

Calculus III Notes

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1 3-Dimensional Space

The 3-D coordinate system is often denoted by \mathbb{R}^3 . Likewise, the 2-D coordinate system is denoted by \mathbb{R}^2 , and the 1-D coordinate system is denoted by \mathbb{R} .

1.1 Equations of Lines

Vector form

If \vec{a} and \vec{v} are parallel vectors, then $\vec{a} = t\vec{v}$ for some scalar t .

Now if we have a vector \vec{r} as follows

$$\vec{r} = \vec{r}_0 + \vec{a}$$

Then we can write

$$\vec{r} = \vec{r}_0 + t\vec{v} = \langle x_0, y_0, z_0 \rangle + t\langle a, b, c \rangle$$

This is called the **vector form of the equation of a line**.

Parametric form

We can rewrite the vector form as

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{r} &= \langle x_0, y_0, z_0 \rangle + t\langle a, b, c \rangle \\ \langle x, y, z \rangle &= \langle x_0 + ta, y_0 + tb, z_0 + tc \rangle\end{aligned}$$

In other words

$$\begin{aligned}x &= x_0 + ta \\ y &= y_0 + tb \\ z &= z_0 + tc\end{aligned}$$

This set of equations is called the **parametric form of the equation of a line**.

Symmetric Equations of a Line

If we assume that a, b , and c are non-zero numbers, then we can solve each of the parametric equations for t . This gives us

$$\frac{x - x_0}{a} = \frac{y - y_0}{b} = \frac{z - z_0}{c}$$

Example 1.1: Find the Equations of lines:

1. Through the points $(7, -3, 1)$ and $(-2, 1, 4)$

2. Through the point $(1, -5, 0)$ and parallel to the line given by $\vec{r}(t) = \langle 8 - 3t, -10 + 9t, -1 - t \rangle$

3. Through the point $(-7, 2, 4)$ and orthogonal to both $\vec{v} = \langle 0, -9, 1 \rangle$ and $\vec{w} = 3\hat{i} + \hat{j} - 4\hat{k}$

1.

Direction vector $\vec{d} = \langle -2 - 7, 1 + 3, 4 - 1 \rangle = \langle -9, 4, 3 \rangle$

Now, the vector form of the line is

$$\vec{r} = \langle 7, -3, 1 \rangle + t\langle -9, 4, 3 \rangle$$

The parametric form is

$$x = 7 - 9t, \quad y = -3 + 4t, \quad z = 1 + 3t$$

The symmetric form is

$$\frac{x-7}{-9} = \frac{y+3}{4} = \frac{z-1}{3}$$

2.

The direction vector is $\vec{d} = \langle 3, 9, -1 \rangle$

Hence, the vector form of the line is

$$\vec{r} = \langle 1, -5, 0 \rangle + t\langle 3, 9, -1 \rangle$$

The parametric form is

$$x = 1 + 3t, \quad y = -5 + 9t, \quad z = -t$$

And the symmetric form is

$$\frac{x-1}{3} = \frac{y+5}{9} = -z$$

3.

Direction vector

$$\vec{d} = \vec{v} \times \vec{w} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 0 & -9 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 & -4 \end{vmatrix} = \langle 35, 3, 27 \rangle$$

Hence, the vector form of the line is

$$\vec{r} = \langle -7, 2, 4 \rangle + t\langle 35, 3, 27 \rangle$$

The parametric form is

$$x = -7 + 35t, \quad y = 2 + 3t, \quad z = 4 + 27t$$

The symmetric form is

$$\frac{x+7}{35} = \frac{y-2}{3} = \frac{z-4}{27}$$

Example 1.2: Determine if the two lines are parallel, orthogonal, or neither:

1. The line given by $\vec{r}(t) = \langle 4 - 7t, -10 + 5t, 21 - 4t \rangle$ and the line given by $\vec{r}(t) = \langle -2 + 3t, 7 + 5t, 5 + t \rangle$

2. The line given by $x = 29, y = -3 - 6t, z = 12 - t$ and the line given by $\vec{r}(t) = \langle 12 - 14t, 2 + 7t, -10 + 3t \rangle$

1.

The direction vectors are

$$\vec{d}_1 = \langle -7, 5, -4 \rangle, \quad \vec{d}_2 = \langle 3, 5, 1 \rangle$$

To check if they are parallel, we can check:

$$\frac{-7}{3} \neq \frac{5}{5} \neq \frac{-4}{1}$$

which means they are not parallel.

To check if they are orthogonal, we can check:

$$\vec{d}_1 \cdot \vec{d}_2 = -7(3) + 5(5) + (-4)(1) = -21 + 25 - 4 = 0$$

Hence, they are orthogonal.

2.

The direction vectors are

$$\vec{d}_1 = \langle 0, -6, -1 \rangle, \quad \vec{d}_2 = \langle -14, 7, 3 \rangle$$

To check if they are parallel, we can check:

$$\frac{0}{-14} \neq \frac{-6}{7} \neq \frac{-1}{3}$$

which means they are not parallel.

To check if they are orthogonal, we can check:

$$\vec{d}_1 \cdot \vec{d}_2 = 0(-14) + (-6)(7) + (-1)(3) = -42 - 3 = -45 \neq 0$$

Hence, they are neither parallel nor orthogonal.

Example 1.3: Determine the intersection point of the two lines or show that they don't intersect:

1. The line passing through the point $(0, -9, -1)$ and $(1, 6, -3)$ and the line given by $\vec{r}(t) = \langle -9 - 4t, 10 + 6t, 1 - 2t \rangle$

2. The line given by $x = 1 + 6t, t = -1 - 3t, z = 4 + 12t$ and the line given by $x = 4 + t, y = -10 - 8t, z = 3 - 5t$

1.

The direction vector of the first line is

$$\vec{d}_1 = \langle 1 - 0, 6 + 9, -3 + 1 \rangle = \langle 1, 15, -2 \rangle$$

We can write the parametric equations of the first line as:

$$x = s, y = -9 + 15s, z = -1 - 2s$$

And the parametric equations of the second line as:

$$x = -9 - 4t, y = 10 + 6t, z = 1 - 2t$$

Setting them equal to each other we get,

$$\begin{aligned} 0 + t &= -9 - 4s \\ -9 + 15t &= 10 + 6s \\ -1 - 2t &= 1 - 2s \end{aligned}$$

Solving the first two equations, we get

$$t = -\frac{7}{3}, \quad s = \frac{1}{3}$$

Now, verifying the third equation, we get

$$\begin{aligned} -1 - 2\left(-\frac{7}{3}\right) &= 1 - 2\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) \\ -1 + \frac{14}{3} &= 1 - \frac{2}{3} \\ \frac{11}{3} &\neq \frac{1}{3} \end{aligned}$$

Since the third equation is not satisfied, the two lines do not intersect.

2.

The lines are given in parametric form.

Setting them equal to each other we get,

$$\begin{aligned}1 + 6s &= 4 + t \\ -1 - 3s &= -10 - 8t \\ 4 + 12s &= 3 - 5t\end{aligned}$$

Solving the first two equations, we get

$$s = \frac{1}{3}, \quad t = -1$$

Now, verifying the third equation, we get

$$\begin{aligned}4 + 12\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) &= 3 - 5(-1) \\ 8 &= 8\end{aligned}$$

That means, the lines intersect. Substituting the values in the parametric equation, we get

$$\begin{aligned}x &= 1 + 6\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) = 3 \\ y &= -1 - 3\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) = -2 \\ z &= 4 + 12\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) = 8\end{aligned}$$

Hence, the intersection point is $(3, -2, 8)$.

Example 1.4: Which of the three coordinate planes does the line given by $x = 16t, y = -4 - 9t, z = 34$ intersect?

To intersect the xy -plane, we need $z = 0$. But here $z = 34$ is constant. Hence, the line does not intersect the xy -plane.

To intersect the yz -plane, we need $x = 0$. Hence,

$$16t = 0 \implies t = 0$$

And the intersection point is $(0, -4 - 9 \times 0, 34)$ or $(0, -4, 34)$.

To intersect the xz -plane, we need $y = 0$. Hence,

$$-4 - 9t = 0 \implies t = -\frac{4}{9}$$

And the intersection point is $\left(16\left(-\frac{4}{9}\right), 0, 34\right)$ or $\left(-\frac{64}{9}, 0, 34\right)$.

1.2 Equations of Planes

Vector form

Let's assume $\vec{r}_0 = \langle x_0, y_0, z_0 \rangle$ and $\vec{r} = \langle x, y, z \rangle$ are two position vectors and $\vec{r} - \vec{r}_0$ is a vector in the plane.

If $\vec{n} = \langle a, b, c \rangle$ is a normal to the plane (which means it's orthogonal to the vector $\vec{r} - \vec{r}_0$), then we can write

$$\vec{n} \cdot (\vec{r} - \vec{r}_0) = 0 \quad \implies \quad \vec{n} \cdot \vec{r} = \vec{n} \cdot \vec{r}_0$$

This is called the **vector form of the equation of a plane**.

Scalar form

If we expand the vector equation in the following way,

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{n} \cdot (\vec{r} - \vec{r}_0) &= 0 \\ \langle a, b, c \rangle \cdot \langle x - x_0, y - y_0, z - z_0 \rangle &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Computing the dot product, we get

$$a(x - x_0) + b(y - y_0) + c(z - z_0) = 0$$

This is called the **scalar form of the equation of a plane**.

This equation can also be written as

$$ax + by + cz = d$$

where $d = ax_0 + by_0 + cz_0$.

Example 1.5: Find the equation of the plane:

1. Through the point $(6, -3, 1)$, $(5, -4, 1)$, and $(3, -4, 0)$
2. The plane containing the point $(1, -5, 8)$ and orthogonal to the line given by $x = -3 + 15t$, $y = 14 - t$, $z = 9 - 3t$
3. The plane containing the point $(-8, 3, 7)$ and parallel to the plane given by $4x + 8y - 2z = 45$
4. The plane containing the two lines given by $\vec{r}(t) = \langle 7 + 5t, 2 + t, 6t \rangle$ and $\vec{r}(t) = \langle 7 - 6t, 2 - 2t, 10t \rangle$

1.

The given points are

$$A(6, -3, 1), B(5, -4, 1), C(3, -4, 0)$$

Two vectors in the plane are

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{AB} &= \langle 5 - 6, -4 + 3, 1 - 1 \rangle = \langle -1, -1, 0 \rangle \\ \vec{BC} &= \langle 3 - 5, -4 + 4, 0 - 1 \rangle = \langle -2, 0, -1 \rangle \end{aligned}$$

Normal vector on the plane:

$$\vec{n} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ -1 & -1 & 0 \\ -2 & 0 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = \hat{i} - \hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$$

Now, using the point A , we can write the equation of the plane as

$$\begin{aligned}(x - 6) - (y + 3) - 2(z - 1) &= 0 \\ x - y - 2z &= 7\end{aligned}$$

2.

The normal vector is

$$\vec{n} = \langle 15, -1, -3 \rangle$$

Using the point $(1, -5, 8)$, the equation of the plane is

$$\begin{aligned}15(x - 1) - (y + 5) - 3(z - 8) &= 0 \\ 15x - y - 3z &= 15 + 5 - 24 \\ 15x - y - 3z + 4 &= 0\end{aligned}$$

3.

The normal vector is

$$\vec{n} = \langle 4, 8, -2 \rangle$$

Using the point $(-8, 3, 7)$, the equation of the plane is

$$\begin{aligned}4(x + 8) + 8(y - 3) - 2(z - 7) &= 0 \\ 4x + 8y - 2z &= -32 + 24 + 14 \\ 4x + 8y - 2z + 6 &= 0\end{aligned}$$

4.

The direction vectors of the two lines are

$$\vec{d}_1 = \langle 5, 1, 6 \rangle, \quad \vec{d}_2 = \langle -6, -2, 10 \rangle$$

The normal vector is

$$\vec{n} = \vec{d}_1 \times \vec{d}_2 = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 5 & 1 & 6 \\ -6 & -2 & 10 \end{vmatrix} = \langle 22, -86, -4 \rangle$$

Using the point $A(7, 2, 0)$, the equation of the plane is

$$\begin{aligned}22(x - 7) - 86(y - 2) - 4(z - 0) &= 0 \\ 22x - 86y - 4z - 154 + 172 &= 0 \\ 22x - 86y - 4z + 18 &= 0\end{aligned}$$

Example 1.6: Determine if the two planes are parallel, orthogonal, or neither:
The plane given by $3x + 9y + 7z = -1$ and the plane containing the points $(1, -1, 9), (4, -1, 2), (-2, 3, 4)$

The normal vector of the first plane is

$$\vec{n}_1 = \langle 3, 9, 7 \rangle$$

Let the points be

$$A(1, -1, 9), B(4, -1, 2), C(-2, 3, 4)$$

Two vectors in the plane are

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{AB} &= \langle 4 - 1, -1 + 1, 2 - 9 \rangle = \langle 3, 0, -7 \rangle \\ \vec{AC} &= \langle -2 - 1, 3 + 1, 4 - 9 \rangle = \langle -3, 4, -5 \rangle\end{aligned}$$

The normal vector of the second plane is

$$\vec{n}_2 = \vec{AB} \times \vec{AC} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 3 & 0 & -7 \\ -3 & 4 & -5 \end{vmatrix} = \langle 28, 36, 12 \rangle = \langle 7, 9, 3 \rangle$$

To check if they are parallel, we can check:

$$\frac{3}{7} \neq \frac{9}{9} \neq \frac{7}{3}$$

which means they are not parallel.

To check if they are orthogonal, we can check:

$$\vec{n}_1 \cdot \vec{n}_2 = 3(7) + 9(9) + 7(3) = 21 + 81 + 21 = 123 \neq 0$$

Hence, they are neither parallel nor orthogonal.

Example 1.7: Find the intersection of the plane given by $4x + y + 10z = -2$ and the plane given by $-8x + 2y + 3z = -8$

The two planes are

$$\begin{aligned}4x + y + 10z &= -2 \\ -8x + 2y + 3z &= -8\end{aligned}$$

Multiplying the first equation by 2 and adding it to the second equation, we get

$$4y + 23z = -12 \implies y = -3 - \frac{23}{4}z$$

Substituting the value of y in the first equation, we get

$$16x - 3 - \frac{23}{4}z + 10z = -2 \implies x = \frac{1}{4} - \frac{17}{16}z$$

Let $z = t$ (a parameter). Then we get

$$\begin{aligned}x &= \frac{1}{4} - \frac{17}{16}t \\ y &= -3 - \frac{23}{4}t \\ z &= t\end{aligned}$$

This is the parametric form of the line of intersection.

We can also write it in vector form as

$$\vec{r} = \langle \frac{1}{4}, -3, 0 \rangle + t \langle -\frac{17}{16}, -\frac{23}{4}, 1 \rangle$$

1.3 Quadratic Surfaces

General form

The general form of a quadratic surface is

$$Ax^2 + By^2 + Cz^2 + Dxy + Exz + Fyz + Gx + Hy + Iz + J = 0$$

where $A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J$ are constants.

Ellipsoid

The general equation of an ellipsoid is

$$\frac{(x-h)^2}{a^2} + \frac{(y-k)^2}{b^2} + \frac{(z-l)^2}{c^2} = 1$$

where (h, k, l) is the center of the ellipsoid and a, b, c are the semi-axis lengths. If $a = b = c$, we get a sphere.

Cone

The general equation of a cone that opens along the z -axis is

$$\frac{(x-h)^2}{a^2} + \frac{(y-k)^2}{b^2} = \frac{(z-l)^2}{c^2}$$

where (h, k, l) is the center of the cone and a, b, c are the semi-axis lengths.

Cylinder

The general equation of a cylinder that opens along the z -axis is

$$\frac{(x-h)^2}{a^2} + \frac{(y-k)^2}{b^2} = 1$$

where (h, k) is the center of the cylinder and a, b are the semi-axis lengths. If $a = b$, we get a circular cylinder.

Hyperboloid of One Sheet

The general equation of a hyperboloid of one sheet is

$$\frac{(x-h)^2}{a^2} + \frac{(y-k)^2}{b^2} - \frac{(z-l)^2}{c^2} = 1$$

where (h, k, l) is the center of the hyperboloid and a, b, c are the semi-axis lengths.

Hyperboloid of Two Sheets

The general equation of a hyperboloid of two sheets is

$$-\frac{(x-h)^2}{a^2} - \frac{(y-k)^2}{b^2} + \frac{(z-l)^2}{c^2} = 1$$

where (h, k, l) is the center of the hyperboloid and a, b, c are the semi-axis lengths.

•Elliptic Paraboloid•

The general equation of an elliptic paraboloid is

$$\frac{(x-h)^2}{a^2} + \frac{(y-k)^2}{b^2} = \frac{z-l}{c}$$

where (h, k, l) is the center of the paraboloid and a, b are the semi-axis lengths.

•Hyperbolic Paraboloid•

The general equation of a hyperbolic paraboloid is

$$\frac{(x-h)^2}{a^2} - \frac{(y-k)^2}{b^2} = \frac{z-l}{c}$$

where (h, k, l) is the center of the paraboloid and a, b are the semi-axis lengths.

1.4 Calculus with Vector Functions

Let

$$\vec{r}(t) = \langle f(t), g(t), h(t) \rangle$$

•Note:-•

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow a} \vec{r}(t) = \langle \lim_{t \rightarrow a} f(t), \lim_{t \rightarrow a} g(t), \lim_{t \rightarrow a} h(t) \rangle$$

•Note:-•

$$\frac{d}{dt} (\vec{u} + \vec{v}) = \vec{u}' + \vec{v}'$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} (c\vec{u}) = c\vec{u}'$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} (\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v}) = \vec{u}' \cdot \vec{v} + \vec{u} \cdot \vec{v}'$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} (\vec{u} \times \vec{v}) = \vec{u}' \times \vec{v} + \vec{u} \times \vec{v}'$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} (\vec{u} f(t)) = f'(t) \vec{u}'(f(t))$$

•Note:-•

$$\int \vec{r}(t) dt = \langle \int f(t) dt, \int g(t) dt, \int h(t) dt \rangle$$

$$\int_a^b \vec{r}(t) dt = \left\langle \int_a^b f(t) dt + \int_a^b g(t) dt + \int_a^b h(t) dt \right\rangle$$

1.5 Tangent, Normal, and Binormal Vectors

•Unit Tangent vector•

Given the vector function $\vec{r}(t)$, we call $\vec{r}'(t)$ the **tangent vector** The unit tangent vector is given by

$$\vec{T}(t) = \frac{\vec{r}'(t)}{\|\vec{r}'(t)\|}$$

Unit Normal vector

If $\vec{T}(t)$ is the unit tangent vector, then the **unit normal vector** is given by

$$\vec{N}(t) = \frac{\vec{T}'(t)}{\|\vec{T}'(t)\|}$$

Note:-

If $\vec{r}(t)$ is a vector such that $\|\vec{r}(t)\| = c$ for all t , then $\vec{r}'(t)$ is orthogonal to $\vec{r}(t)$

Binormal vector

The **binormal vector** is given by

$$\vec{B}(t) = \vec{T}(t) \times \vec{N}(t)$$

The binormal vector is orthogonal to both the tangent and normal vectors.

1.6 Arc Length with Vector Functions

Note:-

The arc length of a vector function $\vec{r}(t)$ from $t = a$ to $t = b$ is given by

$$L = \int_a^b \|\vec{r}'(t)\| dt$$

Or,

$$L = \int_a^b \sqrt{\left(\frac{df}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dg}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dh}{dt}\right)^2} dt$$

1.7 Curvature

Curvature of a curve in 3-D space

The curvature of a curve in 3-D space is given by

$$\kappa = \frac{\|\vec{T}'(t)\|}{\|\vec{r}'(t)\|}$$

where $\vec{T}(t)$ is the unit tangent vector and $\vec{r}(t)$ is the position vector.

This can also be written as

$$\kappa = \frac{\|\vec{r}'(t) \times \vec{r}''(t)\|}{\|\vec{r}'(t)\|^3}$$

2 Partial Derivatives

2.1 First Order Partial Derivatives

Definition 2.1.1: First Order Partial Derivative

The **first order partial derivative** of a function $f(x, y)$ is the derivative of f with respect to one variable while treating the other variable as a constant. The partial derivative of f wrt x is denoted by:

$$f_x(x, y) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x + h, y) - f(x, y)}{h}$$

And the partial derivative of f wrt y is denoted by:

$$f_y(x, y) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x, y + h) - f(x, y)}{h}$$

They can also be written in the following notations:

$$f_x(x, y) = f_x = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (f(x, y)) = D_x f$$

$$f_y(x, y) = f_y = \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (f(x, y)) = D_y f$$

2.2 Interpretations of Partial Derivatives

Much like the first derivative of a function of one variable, the first order partial derivatives of a function of multiple variables can be interpreted as the slope of the tangent line to the surface defined by the function at a point.

Slopes of Traces

Partial derivatives are the slopes of traces. The partial derivative $f_x(a, b)$ is the slope of the trace of $f(x, y)$ for the plane $y = b$ at the point (a, b) . Likewise, the partial derivative $f_y(x, y)$ is the slope of the trace of $f(x, y)$ for the plane $x = a$ at the point (a, b) .

Example 2.1: Determine if $f(x, y) = \frac{x^2}{y^3}$ is increasing or decreasing at $(2, 5)$, if:

(a) we allow x to vary and hold y fixed,

(b) we allow y to vary and hold x fixed.

(a) To find the partial derivative with respect to x , we treat y as a constant:

$$f_x(x, y) = \frac{2x}{y^3} \quad \implies \quad f_x(2, 5) = \frac{4}{125} > 0$$

This means that f is increasing in the x direction at the point $(2, 5)$.

(b) To find the partial derivative with respect to y , we treat x as a constant:

$$f_y(x, y) = -\frac{3x^2}{y^4} \quad \implies \quad f_y(2, 5) = -\frac{12}{625} < 0$$

This means that f is decreasing in the y direction at the point $(2, 5)$.

Partial derivatives can also be interpreted as the slope of the tangent plane to the surface defined by the function at a point. The tangent plane is a linear approximation of the surface at that point.

Example 2.2: Find the slopes of the traces to $z = 10 - 4x^2 - y^2$ at the point $(1, 2)$.

The partial derivative with respect to x is:

$$f_x(x, y) = -8x \quad \implies \quad f_x(1, 2) = -8$$

The partial derivative with respect to y is:

$$f_y(x, y) = -2y \quad \implies \quad f_y(1, 2) = -4$$

Thus, the slope of the trace in the x direction at $(1, 2)$ is -8 , and the slope of the trace in the y direction at $(1, 2)$ is -4 .

We can also use partial derivatives to find the equations of the tangent lines to the traces of a surface at a point.

Example 2.3: Find the vector equations of the tangent lines to the traces to $z = 10 - 4x^2 - y^2$ at the point $(1, 2)$

The point on the trace is

$$(1, 2, f(1, 2)) = (1, 2, 10 - 4(1)^2 - (2)^2) = (1, 2, 2)$$

Hence, the equation of the tangent line to the trace for the plane $y = 2$ is:

$$\vec{r}_x(t) = \langle 1, 2, 2 \rangle + t\langle 1, 0, -8 \rangle = \langle 1 + t, 2, 2 - 8t \rangle$$

And the equation of the tangent line to the trace for the plane $x = 1$ is:

$$\vec{r}_y(t) = \langle 1, 2, 2 \rangle + t\langle 0, 1, -4 \rangle = \langle 1, 2 + t, 2 - 4t \rangle$$

Example 2.4: Find the vector equations of the tangent lines to the traces for $f(x, y) = \sin x \cos y$ at $\left(\frac{\pi}{3}, \frac{-\pi}{4}\right)$

The point on the trace is

$$\left(\frac{\pi}{3}, -\frac{\pi}{4}, f\left(\frac{\pi}{3}, -\frac{\pi}{4}\right)\right) = \left(\frac{\pi}{3}, -\frac{\pi}{4}, \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right) \cos\left(-\frac{\pi}{4}\right)\right) = \left(\frac{\pi}{3}, -\frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{\sqrt{6}}{4}\right)$$

Hence, the equation of the tangent line to the trace for the plane $y = -\frac{\pi}{4}$ is:

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{r}_x(t) &= \left\langle \frac{\pi}{3}, -\frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{\sqrt{6}}{4} \right\rangle + t \left\langle 1, 0, f_x(x, y) \right\rangle \\ &= \left\langle \frac{\pi}{3}, -\frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{\sqrt{6}}{4} \right\rangle + t \left\langle 1, 0, \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right) \cos\left(-\frac{\pi}{4}\right) \right\rangle \\ &= \left\langle \frac{\pi}{3}, -\frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{\sqrt{6}}{4} \right\rangle + t \left\langle 1, 0, \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \right\rangle \end{aligned}$$

And the equation of the tangent line to the trace for the plane $x = \frac{\pi}{3}$ is:

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{r}_y(t) &= \left\langle \frac{\pi}{3}, -\frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{\sqrt{6}}{4} \right\rangle + t \left\langle 0, 1, f_y(x, y) \right\rangle \\ &= \left\langle \frac{\pi}{3}, -\frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{\sqrt{6}}{4} \right\rangle + t \left\langle 0, 1, -\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right) \sin\left(-\frac{\pi}{4}\right) \right\rangle \\ &= \left\langle \frac{\pi}{3}, -\frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{\sqrt{6}}{4} \right\rangle + t \left\langle 0, 1, \frac{\sqrt{6}}{4} \right\rangle\end{aligned}$$

2.3 Higher Order Partial Derivatives

Second Order Partial Derivatives

The **Second order partial derivatives** of a function $f(x, y)$ are the partial derivatives of the first order partial derivatives. The second order partial derivatives are denoted by:

$$(f_x)_x = f_{xx} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right) = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2}$$

$$(f_x)_y = f_{xy} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right) = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2 x}$$

$$(f_y)_x = f_{yx} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right) = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2 y}$$

$$(f_y)_y = f_{yy} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right) = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2}$$

Clairaut's Theorem

If the second order partial derivatives f_{xy} and f_{yx} are continuous at a point, then they are equal at that point:

$$f_{xy} = f_{yx}$$

Like second order derivatives, there are higher order partial derivatives as well. The third order partial derivatives are denoted by:

$$f_{xxx} = \frac{\partial^3 f}{\partial x^3}$$

$$f_{xyx} = (f_{xy})_x = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x} \right) = \frac{\partial^3 f}{\partial x \partial y \partial x}$$

$$f_{yxx} = (f_{yx})_x = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} \right) = \frac{\partial^3 f}{\partial x^2 \partial y}$$

This also applies to functions of more than two variables. For example,

$$f_{xz}(x, y, z) = f_{zx}(x, y, z)$$

Extension of Clairaut's Theorem

In general, we can extend Clairaut's theorem to any function and mixed partial derivatives.

That means:

$$f_{ssrtsrr} = f_{trsrssr} = f_{rrssst} = \dots$$

Example 2.5: Find all the second order partial derivatives of function $Q(u, v, w) = u^4 \sin w^2 - \frac{2v}{u^4} + \ln(v^2 w)$

To find the second order partial derivatives, we first find the first order partial derivatives:

$$\begin{aligned} Q_u &= 4u^3 \sin w^2 + \frac{8v}{u^5} \\ Q_v &= -\frac{2}{u^4} + \frac{2vw}{v^2 w} = -\frac{2}{u^4} + \frac{2}{v} \\ Q_w &= 2u^4 w \cos w^2 + \frac{1}{w} \end{aligned}$$

Now we can find the second order partial derivatives:

$$\begin{aligned} Q_{uu} &= 12u^2 \sin w^2 - \frac{40v}{u^6} \\ Q_{uv} &= Q_{vu} = \frac{8}{u^5} \\ Q_{uw} &= 8u^3 w \cos w^2 \\ Q_{vv} &= -\frac{2}{v^2} \\ Q_{vw} &= Q_{wv} = 0 \\ Q_{ww} &= 2u^4 \cos w^2 - 4u^4 w^2 \sin w^2 - \frac{1}{w^2} \end{aligned}$$

Example 2.6: Given $w = \ln\left(\frac{xy}{z}\right) + 8x^4 y^3 \sqrt{z}$, find $\frac{\partial^5 w}{\partial x \partial z^2 \partial y \partial x}$

Using Clairaut's theorem,

$$\frac{\partial^5 w}{\partial x \partial z^2 \partial y \partial x} = \frac{\partial^5 w}{\partial x^2 \partial y \partial z^2}$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} &= \frac{y}{z} \cdot \frac{z}{xy} + 32x^3 y^3 \sqrt{z} = \frac{1}{x} + 32x^3 y^3 \sqrt{z} \\ \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} &= -\frac{1}{x^2} + 96x^2 y^3 \sqrt{z} \\ \frac{\partial^3 w}{\partial x^2 \partial y} &= 288x^2 y^2 \sqrt{z} \\ \frac{\partial^4 w}{\partial x^2 \partial y \partial z} &= \frac{144x^2 y^2}{\sqrt{z}} \\ \frac{\partial^5 w}{\partial x^2 \partial y \partial z^2} &= -72x^2 y^2 z^{-3/2} \end{aligned}$$

Example 2.7: Given $f(x, y) = \frac{x^6}{1+6y} - \cos(x^2) + 6e^x \sin(y)$, find f_{xxxyyx}

$$\begin{aligned}
f_x &= \frac{6x^5}{1+6y} + 2x \sin(x^2) + 6e^x \sin(y) \\
f_{xx} &= \frac{30x^4}{1+6y} + 2 \sin(x^2) + 4x^2 \cos(x^2) + 6e^x \sin(y) \\
f_{xxx} &= \frac{120x^3}{1+6y} + 12x \cos(x^2) - 8x^3 \sin(x^2) + 6e^x \sin(y) \\
f_{xxxx} &= \frac{360x^2}{1+6y} + 12 \cos(x^2) - 48x^2 \sin(x^2) - 16x^4 \cos(x^2) + 6e^x \sin(y) \\
f_{xxxxy} &= -\frac{2160x^2}{(1+6y)^2} + 6e^x \cos(y) \\
f_{xxxxyy} &= \frac{25920x^2}{(1+6y)^3} - 6e^x \sin(y)
\end{aligned}$$

2.4 Differentials

Differentials

The **differential** of a function $f(x, y)$ is a linear approximation of the change in the function at a point.

The differential of f is denoted by:

$$df = f_x dx + f_y dy$$

where dx and dy are small changes in x and y , respectively.

For a given function $w = g(x, y, z)$, the differential is given by:

$$dw = g_x dx + g_y dy + g_z dz$$

Example 2.8: Compute the differential for $u = \frac{t^3 r^6}{s^2}$

$$du = \frac{3t^2 r^6}{s^2} dt + \frac{6t^3 r^5}{s^2} dr - \frac{2t^3 r^6}{s^3} ds$$

2.5 Chain Rule

Case 1: If $z = f(x, y)$, $x = g(t)$, and $y = h(t)$, then the chain rule states that:

$$\frac{dz}{dt} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \frac{dy}{dt}$$

$$\text{Or, } \frac{dz}{dt} = f_x \frac{dx}{dt} + f_y \frac{dy}{dt}$$

Example 2.9: Compute $\frac{dz}{dt}$ for $z = xe^{xy}$, $x = t^2$, $y = t^{-1}$

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{dz}{dt} &= \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \frac{dy}{dt} \\
&= (e^{xy} + yxe^{xy})(2t) + x^2 e^{xy}(-t^{-2}) \\
&= 2t(e^{xy} + xy e^{xy}) - x^2 e^{xy} t^{-2} \\
&= 2t(e^t + te^t) - t^4 e^t t^{-2} \\
&= 2te^t + t^2 e^t
\end{aligned}$$

Case 2: If $z = f(x, y)$, $x = g(s, t)$, and $y = h(s, t)$, then the chain rule states that:

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\partial z}{\partial s} &= \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial s} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial s} \\
\text{Or, } \frac{\partial z}{\partial s} &= f_x \frac{\partial x}{\partial s} + f_y \frac{\partial y}{\partial s} \\
\frac{\partial z}{\partial t} &= \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial t} \\
\text{Or, } \frac{\partial z}{\partial t} &= f_x \frac{\partial x}{\partial t} + f_y \frac{\partial y}{\partial t}
\end{aligned}$$

Example 2.10: Find $\frac{\partial z}{\partial s}$ and $\frac{\partial z}{\partial t}$ for $z = e^{2r} \sin(3\theta)$, $r = st - t^2$, $\theta = \sqrt{s^2 + t^2}$

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\partial z}{\partial s} &= \frac{\partial f}{\partial r} \frac{\partial r}{\partial s} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial \theta} \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial s} \\
&= (2e^{2r} \sin(3\theta))(t + 0) + (3e^{2r} \cos(3\theta)) \left(\frac{s}{\sqrt{s^2 + t^2}} \right) \\
&= 2te^{2r} \sin(3\theta) + 3e^{2r} \cos(3\theta) \frac{s}{\sqrt{s^2 + t^2}} \\
&= 2te^{2(st-t^2)} \sin\left(3\sqrt{s^2 + t^2}\right) + 3e^{2(st-t^2)} \cos\left(3\sqrt{s^2 + t^2}\right) \frac{s}{\sqrt{s^2 + t^2}}
\end{aligned}$$

And,

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\partial z}{\partial t} &= \frac{\partial f}{\partial r} \frac{\partial r}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial \theta} \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial t} \\
&= (2e^{2r} \sin(3\theta))(s - 2t) + (3e^{2r} \cos(3\theta)) \left(\frac{t}{\sqrt{s^2 + t^2}} \right) \\
&= 2(s - 2t)e^{2r} \sin(3\theta) + 3e^{2r} \cos(3\theta) \frac{t}{\sqrt{s^2 + t^2}} \\
&= 2(s - 2t)e^{2(st-t^2)} \sin\left(3\sqrt{s^2 + t^2}\right) + 3e^{2(st-t^2)} \cos\left(3\sqrt{s^2 + t^2}\right) \frac{t}{\sqrt{s^2 + t^2}}
\end{aligned}$$

Chain Rule

Given the following conditions:

- (i) $z = f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$ is a function of n variables,
- (ii) Each variable $x_i(t_1, t_2, \dots, t_m)$ is a function of m variables,

Then for any variable t_i ($i = 1, 2, \dots, m$), we have the following chain rule:

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial t_i} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x_1} \frac{\partial x_1}{\partial t_i} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial x_2} \frac{\partial x_2}{\partial t_i} + \dots + \frac{\partial z}{\partial x_n} \frac{\partial x_n}{\partial t_i}$$

Example 2.11: Compute $\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial \theta^2}$ for $f(x, y)$ if $x = r \cos \theta$ and $y = r \sin \theta$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial f}{\partial \theta} &= \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial \theta} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial \theta} \\ &= -r \sin \theta \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} + r \cos \theta \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \end{aligned}$$

Now, we know the second derivative is

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial \theta^2} = \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial \theta} \right) = \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left(-r \sin \theta \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} + r \cos \theta \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right)$$

Now, we can separately compute $\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right)$ and $\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right)$:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right) &= -r \sin \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right) + r \cos \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right) \\ &= -r \sin \theta \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} + r \cos \theta \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right) &= -r \sin \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right) + r \cos \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right) \\ &= -r \sin \theta \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} + r \cos \theta \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} \end{aligned}$$

Finally, we can substitute these into the second derivative:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial \theta^2} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left(-r \sin \theta \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} + r \cos \theta \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right) \\ &= -r \cos \theta \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} - r \sin \theta \left(-r \sin \theta \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} + r \cos \theta \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x} \right) \\ &\quad - r \sin \theta \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} + r \cos \theta \left(-r \sin \theta \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} + r \cos \theta \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} \right) \\ &= -r \cos \theta \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} + r^2 \sin^2 \theta \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} - r^2 \sin \theta \cos \theta \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x} \\ &\quad - r \sin \theta \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} - r^2 \sin \theta \cos \theta \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} + r^2 \cos^2 \theta \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} \\ &= -r \left(\cos \theta \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} + \sin \theta \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right) \\ &\quad + r^2 \left(\sin^2 \theta \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} - 2 \sin \theta \cos \theta \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} + \cos^2 \theta \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} \right) \end{aligned}$$

2.5.1 Implicit Differentiation

Implicit Differentiation

If $F(x, y) = 0$ is a function where $y = y(x)$, then we can use implicit differentiation to find the derivative of y with respect to x . The chain rule gives us:

$$F_x + F_y \frac{dy}{dx} = 0 \quad \implies \quad \frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{F_x}{F_y}$$

This can be extended to functions of more than two variables. We can start by assuming that $z = f(x, y)$ and we want to find $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}$ and $\frac{\partial z}{\partial y}$.

To find $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}$, we differentiate both sides wrt x :

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

Since $\frac{\partial x}{\partial x} = 1$ and $\frac{\partial y}{\partial x} = 0$, we get:

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = -\frac{F_x}{F_z} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = -\frac{F_y}{F_z}$$

Example 2.12: Find $\frac{dy}{dx}$ for $x \cos(3y) + x^3 y^5 = 3x - e^{xy}$

First, we rearrange the equation in the form $F(x, y) = 0$:

$$x \cos(3y) + x^3 y^5 - 3x + e^{xy} = 0$$

Now, the derivative is:

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{F_x}{F_y} = -\frac{\cos(3y) + 3x^2 y^5 - 3 + y e^{xy}}{-3x \sin(3y) + 5x^3 y^4 + x e^{xy}}$$

Example 2.13: Find $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}$ and $\frac{\partial z}{\partial y}$ for $x^2 \sin(2y - 5z) = 1 + y \cos(6zx)$

First, let's rearrange the equation in the form $F(x, y, z) = 0$:

$$x^2 \sin(2y - 5z) - 1 - y \cos(6zx) = 0$$

Now, the derivatives are:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} &= -\frac{F_x}{F_z} = -\frac{2x \sin(2y - 5z) + 6yz \sin(6zx)}{-5x^2 \cos(2y - 5z) + 6xy \sin(6zx)} \\ \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} &= -\frac{F_y}{F_z} = -\frac{2x^2 \cos(2y - 5z) - \cos(6zx)}{-5x^2 \cos(2y - 5z) + 6xy \sin(6zx)} \end{aligned}$$

2.6 Directional Derivatives

Definition 2.6.1: Directional Derivative

The rate of change of $f(x, y)$ in the direction of the unit vector $\vec{u} = \langle a, b \rangle$ is called the **directional derivative** of f and is denoted by $D_{\vec{u}}f(x, y)$. The definition of the directional derivative is:

$$D_{\vec{u}}f(x, y) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x + ha, y + hb) - f(x, y)}{h}$$