

MATH 2130 Problem Workshop 4

1. If $z = f(u, v, t)$, $u = g(x, y, t)$, $v = h(x, y, t)$ and $y = k(t)$, find the chain rule for $\frac{\partial z}{\partial t}\bigg|_x$.
2. If $f(s)$ and $g(t)$ are differentiable functions, show that $\nabla f(x^2 - y^2) \cdot \nabla g(xy) = 0$.
3. If $z = x^2 + y^2$, $x = u \cos v$, and $y = u \sin v$, find and simplify $\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial v^2}\bigg|_u$.
4. If $f(v)$ is differentiable, show that $u(x, y) = x^3 f(x/y)$ satisfies the equation

$$x \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = 3u.$$

5. The equations

$$x^2 + y + 3s^2 + s = 2t - 1, \quad y^2 - x^4 + 2st + 7 = 6s^2 t^2$$

define s and t as functions of x and y . Find $\frac{\partial s}{\partial x}$ when $s = 0$ and $t = 1$. Assume $x > 0$.

6. The equations

$$x = r \sin \phi \cos \theta, \quad y = r \sin \phi \sin \theta, \quad z = r \cos \phi$$

define r, ϕ, θ as functions of x, y and z . Find $\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y}$.

7. Find the rate of change of the function $f(x, y, z) = \sin(xy) - z^3$ at the point $(2, 0, 3)$ in the direction of the upward normal to the surface $xz^2 - x^2z = 6$.
8. Find equations for the tangent line to the following curve at the point $(1, -1, 3)$:

$$xyz + z^3 = 24, \quad x^3 y^2 z + y^3 = 4x - 2.$$

9. Find an equation for the tangent plane to the following surface at the point $(2, -1, -1)$:

$$x^2 y + y^2 z + z^2 x + 3 = 0.$$

10. Find all critical points for the function $f(x, y) = x^3 y^3 - x^2 y^2 + 6$.
11. Find all critical points for the function $f(x, y) = x^3 y^2 - xy + 3y$.
12. Find and classify all critical points of the function as giving relative minima, maxima, saddle points or neither.

(a) $f(x, y) = x^3 + xy + y^3$

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

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

(d) $f(x, y) = y^2 + |x - 1|$

Answers:

1. $\frac{\partial z}{\partial u} \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \frac{dy}{dt} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial u} \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial v} \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \frac{dy}{dt} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial v} \frac{\partial v}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial t}$

2.

3. 0

4.

5. 16

6. $r^{-1} \cos \phi \sin \theta$

7. $-216/\sqrt{73}$

8. $x = 1 + 81t, y = -1 + 133t, z = 3 - 6t$

9. $x - 2y + z = 3.$

10. All points on the x-axis, y-axis and on the curve $y = 2/(3x)$.

11. $(3, 0), (9, 1/243)$

12. (a) $(0, 0)$ gives a saddle point. $(-1/3, -1/3)$ gives a relative maximum.

(b) $(0, 0), (0, 3)$ both give saddle points.

(c) $(0, 0)$ gives a saddle point.

(d) $(1, 0)$ gives a relative minimum. Points $(1, y)$ for $y \neq 0$ give neither.