

Exercise 1. Short answers:

1. If \vec{u} and \vec{v} are parallel, what is the algebraic relation between them?
2. Suppose a line ℓ is normal to a plane π . What is the relation between \vec{v}_ℓ and \vec{n}_π ?
3. If $f: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a function, how many components does its gradient ∇f have?
4. If $\nabla f(\vec{a}) \cdot \vec{u} < 0$, does f increase or decrease in the direction of \vec{u} at \vec{a} ?
5. If f has $\det Hf > 0$ and $f_{xx} > 0$ at $\vec{x} = \vec{a}$, can you conclude if f has a maximum, minimum, or saddle point at \vec{a} ?

Exercise 2. Consider the function $f(x,y) = 8x + 8y$ on the region described by $\{4x^2 = y^2 - 1\}$. There are two critical points. Follow these steps to classify them:

1. Identify the function f you're optimizing.
2. Identify the constraint as $g = 0$.
3. Write the Lagrange equation: $\nabla f = \lambda \nabla g$.
4. Solve for \vec{x} in terms of λ , then use $g = 0$ to find λ .
5. Find \vec{x} using λ and classify the points by evaluating f .