

Math 2605 Quiz 4

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1. (5 points) $f(x, y) = 2x^2 + xy^3 + y^2$, $\mathbf{x}_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$. Define $g(t) = f(\mathbf{x}_0 + t\mathbf{v})$. Compute $g'(1)$ using the gradient of f .

2. (5 points) Calculate the partial derivatives:

$$f(x, y, z) = z^{xy^2}$$

[hint: Take logarithm of f .]

$$\underline{1.} \quad g'(t) = \nabla f(\vec{x}_0 + t\vec{v}) \cdot \vec{v}$$

$$\Rightarrow g'(1) = \nabla f(3, 3) \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\nabla f(x, y) = \begin{bmatrix} f_x \\ f_y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4x + y^3 \\ 3xy^2 + 2y \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \nabla f(3, 3) = \begin{bmatrix} 12 + 27 \\ 81 + 6 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 39 \\ 87 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow g'(1) = 39 \cdot 2 + 87 \cdot 1 = \boxed{165}$$

$$\underline{2.} \quad \ln f = xy^2 \ln z$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{f_x}{f} = y^2 \ln z \Rightarrow f_x = z^{xy^2} y^2 \ln z \\ \frac{f_y}{f} = 2yx \ln z \Rightarrow f_y = z^{xy^2} 2yx \ln z. \\ \frac{f_z}{f} = \frac{xy^2}{z} \Rightarrow f_z = z^{xy^2-1} xy^2. \end{array} \right.$$