

Surface:  $z = f(x, y)$

↪ graph of a function

$$\boxed{z = e^{xy}}$$

$$\underbrace{z - f(x, y)}_{G(x, y, z)} = \underbrace{0}_K$$

$$(x_0, y_0, z_0) = (x_0, y_0, f(x_0, y_0))$$

gradient of  $G$  →  $\nabla G(x, y, z) = \left\langle -\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x, y), -\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x, y), 1 \right\rangle$

Eqn of tangent plane:

$$\nabla G(x_0, y_0, z_0) \cdot \langle x - x_0, y - y_0, z - z_0 \rangle = 0$$

$$\left\langle -\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x_0, y_0), -\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x_0, y_0), 1 \right\rangle \cdot \langle x - x_0, y - y_0, z - z_0 \rangle = 0$$

$$-\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x_0, y_0)(x - x_0) - \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x_0, y_0)(y - y_0) + z - z_0 = 0$$

$$z = z_0 + \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x_0, y_0)(x - x_0) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x_0, y_0)(y - y_0)$$

$$\boxed{z = f(x_0, y_0) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x_0, y_0)(x - x_0) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x_0, y_0)(y - y_0)}$$

eqn of tangent plane to surface  $z = f(x, y)$   
at the point  $(x_0, y_0, f(x_0, y_0))$

equation of normal line:

$$\langle x, y, z \rangle = \langle x_0, y_0, f(x_0, y_0) \rangle + t \left\langle -\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x_0, y_0), -\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x_0, y_0), 1 \right\rangle, t \in \mathbb{R}$$

FRY Thm III.2.5.1, Tangent Plane and Normal Line to surface  $z = f(x, y)$

**Corollary 5.9.** Let  $(x_0, y_0, z_0)$  be a point on the surface  $z = f(x, y)$ . Then,

(i) The vector

$$-f_x(x_0, y_0)\mathbf{i} - f_y(x_0, y_0)\mathbf{j} + \mathbf{k}$$

is normal to the surface  $z = f(x, y)$  at  $(x_0, y_0, f(x_0, y_0))$ .

(ii) The equation of the tangent plane to the surface  $z = f(x, y)$  at  $(x_0, y_0, f(x_0, y_0))$  may be written as

$$z = f(x_0, y_0) + f_x(x_0, y_0)(x - x_0) + f_y(x_0, y_0)(y - y_0).$$

(iii) The parametric equation of the normal line to the surface  $z = f(x, y)$  at  $(x_0, y_0, f(x_0, y_0))$  is

$$\langle x, y, z \rangle = \langle x_0, y_0, f(x_0, y_0) \rangle + t \langle -f_x(x_0, y_0), -f_y(x_0, y_0), 1 \rangle,$$

where  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ . Written componentwise, the normal line is given by

$$x = x_0 - t f_x(x_0, y_0), \quad y = y_0 - t f_y(x_0, y_0), \quad z = f(x_0, y_0) + t, \quad t \in \mathbb{R}.$$

**Example 5.10.** (FRY Exercise III.2.5.3.7b)

Find the equations of the tangent plane and normal line to the surface given by

$$f(x, y) = e^{xy}$$

at the point  $(2, 0)$ .

Given: surface  $z = f(x, y)$   
 $z = e^{xy}$   
 $z = e^{(2)(0)} = 1$   
 point on the surface  $(2, 0, 1)$

Goal: Eqn of tangent plane = ?  
 Eqn of normal line = ?

$$z = f(x, y) \text{ where } f(x, y) = e^{xy}$$

Soln Remember  $z = f(x_0, y_0) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x_0, y_0)(x - x_0) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x_0, y_0)(y - y_0)$

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

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(2, 0) = 0 e^{(2)(0)} = 0 \cdot 1 = 0$$

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

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(2, 0) = (2) e^{(2)(0)} = 2 \cdot 1 = 2$$

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

eqn for tangent plane to graph  $z=f(x,y)$  at  $(2,0,1)$  is

$$z = 1 + 0(x-2) + 2(y-0)$$

$$\boxed{z = 1 + 2y}$$

$$\langle 0, -2, 1 \rangle = \text{gradient vector at } (2,0,1) = \left\langle -\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(2,0), -\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(2,0), 1 \right\rangle$$

$$z = f(x,y)$$

$$\boxed{z - f(x,y) = 0}$$

Equation for normal line to the graph  $z=f(x,y)$  at  $(2,0,1)$  is

Vector:  
eqn

$$\langle x, y, z \rangle = \langle 2, 0, 1 \rangle + t \langle 0, -2, 1 \rangle, t \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\nabla G = \left\langle \frac{\partial G}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial G}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial G}{\partial z} \right\rangle$$

parametric eqns:

$$\begin{cases} x = 2 + t(0) = 2 \\ y = 0 + t(-2) = -2t \\ z = 1 + t(1) = 1 + t \end{cases}, t \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$t = z - 1$$

$$t = \frac{y}{-2}$$

Symmetric eqns:

$$x = 2, \frac{y}{-2} = z - 1$$

$$f(x,y) = 4x^2 + 25y^2 \quad \left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{5}, 2\right)$$

Find tangent plane to  $z = f(x,y)$  at  $\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{5}, 2\right)$

$$f\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{5}\right) = 4\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + 25\left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^2 = 1 + 1 = 2$$

$x_0$   $y_0$   $z_0 = f(x_0, y_0)$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = 8x$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{5}\right) = 8\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = 4$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = 50y$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{5}\right) = 50\left(\frac{1}{5}\right) = 10$$

$$z = f\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{5}\right) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{5}\right)(x - \frac{1}{2}) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{5}\right)(y - \frac{1}{5})$$

$$z = 2 + 4\left(x - \frac{1}{2}\right) + 10\left(y - \frac{1}{5}\right)$$

$$z = 2 + 4x - 2 + 10y - 2$$

$$\boxed{z = 4x + 10y - 2}$$

## 5.4 Linear Approximations and Error

### Linear Approximation to $f(x, y)$ near a point $(x_0, y_0)$

We may use the tangent plane to linearly approximate the value of a function  $f$  at a point  $(x, y)$  that is near a point  $(x_0, y_0)$  at which we know the function's value:

$$f(x, y) \approx f(x_0, y_0) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x_0, y_0)(x - x_0) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x_0, y_0)(y - y_0).$$

If we denote  $x - x_0$  as  $\Delta x$  and  $y - y_0$  as  $\Delta y$ , the linear approximation to  $f(x, y)$  near the point  $(x_0, y_0)$  may be expressed as

$$f(x, y) \approx f(x_0, y_0) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x_0, y_0)\Delta x + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x_0, y_0)\Delta y.$$

The same idea may be used to linearly approximate the value of a function of more variables near a point  $(x_{0,1}, x_{0,2}, \dots, x_{0,n})$ :

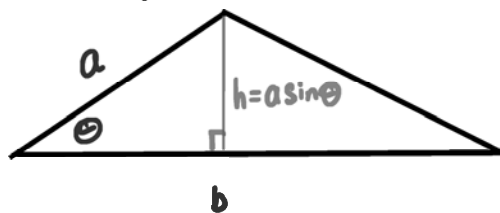
$$\begin{aligned} f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \approx & f(x_{0,1}, x_{0,2}, \dots, x_{0,n}) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x_{0,1}, x_{0,2}, \dots, x_{0,n})\Delta x_1 \\ & + \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x_{0,1}, x_{0,2}, \dots, x_{0,n})\Delta x_2 + \dots + \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x_{0,1}, x_{0,2}, \dots, x_{0,n})\Delta x_n, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\Delta x_i = x_i - x_{0,i}$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ .

### Example 5.11. (FRY Example III.2.6.9)

A triangle has sides  $a = 10.1$  cm and  $b = 19.8$  cm which include an angle  $35^\circ$ . Approximate the area of the triangle.

$\sin \theta = \frac{h}{a}$  ← opposite / hypotenuse



Area  $A = \frac{1}{2}bh = \frac{1}{2}ba \sin \theta$

$A(a, b, \theta) = \frac{1}{2}ab \sin \theta$

$(a_0, b_0, \theta_0) = (10, 20, \frac{\pi}{6})$  ←  $30^\circ$

Goal: Linearly approximate

$A(10.1, 19.8, \frac{7\pi}{36})$   
 $\uparrow \quad \uparrow \quad \nwarrow$   
 $a \quad b \quad 35^\circ$

$35^\circ = \frac{7}{36} \times \frac{\pi}{180} = \frac{7\pi}{36}$

$f(x, y) \approx f(x_0, y_0) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x_0, y_0)(x - x_0) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x_0, y_0)(y - y_0)$



$$A(a,b,\theta) \approx A(a_0,b_0,\theta_0) + \frac{\partial A}{\partial a}(a_0,b_0,\theta_0)(a-a_0) + \frac{\partial A}{\partial b}(a_0,b_0,\theta_0)(b-b_0) + \frac{\partial A}{\partial \theta}(a_0,b_0,\theta_0)(\theta-\theta_0)$$

$$A(a,b,\theta) \approx 50 + 5(a-10) + \frac{5}{2}(b-20) + 50\sqrt{3}\left(\theta - \frac{\pi}{6}\right)$$

$$A(a,b,\theta) = \frac{1}{2}ab\sin\theta$$

$$A(10,20,\pi/6) = \frac{1}{2}(10)(20)\sin(\pi/6) = 50$$

$$\frac{\partial A}{\partial a} = \frac{1}{2}b\sin\theta. \quad \text{So } \frac{\partial A}{\partial a}(10,20,\pi/6) = \frac{1}{2}(20)\sin(\pi/6) = 5$$

$$\frac{\partial A}{\partial b} = \frac{1}{2}a\sin\theta. \quad \text{So } \frac{\partial A}{\partial b}(10,20,\pi/6) = \frac{1}{2}(10)\sin(\pi/6) = \frac{5}{2} = 2.5$$

$$\frac{\partial A}{\partial \theta} = \frac{1}{2}ab\cos\theta. \quad \text{So } \frac{\partial A}{\partial \theta}(10,20,\pi/6) = \frac{1}{2}(10)(20)\cos(\pi/6) = 50\sqrt{3}$$

$$\text{So } A(10.1, 19.8, \frac{7\pi}{36}) \approx 50 + 5(10.1-10) + \frac{5}{2}(19.8-20) + 50\sqrt{3}\left(\frac{7\pi}{36} - \frac{\pi}{6}\right)$$

a linear approximation  $\approx 57.56 \text{ cm}^2$

Live Poll Find a linear approximation for  $f(x,y) = e^{x-2} \cos(y+\pi)$  centred at  $(2, -\pi)$ .

$$f(x,y) \approx f(x_0, y_0) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x_0, y_0)(x - x_0) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x_0, y_0)(y - y_0)$$

$$f(x,y) = e^{x-2} \cos(y+\pi)$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(2, -\pi) &= e^{2-2} \cos(-\pi+\pi) \\ &= 1 \cdot 1 \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x,y) = e^{x-2} \cos(y+\pi), \quad \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(2, -\pi) = 1$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x,y) = -e^{x-2} \sin(y+\pi), \quad \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(2, -\pi) = 0$$

$$\text{So } f(x,y) \approx f(2, -\pi) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(2, -\pi)(x-2) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(2, -\pi)(y - (-\pi) = y + \pi)$$

$$= 1 + 1(x-2) + 0(y+\pi)$$

$$= 1 + x - 2$$

$$= x - 1$$

$f(x,y) \approx x - 1$

$$\Delta f$$

$$f(x,y) - f(x_0,y_0)$$

We have seen that the linear approximation of  $f(x,y)$  near the point  $(x_0, y_0)$  is given by

$$f(x,y) \approx f(x_0, y_0) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x_0, y_0)\Delta x + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x_0, y_0)\Delta y.$$

If we subtract  $f(x_0, y_0)$  from both sides and denote the change  $f(x,y) - f(x_0, y_0)$  in the value of  $f$  by  $\Delta f$ , then the linear approximation to the *change in  $f$*  is given by

FRY Defn III.2.6.5, The linear approximation to the *change in  $f$*

$$\Delta f \approx \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x_0, y_0)\Delta x + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x_0, y_0)\Delta y.$$

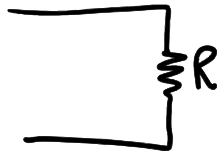
When we want to emphasize that  $\Delta x$ ,  $\Delta y$ , and  $\Delta f$  are very small (“infinitesimally” so), then we replace these with  $dx$ ,  $dy$ , and  $df$ , respectively, and write

FRY Defn III.2.6.5, The linear approximation to the *change in  $f$*

$$df \approx \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x_0, y_0)dx + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x_0, y_0)dy.$$

**Example 5.12.** (FRY Exercise III.2.6.3.7)

If two resistors of resistance  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  are wired in parallel, the resulting resistance  $R$  satisfies the equation  $\frac{1}{R} = \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2}$ . Use a linear approximation to estimate the change in  $R$  if  $R_1$  decreases from 2 to 1.9 ohms and  $R_2$  increases from 8 to 8.1 ohms.



$$\frac{1}{R} = \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2}$$

$R(R_1, R_2)$

$R$  depends on (is a function of)  $R_1$  and  $R_2$

$$\Delta R \approx \frac{\partial R}{\partial R_1}(R_{1,0}, R_{2,0})\Delta R_1 + \frac{\partial R}{\partial R_2}(R_{1,0}, R_{2,0})\Delta R_2$$

$$(R_{1,0}, R_{2,0}) = (2, 8)$$

Since  $R_1$  drops to 1.9  $\Omega$ ,  $\Delta R_1 = -0.1 \Omega$ .

Since  $R_2$  increases to 8.1  $\Omega$ ,  $\Delta R_2 = +0.1 \Omega$

We need to figure out  $\frac{\partial R}{\partial R_1}(2, 8)$  and  $\frac{\partial R}{\partial R_2}(2, 8)$ .



Since  $\frac{1}{R} = \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2}$ , implicitly differentiate

$$R^{-1} = R_1^{-1} + R_2^{-1}$$

$$-\frac{1}{R^2} \cdot \frac{\partial R}{\partial R_1} = -\frac{1}{R_1^2}$$

$$\frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} = \frac{R_1 + R_2}{R_1 R_2} \quad \text{So } \frac{1}{R} = \frac{R_1 + R_2}{R_1 R_2}$$

and  $R = \frac{R_1 R_2}{R_1 + R_2}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial R}{\partial R_1} = \frac{R^2}{R_1^2} = \frac{\left(\frac{R_1 R_2}{R_1 + R_2}\right)^2}{R_1^2} = \frac{R_1^2 R_2^2}{(R_1 + R_2)^2} \cdot \frac{1}{R_1^2} = \frac{R_2^2}{(R_1 + R_2)^2}$$

Similarly,  $\frac{\partial R}{\partial R_2} = \frac{R_1^2}{(R_1 + R_2)^2}$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So } \Delta R &\approx \frac{\partial R}{\partial R_1}(2, 8) \Delta R_1 + \frac{\partial R}{\partial R_2}(2, 8) \Delta R_2 \\ &= \frac{8^2}{(2+8)^2} (-0.1) + \frac{2^2}{(2+8)^2} (0.1) \\ &= -0.064 + 0.004 \\ &= -0.060 \text{ ohms} \end{aligned}$$

FRY Defn III.2.6.6, Absolute, relative, and percentage error

**Definition 5.13.** If the approximation of a quantity  $Q$  turns out to be  $Q + \Delta Q$ , then

- the absolute error in the approximation is  $|\Delta Q|$ ;
- the relative error in the approximation is  $\left| \frac{\Delta Q}{Q} \right|$ ; and
- the percentage error in the approximation is  $100 \left| \frac{\Delta Q}{Q} \right|$ .

*true*

*approximation*  
we are off  
the true value  
by  $\Delta Q$

**Example 5.14.** (FRY Example III.2.6.9)

A triangle has sides  $a = 10.1$  cm and  $b = 19.8$  cm which include an angle  $35^\circ$ . What is the absolute error, the relative error, and the percentage error in the linear approximation of its area?

true value of area  $A = \frac{1}{2}(10.1)(19.8)\sin(35^\circ)$

$\approx 57.35190787$

$\approx 57.35 \text{ cm}^2$

our approx for area  $A$  was  $57.56 \text{ cm}^2 = 57.35 + 0.21$

$A \downarrow \quad \Delta A \downarrow$

absolute error  $= |\Delta A| = |0.21| = 0.21 \text{ cm}^2$

relative error  $= \left| \frac{\Delta A}{A} \right| = \left| \frac{0.21}{57.35} \right| \approx 0.0037$

percentage error  $= 100 \left| \frac{\Delta A}{A} \right| = 100 \left| \frac{0.21}{57.35} \right| \approx 0.37$

## 5.5 Degree Two Taylor Polynomials for a Function $f(x, y)$

Degree 2 Taylor polynomial for  $f(x, y)$

**Definition 5.15.** Let  $U$  is an open subset of  $\mathbb{R}^2$  and  $f : U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be of class  $\mathcal{C}^2(U)$ . Then the Taylor polynomial of degree 2 of  $f$  around  $\mathbf{a} = (x_0, y_0)$  is

$$\begin{aligned} T_{f, (x_0, y_0)}^2(x, y) &= f(x_0, y_0) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x_0, y_0)(x - x_0) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x_0, y_0)(y - y_0) \\ &+ \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2}(x_0, y_0)(x - x_0)^2 + \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y}(x_0, y_0)(x - x_0)(y - y_0) + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2}(x_0, y_0)(y - y_0)^2. \end{aligned}$$

If we take  $x$  “close” to  $x_0$  and  $y$  “close” to  $y_0$ , we may denote the differences  $x - x_0$  and  $y - y_0$  as  $\Delta x$  and  $\Delta y$ , respectively. We get the following expression:

Degree 2 Taylor polynomial for  $f(x, y)$

**Definition 5.16.** Let  $U$  is an open subset of  $\mathbb{R}^2$  and  $f : U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be of class  $\mathcal{C}^2(U)$ . Then the Taylor polynomial of degree 2 of  $f$  around  $\mathbf{a} = (x_0, y_0)$  is

$$\begin{aligned} T_{f, (x_0, y_0)}^2(x_0 + \Delta x, y_0 + \Delta y) &= f(x_0, y_0) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x_0, y_0)\Delta x + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x_0, y_0)\Delta y \\ &+ \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2}(x_0, y_0)(\Delta x)^2 + \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y}(x_0, y_0)\Delta x \Delta y + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2}(x_0, y_0)(\Delta y)^2. \end{aligned}$$

Written using matrix notation, observe that

$$\begin{aligned} &T_{f, (x_0, y_0)}^2(x_0 + \Delta x, y_0 + \Delta y) \\ &= f(x_0, y_0) + \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x_0, y_0) & \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x_0, y_0) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \Delta x \\ \Delta y \end{bmatrix} \\ &+ \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} \Delta x & \Delta y \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2}(x_0, y_0) & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y}(x_0, y_0) \\ \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x}(x_0, y_0) & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2}(x_0, y_0) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \Delta x \\ \Delta y \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

The matrix involving the second-order derivatives above is given a special name.

Shifrin Defn 5.3.1, The Hessian matrix

**Definition 5.17.** Let  $U$  be an open subset of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and  $\mathbf{a} \in U$ . Let  $f : U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be of class  $\mathcal{C}^2$  on  $U$ . Then the Hessian matrix of  $f$  at  $\mathbf{a}$  is the symmetric matrix

$$\text{Hessian}(f)(\mathbf{a}) = \left[ \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_i \partial x_j}(\mathbf{a}) \right] = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_1^2}(\mathbf{a}) & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_1 \partial x_2}(\mathbf{a}) & \cdots & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_1 \partial x_n}(\mathbf{a}) \\ \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_2 \partial x_1}(\mathbf{a}) & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_2^2}(\mathbf{a}) & \cdots & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_2 \partial x_n}(\mathbf{a}) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_n \partial x_1}(\mathbf{a}) & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_n \partial x_2}(\mathbf{a}) & \cdots & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_n^2}(\mathbf{a}) \end{bmatrix}.$$

## 5.6 Quadratic Approximation

Just as we use the first-degree Taylor polynomial (the tangent plane) as a linear approximation to a function, we may use the second-degree Taylor polynomial to find a quadratic approximation to a function near the point at which the Taylor polynomial is constructed.

**Example 5.18.** Let  $f(x, y) = e^{x-2} \cos(y + \pi)$ . Estimate the value of  $f(1.9, -3.1)$  using a quadratic approximation for  $f$ .

A quadratic approximation comes from a second-degree Taylor polynomial:

$$f(x, y) \approx f(x_0, y_0) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x_0, y_0)(x - x_0) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x_0, y_0)(y - y_0) + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2}(x_0, y_0)(x - x_0)^2 + \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y}(x_0, y_0)(x - x_0)(y - y_0) + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2}(x_0, y_0)(y - y_0)^2$$

$$f(x, y) = e^{x-2} \cos(y + \pi) \quad f(1.9, -3.1) \approx ?$$

$$f(2, -\pi) = e^{2-2} \cos(-\pi + \pi) = 1 \cdot 1 = 1 \quad \text{let } x_0 = 2, y_0 = -\pi$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x, y) = e^{x-2} \cos(y + \pi), \quad \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(2, -\pi) = 1$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x, y) = -e^{x-2} \sin(y + \pi), \quad \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(2, -\pi) = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2}(x, y) = e^{x-2} \cos(y + \pi), \quad \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2}(2, -\pi) = 1$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x}(x, y) = -e^{x-2} \sin(y + \pi), \quad \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x}(2, -\pi) = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2}(x,y) = -e^{x-2} \cos(y+\pi), \quad \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x}(2,-\pi) = -1$$

$$\text{So } f(x,y) \approx f(2,-\pi) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(2,-\pi)(x-2) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(2,-\pi)(y+ \overset{y-(-\pi)=y+\pi}{\pi})$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2}(2,-\pi)(x-2)^2 + \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y}(2,-\pi)(x-2)(y+\pi) + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2}(2,-\pi)(y+\pi)^2$$

$$= 1 + 1(x-2) + 0(y+\pi) + \frac{1}{2}(1)(x-2)^2 + 0(x-2)(y+\pi) + \frac{1}{2}(-1)(y+\pi)^2$$

$$= 1 + x - 2 + \frac{1}{2}(x-2)^2 - \frac{1}{2}(y+\pi)^2$$

2<sup>nd</sup> degree Taylor polynomial for  $f(x,y)$   
centred at  $(x_0, y_0)$

$$\text{So } f(1.9, -3.1) \approx 1 + 1.9 - 2 + \frac{1}{2}(1.9-2)^2 - \frac{1}{2}(-3.1+\pi)^2$$

$$\approx 0.904 \ 135 \ 025 \ 6$$

quadratic estimate of  $f(1.9, -3.1)$   
Compare

$$\text{True value of } f(1.9, -3.1) \approx 0.904 \ 054 \ 869 \ 6$$

$$\text{Linear approx of } f(1.9, -3.1) = 1 - 0.1 = 0.9$$



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