

2. (HW) Let  $f(x, y) = \arctan(y/x)$ ,  $x = \cos t$ ,  $y = \sin t$  and  $F(t) = f(x(t), y(t))$ . Compute  $F'(t)$  in two ways: (i) by using formula for the derivative of a composition; (ii) by first substituting  $x$  and  $y$  into  $f(x, y)$  and then differentiating the resulting function of  $t$ .

$$\text{I) } F'(t) = \frac{df}{dx} x' + \frac{df}{dy} y' = \left(-\frac{y}{y^2+x^2}\right)(-\sin t) + \left(\frac{x}{x^2+y^2}\right)(\cos t) = \frac{y \sin t + x \cos t}{y^2+x^2} = \frac{\sin^2 t + \cos^2 t}{\sin^2 t + \cos^2 t} = 1$$

$$\text{II) } F(t) = \arctan(\sin t / \cos t) = \arctan(\tan t) = t \Rightarrow F'(t) = 1$$

4. (HW) Compute the derivative of the function  $f(x, y, z) = xyz + x^2 + y^2 - z^2$  with respect to the curve  $x = 2t + 1$ ,  $y = \sin t$ ,  $z = e^t$  at the point  $t = 0$ .

$$F'(t) = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} x' + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} y' + \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} z'$$

$$\frac{df}{dx} = yz + 2x; \frac{dx}{dt} = 2 \Rightarrow \frac{df}{dx} x' = 2yz + 4x = 2\sin t e^t + 4t + 4$$

$$\frac{df}{dy} = xz + 2y; \frac{dy}{dt} = \cos t \Rightarrow \frac{df}{dy} y' = \cos t(xz + 2y) = \cos t(2e^t t + e^t + \cos t)$$

$$\frac{df}{dz} = xy - 2z; \frac{dz}{dt} = e^t \Rightarrow \frac{df}{dz} z' = e^t(xy - 2z) = e^t(2t \sin t + \sin t - 2e^t)$$

$$F'(t) = 2\sin t e^t + 4t + 4 + \cos t(2e^t t + e^t + \cos t) + e^t(2t \sin t + \sin t - 2e^t)$$

6. (HW) Let  $f(x, y, z)$  have continuous derivatives and let  $x = u + v$ ,  $y = u - v$ ,  $z = 2u + v$ . Compute  $f_u^2 + f_v^2$ .

$$f_u = f_x \cdot x'_u + f_y \cdot y'_u + f_z \cdot z'_u = f_x + f_y + 2f_z$$

$$f_v = f_x \cdot x'_v + f_y \cdot y'_v + f_z \cdot z'_v = f_x - f_y + f_z$$

$$f_u^2 = f_x^2 + f_y^2 + 4f_z^2 + 2f_x f_y + 4f_x f_z + 4f_y f_z$$

$$f_v^2 = f_x^2 + f_y^2 + f_z^2 - 2f_x f_y + 2f_x f_z - 2f_y f_z$$

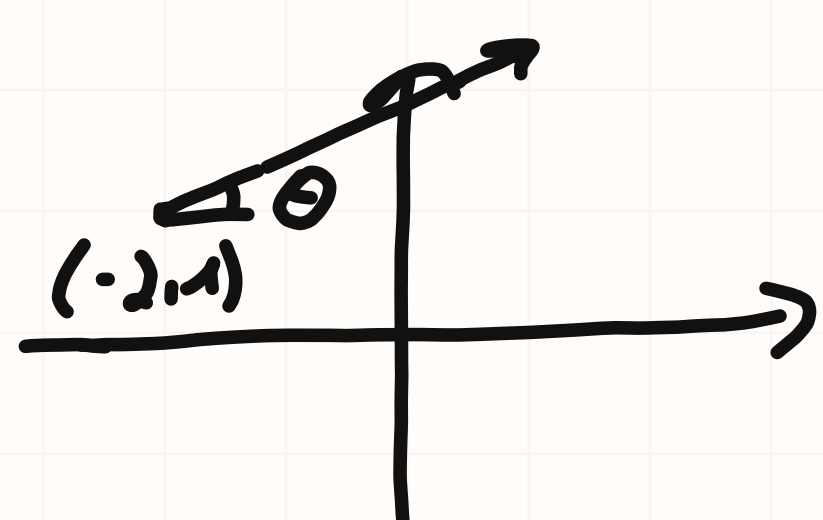
$$f_u^2 + f_v^2 = 2f_x^2 + 2f_y^2 + 5f_z^2 + 6f_x f_z + 2f_y f_z$$

8. Find the directional derivative of  $f$  at  $P$  in the direction of  $\mathbf{u}$  that makes an angle of  $\theta$  with the positive  $x$ -axis if:

(a)  $f(x, y) = e^{xy}$ ,  $\theta = \pi/3$ , and  $P(-2, 0)$ ; (b) (HW)  $f(x, y) = -3x^2 - 8y^2$ ,  $\theta = \pi/6$ , and  $P(-2, 1)$ .

$$\text{a) } f'_x = -6x; f'_y = -16y \Rightarrow \text{grad}(f) = (-6x, -16y)$$

$$f'_x(-2, 1) = 12; f'_y(-2, 1) = -16 \Rightarrow \text{grad}(f(-2, 1)) = (12, -16)$$



$$\frac{1}{\cos(\pi/6)} \sin(\pi/6) \Rightarrow \bar{u} = \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right)$$

$$\partial_{\bar{u}} f(-2, 1) = \text{grad}(f(-2, 1)) \cdot \bar{u} = \frac{12 \cdot \sqrt{3}}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \cdot (-16) = 6\sqrt{3} - 8$$

10. (HW) Compute the derivative of the function  $f$  in the direction  $\mathbf{v}$  at the point  $P$  if

(a)  $f = \frac{1+x^2}{1+y^2}$ ,  $\mathbf{v} = (3, 4)$ , and  $P = (-1, 1)$ ;

(b)  $f = e^x \cos y + e^z \sin y$ ,  $\mathbf{v} = (-3, 4, 5)$ , and  $P = (0, \pi/2, 0)$ .

$$\text{a) } \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = \frac{2x}{1+y^2}; \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = \frac{-2y+2x^2y}{(1+y^2)^2} \Rightarrow \text{grad}(f) = \left(\frac{2x}{1+y^2}, \frac{-2y+2x^2y}{(1+y^2)^2}\right)$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(-1, 1) = \frac{-1}{1+1} = -1/2; \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(-1, 1) = \frac{-2+2}{(1+1)^2} = -1 \Rightarrow \text{grad } f(-1, 1) = (-1/2, -1)$$

$$\partial_{\mathbf{v}} f(-1, 1) = 3 \cdot (-1/2) + 4 \cdot (-1) = -11/2$$

$$\text{b) } \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = \cos y e^x; \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = -e^x \sin y + e^z \cos y; \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} = \sin y e^z$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(0, \pi/2, 0) = 0; \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(0, \pi/2, 0) = -1; \frac{\partial f}{\partial z}(0, \pi/2, 0) = 1$$

$$\text{Hence } \partial_{\mathbf{v}} f(0, \pi/2, 0) = -3 \cdot 0 + 4 \cdot (-1) + 5 \cdot (1) = 1$$

12. (HW) (a) Find the directional derivative of  $f = 2x^3y - 3y^2z$  at  $P(1, 2, -1)$  in a direction toward  $Q(3, -1, 5)$ . (b) In what direction from  $P$  is the directional derivative a maximum? (c) What is the magnitude of the maximum directional derivative?

$$\text{a) } \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = 6x^2y; \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = 2x^3 - 6yz; \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} = -3y^2$$

$$\text{grad}(f(1, 2, -1)) = (12, 14, -12)$$

$$\partial_{\bar{u}} f(3, -1, 5) = 36 - 14 - 60 = 22 - 60 = -38$$

$$\text{b) } \sqrt{12^2 + 14^2 + (-12)^2} = 22 \leftarrow \text{magnitude of } \nabla f$$

Hence  $\left(\frac{12}{22}, \frac{14}{22}, \frac{-12}{22}\right)$  is the direction from  $P$ , in which the func. increase most rapidly

$$\text{c) magnitude of } \left(\frac{6}{11}, \frac{7}{11}, \frac{-6}{11}\right) = \sqrt{\left(\frac{6}{11}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{7}{11}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{-6}{11}\right)^2} = 1$$

'also the direction is always unit-vector.  $\|\text{direction vector}\| = 1$

13. (HW) Compute the length and the direction of the gradient of the function  $u = \frac{1}{r}$  where  $r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$  at a point  $M(x_0, y_0, z_0)$ . (Remark: the direction should be described by the unit vector having the same direction as  $\nabla f$ )

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \frac{-x}{(x^2+y^2+z^2)^{3/2}}; \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = \frac{-y}{(x^2+y^2+z^2)^{3/2}}; \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} = \frac{-z}{(x^2+y^2+z^2)^{3/2}} \Rightarrow \nabla u_M = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{-x_0}{(x_0^2+y_0^2+z_0^2)^{3/2}} \\ \frac{-y_0}{(x_0^2+y_0^2+z_0^2)^{3/2}} \\ \frac{-z_0}{(x_0^2+y_0^2+z_0^2)^{3/2}} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\|\nabla u_M\| = \sqrt{\frac{x_0^2+y_0^2+z_0^2}{(x_0^2+y_0^2+z_0^2)^3}} = \frac{1}{x_0^2+y_0^2+z_0^2} \leftarrow \text{len. of } \nabla$$

Hence, since the function increases most rapidly in the direction of its  $\nabla$ :

$$\begin{pmatrix} -x_0(x_0^2+y_0^2+z_0^2)^{-1/2} \\ -y_0(x_0^2+y_0^2+z_0^2)^{-1/2} \\ -z_0(x_0^2+y_0^2+z_0^2)^{-1/2} \end{pmatrix} = \bar{v}$$

is the direction of  $\nabla$ , so  $\|\bar{v}\| = 1$

$$\Rightarrow \text{grad } f(0, \pi/2, 0) = (0, -1, 1)$$



14\*. A function  $f(x) = f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$  is said to be *homogeneous of degree  $k$*  if  $f(tx_1, tx_2, \dots, tx_n) = t^k f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$  for any positive number  $t$ . Prove that a function  $f(x)$  having continuous first derivatives in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is homogeneous of degree  $k$  if, and only if, it satisfies Euler's equation

$$\sum_{i=1}^n x_i \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i} = k f.$$

Hint: Let  $F(x, t) = t^{-k} f(tx)$ . Prove that  $t^{k+1} \frac{\partial F}{\partial t} = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i} - k f$ .

$$1) f \text{ is homogeneous} \Leftrightarrow \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i} = k f \quad \heartsuit$$

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial t} = -k t^{-k-1} f(tx) + t^{-k} \left( \frac{f_{x_1}}{t} \cdot x_1 + \frac{f_{x_2}}{t} x_2 + \dots + \frac{f_{x_n}}{t} x_n \right) =$$

$$= -k t^{k-1} \cdot f(tx) + t^{-k} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i} \cdot \frac{x_i}{t}$$

$$t^{k+1} \frac{\partial F}{\partial t} = -k \cdot f(tx) + t \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i} \cdot \frac{x_i}{t}$$

$$t^{k+1} \frac{\partial F}{\partial t} = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i} x_i - k \cdot f(tx)$$

$$F(x, t) = t^{-k} \cdot f(tx) = t^{-k} \cdot t^k \cdot f(x) = f(x)$$

Thus  $F(x, t)$  does not dep. on  $t$   $\blacktriangle$

$$2) f \text{ is homogeneous} \Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i} = k f$$

$$\text{since } f \text{ is hom. } 0 = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i} - k f, \text{ then}$$

$$t^{-k} f(tx) = f(x), \text{ so } f(tx) = t^k f(x). \quad \blacktriangle \quad \blacksquare$$

$\times$  for checking  $\heartsuit$