

Class 10, Practice Problems

Multivariable Calculus

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13.5 The Chain Rule

1. Use the chain rule to find dz/dt .

(a) $z = x^2y + xy^2$, $x = 2 + t^2$, $y = 1 - t^3$.

(b) $z = \sin x \cos y$, $x = \pi t$, $y = \sqrt{t}$.

2. Use the chain rule to find $\partial z/\partial s$ and $\partial z/\partial t$ where

$$z = \frac{x}{y}, \quad x = se^t, \quad y = 1 + se^{-t}.$$

3. Find $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}$ and $\frac{\partial z}{\partial y}$ if $x^3 + y^3 + z^3 + 6xyz = 1$.

13.6 Directional Derivatives and Gradients

1. Let $f(x, y) = 5xy^2 - 4x^3y$, point $P = (1, 2)$ and vector $\mathbf{u} = \langle \frac{5}{13}, \frac{12}{13} \rangle$.

(a) Find the gradient of f .

(b) Find the gradient of f at point P .

(c) Find the rate of change of f at P in the direction of the vector \mathbf{u} .

(d) Find the maximum rate of change of f at point P .