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$$2. \textcircled{1} \quad \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = \frac{y - xy}{(x+y)^2} \quad \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = \frac{x - xy}{(x+y)^2}$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad df = \frac{y - xy}{(x+y)^2} dx + \frac{x - xy}{(x+y)^2} dy$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad df = \frac{-2}{16} dx + 0 \cdot dy$$

$$z - \frac{3}{4} = -\frac{1}{8} \cdot (x-3)$$

$$\textcircled{4} \quad \Delta z \approx -\frac{1}{8} \cdot \Delta x = -\frac{1}{8} \cdot 0.01$$

$$z \approx \frac{3}{4} + \Delta z \approx \frac{3}{4} - \frac{1}{8} \cdot 0.01$$

$$\textcircled{5} \quad \vec{n} = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{8} \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

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4. $f(x, y) = \sin x^2y + \cos xy^2$; $x(u, v) = e^{uv}$, $y(u, v) = \ln(uv)$; $u = 1, v = 1$;

1.

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \frac{df}{dt} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \cdot \frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \cdot \frac{dy}{dt}$$

$$= (y^3 \cdot 2x + y^2 \cdot 3x^2) \cdot (2t+1) + (x^2 \cdot 3y^2 + x^3 \cdot 2y) \cdot e^t = g(x, y, t).$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \left. \frac{dt}{dt} \right|_{t=0} = 0$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad \frac{d^2f}{dt^2} = \frac{\partial g}{\partial x} \cdot \frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{\partial g}{\partial y} \cdot \frac{dy}{dt} + \frac{\partial g}{\partial t}$$

$$= [(2t+1) \cdot (y^3 \cdot 2 + y^2 \cdot 3 \cdot 2x) + e^t \cdot (2x \cdot 3y^2 + 3x^2 \cdot 2y)] \cdot (2t+1)$$

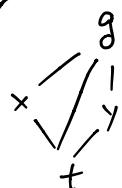
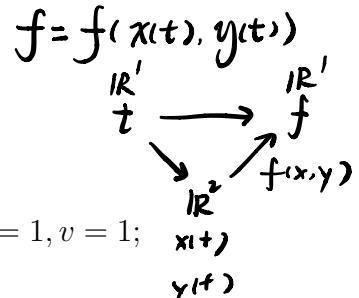
$$+ [(2t+1) \cdot (3y^2 \cdot 2x + 2y \cdot 3x^2) + e^t \cdot (x^2 \cdot 6y + x^3 \cdot 2)] \cdot e^t$$

$$+ (y^3 \cdot 2x + y^2 \cdot 3x^2) \cdot 2 + (x^2 \cdot 3y^2 + x^3 \cdot 2y) \cdot e^t$$

$$\textcircled{4} \quad \left. \frac{d^3f}{dt^3} \right|_{t=0} = 1 \cdot 2 \cdot 1 = 2$$

$$x = 0$$

$$y = 1$$



$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 t & \xrightarrow{h} & \vec{x} & \xrightarrow{f} & \vec{y} \\
 & & \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix} & & \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_m \end{pmatrix} \\
 & & & & \xrightarrow{g} \vec{z} \\
 & & & & \begin{pmatrix} z_1 \\ \vdots \\ z_\ell \end{pmatrix}
 \end{array}$$

$\vec{x}(t)$
 $J_h = \begin{pmatrix} \vec{x}'(t) \\ x'_1(t) \\ x'_2(t) \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix} = \vec{x}'(t)$
 $J_f = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial y_i}{\partial x_j} \\ \vdots \\ m \end{pmatrix} \right\}_n$
 $\vec{f}(t)$
 $J_f \cdot J_g = \begin{pmatrix} m \\ \vec{f}'(t) \\ \vdots \\ m \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \ell \\ \vec{y}'(t) \\ \vdots \\ \ell \end{pmatrix} = J_{f \circ g}$
 $\vec{z}(t)$

$$\vec{x}(t): \text{curve} \quad \vec{y}(t) = f \circ h(t)$$

$$\frac{d\vec{x}(t)}{dt} = \vec{x}'(t) = J_h$$

$$\vec{y}'(t) = J_{f \circ h} = J_f \cdot J_h = J_f \cdot \vec{x}'(t)$$

$$\vec{z}'(t) = J_{g \circ f \circ h} = J_g \cdot J_{f \circ h} = J_g \cdot J_f \cdot \vec{x}'(t)$$

A general formula for second order derivatives. (Only for fun, no need for general audience)

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d^2f}{dt^2} &= \left[\frac{df_x(x,y)}{dt} \right]_{\substack{x'(t) \\ y'(t)}} + f_x(x,y) \cdot x''(t) + \\ &\quad \left[\frac{df_y(x,y)}{dt} \right]_{\substack{x'(t) \\ y'(t)}} + f_y(x,y) \cdot y''(t) \\ &= \left[f_{xx}(x,y) \cdot x'(t) + f_{xy}(x,y) \cdot y'(t) \right]_{\substack{\textcircled{1}}} \cdot x'(t) + f_x(x,y) \cdot x''(t) \\ &\quad \left[f_{yx}(x,y) \cdot x'(t) + f_{yy}(x,y) \cdot y'(t) \right]_{\substack{\textcircled{2}}} \cdot y'(t) + f_y(x,y) \cdot y''(t)\end{aligned}$$

$$t \xrightarrow{h} \begin{pmatrix} x(t) \\ y(t) \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{s} f(x,y)$$

$$J_h = \begin{pmatrix} x'(t) \\ y'(t) \end{pmatrix} \quad J_s = (f_x(x,y) \quad f_y(x,y))$$

$$\therefore J_{s \circ h} = \underbrace{J_s}_{\textcircled{1}} \cdot \underbrace{J_h}_{\textcircled{2}} = (f_x \quad f_y) \begin{pmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{pmatrix} = f_x \cdot x' + f_y \cdot y'$$

$$\frac{\partial J_{s \circ h}}{\partial t} = \left[\frac{\partial J_s}{\partial t} \right] \cdot J_h(t) + J_s \cdot \frac{\partial J_h}{\partial t}$$

$$t \xrightarrow{h} \begin{pmatrix} x(t) \\ y(t) \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{w} \begin{pmatrix} f_x(x,y) \\ f_y(x,y) \end{pmatrix} = (J_w \cdot J_h)^T J_h(t) + J_s \cdot \frac{\partial J_h}{\partial t}$$

$$J_h = \begin{pmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{pmatrix} \quad J_w = \begin{pmatrix} f_{xx} & f_{xy} \\ f_{yx} & f_{yy} \end{pmatrix}$$

$(\cdot)^T$ means transpose of a matrix.
we use $(\cdot)^T$ here because the convention of J is $\begin{pmatrix} f_x(t) \\ f_y(t) \end{pmatrix}$, but we need $(f_x'(t), f_y'(t))$ to match.

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 & \qquad \qquad \qquad = 0.01 + 4 \cdot (-0.01) \\
 & \textcircled{2} \quad df = y^2 dx + 2xy dy \quad \qquad \qquad \qquad = -0.03 \\
 & \textcircled{3} \quad df|_{(2,1)} = dx + 4dy \quad \textcircled{5} \quad \vec{N} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \\
 & z - 2 = (x-2) + 4(y-1)
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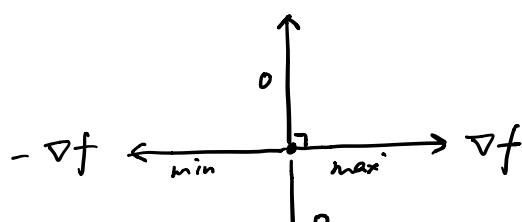
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$$\textcircled{2} \quad D_{\vec{u}} f \Big|_{(2,1)} = \left(\begin{pmatrix} y^2 \\ 2xy \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1/2 \\ \sqrt{3}/2 \end{pmatrix} \right) \Bigg|_{(2,1)} = \frac{y^2}{2} + \sqrt{3}xy \Bigg|_{(2,1)} = \frac{1}{2} + \sqrt{3} \cdot 2$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad \nabla f, -\nabla f$$

$$\textcircled{4} \quad \begin{pmatrix} -4 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ or } \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad D_{\vec{u}} f = \nabla f \cdot \vec{u} = 0$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} -b \\ a \end{pmatrix}$$



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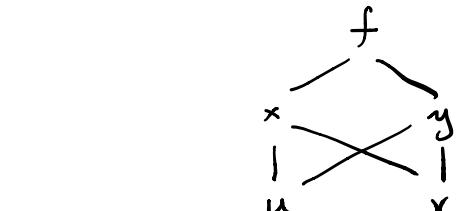
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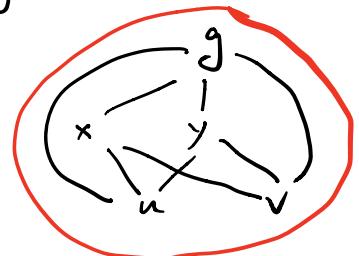
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$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial f}{\partial u} &= \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \cdot \frac{\partial x}{\partial u} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \cdot \frac{\partial y}{\partial u} \\ &= (2xy \cdot \cos x^2y - y^2 \cdot \sin x^2y) \cdot v \cdot e^{uv} \\ &\quad + (x^2 \cos x^2y - 2xy \cdot -\sin x^2y) \cdot \frac{1}{u} \end{aligned}$$



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$$\textcircled{2} \quad \left. \frac{\partial f}{\partial u} \right|_{\vec{x}_0} = 1 \quad \left. \frac{\partial f}{\partial v} \right|_{\vec{x}_0} = 1.$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad f_{uu} = \frac{\partial g}{\partial x} \cdot \frac{\partial x}{\partial u} + \frac{\partial g}{\partial y} \cdot \frac{\partial y}{\partial u} + \frac{\partial g}{\partial u} \quad (\text{Just one example})$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \left(v \cdot e^{uv} \cdot [2y \cos^2 y + 2xy \cdot 2xy \cdot (-\sin x^2 y) - y^2 \cdot y^2 \cdot \cos x^2 y] \right) \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{u} \cdot \left(2x \cdot \cos x^2 y + x^2 \cdot 2xy \cdot -\sin x^2 y - 2y \cdot (\sin x^2 y)^2 - 2xy \cdot y^2 \cdot (-\cos x^2 y) \right) \cdot u \cdot e^{uv} \end{aligned}$$

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$$+ (2xy \cdot \cos x^2 y - y^2 \cdot \sin xy^2) \cdot v^2 e^{uv} + (x^2 \cos x^2 y - 2xy \cdot -\sin xy^2) \frac{-1}{u^2}$$

$$\textcircled{4} \quad f_{uu}|_{\vec{x}_0} = 1 \cdot 2 \cdot 1 \cdot e + e \cdot 2 - 1 = 4e - 1$$

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$$\begin{cases} \textcircled{2} \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = e^{3-x^2-y^2} \cdot (-2x) \\ \textcircled{3} \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = e^{3-x^2-y^2} \cdot (-2y) \end{cases} \quad \textcircled{2} df = e^{3-x^2-y^2} \cdot (-2x) dx + e^{3-x^2-y^2} \cdot (-2y) dy$$

$$\textcircled{3} df = -2e dx - 2e dy \quad \textcircled{4} \vec{N} = \begin{pmatrix} -2e \\ -2e \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$z - e = -2e(x-1) - 2e(y-1)$$

$$\textcircled{4} -2e \cdot 0.1 - 2e \cdot 0.1 \approx z - e \quad z \approx 0.6e$$

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$$\textcircled{2} D_{\vec{u}} f = \nabla f \cdot \vec{u} = e^{3-x^2-y^2} \cdot (-x - \sqrt{3}y) \Big|_{(1,1)} \\ = e \cdot (-1 - \sqrt{3})$$

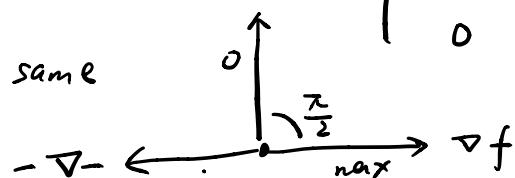
$$\textcircled{3} \nabla f = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} \cdot e \text{ increases}$$

$$-\nabla f = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \cdot e \text{ decreases}$$

$$\textcircled{4} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ remains same}$$

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

$$= \begin{cases} \text{maximal} & \cos \theta = 1 \\ \text{minimal} & \cos \theta = -1 \\ 0 & \cos \theta = 0 \end{cases}$$



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$$= yz \cdot \frac{1}{t} + xz \cdot e^t + xy \cdot \frac{-1}{t^2} = g(x, y, z, t)$$

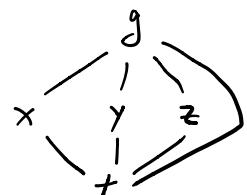
$$x = x(t)$$

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$$\textcircled{2} \quad \left. \frac{dt}{dt} \right|_{t=2} = e^2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} + \ln 2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot e^2 + \ln 2 \cdot e^2 \cdot \frac{-1}{4}$$

$$= \frac{e^2}{4} (1 + \ln 2)$$



$$\textcircled{3} \quad \frac{dt^1}{dt} = \frac{\partial g}{\partial x} \cdot \frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{\partial g}{\partial y} \cdot \frac{dy}{dt} + \frac{\partial g}{\partial z} \cdot \frac{dz}{dt} + \frac{\partial g}{\partial t}$$

$$= (z \cdot e^t + y \cdot \frac{-1}{t^2}) \cdot \frac{1}{t} + (z \cdot \frac{1}{t} + x \cdot \frac{-1}{t^2}) \cdot e^t + \underbrace{(y \cdot \frac{1}{t} + x \cdot e^t) \cdot \frac{-1}{t^2}}_{+ (yz \cdot \frac{-1}{t^2} + xz \cdot e^t + xy \cdot \frac{2}{t^3})}$$

$$\textcircled{4} \quad \left. \frac{dt^1}{dt} \right|_{t=2} = \left(\frac{1}{2} \cdot e^2 + e^2 \cdot \frac{-1}{4} \right) \cdot \frac{1}{2} + \left(\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} + \ln 2 \cdot \frac{-1}{4} \right) \cdot e^2 +$$

$$\left(e^2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} + \ln 2 \cdot e^2 \right) \cdot \frac{-1}{4} + \underbrace{\left(e^2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{-1}{4} + \ln 2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot e^2 \right)}_{e^2 \cdot \ln 2 \cdot \frac{2}{2^3}}$$

$$= e^2 \cdot \left(\frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{8} \right) + e^2 \cdot \ln 2 \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{4} \right) + \underbrace{\left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} \right)}_{e^2 \cdot \ln 2 \cdot \frac{2}{2^3}}$$

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