

Quiz 4

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 Median: 23  
 Low: 16

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Show all work needed to reach your answers.

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1. (10 points) Please find the unit vector  $u$  in the direction in which  $f(x, y) = y^2 \sin x$  increases most rapidly at the point  $(0, -2)$ .

Here  $\vec{\nabla} f(0, -2) = \langle y^2 \cos x, 2y \sin x \rangle \Big|_{(0, -2)} = \langle 4, 0 \rangle$

Since  $|\vec{\nabla} f(0, -2)| = 4$ ,

$u = \langle 1, 0 \rangle$

2. (10 points) For  $x^2(1 + \sqrt{y + z^2})e^{xy^2} = 7$ , please compute  $\partial z / \partial x$  implicitly.

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$0 = \frac{d}{dx}(7) = \frac{d}{dx}(x^2(1 + \sqrt{y + z^2})e^{xy^2}) = 2x(1 + \sqrt{y + z^2})e^{xy^2} + x^2 \left( \frac{1}{2} \frac{2z}{\sqrt{y + z^2}} \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \right) e^{xy^2} + x^2(1 + \sqrt{y + z^2}) y^2 e^{xy^2} = 0$

$\Rightarrow$  Since  $e^{xy^2} \neq 0$ , if  $x \neq 0$ ,  
 $(2 + xy^2)(1 + \sqrt{y + z^2}) = \frac{xz \partial z / \partial x}{\sqrt{y + z^2}}$

$\partial z / \partial x = -\frac{(2 + xy^2)(1 + \sqrt{y + z^2}) \sqrt{y + z^2}}{xz}$

provided that  $x, z \neq 0$   
 and that  $y + z^2 \geq 0$ .

3. (5 points) Suppose that  $F : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a differentiable function, and that  $F(x, y, t) = 0$ . Moreover, suppose  $x = f(t)$  and  $y = g(t)$  where  $f$  and  $g$  are both differentiable. According to the chain rule, what is  $dF/dt$ ?

$\frac{dF}{dt} = \frac{\partial F}{\partial x} \frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{\partial F}{\partial y} \frac{dy}{dt} + \frac{\partial F}{\partial t}$

