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## Chapter 13 Partial Derivative

### § 13-1. Functions of several variables

Recall

$$\mathbb{R}^2 = \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} = \{(x, y) : x, y \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

$$\mathbb{R}^3 = \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} = \{(x, y, z) : x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

$$\mathbb{R}^n = \{(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) : x_1, \dots, x_n \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

$$f: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$f: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

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

$$f(x, y, z) = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$$

$$f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n$$

$$y = f(x)$$

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

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

$$w = f(x_1, \dots, x_n)$$

Def.

$D \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ , a subset of  $\mathbb{R}^n$

$w = f(x_1, \dots, x_n) : D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , a real-valued function

(i)  $D$  is the domain of  $f$

(ii) the set of  $w$  is the range of  $f$

(iii)  $w$  is the dependent variable (output variable) of  $f$

(iv)  $x_1, \dots, x_n$  are independent variable (input variable) of  $f$

Domains and ranges

Note: The domain of a function is assumed to be the largest set for which the defining rule generates real number.  
(Ex.  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$  domain is  $\mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$ ).

Example 1.

Function

$$z = \sqrt{y - x^2}$$

$$z = \frac{1}{xy}$$

$$z = \sin xy$$

$$w = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$$

$$N = \frac{1}{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$$

$$w = xy \ln z$$

Domain

$$\{(x, y) \mid y \geq x^2\}$$

$$\{(x, y) \mid xy \neq 0\}$$

$$\{(x, y) \mid xy \in \mathbb{R}^2\}$$

$$\mathbb{R}^3$$

$$\mathbb{R}^3 - \{(0, 0, 0)\}$$

$$\{(x, y, z) \mid z > 0, x, y \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

Range

$$[0, \infty)$$

$$(-\infty, 0) \cup (0, \infty)$$

$$[-1, 1]$$

$$[0, \infty)$$

$$[0, \infty) \text{ IF}$$

$$\mathbb{R}$$

## Functions of two variables:

Def.

in:  $\mathbb{S}$

$$S \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2, (x_0, y_0) \in \mathbb{R}^2, r > 0 \quad B(x_0, y_0)$$

$$(1) D((x_0, y_0), r) = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : |(x, y) - (x_0, y_0)| < r\}$$

(2)  $(x_0, y_0)$  is an interior pt. of  $S$  if  $\exists r > 0$  s.t.  $D((x_0, y_0), r) \subseteq S$

(3)  $(x_0, y_0)$  is a boundary pt. of  $S$  if  $D((x_0, y_0), r) \cap S \neq \emptyset$  and  $D((x_0, y_0), r) \cap (\mathbb{R}^2 \setminus S) \neq \emptyset, \forall r > 0$

(4)  $\{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : (x, y)\}$  is an interior pt. of  $S$  is the interior of  $S$ .

(5)  $\partial S = \{(x, y) : \text{a boundary pt. of } S\} = \text{boundary of } S$ .

(6)  $S$  is open if  $S = \text{Int } S$  interior

(7)  $S$  is closed if  $\partial S \subseteq S$ .

(8)  $S$  is bold if  $S \subseteq D(0, 0), r$  for some  $r > 0$   $\neq$  disk

(9)  $S$  is unbold if  $S$  is not bold.

Example 2.

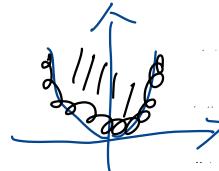
Describe the domain of the function  $f(x, y) = \sqrt{y - x^2}$

So:

$$\text{In } S \{ (x, y) \mid y > x^2 \}$$

$$S = \{ (x, y) \mid y = x^2 \} \subset D = \{ (x, y) \mid y > x^2 \}$$

closed and unbold



Graphs, level curve, and contour of functions of two variables:

Def:

$$f(x, y) : D \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, c \in \mathbb{R}$$

$\{(x, y) \in D : f(x, y) = c\}$  is a level curve of  $f$   $\mathbb{R}^2$  投影到  $x-y$  平面

$\{(x, y, f(x, y)) \in \mathbb{R}^3 : (x, y) \in D\}$  is the graph of  $f$

$z = f(x, y)$  is called a surface

$\{(x, y, c) \in \mathbb{R}^3 : f(x, y) = c\}$  is a contour curve of  $f$ .

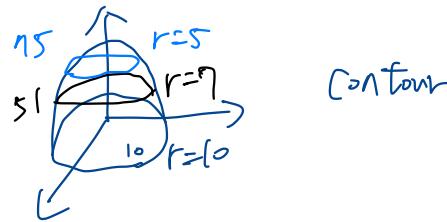
$\mathbb{R}^3$

Example 3.

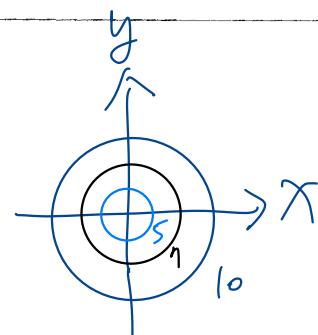
Graph  $f(x, y) = 100 - x^2 - y^2$  and plot the level curves

$$f(x, y) = 0, 51, 75.$$

Sol.



Contour



Functions of three variables:

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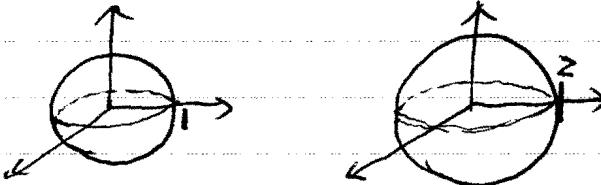
$$f(x, y, z) : D \xrightarrow{SR^3} \mathbb{R}, \quad c \in \mathbb{R}$$

$\{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 : f(x, y, z) = c\}$  is a level surface of  $f$ .

Example . 4.

$$f(x, y, z) = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2} : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$f(x, y, z) = c = 1. \quad c = z = f(x, y, z)$$



Def.

$$S \subseteq \mathbb{R}^3, \quad (x_0, y_0, z_0) \in \mathbb{R}^3, \quad r > 0.$$

$$(1) \quad D((x_0, y_0, z_0), r) = \{(x, y, z) : |(x, y, z) - (x_0, y_0, z_0)| < r\}$$

(2)  $(x_0, y_0, z_0)$  is an interior pt. of  $S$  if  $\exists r > 0$  s.t.  $D((x_0, y_0, z_0), r) \subseteq S$ .

(3)  $(x_0, y_0, z_0)$  is a boundary pt. of  $S$  if  $\forall r > 0, D((x_0, y_0, z_0), r) \cap S \neq \emptyset$  and  $D((x_0, y_0, z_0), r) \cap (\mathbb{R}^3 \setminus S) \neq \emptyset$

(4) The interior of  $S$  is  $\text{Int } S = \{\text{all interior pts of } S\}$

(5) The boundary of  $S$  is  $\partial S = \{\text{all boundary pts of } S\}$

(6)  $S$  is open if  $S = \text{Int } S$

(7)  $S$  is closed if  $\partial S \subseteq S$ .

Example

$$S = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 : x^2 + y^2 + z^2 \leq 1\} \text{ is closed.}$$

$$\text{Int } S = \{(x, y, z) : x^2 + y^2 + z^2 < 1\}$$

$$\partial S = \{(x, y, z) : x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1\}$$

$\partial S \subseteq S \quad \text{closed}$

Level Surface

## § 13-2. Limits and continuity in higher dimensions

Def.

$$D \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2, f: D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, (x_0, y_0) \in D \cup \partial D. \sqrt{(x-x_0)^2 + (y-y_0)^2}$$

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (x_0, y_0)} f(x, y) = L \text{ if } \forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0 \text{ s.t. } \forall 0 < |(x, y) - (x_0, y_0)| < \delta \\ \Rightarrow |f(x, y) - L| < \varepsilon.$$

Note

(1) If  $f: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, x_0 \in (a, b), \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} f(x) = L$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} f(x) = L = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} f(x) \quad (\text{i.e. if } \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} f(x) \neq \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} f(x) \Rightarrow \text{not exist}) \quad (x_0, y_0)$$

(2) If  $f: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, (x_0, y_0) \in \mathbb{R}^2, \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (x_0, y_0)} f(x, y) = L$ .

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x_0+x, y_0) = L = \lim_{y \rightarrow 0} f(x_0, y_0+y) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} f(x_0+h, y_0+h).$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x_0+x, y_0+x^2) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x_0+x, y_0+mx)$$

(i.e. the limits of any two directions are different  $\Rightarrow$  the limit does not exist.)

Example:

Prove  $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (x_0, y_0)} f(x, y)$  if (a)  $f(x, y) = x$ , (b)  $f(x, y) = y$ , (c)  $f(x, y) = k$

pf:

### Theorem I (properties of limits)

If  $L, M, k \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (x_0, y_0)} f(x, y) = L, \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (x_0, y_0)} g(x, y) = M$ .

Then (1)  $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (x_0, y_0)} (f(x, y) \pm g(x, y)) = L \pm M$

(2)  $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (x_0, y_0)} (k \cdot f(x, y)) = kL$

(3)  $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (x_0, y_0)} (f(x, y) \cdot g(x, y)) = LM$

(4) if  $M \neq 0, \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (x_0, y_0)} \frac{f(x, y)}{g(x, y)} = \frac{L}{M}$

(5)  $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (x_0, y_0)} (f(x, y))^n = L^n, \forall n \geq 1$

(6)  $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (x_0, y_0)} \sqrt[n]{f(x, y)} = L^{\frac{1}{n}}, \forall n \geq 1 \text{ and } L \geq 0 \text{ if } n \text{ even}$

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Example 1.

$$(a) \underset{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,1)}{\lim} \frac{x-y+3}{x^2y+5xy-y^3} = \frac{3}{-1} = -3$$

$$(b) \underset{(x,y) \rightarrow (3,-4)}{\lim} \sqrt{x^2+y^2} = 5$$

Example 2

$$\text{Find } \underset{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)}{\lim} \frac{x^2-xy}{\sqrt{x}-\sqrt{y}} \quad x \frac{(x^2-xy)(\sqrt{x}+\sqrt{y})}{\cancel{x-y}} = x(\sqrt{x}+\sqrt{y}) = 0$$

So:

Example 3.

$$\text{Find } \underset{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)}{\lim} \frac{4xy^2}{x^2+y^2} \text{ if it exists}$$

So:

$$0 \leq \left| \frac{4xy^2}{x^2+y^2} \right| \leq 4|x|$$

$$\underset{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)}{\lim} 4|x| = 0 \Rightarrow \left| \frac{4xy^2}{x^2+y^2} \right| = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{4xy^2}{x^2+y^2} = 0$$

找不到任兩方向 Value different, limit doesn't exist.

Example 4.

$$\text{Does } \underset{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)}{\lim} \frac{y}{x} \text{ exist?}$$

So:



$$\underset{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)}{\lim} \frac{y}{x} \text{ along } y=x$$

$$\underset{x \rightarrow 0}{\lim} f(x) = L$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \underset{x \rightarrow x_0^-}{\lim} f(x) = L = \underset{x \rightarrow x_0^+}{\lim} f(x)$$

$$\underset{\substack{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0) \\ \text{along } y=x}}{\lim} \frac{y}{x} = \underset{x \rightarrow 0}{\lim} \frac{5x}{x} = 5$$

Continuity

Def.

(i)  $f(x, y)$  is conti. at  $(x_0, y_0)$  if (i)  $(x_0, y_0) \in \text{domain}$

(ii)  $\underset{(x,y) \rightarrow (x_0,y_0)}{\lim} f(x, y)$  exists

(iii)  $\underset{(x,y) \rightarrow (x_0,y_0)}{\lim} f(x, y) = f(x_0, y_0)$

(iv)  $f$  is conti. if  $f$  is conti. at  $(x_0, y_0)$ ,  $\forall (x_0, y_0) \in \text{domain}$ .

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- Note.
- (0)  $f(x, y)$  is conti. at  $(x_0, y_0) \Rightarrow \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (x_0,y_0)} f(x, y) = f(x_0, y_0) = f\left(\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (x_0,y_0)} (x, y)\right)$ .
  - (1) If  $f, g$  are conti. at  $(x_0, y_0)$ , and  $k \in \mathbb{R}$   
 $\Rightarrow f \pm g, kf, f \cdot g, \frac{f}{g} (g(x_0, y_0) \neq 0), f^n$  are conti. at  $(x_0, y_0)$ .
  - (2)  $p(x, y)$ , a poly., is conti. on  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .
  - (3)  $p, q$  are poly.  $\Rightarrow p/q$  is conti. on  $\mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{(x, y) : q(x, y) = 0\}$ .

Example 5:

Show that  $f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{2xy}{x^2+y^2} & \text{if } (x, y) \neq (0, 0), \\ 0 & \text{if } (x, y) = (0, 0) \end{cases}$  is conti. on  $\mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{(0, 0)\}$ .

Pf.  $\forall (x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{(0, 0)\} \Rightarrow (x, y) \neq (0, 0)$

$2xy$  and  $x^2+y^2$  are conti. on  $\mathbb{R}^2$

$\Rightarrow f(x, y) = \frac{2xy}{x^2+y^2}$  is conti. on  $\mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{(0, 0)\}$

Show  $f(x, y)$  is not conti. at  $(0, 0)$

$$\lim_{\substack{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0) \\ \text{along } y=x}} f(x, y) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2mx^2}{x^2+m^2x^2} = \frac{2m}{1+m^2} = 1 \quad \neq \text{ along } y=2x \Rightarrow \frac{4}{5}$$

limit doesn't exist. Hence  $f$  is not conti. at  $(0, 0)$

Example 6

Show that  $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{2x^2y}{x^4+y^2}$  does not exist.

Pf: along  $y=x^3$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2x^2 \cdot x^3}{x^4+x^6} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2x^5}{x^4+x^6} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2x}{1+x^2} = 0$$

(1)  $y=mx$   
 $\Rightarrow y=m x^3$

由  $m$  無限

$$\lim_{\substack{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0) \\ \text{along } y=x^2}} \frac{4x^4}{x^4+4x^4} = \frac{4}{5} \quad \text{Hence ... does not exist}$$

Note

In Example 6,  $\lim_{\substack{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0) \\ \text{along } y=mx}} \frac{2x^2y}{x^4+y^2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2mx^3}{x^4+m^2x^2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2mx}{x^2+m^2} = 0, \forall m$ .

i.e. If  $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} f(x, y) = L, \forall n \nRightarrow$  the limit exists.

$m x^2 ? m x^3 ?$

Thm (Continuity of composites)

$$f(x, y) : D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, g(x) : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, f(D) \subseteq I$$

If  $f$  is conti. at  $(x_0, y_0)$ ,  $g$  is conti. at  $f(x_0, y_0) \Rightarrow h(x, y) = g(f(x, y))$  is conti.

Example

$$e^{x-y}, \cos \frac{xy}{x^2+1}, \ln(1+x^2y^2) \text{ are conti. on } \mathbb{R}^2$$

Functions of more than two variables

$$f(x, y, z) = \ln(x+y+z), g(x, y, z) = \frac{yz\sin z}{x-1}$$

$$\lim_{(x,y,z) \rightarrow (1,0,1)} \frac{e^{x+z}}{z^2 + \cos xy} = \frac{e^0}{1 + \cos 0} = \frac{1}{1+1} = \frac{1}{2}$$

Note

functions of

The def. of limit and continuity are same with  $\sqrt{\text{two variables}}$

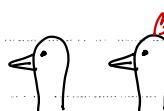
Recall:

(1)  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is conti.  $\Rightarrow f$  has an abs. max. value and an abs. min. value

(2)  $f : S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is conti.,  $S \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  is closed and bdd  $\Rightarrow$

(3)  $f(x_1, \dots, x_n) : S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is conti. and  $S \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  is closed and bdd

$\Rightarrow$



pf of thm:

$$\underset{(x,y) \rightarrow (x_0, y_0)}{\overset{\exists}{\exists}} g(f(x, y)) = g(\underset{(x,y) \rightarrow (x_0, y_0)}{\overset{\exists}{\exists}} f(x, y)) = g(f(x_0, y_0)) = h(x_0, y_0)$$

### § 13-3. Partial derivatives

Recall

$R \subset \mathbb{R}^3$ , an open region,  $(x_0, y_0) \in R$ ,  $f: R \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$   
 Fix  $y = y_0$ , then  $f(x, y_0)$  is a curve with one variable  $x$ , i.e.  $f(x, y_0) = g(x)$ .

 $\Rightarrow g'(x_0) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x_0+h, y_0) - f(x_0, y_0)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x_0+h, y_0) - f(x_0, y_0)}{h} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \Big|_{(x_0, y_0)}$ 

$$\text{Ex. } f(x, y) = 10 - x^2 - y^2 + xy \Rightarrow g(x) = f(x, y_0) = 10 - y_0^2 - x^2 y_0 + x y_0 \Rightarrow g'(x_0) = -2x_0 + y_0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \Big|_{(x_0, y_0)} = -2x_0 + y_0$$

Def.

The partial derivative of  $f(x, y)$  w.r.t.  $x$  at the point  $(x_0, y_0)$  is  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \Big|_{(x_0, y_0)} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x_0+h, y_0) - f(x_0, y_0)}{h}$  provided the limit exists.

$$\text{Ex. } \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (x^2 - 3xy + y^2) \Big|_{(1, 2)} = 4x - 3y \Big|_{(1, 2)} = 4 - 6 = -2$$

Note.

$$(1) \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \Big|_{(x_0, y_0)} = \frac{d}{dx} f(x, y_0) \Big|_{x=x_0}$$

(2)  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \Big|_{(x_0, y_0)}$  is the slope of the tangent line of the curve  $f(x, y_0)$  at  $(x_0, y_0)$  in the plane  $y = y_0$ .

(3) Notations:  $z = f(x, y)$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \Big|_{(x_0, y_0)} = f_x(x_0, y_0) = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \Big|_{(x_0, y_0)}, \quad f_x = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = z_x$$

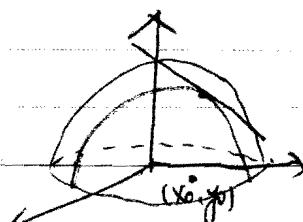
Def.

The partial derivative of  $f(x, y)$  w.r.t.  $y$  at  $(x_0, y_0)$  is

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \Big|_{(x_0, y_0)} = \frac{df}{dy} \Big|_{y=y_0} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x_0, y_0+h) - f(x_0, y_0)}{h}$$

provided the limit exists.

Note: (2) (3)



$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = f_x = 2x$$

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Calculations:

对  $x$  偏微，只有  $x$  是变数，其它都是数字。

$$= y = , \quad = y = , \quad =$$

Example

$$f(x, y) = x^2 + 3xy + y - 1. \text{ Find } \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(4, -5), \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(4, -5).$$

$$\text{Sol: } 2x + 3y \Big|_{(4, -5)} = -7$$

$$3x + 1 \Big|_{(4, -5)} = 13$$

Example 2

$$f(x, y) = y \sin xy. \text{ Find } \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}.$$

$$\text{Sol: } \sin xy + xy \cos xy$$

Example 3

$$f(x, y) = \frac{xy}{y + \cos x}. \text{ Find } f_x, f_y.$$

$$\text{Sol: } f_x = \frac{-y(\sin x)}{(y + \cos x)^2} \quad f_y = \frac{2(y + \cos x) - 2y}{(y + \cos x)^2}$$

Example 4.

The equation  $y z - \ln z = x + y$  defines  $z$  as a function of  $x$  and  $y$ .

$$\text{Find } \frac{\partial z}{\partial x}.$$

$$\text{Sol: } -y z' - \frac{z'}{z} = 1 \quad y z' - \frac{z'}{z} = 1$$

$$z' (y - \frac{1}{z}) =$$

$$z' (y - \frac{1}{z}) = 1$$

$$z' \cdot \frac{yz-1}{z} = 1 \quad z' = \frac{z}{yz-1}$$

Example 5.

The plane  $x=1$  intersects  $z = x^2 + y^2$  in a parabola. Find the slope of the tangent to the parabola at  $(1, 2, 5)$ .

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Sol:  $\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = 2y = 4 \quad \#$        $|+y^2$

Example 6.

 $f(x, y, z) = x \sin(y+3z)$ . Find  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial z}$ .

Sol:  $x \cos(y+3z) \cdot 3$

Example 7.

$$\frac{1}{R} = \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} + \frac{1}{R_3} \quad \text{Find } \frac{\partial R}{\partial R_2} \text{ when } R_1 = 30, R_2 = 45, R_3 = 90$$

Sol:

$$\frac{\partial R}{\partial R_2} = -R^{-2} R_{2y} = -y^{-2}$$

$$R_{2y} = \frac{R^2}{y^2}$$

$$\frac{1}{R} = \frac{1}{30} + \frac{1}{45} + \frac{1}{90} = \frac{1}{15}$$

$$R = 15$$

$$y = 45$$

$$R_{2y} = \frac{1}{9} \quad \#$$

Note.

If  $f_x(x_0, y_0)$  and  $f_y(x_0, y_0)$  exist  $\nRightarrow f$  is conti. at  $(x_0, y_0)$ .

Example 8.

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } xy \neq 0 \\ 1 & \text{if } x=0 \text{ or } y=0 \end{cases}$$

(a) Find the limit of  $f$  as  $(x, y) \rightarrow (0, 0)$  along  $y=x$ .(b) Prove  $f$  is not conti. at  $(0, 0)$ .(c) Show that  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(0, 0)$  and  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(0, 0)$  exist.

Sol:

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$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(h, 0) - (0, 0)}{h} = 0$$

Second-order partial derivatives.

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

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

Example 9.

$f(x, y) = x \cos y + y e^x$ . Find  $f_{xx}$ ,  $f_{xy}$ ,  $f_{yy}$ ,  $f_{yx}$ .

$$\text{Sol: } f_x = \cos y + y e^x$$

$$y e^x \quad -\sin y + e^x \quad -x \cos y \quad -\sin y + e^x$$

$$f_y = -x \sin y + e^x$$

$$\text{Question: } \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x}(x_0, y_0) \neq \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y}(x_0, y_0)$$

Ans: In general, not! Need some conditions on  $f$ .

Theorem.

$R \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$ , open region,  $(a, b) \in R$ .  $f: R \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

If  $f_x$ ,  $f_y$ ,  $f_{xy}$ ,  $f_{yx}$  exist and conti. on  $R \Rightarrow f_{xy}(a, b) = f_{yx}(a, b)$ .

Example 10.

$$w = xy + \frac{e^y}{y^2 + 1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} = y, \quad \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} = x + \frac{e^y(y^2 + 1) - e^y \cdot 2y}{(y^2 + 1)^2} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \\ \end{array} \right\} \text{are all conti.}$$

High order partial derivative.

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y^2} = f_{yyx} \quad \frac{\partial^4 f}{\partial x^2 \partial y^2} = f_{yyxx}$$

Example 11.

$$f(x, y, z) = 1 - 2xyz^2 + x^2y. \quad \text{Find } f_{xyz}$$

Sol:

$$\begin{array}{c} -4xyz^2 + x^2 \\ -4yz^2 + x \\ \hline -4yz^2 + x \end{array}$$

## Differentiability:

Recall.

$f: (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $x_0 \in (a, b)$

$$f \text{ is diff. at } x_0 \Leftrightarrow \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x_0+h) - f(x_0)}{h} = f'(x_0).$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} (f(x_0+h) - f(x_0) - f'(x_0) \cdot h) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } h \rightarrow 0.$$

$$\text{If we let } \varepsilon(h) = (f(x_0+h) - f(x_0) - f'(x_0)h)/h$$

Then "  $f$  is diff. at  $x_0$  "  $\Leftrightarrow \varepsilon(h) \rightarrow 0$  as  $h \rightarrow 0$ .

We write  $\Delta x = h$  and  $\Delta y = f(x_0 + \Delta x) - f(x_0)$ .

$$\Rightarrow \Delta y = f'(x_0) \cdot \Delta x + \varepsilon \Delta x \text{ in which } \varepsilon \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } \Delta x \rightarrow 0$$

$$\text{Taylor formula: } \Delta y = f'(x_0) \cdot \Delta x + \frac{f''(c)}{2} (\Delta x)^2 \Rightarrow \text{i.e. } \varepsilon = \frac{1}{2} f''(c) \Delta x \Rightarrow \varepsilon \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } \Delta x \rightarrow 0$$

Now,

$R \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$ , open region,  $(x_0, y_0) \in R$

$f: R \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ .

We write  $\Delta z = f(x_0 + \Delta x, y_0 + \Delta y) - f(x_0, y_0)$ ,

If  $\Delta z = f_x(x_0, y_0) \Delta x + f_y(x_0, y_0) \Delta y + \varepsilon_1 \Delta x + \varepsilon_2 \Delta y$ , and

$\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2 \rightarrow 0$  as both  $\Delta x, \Delta y \rightarrow 0$

We say that  $f$  is diff. at  $(x_0, y_0)$ , write  $Df(x_0, y_0) = \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x_0, y_0), \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x_0, y_0)\right)$

Def.

(1) A function  $z = f(x, y)$  is diff. at  $(x_0, y_0)$  if  $f_x(x_0, y_0), f_y(x_0, y_0)$  exist and  $\Delta z$  satisfies  $\Delta z = f_x(x_0, y_0) \Delta x + f_y(x_0, y_0) \Delta y + \varepsilon_1 \Delta x + \varepsilon_2 \Delta y$ , in which each of  $\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2 \rightarrow 0$  as  $\Delta x, \Delta y \rightarrow 0$ .

(2)  $f$  is diff. if  $f$  is diff. at every point in domain.

(3) In this case, the graph of  $f$  is a smooth surface.

Thm.

(1) If  $f_x$  and  $f_y$  exist and conti. at  $(x_0, y_0) \Rightarrow f$  is diff. at  $(x_0, y_0)$ .

(2)  $f$  is diff. at  $(x_0, y_0) \Rightarrow f$  is conti. at  $(x_0, y_0)$ .

Cov.

$$\text{i.e. } \lim_{\Delta x, \Delta y \rightarrow 0} \Delta z = 0.$$

$R \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$ , open region,  $f: R \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ .

If  $f_x, f_y$  exist and conti. on  $R \Rightarrow f$  is diff. on  $R$ .

$$\text{and } Df(x, y) = \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x, y), \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x, y)\right).$$

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$$f(x_0 + \Delta x, y_0 + \Delta y) - f(x_0, y_0) = f_x(x_0, y_0) \Delta x + f_y(x_0, y_0) \Delta y + \varepsilon_1 \Delta x + \varepsilon_2 \Delta y \rightarrow 0$$

as  $\Delta x, \Delta y \rightarrow 0$ .

Taylor formula :

$$\begin{aligned} f(x_0 + \Delta x, y_0 + \Delta y) &= f(x_0, y_0) + f_x(x_0, y_0) \Delta x + f_y(x_0, y_0) \Delta y + \frac{1}{2} f_{xx}(c_1, c_2) (\Delta x)^2 \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2} f_{yy}(c_1, c_2) (\Delta y)^2 + f_{xy}(c_1, c_2) \Delta x \cdot \Delta y. \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{i.e. } \varepsilon_1 = \frac{1}{2} f_{xx}(c_1, c_2) \Delta x + \frac{1}{2} f_{xy}(c_1, c_2) \Delta y$$

$$\varepsilon_2 = \frac{1}{2} f_{yy}(c_1, c_2) \Delta y + \frac{1}{2} f_{xy}(c_1, c_2) \Delta x$$

$$\Rightarrow \varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2 \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } \Delta x, \Delta y \rightarrow 0$$

## §13-4. The chain rule

Theorem

$w = f(x, y)$  is diff.,  $x = x(t)$ ,  $y = y(t)$  are diff.

$\Rightarrow w(t) = f(x(t), y(t))$  is a diff. function of  $t$  and

$$\frac{dw}{dt} = f_x(x(t), y(t)) \cdot x'(t) + f_y(x(t), y(t)) \cdot y'(t)$$

$$\text{i.e. } \frac{dw}{dt} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \cdot \frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \cdot \frac{dy}{dt} = \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right) \cdot \left( \frac{dx}{dt}, \frac{dy}{dt} \right)$$

Pf.

$\forall t \in \mathbb{R}$ , let  $P_0 = (x(t_0), y(t_0))$

$\because w = f(x, y)$  is diff.

$$\Rightarrow \Delta w = f_x(P_0) \cdot \Delta x + f_y(P_0) \cdot \Delta y + \varepsilon_1 \Delta x + \varepsilon_2 \Delta y, \text{ where}$$

$\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2 \rightarrow 0$  as  $\Delta x, \Delta y \rightarrow 0$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\Delta w}{\Delta t} = f_x(P_0) \cdot \frac{\Delta x}{\Delta t} + f_y(P_0) \cdot \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta t} + \varepsilon_1 \frac{\Delta x}{\Delta t} + \varepsilon_2 \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta t} \quad (\Delta t = t - t_0)$$

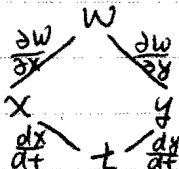
Let  $\Delta t \rightarrow 0$  (i.e.  $t \rightarrow t_0$ )  $\Rightarrow \Delta x \rightarrow 0$  and  $\Delta y \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow \varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2 \rightarrow 0$

$$\Rightarrow \left. \frac{dw}{dt} \right|_{t=t_0} = f_x(P_0) \cdot x'(t_0) + f_y(P_0) \cdot y'(t_0) + 0 \cdot x'(t_0) + 0 \cdot y'(t_0)$$

$$\text{i.e. } w'(t_0) = f_x(x(t_0), y(t_0)) \cdot x'(t_0) + f_y(x(t_0), y(t_0)) \cdot y'(t_0).$$

Note

$$\frac{dw}{dt} = \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} \cdot \frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} \cdot \frac{dy}{dt}$$



Example 1.

$$w = xy, \quad x = \cos t, \quad y = \sin t, \quad \text{Find } \left. \frac{dw}{dt} \right|_{t=\frac{\pi}{2}}$$

Sol:

$$(y, x) \cdot (-\sin t, \cos t) = -y \sin t + x \cos t = -\sin t = -1$$

$$\text{Note: } w = \cos t \cdot \sin t = \frac{1}{2} \sin 2t \Rightarrow \frac{dw}{dt} = \cos 2t$$

Theorem

$w = f(x, y, z)$  is diff. and  $x, y, z$  are diff. functions of  $t$

$$\Rightarrow w \text{ is a diff. function of } t \text{ and } \frac{dw}{dt} = \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} \frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} \frac{dy}{dt} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} \frac{dz}{dt}$$

$$x'y + xy' + z'$$

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Example 2.

Find  $\frac{dw}{dt}$  if  $w = xy + z$ ,  $x = \cos t$ ,  $y = \sin t$ ,  $z = t$ . Find  $w'(0)$ .

Sol:

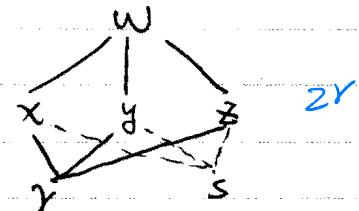
$$(y, x, 1) \cdot (-\sin t, \cos t, 1) = -\sin t + \cos^2 t + 1 = \cos 2t + 1 = 2$$

Theorem

$w = f(x, y, z)$ ,  $x = g(y, s)$ ,  $y = h(y, s)$  and  $z = k(y, s)$  are diff.  
 $\Rightarrow \frac{\partial w}{\partial y}$  and  $\frac{\partial w}{\partial s}$  exist and  $\begin{cases} \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} \cdot \frac{\partial x}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} \cdot \frac{\partial y}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} \cdot \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \\ \frac{\partial w}{\partial s} = \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} \cdot \frac{\partial x}{\partial s} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} \cdot \frac{\partial y}{\partial s} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} \cdot \frac{\partial z}{\partial s} \end{cases}$

Note

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial w}{\partial e} &= \left( \frac{\partial w}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial w}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} \right) \cdot \left( \frac{\partial x}{\partial r}, \frac{\partial y}{\partial r}, \frac{\partial z}{\partial r} \right) \\ \frac{\partial w}{\partial e} &= \left( \frac{\partial w}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial w}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} \right) \cdot \left( \frac{\partial x}{\partial s}, \frac{\partial y}{\partial s}, \frac{\partial z}{\partial s} \right) \end{aligned}$$



Example 3

Find  $\frac{\partial w}{\partial r}$  and  $\frac{\partial w}{\partial s}$  if  $w = x + 2y + z^2$ ,  $x = \frac{r}{s}$ ,  $y = r^2 + \ln s$ ,  $z = 2r$ .

Sol:

$$(1, 2, 2z) \cdot \left( \frac{1}{s}, 2r, 2 \right) = \frac{1}{s} + 4r + 8r = \frac{1}{s} + 12r$$

$$-\frac{r}{s^2} + 2r \frac{1}{s} + 0$$

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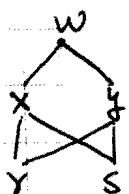
$$(1, 2, 2z) \cdot \left( -r \frac{1}{s^2}, \frac{1}{s}, 0 \right) = -\frac{r}{s^2} + \frac{2}{s} = \frac{-r+2s}{s^2}$$

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Note

If  $w = f(x, y)$ ,  $x = g(y, s)$ ,  $y = h(y, s)$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} \cdot \frac{\partial y}{\partial y}, \quad \frac{\partial w}{\partial s} = \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} \cdot \frac{\partial x}{\partial s} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} \cdot \frac{\partial y}{\partial s}$$



Example

Find  $\frac{\partial w}{\partial r}$ ,  $\frac{\partial w}{\partial s}$  if  $w = x^2 + y^2$ ,  $x = r-s$ ,  $y = r+s$ .

Sol:

$$(2x, 2y) \cdot (1, 1) = 2x + 2y = 4r$$

$$(2x, 2y) \cdot (-1, 1) = -2x + 2y = 4s$$

Note

$$\text{If } w = f(x), \quad x = g(y, s) \Rightarrow \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} = \frac{dw}{dx} \cdot \frac{\partial x}{\partial y}, \quad \frac{\partial w}{\partial s} = \frac{dw}{dx} \cdot \frac{\partial x}{\partial s}$$

Implicit differentiation revisited.(1)  $F(x, y)$  is diff.(2)  $F(x, y) = 0$  defines  $y = h(x)$ , a diff. function of  $x$ 

$$Ex: x^2 + y = 0 \Rightarrow y = -x^2$$

$$\Rightarrow w = F(x, h(x)) = 0, \quad \forall x$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 = \frac{dw}{dx} = \frac{\partial F}{\partial x} \cdot \frac{dx}{dx} + \frac{\partial F}{\partial y} \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} = F_x + F_y \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = - \frac{F_x}{F_y}$$

Theorem

Suppose  $F(x, y)$  is diff. and  $F(x, y) = 0$  defines  $y$  as a diff. function of  $x$ . If  $F_y \neq 0 \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = - \frac{F_x}{F_y}$ .

Example

$$\text{Find } \frac{dy}{dx} \text{ if } y^2 - x^2 - \sin xy = 0 \quad F_y = 2y - x \cos xy$$

So/:

$$F_x = -2x - y \cos xy$$

$$F_y = 2y - x \cos xy$$

$$2y \cdot y' - 2x - \cos xy (y + y'x) = 0$$

$$y' = \frac{2x + y \cos xy}{2y - x \cos xy}$$

$$\frac{2x + y \cos xy}{2y - x \cos xy}$$

Note

If  $F(x, y, z)$  is diff. and  $F(x, y, z) = 0$  defines  $z = f(x, y)$  is diff.

$$\Rightarrow F(x, y, f(x, y)) = 0, \quad \forall x, y$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 = \frac{\partial F}{\partial x} \cdot \frac{dx}{dx} + \frac{\partial F}{\partial y} \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{\partial F}{\partial z} \cdot \frac{dz}{dx} = \frac{\partial F}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial F}{\partial z} \cdot \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \Rightarrow \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = - \frac{F_x}{F_z}$$

$$\text{Similarly, } \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = - \frac{F_y}{F_z}$$

$$\frac{3x^2 + y^2 e^{xy}}{2z + xy e^{xy} + \cos y}$$

Example

$$\text{Find } \frac{\partial z}{\partial x}(0, 0, 0) \text{ and } \frac{\partial z}{\partial y}(0, 0, 0) \text{ if } x^3 + z^2 + ye^{xz} + z \cos y = 0$$

So/:

$$F_x = 3x^2 + ye^{xz} \cdot z = 0 \quad F_x(0, 0) = 0$$

$$F_z = 2z + xy e^{xz} + \cos y = 1$$

$$F_y = e^{xz} - z \sin y = 1$$

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If  $w$  is a function of  $x, y, z, u, v$

$x, y, z, u, v$  are diff. Functions of  $p, q, r, s, t$ .

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial w}{\partial p} = \left( \frac{\partial w}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial w}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial w}{\partial z}, \frac{\partial w}{\partial u}, \frac{\partial w}{\partial v} \right) \cdot \left( \frac{\partial x}{\partial p}, \frac{\partial y}{\partial p}, \frac{\partial z}{\partial p}, \frac{\partial u}{\partial p}, \frac{\partial v}{\partial p} \right).$$

## § 13-5. Directional derivatives and gradient vectors

$$z = f(x, y) \quad (\text{e.g. } z = 10 - x^2 - y^2)$$

Fix  $y = y_0$ 

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} \frac{f(x, y_0) - f(x_0, y_0)}{x - x_0} = f_x(x_0, y_0) = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x_0 + s, y_0) - f(x_0, y_0)}{s}$$

i.e.  $x = x_0 + s$ ,  $y = y_0$  is the rate of change of  $f$  in the direction  $\vec{i} = (1, 0)$

Fix  $x = x_0$ 

$$\lim_{y \rightarrow y_0} \frac{f(x_0, y) - f(x_0, y_0)}{y - y_0} = f_y(x_0, y_0) = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x_0, y_0 + s) - f(x_0, y_0)}{s}$$

i.e.  $x = x_0$ ,  $y = y_0 + s$ , is the rate of change of  $f$  in the direction  $\vec{j} = (0, 1)$

Now,  $x = x_0 + su_1$ ,  $y = y_0 + su_2$ ,  $u_1^2 + u_2^2 = 1$

$$\lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x_0 + su_1, y_0 + su_2) - f(x_0, y_0)}{s}$$

$|\vec{u}| = 1$ ,  $\vec{u} = (u_1, u_2)$  is the rate of change of  $f$  in the direction  $\vec{u}$ .

Def.

The derivative of  $f$  at  $P_0(x_0, y_0)$  in the direction of the unit vector  $\vec{u} = (u_1, u_2)$  is the number

$$(\frac{df}{ds})_{\vec{u}, P_0} = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x_0 + su_1, y_0 + su_2) - f(x_0, y_0)}{s} \text{ provided the limit exists.}$$

Note

- (1) The direction derivative  $(\frac{df}{ds})_{\vec{u}, P_0}$  is denoted by  $(D_{\vec{u}} f)_{P_0}$
- (2) If  $\vec{u} = \vec{i} = (1, 0) \Rightarrow (D_i f)_{P_0} = (\frac{\partial f}{\partial x})_{P_0}$
- (3) If  $\vec{u} = \vec{j} = (0, 1) \Rightarrow (D_j f)_{P_0} = (\frac{\partial f}{\partial y})_{P_0}$

Example 1.  $z = x + y$ ,  $x$ 

$$f(x, y) = x^2 + xy, \vec{u} = (\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}), P_0(1, 2). \text{ Find } (D_{\vec{u}} f)_{P_0}$$

Sol:

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(1 + \frac{s}{\sqrt{2}}, 2 + \frac{s}{\sqrt{2}}) - f(1, 2)}{s} &= \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{(1 + \frac{s}{\sqrt{2}})^2 + (1 + \frac{s}{\sqrt{2}})(2 + \frac{s}{\sqrt{2}}) - 3}{s} \\ &= \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 + \frac{s^2}{2} + 2 + \frac{3s}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{s^2}{2} - 3}{s} = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} (\frac{3}{\sqrt{2}} + s) = \frac{3}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{3}{\sqrt{2}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f_x &= 2x+y = 4 \\ f_y &= x = 1 \end{aligned} \quad (4,1) \cdot \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) = \frac{5}{\sqrt{2}}$$

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### Note

$f(x, y)$ ,  $x = x_0 + sU_1$ ,  $y = y_0 + sU_2$  are diff. functions of  $s$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{By chain rule } \Rightarrow \left(\frac{df}{ds}\right)_{\vec{u}, P_0} &= \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}\right)_{P_0} \left(\frac{dx}{ds}\right) + \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}\right)_{P_0} \cdot \left(\frac{dy}{ds}\right) \\ &= \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}\right)_{P_0} \cdot U_1 + \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}\right)_{P_0} \cdot U_2 \\ &= \left(\left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}\right)_{P_0}, \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}\right)_{P_0}\right) \cdot \vec{u} \end{aligned}$$

### Def

The gradient vector of  $f(x, y)$  at a point  $P_0(x_0, y_0)$  is

$$(\nabla f)_{P_0} = \left(\left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}\right)_{P_0}, \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}\right)_{P_0}\right) \in \mathbb{R}^2.$$

$$\text{i.e. } \nabla f = \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}\right)$$

### Theorem

$R \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$ , open region,  $f(x, y): R \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is diff. on  $R$ ,  $P_0(x_0, y_0) \in R$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{df}{ds}\right)_{\vec{u}, P_0} (= D_{\vec{u}} f)_{P_0} = (\nabla f)_{P_0} \cdot \vec{u}, \text{ for any unit vector } \vec{u} \in \mathbb{R}^2.$$

$$\text{i.e. } D_{\vec{u}} f = \nabla f \cdot \vec{u}$$

### Example 2

Find the derivation of  $f(x, y) = xe^y + \cos(xy)$  at the point  $(2, 0)$  in the direction of  $\vec{v} = (3, -4)$

Sol.

$$\vec{u} = \left(\frac{3}{5}, \frac{-4}{5}\right)$$

$$D_{\vec{u}} f|_{(2,0)} = (1, 2) \cdot \left(\frac{3}{5}, \frac{-4}{5}\right)$$

$$f_x = e^y - y \sin xy \quad f_x(2,0) = 1 \quad \Rightarrow \nabla f(2,0) = (1, 2)$$

$$f_y = xe^y - x \sin xy \quad f_y(2,0) = 2$$

$$-\frac{3}{5} = -1$$

### Note

$$\because D_{\vec{u}} f = \nabla f \cdot \vec{u} = |\nabla f| \cdot |\vec{u}| \cdot \cos \theta = |\nabla f| \cdot \cos \theta$$

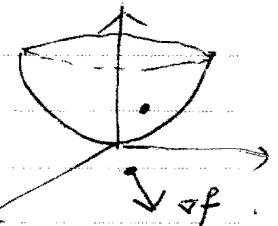
$\Rightarrow$  (i)  $\theta = 0 \Rightarrow D_{\vec{u}} f = |\nabla f| \text{ max. } \Rightarrow f \text{ increases most rapidly in direction of } \nabla f$

(ii)  $\theta = \pi \Rightarrow D_{\vec{u}} f = -|\nabla f| \text{ min. } \Rightarrow f \text{ decreases most rapidly} = -|\nabla f|$

(iii)  $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2} \Rightarrow D_{\vec{u}} f = 0 \Rightarrow f \text{ zero change in direction } \vec{u} \perp \nabla f$

### Example 3

Find the direction in which  $f(x, y) = \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{y^2}{2}$



(a) increases most rapidly at  $(1, 1)$ , and  $\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)$

(b) decreases = = = =  $\left(\frac{-1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)$

(c) What are the directions of zero change in  $f$  at  $(1, 1)$ .

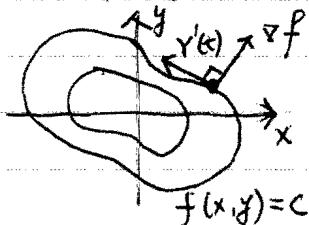
$$\text{So: } f_x(x, y) = x = 1$$

$$f_y(x, y) = y = 1$$

$$|\nabla f(x, y)| = \sqrt{2}$$

$$\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right), \left(\frac{-1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)$$

### Gradient and tangents to level curves



$$\begin{aligned} f(x, y) = c \text{ defined a level curve } r(t) = (x(t), y(t)) \\ \Rightarrow f(x(t), y(t)) = c, \quad \forall t \\ \Rightarrow 0 = \frac{df}{dt} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \frac{dy}{dt} = \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right) \cdot (x'(t), y'(t)) \\ = \nabla f \cdot r'(t) \end{aligned}$$

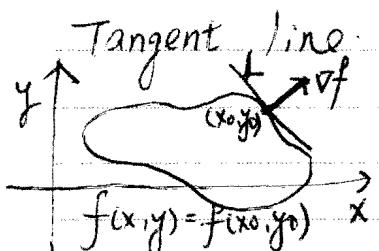
i.e.  $\nabla f(x(t_0), y(t_0))$  is normal to the tangent vector  $r'(t_0)$

i.e. normal to the curve.

Conclusion:

$\nabla f(x_0, y_0)$  is normal to the level curve  $f(x, y) = f(x_0, y_0)$  through  $(x_0, y_0)$

$$(\nabla f(x_0, y_0), \nabla f(x_0, y_0))$$



$$\begin{aligned} (x, y) \in L \Leftrightarrow (x - x_0, y - y_0) \perp \nabla f(x_0, y_0) \\ \Leftrightarrow f_x(x_0, y_0)(x - x_0) + f_y(x_0, y_0)(y - y_0) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

tangent line

### Example 4

Find an equation for the tangent to the ellipse  $\frac{x^2}{4} + \frac{y^2}{2} = 1$  at  $(-2, 1)$

$$\text{So: } f_x(-2, 1) = \frac{1}{2}x = -1$$

$$f_y(-2, 1) = 2y = 2$$

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

$$-x-2 + 2y-2 = 0$$

$$2y-x = 4$$

$$-x+2y = 4$$

## Algebra rules for gradients

$f, g$  are diff. real-valued functions.

$$1. \nabla(f \pm g) = \nabla f \pm \nabla g$$

$$2. \nabla(kf) = k \cdot \nabla f$$

$$3. \nabla(fg) = g(\nabla f) + f(\nabla g)$$

$$4. \nabla\left(\frac{f}{g}\right) = \frac{g\nabla f - f\nabla g}{g^2}$$

## Example 5

$$f(x, y) = x - y, \quad g(x, y) = 3y$$

$$\text{If } \nabla f = (1, -1), \quad \nabla g = (0, 3).$$

$$\Rightarrow \nabla(f-g) = (1, -4), \quad \nabla(f \cdot g) = (x-y)(0, 3) + 3y(1, -1) = (3y, 3x-6y)$$

$$x-4y \quad 3xy - 3y^2 \Rightarrow (3y, 3x-6y)$$

## Three variables

$$f(x, y, z) : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \quad \vec{u} = (u_1, u_2, u_3) \text{ unit vector}$$

$$\Rightarrow (1) \quad \nabla f = \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} \right)$$

$$(2) \quad D_{\vec{u}} f = \nabla f \cdot \vec{u} = u_1 \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} + u_2 \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} + u_3 \frac{\partial f}{\partial z}$$

$$(3) \quad |D_{\vec{u}} f| = |\nabla f| \cdot \cos \theta$$

$\Rightarrow (1)$   $f$  increases most rapidly in the direction  $\frac{\nabla f}{|\nabla f|}$  and  $D_{\vec{u}} f = |\nabla f|$

$(2)$   $f$  decreases = = = =  $- \frac{\nabla f}{|\nabla f|}$  and  $D_{\vec{u}} f = -|\nabla f|$

$(3) \quad D_{\vec{u}} f = 0, \quad \vec{u} \perp \nabla f$ .

## Example 6

$$f(x, y, z) = x^3 - xy^2 - z, \quad P_0(1, 1, 0)$$

(a) Find the derivative of  $f$  at  $P_0$  in the direction  $\vec{v} = (2, -3, 6)$

(b) In what direction does  $f$  change most rapidly at  $P_0$  and what are the rates of change in these directions?

Sol:

$$f_x(1, 1, 0) = 3x^2 - y^2 = 2$$

$$2x \frac{2}{7} + (-1)x \frac{(-3)}{7} + (-1)\frac{6}{7} = \frac{4}{7}$$

$$f_y(1, 1, 0) = -2xy = -2$$

$$\left( \frac{2}{3}, \frac{-1}{3}, \frac{-1}{3} \right) \cdot |\nabla f| = 3$$

$$f_z(1, 1, 0) = -1$$

$$\left( -\frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{1}{3} \right) \cdot |\nabla f| = -3$$

Subject: .....

The chain rule for path

$\gamma(t) = (x(t), y(t), z(t))$  is a smooth path

$w = f(\gamma(t))$ , a diff. real-valued function

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Chain rule} \Rightarrow \frac{dw}{dt} &= \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \cdot \frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \frac{dy}{dt} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} \cdot \frac{dz}{dt} \\ &= \nabla f(\gamma(t)) \cdot \gamma'(t) \end{aligned}$$

The derivative along a path:  $\frac{d}{dt} f(\gamma(t)) = \nabla f(\gamma(t)) \cdot \gamma'(t)$

Subject: .....

## §13-6. Tangent planes and differentials.

Recall

$S: f(x, y, z) = C$ , a level surface.

$P_0 = (x_0, y_0, z_0) \in S$  satisfies  $f(x_0, y_0, z_0) = C$ .

$\gamma(t) = (x(t), y(t), z(t))$ , a curve on  $f(x, y, z) = C$  through  $P_0$

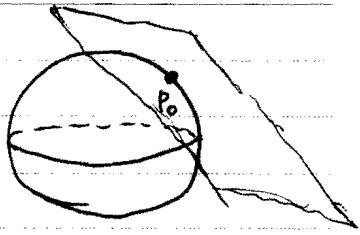
i.e.  $P_0 = \gamma(t_0)$  for some  $t_0$ .

$$\Rightarrow \nabla f(P_0) = f(\gamma(t_0)), \forall t \Rightarrow 0 = \nabla f(\gamma(t)) \cdot \gamma'(t), \forall t.$$

$$\text{If } t=t_0 \Rightarrow \nabla f(P_0) \cdot \gamma'(t_0) = 0.$$

i.e.  $\nabla f(P_0) \perp \gamma'(t_0)$ ,  $\forall$  curve  $\gamma$  through  $P_0$ .

i.e. all tangent lines at  $P_0$  normal to  $\nabla f(P_0)$ .  
a plane



Def.

A level surface  $S: f(x, y, z) = C$ , where  $f$  is diff.

$P_0 = (x_0, y_0, z_0) \in S$  (i.e.  $f(x_0, y_0, z_0) = C$ )

The tangent plane at  $P_0$  of  $f$  is the plane through  $P_0$  normal to  $\nabla f|_{P_0}$ .

The normal line of  $S$  at  $P_0$  is the line through  $P_0$  parallel to  $\nabla f|_{P_0}$ .

Note.

(1) Tangent plane to  $f(x, y, z) = C$  at  $P_0 = (x_0, y_0, z_0)$

$$f_x(P_0)(x-x_0) + f_y(P_0)(y-y_0) + f_z(P_0)(z-z_0) = 0$$

(2) Normal line to  $f(x, y, z) = C$  at  $P_0 = (x_0, y_0, z_0)$

$$x = x_0 + f_x(P_0)t, \quad y = y_0 + f_y(P_0)t, \quad z = z_0 + f_z(P_0)t$$

Example 1.

Find the tangent plane and normal line of  $f(x, y, z) = x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - 9 = 0$  at  $P_0 = (1, 2, 4)$ .

Sol:

$$f_x(1, 2, 4) = 2x = 2$$

$$2x + 4y + z = 13$$

$$f_y(1, 2, 4) = 2y = 4$$

$$x = 1+2t$$

$$f_z(1, 2, 4) = 1$$

$$y = 2+4t$$

$$z = 4+t$$

Tangent plane of a surface  $z = f(x, y)$  at  $(x_0, y_0)$ .

$$\text{Let } F(x, y, z) = f(x, y) - z$$

The surface  $z = f(x, y)$  = the level surface  $F(x, y, z) = 0$ .

The point  $P_0 = (x_0, y_0, z_0)$  where  $z_0 = f(x_0, y_0)$ .

$$\therefore F_x = f_x, \quad F_y = f_y, \quad F_z = -1$$

$$\Rightarrow \nabla F|_{P_0} = (f_x(x_0, y_0), f_y(x_0, y_0), -1).$$

Tangent plane of  $z = f(x, y)$  at  $(x_0, y_0)$  = tangent plane of  $F(x, y, z) = 0$  at  $(x_0, y_0, z_0)$

$$\therefore f_x(x_0, y_0)(x - x_0) + f_y(x_0, y_0)(y - y_0) - (z - z_0) = 0$$

Example 2

$$F(x, y, z) = x \cos y - y e^x - z$$

Find the plane tangent to  $z = x \cos y - y e^x$  at  $(0, 0, 0)$ .

$$\text{Sol: } f_x(0, 0, 0) = \cos y - y e^x = 1$$

$$x - y - z = 0$$

$$f_y(0, 0, 0) = -x \sin y - e^x = -1$$

$$f_z(0, 0, 0) = -1$$

Example 3.

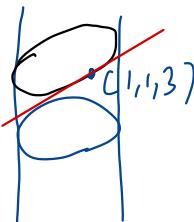
$$\vec{r} = (1, 0, 1)$$

The surfaces  $f(x, y, z) = x^2 + y^2 - 2 = 0$  and  $g(x, y, z) = x + z - 4 = 0$  meet in an ellipse E. Find parametric equations for the line tangent to E at the point  $P_0(1, 1, 3)$ .

Sol:

$$\vec{n} \Rightarrow \nabla f(2x, 2y, z) \Rightarrow (2, 2, 0)$$

$$\begin{cases} x = 1+t \\ y = 1-t \\ z = 3-t \end{cases}$$



$$\begin{cases} x = 1+t \\ y = 1-t \\ z = 3-t \end{cases}$$

$$(2, 2, 0) = (1, -1, -1)$$

Estimating change in a specific direction.

Recall

$$f(x) : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \text{ diff. } x_0 \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$df = f'(x_0) ds$$

The value of  $f$  changes  
estimation

$x_0$  move a small distance  $ds$

Now,  $f(x_1, \dots, x_n) : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $n=2$  or  $3$ , diff.

a point  $P_0$  moves a small distance  $ds$  in a direction  $\vec{u}$ ,

To estimate the change of  $f$  is the formula:

$$df = (\nabla f|_{P_0} \cdot \vec{u}) ds.$$

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### Example 4.

Estimate how much the value of  $f(x, y, z) = y \sin x + zy^2$  will change if the point  $P(x, y, z)$  moves  $0.1$  unit from  $P_0(0, 1, 0)$  straight toward  $P_1(2, 2, -2)$ .

So:

$$\nabla f = (y \cos x, \sin x + 2z, 2y) \Rightarrow \nabla f|_{P_0} = (1, 0, 2).$$

$$\vec{u} = \frac{\overrightarrow{P_0 P_1}}{|P_0 P_1|} = \frac{(2, 1, -2)}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow df = \left(\frac{2}{3} + 0 - \frac{4}{3}\right) \cdot 0.1 = -\frac{0.2}{3} \approx -0.067 \text{ unit.}$$

### Linearization

Recall. diff.

$$f(x) : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, x_0 \in \mathbb{R} \Rightarrow L(x) = f(x_0) + f'(x_0)(x - x_0)$$

Now,  $y = L(x)$  is the tangent line of  $f$  at  $x_0$ .

$$f(x, y) : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, (x_0, y_0) \in \mathbb{R}^2$$

$$\because f \text{ is diff.} \Rightarrow f(x, y) = f(x_0, y_0) + f_x(x_0, y_0)(x - x_0) + f_y(x_0, y_0)(y - y_0) + \epsilon x + \epsilon y$$

$$\text{We define } L(x, y) = f(x_0, y_0) + f_x(x_0, y_0)(x - x_0) + f_y(x_0, y_0)(y - y_0).$$

### Def.

$f(x, y)$  is diff. The linearization of  $f$  at  $(x_0, y_0)$  is

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

The approximation  $f(x, y) \approx L(x, y)$  is the standard linear approximation of  $f$  at  $(x_0, y_0)$ .

### Note

$z = L(x, y)$  is the tangent plane of  $z = f(x, y)$  at  $(x_0, y_0)$

## Example 5.

9-6+2+3

Find the linearization of  $f(x, y) = x^2 - xy + \frac{1}{2}y^2 + 3$  at  $(3, 2)$ .

So:  $f_x(3, 2) = 2x - y = 4$

$f_y(3, 2) = -x + y = -1$

$$\begin{aligned} L(x, y) &= f(3, 2) + f'_x(3, 2)(x - 3) + f'_y(3, 2)(y - 2) \\ &= 4x - y - 2 \end{aligned}$$

Estimate the error  $E(x, y) = f(x, y) - L(x, y)$ .

Recall

$f(x) : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , twice diff.,  $x_0 \in I$

Taylor formula:  $f(x) = f(x_0) + \underbrace{f'(x_0)(x-x_0)}_{L(x)} + \frac{f''(c)}{2}(x-x_0)^2$

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If  $|f'| \leq M$  on  $I \Rightarrow |f(x) - L(x)| \leq \frac{1}{2}M \cdot |x-x_0|^2$

Now,

$D \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$ , open,  $(x_0, y_0) \in D$ ,  $f(x, y) : D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $f_{xx}, f_{xy}, f_{yy}$  exist and conti. on  $D$ . If  $|f_{xx}| \leq M$ ,  $|f_{xy}| \leq M$ ,  $|f_{yy}| \leq M$  on  $\mathbb{R}^2$  for some  $M > 0$ .

$$\Rightarrow |E(x, y)| \leq \frac{1}{2}M \cdot ((|x-x_0| + |y-y_0|))^2$$
 $D \subseteq [x_0-h, x_0+h] \times [y_0-h, y_0+h]$ 

## Differentials.

Recall

$f(x) : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , diff.  $a \in I$

$\Delta f = f(a+\Delta x) - f(a)$

$\Delta f = f'(a) \Delta x = f'(a) \Delta x = L(x) - L(a) = \Delta L$  estimate  $\Delta f$

Now,

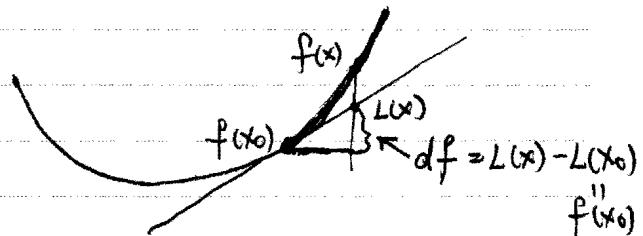
 $D \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$ , open,  $(x_0, y_0) \in D$ ,  $f(x, y) : D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , diff.

$\Delta x = x - x_0$ ,  $\Delta y = y - y_0$

$L(x_0 + \Delta x, y_0 + \Delta y) = L(x, y) = f(x_0, y_0) + f'_x(x_0, y_0) \Delta x + f'_y(x_0, y_0) \Delta y$

$\Rightarrow \Delta L = f'_x(x_0, y_0) \Delta x + f'_y(x_0, y_0) \Delta y$

$\Delta f = f'_x(x_0, y_0) dx + f'_y(x_0, y_0) dy$

an estimation of the change of  $f$ 

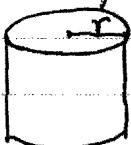
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Def.

If we move from  $(x_0, y_0)$  to  $(x_0+dx, y_0+dy)$  nearby, the resulting change  $df = f_x(x_0, y_0)dx + f_y(x_0, y_0)dy$  in the linearization of  $f$  is called the total differential of  $f$ .

Example 6

can



$$r = 1 \text{ cm} \quad dr = +0.03$$

$$h = 5 \text{ cm} \quad dh = -0.1$$

Estimate the resulting absolute change in the volume of the can.

Sol:

Example 7

tank  $r = 0.5 \text{ m}$  How sensitive are the tanks' volumes to small variations in height and radius.

Sol:

Functions of more than two variables

1. The linearization of  $f(x, y, z)$  at  $P_0(x_0, y_0, z_0)$  is

$$L(x, y, z) = f(x_0, y_0, z_0) + f_x(P_0)(x-x_0) + f_y(P_0)(y-y_0) + f_z(P_0)(z-z_0).$$

2. If  $|f_{xx}|, |f_{xy}|, |f_{xz}|, |f_{yz}|, |f_{yy}|, |f_{zz}| \leq M$

$$\Rightarrow |E(x, y, z)| = |L(x, y, z) - f(x, y, z)| \leq \frac{1}{2}M(|x-x_0| + |y-y_0| + |z-z_0|)^2$$

3.  $df = f_x(P_0)dx + f_y(P_0)dy + f_z(P_0)dz$ . (total differential of  $f$ ).

Example :

$$f(x, y, z) = x^2 - xy + 3\sin z, \quad R = \{(x, y, z) : |x-2| \leq 0.01, |y-1| \leq 0.02, |z| \leq 0.01\}$$

Find the linearization of  $f$  at  $(2, 1, 0)$  and an upper bound for the error incurred in replacing  $f$  by  $L$  on  $R$ .

Sol:

## § 13-7 Extreme values and saddle points

Recall

$$f: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \quad x_0 \in (a, b)$$

$f(x_0)$  is a local max. (min.) if  $f(x_0) \geq f(x) (\leq) \forall x \in (x_0-\gamma, x_0+\gamma)$  for some  $\gamma > 0$

If  $f(x_0)$  is a local extrema and  $f'(x_0)$  exists  $\Rightarrow f'(x_0) = 0$ .

$x_0$  is a critical pt. of  $f$  if  $f'(x_0) = 0$  or does not exist.

Find extrema: Step 1: find all critical pts. of  $f$ . (i.e. Solve  $f'(x) = 0$ )

Step 2:  $f'(x_0) = 0, f''(x_0) > 0 \Rightarrow$  local min

$< 0 \Rightarrow$  local max.

$= 0 \Rightarrow$  no conclusion

Def:

$$D \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2, \text{ a region, } (a, b) \in D, \quad f(x, y) : D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

1.  $f(a, b)$  is a local maximum if  $f(a, b) \geq f(x, y), \forall (x, y) \in D((a, b), r) \cap D$  for some  $r > 0$

2.  $\dots$  minimum if  $f(a, b) \leq f(x, y), \dots$

Domain

Theorem.

$$D \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2, \text{ a region, } (a, b) \in \text{Int } D, \quad f(x, y) : D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

If  $f(a, b)$  is a local extrema and  $f_x(a, b), f_y(a, b)$  exist

$\Rightarrow f_x(a, b) = 0$  and  $f_y(a, b) = 0$   $\boxed{f(a, b) = 0}$

Pf:

May assume  $f(a, b)$  is a local max.

$\Rightarrow \exists r > 0$  s.t.  $f(a, b) \geq f(x, y), \forall (x, y) \in D(a, b), r$

$\Rightarrow f(a, b) \geq f(x, b), \forall x \in (a-\gamma, a+\gamma)$

Let  $g(x) = f(x, b) \Rightarrow g(a)$  is a local max.  $\Rightarrow g'(a) = 0$

$\Rightarrow 0 = g'(a) = f_x(a, b)$

Similarly,  $f(a, b) \geq f(a, y), \forall y \in (b-\gamma, b+\gamma) \Rightarrow f_y(a, b) = 0$

Note

The tangent plane to the surface  $z = f(x, y)$  at  $(a, b)$  is

$$f_x(a, b)(x-a) + f_y(a, b)(y-b) - (z - f(a, b)) = 0 \Rightarrow \boxed{z = f(a, b)}$$

a horizontal plane

Def.

$$f(x, y) : D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, (a, b) \in \text{Int } D$$

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(1)  $(a, b)$  is a critical point of  $f$  if  $f_x(a, b) = 0 = f_y(a, b)$  or at least one of  $f_x(a, b)$  and  $f_y(a, b)$  does not exist.

(2)  $(a, b)$  is a saddle point of  $f$  if  $(a, b)$  is a critical pt. but  $f(a, b)$  is not a local extrema.

i.e.  $\forall r > 0, \exists (x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2) \in D((a, b), r) \cap D$  s.t.  $f(x_1, y_1) > f(a, b) > f(x_2, y_2)$ .

$(a, b, f(a, b))$  is a saddle pt. of the surface  $z = f(x, y)$

Example

Find the local extreme value of  $f$

$$(1) f(x, y) = x^2 + y^2 - 4y + 9 \quad x^2 + (y-2)^2 + 5$$

$$(2) f(x, y) = y^2 - x^2$$

Sol.

$$\nabla f = (2x, 2y-4) = \vec{0} \Rightarrow x=0, y=2 \quad f(0, 2) = 5 \text{ is a local min}$$

$$\nabla f = (-2x, 2y) = \vec{0} \Rightarrow x=0, y=0 \quad f(0, 0) = -x^2 \leq 0 \quad \underset{\text{max}}{f(0, 0)}$$

$$f_{xx} = -2$$

$$f_{yy} = 2 \quad 4-0$$

$$f_{xy} = 0$$



$$f(0, 0) = y^2 \geq 0 \quad \text{min}$$

Saddle point

Theorem

$f(x, y) : D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, D((a, b), r) \subseteq D, f_x, f_y, f_{xx}, f_{yy}, f_{xy}$  exist and cont. on  $D((a, b), r)$  and  $f_x(a, b) = 0 = f_y(a, b)$ .

(1) If  $f_{xx}(a, b) < 0$  and  $(f_{xx} f_{yy} - f_{xy}^2)(a, b) > 0 \Rightarrow f(a, b)$  is a local max.

(2) If  $f_{xx}(a, b) > 0$  and  $= = = = \Rightarrow = = = = \text{min.}$

(3) If  $(f_{xx} f_{yy} - f_{xy}^2)(a, b) < 0 \Rightarrow (a, b)$  is a saddle pt. of  $f$ .

(4) If  $(f_{xx} f_{yy} - f_{xy}^2)(a, b) = 0 \Rightarrow \text{no conclusion}$

Note

$$f_{xx}(a, b) f_{yy}(a, b) - f_{xy}^2(a, b) = \begin{vmatrix} f_{xx}(a, b) & f_{xy}(a, b) \\ f_{xy}(a, b) & f_{yy}(a, b) \end{vmatrix}$$

discriminant

Hessian of  $f$  at  $(a, b)$

**Example**

Find the local extrema of  $f$ .

$$(1) f(x, y) = xy - x^2 - y^2 - 2x - 2y + 4 \quad \text{Max} \quad f(-1, -2) = 8 \quad \text{IS local max}$$

$$(2) f(x, y) = 3y^2 - 2y^3 - 3x^2 + 6xy$$

Sol:

$$\nabla f(x, y) = (y - 2x - 2, x - 3y - 2)$$

$$f_{xx} = -2$$

$$f_{xy} = 1$$

$$f_{yy} = -2$$

$$\begin{aligned} y - 2x - 2 &= 0 \\ x - 3y - 2 &= 0 \end{aligned} \quad \begin{aligned} y &= -2 \\ x &= -2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\nabla f(x, y) = (-6x + 6y, 6y - 6y^2 + 6x)$$

$$f_{xx} = -6$$

$$f_{xy} = 6$$

$$f_{yy} = 6 - 12y$$

$$-36 + 12y - 36$$

$$\begin{cases} x = y \\ y = 0 \vee y = 2 \end{cases}$$

$\begin{cases} (0, 0) \\ (2, 2) \end{cases}$  saddle point

$$f(4, 2) = 8 \quad \text{local max}$$

$$f(0, 0) = 0 \quad \text{saddle point}$$

**Example**

Find the critical points of  $f(x, y) = 10xy e^{-(x^2+y^2)}$ , and classify each point.

$$f_x = 10ye^{-(x^2+y^2)} - 20x^2y^2 e^{-(x^2+y^2)} = 0 \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} y - 2x^2y = 0 \quad y(1-2x^2) = 0 \\ x = 0 \end{array} \right.$$

$$f_y = 10xe^{-(x^2+y^2)} - 20xy^2 e^{-(x^2+y^2)} = 0 \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} x - 2xy^2 = 0 \quad x(1-2y^2) = 0 \\ y = 0 \end{array} \right.$$

$$f_{xx} = -20y^2 e^{-(x^2+y^2)} - 40xye^{-(x^2+y^2)} + 40x^2y^2 e^{-(x^2+y^2)} \quad (1) \quad y = 0 \quad x = 0 \quad (0, 0)$$

$$(2) \quad y \neq 0 \quad x = \pm \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow y = \pm \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\left( \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2} \right), \left( -\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2} \right), \left( \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2} \right), \left( -\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2} \right)$$

Absolute Maxima and minima on closed bdd regions

Step 1: For Int D, find all critical pt and local extrema.

Step 2: For 2D,  $f(x,y) = g(x), h(y)$  on interval. Find extrema of  $g$  or  $h$ .

Step 3: Comparison all local extrema

Example

$$D = \{(x,y) : x \geq 0, y \geq 0, x+y \leq 9\}$$

Find the abs. max. and min. of  $f(x,y) = 2+2x+4y-x^2-y^2$  on  $D$ .

Sol.

$$\text{Int} \quad f_x = 2-2x$$

$$x=1$$

$$f_y = 4-2y$$

$$y=2$$

$$f_{xx} = -2$$

$$k(x) = f(x, 9-x) = 2+2x+4(9-x)-x^2-(9-x)^2$$

$$f_{yy} = -2$$

$$k'(x) = -4x+16 \quad x=4$$

$$f_{xy} = 0$$

$$f(4,5) = -11$$

$$\text{bound } g(x) = f(x,0) = 2+2x-x^2$$

$$0 \leq x \leq 9$$

$$g'(x) = 2-2x = 0$$

$$x=1$$

$$h(y) = f(0,y) = 4y-y^2+2 \quad 0 \leq y \leq 9$$

$$h'(y) = 4-2y = 0 \quad y=2$$

$$f(0,2) = 6$$

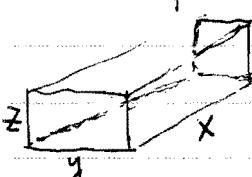
$$f(9) = -43$$

max = 7

min = -61

Example

$$x+2y+2z = 270$$



Find the largest volum  $V = xyz$ .

$$\text{So: } f(x,y,z) = xyz \text{ find max}$$

$$z=0 \text{ is } \infty$$

$$V = 270yz - 2y^2z - 2yz^2$$

$$V_y = 270z - 4yz - 2z^2 = 2z(135 - y - z) = 0$$

$$V_z = 270y - 2y^2 - 4yz = 2y(135 - y - z) = 0$$

$$\begin{cases} 135-y-z=0 \\ 135-y-z=0 \\ y=45 \\ z=45 \\ x=90 \end{cases}$$

$$A: 90 \cdot 45 \cdot 45$$

## §13-8. Lagrange multipliers

### Example 1

Find the point  $P = (x, y, z)$  on the plane  $2x + y - z - 5 = 0$  that is closest to the origin.

i.e. Find the minimum of  $f(x, y, z) = x^2 + y^2 + z^2$  subject to  $g(x, y, z) = 2x + y - z - 5 = 0$ .

Sol:

$$\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2} \text{ min}$$

$$\nabla f = (2x, 2y, 2z)$$

$$\nabla g = (2, 1, -1)$$

$$\begin{cases} 2x = 2\lambda & x = \lambda \\ 2y = \lambda & y = \frac{1}{2}\lambda \\ 2z = -1 & z = -\frac{1}{2}\lambda \\ 2x + y - z - 5 = 0 & \end{cases}$$

$$\lambda = \frac{5}{3} \quad A: \left(\frac{5}{3}, \frac{5}{6}, -\frac{5}{6}\right)$$

### Example 2

Find the minimum of  $f(x, y, z) = x^2 + y^2 + z^2$  subject to  $x^2 - z^2 = 0$ .

Sol:

$$\nabla f = (2x, 2y, 2z)$$

$$\nabla g = (2x, 0, -2z)$$

$$\begin{cases} x = \lambda x \\ y = 0 \\ z = -\lambda z \\ x^2 - z^2 = 0 \end{cases} \quad \begin{array}{ll} x=0 & \lambda=0 \\ x \neq 0 & \lambda=1 \\ & z=0 \\ & x=\pm 1 \end{array}$$

$$A: f(\pm 1, 0, 0) = 1 \text{ min}$$

### The method of Lagrange multipliers

$f, g$  are diff.,  $g(P_0) = 0, \nabla g(P_0) \neq 0$

If  $f$  has a local extrema at  $P_0$  subject to  $g=0$ ,

$\Rightarrow (\nabla f)_{P_0} = \lambda \cdot (\nabla g)_{P_0}$  for some  $\lambda \neq 0$ .

### Example 3

Find the greatest and smallest values that  $f(x, y) = xy$  takes on the ellipse  $\frac{x^2}{8} + \frac{y^2}{5} = 1$

$$\text{Sol: } g(x, y) = \frac{x^2}{8} + \frac{y^2}{5} - 1 = 0$$

$$\nabla f = (y, x)$$

$$\nabla g = \left(\frac{1}{4}x, \frac{y}{5}\right)$$

$$\begin{cases} y = \frac{1}{4}x\lambda & y = \frac{1}{4}\lambda^2 y \quad \left(\frac{1}{4}\lambda^2 - 1\right)y = 0 \\ x = y\lambda & y = 0 \text{ or } \\ \frac{x^2}{8} + \frac{y^2}{5} = 1 & \lambda = \pm 2 \end{cases}$$

$$\lambda = 2 \Rightarrow x = 2y \quad y^2 = 1 \quad y = \pm 1 \quad x = \pm 2$$

$$f(\pm 2, \pm 1) = \pm 5 \text{ max}$$

$$f(\pm 1, \pm 1) = \pm 3 \text{ min}$$

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$$\lambda = 2 \quad x = -2y \quad y^2 = 1 \quad y = \pm 1 \quad x = \mp 2$$

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### Example 4

Find max. and min. of  $f(x, y) = 3x + 4y$  on the circle  $x^2 + y^2 = 1$

$$\nabla f = (3, 4)$$

$$\nabla g = (2x, 2y)$$

$$x^2 + y^2 = 1$$

$$3 = 2x\lambda$$

$$4 = 2y\lambda$$

$$\frac{9}{4\lambda^2} + \frac{4}{\lambda^2} = 1$$

$$\frac{25}{4\lambda^2} = 1$$

$$\lambda^2 = \frac{25}{4}$$

$$\lambda = \pm \frac{5}{2} \quad \begin{cases} x = \frac{3}{5}, y = \frac{4}{5} \\ x = -\frac{3}{5}, y = -\frac{4}{5} \end{cases}$$

$$f\left(\frac{3}{5}, \frac{4}{5}\right) = 5 \text{ max}$$

$$f\left(-\frac{3}{5}, -\frac{4}{5}\right) = -5 \text{ min}$$