

ANSWER on Question #59207 – Math – Calculus

QUESTION #1

If $\varphi(x, y, z) = 2xz^4 - x^2y$

Find $|\nabla\varphi(x, y, z)|$

SOLUTION

By the definition

$$\nabla = \vec{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \vec{j} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \vec{k} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \Leftrightarrow \nabla\varphi = \vec{i} \frac{\partial\varphi}{\partial x} + \vec{j} \frac{\partial\varphi}{\partial y} + \vec{k} \frac{\partial\varphi}{\partial z}$$

$$\varphi(x, y, z) = 2xz^4 - x^2y$$

$$\frac{\partial\varphi}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(2xz^4 - x^2y) = 2z^4 - 2xy$$

$$\frac{\partial\varphi}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y}(2xz^4 - x^2y) = -x^2$$

$$\frac{\partial\varphi}{\partial z} = \frac{\partial}{\partial z}(2xz^4 - x^2y) = 2x * 4z^3 = 8xz^3$$

$$\nabla\varphi = \vec{i} \frac{\partial\varphi}{\partial x} + \vec{j} \frac{\partial\varphi}{\partial y} + \vec{k} \frac{\partial\varphi}{\partial z} = \vec{i}(2z^4 - 2xy) + \vec{j}(-x^2) + \vec{k}(8xz^3) \Leftrightarrow$$

$$|\nabla\varphi(x, y, z)| = \sqrt{(2z^4 - 2xy)^2 + (-x^2)^2 + (8xz^3)^2}.$$

ANSWER: $|\nabla\varphi(x, y, z)| = \sqrt{(2z^4 - 2xy)^2 + (-x^2)^2 + (8xz^3)^2}.$

QUESTION #2

If $\varphi(x, y, z) = 3x^2y - y^3z^2$

find $\nabla\varphi$ at point $(1, -2, -1)$

SOLUTION

By the definition

$$\nabla = \vec{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \vec{j} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \vec{k} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \Leftrightarrow \nabla\varphi = \vec{i} \frac{\partial\varphi}{\partial x} + \vec{j} \frac{\partial\varphi}{\partial y} + \vec{k} \frac{\partial\varphi}{\partial z}$$

$$\varphi(x, y, z) = 3x^2y - y^3z^2$$

$$\frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (3x^2y - y^3z^2) = 3y * 2x = 6xy$$

$$\frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (3x^2y - y^3z^2) = 3x^2 - 3y^2z^2$$

$$\frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial z} = \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (3x^2y - y^3z^2) = -y^3 * 2z = -2y^3z$$

$$\nabla \varphi = \vec{i} \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial x} + \vec{j} \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial y} + \vec{k} \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial z} = \vec{i}(6xy) + \vec{j}(3x^2 - 3y^2z^2) + \vec{k}(-2y^3z)$$

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla \varphi(1, -2, -1) &= \left(\vec{i}(6xy) + \vec{j}(3x^2 - 3y^2z^2) + \vec{k}(-2y^3z) \right)(1, -2, -1) = \\ &= \vec{i}(6 * 1 * (-2)) + \vec{j}(3 * (1)^2 - 3 * (-2)^2 * (-1)^2) + \vec{k}(-2 * (-2)^3 * (-1)) = \\ &= \vec{i}(-12) + \vec{j}(3 - 3 * 4 * 1) + \vec{k}(-2 * (-8) * (-1)) = \\ &= \vec{i}(-12) + \vec{j}(3 - 12) + \vec{k}(-16) = -12\vec{i} - 9\vec{j} - 16\vec{k}.\end{aligned}$$

ANSWER: $\nabla \varphi(1, -2, -1) = -12\vec{i} - 9\vec{j} - 16\vec{k}$.

QUESTION #3

Find a unit normal to the surface $x^2y + 2xz = 4$ at point (2,-2,3).

SOLUTION

By definition, the unit normal to the surface $\varphi(x, y, z) = 0$ is

$$\vec{n} = \frac{\nabla \varphi}{|\nabla \varphi|}$$

The reference surface $\varphi(x, y, z)$ is defined by the equation

$$\varphi(x, y, z) = x^2y + 2xz - 4$$

By the definition

$$\nabla = \vec{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \vec{j} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \vec{k} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \Leftrightarrow \nabla \varphi = \vec{i} \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial x} + \vec{j} \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial y} + \vec{k} \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial z}$$

$$\frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (x^2y + 2xz - 4) = 2x * y + 2z = 2xy + 2z$$

$$\frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (x^2y + 2xz - 4) = x^2$$

$$\frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial z} = \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (x^2y + 2xz - 4) = 2x$$

$$\nabla \varphi = \vec{i} \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial x} + \vec{j} \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial y} + \vec{k} \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial z} = \vec{i}(2xy + 2z) + \vec{j}(x^2) + \vec{k}(2x) \Leftrightarrow$$

$$\nabla \varphi(2, -2, 3) = (\vec{i}(2xy + 2z) + \vec{j}(x^2) + \vec{k}(2x))(2, -2, 3) =$$

$$= \vec{i}(2 * 2 * (-2) + 2 * 3) + \vec{j}(2^2) + \vec{k}(2 * 2) = \vec{i}(-8 + 6) + 4\vec{j} + 4\vec{k} = \\ = -2\vec{i} + 4\vec{j} + 4\vec{k}$$

$$|\nabla \varphi| = \sqrt{(-2)^2 + 4^2 + 4^2} = \sqrt{4 + 16 + 16} = \sqrt{36} = 6$$

Hence, the desired unit normal looks

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{n} &= \frac{\nabla \varphi}{|\nabla \varphi|} = \frac{1}{6}(-2\vec{i} + 4\vec{j} + 4\vec{k}) = \frac{-1}{3}\vec{i} + \frac{2}{3}\vec{j} + \frac{2}{3}\vec{k} = \\ &= \frac{-1}{3}\vec{i} + \frac{2}{3}\vec{j} + \frac{2}{3}\vec{k}. \end{aligned}$$

ANSWER: $\vec{n} = \frac{-1}{3}\vec{i} + \frac{2}{3}\vec{j} + \frac{2}{3}\vec{k}$.

QUESTION #4

Let $\varphi(x, y, z) = xy^2z$

and $\vec{A} = xz\vec{i} - xy^2\vec{j} + yz^2\vec{k}$

Find

$$\frac{\partial^3}{\partial^2 x \partial z} (\varphi \vec{A})$$

SOLUTION

First you transform expression

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi \vec{A} &= xy^2z * (xz\vec{i} - xy^2\vec{j} + yz^2\vec{k}) = \\ &= (xy^2z * xz)\vec{i} - (xy^2z * xy^2)\vec{j} + (xy^2z * yz^2)\vec{k} = x^2y^2z^2\vec{i} - x^2y^4z\vec{j} + xy^3z^3\vec{k} \end{aligned}$$

We now turn to the calculation of the expression

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{\partial^3}{\partial^2 x \partial z} (\varphi \vec{A}) = \frac{\partial^3}{\partial^2 x \partial z} (x^2 y^2 z^2 \vec{i} - x^2 y^4 z \vec{j} + x y^3 z^3 \vec{k}) = \\
& = \vec{i} \frac{\partial^3}{\partial^2 x \partial z} (x^2 y^2 z^2) + \vec{j} \frac{\partial^3}{\partial^2 x \partial z} (-x^2 y^4 z) + \vec{k} \frac{\partial^3}{\partial^2 x \partial z} (x y^3 z^3) \\
& \frac{\partial^3}{\partial^2 x \partial z} (x^2 y^2 z^2) = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial^2 x} (2x^2 y^2 z) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (2 * 2xy^2 z) = 4y^2 z \\
& \frac{\partial^3}{\partial^2 x \partial z} (-x^2 y^4 z) = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial^2 x} (-x^2 y^4) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (-2xy^4) = -2y^4 \\
& \frac{\partial^3}{\partial^2 x \partial z} (x y^3 z^3) = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial^2 x} (x y^3 * 3z^2) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (y^3 * 3z^2) = 0
\end{aligned}$$

Substitute all found the partial derivatives in the expression

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{\partial^3}{\partial^2 x \partial z} (\varphi \vec{A}) = \vec{i} \frac{\partial^3}{\partial^2 x \partial z} (x^2 y^2 z^2) + \vec{j} \frac{\partial^3}{\partial^2 x \partial z} (-x^2 y^4 z) + \vec{k} \frac{\partial^3}{\partial^2 x \partial z} (x y^3 z^3) = \\
& = \vec{i} * 4y^2 z + \vec{j} * (-2y^4 z) + \vec{k} * 0 = 4y^2 z * \vec{i} - 2y^4 z * \vec{j}
\end{aligned}$$

ANSWER: $\frac{\partial^3}{\partial^2 x \partial z} (\varphi \vec{A}) = 4y^2 z * \vec{i} - 2y^4 z * \vec{j}$.