

8) compositions of $f(g(x,y))$

Last class

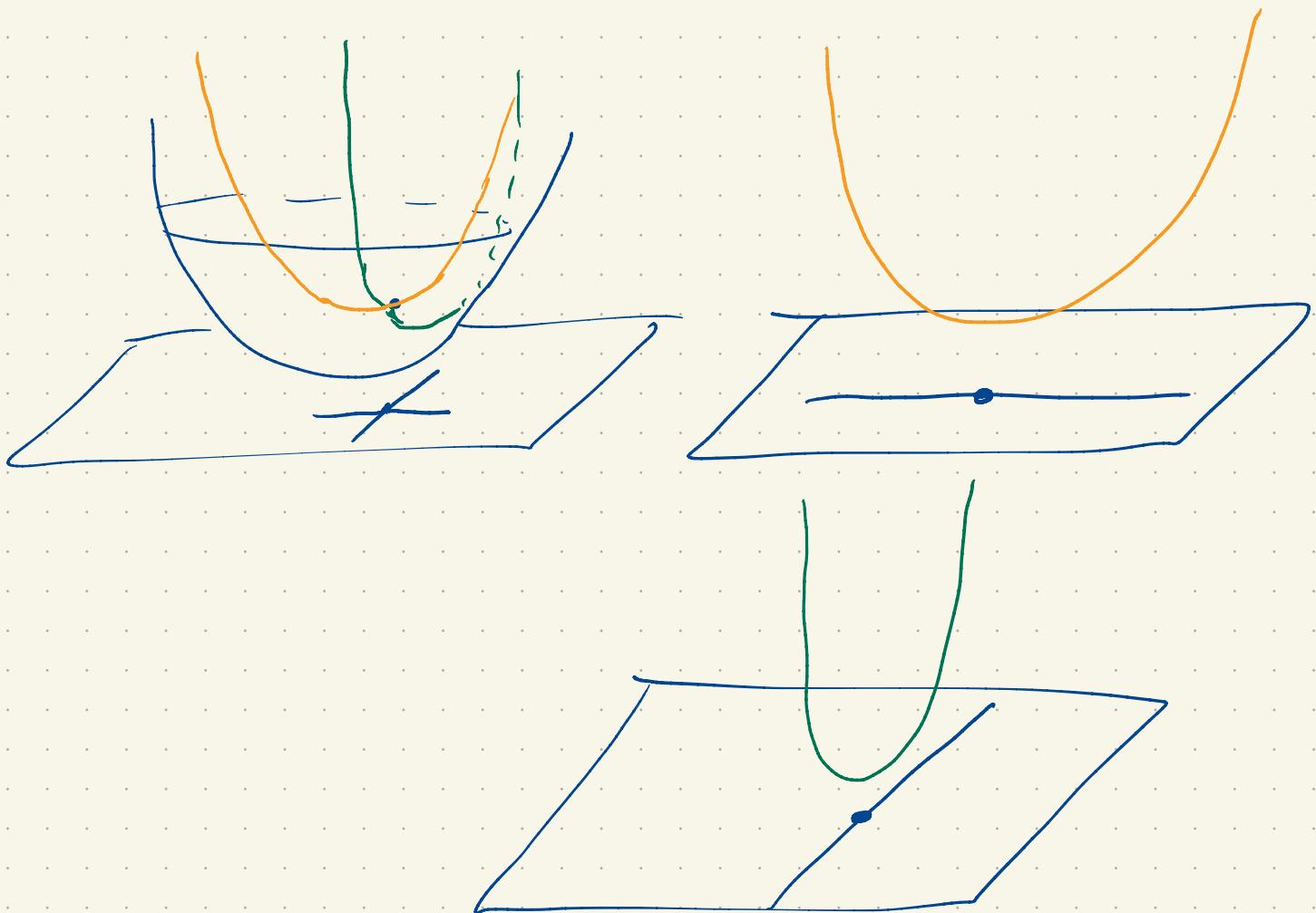
$$f(x, y)$$

$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}$: treat y as constant

$$f(x, y) = \sin(x^2 y)$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = \cos(x^2 y) 2xy$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = \cos(x^2 y) x^2$$

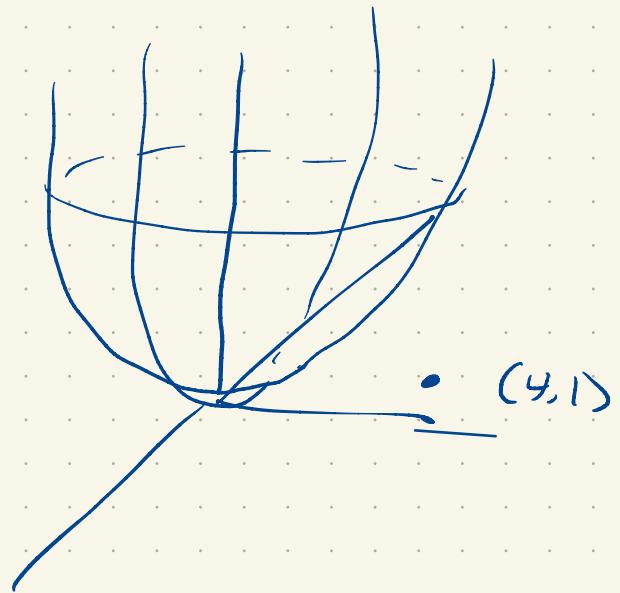


$$f(x,y) = x^2 + 3y^2$$

$$(a,b) = (4,1)$$

$$f_x(2,1) = 2 \cdot 4 = 8$$

$$f_y(2,1) = 6$$



f is increasing more steeply in the x -direction

14.3 (continued)

2nd partial derivatives

$$f(x,y) = \sin(x^2y)$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = \cos(x^2y) \cdot 2xy$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = \cos(x^2y) x^2$$

How does f change
in x, y directions

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial y} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x} = -\sin(x^2y) 2x^3y + \cos(x^2y) 2x$$

→ How does $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}$ change
in y direction? $= 2x \left[-x^3y \sin(x^2y) + \cos(x^2y) \right]$

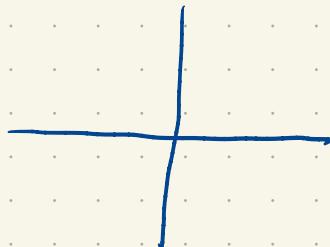
$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = -\sin(x^2y) 2x^3y + 2x \cos(x^2y)$$

$$= 2x \left[\cos(x^2y) - x^2y \sin(x^2y) \right]$$

Remarkable: $\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x} = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y}$ in this case.

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left[\frac{x^3y - y^3x}{x^2 + y^2} \right] = \frac{[3x^2y - 3x^2] (x^2 + y^2) - [x^3y - y^3x] 2x}{(x^2 + y^2)^2}$$

at $x=0$: $\frac{-y^5}{y^4} = -y$



$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x} = -1 \quad \text{on line } x=0$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial y} f = \frac{(x^3 - 3y^2x)(x^2 + y^2) - (x^3y - y^3x)(2y)}{(x^2 + y^2)^2}$$

at $y=0$:

$$\frac{x^3 \cdot x^2}{x^4} = x$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} = 1$$

$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} \neq \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x}$

\curvearrowright on line $y=0$

Then! If f_{xy} and f_{yx}
exist on a disk containing (a, b)
and are continuous, then

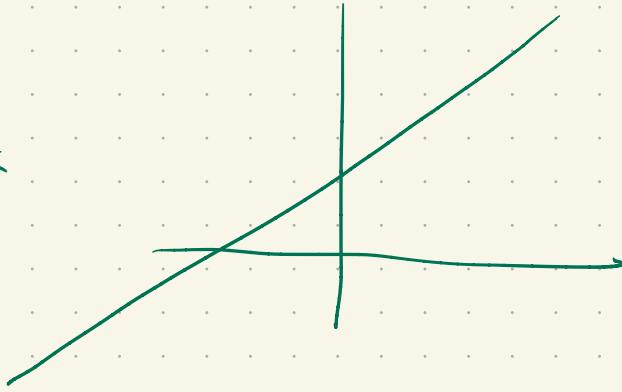
$$f_{xy} = f_{yx}.$$

(2nd partials agree.)



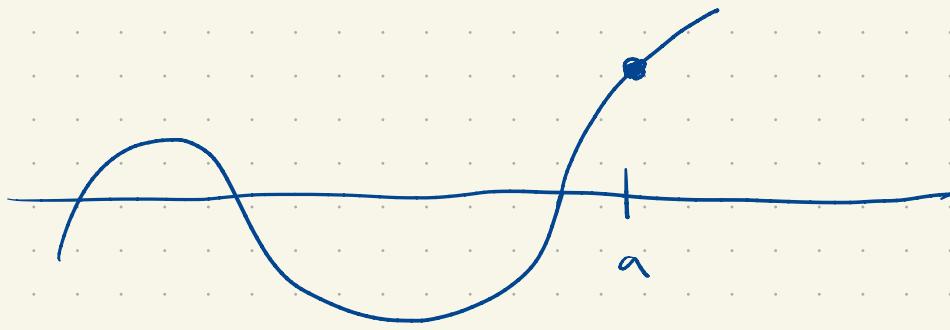
Linear approximation.

$$f(x) = 5 + 7x$$



In some sense, these are the next most complicated
functions, after the constants.

Recall from calc I



Linearization of $f(x)$ at $x=a$

$$L(x) = A + B(x-a) \quad A, B \text{ numbers,}$$

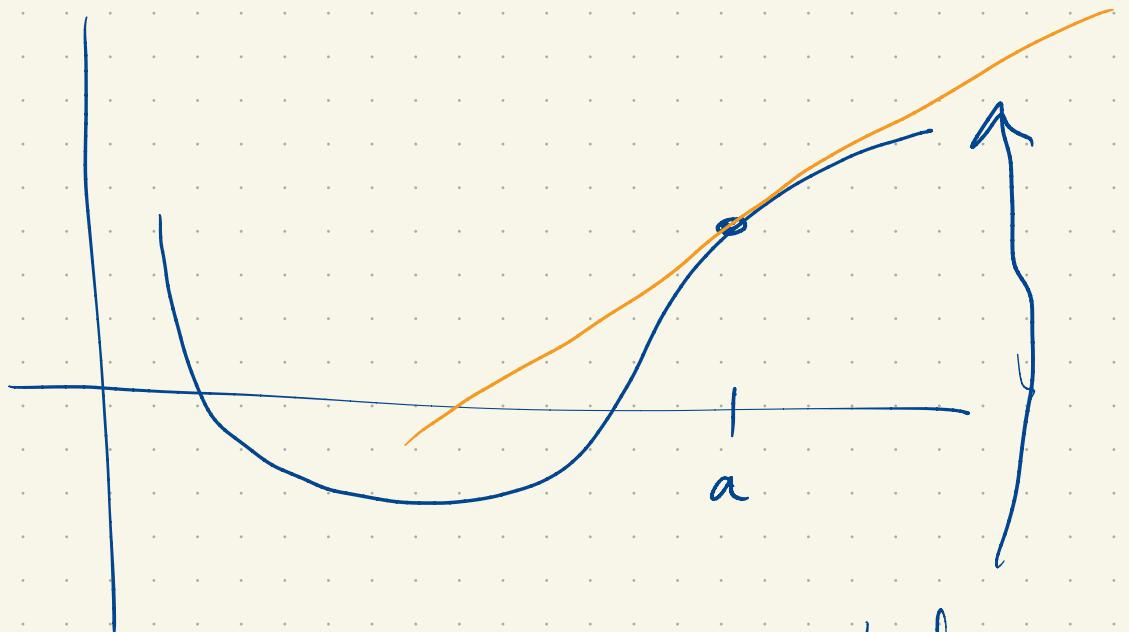
best approximates $f(x)$ "near" $x=a$

How good?

$$L(a) = f(a) \Rightarrow A = f(a)$$

$$L'(a) = f'(a) \Rightarrow B = f'(a)$$

$$L(x) = f(a) + f'(a)(x-a)$$



Graph of

Linearization.

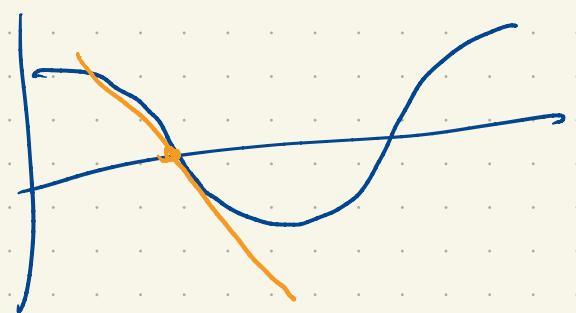
$$\text{e.g. } f(x) = \cos(x)$$

$$a = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$L(x) = -\left(x - \frac{\pi}{2}\right) = \frac{\pi}{2} - x$$

$$f(\frac{\pi}{2}) = 0$$

$$f'(\frac{\pi}{2}) = -1$$



Generalization to two input variables

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

$$Ax + By + C \quad A, B, C \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$C + A(x-a) + B(y-b) \rightarrow (C - aA - bB + Ax + By)$$

What does the graph of such a function look like?

$$z = 3 + 2x - y$$

$$-2x + y + z = 3 \quad \text{aha! Its graph is a plane.}$$

Functions of the form are called affine (loosely linear)

The linearization of a function $f(x, y)$ at (a, b)

a function $L(x, y)$ of the form $C + A(x-a) + B(y-b)$

that "best approximates" $f(x,y)$ near (a,b) .

How good?

$$L(a,b) = f(a,b) \Rightarrow C = f(a,b)$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial x}(a,b) = f_x(a,b) \Rightarrow A = f_x(a,b)$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial y}(a,b) = f_y(a,b) \Rightarrow B = f_y(a,b)$$

$$L(x,y) = f(a,b) + f_x(a,b)(x-a) + f_y(a,b)(y-b)$$

e.g. Compute the linearization of

$$f(x,y) = x^2 + 3y^2 \quad \text{at } (a,b) = (2,1)$$

$$f(2,1) = 4 + 3 = 7$$

$$\begin{array}{l|l} f_x(x,y) = 2x & f_y(x,y) = 6y \\ f_x(2,1) = 4 & f_y(2,1) = 6 \end{array}$$

$$L(x,y) = 7 + 4(x-2) + 6(y-1)$$

The graph of the linearization is known as
the tangent plane (at a,b).

[MATLAB]

