

Last time ... "Optimization Problem" (2D)

$$\min/\max_R f = f(x, y)$$



Procedures:

Step 1: Locate all interior critical pts of f

$$\text{Solve } \begin{cases} f_x = 0 \\ f_y = 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow (x, y) = (x_1, y_1), \dots, (x_k, y_k)$$

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 P_1 P_k

(collect those pts f is NOT diff.)

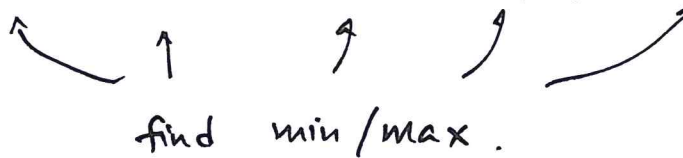
Step 2: Locate possible max/min on ∂R .

\Rightarrow reduce to 1D-case. (may use polar coordinates)

\Rightarrow 1D max/min. locate possible min/max pts, q_1, \dots, q_e .

Step 3: Compare the values of f at P_1, \dots, P_k & q_1, \dots, q_e .

$$f(P_1), f(P_2), \dots, f(P_k), f(q_1), \dots, f(q_e)$$



Ultimate Goal: How do we do "Calculus" for

$$f(x_1, \dots, x_n) : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$$

$$f(x_1, \dots, x_n) = (f_1(x_1, \dots, x_n), \dots, f_m(x_1, \dots, x_n)) \quad ?$$

- Limit (concept of ∞)
- Derivative \leftarrow "2D-derivative", $m=1$.
- Integration

Q: How to talk about "differentiability" of

$$f(x, y) : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

and "f' " ?

Goes back to 1D: $f = f(x)$, fix x_0 .

$$f \text{ diff. at } x_0 \Leftrightarrow \boxed{\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} \frac{f(x) - f(x_0)}{x - x_0} \text{ exists}} \quad (*) \text{ and } = f'(x_0)$$

Naive approach to 2D: $f = f(x, y)$, fix $(x_0, y_0) = \vec{x}_0$, $\vec{x} = (x, y)$

$$f \text{ diff. at } \vec{x}_0 \Leftrightarrow \lim_{\vec{x} \rightarrow \vec{x}_0} \frac{f(\vec{x}) - f(\vec{x}_0)}{\vec{x} - \vec{x}_0} \text{ exists.}$$

vector (cannot divide by a vector)

Idea: Can we express (*) without "dividing" ?

Define a function:

$$\varepsilon(x) := f(x) - f(x_0) - f'(x_0)(x - x_0)$$

$$\begin{cases} \varepsilon(x) \rightarrow 0 \\ x \rightarrow x_0 \end{cases}$$

$$\boxed{\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} \frac{\varepsilon(x)}{x - x_0} = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} \left(\frac{f(x) - f(x_0)}{x - x_0} - f'(x_0) \right) = 0} \quad (**)$$

$$(*) \Leftrightarrow (**)$$

Def: A function $f(x, y) : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is differentiable at $(x_0, y_0) = \vec{x}_0$

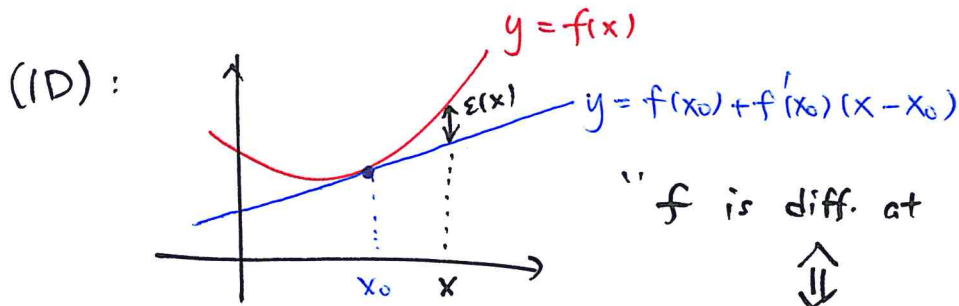
if \exists some vector " $\nabla f(\vec{x}_0)$ " $\in \mathbb{R}^2$ st.

$$\varepsilon(\vec{x}) := f(\vec{x}) - f(\vec{x}_0) - \nabla f(\vec{x}_0) \cdot (\vec{x} - \vec{x}_0)$$

$$\text{and } \lim_{\vec{x} \rightarrow \vec{x}_0} \frac{\varepsilon(\vec{x})}{\|\vec{x} - \vec{x}_0\|} = 0$$

number.

Q: How to understand it geometrically?



"f is diff. at x_0 "

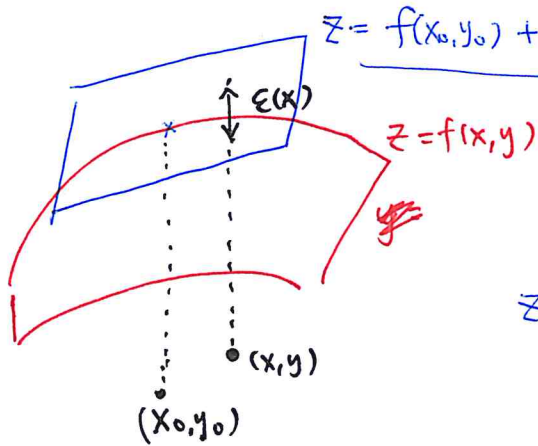


"The tangent line approximates the graph $y=f(x)$ up to order 1 at x_0 "

\Downarrow $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} \frac{\epsilon(x)}{x-x_0} = 0$ \Uparrow

" $f(x) \approx f(x_0) + f'(x_0)(x-x_0)$ near x_0 "

(2D)



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

\downarrow vector form.

Let $\vec{x} = (x, y)$, $\vec{x}_0 = (x_0, y_0)$.

$z = f(\vec{x}_0) + \underbrace{(f_x(x_0, y_0), f_y(x_0, y_0))}_{\text{"}\nabla f(x_0, y_0)\text{"}} \cdot (\vec{x} - \vec{x}_0)$

" $\nabla f(x_0, y_0)$ " gradient vector.

Def: $f = f(x_1, \dots, x_n) : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$\nabla f(\vec{x}_0) := (f_{x_1}(\vec{x}_0), f_{x_2}(\vec{x}_0), \dots, f_{x_n}(\vec{x}_0))$ gradient vector of f at \vec{x}_0 .

E.g. $f(x, y, z) = xy + z^2$. fix $\vec{x}_0 = (1, 1, 1)$

find $\nabla f(\vec{x}_0)$.

Sol: Compute 1st partial derivatives:

$f_x = y$

$f_y = x$

$f_z = 2z$

at $\vec{x}_0 = (1, 1, 1)$

\implies

$\nabla f(\vec{x}_0) = (1, 1, 2)$ *

same dimension as # of variables.



Example 1: Show that $f(x, y) = x^2 + y^2$ is differentiable at $(0, 0)$.

Sol: "Proof from the def".

Define our vector " $\nabla f(0, 0)$ " to be just the gradient vector:

$$\nabla f(0, 0) = (f_x(0, 0), f_y(0, 0)) = (2x, 2y) \Big|_{(0, 0)} = (0, 0)$$

$$\varepsilon(\vec{x}) := f(\vec{x}) - \underbrace{f(0, 0)}_0 - \underbrace{\nabla f(0, 0)}_{(0, 0)} \cdot (\vec{x} - \vec{x}_0)$$

$$\Rightarrow \varepsilon(\vec{x}) = f(\vec{x}) = x^2 + y^2$$

Check: $\lim_{\vec{x} \rightarrow (0, 0)} \frac{\varepsilon(\vec{x})}{\|\vec{x} - \vec{x}_0\|} = 0$

$$\frac{\varepsilon(\vec{x})}{\|\vec{x} - \vec{x}_0\|} = \frac{x^2 + y^2}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \xrightarrow[\text{as } \vec{x} \rightarrow (0, 0)]{2D\text{-limit}} 0$$

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Last time: Differentiability of $f = f(x, y)$ at (x_0, y_0) .

$$f(x, y) = \underbrace{f(x_0, y_0) + f_x(x_0, y_0)(x - x_0) + f_y(x_0, y_0)(y - y_0)}_{L(x, y)} + \varepsilon(x, y)$$

$L(x, y)$: linear approximation

$$f \text{ is diff. at } (x_0, y_0) \iff \lim_{\substack{(x, y) \rightarrow \\ (x_0, y_0)}} \frac{\varepsilon(x, y)}{\|(x, y) - (x_0, y_0)\|} = 0$$

Q: (1D): f is diff at $x_0 \iff \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} \frac{f(x) - f(x_0)}{x - x_0}$ exists. = $f'(x_0)$

(2D): f is diff at $\vec{x}_0 \iff \left[\lim_{\vec{x} \rightarrow \vec{x}_0} \frac{f(\vec{x}) - f(\vec{x}_0)}{\|\vec{x} - \vec{x}_0\|} \text{ exists} \right]$ not a good def.

[E.g. $f(x, y) = \cancel{x} + zy$.]

[Q: when does this limit exist?]

Note: $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} \frac{f(x) - f(x_0)}{|x - x_0|}$ is not a good defⁿ for $f'(x_0)$.

Let $f(x) = x$, $x_0 = 0$.

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x) - f(x_0)}{|x - x_0|} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x}{|x|} \text{ does not exist.}$$

Defⁿ: A function $f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is differentiable at \vec{x}_0

if $\exists L(\vec{x}) := f(\vec{x}_0) + \vec{v} \cdot (\vec{x} - \vec{x}_0)$ linear approximation.

s.t. if $\varepsilon(\vec{x}) := f(\vec{x}) - L(\vec{x})$ error

then $\lim_{\vec{x} \rightarrow \vec{x}_0} \frac{\varepsilon(\vec{x})}{\|\vec{x} - \vec{x}_0\|} = 0$

Q: what is \vec{v} ?

A: $\vec{v} = \nabla f(\vec{x}_0)$

(n=2)

Theorem: If $f(x,y)$ is diff. at (x_0, y_0)

then (1) $f_x(x_0, y_0), f_y(x_0, y_0)$ exist.

(2) and $\vec{V} = (f_x, f_y) \Big|_{(x_0, y_0)} =: \nabla f(x_0, y_0)$
 \uparrow in defⁿ of diff.

f is diff. at $\vec{x}_0 \Rightarrow f_{x_1}, \dots, f_{x_n}$ exist at \vec{x}_0

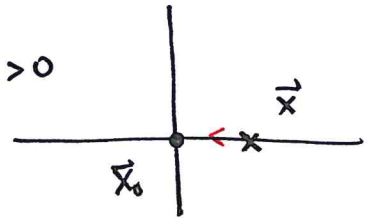
Remark: " \Leftarrow " is false.

eg. $f(x,y) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } xy=0 \\ 1 & \text{if } xy \neq 0. \end{cases}$

is not even continuous at $(0,0)$.

Proof of Thm:

Let $\vec{x}_0 = (x_0, y_0)$, $\vec{x} = (x_0+h, y_0)$, $h > 0$



As $h \rightarrow 0$, $\vec{x} \rightarrow \vec{x}_0$.

From of defⁿ, $\vec{V} = (V_1, V_2)$ Goal: $V_1 = f_x, V_2 = f_y$ at \vec{x}_0

$$L(\vec{x}) := f(\vec{x}_0) + \vec{V} \cdot (\vec{x} - \vec{x}_0)$$

$$\frac{\epsilon(\vec{x})}{\|\vec{x} - \vec{x}_0\|} = \frac{f(\vec{x}) - L(\vec{x})}{\|\vec{x} - \vec{x}_0\|}$$

as $\vec{x} \rightarrow \vec{x}_0$
 $h \rightarrow 0$
 \swarrow
diff at \vec{x}_0 .

$$= \frac{f(\vec{x}) - f(\vec{x}_0) - \vec{V} \cdot (\vec{x} - \vec{x}_0)}{\|\vec{x} - \vec{x}_0\|}$$

In our case,
 $\vec{x} - \vec{x}_0 = (h, 0)$
 $\|\vec{x} - \vec{x}_0\| = h > 0$

$$= \frac{f(x_0+h, y_0) - f(x_0, y_0) - h V_1}{h}$$

$$= \frac{f(x_0+h, y_0) - f(x_0, y_0)}{h} - V_1$$

Similarly, you get

$$V_2 = f_y(x_0, y_0).$$

$\downarrow h \rightarrow 0$
 $f_x(x_0, y_0)$

$\downarrow h \rightarrow 0$
 $-V_1 \Rightarrow V_1 = f_x(x_0, y_0).$

Thm: f is diff. at $\vec{x}_0 \Rightarrow f$ is cts at \vec{x}_0 .

Pf: Goal: f is cts at \vec{x}_0

$$\Leftrightarrow \underbrace{\lim_{\vec{x} \rightarrow \vec{x}_0} f(\vec{x}) = f(\vec{x}_0)}_{\text{2D-limit}} \quad (*) \quad \text{exists \& equal to } f(\vec{x}_0)$$

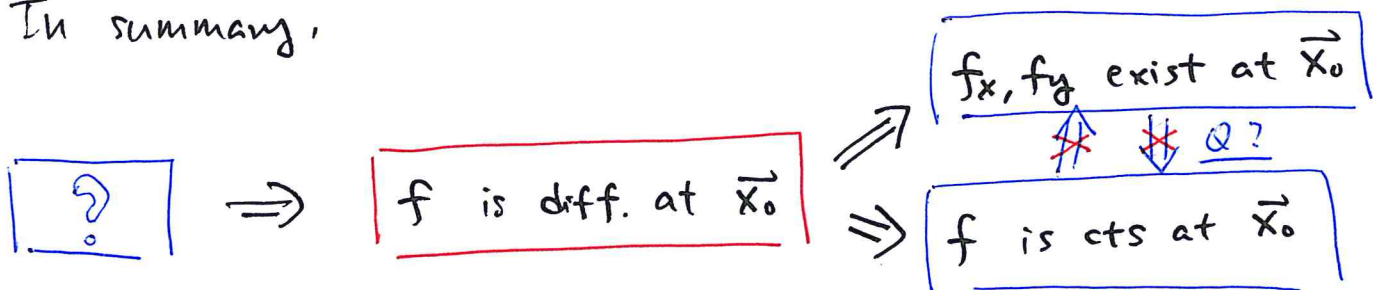
$$f \text{ is diff. at } \vec{x}_0 \stackrel{\text{def}}{\Leftrightarrow} \lim_{\vec{x} \rightarrow \vec{x}_0} \frac{f(\vec{x}) - f(\vec{x}_0) - \nabla f(\vec{x}_0) \cdot (\vec{x} - \vec{x}_0)}{\|\vec{x} - \vec{x}_0\|} = 0$$

$$f(\vec{x}) - f(\vec{x}_0) = \left[\frac{f(\vec{x}) - f(\vec{x}_0) - \nabla f(\vec{x}_0) \cdot (\vec{x} - \vec{x}_0)}{\|\vec{x} - \vec{x}_0\|} \right] \|\vec{x} - \vec{x}_0\|$$

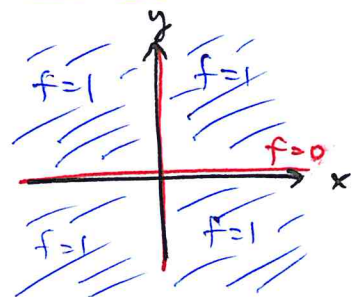
$$+ \underbrace{\nabla f(\vec{x}_0) \cdot (\vec{x} - \vec{x}_0)}_{\substack{\text{as } \vec{x} \rightarrow \vec{x}_0 \\ \rightarrow [0] \cdot [0] + \nabla f(\vec{x}_0) \cdot \vec{0} = 0}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{\vec{x} \rightarrow \vec{x}_0} (f(\vec{x}) - f(\vec{x}_0)) = 0 \quad (\Rightarrow) \quad (*)$$

In summary,



$f(x,y) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } xy = 0 \\ 1 & \text{if } xy \neq 0 \end{cases}$
 $f_x(0,0) = f_y(0,0) = 0$.
 f is not cts at $(0,0)$



Yes,

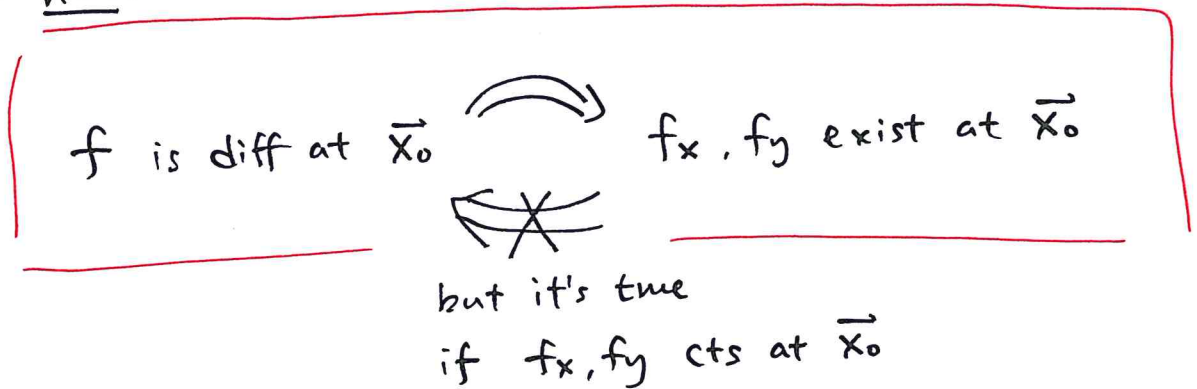
$$\boxed{?} = \boxed{f \text{ is } C^1 \text{ at } \vec{x}_0}$$

Defⁿ: f is C^k at \vec{x}_0
if all the k -th order partial derivatives exist (at \vec{x}_0)
and are still continuous, at \vec{x}_0 .

E.g. $f(x,y)$ is C^1 at \vec{x}_0

$\Leftrightarrow f_x$ and f_y ^① exists and they are ^② cts at \vec{x}_0 .

Picture: $n=2$:



E.g. $f(x,y) = e^x \sin xy$.

Q: Is f diff. at $(0,0)$?

$$\left. \begin{aligned} f_x &= e^x \sin xy + ye^x \cos xy \\ f_y &= xe^x \cos xy \end{aligned} \right\} \text{ cts everywhere.}$$

$\Rightarrow f$ is C^1 everywhere

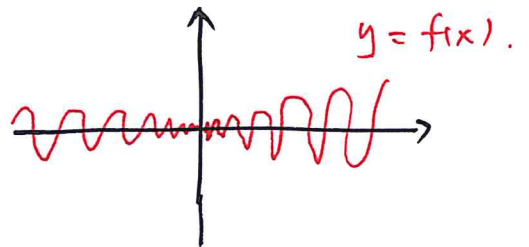
$\Rightarrow f$ is diff everywhere.

[Q: f is diff. at $\vec{x}_0 \not\Rightarrow f$ is C^1 at \vec{x}_0] No!

\longleftarrow
true.

Counter example (1D)

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 \sin \frac{1}{x} & \text{if } x \neq 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } x = 0. \end{cases}$$



Claim: (1) f is differentiable everywhere, $f'(x)$ exists for all x .
(2) $f'(x)$ is not cts at $x=0$. (ie $f \notin C^1$ at $x=0$)

Pf: f is clearly diff. at $x \neq 0$.

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \left(x^2 \sin \frac{1}{x} \right)' = 2x \sin \frac{1}{x} + x^2 \left(-\frac{1}{x^2} \right) \cos \frac{1}{x} \\ &= 2x \sin \frac{1}{x} - \cos \frac{1}{x}. \end{aligned}$$

At $x=0$,

$$\begin{aligned} f'(0) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(h) - f(0)}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{h^2 \sin \frac{1}{h} - 0}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} h \sin \frac{1}{h} = 0 \quad (\text{Sandwich thm.}). \end{aligned}$$

$$f'(x) = \begin{cases} 2x \sin \frac{1}{x} - \cos \frac{1}{x} & \text{if } x \neq 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } x = 0. \end{cases}$$

↪ this is cts at $x=0$.

but $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(2x \sin \frac{1}{x} - \cos \frac{1}{x} \right)$ does not exist.
↓
0 does not have limit

[Ex: Find a function f which is k -times differentiable
(1D) but $f^{(k)}$ is not cts.]

Example: Let

$$f(x,y) = \begin{cases} \frac{xy}{\sqrt{x^2+y^2}} & \text{if } (x,y) \neq (0,0) \\ 0 & \text{if } (x,y) = (0,0) \end{cases}$$

Prove (i) f is cts at $(0,0)$.

(ii) $f_x(0,0)$, $f_y(0,0)$ exist and $= 0$.

(iii) Q: Is f diff. at $(0,0)$?

Solⁿ (i) Goal: $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{xy}{\sqrt{x^2+y^2}} = 0$

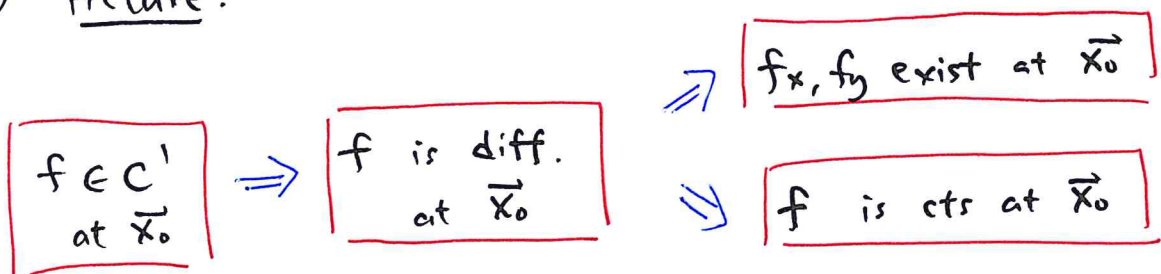
use polar coord: $x = r \cos \theta$, $y = r \sin \theta$

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \frac{(r \cos \theta)(r \sin \theta)}{r} = \lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \frac{r^2 \sin \theta \cos \theta}{r} = 0 \quad \#$$

$$(ii) \quad f_x(0,0) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(h,0) - f(0,0)}{h} = 0$$

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

(iii) Picture:



For this example,

$f \in C^1$ at \vec{x}_0 : false

f is diff. at \vec{x}_0 : false

f_x, f_y exist at \vec{x}_0 : true

f is cts at \vec{x}_0 : true

\uparrow use defⁿ

"worst-case scenario"

check: $f \in C^1$ at $(0,0)$.

$$f_x(x,y) = \begin{cases} \frac{y^3}{(x^2+y^2)^{3/2}} & \text{if } (x,y) \neq (0,0) \\ 0 & \text{if } (x,y) = (0,0) \end{cases}$$

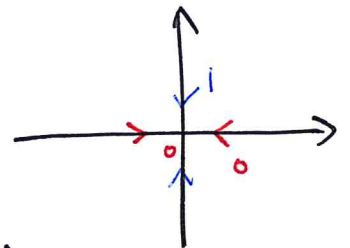
$$\left[\begin{aligned} \text{Calculation: } \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{xy}{\sqrt{x^2+y^2}} \right) &= \frac{\sqrt{x^2+y^2}(y) - xy \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2+y^2}} \cdot 2x \right)}{x^2+y^2} \\ &= \frac{(\cancel{x^2+y^2})y - \cancel{x^2}y}{(x^2+y^2)^{3/2}} \end{aligned} \right]$$

Along $y=0$,

$$f_x(x,0) = 0 \xrightarrow{\text{as } x \rightarrow 0} 0 = f_x(0,0)$$

Along $x=0$,

$$f_x(0,y) = \frac{y^3}{y^3} = 1 \xrightarrow{\text{as } y \rightarrow 0} 1 \neq f_x(0,0)$$



$\Rightarrow \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} f_x(x,y)$ does NOT exist.

$\Rightarrow f_x$ is NOT cts at $(0,0)$.

From defⁿ, $L(x,y) = \underset{0}{f(0,0)} + \underset{0}{f_x(0,0)}(x-0) + \underset{0}{f_y(0,0)}(y-0)$

$$\Rightarrow L(x,y) = 0$$

$$\varepsilon(x,y) := f(x,y) - L(x,y) = f(x,y)$$

f NOT diff. at $(0,0)$.

$$\frac{\varepsilon(x,y)}{\sqrt{x^2+y^2}} = \frac{f(x,y)}{\sqrt{x^2+y^2}} = \frac{xy}{x^2+y^2} \xrightarrow[\text{as } (x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)]{?} 0$$

along $y=kx$,

$$\frac{kx^2}{(1+k^2)x^2} = \frac{k}{1+k^2} \Rightarrow \lim_{\substack{(x,y) \\ \rightarrow (0,0)}} \frac{xy}{x^2+y^2} \text{ NOT exist.}$$

\uparrow depends on k

Q: What about differentiability of

$$f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m \quad \underline{m > 1}.$$

$$f = (f_1, \dots, f_m)$$

↑ ↑
function $\mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

Fact: f is diff. \Leftrightarrow all f_1, \dots, f_m are diff.

$m=1$: $Df = \nabla f = (f_{x_1}, \dots, f_{x_n})$ $1 \times \overset{n}{n}$ matrix

$m > 1$: " Df " = $\begin{pmatrix} (f_1)_{x_1} & \dots & (f_1)_{x_n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ (f_m)_{x_1} & \dots & (f_m)_{x_n} \end{pmatrix}$ $m \times n$ matrix.

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

$$Df = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(x+y) & \frac{\partial}{\partial y}(x+y) \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(x^2-y^2) & \frac{\partial}{\partial y}(x^2-y^2) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2x & -2y \end{pmatrix}$$