# Course Project Report: Advanced Math Analysis with Matlab

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#### Abstract

The report for the end-of-term project of Advanced Math Analysis with MATLAB fall 2021 course. All the source code is open-sourced on the Github repository https://github.com/SmartPolarBear/matlab-math-analysis-csxmu-2021 under GPLv3 license

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## 1 Problem 1

### 1.1 Problem Description

Given function  $F(x,y) = 0.2x^2 + 0.1y^2 + \sin(x+y)$ , please work out its gradient. Based on the gradient, please find out the local extreme of function F(x,y) when both x and y are in the range of  $[-2*\pi, 2*\pi]$ . The 2D and 3D views of the function is given in Fig. 1.

#### 1.2 Solution

#### 1.2.1 The gradient of the function

I get the gradient of the function using the following code

```
\begin{array}{ll} \text{syms x y;} \\ \text{f} = 0.2*x^2 + 0.1*y^2 + \sin(x+y); \\ \text{diff}(f,x) \\ \text{diff}(f,y) \end{array}
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Based on the result, the gradient is

$$\nabla \cdot f(x,y) = (\frac{2 * x}{5} + \cos(x+y), \frac{y}{5} + \cos(x+y)) \tag{1}$$

#### 1.2.2 Find the extreme values

To find the extreme values of F(x,y) with gradient decent method, we walk little steps towards the direction of the gradient. To formalize this idea, the algorithm is shown as follows.

#### Algorithm 1 Gradient Descent

```
Input: Initial point x_0, a constant \alpha, k = 0
while termiation condition does not hold do
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$$k = k + 1$$
  
$$x_{k+1} = x_k - \alpha \nabla \cdot f(x_k)$$

Various problems occurs if this brute-force algorithm is implemented directly. The speed of convergence is annoyingly slow if parameters are not chosen right. In fact, I never succeeded finding a set of parameters that works. A well-known optimization is called Stochastic gradient descent, or SGD, improve it significantly.

The given parameter  $\alpha$  in the brute-force algorithm, which is referred as learning rate, will change each round according to the situation. To be more exact, SGD tries to find a learning rate m, so that it minimize the function

$$\nabla \cdot f(x,y) = (\frac{2 * x}{5} + \cos(x+y), \frac{y}{5} + \cos(x+y))$$
 (2)

#### 1.3 Acknowledgment

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