

# Recitation

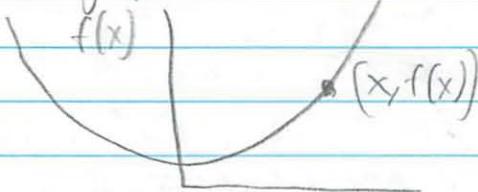
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I got 66 / ~~100~~<sup>90</sup> g some rounding stuff  
average 66 / ~~90~~<sup>160</sup> I did not do as well  
makeup < 55

Function of 1 variable  $x$

$$f(x) = x^2 + 1$$

graph



Functions of several variables

$$f(x, y) = xy + x \quad \leftarrow \text{function of variables } x, y$$

$$f(x, y, z) = xe^{xy} + x^2z \quad \leftarrow xyz$$

Today: Domain of definition + how to represent

always tired  
on wed

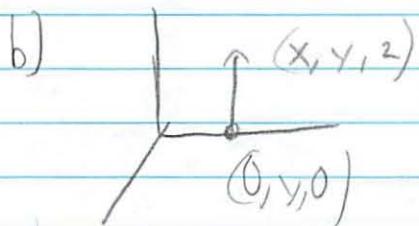
Ex 1

Find the function  $x, y, z$  giving

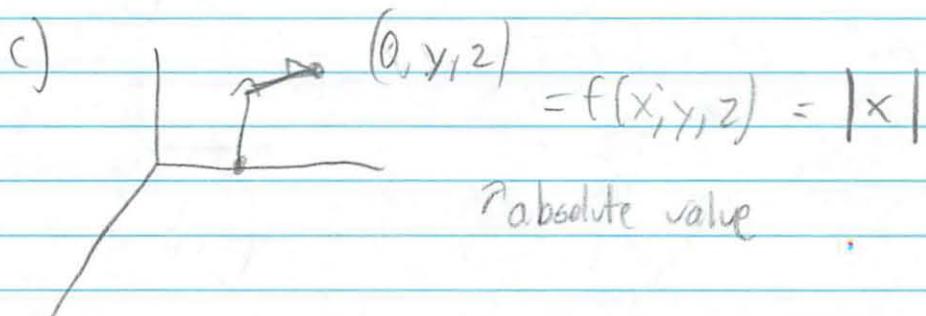
- the distance of  $(x, y, z)$  from origin
- from  $y$  axis
- from  $y, z$  plane



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



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



? absolute value

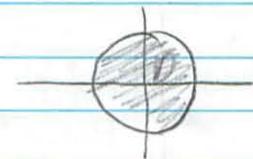
Domain of  $f(x, y)$ : set of  $(x, y)$  for which  $f(x, y)$  makes sense

a)  $f(x, y) = \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y}$   $x \neq 0, y \neq 0$   
 everything except the axes

b)  $f(x, y) = \sqrt{x+y}$   $x+y > 0$  Domain not bounded

c)  $f(x, y) = \sqrt{1-x^2-y^2}$

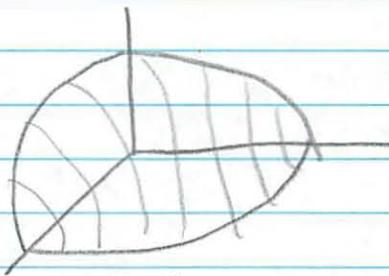
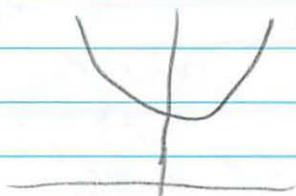
domain inside circle



Representing  $f(x, y)$

$$f(x, y) = 1 - x^2 - y^2$$

1. Try normal graph



$$1 - x^2 - y^2$$

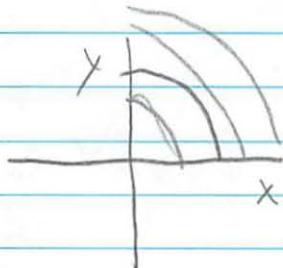
a 3D surface

Difficult to represent

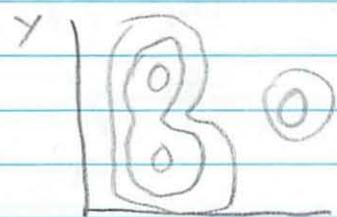
2. Level curves / equi potential lines / topo. map

- for volume c

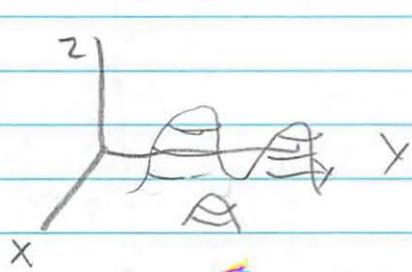
- For set of  $x, y$  such that  $f(x, y) = c$



like an architect looking at side view  
but many curves as  $x$  changes



, topo map  
is 3 mountain peaks



# Lecture 9

Partial Derivatives, Tangent Plane, Approx Formula 2/25

So apparently avg: 70/90  
pass 60/90

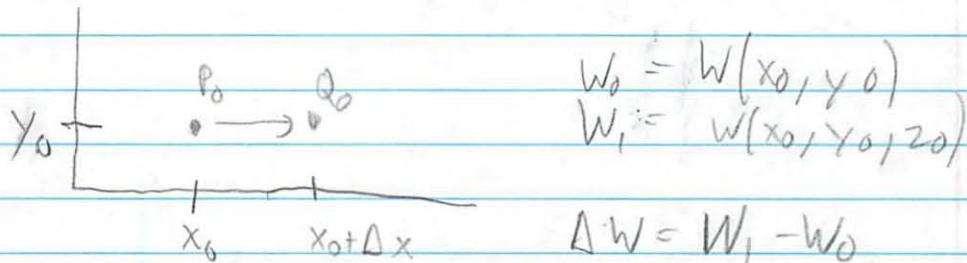
Main topic of term: functions of several variables

Today will be working in 2D (identical for nD)

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

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

temp at pt  $(x, y)$  in plane  
 $^{\circ}\text{C}$   
 $(x, y, z)$  in space



$$\left( \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} \right)_{\text{at pt } P_0} = \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta w}{\Delta x}$$

(In this case it's a 1D problem - only x changes)  
fixed

$$\approx \frac{d}{dx} w(x, y)$$

partial function

"partial derivative  
of  $f(x, y)$  with  
respect to  $x$   
at  $(x_0, y_0)$

$$\frac{\partial w}{\partial x} = \frac{1}{\partial x} v(x, y_0) \text{ if } y \text{ fixed}$$

$$\frac{\partial w}{\partial y} = \frac{1}{\partial y} w(x_0, y) \text{ if } x \text{ fixed}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} (x^4 y^2) = 4x^3 y^2$$

- hold  $y$  constant
- differentiate  $x$  like 18, 01
- hold  $x$  constant
- differentiate  $y$

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

## 2D Geometric



$\leftarrow$  level curves  
 - like topo map  
 $w = f(x, y)$

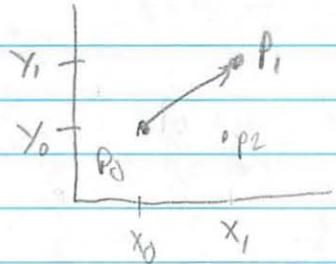
$$\left( \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} \right)_0 \quad \left( \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} \right)_0 \quad \text{approximate}$$

need to define  $\rightarrow$  unit 1

$$\left(\frac{\partial W}{\partial x}\right)_0 \approx \frac{\Delta W}{\Delta x} = \frac{2-1}{1} = \frac{-1}{1}$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial W}{\partial y}\right)_0 \approx \frac{\Delta W}{\Delta y} = \frac{3-2}{\frac{3}{4}} = \frac{1}{\frac{3}{4}} = \frac{4}{3}$$

\* Most important formula \*



By how much does temp change ( $\Delta W$ )

Approx formula for  $\Delta W$  from  $p_0$  to  $p_1$

Decompose the diagonal into horizontal + vertical line  
- change in temp  $\approx$  same

$$\Delta W = \Delta W \uparrow + \Delta W \rightarrow$$

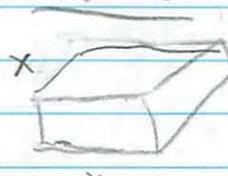
at  $p_2$

$$\Delta W \approx \left(\frac{\partial W}{\partial x}\right)_0 \Delta x + \left(\frac{\partial W}{\partial y}\right)_0 \Delta y$$

Approx formula

Note  $\left(\frac{\partial W}{\partial y}\right)_{p_2} \approx \left(\frac{\partial W}{\partial y}\right)_0$  if contheous

Now 3D



$$y = x^2 z$$

$$x = 3 \text{ m} \pm 1 \text{ cm}$$

$$y = 1 \text{ m} \pm 1 \text{ cm}$$

What is the possible error in volume?

$\epsilon$  total possible  
error

$$\Delta V \approx (2xy)_{(3,1)} \Delta x + (x^2)_{(3,1)} \Delta y$$

$$\approx (2(3)(1)) \Delta x + (3^2) \Delta y$$

$\approx 15$  cubic cm

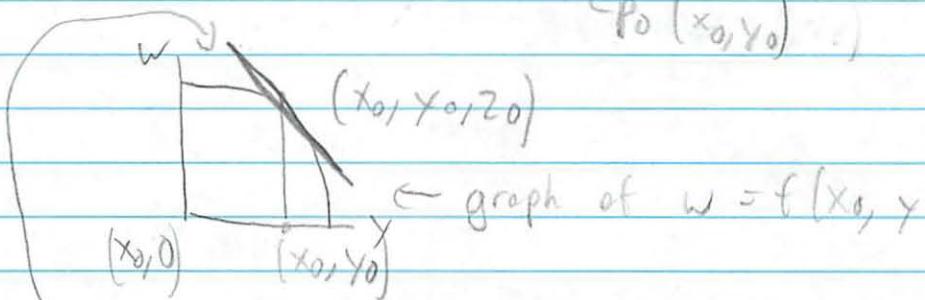
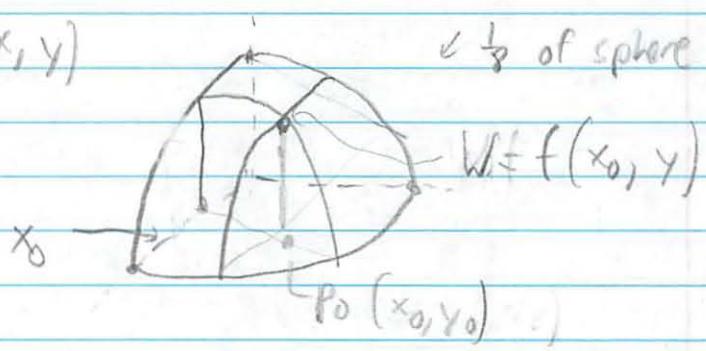
Volume is more affected by  $\Delta y$

- so pay more attention to that

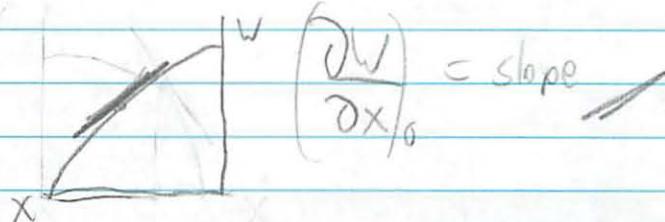
- b/c it has biggest coefficient

Geometric picture

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



$\left(\frac{\partial w}{\partial y}\right)_0$  = slope of partial function  
at  $(x_0, w_0)$



Alt method

tangent plane to graph  $w = f(x, y)$  at  $(x_0, y_0, z_0)$

= plane containing two tangents to the partial function

$$w - w_0 = A(x - x_0) + B(y - y_0)$$
$$\left(\frac{\partial w}{\partial x}\right)_x \quad \left(\frac{\partial w}{\partial y}\right)_0$$

$$\Delta w \underset{\substack{\text{change in } f(x, y) \\ \text{in tan}}}{\approx} \Delta w = \left(\frac{\partial w}{\partial x}\right)_0 \Delta x + \left(\frac{\partial w}{\partial y}\right)_0 \Delta y$$

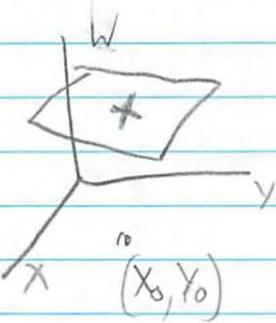
plane function  
from  $p_0 - p_1$

# Lecture 10

## Directional derivative, gradient

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Review



plane through  $(x_0, y_0, w_0)$

$$a(x - x_0) + b(y - y_0) + c(w - w_0) = 0$$

$c \neq 0 \rightarrow$  plane not vertical

$$\boxed{w - w_0 = A(x - x_0) + B(y - y_0)}$$

$A$  = slope in  $\uparrow$  dir

$$w - w_0 = A(x - x_0) \quad y = y_0$$

$B$  = slope in  $\nearrow$  dir

$$w - w_0 = B(y - y_0) \quad x = x_0$$

$$\boxed{w - w_0 = \left(\frac{\partial w}{\partial x}\right)_0 (x - x_0) + \left(\frac{\partial w}{\partial y}\right)_0 (y - y_0)}$$

tangent to plane  $w = f(x, y)$

$$\boxed{\Delta w = \left(\frac{\partial w}{\partial x}\right)_0 \Delta x + \left(\frac{\partial w}{\partial y}\right)_0 \Delta y}$$

Approx  
Formula

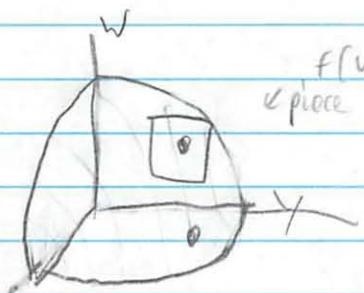
Sphere  $x \ y \ w$  space (radius = 3)

$$\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + w^2} = 3$$

Distance from 0

$$w = \sqrt{9 - x^2 - y^2}$$

(1, 2, 2)



tan plane at (1, 2, 2)

$$\frac{\partial w}{\partial x} = -\frac{x}{w} \quad \leftarrow \text{other stuff is constant}$$

example drops out

$$\frac{\partial w}{\partial y} = -\frac{y}{w}$$

$$w - 12 = -\frac{1}{2}(x - x_0) - \frac{1}{2}(y - y_0)$$

$$\Delta w = -\frac{1}{2} \Delta x - \Delta y$$

$$x = 1.1$$

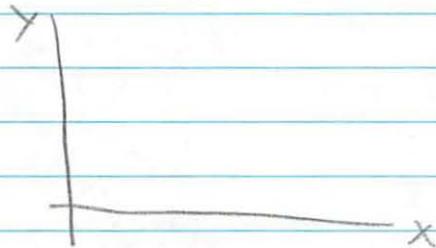
$$y = 2.1$$

$$\Delta w = -\frac{1}{2}(1) - (-1)$$

$$= .15$$

$$w \approx 1.85$$

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

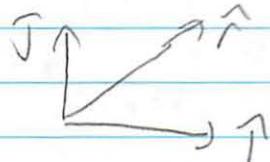


temp at  $(x, y)$  in plane  
at  $P_0$

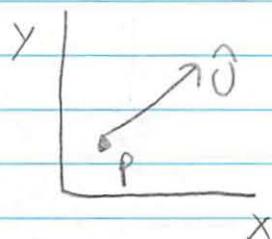
$\left(\frac{\partial w}{\partial x}\right)_0$  rate of change  
of  $w$  with respect  
to  $x$   $\uparrow$   $P_{\text{dir}}$

$\left(\frac{\partial w}{\partial y}\right)_0$  rate of change  
of  $w$  w/ respect  
to  $y$   $\uparrow$   $\nabla w$

But who picks  $\uparrow$  and  $\nwarrow$  direction



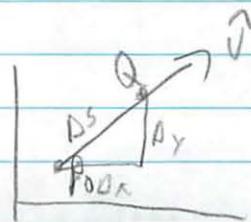
Directional derivative of  $w$  in dir  $\vec{v}$



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

$$\left(\frac{\partial w}{\partial s}\right)_{P_0, \vec{v}} = \lim_{\Delta s \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta w}{\Delta s}$$

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

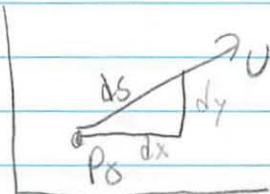


approx formula

$$\begin{aligned} &= \lim_{\Delta s \rightarrow 0} \left( \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} \right)_0 \frac{\Delta x}{\Delta s} + \left( \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} \right)_0 \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta s} \\ &\quad \uparrow \quad \downarrow \\ &\quad \text{constants} \end{aligned}$$
$$\boxed{\begin{aligned} &= \left( \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} \right)_0 \cdot \frac{dx}{ds} + \left( \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} \right)_0 \cdot \frac{dy}{ds} \\ &= \left( \frac{dw}{ds} \right)_{0,0} = \left( \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} \right)_0 \frac{dx}{ds} + \left( \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} \right)_0 \cdot \frac{dy}{ds} \end{aligned}}$$

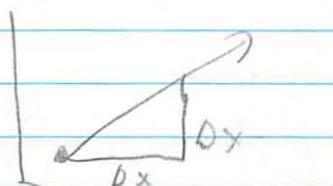
↑ look not product of 2 vectors

$$\left( \frac{dw}{ds} \right)_{0,0} = \left\langle \frac{\partial w}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} \right\rangle_0 \cdot \left\langle \frac{dx}{ds}, \frac{dy}{ds} \right\rangle$$



$$= \left\langle \frac{dx}{ds}, \frac{dy}{ds} \right\rangle$$

$$= 1$$



$$= \left\langle \frac{\Delta x}{\Delta s}, \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta s} \right\rangle \quad \text{as } \Delta s \rightarrow 0$$

$$= 1$$

↳ the unit vector  $\hat{x}_0$  started with

$$\left\langle \frac{\partial w}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} \right\rangle_0 \cdot \left\langle \frac{dx}{ds}, \frac{dy}{ds} \right\rangle$$

gradient of  $w$  |  $\nabla w$  grad  $w$   
del nabla

- does not use a coord system
- just dr ant is traveling
- but left side in terms of  $\tau$  and  $\gamma$ ?
- what is the invariant vector

Meaning of gradient  $\nabla w$

direction? magnitude?

direction  $(\nabla w)_0$

$\perp$  level curve through  $P_0$

$\tau$  unit tangent vector to curve at  $P_0$

$w = w(x, y)$

$$= \boxed{\nabla w \cdot \vec{\tau} = \left( \frac{\partial w}{\partial s} \right)_{0, \nabla w}} \quad \text{where } \vec{\tau} = \text{dir } \vec{A} = \frac{\vec{A}}{|\vec{A}|}$$

$\tau$  because it's a level curve  
walking along curve - no change

magnitude of  $\nabla w$

$$\left( \frac{dw}{ds} \right)_{0, \nabla w} = \nabla w \cdot \frac{\nabla w}{|\nabla w|} \quad \vec{A} \cdot \vec{A} = \text{square of length}$$

$$|\nabla w| = \left( \frac{dw}{ds} \right)_{0, \nabla w} \quad \text{treat backwards}$$

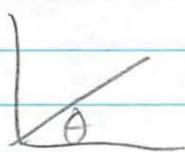
both  $\geq 0$

~~$\curvearrowright$~~   $P_0$  the direction you choose is the  $\oplus$  one

So  $\boxed{(\nabla w)_0 \perp \text{level curve through } P_0}$   
in  $\oplus$  dir

Skeleton of calculation

$$\theta = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{y}{x} \right)$$



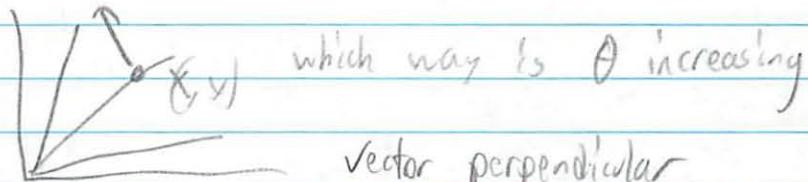
$$\nabla w = ?$$

- be patient

$$\nabla = \left\langle \frac{-y}{x^2+y^2}, \frac{x}{x^2+y^2} \right\rangle$$

check that compatible

level curves are the rays  
 $\theta = \text{constant}$



$$\langle x, y \rangle \perp \langle -y, x \rangle \quad \text{so it works out}$$

$$\text{magnitude} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2+y^2}} = \frac{1}{r}$$

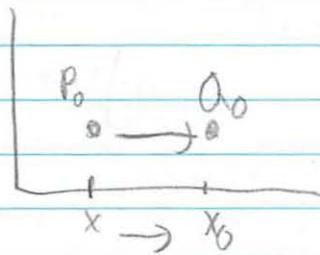
# Lectures 9 + 10

## Review

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working in 2D  
— same in ND

have a temp at a pt in space



$$\left( \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} \right)_0 = \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta w}{\Delta x}$$

rat that  
pt

T derivative

— So basically keep <sup>the rest</sup> constant while taking deriv of other 1

practically, very simple

- math describing it goofy as always  
(don't be math major)

ask yourself - how much does temp change  
topographic map

$$\Delta w = \Delta w^T + \Delta w^P$$

at  $P_0$

what does that mean?  
but = if continuous  
? so no practical implications ??

Then imagine it in 3D  
slope of each section

Lecture 10

$$W - W_0 = A \underset{\uparrow}{(x-x_0)} + B \underset{\uparrow}{(y-y_0)}$$

- so basically same thing?

(Approx formula  $\Delta W = \left(\frac{\partial W}{\partial x}\right)_0 \Delta x + \left(\frac{\partial W}{\partial y}\right)_0 \Delta y$ )

but another way to write it

$$\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + w^2} = 3$$

radius

$$w = \sqrt{9 - x^2 - y^2}$$

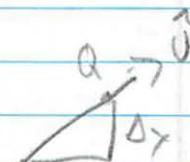
$$\frac{\partial w}{\partial x} = \frac{-x}{w} \quad \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} = \frac{-y}{w}$$

$$w - 2 = -\frac{1}{2}(x - x_0) - \frac{1}{2}(y - y_0)$$

but problem with  $\uparrow \downarrow$  is that who picks what is what

so directional derivative of  $w$  in  $\vec{v}$

$$\left(\frac{\partial w}{\partial s}\right)_{P_0, \vec{v}} = \lim_{\Delta s \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta w}{\Delta s}$$



$\left(\frac{\partial w}{\partial s}\right)_{P_0, \vec{v}} = \left(\frac{\partial w}{\partial x}\right)_0 \frac{\Delta x}{\Delta s} + \left(\frac{\partial w}{\partial y}\right)_0 \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta s}$

$$\left( \frac{\partial w}{\partial s} \right)_{\vec{v}} = \left\langle \frac{\partial w}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} \right\rangle \circ \left\langle \frac{dx}{ds}, \frac{dy}{ds} \right\rangle$$

$$= \left\langle \frac{dx}{ds}, \frac{dx}{ds} \right\rangle = 1$$

same vector  
started with,

$$= \vec{\nabla}w \cdot \vec{v}$$

$$= \vec{\nabla}w \cdot \frac{\vec{\nabla}w}{|\vec{\nabla}w|}$$

$\vec{\nabla}w \perp$  level curve through  $P_0$   
topo map

$$\theta = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{y}{x} \right)$$

$$\vec{v} = - \left\langle \frac{-x}{x^2+y^2}, \frac{y}{x^2+y^2} \right\rangle$$

- level curves are the rays  
 $\theta$  constant



$$\text{magnitude} = \sqrt{x^2+y^2} = r$$

# TA Course Notes

## Reading

2/28

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

fix  $y = y_0$  get  $w = f(x, y_0)$   
slope at pt P  $x = x_0$   
 $\frac{\partial F}{\partial x}(x_0, y_0)$

Can calc w/ tangent plane or approx formula

-Section not helpful in showing  
what  $f_{xy}$  or  $f_{ww}$  means.

# Recitation

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Ex 0

$f(x, y)$

$P_0 = (x_0, y_0)$

	numbers	vectors
$f(P_0)$	✓	
$\left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}\right)_{P_0}$	✓	
$\nabla f(P_0)$		✓
$\left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}\right)_{P_0, i} \quad \checkmark$		2 coords the 2 partial derivs

ex1

Calculate partial derivative

a.  $f(x, y) = \frac{y}{x}$

b.  $g(x, y) = \sin(3x + 2y)$

a.  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = y - 1 \cdot x^{-2} = -\frac{y}{x^2} \quad \text{D}$

$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = \frac{1}{x} \quad \text{D}$

b.  $\frac{\partial g}{\partial x} = \cos(3x + 2y) + (3+2) \underset{\text{constant}}{\cancel{y}} \quad 3 \cos(3x + 2y) \quad \text{chain rule}$

$\frac{\partial g}{\partial y} = \cos(3x + 2y) + (3x+2) \underset{\text{constant}}{\cancel{2}} \cos(3x + 2y) \quad \text{chain rule}$

\* do chain rule correctly

ex 2  
2B - 7

Assume

$$x = 3$$

$$y = 4$$

with certain error 0.01

- a With what accuracy can the polar coordinate  $(r, \theta)$  be calculated? Is it more sensitive on  $x$  or  $y$  edge

$$r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$$

$$\theta = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{y}{x} \right)$$

$$\underline{x = 3 + \Delta x \text{ with } |\Delta x| \leq 0.01}$$

$$r(x, y) \approx r(3, 4) + \underbrace{\left[ \frac{\partial r}{\partial x}(3, 4) \Delta x + \frac{\partial r}{\partial y}(3, 4) \Delta y \right]}_{\Delta r}$$

$$\sqrt{x^2 + y^2} = \sqrt{3^2 + 4^2} + \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} \Delta x + \frac{y}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} \Delta y$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left( x^2 + y^2 \right)^{1/2} \\ y^2 (x^2 + y^2)^{-1/2} \cdot 2x$$

I actually  
pretty much  
solved it

$$\sqrt{x^2 + y^2} = 5 + \frac{3}{\sqrt{3^2 + 4^2}} \Delta x + \frac{4}{\sqrt{3^2 + 4^2}} \Delta y$$

$$\sqrt{x^2 + y^2} = 5 + \frac{3}{5} \Delta x + \frac{4}{5} \Delta y$$

know  $|\Delta r| \leq \left( \frac{3}{5} \Delta x + \frac{4}{5} \Delta y \right) \leq \frac{3}{5} |\Delta x| + \frac{4}{5} |\Delta y|$   
 $\curvearrowleft$  is at most this value

$$\leq .006 \cdot .001 + .08 \cdot .001 = .014$$

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$$\theta(x, y) = \theta(3, 4) + \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial x}(3, 4)\Delta x + \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial y}(3, 4)\Delta y$$

Recall

$$(\tan(x))' =$$

$$\frac{1}{1+x^2}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) = \frac{1}{1+\left(\frac{y}{x}\right)^2} \cdot \frac{-1}{x^2} = \frac{-1}{(1+\left(\frac{y}{x}\right)^2)x^2} = \frac{-y}{x^2+y^2}$$

distribute & simplify

$$\frac{d}{dy} \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) = \frac{1}{1+\left(\frac{y}{x}\right)^2} \cdot \frac{1}{x} = \frac{1}{(1+\left(\frac{y}{x}\right)^2)x} = \frac{x}{x^2+y^2}$$

keep the constant

multiply by  $x^2$

$$\frac{\partial \theta}{\partial x}(3, 4) = \frac{-4}{3^2+4^2} = \frac{-4}{25}$$

$$\frac{\partial \theta}{\partial y}(3, 4) = \frac{3}{3^2+4^2} = \frac{3}{25}$$

$$\frac{x}{x^2+y^2}$$

$$\Delta \theta = -\frac{4}{25} \Delta x + \frac{3}{25} \Delta y$$

$$\Delta \theta \leq \frac{4}{25} |\Delta x| + \frac{3}{25} |\Delta y| \leq \frac{4}{25} \cdot 0.001 + \frac{3}{25} \cdot 0.001 \\ = 0.0028$$

Error is more sensitive on  $\theta$  to error on  $y$   
than to error on  $x$

$$\frac{\partial r}{\partial y} > \frac{\partial r}{\partial x}$$

$$\frac{\partial \theta}{\partial y} < \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial x}$$

Ex 3

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

a) Find equation of tangent plane at  $(0, 1, 1)$

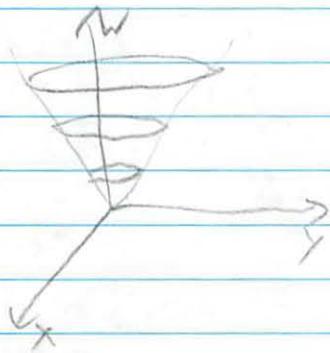
This day  
is easier  
since the  
root

$\sqrt{0^2+1^2}$  is on plane

b) More generally find the tangent plane at  $A = (a, b, c)$

$$c = \sqrt{a^2+b^2}$$

c) Show that the line OA is included in the tangent plane.



Formula for tangent plane  
at  $P_0 = (x_0, y_0, z_0)$

$$w - w_0 = \frac{\partial w}{\partial x}(x_0, y_0)(x - x_0) + \frac{\partial w}{\partial y}(x_0, y_0)(y - y_0)$$

$$\frac{\partial w}{\partial x} = \frac{1}{2}(x^2 + y^2)^{-1/2} \cdot 2x = \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} = \frac{x_0}{\sqrt{x_0^2 + y_0^2}} = \frac{0}{\sqrt{0^2 + 1^2}} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial w}{\partial y} = \frac{1}{2}(x^2 + y^2)^{-1/2} \cdot 2y = \frac{y}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} = \frac{y_0}{\sqrt{x_0^2 + y_0^2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{0^2 + 1^2}}$$

Equation of plane

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

$$w = y - 1 + 1$$

$\Rightarrow$  simplify

$$[w = y]$$

b Now more generally at  $(a, b, c)$

$$\frac{a}{\sqrt{a^2+b^2}} \quad \frac{b}{\sqrt{a^2+b^2}}$$

$$w - \sqrt{a^2+b^2} = \frac{a}{\sqrt{a^2+b^2}}(x-a) + \frac{b}{\sqrt{a^2+b^2}}(y-b)$$

$$w - c = \frac{a}{c}(x-a) + \frac{b}{c}(y-b)$$

simplify

$$cw - c^2 = ax - a^2 + by - b^2$$
$$[cw = ax + by]$$

↳ can check  $lw = 0x + 1y$   
 $w = y \text{ } \textcircled{1}$

c We know O is in the plane

$$\hookrightarrow Ow = Ox + Oy$$
$$O = \emptyset$$

We know A is in the plane

So we know OA is in the plane

# Lecture 11

3D gradient, level surfaces, tan planes 3/2

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

$$\boxed{\nabla w = \langle w_x, w_y \rangle}$$

$$\text{gradient vector} = \left\langle \frac{\partial w}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} \right\rangle$$

$$\boxed{\left. \frac{dw}{ds} \right|_{P_0, J} = \nabla w \cdot J}$$

directional derivative

$$\boxed{\left. \frac{dw}{ds} \right|_{P_0, \vec{A}} = \vec{\nabla} w \cdot \frac{\vec{A}}{|\vec{A}|}}$$

Review



temp in a place

dir  $\vec{\nabla} w \perp$  to level curve direction  
increasing  $w$

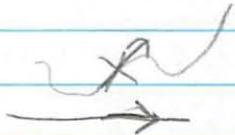
$$\boxed{|\nabla w| = \left. \frac{dw}{ds} \right|_{P_0, \vec{\nabla} w}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\leftarrow \text{length: calc directional derivative} \\ &\approx \frac{\Delta w}{\Delta s} \Big|_{\vec{\nabla} w} \approx \frac{1}{\frac{1}{2}} = 2 \end{aligned}$$

$|\vec{\nabla}w|$  big if level curves are when level curves are close

Small when level curves are far apart

\* gradient is on plane \*  
not on the mountain



$\vec{v}$  represents all possible directions at that point

$$\vec{A} \cdot \vec{v}$$

varies

when is it at max?

when  $\vec{v}$  is parallel  
and same direction as  $\vec{A}$

max

$$\vec{v} = \text{dir } \vec{A}$$

$$\vec{v}$$

0

$$\vec{v} \perp \vec{A}$$

min

$$\vec{v} = -\text{dir } \vec{A}$$



$\cos \alpha$  max when  $\alpha = 0$

$$0$$

$\alpha = 0$

$$\pi/2$$

$\vec{A} \cdot \vec{v}$  = scalar component of  $\vec{A}$   
in the direction  $\vec{v}$

So how does this matter for gradient?

$$\frac{dw}{ds}|_0$$

$$\max \vec{v} = \text{dir } (\vec{\nabla}w)$$

$$\vec{v} \perp \vec{\nabla}w$$

$$\min \vec{v} = -\text{dir } (\vec{\nabla}w)$$

$$w = x^2 y \quad \text{at } (1,1)$$

| Which way and how far  
• does it go to raise temp  $2^\circ$

- So walk in dir  $\vec{\nabla} w$  - but how far to go?

$$\vec{\nabla} w = \langle 2xy, x^2 \rangle_{(1,1)} = \langle 2, 1 \rangle$$

$\uparrow$  direction

$$|\vec{\nabla} w| = \sqrt{5}$$

$$\left| \frac{\Delta w}{\Delta s} \right|_{\nabla w} = \sqrt{5}$$

$$\frac{\Delta s}{\Delta s} \quad \frac{\Delta s}{\Delta s}$$

$$\left| \frac{\Delta w}{\Delta s} \right|_{\nabla w} = \frac{2}{\Delta s}$$

$$\frac{2}{\Delta s} \approx \sqrt{5}$$

$$\Delta s \approx \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}} = .9$$

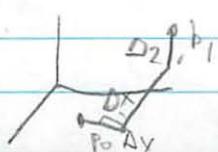
In 3-Space

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

can still use temp  
instead of ant  $\rightarrow$  flea

$$\Delta w \approx w_x \Delta x + \dots + w_z \Delta z$$

- same reasoning as 2D



$$\frac{dw}{ds} = w_x \frac{dx}{ds} + \dots + w_z \frac{dz}{ds} = \nabla w \cdot \vec{v}$$

$$\nabla w = \langle w_x, w_y, w_z \rangle$$

$$\left[ \frac{dw}{ds} \Big|_{\vec{v}} = \nabla w \cdot \vec{v} \right] \text{ still works}$$

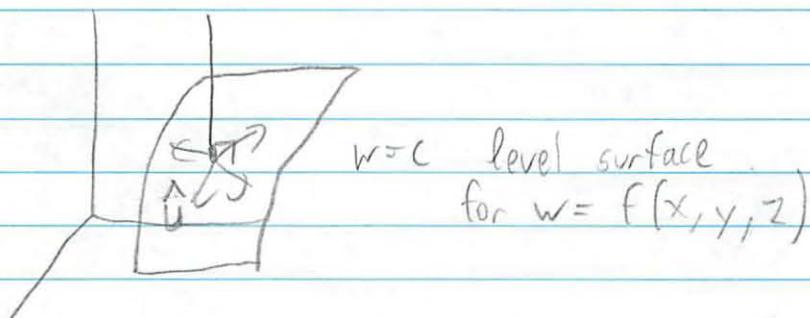
All of the rest of it is the same too

$\text{dir}(\nabla w) \perp$  level surface ↪ (not curves  
 but surfaces)  
 through  $P_0$   
 means  $P_0$

$$|\nabla w| = \frac{dw}{ds} \Big|_{P_0, \nabla w}$$

$$\nabla w \perp \vec{v} = \nabla w \cdot \vec{v} = 0$$

↪ the unit vectors that lie along level surface



must be perpendicular to the little tangent vectors at that point

which  $\vec{v}$  is the direction derivative  $D$ ? ↪ no ones tangent to level surface

The  $\vec{J}$  which are tangent to level surface

Alternative calculation of tangent plane to a surface at  $(1, 2, 1)$

$$\begin{aligned}x^2 + y^2 + 2z^2 &= \text{ellipsoid} \\= 1^2 + 2^2 + 2(1)^2 \\&= 7\end{aligned}$$

Find tangent plane at  $(1, 2, 1)$

This is a level surface of  $w = x^2 + y^2 + z^2$   
I need the normal vector to that surface

$\hookrightarrow (\nabla w)_{(1, 2, 1)}$  is the normal vector

$$\nabla w = \langle 2x, 2y, 2z \rangle$$

$$= \langle 2, 4, 2 \rangle \perp \text{to surface}$$

$$= 2 \langle 1, 2, 1 \rangle$$

Normal vector

So tan plane

$$\begin{aligned}1(x-1) + 2(y-2) + 2(z-2) &= 0 \\| \quad \text{expand}\end{aligned}$$

# Recitation

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Ex (  $f(x, y, z) = \ln(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)$

$$\left\langle \frac{2x}{x^2+y^2+z^2}, \frac{2y}{x^2+y^2+z^2}, \frac{2z}{x^2+y^2+z^2} \right\rangle \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{false dir right} \\ \downarrow \text{simplify} \\ \frac{2}{x^2+y^2+z^2} \end{array}$$

a. Find volume + gradient at  $(1, 2, -2)$

$$\text{volume} = \ln(1^2 + 2^2 + (-2)^2)$$

$$\nabla f = \left\langle \frac{2}{9}, \frac{4}{9}, \frac{-8}{9} \right\rangle \text{ or } \frac{2}{9} \langle 1, 2, -2 \rangle$$

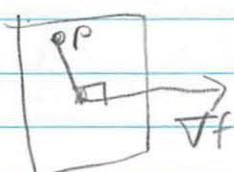
b. Find tangent plane equation of level curve  $f(x, y, z) = \ln(4)$

$\nabla f$  is  $\perp$  to the level curve

so it is the tangent plane

level curve  
value -  
extraneous

So want  $\perp \frac{2}{9} \langle 1, 2, -2 \rangle$  and goes through  $(1, 2, -2)$   
can drop



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

$$\frac{2}{9} \langle 1, 2, -2 \rangle \cdot \langle x-1, y-2, z+2 \rangle = 0$$

right we are doing dot

product to find normal vector  
ah ha!

C Find the directional derivative of  $f$  at  $P$  in  $\vec{v}$   
 $\vec{v} = \langle 1, 3, -1 \rangle$

$$\left( \frac{df}{ds} \right)_{P, \vec{v}} = \nabla f \cdot \vec{v}$$

rate of change of  $f$  if one goes at speed  
 1 in the direction  $v$

$$\vec{v} = \text{dir}(A) = \frac{\vec{A}}{|\vec{A}|} = \frac{\langle 1, 3, -1 \rangle}{\sqrt{1^2 + 3^2 + (-1)^2}} = \frac{\langle 1, 3, -1 \rangle}{\sqrt{11}}$$

$$\left( \frac{df}{ds} \right)_{P, \vec{v}} = \nabla f \cdot \vec{v} = \frac{2}{9} \langle 1, 2, -2 \rangle \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{11}} \langle 1, 3, -1 \rangle$$

d What are the min/max of directional deriv at  $P$ ?  
 What direction are they?

want to max  $\frac{df}{ds}$

$$\left( \frac{2}{9\sqrt{11}} (1+6+2) \right) = \left( \frac{2}{9\sqrt{11}} \right)$$

now  
do dot product  
get this better now

max  $\nabla f \cdot \vec{v}$  over all unit vector choices of  $\vec{v}$

$$\uparrow \text{maximize when } \vec{v} \text{ in dir}(\nabla f) \quad |\nabla f| \cdot |\vec{v}| \cos \theta \quad [-1, 1]$$

$$\vec{v} = \frac{\nabla f}{|\nabla f|}$$

$$\text{has value } \nabla f \cdot \frac{\nabla f}{|\nabla f|} = \frac{|\nabla f|^2}{|\nabla f|} = |\nabla f|$$

$$\text{so } |\nabla f| = \frac{2}{9} |\langle 1, 2, -2 \rangle|$$

$$= \frac{2}{9} \sqrt{9}$$

↑ do manually,

on calc will be weird decimal

min if  $\vec{v} = -\frac{\nabla f}{|\nabla f|}$

has value  $-|\nabla f|$

$$- \frac{2}{9} \sqrt{9}$$

e In which direction should one travel to get largest increase of  $f$  at  $p$   
What is the rate of increase if one goes in this dir at speed = 7,

To increase  $f$ , one should go in dir  $\frac{\nabla f}{|\nabla f|}$

The rate of change of  $f$  for speed 7 in that dir is

$$7 \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial s} \right)_{p, \nabla} = 7 \cdot 2 \frac{1}{7} \sqrt{7}$$

$\frac{\nabla f}{|\nabla f|}$  we found dir in last problem

ex 2 Let  $S$  be a surface given by  $x^2y^2 + y + z = 0$

Let  $C$  be a parametric curve  $\vec{r}(t) = \langle 2t, \dots \rangle$

Is  $C$  included in  $S$  (on surface)

- plug coords into equation
- must satisfy for all  $t$

**18.02 Problem Set 3B** DUE, STAPLED  
WITH 3A, ON THU. MAR. 4, 10:45 2-106

**Part I** (15 points)

Recit. Wed. Feb. 24 Functions of several variables: examples, graphs, contour curves and level curves.

Read 19.1 Work: ~~2A-1be~~

Lecture 9. Thurs. Feb. 25 Partial derivatives; tangent plane, approximation formula  
Read: 19.2, Notes TA Work: ~~2A-2ae, 3b, 5b; 2B-1b, 4, 6, 9~~

Lecture 10. Fri. Feb. 26 Directional derivative; gradient.

Read: 19.5 pp. 681-top 683 (lecture and exercises will use only two dimensions)  
Work: ~~2D-1aed, 2a, 4, 7, 9bcde~~ (describe in words where B and C are)

Lecture 11. Tues. Mar. 2 3D gradient: level surfaces; tan. planes.

Read: finish 19.5. Work: ~~2D-1b, 2b, 3a, 5bc, 8,~~

Lecture 12. Thurs. Mar. 4 Max-min problems. Least squares approximation.

Read 19.7 to bottom p.693; Notes LS

**Part II** (25 points)

**Directions.** Try each problem alone for 15 minutes. If you subsequently collaborate, solutions must be written up independently. It is illegal to consult problem sets from previous semesters. With each problem is the day it can be done.

**Problem 1.** (Wed., 9 pts: 4,3,2) This problem introduces you to MatLab's 3D plots of a surface, and the corresponding plot of its level curves. Do it all at the computer, using the sheet of general MatLab directions given out with this problem set. You will use the sections: Directions for 3D Graphs and Special MatLab Operators.

a) Plot the surface  $z = x^2 - y^2$ ; adjust the viewpoint and the scale so that all the interesting features are best displayed. Include also a reasonable number of contour curves on the graph. Then print it out. (See Note at the end of this problem.)

b) Plot  $f(x, y) = xy e^{x^2-y^2}$ ; follow the same instructions as in (a).

c) For the function in part (b), also make a 2D contour plot, using the same number of level curves on the 2D plot as you used for the contour curves on the 3D graph, and print that out also.

**Note:** In entering the functions, use parentheses freely, use \* for multiplication, and use exp for the exponential function; don't forget the . for the array operation (see the directions for 3D Graphs).

**Problem 2.** (Thurs. 4 pts: 2,2). The surface  $z = x^2 - y^2$  is a saddle-shaped surface, but even though it is curved everywhere, it contains two families of lines, each of which fills out the surface completely. (This is not so evident from the MatLab plot.)

To put it another way, two lines – one from each family – go through every  $P_0 : (x_0, y_0, z_0)$  on the surface. They span the tangent plane at  $P_0$ , and are the intersection of the surface

with the tangent plane.

Verify these facts for the point  $P : (3, 2, 5)$  on the surface, as follows.

- a) Write the parametric equations for a general non-horizontal line through  $P$ : i.e., one passing through  $P$  and parallel to the vector  $a\mathbf{i} + b\mathbf{j} + \mathbf{k}$ .

Then show that there are exactly two sets of values for the pair  $(a, b)$  for which the resulting line lies entirely in the surface. (The line will lie in the surface if every point on the line satisfies the equation of the surface.)

- b) Find the equation of the tangent plane to the surface at  $P$ .

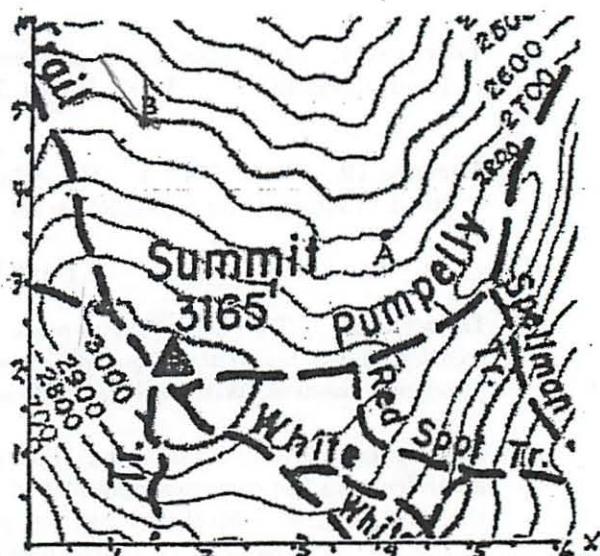
Then show that both of the lines you found in (a) also lie in this tangent plane. (Use the same method as in part (a).)

**Problem 3.** (Thurs. 3 pts.) Work 2B-8. (Use the law of cosines.)

**Problem 4.** (Fri., 5 pts.: 2,1,1,1)

The map shows a portion of the region around the summit of Mt. Monadnock, in southern N.H.. The level curves indicate height  $h$  above sea-level, in feet. Use as the horizontal scale:  $1/4'' = 500$  feet, so the  $x$  and  $y$  scales are marked in kilofeet. In your answers, identify points by their approximate coordinates.

- a) Estimate  $h_x$  and  $h_y$  at the point  $B$ .  
 b) Estimate  $dh/ds$  at  $B$  in the direction of the vector  $\mathbf{j} - \mathbf{i}$ .  
 c) Find the points  $P$  and  $Q$  having the smallest  $y$ -coordinates such that  $h(P) = h(Q) = 3000$ , and  $h_x(P) = 0$ ,  $h_y(Q) = 0$ .  
 d) Find the  $R$  with the largest  $x$ -coordinate such that  $h(R) = 2900$ , and  $dh/ds = 0$  at  $R$  in the direction  $\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j}$ .



**Problem 5.** (Tues. 4 pts) In the first octant of 3-space, the equation  $xyz = a$ , for a fixed constant  $a > 0$ , has as its graph a surface called a *hyperboloid*; this surface has the three coordinate planes as its asymptotes, i.e., it gets closer and closer to a coordinate plane as any of the variables goes to infinity.

At any point  $P_0 : (x_0, y_0, z_0)$  on this surface, the tangent plane cuts off a tetrahedron from the first octant, having the origin as one vertex, and triangular portions of the three coordinate planes and the tangent plane as its four faces. As  $P_0$  varies, the shape of this tetrahedron varies, but its volume remains constant.

Prove this, and find the volume.

(Think of  $xyz = a$  as a level surface of  $w = xyz$ ; use this to write the equation of its tangent plane at  $P_0$ , find where this plane intersects the coordinate axes, then find the volume of the resulting tetrahedron.

Volume of a tetrahedron =  $\frac{1}{3}bh$ , where  $b$  is the area of a face and  $h$  the length of the corresponding altitude – the line segment with one end perpendicular to the face and the other end at the opposite vertex.)

18.02 Pset  
3B

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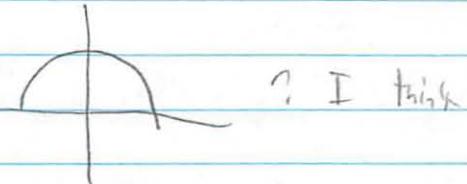
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Recitation Function of several variables  
Examples, graphs, contour + level curves

2A-1b Sketch level curves for functions

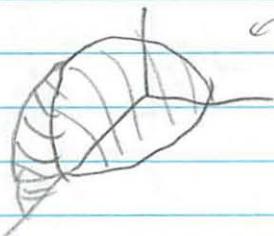
$$\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$$

Step 1 try normal graph



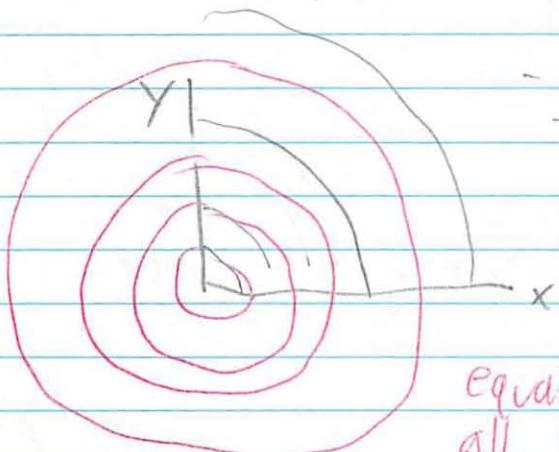
? I think

Step 2 Try 3D graph



half sphere drawn very bad

Step 3 Equipotential curves

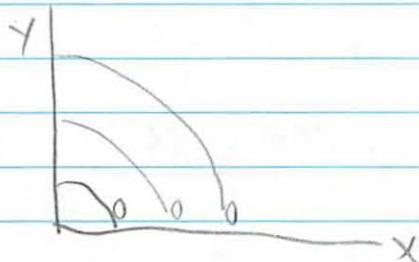


- can try points
- is there anything easier?

equal spaced  
all 4 quadrants

$$2A - 1e$$

$$x^2 - y^2$$



$$1^2 - 1^2 = 0$$

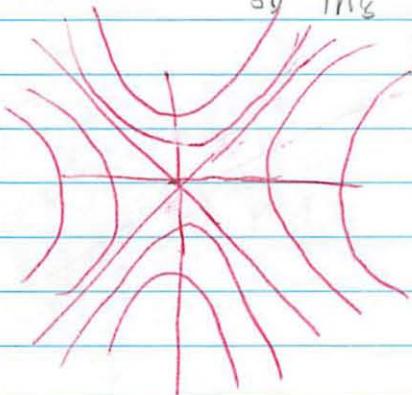
$$4^2 - 4^2$$

$$6^2 - 2^2 = 14$$



$$+14$$

so this alternates? How to draw?



I am bad at visualizing  
this - need more examples

## Lecture 9 Partial derivatives, tangent plane, approx formula

2A-2a Calculate partial deriv

$$w = x^3y - 3xy^2 + 2y^2$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \quad \text{hold } y \text{ constant} \quad f_x = 3x^2y - 3 \cdot 1 \cdot y^2 + 0$$

Differentiate  $x$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial y} \quad \text{hold } x \text{ constant} \quad f_y = x^3 \cdot 1 - 3x \cdot 2y + 2 \cdot 2y$$

Differentiate  $y$

? now add

$$\cancel{3x^2y} - \cancel{3y^2} + x^3 - 6xy + 4y$$

no just keep as 2 equations

e  $z = x \ln(2x+y)$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \quad f_x = 1 \ln(2x+y) + x \underbrace{\frac{1}{2x+y} \cdot 2}_{\text{product rule}} \quad \checkmark \text{ chain rule}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial y} = f_y = x \underbrace{\frac{1}{2x+y}}_{\text{product rule}} \cdot 1 \quad \checkmark$$

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \begin{aligned} & \text{Cross derivative} \\ & f_{xy} \in \frac{\partial F}{\partial x} \rightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( \frac{\partial F}{\partial x} \right) \\ & \text{2nd} \quad \text{P do 1st} \end{aligned}$$

3b Verify  $f_{xy} = f_{yx}$  for each

$$\left. \frac{x}{x+y} \right) = x(x+y)^{-1}$$

? what is  $f_{xy} = (f_x)_y$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} f_x &= 1 \cdot \frac{1}{x+y} + x \cdot -1(x+y)^{-2} \cdot 1 \\ &= \frac{1}{x+y} - \frac{x}{(x+y)^2} \\ &= \frac{x+y}{(x+y)^2} - \frac{x}{(x+y)^2} \\ &= \frac{y}{(x+y)^2} \quad \textcircled{1} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} f_y &= x - (x+y)^{-2} \cdot 1 \\ &= -\frac{x}{(x+y)^2} \quad \textcircled{1} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (f_x)_y &= \frac{y}{(x+y)^2} \cdot \cancel{\frac{x}{(x+y)^2}} \rightarrow \text{multiply across} \\ &\text{did not} \\ &\text{do this right} \end{aligned}$$

$$-\frac{x}{(x+y)^4} \quad \textcircled{1} \quad \text{They say } \frac{x-y}{(x+y)^3}$$

$$(f_y)_x = \frac{-x}{(x+y)^2} \cdot \cancel{\frac{x}{(x+y)^2}}$$

$$\cancel{\frac{x}{(x+y)^4}}$$

$$-\frac{(y-x)}{(x+y)^3}$$

but why?

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right)$$

Oliver  
oh

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial y} \frac{x}{(x+y)^2} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} y(x+y)^{-2} = 1(x+y)^{-2} + y \cdot -2(x+y)^{-3} \cdot 1$$

$$= \frac{1}{(x+y)^2} + \frac{2y}{(x+y)^3}$$

what did wrong?  
just simplify

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \right)$$

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

$$-1(x+y)^{-2} + -x \cdot -2(x+y)^{-3} \cdot 1$$

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

↑ So it  
was simplify  
more

$$\frac{-1}{(x+y)^2} + \frac{2x}{(x+y)^3}$$

$$\underline{-\frac{(x+y) + 2x}{(x+y)^3}} = \frac{x-y}{(x+y)^3} \quad \textcircled{1} \text{ Does match}$$

5b Show  $f(x, y)$  satisfies  $w_{xx} + w_{yy} = 0$   
 - the 2d Laplace equation

did not →  
 know about  
 WP; something  
 w/ diff.eq.

$$w = \ln(x^2 + y^2)$$

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

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

$$w_{xx} \quad \text{in what does this mean?} \quad \frac{2(y^2 - x^2)}{(x^2 + y^2)^2}$$

if interchange  $x$  and  $y$   
 $w = \ln(x^2 + y^2)$  remains same

yeah that makes sense

$w_{xx}$  turns into  $w_{yy}$   
 since interchange just changes right hand side sign

$$w_{yy} = -w_{xx}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} \right) = - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} \right)$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial y} \frac{2y}{x^2 + y^2} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} 2y(x^2 + y^2)^{-1} = 2(x^2 + y^2)^{-1} + \\ + 2y \cdot -1(x^2 + y^2)^{-2} \cdot 2y$$

$$= \frac{2}{x^2 + y^2} - \frac{4y^2}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} = \frac{2(x^2 + y^2) - 4y^2}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} = \frac{2x^2 - 2y^2}{(x^2 + y^2)^2}$$

$$-\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \frac{2x}{x^2+y^2} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} 2x(x^2+y^2)^{-1}$$

$$= -2(x^2+y^2)^{-1} + 2x \cdot -1(x^2+y^2)^{-2} \cdot 2x$$

$$= \frac{2}{x^2+y^2} - \frac{4x^2}{(x^2+y^2)^2}$$

$$= \frac{2(x^2+y^2) - 4x^2}{(x^2+y^2)^2}$$

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

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

2B-1b

Give the equation of the tangent plane  
at each surface indicated

$$w = \frac{y^2}{x} \quad (1, 2, 4)$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} = \cancel{x^2 \ln x} - \frac{y^2}{x^2}$$

remember rules - don't confuse  
 $d(\frac{1}{x}) = -\frac{1}{x^2}$

$$\int \frac{1}{x} = \ln x$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial y} = \frac{1}{x} \cdot 2y = \frac{2y}{x} \quad \checkmark$$

? what do we do with the points - ?  
- plug them in?

$$w - w_0 = A(x - x_0) + B(y - y_0)$$

$$\left( \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} \right)_0 \quad \left( \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} \right)_0$$

$$w - 4 = \cancel{\left( x^2 \ln x \right)}(x-1) + \left( \frac{2y}{x} \right)(y-2)$$

close

$$w_x = -\frac{y^2}{x^2} - \frac{-2^2}{1^2} = -4 \quad \textcircled{1}$$

plug pts  
in for FF

$$w_y = \frac{2x}{x} - \frac{2 \cdot 2}{1} = 4 \quad \textcircled{2}$$

tangent plane

$$w = 4 - 4(x-1) + 4(y-2)$$

$$w = -4x + 4y$$

+ simplify

4. The combined resistance of 2 wires in parallel

$$\frac{1}{R} = \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2}$$

If  $R_1 = 1 \Omega$  with error  $\pm 0.1 \Omega$   
 $R_2 = 2 \Omega$

just another  
way to  
write

What is  $R$  and error window?

$$R = \frac{R_1 R_2}{R_1 + R_2}$$

-remember doing 1 like this w/ box in lecture

$$R \text{ first off is } \frac{1}{1} + \frac{1}{2} = \left(\frac{3}{2}\right) \Omega$$

? I thought  $\Omega < 1$

$\sigma_{\text{total possible error}}$

$$\Delta R = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \Delta x + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \Delta y$$

$R_1$  ? in this case  $R_2$

$$c \left( \frac{R_1}{R_1 + R_2} \right)^2$$

$$-\frac{1}{R_1^2} + \frac{1}{R_2^2} \cdot (1) + -\frac{1}{R_2^2} + \frac{1}{R_1} \cdot (1)$$

$$\left( \frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2} \right)^2$$

$$\left( -\frac{1}{1^2} + \frac{1}{2} \right) \cdot 1 + \left( -\frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{1} \right) \cdot 1 \\ -0.5 + 0.75$$

(0.25)  $\Omega$  max error

$$\frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2}$$

Hypothesis:  $|\Delta R_i| \leq 0.1$  for  $i=1,2$  so  $|\Delta R| \leq \frac{1}{2}(0.1) + \frac{1}{2}(0.1)$   
= 0.1 possible error

but  
why is this  
diff  
then?  
(where mistake  
was)

6. To determine volume of a cylinder



How accurately should radius + height  
be measured so volume error < .1

$$\begin{aligned}V &= \pi r^2 h \\V &= \pi 2^2 \cdot 3 \\&= 12\pi \pm .1\end{aligned}$$

so basically last problem in reverse

$$.1 = \frac{\partial V}{\partial r} \Delta r + \frac{\partial V}{\partial h} \Delta h$$

$$.1 = \pi 2 r h \Delta r + \pi r^2 \Delta h$$

$$.1 = \pi 2(2)(3) \Delta r + \pi (2)^2 \Delta h$$

$$.1 = 12\pi \Delta r + 4\pi \Delta h \quad \text{if } \Delta h = 0$$

$$\Delta r = \frac{.1}{(12\pi)} = .00265$$

$$\Delta h = \frac{.1}{(4\pi)} = .00795$$

] but here

Assume same accuracy  $|\Delta r| \leq \epsilon$  for both measurements  $|\Delta h| \leq \epsilon$

but why??

$$|\Delta V| \leq |12\pi \epsilon + 4\pi \epsilon| = 16\pi \epsilon$$

is <.1 if  $\epsilon < \frac{.1}{16\pi} < .002$  & so basically what I found

9.a. Around the point  $(1,0)$  is  $w = x^2(y+1)$  ~~more~~ is more sensitive to changes in  $x$  or in  $y$ ?

-so this is just like example in class

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta w_{\text{error}} &= 2x(y+1) \Delta x + x^2(y+1) \cdot 1 \Delta y \\ &\quad \text{plug in } 1 \\ &= 2 \cdot 1 \cdot (0+1) \Delta x + 1^2(0+1) \Delta y \\ &= 2 \Delta x + 1 \Delta y \quad \text{not addition} \\ &= 3 \underset{\text{biggest in } x \text{ dir}}{\underset{\text{p}}{\Delta x}} \quad \textcircled{1} \end{aligned}$$

b. What is the ratio  $\frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x}$  so that small changes

produce no changes in  $w$ :

(ie first order only, changes a little like  $(\Delta x)^2$  not  $\Delta x$ )  
?? what's very confusing

$$\frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x} = -\frac{1}{2} \quad \text{or will cancel out if } -\frac{1}{2} ;$$

$\Delta w = 2 \Delta x + \Delta y$  ← what I found above

$$\text{For } \Delta w = 0 \rightarrow 2 \Delta x + \Delta y = 0$$

$$\frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x} = -2$$

was close - but thinking about it in wrong way

- so yeah have - to cancel

- and the  $2 \Delta x$  should make  $\Delta x$  smaller

## Lecture 10 Directional derivatives, gradients (only in 2D)

20-1a  $f = x^3 + 2y^3$  Calc gradient of  $f$  at  
 $\vec{P} = (1, 1)$   
 $\vec{A} = \vec{i} - \vec{j}$  a point

Directional deriv  $\frac{df}{ds} \Big|_v$  at the pt  
 in the dir  $v$  of given vector  $A$

(1)  $\Delta w = \Delta w_i + \Delta w_j$

(2) approx formula

(3) plane  $w = w_0 +$

$$+ \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(x-x_0)$$

$$+ \frac{\partial}{\partial y}(y-y_0)$$

(4)  $\Delta w = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \Delta x + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \Delta y$

I guess I  
never actually  
found gradient.

\* No did  
right \*

constant = 0

?

$$\nabla w = (3x^2 + 2y^3, x^3 + 6y^2)$$

$$(3(1)^2 + 2(1)^3, (1)^3 + 6(1)^2)$$

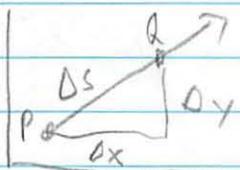
$$(-5, 7)$$

$$3x^2 \vec{i} + 6y^2 \vec{j}$$

at pt  $3\vec{i} + 6\vec{j}$

$$= \lim_{\Delta s \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta w}{\Delta s}$$

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



$$= (\frac{\partial w}{\partial x})_0 \frac{dx}{ds} + (\frac{\partial w}{\partial y})_0 \frac{dy}{ds}$$

$$= \langle \frac{\partial w}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} \rangle_0 \cdot \langle \frac{dx}{ds}, \frac{dy}{ds} \rangle$$

$$= \langle 3, 6 \rangle \cdot \langle 1, -1 \rangle$$

is this right

? then what - dot product

$$\begin{pmatrix} 5 & 1 \\ 7 & -1 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 7 & -1 \\ -2 & \end{pmatrix}$$

do dot  
product

$$(3\hat{i} + 6\hat{j}) \cdot \frac{\hat{i} - \hat{j}}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$-\frac{3\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

Why the  $\sqrt{2}$ ?

$$x^2 + y^2$$

~~egress it's a  $\sqrt{2}$~~

$$C \quad z = x \sin y + y \cos x \quad (0, \frac{\pi}{2}) \quad -3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j}$$

$$\nabla w = \langle 1 \sin y - y \sin x, x \cos y + \cos x \rangle \quad \textcircled{1}$$

now at the pt

$$\langle \sin \frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{\pi}{2} \sin 0, 0 \cos \frac{\pi}{2} + \cos 0 \rangle$$

$$\langle 1 - \frac{\pi}{2} \cdot 0, 0 + 1 \rangle$$

$$\langle 1, 1 \rangle \quad \textcircled{1} \quad \hat{i} + \hat{j}$$

they say

now directional derivative

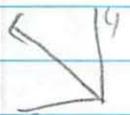
$$\langle 1, 1 \rangle \cdot \langle -3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} \rangle$$

do dot product

$$\frac{1}{5}$$

where from?

$$\text{or } \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$$



$$\tan(\frac{\pi}{3})$$

given vector its  
pointing in

$$w = \ln(2x + 3y) \quad (-1, 1) \quad 4\hat{i} - 3\hat{j}$$

"what  
is  $\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \ln(x)$ ?  
 $= \frac{1}{x}$

$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \ln(x^2) =$   
 $\frac{2}{x}$   
, so how

$$\nabla w = \left\langle \frac{2}{2x+3y}, \frac{3}{2x+3y} \right\rangle$$

at pt

$$\left( \frac{2}{2(-1)+3(1)}, \frac{3}{2(-1)+3(1)} \right) = \left( 2, 3 \right)$$

(1)  $\frac{2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j}}{2x+3y}$

$$2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} \cdot \frac{4\hat{i} - 3\hat{j}}{5}$$

$$\left( 2, \frac{4}{5} \right) + \left( 3, -\frac{3}{5} \right) \quad \text{not prod!} \quad (2) \quad -\frac{1}{5}$$

2a. Give max and min  $\frac{df}{ds}|_v$  as  $v$  varies

so this is actually lecture 11

max  $\hat{v}$  is when  $\hat{v} = \text{dir}(\nabla w)$

0  $\hat{v}$  when  $\hat{v} \perp \nabla w$

min  $\hat{v}$  when  $\hat{v} = -\text{dir}(\nabla w)$

$$w = \ln(4x - 3y) \quad \text{at } (1, 1)$$

so we know from above  
opp's is different

$$\left( \frac{2}{2(1)+3(1)}, \frac{-3}{2(1)+3(1)} \right) = \left( \frac{2}{5}, \frac{-3}{5} \right) \quad 4\hat{i} - 3\hat{j}$$

$$\text{dir of a vector} = \frac{\vec{\nabla} w}{|\vec{\nabla} w|}$$

$$\frac{\langle \frac{2}{3}, \frac{3}{5} \rangle}{\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}^2 + \frac{3}{5}^2}}$$

$$\langle -0.5547, 0.8320 \rangle$$

~~why why why~~

$$\frac{\langle 4, 3 \rangle}{\sqrt{4^2 + 3^2}} = \langle \frac{4}{5}, \frac{3}{5} \rangle$$

Or just just that

$(4\hat{i} - 3\hat{j}) \cdot \hat{v}$  has max 5

in dir  $v = \frac{4\hat{i} - 3\hat{j}}{5}$

4. The function  $T = \ln(x^2 + y^2)$  gives temp at each pt in plane except  $(0,0)$

a) At  $(1,2)$  what dir to most rapid  $\uparrow$  in  $T$

in dir  $(\vec{\nabla} w)$

$$\vec{\nabla} w = \left\langle \frac{2x}{x^2 + y^2}, \frac{2y}{x^2 + y^2} \right\rangle = \left\langle \frac{2}{5}, \frac{4}{5} \right\rangle$$

✓ mental  
math error

$T$  increasing most rapidly in dir gradient

$$\left\langle \frac{2}{5}, \frac{4}{5} \right\rangle$$

Do the reduction manually

$$\sqrt{\frac{4}{25} + \frac{16}{25}} = \sqrt{\frac{20}{25}} = \sqrt{\frac{4}{5}} = \frac{2\sqrt{5}}{5}$$

$$\left\langle \frac{\frac{2}{5}}{2\sqrt{5}}, \frac{\frac{4}{5}}{2\sqrt{5}} \right\rangle$$

$$\left\langle \frac{2}{5}, \frac{5}{2\sqrt{5}}, \frac{4}{5}, \frac{5}{2\sqrt{5}} \right\rangle$$

$$\left\langle \frac{10}{10\sqrt{5}}, \frac{20}{10\sqrt{5}} \right\rangle$$

$$\left\langle \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}, \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}} \right\rangle \textcircled{0}$$

$$\text{or } \frac{17+21}{\sqrt{5}}$$

b At p how far should you go in above to get increase of .2 in T?

$$|\nabla w| = .2$$

so just fill in  $\Delta w$  ?? or where is this from?

$$\left| \frac{dw}{ds} \right|_{\nabla w} = .2 = \left| \frac{\Delta w}{\Delta s} \right|_{\nabla w} \# \boxed{\frac{2}{\sqrt{5}} \Delta s = .20}$$

Now got this!

See back

$$\Delta s = \frac{12 \cdot \sqrt{5}}{2} = 12\sqrt{5} = \frac{\sqrt{5}}{10} \approx .22$$

Simp

→ Other

Oliver

OH

have a pt and a dir

dir.  $\rightarrow \hat{v}$  ← increase in that direction (rate of increase)

$$= \nabla f \cdot \hat{v} = |\nabla f| \leftarrow$$

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{\nabla}f &= \vec{1} + 2\vec{j} \\ |\nabla f| &= \sqrt{1^2 + 2^2} = \sqrt{5} = c\end{aligned}$$

↑ approx increase of  
temp if 1 unit in dir  $\vec{1} + 2\vec{j}$

But we want 12% increase ( $\Delta f$ )

$$\sqrt{5} = \Delta f \leftarrow 12\%$$

$$\Delta s \leftarrow ?$$

$$\Delta s = \frac{12}{\sqrt{5}} \approx .22$$

much clearer, since not reduced

c) At  $(1, 2)$  how far to go in  $\vec{T} + \vec{J}$  to get increase of  $1,2$ ?

$$\vec{\nabla w} = \left\langle \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}, \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}} \right\rangle$$

$$|\Delta w| = \sqrt{\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{5}}\right)^2} = 1 \quad \text{What is } |\Delta s|?$$

$$(1, 2) = \vec{\nabla w} \cdot \vec{J}$$

$$(1, 2) = \left\langle \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}, \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}} \right\rangle \cdot (T, J)$$

$$|\Delta w| = \frac{\Delta w}{\Delta s} \rightarrow 1 = \frac{1,2}{\Delta s}, \quad (\Delta s = 1,2)$$

∴ is that it?

i) At  $(1, 2)$  how far to go in  $T - 2J_1 + 2k$  for increase  $1,0$

$$\frac{1}{10} = \frac{\Delta w}{\Delta s} \quad \Delta w = \frac{1,0}{\Delta s}$$

$$\sqrt{1^2 + 2^2 + 2^2} = 3$$

~~$\Delta s = ?$~~  think I got this

$$\left\langle \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}, \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}} \right\rangle \cdot (1, -2, 2) =$$

$$3 = \frac{\Delta F}{\Delta s} \Leftarrow 1$$

$$\Delta s = \frac{1}{3} = \frac{1}{30}$$

- still can't really visualize - oh is it how far to travel on graph for  $1,1$  temp change?

7. Suppose  $\frac{dw}{ds} \Big|_V = 2$   $\frac{dw}{ds} \Big|_V = 1$  at P

where  $U = \frac{\vec{I} + \vec{J}}{\sqrt{2}}$   $V = \frac{\vec{I} - \vec{J}}{\sqrt{2}}$  Find  $(\nabla w)_P$

Gradient can be calculated knowing directional derivatives  
in any 2 non-parallel dir, not just  $\vec{I}$  and  $\vec{J}$

$$\text{At } P \quad \vec{\nabla}w = a\vec{I} + b\vec{J}$$

$$a\vec{I} + b\vec{J} \cdot \frac{\vec{I} + \vec{J}}{\sqrt{2}} = 2$$

$$a\vec{I} + b\vec{J} \cdot \frac{\vec{I} - \vec{J}}{\sqrt{2}} = 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} a+b &= 2\sqrt{2} \\ a-b &= \sqrt{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$a = \frac{3}{2}\sqrt{2} \quad b = \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{2}$$

$$\text{oh!} \quad \left( \frac{dw}{ds} \right)_{0,0} = \left( \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} \right)_{\vec{I}} \frac{dx}{ds} + \left( \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} \right)_{\vec{J}} \frac{dy}{ds}$$

$\int \quad \vec{I} \text{ know} \quad \vec{J}$

but how find  
this

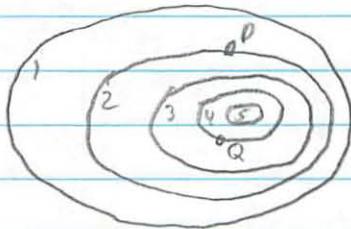
$$\frac{dw}{ds} = \vec{\nabla}w \cdot \vec{U}$$

then

$\vec{I}$  need - or do we have it as  $\langle \frac{\partial w}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} \rangle$   
 $\vec{J}$  don't have either

9b The picture shows a level curve  $w = f(x,y)$

w as marked



Find B where  $w=3 \quad \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} = 0$

$$\text{Use } \frac{dw}{ds}|_v \approx \frac{dw}{ds}$$

travel in dir v from P to nearest curve

perpendicular

$s_v$  = distance traveled

$\Delta w$  = distance w changes estimate

Ok, so I get it now.

Got to the curve 3

Find where in x dir it = 0

but what is x dir so when tangent = 0?

b) c)

$$\frac{\partial w}{\partial x} = \frac{dw}{ds}|_v \quad \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} = \frac{dw}{ds}|_v$$

yeah

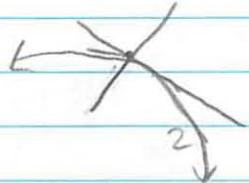
perp to  $\uparrow$   
 $\downarrow$

So B is where  $\uparrow$  is tangent to level curve  
 $C$   $\downarrow$  ||

(So YES!)

(C) (D)

d At the point P estimate  $\frac{\partial w}{\partial x}$   $\frac{\partial w}{\partial y}$



? so what am I looking for

redu

$$\frac{\partial w}{\partial x} = \frac{dw}{dx}|_P \approx \frac{\Delta w}{\Delta s} \quad ? \text{ So in } \uparrow \text{ dir how far to a gradient change}$$

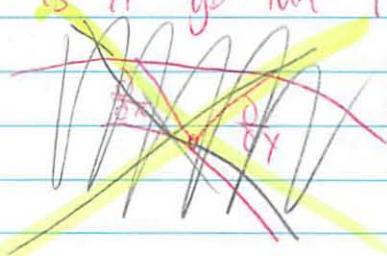
$$-\frac{1}{\$/6} = -1/6$$

$$\frac{\partial w}{\partial y} = \frac{dw}{dy}|_P \approx \frac{\Delta w}{\Delta s} \quad \text{so in } \uparrow \text{ J dir how often it changes}$$

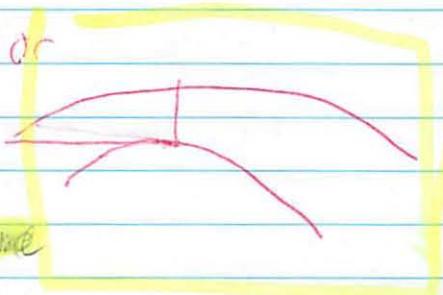
$$-\frac{1}{1} = -1$$

?

? or is it going tan from that pt



- think that is it yeah it has to be

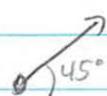


Is this one

- Oliver

can't be

e. At Q estimate  $\frac{dw}{ds}$  in dir  $T+J$



How much br change in that dir?

$$\frac{1}{1/2} = 2 \quad (9)$$

## Lecture 11 3D gradients, level surfaces, tan planes

20-1b

$$w = \frac{xy}{2} \quad (2, -1, 1) \quad \vec{i} + 2\vec{j} - 2\vec{k}$$

$$\nabla w = \langle 1, 1, -2 \rangle$$

$$\text{at pt } \langle 1, 1, -1 \rangle$$

$$\nabla w = \left\langle \frac{x}{2} \vec{i} + \frac{y}{2} \vec{j} - \frac{xy}{2} \vec{k} \right\rangle$$

$$\nabla w_{\text{pt}} = \langle -1, 2, 2 \rangle$$

directional derivative

$$\langle -1, 2, 2 \rangle \cdot \frac{\langle \vec{i} + 2\vec{j} - 2\vec{k} \rangle}{\sqrt{1^2 + 2^2 + 2^2}}$$

$$\langle -1, 2, 2 \rangle \cdot \frac{1}{3} \langle \vec{i} + 2\vec{j} - 2\vec{k} \rangle$$

$$\left( -1 \cdot \frac{1}{3} \right) + \left( 2 \cdot \frac{2}{3} \right) + \left( 2 \cdot -\frac{2}{3} \right)$$
$$-\frac{1}{3}\vec{i} + \frac{4}{3}\vec{j} - \frac{4}{3}\vec{k}$$

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

↑ actually can put to 1 value

2b

$$W = xy + yz + zx \quad (1, -1, 2)$$

$\max J$  is  $\hat{v} = \text{dir}(\nabla W)$

$$\nabla W = \langle y+1+2, x+2+1, 1+y+x \rangle$$

$$\text{or is it } x^1y + y^1x$$

$$1 \cdot y + 0 \cdot x$$

so works out

$$x^1y + y^1x \\ \delta y + 0x = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \langle -1+2, 1+2, -1+1 \rangle \\ & \langle 1, 3, 0 \rangle \quad \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{dir} = \left\langle \frac{1}{\sqrt{1^2+3^2+0^2}}, \frac{3}{\sqrt{1^2+3^2+0^2}} \right\rangle$$

$$\left\langle \frac{1}{\sqrt{10}}, \frac{3}{\sqrt{10}}, 0 \right\rangle \quad \checkmark \quad \frac{\sqrt{10}}{10}$$

how I

understand  
this better

min is to  $\ominus$  of that

$\ominus$  is when perpendicular  $\frac{-3\pi + \pi}{10}$

$$\frac{-3\pi + \pi + c\pi}{\sqrt{10^2+c^2}} \quad \text{for all } c$$

? how got?

everything perp

-full cycle of possibilities

$$\nabla f \cdot v = 0$$

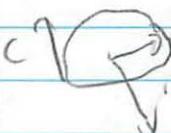
$$\langle 1, 3, 0 \rangle \quad \text{notice horiz}$$

so to switch, parametrise  $c, + -$

$$\frac{\langle -3, 1, c \rangle}{\sqrt{10^2+c^2}}$$

-oliver had trouble finding -not a core theme  
of the class

Oliver  
OII



3a<sub>i</sub> Find tangent pt

$$xy^2z^3 = 12 \quad (3, 2, 1)$$

↳ need the normal vector to the plane

$$\vec{\nabla} w = \langle y^2 z^3, 2xz^3, 3xy^2 z^2 \rangle$$

$$(\nabla w)_p = \begin{pmatrix} 2^2 1^2, 2(3)(2)(1)^3, 3(3)(2)^2(1)^2 \\ 4, 12, 36 \end{pmatrix} \quad \textcircled{D}$$

So need to find normal vector

is the gradient reduced <1,3,9>

Now plug in

$$3(x-1) + 2(y-3) + 1(z-9) = 0$$

$$3x - 3 + 2y - 6 + z - 9 = 0$$

$$3x + 2y + z = 18 \quad \text{✓}$$

$$5b \quad T = x^2 + 2y^2 + 2z^2 \quad \text{temp in space}$$

At  $(1,1,1)$  where for most rapid decrease?

- just more  
pratice  
at last  
section w/  
extra work  
extra 3D

5c How far to get a  $\dot{s}$  of 1.2 in  $T$ ?

$$|\nabla \vec{w}| = 1.2$$

$$\Rightarrow 1.2 = \left| \frac{dw}{ds} \right| = \frac{\Delta w}{\Delta s}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \cancel{\Delta s} &= 120 \\ \Delta s &\approx 2 \\ \text{where is this from?} \end{aligned}$$

8. The atmospheric pressure  $P = 30 + (x+1)(y+2)e^z$   
Where is pt closest to origin where  $P = 31.1$

$$P(0,0,0) = 32$$

Plug the pts in

want to travel to 31.1

Oh right want to go - dir  $(\nabla \vec{w})$  for the fastest ↓

$$\nabla \vec{w} = \langle (y+2)e^x, (x+1)e^y, (x+1)(y+2)e^z \rangle$$

$$(\nabla \vec{w})_{p_0} = \langle 2, 1, 2 \rangle$$

$$|\nabla \vec{w}|_{p_0} = 3$$

$$-3 \cdot \Delta s = -9$$

$$\hookrightarrow \Delta s = 3$$

so travel 3 in dir  $-\nabla w$

$$|\langle 2, 1, 2 \rangle| = 3$$

Distance 3 is to from  $(0, 0, 0)$  to  $(-2, -1, -2)$

$$\text{so } (-2, -1, -2)$$

$$|BP| = \frac{15}{K}$$

## MatLab Directions for 18.02

Access MatLab by clicking on MatLab on the Athena screen, or by typing:  
% add matlab [return] % matlab [return]

### Entering matrices and vectors; Basic operations

In MatLab the variables represent matrices and vectors. The symbol = is used to assign values to the variables. To see how this works, type each of these lines in order; remember: always hit [return] or [enter] to end a line.

$A = [1 \ 2 \ 3; \ 4 \ 5 \ 6; \ 7 \ 8 \ 9]$  (you can use commas instead of spaces: 1,2,3;  
 $b = [1 \ 0 \ 1]$   
 $b'$   
 $\text{eye}(3)$  ( $\text{eye} = I$ , the identity matrix)

Try a mistake:  $C = [1, 2, 3; 4, 5]$ ; to correct it, press any arrow key to get the line back.

**Sum, difference**  $A + B, A - B$  (matrices must be same size)  
**Product**  $A * B$  (matrices must be compatibly sized)  
**Powers**  $A^n$  ( $A$  times itself  $n$  times;  $A$  must be square)  
**Quotient** left:  $A \backslash b$  (the solution to  $Ax = b$ )  
right:  $b / A$  (the solution to  $xA = b$ )  
**Transpose**  $A'$   
**Inverse**  $\text{inv}(A)$

Try typing (use the values of  $A$  and  $b$  above):  $A + \text{eye}(3) \quad A * b \quad A * (b') \quad A * b' \quad 3 * b$

### Special MatLab Operators

**Array Operators:** Use dots to make component-wise operations. Let  $x = [x_1 \ x_2 \ \dots \ x_n]$ .

$x.^m = [x_1^m \ \dots \ x_n^m]$  ( $m$  can be 0)  
 $x.*y = [x_1y_1 \ \dots \ x_ny_n]$   
 $f(x) = [f(x_1) \ \dots \ f(x_n)], \quad f = \sin, \cos, \log, \text{polynomials}, \text{etc.}$

**Colon operator** This generates a vector with equally spaced entries; for example,  
 $[0 : 2 : 12] = [0 \ 2 \ 4 \ 6 \ 8 \ 10 \ 12]; \quad [2 : -.1 : 1.6] = [2.0 \ 1.9 \ 1.8 \ 1.7 \ 1.6]$

### Two-dimensional plots in MatLab

Let  $x = [x_1 \ x_2 \ \dots \ x_n]$ , and  $y = [y_1 \ \dots \ y_n]$ ; then

plot ( $x, y$ ) (plots the  $n$  points  $(x_i, y_i)$ , joined by solid line segments)  
plot ( $x, y, ' - -'$ ) (plots the  $n$  points, joined by dashed line segments)  
plot ( $x, y, '*'')$  (plots the  $n$  points as individual stars (or dots or circles, etc))  
hold (toggles between on and off (at the start it's off); when off, the new plot replaces the old; when on, the new plot is superimposed on the old)  
print (gives a print-out of the current screen plot)

Try in order (read L to R; commands are separated by spaces; press [return] after each):

$x = [0 : .1 : 2]$  plot ( $x, \sin(x)$ ) plot( $x, \cos(x), '*'')$  hold  
plot ( $x, \sin(x), ' - -'$ ) hold  
plot ( $x, 4 * x.^3$ ) (plots  $y = 4x^3$ ; note the need for the array operator)

## Directions for 3D Graphs in MatLab

To plot the 3D graph of  $z = f(x, y)$ , you specify:

**the grid**  $(x_i, y_j)$  of lattice points: give the vectors  $x = [x_1 \dots x_n]$  and  $y = [y_1 \dots y_n]$ .

Example: To make a grid with spacing .1, over the interval  $[-2, 2]$  on both axes, type (in what follows,  $\gg$  is the matlab prompt; don't type it — type the semicolon at the end so Matlab won't print out all the numbers — remember [return] at the end)

$\gg x = [-2 : .1 : 2];$       min    interval    max  
 $\gg y = [-2 : .1 : 2];$   
 $\gg [x, y] = \text{meshgrid}(x, y);$     enable the grid

**the function**  $z = f(x, y)$  For example, to graph the function  $f(x, y) = x^2 - y^2$ , type

$\gg z = x.^2 - y.^2;$     oh the pt just means 2.0

**plot the graph** either as a mesh of lines, or as a filled-in surface (the color indicates the value of  $z$ , i.e., the height of the graph above the  $xy$ -plane); type first

$\gg \text{mesh}(x, y, z)$     then     $\gg \text{surf}(x, y, z)$

**change the viewpoint** To change the viewpoint (i.e., rotate the graph left or right, up or down), type

$\gg \text{rotate3d}$

then place the mouse cursor in the graph region, hold down left button, move mouse, release button. The two numbers on the screen are the *azimuth*: angle in degrees from the negative  $y$ -axis to the line of sight, and the *elevation*, the angle in degrees from the  $xy$ -plane to the line of sight. To turn off rotation, type again:  $\gg \text{rotate3d}$

**hidden lines** Try typing:  $\gg \text{hidden}$  (type it again to change back)

**changing scale** To change the  $x$ -axis scale to  $[-4, 4]$ , the  $y$ -axis to  $[-5, 5]$ , and the  $z$ -axis to  $[-20, 20]$ , type

$\gg \text{axis}([-4 4 -5 5 -20 20])$

**level curves** To get a 2D plot with 20 level curves, type:  $\gg \text{contour}(x, y, z, 20)$

**contour curves** To get a 3D plot with 20 contour curves, type:  $\gg \text{contour3}(x, y, z, 20)$

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