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 MATH 349-01/02 Quiz # 5T Fall, 2007

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1. For $f(x, y, z) = \left(\frac{\ln y}{x\sqrt{z}} + \cos\left(\frac{\pi z}{2}\right) \right)$ and $\mathbf{g} : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3, \mathbf{g}(t) = (t^2, \sqrt{t}, \frac{2}{\sqrt{t}})$
 find $h'(1)$ where $h = f \circ \mathbf{g}$ using Chain Rule
 HINT: $h(t) = f(x, y, z)$ where $x = t^2, y = \sqrt{t}$ and $z = \frac{2}{\sqrt{t}}$. [5]

2. Find an equation of the tangent plane to $f(x, y) = \ln\left(\frac{\sqrt{x^2+4y}}{3}\right)$
 at $x_0 = -1, y_0 = 2$ HINT: Simplify first! [5]

3. For the function. $f(x, y) = \frac{y}{x^4 + y^2}$ find the directional derivative at $A(-1, 1)$
 in the direction of the line $y = 3x + 4$ (from left to right). [3]

Solutions

For 1) $\nabla f = (f_x, f_y, f_z)$

$$f_x = -\frac{\ln y}{x^2\sqrt{z}}, \quad f_y = \frac{1}{xy\sqrt{z}}, \quad f_z = \left[-\frac{\ln y}{2xz\sqrt{z}} + \frac{\pi}{2} \sin\left(\frac{\pi z}{2}\right) \right] \text{ are cont.}$$

for any $x, y > 0$ and $z > 0$.

$$\mathbf{g}' = (x', y', z') = \left(2t, \frac{1}{2\sqrt{t}}, -\frac{1}{t\sqrt{t}} \right) \text{ at } t = 1$$

$$\mathbf{g}'(1) = (x'(1), y'(1), z'(1)) = \left(2, \frac{1}{2}, -1 \right)$$

if $t = 1$ then $x = 1, y = 1, z = 2$ and

$$\nabla f(1, 1, 2) = \left(0, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, 0 \right) \text{ since } \sin \pi = 0$$

by Chain Rule $h' = \nabla f \bullet \mathbf{g}' = 1 \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}$ OR

$$\begin{aligned} h'(1) &= f_x(1, 1, 2)x'(1) + f_y(1, 1, 2)y'(1) + f_z(1, 1, 2)z'(1) = \\ &= 0 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + 0 = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}. \end{aligned}$$

For 2)

first $f(-1, 2) = \ln\left(\frac{\sqrt{x^2+4y}}{3}\right) = \ln 1 = 0$ so the point on the graph is $P(-1, 2, 0)$

you can simplify $f(x, y) = \ln\left(\frac{\sqrt{x^2+4y}}{3}\right) = \frac{1}{2}\ln(x^2 + 4y) - \ln 3$

partials $f_x = \frac{x}{x^2 + 4y}, \quad f_y = \frac{2}{x^2 + 4y}$

and $f_x(-1, 2) = -\frac{1}{9}$ $f_y(-1, 2) = \frac{2}{9}$

and a normal is $\mathbf{n} = (a, b, c) = (\nabla f, -1) = \left(-\frac{1}{9}, \frac{2}{9}, -1\right)$ or $(1, -2, 9)$

$x - 2y + 9z = d$ and it goes through P $-1 - 4 = d$ so $d = -5$

and $x - 2y + 9z + 5 = 0$ OR

$z = f(-1, 2) + f_x(-1, 2)(x + 1) + f_y(-1, 2)(y - 2) = \frac{-1}{9}(x + 1) + \frac{2}{9}(y - 2)$

For 3)

$f(x, y) = \frac{y}{x^4 + y^2}$ is defined if $(x, y) \neq (0, 0)$

$f_x = \frac{-4x^3y}{(x^4 + y^2)^2}$ $f_y = \frac{1}{x^4 + y^2} - \frac{2y^2}{(x^4 + y^2)^2}$ both are cont. for $(x, y) \neq (0, 0)$

a direction vector of $y = 3x + 4$ $x = t, y = 3t + 4$ is $(1, 3)$ so $\mathbf{u} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{10}}(1, 3)$

and by Theorem $D_{\mathbf{u}}f$ (