

review: tangent planes $f(x,y)$, at point (x_0, y_0, z_0) :
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 $= f(x_0, y_0)$

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

tangent plane equation $\leftarrow z_0 = f(x_0, y_0)$

Linear approximation of f at (x_0, y_0)

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

only difference.

two cases of chain rule
 (may be asked explicitly)

Implicit Differentiation:

CASE I: $F(x, y(x)) = 0$

$$y' = \frac{\partial y}{\partial x} = - \frac{\frac{\partial F}{\partial x}}{\frac{\partial F}{\partial y}}$$

Ex $x^3 + y^3 = 6xy$

What is F ? $F(x,y) = x^3 + y^3 - 6xy = 0$

$$\frac{\partial y}{\partial x} = - \frac{3x^2 - 6y}{3y^2 - 6x} = - \frac{3(x^2 - 2y)}{3(y^2 - 2x)} = - \frac{x^2 - 2y}{y^2 - 2x}$$

CASE II $F(x, y, z) = 0$ where $z = z(x, y)$

z is a function in 2 variables, so get 2 partial der.

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = - \frac{\frac{\partial F}{\partial x}}{\frac{\partial F}{\partial z}} \quad \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = - \frac{\frac{\partial F}{\partial y}}{\frac{\partial F}{\partial z}}$$

Ex $x^3 + y^3 + z^3 + 6xyz = 1$

Find $F(x, y, z) = 0$:

$$F(x, y, z) = x^3 + y^3 + z^3 + 6xyz - 1 = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial x} = 3x^2 + 0 + 0 + 6 \cdot 1 \cdot yz = 3x^2 + 6yz$$

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial y} = 0 + 3y^2 + 0 + 6xz = 3y^2 + 6xz$$

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial z} = 0 + 0 + 3z^2 + 6xy = 3z^2 + 6xy$$

as before cancel 3.

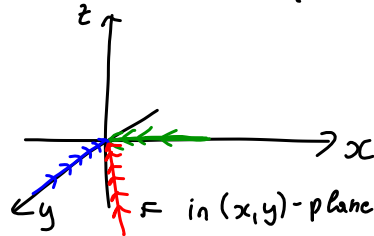
$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = - \frac{\frac{\partial F}{\partial x}}{\frac{\partial F}{\partial z}} = - \frac{3x^2 + 6yz}{3z^2 + 6xy} = - \frac{x^2 + 2yz}{z^2 + 2xy}$$

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = - \frac{\frac{\partial F}{\partial y}}{\frac{\partial F}{\partial z}} = - \frac{3y^2 + 6xz}{3z^2 + 6xy} = - \frac{y^2 + 2xz}{z^2 + 2xy}$$

Directional Derivatives (§ 14.6)

recall: $f_x(x_0, y_0) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x_0 + h, y_0) - f(x_0, y_0)}{h}$
 (along) x-axis

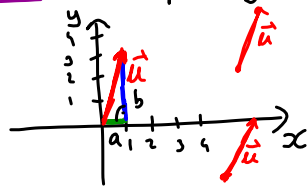
$f_y(x_0, y_0) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x_0, y_0 + h) - f(x_0, y_0)}{h}$



today: approach along a line $y = R \cdot x$ (eg. $y = 2x$)

Solution: add 'some' h to both x_0 and y_0 in the definition.

Vectors 'arrows' pointing in a direction $\vec{u} = \langle 1, 3 \rangle$



2-dim
can attach it anywhere

LENGTH: $\vec{u} = \langle a, b \rangle$ then its length is

Pythagoras: $|\vec{u}| = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$

unit vector has length 1.

directional derivative: $\vec{u} = \langle a, b \rangle$ at (x_0, y_0) - $f(x_0, y_0)$

$D_{\vec{u}} f(x_0, y_0) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x_0 + h \cdot a, y_0 + h \cdot b) - f(x_0, y_0)}{h}$

need \vec{u} has length 1! $\sqrt{a^2 + b^2} = 1$

(or in general for $\langle a, b \rangle$) (or $a^2 + b^2 = 1$)

$\vec{u} = \langle a, b \rangle$ with $a^2 + b^2 = 1$, \vec{u} a unit vector!

$D_{\vec{u}} f(x, y) = f_x(x, y) \cdot a + f_y(x, y) \cdot b$

What do we do if \vec{u} is not a unit vector? (too long or too short)
 If we multiply a vector by a constant C , it becomes longer ($C > 1$) or shorter ($C < 1$).

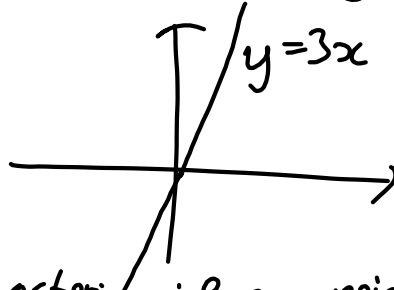
$\vec{u} = \langle a, b \rangle$ has length $\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$

to make \vec{u} into a unit vector, divide each component by its length:

$\vec{u}_e = \langle \frac{a}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}, \frac{b}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}} \rangle$ has length 1.

Unit vector in direction \vec{u} way: $\sqrt{\left(\frac{a}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{b}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}\right)^2}$
 $= \sqrt{\frac{a^2}{a^2 + b^2} + \frac{b^2}{a^2 + b^2}} = \sqrt{\frac{a^2 + b^2}{a^2 + b^2}} = 1$

Ex Der. of $f(x,y) = x^3 - 3xy + 4y^2$ along line
 $y = 3x$.



first, need a vector: pick any point on the line,
 then turn into a unit vector.

a point: $(\underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{can} \\ \text{choose}}}{1}, 3 \cdot 1)$ or any point $(x, \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ y}}{3x})$
 so we get $\vec{u} = \langle 1, 3 \rangle$

now turn \vec{u} into a unit vector:

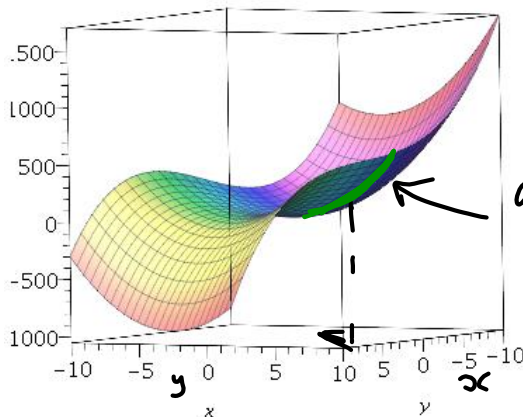
$$\underline{\underline{\vec{u}_e}} = \left\langle \frac{1}{\sqrt{1^2+3^2}}, \frac{3}{\sqrt{1^2+3^2}} \right\rangle = \left\langle \frac{1}{\sqrt{10}}, \frac{3}{\sqrt{10}} \right\rangle$$

Now we can use the formula: $\vec{u}_e = \langle a, b \rangle$ has length 1.

$$D_{\vec{u}_e} f(x,y) = f_x(x,y) \cdot a + f_y(x,y) \cdot b$$

$$= (3x^2 - 3y) \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{10}} + (-3x + 8y) \cdot \frac{3}{\sqrt{10}}$$

(can simplify)

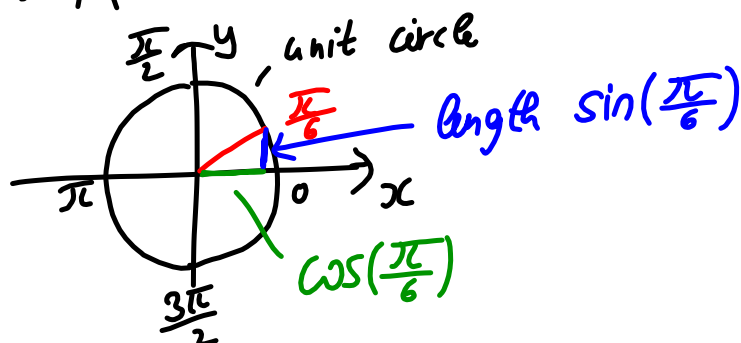


directional derivative is the
 derivative of the curve that
 we get if we set $y = 3x$.

Ex approach f at $(2, 4)$ from an angle $\theta = \frac{\pi}{6}$.

$$f(x, y) = x^3 - 3xy + 4y^2$$

first, find a unit vector with angle $\frac{\pi}{6}$.



so $\vec{u} = \langle \cos(\frac{\pi}{6}), \sin(\frac{\pi}{6}) \rangle$ has angle $\frac{\pi}{6}$.

$$\text{check length: } \sqrt{\cos^2(\frac{\pi}{6}) + \sin^2(\frac{\pi}{6})} = \sqrt{1} = 1$$

(recall: $\sin^2(x) + \cos^2(x) = 1$ for ALL x)

$$\text{So } \underline{D_{\vec{u}} f(x, y)} = (3x^2 - 3y) \cdot \cos(\frac{\pi}{6}) + (-3x + 8y) \cdot \sin(\frac{\pi}{6})$$

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 as above

$$x^3 - 3xy + 4y^2$$

$$= \underline{(3x^2 - 3y) \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + (-3x + 8y) \cdot \frac{1}{2}} \quad \text{can simplify}$$

now fill in $(2, 4)$:

$$\underline{D_{\vec{u}} f(2, 4)} = \underbrace{(3 \cdot 2^2 - 3 \cdot 4)}_{=0} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + (-3 \cdot 2 + 8 \cdot 4) \cdot \frac{1}{2}$$

$$= 0 + (-6 + 32) \cdot \frac{1}{2} = \underline{\underline{13}}$$

Gradients & maximising dir. der.

gradient of $f(x,y)$ (vector) $\nabla f(x,y) = \langle f_x(x,y), f_y(x,y) \rangle$

notation: $= \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \cdot \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ = \langle 1, 0 \rangle}}{\mathbf{i}} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \cdot \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ = \langle 0, 1 \rangle}}{\mathbf{j}}$

Turns out $D_{\vec{u}} f(x,y)$ is maximised if $\vec{u} = \nabla f(x,y)$

WORKS FOR ALL (x,y) as $\nabla f(x,y)$ is different for different points.

(CAREFUL: maximises the derivative not the function!!)

Ex max. rate of change at $(2,0)$ of $f = x \cdot e^y$
maximise $D_{\vec{u}} f$

first: $\nabla f(x,y) = \langle f_x, f_y \rangle = \langle e^y, x \cdot e^y \rangle$

to get \vec{u} , fill in $(2,0)$:

$$\underline{\underline{\nabla f(2,0) = \langle e^0, 2 \cdot e^0 \rangle = \langle 1, 2 \rangle}}$$

$\vec{u} = \langle 1, 2 \rangle$ is not a unit vector!!

$$\vec{u}_e = \left\langle \frac{1}{|\vec{u}|}, \frac{2}{|\vec{u}|} \right\rangle = \left\langle \frac{1}{\sqrt{1^2+2^2}}, \frac{2}{\sqrt{1^2+2^2}} \right\rangle = \left\langle \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}, \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}} \right\rangle$$

$$D_{\vec{u}_e} f(x,y) = e^y \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} + x \cdot e^y \cdot \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}} \quad \text{general directional derivative along } \left\langle \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}, \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}} \right\rangle$$

now fill in $(2,0)$:

$$\underline{\underline{D_{\vec{u}_e} f(2,0) = e^0 \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} + 2 \cdot e^0 \cdot \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} + \frac{4}{\sqrt{5}} = \frac{5}{\sqrt{5}}}}}$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{5^2}}{5} = \frac{15 \cdot \sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{5}} = \underline{\underline{15}}$$