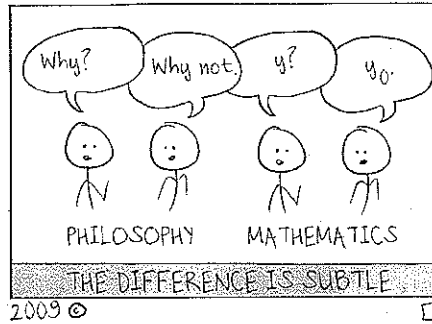


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Math 225: Quiz the Sixth
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This quiz is closed book and closed notes. Please justify all of your answers. You have 40 minutes.



1. Find a function $f(x, y)$ which satisfies the following equations, or explain why no such function exists.

(a) $f_x = x^2 + 2y$, $f_y = -2x + 3y^2$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} f_{xy} = 2 \\ f_{yx} = -2 \end{array} \right\} \text{no such } f \text{ exists.}$$

(b) $f_x = e^x + 3y^2$, $f_y = 6xy + \cos(y)$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} f_{xy} = 6y \\ f_{yx} = 6y \end{array} \right\} \text{C's theorem holds!}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} f_x = e^x + 3y^2 \\ f_y = 6xy + \cos y \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} f = e^x + 3xy^2 + g(y) \\ f = 3xy^2 + \sin y + g(x) \end{array} \quad \rightarrow \quad f(x, y) = e^x + 3xy^2 + \sin y$$

2. Find the tangent plane to $f(x, y) = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$ at the point $(3, -4)$ and use it to approximate $f(3.02, -3.99)$. (No calculators, please!)

T plane: $f(3, -4) = 25$

$$f_x = \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} \quad f_y = \frac{y}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}}$$

$$f_x(3, -4) = \frac{3}{5} \quad f_y(3, -4) = -\frac{4}{5}$$

$$z = 25 + \frac{3}{5}(x-3) - \frac{4}{5}(y+4)$$

Approx

$$z \approx 25 + \frac{3}{5}(.02) - \frac{4}{5}(-.01)$$

$$= 25 + \frac{.06}{5} - \frac{-.04}{5}$$

$$= 25 + \frac{.02}{5}$$

$$= 25 + \frac{2}{500} = 25.004$$

3. Wheat production (W) is dependent on temperature (T) and rainfall (R). It is estimated that temperature is increasing at a rate of $0.05^\circ \text{C}/\text{year}$ and rainfall is decreasing at a rate of $0.1 \text{ cm}/\text{year}$. It is also estimated that, at current levels of production, $\frac{\partial W}{\partial T} = -1.5$ and $\frac{\partial W}{\partial R} = 4$.

- (a) Give a prose description of the significance of the signs of the partial derivatives $\frac{\partial W}{\partial T}$ and $\frac{\partial W}{\partial R}$.

$$\frac{\partial W}{\partial T} = -1.5 < 0 \quad \text{as temperature increases,}$$

wheat production decreases.

$$\frac{\partial W}{\partial R} = 4 > 0 \quad \text{as rainfall increases,}$$

wheat production increases.

- (b) Using these estimates, find $\frac{dW}{dt}$.

$$\frac{dW}{dt} = \frac{\partial W}{\partial T} \frac{dT}{dt} + \frac{\partial W}{\partial R} \frac{dR}{dt}$$

$$= (-1.5)(.05) + (4)(-.1) = -.4 - .075 = \cancel{-.475} \text{ bushels/year}$$

$-.475 \text{ bushels/year}$

$$f(x,y)$$

4. Let $f(x,y) = 3x^2 + 2y - 4xy$. Find $D_u f$ at the point $(1,1)$ as we move towards $(6,-11)$.

$$\nabla f = \langle 6x - 4y, 2 - 4x \rangle \Big|_{(1,1)} = \langle 6, -2 \rangle$$

$$\vec{u} \text{ from } (1,1) \text{ to } (6,-11) = \frac{\langle 5, -12 \rangle}{|\langle 5, -12 \rangle|} = \left\langle \frac{5}{13}, -\frac{12}{13} \right\rangle$$

$$\begin{aligned} D_{\vec{u}} f &= \nabla f \cdot \vec{u} = \left\langle \frac{5}{13}, -\frac{12}{13} \right\rangle \cdot \langle 6, -2 \rangle \\ &= \frac{30}{13} + \frac{24}{13} = \frac{54}{13} \end{aligned}$$

5. Consider the surface $xy^3 + xyz + yz^2 = 16$.

(a) Calculate $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}$ and $\frac{\partial z}{\partial y}$ and give conditions for which these partials exist.

$$F = xy^3 + xyz + yz^2 - 16 = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = \frac{-F_x}{F_z} = \frac{-(3xy^2 + yz)}{xy + 2yz} = \frac{-(y^3 + yz)}{xy + 2yz}$$

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = \frac{-F_y}{F_z} = \frac{-(3xy + xz + z^2)}{xy + 2yz}$$

These partials exist provided $xy + 2yz \neq 0$

(b) Find the tangent plane to this surface at the point $(-1, 2, 4)$

$$\vec{n} = \nabla F = \langle y^3 + yz, 3xy + xz + z^2, xy + 2yz \rangle \Big|_{(-1, 2, 4)}$$

$$= \langle 16, 0, 14 \rangle$$

$$T_{\text{plane}}: 16(x+1) + 0(y-2) + 14(z-4) = 0$$

6. (Bonus) A well-behaved function $f(x, y)$ has four second order partial derivatives. Clairaut's theorem guarantees that two of these are the same, so we effectively have three distinct derivatives.

(a) How many third order derivatives does $f(x, y)$ have? How many are distinct?

8
 f - - -
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 two choices
 for each

4
 f_{xxx}
 f_{xyy}
 f_{yyx}
 f_{yyy}

(b) How many fourth order derivatives does $f(x, y)$ have? How many are distinct?

16

5
 f_{xxxx}
 f_{xxxxy}
 f_{xxyyy}
 f_{xyyyy}
 f_{yyyyy}

(c) How many n th order derivatives does $f(x, y)$ have? How many are distinct?

2^n

$n+1$