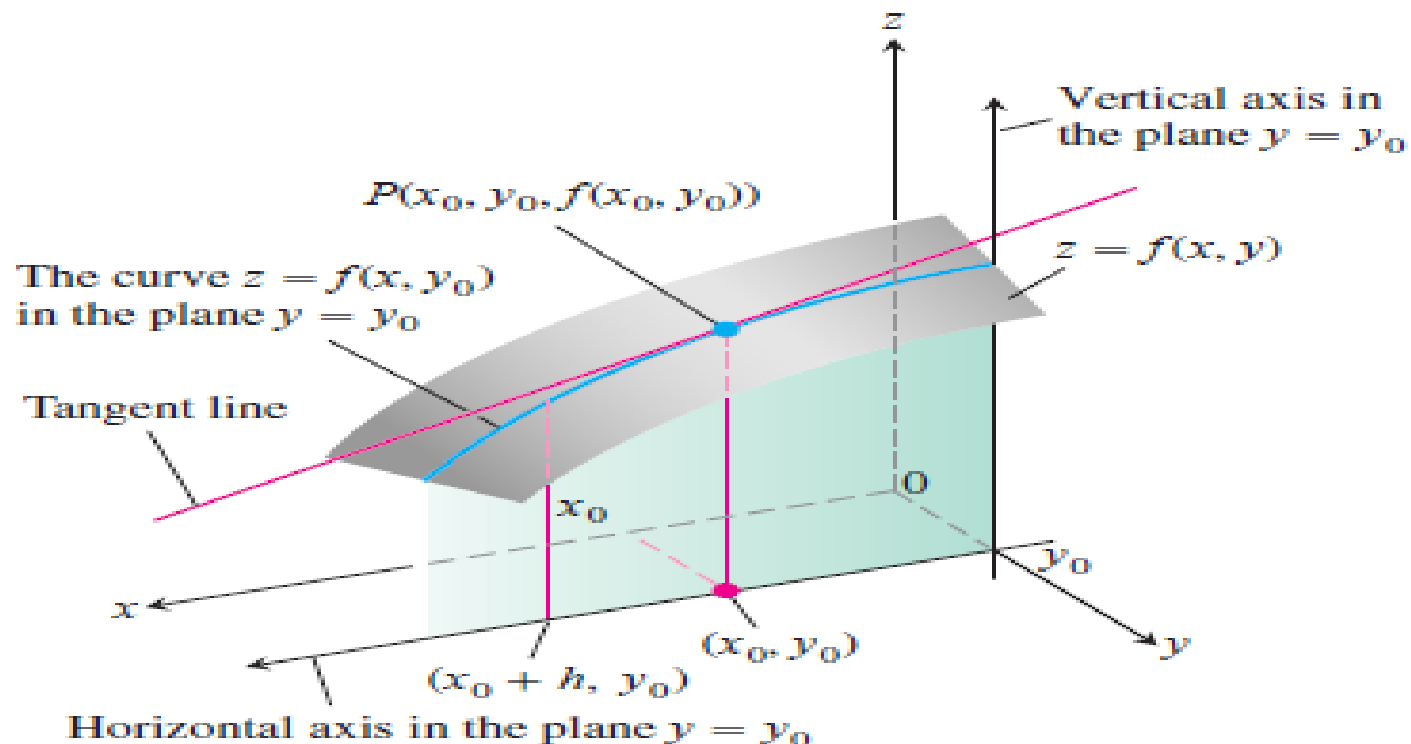


Partial Derivatives



The intersection of the plane $y = y_0$ with the surface $z = f(x, y)$, viewed from above the first quadrant of the xy -plane.

3. Partial Derivatives

Aim

- To write MATLAB codes to find Partial derivative of a given function $f(x, y)$ at a given point (x_1, y_1) and also visualize it

Mathematical form

If f is a function of two variables, its partial derivatives are the functions f_x and f_y defined by

$$F_x(x, y) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} [f(x + h, y) - f(x, y)] / h$$

$$F_y(x, y) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} [f(x, y + h) - f(x, y)] / h$$

MATLAB Syntax Used:

<code>diff(f,x)</code>	Differentiate the function with respect to x symbolically
<code>R = subs(S, old, new)</code>	Replaces old value with new value in the symbolic expression S.
<code>line(X,Y,Z)</code>	Creates a line object in the current axes with default values $x = [0 \ 1]$ and $y = [0 \ 1]$. You can specify the color, width, line style, and marker type, as well as other characteristics.
<code>Y = ones(n)</code>	Returns an n-by-n matrix of 1s. An error message appears if n is not a scalar.

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clc
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clear all
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syms x y
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z = input('Enter the two dimensional function f(x,y):  

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x1 = input('enter the x value at which the derivative  
has to be evaluated: ');
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y1 = input('enter the y value at which the derivative  
has to be evaluated: ');
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z1 = subs(subs(z,x,x1),y,y1)
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ezsurf(z,[x1-2 x1+2])
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hold on
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option=input('Enter 1 for partial derivative w.r.t x or 2  
for partial derivative w.r.t y:')  
if(option==1)  
f1 = diff(z,x)  
slopes = subs(subs(f1,x,x1),y,y1)  
range_z = input('Enter the range of z as a row vector: ');  
[x2,z2]=meshgrid(x1-2:0.25:x1+2,range_z)  
y2=y1*ones(size(x2))  
surf(x2,y2,z2)  
t=linspace(-1,1)  
x3=x1+t  
y3=y1*ones(size(t))  
z3=z1+slopes*t  
line(x3,y3,z3,'color','black','linewidth',2)
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else
f1 = diff(z,y)
slopey = subs(subs(f1,x,x1),y,y1)
range_z = input('Enter the range of z as a row vector: ');
[y2,z2]=meshgrid(y1-2:.25:y1+2,range_z)
x2=x1*ones(size(y2))
surf(x2,y2,z2)
t=linspace(-1,1)
y3=y1+t
x3=x1*ones(size(t))
z3=z1+slopey*t
line(x3,y3,z3,'color','green','linewidth',2)
end
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Example 1:

Find the partial derivative of $F(x, y) = 4 - x^2 - 2y^2$ with respect to x at the point $(1, 1)$ and visualize it.

Practice Problems:

- 1) Find the partial derivatives of $F(x, y) = \sin(x / (1 + y))$ with respect to x at the point $(1, 2)$.
- 2) Find the partial derivatives of $F(x, y) = x^3 + y^3 + 6xy - 1$ with respect to y at the point $(1, 1)$.