

3.18 Find the gradient of the following scalar fields and evaluate the gradient at the specified point.

(a) $V(x, y, z) = 10xyz - 2x^2z$ at $P(-1, 4, 3)$

(b) $U(\rho, \phi, z) = 2\rho \sin \phi + \rho z$ at $Q(2, 90^\circ, -1)$

(c) $W(r, \theta, \phi) = \frac{4}{r} \sin \theta \cos \phi$ at $R(1, \pi/6, \pi/2)$

$$a) \quad \bar{\nabla} V = \frac{\partial V}{\partial x} \hat{a}_x + \frac{\partial V}{\partial y} \hat{a}_y + \frac{\partial V}{\partial z} \hat{a}_z$$

$$\bar{\nabla} V = (10yz - 4xz) \hat{a}_x + 10xz \hat{a}_y + (10xy - 2x^2) \hat{a}_z$$

$$\bar{\nabla} V_P = \bar{\nabla} V(-1, 4, 3) = [10(4)3 - 4(-1)3] \hat{a}_x + 10(-1)3 \hat{a}_y + [10(-1)4 - 2(-1)^2] \hat{a}_z$$

$$\bar{\nabla} V(-1, 4, 3) = 132 \hat{a}_x - 30 \hat{a}_y - 42 \hat{a}_z$$

$$b) \quad \bar{\nabla} U = \frac{\partial U}{\partial \rho} \hat{a}_\rho + \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial U}{\partial \phi} \hat{a}_\phi + \frac{\partial U}{\partial z} \hat{a}_z$$

$$\bar{\nabla} U = (2 \sin \phi + z) \hat{a}_\rho + \frac{1}{\rho} (2\rho \cos \phi) \hat{a}_\phi + \rho \hat{a}_z$$

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$$\bar{\nabla} U_Q = \bar{\nabla} U(2, 90^\circ, -1) = [2 \sin 90^\circ + (-1)] \hat{a}_\rho + 2 \cos 90^\circ \hat{a}_\phi + 2 \hat{a}_z$$

$$\bar{\nabla} U_Q = \bar{\nabla} U(2, 90^\circ, -1) = \hat{a}_\rho + 2 \hat{a}_z$$

$$c) \quad \bar{\nabla} W = \frac{\partial W}{\partial r} \hat{a}_r + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial W}{\partial \theta} \hat{a}_\theta + \frac{1}{r \sin \theta} \frac{\partial W}{\partial \phi} \hat{a}_\phi$$

$$= -\frac{4}{r^2} \sin \theta \cos \phi \hat{a}_r + \frac{1}{r} \frac{4}{r} \cos \theta \cos \phi \hat{a}_\theta + \frac{1}{r \sin \theta} \frac{4 \sin \theta}{r} (-\sin \phi) \hat{a}_\phi$$

$$\bar{\nabla} W = -\frac{4}{r^2} \sin \theta \cos \phi \hat{a}_r + \frac{4}{r^2} \cos \theta \cos \phi \hat{a}_\theta - \frac{4}{r^2} \sin \phi \hat{a}_\phi$$

$$\bar{\nabla} W_R = \bar{\nabla} W(1, \frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{\pi}{2}) = -\frac{4}{1^2} \sin \frac{\pi}{6} \cos \frac{\pi}{2} \hat{a}_r + \frac{4}{1^2} \cos \frac{\pi}{6} \cos \frac{\pi}{2} \hat{a}_\theta - \frac{4}{1^2} \sin \frac{\pi}{2} \hat{a}_\phi$$

$$\bar{\nabla} W_R = \bar{\nabla} W(1, \frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{\pi}{2}) = -4 \hat{a}_\phi$$