



M&E 201 ADVANCED CALCULUS

Assignment 4: Chain Rule, Tangent Lines and Tangent Planes January 26, 2018

1. Solve the following partial derivatives:

(a) $\frac{\partial^3 f}{\partial y^3}$ if $f(x, y) = \frac{2x}{y} + 3x^3y^4$

(b) $\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial z}$ if $f(x, y, z) = xyz e^{x+y+z}$

(c) $\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial z^2}$ if $f(x, y, z) = \ln \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$

(d) $\frac{\partial^6 f}{\partial x^2 \partial y^2 \partial z^2}$ if $f(x, y, z) = \frac{1}{x^2} + \frac{1}{y^2} + \frac{1}{z^2}$

2. If $z = x^2 + xy + y^2 \sin(x/y)$ show that:

$$x \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = 2z = x^2 \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2} + 2xy \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x \partial y} + y^2 \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial y^2}$$

3. Use chain rule to solve the following partial derivatives:

(a) $\frac{\partial u}{\partial s}$ if $u = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$, $x = 2st$, $y = s^2 + t^2$, $z = st$

(b) $\frac{\partial z}{\partial t}$ if $z = x^2 + y^2 + u^2$, $x = v^3 - 3v^2$, $u = \frac{1}{x^2 - y^2}$, $v = e^t$, $y = e^{4t}$

(c) $\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial v^2}$ if $z = \sin(xy)$, $x = 3 \cos v$, $y = 4 \sin v$

4. Find the equation for the tangent line to the curve at the point given for the following:

(a) $x = e^{-t} \cos t$, $y = e^{-t} \sin t$, $z = t$ at $(1, 0, 0)$

(b) $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 4$, $z^2 = x^2 + y^2$ at $(1, 1, -\sqrt{2})$

5. Find an equation for the tangent plane to the surface at the point given for the following:

(a) $x = x^2 - y^3z$ at $(2, -1, -2)$

(b) $x^2 + y^2 + 2y = 1$ at $(1, 0, 3)$

6. Verify that the curve $x^2 - y^2 + z^2 = 1$, $xy + xz = 2$ is tangent to the surface $xyz - x^2 - 6y + 6 = 0$ at the point $(1, 1, 1)$.

7. Determine the following quantities:

(a) The unit tangent vector, \hat{T} , for the curve of intersection of surfaces $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 2$ and $y = z$ at point $(0, 1, 1)$.

(b) The directional derivative of $f(x, y, z) = 2xyz - x^2 - z^2$ along the curve from Part a) at point $(0, 1, 1)$ in the direction of increasing x .

(c) Find the angle between the gradient vector, ∇f , and the vector, \vec{v} , along which the rate of change (directional derivative) of $f(x, y, z)$ at point $(0, 1, 1)$ is equal to 0, equal to 1 and is a maximum.