

$$f(\lambda x_1, \lambda x_2, \dots, \lambda x_n) = \lambda^m f(x_1, \dots, x_n).$$

(Cobb-P Douglas) $f(x_1, \dots, x_n) = x_1^{\alpha_1} x_2^{\alpha_2} \dots x_n^{\alpha_n} ; (f: \mathbb{R}_+^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R})$
 Homogeneous function $\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \dots + \alpha_n \quad \#$

Ex 1.27 Let $f(x, y) = \sqrt{y^2 - x^2}$. show that
 (1) f is homogeneous function
 (2) f satisfies Thm. 1.9

$$\left(x_1 \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1} + \dots + x_n \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_n} = m f(x_1, \dots, x_n) \right)$$

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

$$= \sqrt{\lambda^2 (y^2 - x^2)}$$

$$= |\lambda| \sqrt{y^2 - x^2}$$

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

$\therefore f$ is homogeneous of degree 1.

$$(2) \quad \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = \frac{(-2x)}{2\sqrt{y^2 - x^2}} = -\frac{x}{\sqrt{y^2 - x^2}}$$

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

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore x \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} &= -\frac{x^2}{\sqrt{y^2 - x^2}} + \frac{y^2}{\sqrt{y^2 - x^2}} \\ &= \frac{y^2 - x^2}{\sqrt{y^2 - x^2}} = \sqrt{y^2 - x^2} = f(x, y) \quad \# \end{aligned}$$

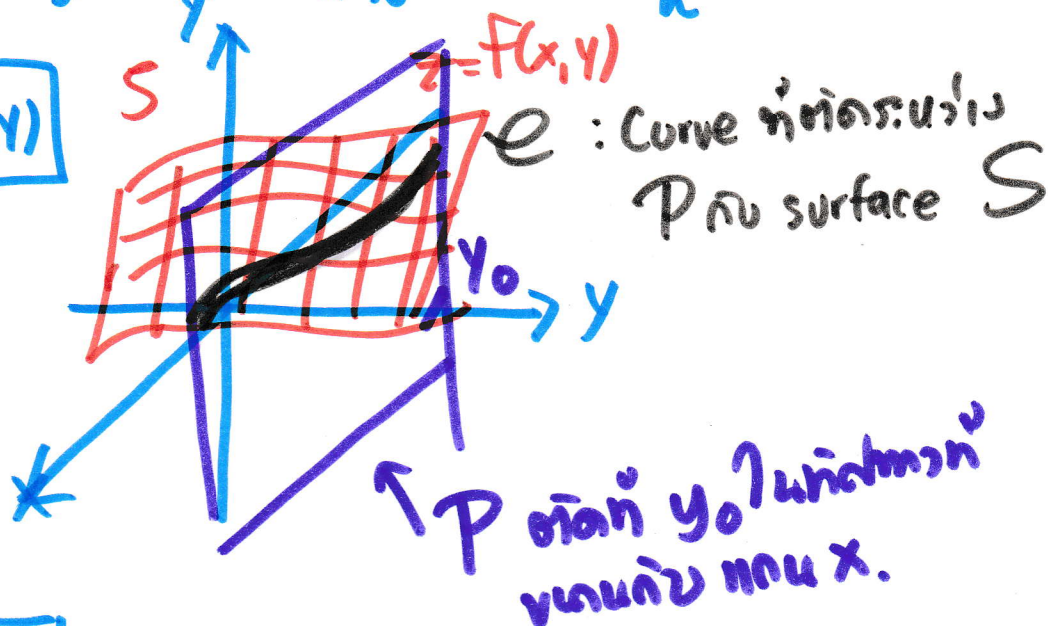
Ex 1.28 $f(x, y) = x^4 + 2xy^3 - 5y^4$.

1.7 Directional Derivatives.

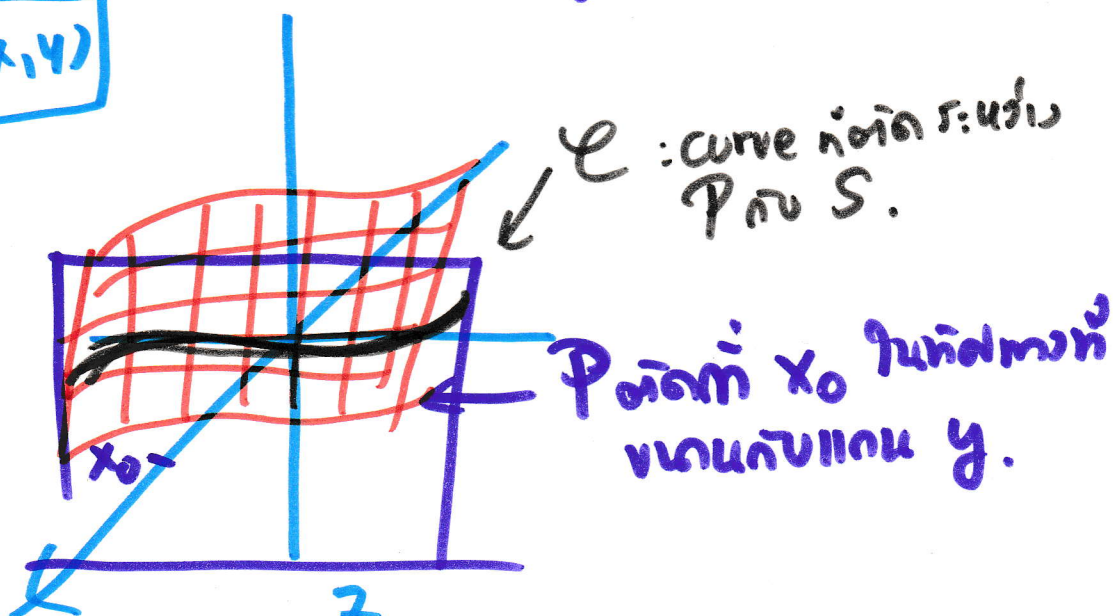
$$D_x f(x, y) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h, y) - f(x, y)}{h}$$

$$D_y f(x, y) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x, y+h) - f(x, y)}{h}$$

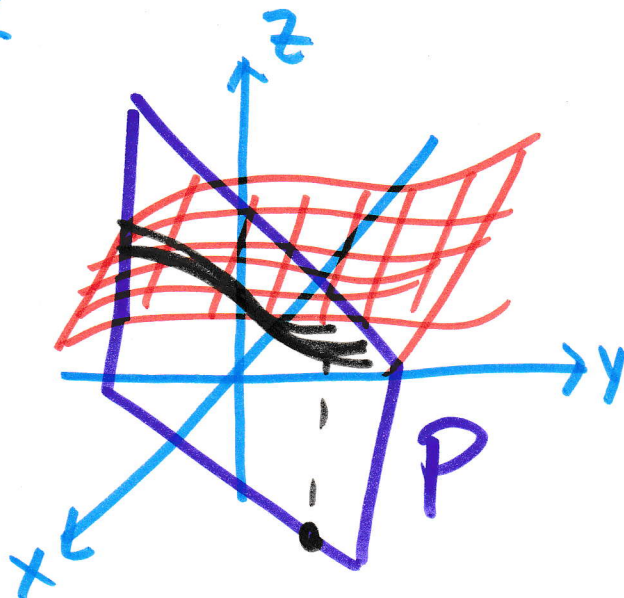
$D_x f(x, y)$

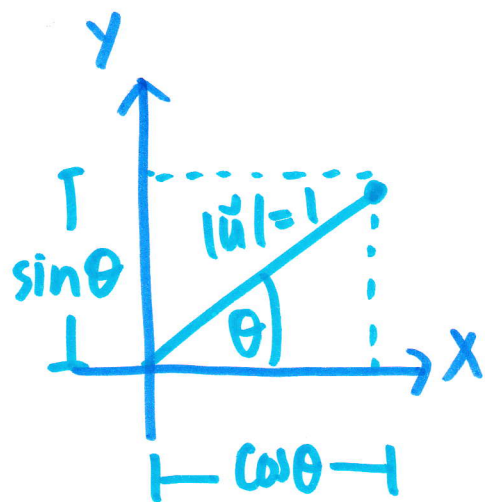


$D_y f(x, y)$



In general





Let f be a function of x, y . 3
 $P(x, y)$ a point in the domain of f .
 $\vec{u}$ a unit vector where the angle between $\vec{u}$ and x -axis is θ .

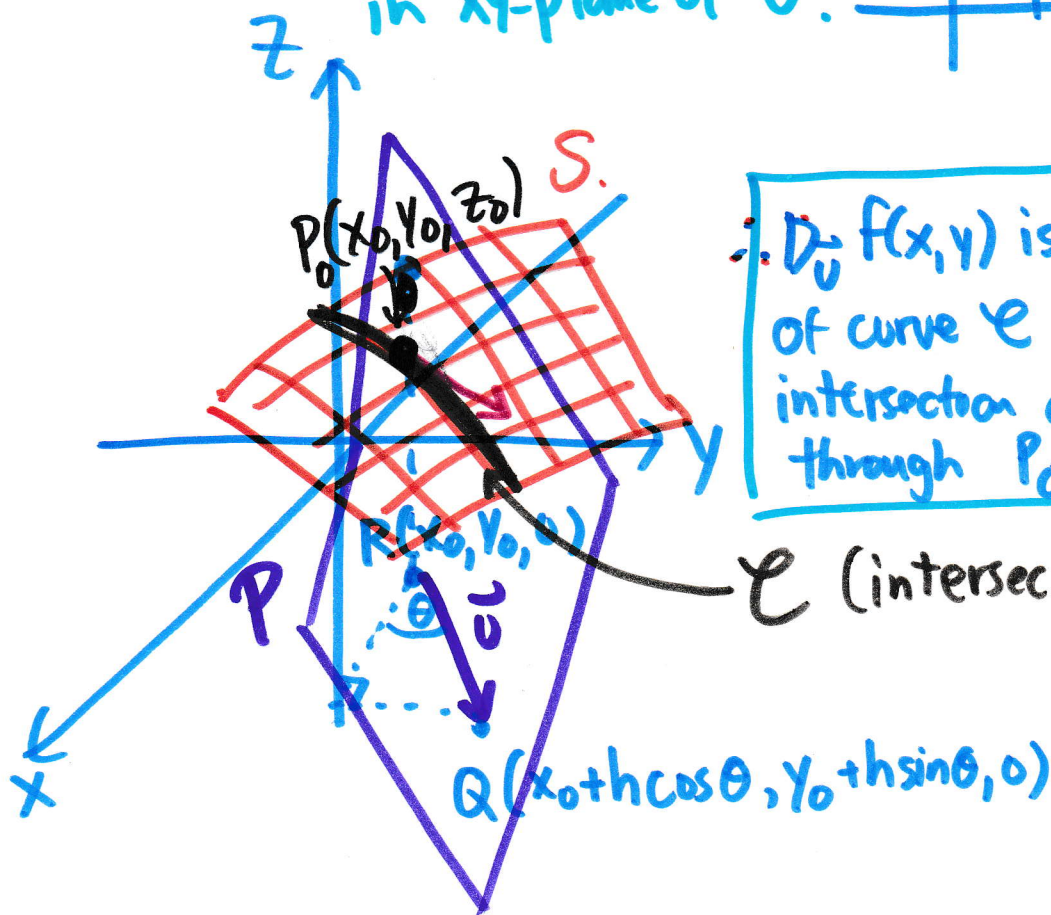
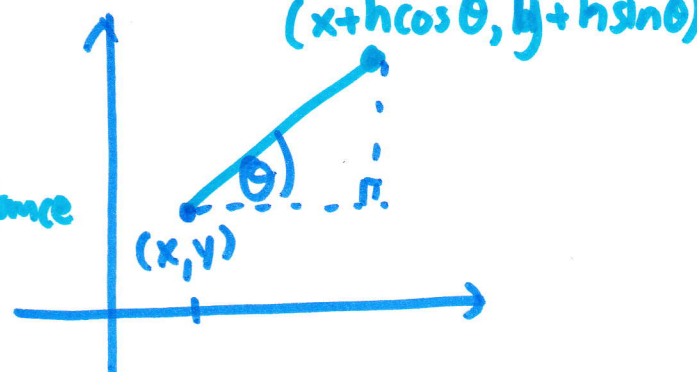
$$\vec{u} = (\cos \theta) \vec{i} + (\sin \theta) \vec{j}$$

The directional derivative of f with the direction $\vec{u}$, is defined by

$$D_{\vec{u}} f(x, y) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x + h \cos \theta, y + h \sin \theta) - f(x, y)}{h}$$

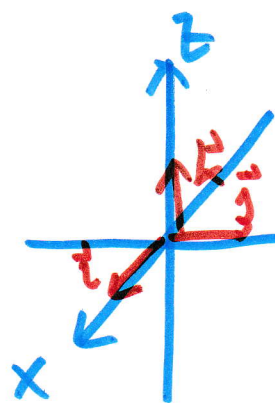
if limit exists.

Rate of changes of $f(x, y)$ w.r.t. the distance in XY -plane of $\vec{u}$.



$\therefore D_{\vec{u}} f(x, y)$ is slope of tangent to curve C constructed from intersection of S, P passing through P_0 .

C (intersection b/w P , surface S)



$$D_{\vec{u}} f(x, y) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x + h \cos \theta, y + h \sin \theta) - f(x, y)}{h} \quad (4)$$

→ y $D_x f(x, y)$ along $\vec{u} = \vec{i}$. ($\theta = 0$)

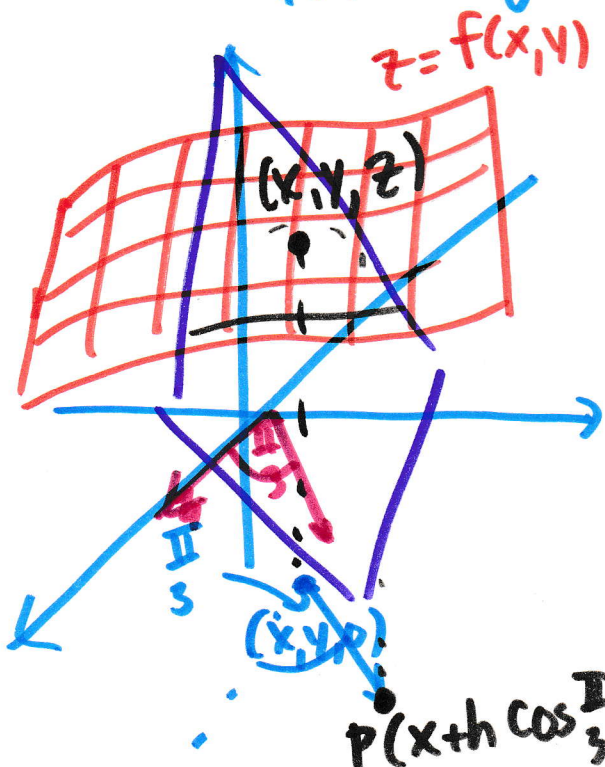
$$D_{\vec{u}} f(x, y) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h, y) - f(x, y)}{h} = D_x f(x, y)$$

or along $D_y f(x, y)$ along $\vec{u} = \vec{j}$ ($\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$)

$$D_{\vec{u}} f(x, y) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x, y+h) - f(x, y)}{h} = D_y f(x, y)$$

Ex 1.29 Let $f(x, y) = x^2 - 3y$. $\vec{u}$ is a unit vector s.t. the angle btw. x-axis and $\vec{u}$ is $\frac{\pi}{3}$.

Find $D_{\vec{u}} f(x, y)$.



$$D_{\vec{u}} f(x, y) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x + h \cos \frac{\pi}{3}, y + h \sin \frac{\pi}{3}) - f(x, y)}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x + \frac{h}{2}, y + \frac{h\sqrt{3}}{2}) - f(x, y)}{h}$$

For $u = \cos \theta \vec{i} + \sin \theta \vec{j}$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{xh + \frac{h^2}{4} - 3\frac{h\sqrt{3}}{2}}{h}$$

$$= x + \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

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$$\vec{A} = a_1 \vec{i} + a_2 \vec{j} + a_3 \vec{k}, \quad \vec{B} = b_1 \vec{i} + b_2 \vec{j} + b_3 \vec{k}$$

$$\vec{A} \cdot \vec{B} = a_1 b_1 + a_2 b_2 + a_3 b_3$$

Gradient: $\nabla f(x, y) = f_x(x, y) \vec{i} + f_y(x, y) \vec{j}$.

Del operator: $\nabla = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \vec{i} + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \vec{j}$.

Thm 1.10 Let f be a differentiable function of x, y .

If $\vec{U} = \cos \theta \vec{i} + \sin \theta \vec{j}$, then

$$\begin{aligned} D_{\vec{U}} f(x, y) &= \vec{U} \cdot \nabla f(x, y) \\ &= \cos \theta f_x(x, y) + \sin \theta f_y(x, y). \end{aligned}$$

Proof

Let g be a function defined by

$$g(t) = f(\underbrace{x + t \cos \theta}_r, \underbrace{y + t \sin \theta}_s) \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} x, y, \theta \text{ are} \\ \text{regarded as} \\ \text{constant.} \end{array} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore g'(0) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{g(0+h) - g(0)}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h \cos \theta, y+h \sin \theta) - f(x, y)}{h} \\ &= D_{\vec{U}} f(x, y). \end{aligned}$$

Let $r = x + t \cos \theta$, $s = y + t \sin \theta$. Then $g(t) = f(r, s)$

$$\begin{aligned} g'(t) &= \frac{\partial f}{\partial r} \cdot \frac{dr}{dt} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial s} \cdot \frac{ds}{dt} \\ &= \frac{\partial f}{\partial r} \cdot \cos \theta + \frac{\partial f}{\partial s} \cdot \sin \theta. \end{aligned}$$

When $t=0$; $r=x$, $s=y$

$$\therefore g'(0) = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \cos \theta + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \sin \theta$$

$$\therefore D_{\vec{U}} f(x, y) = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \cos \theta + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \sin \theta. \quad \#$$

Ex $f(x, y) = x^2 - 3y$.

$$D_{\vec{U}} f(x, y) = \vec{U} \cdot \nabla f(x, y)$$

$$\vec{U} = \cos \frac{\pi}{3} \vec{i} + \sin \frac{\pi}{3} \vec{j} = \frac{1}{2} \vec{i} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \vec{j}$$

$$\nabla f(x, y) = (2x) \vec{i} + (-3) \vec{j}$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{2} \vec{i} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \vec{j} \right) \cdot (2x \vec{i} - 3 \vec{j}) = x - \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

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Ex Let $f(x,y) = \frac{x^2}{25} + \frac{y^2}{16}$

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(1) Find $\nabla f(5, -4)$

(2) Find the rate of change of $f(x,y)$ with direction $\frac{\pi}{6}$ at $(5, -4)$.

Solⁿ (1) $\nabla f(x,y) = f_x(x,y)\vec{i} + f_y(x,y)\vec{j}$
 $= \frac{2x}{25}\vec{i} + \frac{2y}{16}\vec{j}$

$\nabla f(5, -4) = \frac{2}{5}\vec{i} - \frac{1}{2}\vec{j}$

(2) $\nabla_{\vec{U}} f(5, -4)$: $\text{ur } \textcircled{1} \vec{U} = \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{6}\right)\vec{i} + \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{6}\right)\vec{j}$
 $\vec{U} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\vec{i} + \frac{1}{2}\vec{j}$

$\textcircled{2} \nabla f(5, -4)$

$\therefore \nabla_{\vec{U}} f(5, -4) = \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\vec{i} + \frac{1}{2}\vec{j}\right) \cdot \left(\frac{2}{5}\vec{i} - \frac{1}{2}\vec{j}\right)$
 $= \frac{\sqrt{3}}{5} - \frac{1}{4}$ #

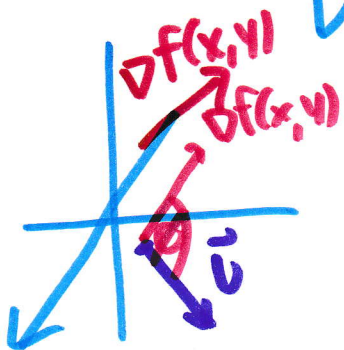
Let ϕ be angle between $\vec{U}$ and $\nabla f(x,y)$, then

$\nabla_{\vec{U}} f(x,y) = \vec{U} \cdot \nabla f(x,y)$

$= |\vec{U}| \cdot |\nabla f(x,y)| \cdot \cos \phi$

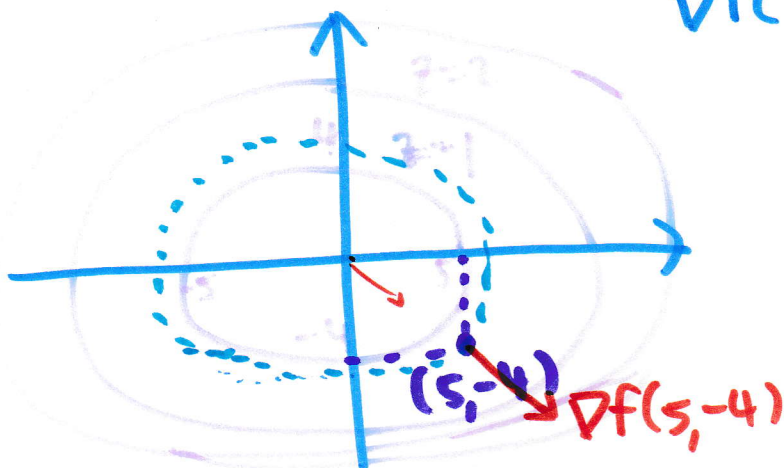
$\therefore$ Maximum of $\nabla_{\vec{U}} f(x,y)$ occurs when $\phi = 0$

Thus, highest rate of change is determined by $\nabla f(x,y)$.



$$f(x, y) = \frac{x^2}{25} + \frac{y^2}{16}$$

$$\nabla f(5, -4) = \frac{2}{5}\mathbf{i} - \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{j}$$



Thm If $f(x, y)$ has continuous first partial derivatives in a domain containing the point (x_0, y_0) , then at this point f will increase rapidly in the direction of its gradient $\nabla f(x_0, y_0)$

Thm Assume that $f(x, y)$ has continuous first partial derivatives in an open disk at (x_0, y_0) , and that $\nabla f(x_0, y_0) \neq 0$. Then $\nabla f(x_0, y_0)$ is normal to the level curve of f through (x_0, y_0)