

$$f: A \subseteq \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$x_0 \in A$$

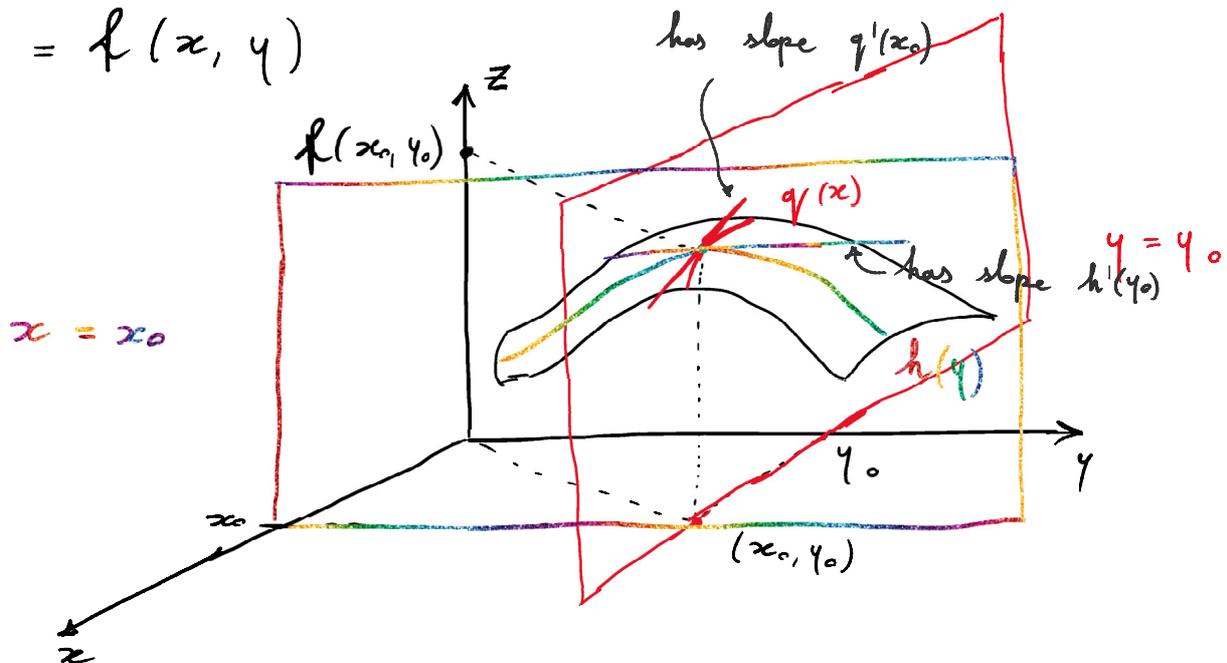
$$f'(x_0) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x_0 + h) - f(x_0)}{h}$$

It does not always exist.

$$f: A \subseteq \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

For example $m = 2$

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



$$q(x) = f(x, y_0)$$

$$\begin{aligned} q'(x_0) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{q(x_0 + h) - q(x_0)}{h} = \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x_0 + h, y_0) - f(x_0, y_0)}{h} =: \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x_0, y_0) = \\ &= f'_x(x_0, y_0) \end{aligned}$$

if it exists

$$h(y) = f(x_0, y)$$

$$h'(y_0) = \lim_{k \rightarrow 0} \frac{h(y_0 + k) - h(y_0)}{k} =$$

$$= \lim_{k \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x_0, y_0 + k) - f(x_0, y_0)}{k} = f'_y(x_0, y_0) = \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x_0, y_0)$$

if it exists.

If the partial derivatives exist and are finite, we can collect them into a vector del or nabla

$$\nabla f(x_0, y_0) = \text{grad} f(x_0, y_0) = \begin{bmatrix} f'_x(x_0, y_0) \\ f'_y(x_0, y_0) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{If } f: A \subseteq \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$\nabla f = \left[\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_2}, \dots, \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_m} \right]^T$$

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$$z = x^2 + 2y^2 + 5xy$$

- compute the gradient in general
- compute the gradient at point (1, 2)

$$f'_x = 2x + 5y \quad f'_y = 4y + 5x$$

[2x + 5y]

[4y + 5x]

$$\nabla f = \begin{bmatrix} 2x + 5y \\ 4y + 5x \end{bmatrix} \quad \nabla f(1, 2) = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \cdot 1 + 5 \cdot 2 \\ 4 \cdot 2 + 5 \cdot 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 12 \\ 13 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$f(x, y, z) = 2\sqrt{x} + 3xz + e^y$$

$$\text{dom } f = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid x \geq 0\}$$

Compute the gradient at point $(1, 0, 2)$

$$f(x, y, z) = 2x^{\frac{1}{2}} + 3xz + e^y$$

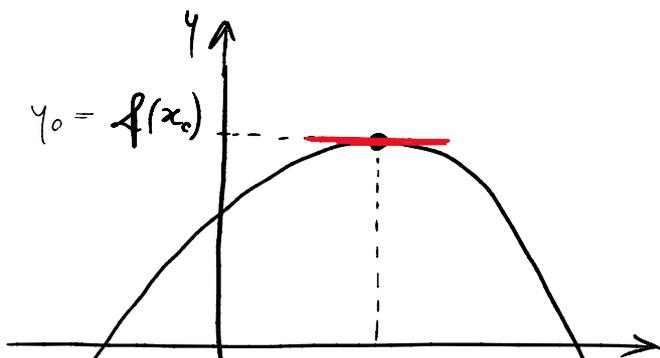
$$D x^\alpha = \alpha x^{\alpha-1}$$

$$f'_x = 2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} x^{\frac{1}{2}-1} + 3z = x^{-\frac{1}{2}} + 3z = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} + 3z$$

$$f'_y = e^y \quad f'_z = 3x$$

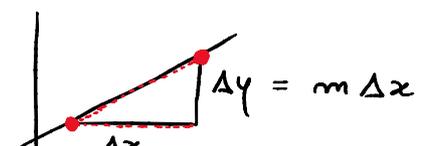
$$\nabla f = \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} + 3z, e^y, 3x \right)^T$$

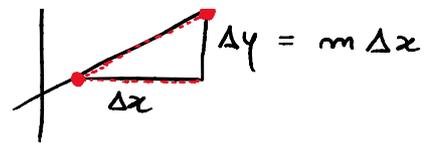
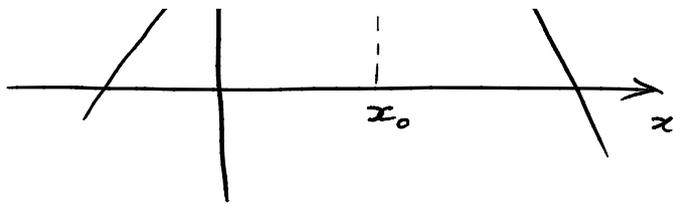
$$\nabla f(1, 0, 2) = \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{1}} + 3 \cdot 2, e^0, 3 \cdot 1 \right)^T = (7, 1, 3)^T$$



$$y = mx + q$$

↑ slope ↑ intercept





Here, I remain at the same level
 $\Delta y = 0 \cdot \Delta x = 0$
 so the slope is 0

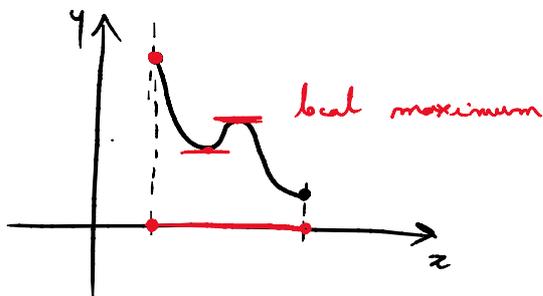
This happens for those lines that are parallel to the x axis

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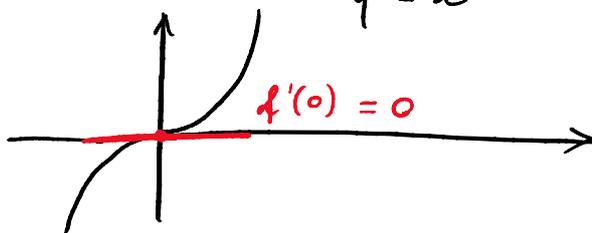
If $m = 0$

$$y = 0 \cdot x + q$$

$y = q$ and this is the equation of a line parallel to the x axis.



$$y = x^3$$

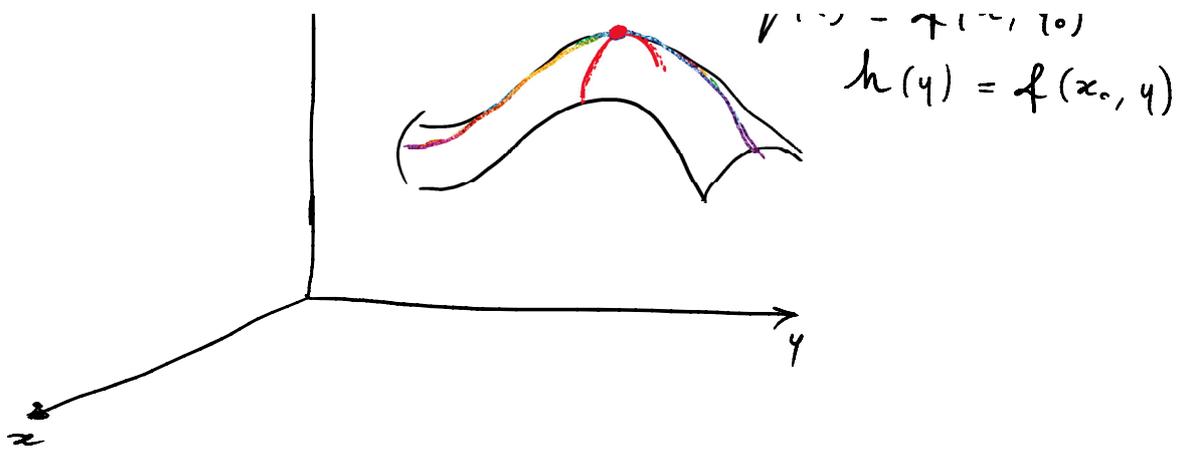


Setting the derivative to 0 is a necessary condition.



$$g(x) = f(x, y_0)$$

$$h(y) = f(x_0, y)$$



Point P is a maximum

But it is a maximum also for functions $g(x)$ and $h(y)$.

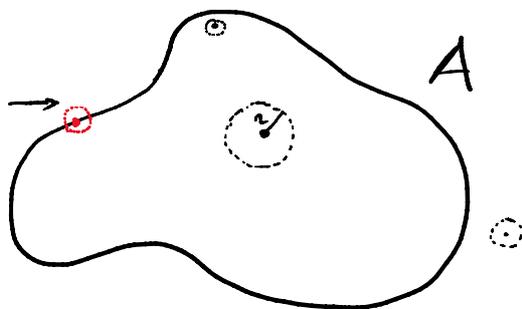
Therefore $g'(x_0) = 0$ and $h'(y_0) = 0$

So $f'_x(x_0, y_0) = 0$ and $f'_y(x_0, y_0) = 0$

So $\nabla f(x_0, y_0) = \underline{0}$

A point \underline{x}^* is an interior point of A if there exists a whole r -ball about \underline{x}^* in the domain A .

this is not an interior point



Function of class C^1

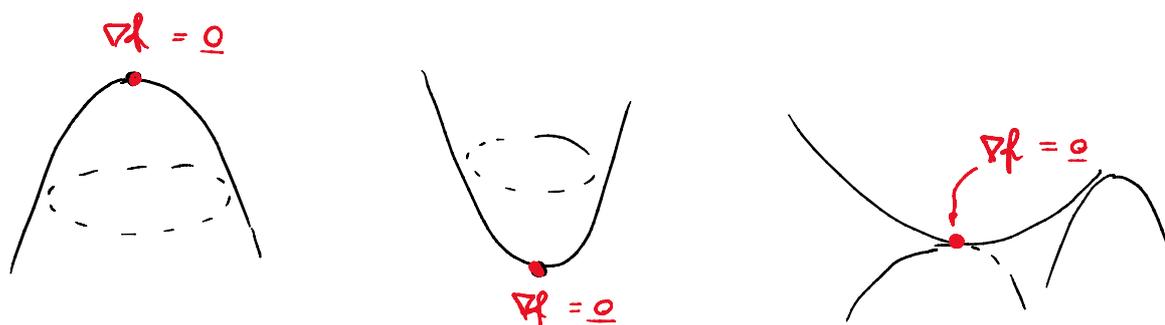
If all the partial derivatives of a

If all the partial derivatives of a function $f: A \subseteq \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ are continuous in a point $\underline{x} \in A$ then f is said to be of class C^1 in \underline{x} .

FIRST ORDER CONDITION: let $f: A \subseteq \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a C^1 function and $\underline{x}^* \in A$ an interior point of A . If \underline{x}^* is a local max or min. then $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i}(\underline{x}^*) = 0 \quad \forall i \in \{1, \dots, m\}$

(or $\nabla f(\underline{x}^*) = \underline{0}$)

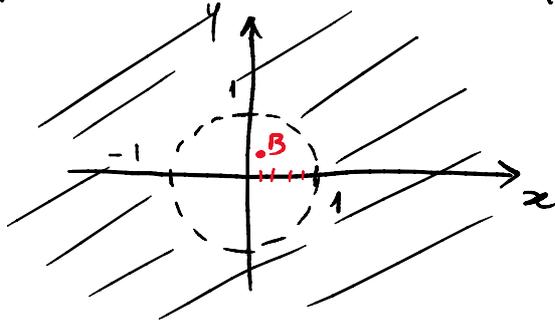
An interior point \underline{x} is said to be a critical point if $\nabla f(\underline{x}) = \underline{0}$.



9. $f(x, y) = 2 \ln(x^2 + y^2 - 1) + x + 2y$

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$$\nabla f = \underline{0}$$

$$9. f(x, y) = 2 \ln(x^2 + y^2 - 1) + x + 2y$$

$$f'_x = 2 \cdot \frac{1}{x^2 + y^2 - 1} \cdot 2x + 1 =$$

$$= \frac{4x}{x^2 + y^2 - 1} + 1$$

$$f'_y = 2 \cdot \frac{1}{x^2 + y^2 - 1} \cdot 2y + 2 =$$

$$= \frac{4y}{x^2 + y^2 - 1} + 2$$

$$\nabla f(x) = \underline{0}$$

$$\begin{cases} \frac{4x}{x^2 + y^2 - 1} + 1 = 0 \\ \frac{4y}{x^2 + y^2 - 1} + 2 = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} \frac{4x}{x^2 + y^2 - 1} = -1 \\ \frac{4y}{x^2 + y^2 - 1} = -2 \end{cases}$$

$$\left\{ \frac{4y}{x^2+y^2-1} = -\frac{1}{2} \right.$$

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$$\left\{ \frac{4x}{x^2+y^2-1} = \frac{2y}{x^2+y^2-1} \cdot (x^2+y^2-1) \right.$$

provided $x^2+y^2-1 \neq 0$
it is always > 0 because
it is the argument of the logarithm.

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{4x}{x^2+y^2-1} = -1 \\ y = 2x \end{array} \right.$$

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$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 5x^2 + 4x - 1 = 0 \\ y = 2x \end{array} \right.$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} x = \frac{-2 \pm 3}{5} \\ y = 2x \end{array} \right.$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} x = -1 \\ y = -2 \end{array} \right.$$

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$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} x = \frac{1}{5} \\ y = \frac{2}{5} \end{array} \right.$$

Two candidates

$$A(-1, -2)$$

maxima or minima:

$$B\left(\frac{1}{5}, \frac{2}{5}\right)$$

outside the domain