

Directional Derivatives

The rate of change of f in the u direction.

The Directional Derivatives of $f(x, y) = x^2 + xy^2$ in the direction $i - j$ at the point $(1, 1)$.

$$\lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{(1 - s\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}})^2 + (1 - s\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}})^2(1 + s\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}) - 2}{s} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$