



Tutoring Sheet # 16

Unit 05a : Mathematics 1

Solution

- 1.** Suppose that $f(x,y) = x^2y$. Let $x = 2 - t$ and $y = 3t + 7$
Use the chain rule to find $F'(t)$.

$$F'(t) = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \frac{dy}{dt} = 2xy(-1) + x^2(3) = -2(2-t)(3t+7) + 3(2-t)^2$$

- 2.** Suppose that $f(x,y) = x^2y + y^2$. Let $x = 3t^2 + 3$ and $y = t^3 - 7$
Use the chain rule to find $F'(2)$

$$F'(t) = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \frac{dy}{dt} = 2xy(6t) + (x^2+2y)(3t^2)$$

$$F'(t) = 2(3t^2 + 3)(t^3 - 7)(6t) + [(3t^2 + 3)^2 + 2(t^3 - 7)](3t^2)$$

- 3.** Find dy/dx in each of the following cases:

a.) $2x^2 + 5xy + y^2 = 19$ $dy/dx = -\frac{\partial g / \partial x}{\partial g / \partial y} = -\frac{4x + 5y}{5x + 2y}$

b.) $x^4y^3 + 4x^2y^2 - 2x^5y = 3$ $dy/dx = -\frac{4x^3y^3 + 8xy^2 - 10x^4y}{3x^4y^2 + 8x^2y - 2x^5y}$

c.) $x^2y^3 - 6x^3y^2 + 2xy = 1$ $dy/dx = -\frac{2x^3y^3 - 18x^2y^2 + 2y}{3x^2y^2 - 12x^3y + 2x}$

d.) $e^{xy} + 2(x+y) = 5$ $dy/dx = -\frac{ye^{xy} + 2}{xe^{xy} + 2}$

- 4.** Find and classify the critical points of the following functions :

- a.) $f(x,y) = 2x^2 + 2y^2$: To find the critical point, $f_1 = 0$; $f_2 = 0$
 $f_1 = 4x = 0 \Rightarrow x = 0$; $f_2 = 4y = 0 \Rightarrow y = 0$; (0,0) critical pt.
 To check whether it maximizes or minimizes f or a saddle point :

$$(f_{11})(f_{22}) - f_{12}^2$$

$$f_{11} = 4, f_{22} = 4; f_{12} = 0 \Rightarrow (f_{11})(f_{22}) - f_{12}^2 = 16 > 0$$

Since $f_{11} = 4 > 0$, (0,0) minimizes f .

b.) $f(x,y) = e^{-(x^2+y^2)} = e^{-x^2-y^2}$

$$f_1 = -2xe^{-x^2-y^2} = 0 \Rightarrow x = 0 ; f_2 = -2ye^{-x^2-y^2} = 0 \Rightarrow y = 0$$

(0,0) critical point.

$$f_{11} = -2e^{-x^2-y^2} + (-2x)(-2x)e^{-x^2-y^2} = (4x^2 - 2)e^{-x^2-y^2}$$

[Using $u = -2x ; v = e^{-x^2-y^2}$, then $u'v + v'u$]

With $x = 0 , y = 0 ; f_{11} = -2e^0 = -2$
 $f_{22} = -2e^{-x^2-y^2} + (-2y)(-2y)e^{-x^2-y^2} = (4y^2 - 2)e^{-x^2-y^2}$,
with $x = 0 , y = 0 ; f_{22} = -2e^0 = -2$
 $f_{12} = (-2x)(-2y)e^{-x^2-y^2}$; with $x = 0 , y = 0 ; f_{12} = 0$
 $(f_{11})(f_{22}) - f_{12}^2 = 4 > 0$; Since $f_{11} = -2 < 0$, (0,0) maximizes f .

c.) $f(x,y) = x^2 - y^2$ Same as part (a) : (0,0) is the critical point.
 $f_{11} = 2 , f_{22} = 2 ; f_{12} = 0 \Rightarrow (f_{11})(f_{22}) - f_{12}^2 = 4 > 0$
Since $f_{11} = 2 > 0$, (0,0) minimizes f .

d.) $f(x,y) = y^3 + 3xy - x^3$
 $f_1 = 3y - 3x^2 = 0 \Rightarrow y = x^2$ substitute this in f_2 ; $f_2 = 3y^2 + 3x = 0$
 $3(x^2)^2 + 3x = 0 \Rightarrow 3(x^4 + x) = 0 \Rightarrow x(x^3 + 1) = 0$
 $\Rightarrow x(x+1)(x^2 - x + 1) = 0 \Rightarrow x = 0$ or $x = -1$
 $x = 0 \Rightarrow y = x^2 = 0 \Rightarrow (0,0)$ first critical point
 $x = -1 \Rightarrow y = x^2 = 1 \Rightarrow (-1,1)$ second critical point
(0,0) first critical point

$$f_{11} = -6x = 0 , f_{22} = 6y = 0 ; f_{12} = 3 \Rightarrow (f_{11})(f_{22}) - f_{12}^2 = -9 < 0$$

Therefore (0,0) is a saddle point.

(-1,1) second critical point

$$f_{11} = -6x = 6 , f_{22} = 6y = 6 ; f_{12} = 3 \Rightarrow (f_{11})(f_{22}) - f_{12}^2 = 32 > 0$$

Since $f_{11} = 6 > 0 \Rightarrow (-1,1)$ minimizes f .

e.) $f(x,y) = 6 + 4x - 3x^2 + 4y + 2xy - 3y^2$
 $f_1 = 4 - 6x + 2y = 0$
 $f_2 = 4 + 2x - 6y = 0$
Solving simultaneously, $x = 1 , y = 1 \Rightarrow (1,1)$ is the critical point.
 $f_{11} = -6 , f_{22} = -6 ; f_{12} = 2 \Rightarrow (f_{11})(f_{22}) - f_{12}^2 = 32 > 0$
Since $f_{11} = -6 < 0 \Rightarrow (1,1)$ maximizes f .

5. Find the critical point of the function

$$f(x,y) = \ln(x^2 - 2xy + 2y^2 - 2y + 2)$$

and show that this critical point is a local minimum.

$$f_1 = \frac{2x - 2y}{x^2 - 2xy + 2y^2 - 2y + 2} = 0 \Rightarrow 2x - 2y = 0 \Rightarrow x = y \quad \dots(1)$$

$$f_2 = \frac{-2x + 4y - 2}{x^2 - 2xy + 2y^2 - 2y + 2} = 0 \Rightarrow -2x + 4y - 2 = 0 \quad \dots(2)$$

Substitute $y = x$ in (2) : $-2x + 4x - 2 = 0 \Rightarrow x = 1 \Rightarrow y = 1$

(1,1) is the critical point.

$$f_{11} = \frac{2(x^2 - 2xy + 2y^2 - 2y + 2) - (2x - 2y)(2x - 2y)}{(x^2 - 2xy + 2y^2 - 2y + 2)^2}$$

[Using $u = 2x - 2y$; $v = x^2 - 2xy + 2y^2 - 2y + 2$; then $\frac{u'v - v'u}{v^2}$]

With $x = 1$, $y = 1$, $f_{11} = 2$. Similarly ,

$$f_{22} = \frac{4(x^2 - 2xy + 2y^2 - 2y + 2) - (-2x + 4y - 2)(-2x + 4y - 2)}{(x^2 - 2xy + 2y^2 - 2y + 2)^2}$$

With $x = 1$, $y = 1$, $f_{22} = 4$

$$f_{12} = \frac{-2(x^2 - 2xy + 2y^2 - 2y + 2) - (2x - 2y)(-2x + 4y - 2)}{(x^2 - 2xy + 2y^2 - 2y + 2)^2}$$

With $x = 1$, $y = 1$, $f_{12} = -2$

$$(f_{11})(f_{22}) - f_{12}^2 = 4 > 0$$

Since $f_{11} = 2 > 0 \Rightarrow (1,1)$ minimizes f .

6. Find the values of x and y that minimize the function:

$$f(x,y) = 8x^2 + 10y + 8xy + 10y^2 + 12x + 6$$

and verify that these values do indeed give a minimum.

$$f_1 = 16x + 8y + 12 = 0$$

$$f_2 = 10 + 8x + 20y = 0$$

Solving simultaneously, $x = -5/8, y = -1/4 \Rightarrow (-5/8, -1/4)$ is the critical point.

$$f_{11} = 16 , f_{22} = 20; f_{12} = 8 \Rightarrow (f_{11})(f_{22}) - f_{12}^2 = 256 > 0$$

Since $f_{11} = 16 > 0 \Rightarrow (-5/8, -1/4)$ minimizes f .