

MA1521 Homework 9
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Q1. Given $f(x, y) = xe^{-y}$:

$$\begin{aligned} f_x &= e^{-y}, & f_y &= -xe^{-y} \\ \implies \nabla f(x, y) &= \langle e^{-y}, -xe^{-y} \rangle \end{aligned}$$

(a) (i) At $P(-2, 0)$ and $\hat{u} = \langle \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \rangle$:

$$\begin{aligned} D_{\hat{u}}f(-2, 0) &= \nabla f(-2, 0) \cdot \langle \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \rangle \\ &= \langle 1, 2 \rangle \cdot \langle \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \rangle \\ &= \frac{3}{\sqrt{2}} \quad \blacksquare \end{aligned}$$

(ii) At $P(-2, 0)$ and $\vec{u} = \langle 3, 4 \rangle \implies \hat{u} = \frac{1}{5}\langle 3, 4 \rangle$:

$$\begin{aligned} D_{\hat{u}}f(-2, 0) &= \nabla f(-2, 0) \cdot \frac{1}{5}\langle 3, 4 \rangle \\ &= \langle 1, 2 \rangle \cdot \frac{1}{5}\langle 3, 4 \rangle \\ &= \frac{11}{5} \quad \blacksquare \end{aligned}$$

(b) f increases fastest at $P(-2, 0)$ with the unit gradient vector:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\nabla f(-2, 0)}{|\nabla f(-2, 0)|} &= \frac{\langle 1, 2 \rangle}{\sqrt{5}} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}\hat{i} + \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}}\hat{j} \quad \blacksquare \end{aligned}$$

Q2. Given $f(x, y, z) = xy + \sin(xyz)$:

$$\begin{aligned} f_x &= y + yz \cos(xyz), & f_y &= xz \cos(xyz), & f_z &= xy \cos(xyz) \\ \implies \nabla f(x, y, z) &= \langle y + yz \cos(xyz), xz \cos(xyz), xy \cos(xyz) \rangle \end{aligned}$$

(i) At $P(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3}, \pi)$ and $\hat{u} = \langle \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \rangle$:

$$\begin{aligned} D_{\hat{u}}f(P) &= \nabla f(P) \cdot \hat{u} \\ &= \langle \frac{1}{3} + \frac{\pi\sqrt{3}}{6}, \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\pi\sqrt{3}}{4}, \frac{\sqrt{3}}{12} \rangle \cdot \langle \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \rangle \\ &= (\frac{1}{3\sqrt{3}} + \frac{\pi}{6}) + (-\frac{1}{2\sqrt{3}} - \frac{\pi}{4}) + \frac{1}{12} \\ &= (\frac{2}{6\sqrt{3}} - \frac{3}{6\sqrt{3}}) + (\frac{\pi}{6} - \frac{\pi}{4} + \frac{1}{12}) \\ &= \frac{1}{12}(1 - \pi) - \frac{1}{6\sqrt{3}} \quad \blacksquare \end{aligned}$$

(ii) By linear approximation,

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta f &= D_{\hat{u}}f(P) \cdot 0.1 \\ &\approx -0.0275 \quad \blacksquare \end{aligned}$$

Q3. (i) Given $f(x, y) = \ln(x^2y) - xy - 2x + 2$, where $x > 0, y > 0$:

$$\begin{aligned}f_x &= \frac{2}{x} - y - 2, & f_y &= \frac{1}{y} - x \\f_{xx} &= -\frac{2}{x^2}, & f_{xy} &= -1, & f_{yy} &= -\frac{1}{y^2}\end{aligned}$$

At critical points:

$$\begin{aligned}f_x &= \frac{2}{x} - y - 2 = 0 \\f_y &= \frac{1}{y} - x = 0\end{aligned}$$

Solving simultaneously, $x = \frac{1}{2}, y = 2$, which by second derivative test:

$$\begin{aligned}D &= f_{xx}(\frac{1}{2}, 2)f_{yy}(\frac{1}{2}, 2) - (f_{xy}(\frac{1}{2}, 2))^2 \\&= (-8)(-\frac{1}{4}) - (-1)^2 \\&= 1 > 0\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $f(\frac{1}{2}, 2) = -\ln 2$ is a local maximum. ■

(ii) Given $g(x, y) = xy(1 - x - y)$:

$$\begin{aligned}f_x &= y - 2xy - y^2, & f_y &= x - x^2 - 2xy \\f_{xx} &= -2y, & f_{xy} &= 1 - 2x - 2y, & f_{yy} &= -2x\end{aligned}$$

At critical points:

$$\begin{aligned}f_x &= y - 2xy - y^2 = 0 \\f_y &= x - x^2 - 2xy = 0\end{aligned}$$

Solving simultaneously, we get points $(0, 0), (1, 0), (0, 1), (\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3})$ which by second derivative test:

$$\begin{aligned}D(0, 0) &= -1 < 0 \\D(1, 0) &= -1 < 0 \\D(0, 1) &= -1 < 0 \\D(\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}) &= \frac{1}{3} > 0, f_{xx} = -\frac{2}{3} < 0\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $(0, 0), (1, 0), (0, 1)$ are saddle points and $g(\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}) = \frac{1}{27}$ is a local maximum. ■

Q4. (a)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int \int_R x^3 + y^3 dA &= \int_0^b \int_0^a x^3 + y^3 dx dy \\
 &= \int_0^b \left[\frac{1}{4} x^4 + xy^3 \right]_0^a dy \\
 &= \int_0^b \frac{1}{4} a^4 + ay^3 dy \\
 &= \left[\frac{1}{4} a^4 y + \frac{1}{4} ay^3 \right]_0^b \\
 &= \frac{1}{4} a^4 b + \frac{1}{4} ab^4 \quad \blacksquare
 \end{aligned}$$

(b)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int \int_R \frac{xy}{\sqrt{4-x^2}} dA &= \int_1^3 \int_0^2 \frac{xy}{\sqrt{4-x^2}} dx dy \\
 &= \int_1^3 y \int_0^2 \frac{x}{\sqrt{4-x^2}} dx dy \\
 &= \int_1^3 y \int_4^0 -\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{u}} du dy \quad (u = 4 - x^2, du = -2x dx) \\
 &= \int_1^3 y [\sqrt{u}]_0^4 dy \\
 &= \int_1^3 2y dy \\
 &= [y^2]_1^3 \\
 &= 8 \quad \blacksquare
 \end{aligned}$$

Alternatively:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int \int_R \frac{xy}{\sqrt{4-x^2}} dA &= \left(\int_0^2 \frac{x}{\sqrt{4-x^2}} dx \right) \left(\int_1^3 y dy \right) \\
 &= \left(\int_0^4 \frac{1}{2\sqrt{u}} du \right) \left[\frac{1}{2} y^2 \right]_1^3 \quad (u = 4 - x^2, du = -2x dx) \\
 &= [\sqrt{u}]_0^4 \cdot 4 \\
 &= 8 \quad \blacksquare
 \end{aligned}$$

Q5.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int_0^3 \int_0^2 2 + (x-1)^2 + 4y^2 dy dx &= \int_0^3 \left[2y + (x-1)^2 y + \frac{4}{3} y^3 \right]_0^2 dx \\
 &= \int_0^3 4 + 2(x-1)^2 + \frac{32}{3} dx \\
 &= \int_0^3 2x^2 - 4x + \frac{50}{3} dx \\
 &= \left[\frac{2}{3} x^3 - 2x^2 + \frac{50}{3} x \right]_0^3 \\
 &= 50 \quad \blacksquare
 \end{aligned}$$