Values

6 1. (a) Considering all directions that one could move away from the point (0,1,4), in which one does the function

$$f(x, y, z) = z \ln(2x + y) - xyz^2$$

decrease most rapidly?

(b) Is it possible to find directions in which the function in part (a) changes at the rate of -10? Explain.

Answer: (a) (8, -4, 0) (b) No

7 2. It is known that the curve

$$x = 4t - 2t^2 - 1$$
, $y = 2t^3 - 1$, $z = 3t^2 - 5$

and surface $x^2y + xz + 1 = 0$ intersect at the point (1, 1, -2). You need **NOT** show this. Prove that the curve is perpendicular to the surface at the point.

7 3. The equations

$$u^3x^2 + uv^2 - xz = y + v + 1$$
, $v^5y^2 + u^4x + uz = 6v + 3$

define u and v as functions of x, y, and z. Set up the Jacobians necessary to find $\partial v/\partial y$. Calculate the partial derivatives in the Jacobians, but do **NOT** evaluate the determinants.

Answer:
$$-\frac{\begin{vmatrix} 3u^2x^2 + v^2 & -1\\ 4u^3x + z & 2v^5y \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} 3u^2x^2 + v^2 & 2uv - 1\\ 4u^3x + z & 5v^4y^2 - 6 \end{vmatrix}}$$

8 4. If $u = r^3 + rs^4$, $r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$, $s = \sin(xy)$, and $y = z^2$, find $\frac{\partial u}{\partial z}\Big)_x$. Do **NOT** simplify your answer.

Answer:
$$\frac{2yz(3r^2+s^4)}{\sqrt{x^2+y^2+z^2}} + \frac{(3r^2+s^4)z}{\sqrt{x^2+y^2+z^2}} + 4rs^3[x\cos{(xy)}](2z)$$

8 5. The function

$$f(x,y) = x^4 - 3x^2y^2 + y^4 + x^2 + y^2$$

is known to have five critical point (0,0), $(1,\pm 1)$, and $(-1,\pm 1)$. It is **NOT** necessary for you to show this. Classify the two critical points (0,0) and (1,1) as yielding relative maxima, relative minima, or saddle points.

Answer: (0,0) gives a relative minimum and (1,1) gives a saddle point

4 6. The function

$$f(x,y) = x^4 - 3x^2y^2 + y^4$$

is known to have critical point (0,0), and the second derivative test fails to determine whether this critical point gives a relative maximum, a relative minimum, or a saddle point. Use whatever method you can devise to perform this classification.

Answer: Show that the cross-section of the surface with the yz-plane gives a curve that is concave upward, whereas intersection with the plane y = x gives a curve that is concave downward.