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Instructions: Please show all of your work as partial credit will be given where appropriate, **and** there may be no credit given for problems where there is no work shown. All answers should be completely simplified, unless otherwise stated.

1. (8 points) Find the directional derivative of $f(x, y) = 3x^2 - 2xy + 5y^2$ at $p = (3, 1)$ in the direction of $a = 2\mathbf{i} - \mathbf{j}$.

$$\vec{a} = 2\mathbf{i} - \mathbf{j}$$

$$\hat{a} = \frac{\langle 2, -1 \rangle}{\sqrt{2^2 + (-1)^2}} = \left\langle \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}}, -\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \right\rangle$$

$$\nabla f = \langle 6x - 2y, -2x + 10y \rangle$$

$$\nabla f(3, 1) = \langle 16, 4 \rangle$$

$$D_{\hat{a}}(f(3, 1)) = \langle 16, 4 \rangle \cdot \left\langle \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}}, -\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \right\rangle$$

$$= \frac{28}{\sqrt{5}} = \boxed{\frac{28\sqrt{5}}{5}}$$

$$\text{Answer: } \boxed{\frac{28\sqrt{5}}{5}}$$

2. (8 points) In what direction \mathbf{u} does $f(x, y) = 4 - x^2y^2 + e^{2x} - 3y$ increase most rapidly at $p = (0, 3)$?

The gradient vector is in the direction of maximum increase.

$$\nabla f = \langle -2xy^2 + 2e^{2x}, -2x^2y - 3 \rangle$$

$\nabla f(0, 3) = \langle 2, -3 \rangle$ or any other vector in this direction.

$$\text{Answer: } \boxed{\langle 2, -3 \rangle}$$

3. (8 points) Find $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}$ given $F(x, y, z) = 2x^2z - y^4 - xyz^2 = 0$.

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial F}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial F}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial F}{\partial z} \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = 0 \quad \frac{\partial y}{\partial x} = 0, \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = -\frac{\partial F/\partial x}{\partial F/\partial z} = -\frac{4xz - yz^2}{2x^2 - 2xyz} = \frac{yz^2 - 4xz}{2x^2 - 2xyz}$$

$$\boxed{\frac{yz^2 - 4xz}{2x^2 - 2xyz}}$$

$$\text{Answer: } \boxed{\frac{yz^2 - 4xz}{2x^2 - 2xyz}}$$

4. (8 points) Find $\frac{\partial w}{\partial t}$ for $w = e^{x+y+z}$ given $x = s+t$, $y = s-t$ and $z = t^2$.

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial w}{\partial t} &= \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} \frac{\partial z}{\partial t} \\ &= (y e^{x+y+z})(1) + (x e^{x+y+z})(-1) + (e^{x+y+z})(2t) \\ &= (y - x + 2t) e^{x+y+z}\end{aligned}$$

$$y - x = (s-t) - (s+t) = -2t$$

$$\Rightarrow (-2t + 2t) e^{x+y+z} = 0 \cdot e^{x+y+z} = \boxed{0}$$

Answer: 0

5. (8 points) Find the equation of the tangent plane to $3x^2 + y^2 + 3z^2 = 9$ at $(1, 0, \sqrt{2})$.

$$F(x, y, z) = 3x^2 + y^2 + 3z^2 - 9$$

$$\nabla F(x, y, z) = \langle 6x, 2y, 6z \rangle$$

$$\nabla F(1, 0, \sqrt{2}) = \langle 6, 0, 6\sqrt{2} \rangle$$

$$F(1, 0, \sqrt{2}) = 9$$

The plane will be:

$$\langle 6, 0, 6\sqrt{2} \rangle \cdot \langle x-1, y, z-\sqrt{2} \rangle = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 6x - 6 + 6\sqrt{2}z - 12 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 6x + 6\sqrt{2}z = 18$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{x + \sqrt{2}z = 3}$$

Answer: $x + \sqrt{2}z = 3$