient of f at (x,y,z)
2*x*y^2*z^2
2*x^2*y*z^2
2*x^2*y^2*z

gradient of f at (1,1,1)
2
2
2

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Directional Derivative of  $f$  at  $(1,1,1)$  along  $2\mathbf{i}^{\wedge} - \mathbf{j}^{\wedge} + 4\mathbf{k}^{\wedge} =$   
 $(10 \cdot 21^{1/2})/21$

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