

Problems from 11<sup>th</sup> edition: Section 7.1. #3, 4, 7, 10, 11, 15, 20, 23 – 26.

3. Let  $g(x, y, z) = \frac{x}{(y-z)}$ . Compute  $g(2, 3, 4)$  and  $g(7, 46, 44)$ .

SOLUTION:

$$g(2, 3, 4) = \frac{2}{3-4} = \frac{2}{-1} = -2$$

$$g(7, 46, 44) = \frac{7}{46-44} = \frac{7}{2}$$

4. Let  $f(x, y, z) = x^2 e^{\sqrt{y^2+z^2}}$ . Compute  $f(1, 0, 1)$  and  $f(2, 3, -4)$ .

SOLUTION:

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

$$f(2, 3, -4) = 2^2 e^{\sqrt{3^2+(-4)^2}} = 4e^{\sqrt{9+16}} = 4e^{\sqrt{25}} = 4e^{\pm 5}$$

7. Find a formula  $C(x, y, z)$  that gives the cost of materials for the closed rectangular box in Fig. 7(a), with dimensions in feet, assuming that the material for the top and bottom costs \$3 per square foot and the material for the sides costs \$5 per square foot.

SOLUTION:  $C(x, y, z) = ?$

$$\text{Cost for top and bottom: } \$3(xy + xy) = 3(xy + xy) \quad (1)$$

$$= 3(2xy) = 6xy \quad (2)$$

$$\text{Cost for sides: } \$5(xz + yz + xz + yz) = 5(2xz + 2yz) \quad (3)$$

$$= 10xz + 10yz \quad (4)$$

$$\text{Cost for closed rectangular box :} \quad (5)$$

$$C(x, y, z) = 6xy + 10xz + 10yz \quad (6)$$

8. (For extra practice.) Find a formula  $C(x, y, z)$  that gives the cost of material for the rectangular enclosure in Fig. 7(b), with dimensions in feet, assuming that the material for the top costs \$3 per square foot and the material for the back and two sides costs \$5 per square foot.

SOLUTION:  $C(x, y, z) = ?$

$$\text{Cost for top: } \$3(xy) = 3xy \quad (7)$$

$$\text{Cost for back and two sides: } \$5(yz + xz + yz) = 5(xz + 2yz) \quad (8)$$

$$= 5xz + 10yz \quad (9)$$

$$\text{Cost for the rectangular enclosure :} \quad (10)$$

$$C(x, y, z) = 3xy + 5xz + 10yz \quad (11)$$

10. Let  $f(x, y) = 10x^{2/5}y^{3/5}$ . Show that  $f(3a, 3b) = 3f(a, b)$ .

SOLUTION:

$$f(3a, 3b) = 10(3a)^{2/5}(3b)^{3/5} \quad (12)$$

$$= 10 \cdot 3^{2/5}a^{2/5}3^{3/5}b^{3/5} \quad (13)$$

$$= 10 \cdot 3^{2/5}3^{3/5}a^{2/5}b^{3/5} \quad (14)$$

$$= 3^{2/5}3^{3/5} \cdot 10a^{2/5}b^{3/5} \quad (15)$$

$$= (3^2)^{1/5} (3^3)^{1/5} f(a, b) \quad (16)$$

$$= (3^2 \cdot 3^3)^{1/5} f(a, b) \quad (17)$$

$$= (3^5)^{1/5} f(a, b) \quad (18)$$

$$= 3f(a, b) \quad (19)$$

11. The present value of  $A$  dollars to be paid  $t$  years in the future (assuming a 5% continuous interest rate) is  $P(A, t) = Ae^{-.05t}$ . Find and interpret  $P(100, 13.8)$ .

SOLUTION:  $A = 100$  dollars is to be paid to the investor in  $t = 13.8$  years at interest rate of 5% if the initial amount invested was  $P(100, 13.8) = 100e^{-.05(13.8)}$ .

NOTE:  $A$ , in this case, is the **future** amount, not initial amount because of the negative sign in front of  $.05t$ . We can derive back to our usual formula  $A(t) = A_0e^{rt}$ , where  $r$  is positive, using the following steps:

$$P(A, t) = Ae^{-.05t} \quad (20)$$

$$P(A, t)e^{.05t} = (Ae^{-.05t})e^{.05t} \quad (21)$$

$$P(A, t)e^{.05t} = A \quad (22)$$

Draw the level curves of heights 0, 1, and 2 for the functions in Exercises 15 and 16.

15.  $f(x, y) = 2x + y$

SOLUTION:

We first set  $f(x, y) = 0 = 2x + y$ , which implies that  $y = -2x$ .

Do you remember how to sketch the curve  $y = -2x$  on a graph? This is a straight line passing through the origin with slope  $m = -2$ .

Next we let  $f(x, y) = 1 = 2x + y$ , which implies that  $y = -2x + 1$ .

This line passes through the point  $(0, 1)$  and has slope  $m = -2$ . This line is parallel to the first line that we have sketched when we had set  $f(x, y) = 0$ .

Now we let  $f(x, y) = 2 = 2x + y$ , which implies that  $y = -2x + 2$ .

This line passes through the point  $(0, 2)$  and has slope  $m = -2$ . This line is also parallel to the first line that which we have sketched when we had set  $f(x, y) = 0$ .

19. (For extra practice.) Find a function  $f(x, y)$  that has the line  $y = 3x - 4$  as a level curve.

SOLUTION:

$$y = 3x - 4 \Rightarrow y - 3x = -4$$

So  $f(x, y) = y - 3x$ .

20. Find a function  $f(x, y)$  that has the curve  $y = 3/x^2$  as a level curve.

SOLUTION:

$$y = \frac{3}{x^2} \Rightarrow x^2 y = 3$$

So  $f(x, y) = x^2 y$ .

Match the graphs of the functions in Exercises 23-26 to the systems of level curves shown in Figs. 8(a)-(d).

SOLUTION:

23. d.

24. b.

25. c.

26. a.

END OF SECTION 7.1.

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Problems from 11<sup>th</sup> edition: Section 7.2. #3, 12, 15, 17, 19, 23, 24, 27, 30.

Find  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}$  and  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}$  for each of the following functions.

3.  $f(x, y) = 2x^2 e^y$

SOLUTION:

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = 2(2x)e^y = 4xe^y$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = 2x^2 (e^y) = 2x^2 e^y$$

12. (#8. from 10<sup>th</sup> edition.)  $f(x, y) = (9x^2 y + 3x)^{12}$

SOLUTION:

Take the derivative with respect to  $x$  and then use chain rule: (23)

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = 12 (9x^2 y + 3x)^{11} (18xy + 3) \quad (24)$$

Take the derivative with respect to  $y$  and then use chain rule: (25)

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = 12 (9x^2 y + 3x)^{11} (9x^2 + 0) \quad (26)$$

$$= 12 (9x^2 y + 3x)^{11} (9x^2) \quad (27)$$

(#12. from 10<sup>th</sup> edition.)  $f(x, y) = \frac{2xy}{e^x}$

SOLUTION:

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = \frac{e^x(2y) - 2xye^x}{e^{2x}} \quad (28)$$

$$= \frac{2ye^x}{e^{2x}} - \frac{2xye^x}{e^{2x}} \quad (29)$$

$$= \frac{2y}{e^x} - \frac{2xy}{e^x} \quad (30)$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y}(f(x, y)) = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( \frac{2x}{e^x} y \right) = \frac{2x}{e^x}$$

15. Let  $f(x, y, z) = (1 + x^2 y) / z$ . Find  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}$ ,  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}$ , and  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial z}$ .

SOLUTION:

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( \frac{1}{z} + \frac{x^2 y}{z} \right) \quad (31)$$

$$= 0 + \frac{2xy}{z} = \frac{2xy}{z} \quad (32)$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( \frac{1}{z} + \frac{x^2 y}{z} \right) \quad (33)$$

$$= 0 + \frac{x^2}{z} = \frac{x^2}{z} \quad (34)$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial z} = \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left( (1 + x^2 y) (z)^{-1} \right) \quad (35)$$

$$= - (1 + x^2 y) z^{-2} \quad (36)$$

$$= - \frac{1 + x^2 y}{z^2} \quad (37)$$

17. (#18. from 10<sup>th</sup> edition.) Let  $f(x, y, z) = ze^{(x+3y)z}$ . Find  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}$ ,  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}$ , and  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial z}$ .

SOLUTION:  $f(x, y, z) = ze^{(x+3y)z} = ze^{xz+3yz}$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = ze^{xz+3yz} \cdot (z + 0) \quad (38)$$

$$= ze^{xz+3yz} \cdot (z) \quad (39)$$

$$= z^2 e^{xz+3yz} \quad (40)$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = ze^{xz+3yz} \cdot (3z) \quad (41)$$

Use product rule:

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial z} = \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left( ze^{(x+3y)z} \right) \quad (42)$$

$$= z \left( e^{(x+3y)z} (x + 3y) \right) + e^{(x+3y)z} \quad (43)$$

$$= e^{(x+3y)z} (zx + 3zy + 1) \quad (44)$$

19. Let  $f(x, y) = x^2 + 2xy + y^2 + 3x + 5y$ . Find  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(2, -3)$  and  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(2, -3)$ .

SOLUTION: Compute the first order partial and then plug in at the point  $(x, y) = (2, -3)$ :

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = 2x + 2y + 3$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(2, -3) = 4 - 6 + 3 = 1$$

and

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = 2x + 2y + 5$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(2, -3) = 4 - 6 + 5 = 3.$$

23. Let  $f(x, y) = x^3y + 2xy^2$ . Find  $\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2}$ ,  $\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2}$ ,  $\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y}$ , and  $\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x}$ .

SOLUTION: Compute the first order partials:

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = 3x^2y + 2y^2$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = x^3 + 4xy.$$

Now we compute the second order partials:

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right) \tag{45}$$

$$= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (3x^2y + 2y^2) \tag{46}$$

$$= 6xy \tag{47}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right) \tag{48}$$

$$= \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (x^3 + 4xy) \tag{49}$$

$$= 4x \tag{50}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right) \tag{51}$$

$$= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (x^3 + 4xy) \tag{52}$$

$$= 3x^2 + 4y \tag{53}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right) \tag{54}$$

$$= \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (3x^2y + 2y^2) \tag{55}$$

$$= 3x^2 + 4y \tag{56}$$

24. Let  $f(x, y) = xe^y + x^4y + y^3$ . Find  $\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2}$ ,  $\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2}$ ,  $\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y}$ , and  $\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x}$ .

SOLUTION: Compute the first order partials:

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = e^y + 4x^3y$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = xe^y + x^4 + 3y^2$$

Now we compute the second order partials:

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right) \tag{57}$$

$$= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (e^y + 4x^3y) \tag{58}$$

$$= 12x^2y \tag{59}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right) \tag{60}$$

$$= \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (xe^y + x^4 + 3y^2) \tag{61}$$

$$= xe^y + 6y \tag{62}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right) \tag{63}$$

$$= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (xe^y + x^4 + 3y^2) \tag{64}$$

$$= e^y + 4x^3 \tag{65}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right) \tag{66}$$

$$= \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (e^y + 4x^3y) \tag{67}$$

$$= e^y + 4x^3 \tag{68}$$

27. In a certain suburban community, commuters have the choice of getting into the city by bus or train. The demand for these modes of transportation varies with their cost. Let  $f(p_1, p_2)$  be the number of people who will take the bus when  $p_1$  is the price of the bus ride and  $p_2$  is the price of the train ride. For example, if  $f(4.50, 6) = 7000$ , then 7000 commuters will take the bus when

the price of a bus ticket is \$4.50 and the price of a train ticket is \$6.00. Explain why  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial p_1} < 0$  and  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial p_2} > 0$ .

SOLUTION:

$$f(p_1, p_2) = \# \text{ of people who will take the bus} \quad (69)$$

$$\text{when } p_1 \text{ is the price of the bus ride} \quad (70)$$

$$\text{and } p_2 \text{ is the price of the train ride.} \quad (71)$$

$$p_1 = \text{the price of the bus ride}$$

$$p_2 = \text{the price of the train ride}$$

If the price of a bus ride  $p_1$  increases and the price of a train ticket  $p_2$  remains constant, fewer people will ride the bus.

An increase in train-ticket prices  $p_2$  coupled with constant bus fare  $p_1$  should cause more people to ride the bus.

30. The demand for a certain gas-guzzling car is given by  $f(p_1, p_2)$ , where  $p_1$  is the price of the car and  $p_2$  is the price of gasoline. Explain why  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial p_1} < 0$  and  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial p_2} < 0$ .

SOLUTION:

$$f(p_1, p_2) = \text{the demand for a certain gas-guzzling car}$$

$$p_1 = \text{the price of the gas-guzzling car}$$

$$p_2 = \text{the price of gasoline}$$

If the price of the gas-guzzling car  $p_1$  increases and the price of gasoline  $p_2$  remains constant, then fewer people will buy the gas-guzzling car.

If the price of gasoline  $p_2$  increases and the price of gas-guzzling car  $p_1$  remains constant, then fewer people will buy the gas-guzzling car.

END OF SECTION 7.2.

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