

Instructions: Ten points total. Show all work for credit.

1. (5 pts.) Consider the implicitly defined surface given by equation

$$e^x = 5xyz$$

- (a) Find a point $P = P(1, \frac{e}{10}, c)$ on the surface with x -coordinate equal to 1, and y -coordinate equal to $\frac{e}{10}$. (This means find c .)

$$x=1 \quad y=\frac{e}{10} \Rightarrow e^1 = 5(1)\frac{e}{10}z \Rightarrow z=2$$

Answer: The coordinates of P are $\boxed{\left(1, \frac{e}{10}, 2\right)}$ $\boxed{z=2}$

- (b) Using the point P found in the last part, find the equation of the tangent plane to the surface at $(1, \frac{e}{10}, c)$.

Since the surface is defined implicitly, a normal vector is

$$\vec{n} = \nabla f\left(1, \frac{e}{10}, 2\right) \quad \text{where } f(x, y, z) = e^x - 5xyz$$

$$\text{Thus, } \nabla f = \langle f_x, f_y, f_z \rangle = \langle e^x - 5yz, -5xz, -5xy \rangle \quad \text{and}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla f\left(1, \frac{e}{10}, 2\right) &= \langle e - 5\left(\frac{e}{10}\right)(2), -5(1)(2), -5(1)\left(\frac{e}{10}\right) \rangle \\ &= \langle 0, -10, -\frac{e}{2} \rangle \end{aligned}$$

I'll use $\vec{n} = -\nabla f\left(1, \frac{e}{10}, 2\right) = \langle 0, 10, \frac{e}{2} \rangle$ for the normal vector.

Equation of tangent plane is:

$$\vec{n} \cdot \vec{x} = \vec{n} \cdot \vec{p} \quad \text{or} \quad \langle 0, 10, \frac{e}{2} \rangle \cdot \langle x, y, z \rangle = \langle 0, 10, \frac{e}{2} \rangle \cdot \langle 1, \frac{e}{10}, 2 \rangle$$

$$10y + \frac{e}{2}z = e + e$$

$$\boxed{10y + \frac{e}{2}z = 2e} \quad \text{or,} \quad 20y + ez = 4e \quad \text{etc.}$$

(c) Find the partial derivatives $\frac{\partial x}{\partial y}$ and $\frac{\partial z}{\partial y}$ for the surface $e^x = 5xyz$.

Need the Chain Rule for implicitly-defined functions

$\frac{\partial x}{\partial y}$:

$$e^x = 5xyz$$

x dependent

$$e^x \frac{\partial x}{\partial y} = 5z \left[x + \frac{\partial x}{\partial y} y \right]$$

product rule

$$e^x \frac{\partial x}{\partial y} = 5xz + 5yz \frac{\partial x}{\partial y}$$

$$\frac{\partial x}{\partial y} (e^x - 5yz) = 5xz \Rightarrow$$

$$\boxed{\frac{\partial x}{\partial y} = \frac{5xz}{e^x - 5yz}}$$

$\frac{\partial z}{\partial y}$:

$$e^x = 5xyz$$

z dependent on (x, y)

Soln 1:

Implicit diff.

$$0 = 5x \left[y \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} + (1)z \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} (5xy) = -5xz$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = \frac{-5xz}{5xy}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = \frac{-z}{y} \quad \begin{matrix} x \neq 0 \\ y \neq 0 \end{matrix}}$$

Answers: $\frac{\partial x}{\partial y} = \frac{5xz}{e^x - 5yz}$

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Soln 2:

Solve for z first.

$$z = \frac{e^x}{5x} y^{-1} \quad \text{so that}$$

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = \frac{e^x}{5x} (-1)y^{-2} = \frac{-e^x}{5xy^2}$$

$$\boxed{\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = \frac{-e^x}{5xy^2}}$$

$$\boxed{\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = \frac{-z}{y} \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{-e^x}{5xy^2}}$$

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These are the same! Why?

2. (3 pts.) Find the directional derivative of the function $f(x, y) = e^y \sin(x)$ at the point $(\frac{\pi}{3}, 0)$ in the direction of $\mathbf{v} = \langle 8, -6 \rangle$.

• Unit vector \hat{u} in direction of \mathbf{v} is $\langle \frac{4}{5}, \frac{-3}{5} \rangle$ [use 3-4-5 triple.]

• $\nabla f(x, y) = \langle f_x, f_y \rangle = \langle e^y \cos x, e^y \sin(x) \rangle$

$$\nabla f(\frac{\pi}{3}, 0) = \langle e^0 \cos(\frac{\pi}{3}), e^0 \sin(\frac{\pi}{3}) \rangle = \langle \frac{1}{2}, \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \rangle$$

• $D_{\hat{u}} f(\frac{\pi}{3}, 0) = \nabla f(\frac{\pi}{3}, 0) \cdot \hat{u} = \langle \frac{1}{2}, \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \rangle \cdot \langle \frac{4}{5}, \frac{-3}{5} \rangle = \frac{4}{10} - \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{10}$

$$= \frac{4 - 3\sqrt{3}}{10}$$

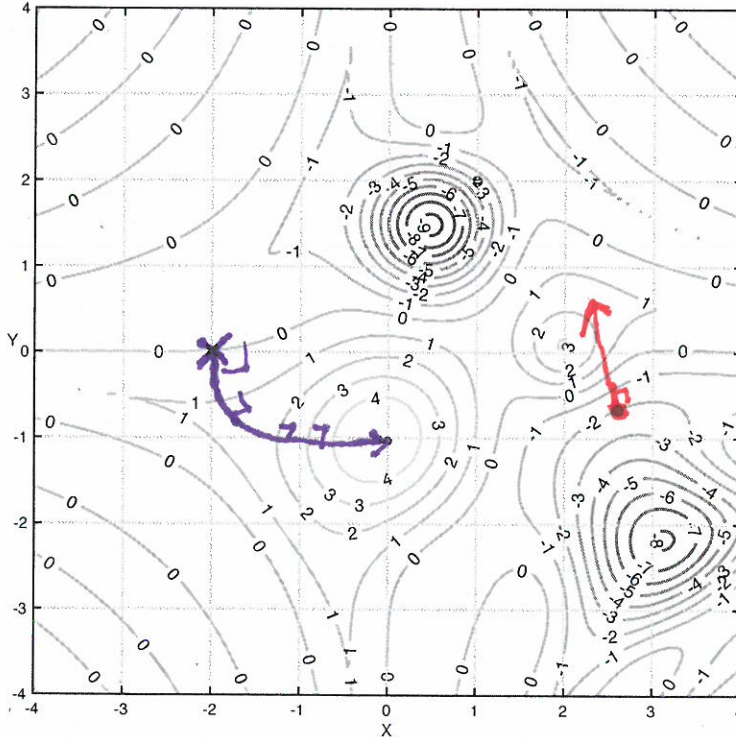
Is $f(x, y)$ increasing / decreasing / stable at $(\frac{\pi}{3}, 0)$ in the direction of \mathbf{v} ? Explain.

$$\frac{4 - 3\sqrt{3}}{10} < 0$$

3. (2 pts.) Consider the contour plot for the smooth function $z = f(x, y)$ displayed below.

(b) orthogonal to level curves and seeks positive change.

(*) -1 pt if not orthogonal to level curves



$\nabla f(2.6, -0.7)$ should be 1) orthogonal to level curve and 2) point in the direction of increase.

(a) At the red point $(2.6, -0.7)$ shown, draw a vector pointing in the direction of $\nabla f(2.6, -0.7)$.

(b) Suppose a negatively charged particle is placed at the black X at $(-2, 0)$, and that $f(x, y)$ gives the charge of a plate in coulombs. Sketch the path of the negatively charged particle on the plate.