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1. (20 points) Let $f(x, y) = (x + y^2)e^{x^2y^2}$.

(a) Find the gradient of the function f at point $(0, 0)$. Find the directional derivative of the function f at the point $(0, 0)$ in the direction $\vec{v} = \langle 3, 4 \rangle$.

Compute the partial derivatives at $(0, 0)$

$$f_x = e^{x^2y^2} + (x+y^2)e^{x^2y^2} \cdot 2xy^2 = (1 + (x+y^2)2xy^2) e^{x^2y^2}$$

$$f_x(0, 0) = 1 \cdot e^0 = 1$$

$$f_y = 2ye^{x^2y^2} + (x+y^2)e^{x^2y^2} \cdot 2yx^2 = 2y(1 + (x+y^2)x^2) e^{x^2y^2}$$

$$f_y(0, 0) = 0 \quad \text{Therefore, } \nabla f(0, 0) = \langle 1, 0 \rangle$$

In order to compute the directional derivative, we find the unit vector in the direction $\vec{v} = \langle 3, 4 \rangle$:

$$\|\vec{v}\| = \sqrt{3^2 + 4^2} = \sqrt{9 + 16} = \sqrt{25} = 5, \quad \vec{u} = \frac{\vec{v}}{\|\vec{v}\|} = \left\langle \frac{3}{5}, \frac{4}{5} \right\rangle$$

$$\text{Then } D_{\vec{u}} f(0, 0) = \nabla f(0, 0) \cdot \vec{u} = \langle 1, 0 \rangle \cdot \left\langle \frac{3}{5}, \frac{4}{5} \right\rangle = \frac{3}{5}$$

(b) Find the unit vector in the direction of the maximal rate of increase for the function f at the point $(0, 0)$. What is the value of the directional derivative in this direction?

The direction of the maximal rate of increase is given by the gradient, $\nabla f(0, 0) = \langle 1, 0 \rangle$.

$\|\nabla f(0, 0)\| = \|\langle 1, 0 \rangle\| = 1$, so $\langle 1, 0 \rangle$ is the unit vector in the direction of the maximal rate of increase.

$$D_{\nabla f(0, 0)} f(0, 0) = \nabla f(0, 0) \cdot \nabla f(0, 0) = 1$$

2. (20 points) Use the chain rule to find the partial derivative $\frac{\partial z}{\partial v}$ for

$$z = \left(x + \frac{y}{x}\right)^2,$$

where

$$x = u + v, \quad y = u - v.$$

You may leave your answer as a product of terms, but your answer should not have any derivative operations remaining to be performed. Your final answer should only be a function of u and v .

$$\frac{\partial x}{\partial v} = 1, \quad \frac{\partial y}{\partial v} = -1$$

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = 2\left(x + \frac{y}{x}\right)\left(1 - \frac{y}{x^2}\right)$$

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = 2\left(x + \frac{y}{x}\right) \cdot \frac{1}{x}$$

Using the chain rule we have

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial v} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial v} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \cdot \frac{\partial y}{\partial v}$$

$$= 2\left(x + \frac{y}{x}\right)\left(1 - \frac{y}{x^2}\right) - 2\left(x + \frac{y}{x}\right) \cdot \frac{1}{x}$$

$$= 2\left(x + \frac{y}{x}\right)\left(1 - \frac{y}{x^2} - \frac{2}{x}\right) = 2\left(u+v + \frac{u-v}{u+v}\right)\left(1 - \frac{u-v}{(u+v)^2} - \frac{2}{u+v}\right)$$

3. (20 points) Find the tangent plane to the function $f(x, y) = \sqrt{xy^2 + \ln(x) + 1}$ at the point $(1, 0)$. [Hint. Recall that $\ln(1) = 0$.]

The equation of the tangent plane to f at (x_0, y_0) is given by $z = f(x_0, y_0) + f_x(x_0, y_0)(x - x_0) + f_y(x_0, y_0)(y - y_0)$. Compute each of the unknown coefficients:

$$f(1, 0) = \sqrt{1 \cdot 0^2 + \ln(1) + 1} = \sqrt{1} = 1$$

$$f_x = \frac{y^2 + \frac{1}{x}}{2\sqrt{xy^2 + \ln x + 1}}, \quad f_x(1, 0) = \frac{0^2 + \frac{1}{1}}{2\sqrt{1 \cdot 0^2 + \ln(1) + 1}} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$f_y = \frac{2xy}{2\sqrt{xy^2 + \ln x + 1}}, \quad f_y(1, 0) = 0$$

Therefore, the equation of the tangent plane to f at $(1, 0)$ is $z = 1 + \frac{1}{2}(x - 1)$

4. (20 points) Suppose that $\mathbf{r}(t) = \langle e^{\cos(t)}, \sin(1 - e^{-t}), t \rangle$. Find the unit tangent vector to this curve at time $t = 0$.

Compute the tangent vector at $t=0$

$$\vec{r}'(t) = \langle e^{\cos t}(-\sin t), \cos(1 - e^{-t})e^{-t}, 1 \rangle$$

$$\vec{r}'(0) = \langle e^{\cos 0}(-\sin 0), \cos(1 - e^0)e^0, 1 \rangle$$

$$= \langle 0, 1, 1 \rangle$$

$$\|\vec{r}'(0)\| = \|\langle 0, 1, 1 \rangle\| = \sqrt{0^2 + 1^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{2}$$

The unit tangent vector is

$$\frac{\vec{r}'(0)}{\|\vec{r}'(0)\|} = \left\langle 0, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right\rangle.$$