

$$y = f(x)$$

$$f'(x) = 0$$

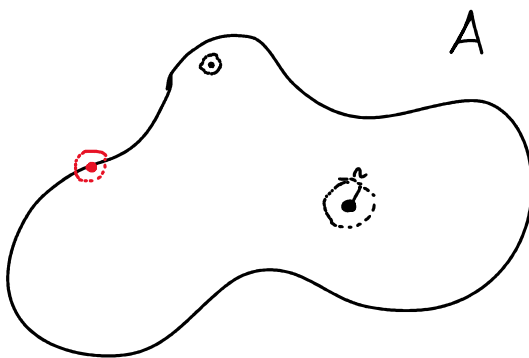
first-order (necessary) condition

$$f''(x)$$

second-order (sufficient) condition

Def. INTERIOR POINT

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 set is not open because there is at least one point on the border that is not an interior point.

Open set: A is open if all its points are interior points

Def: Critical point

An interior point $\underline{x}$ is said to be a **critical point** if for all i

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i}(\underline{x}) = 0$$

A function is of class C if it is continuous

A function is of class C^1 if it is continuous with its first-order partial derivatives

Ex:

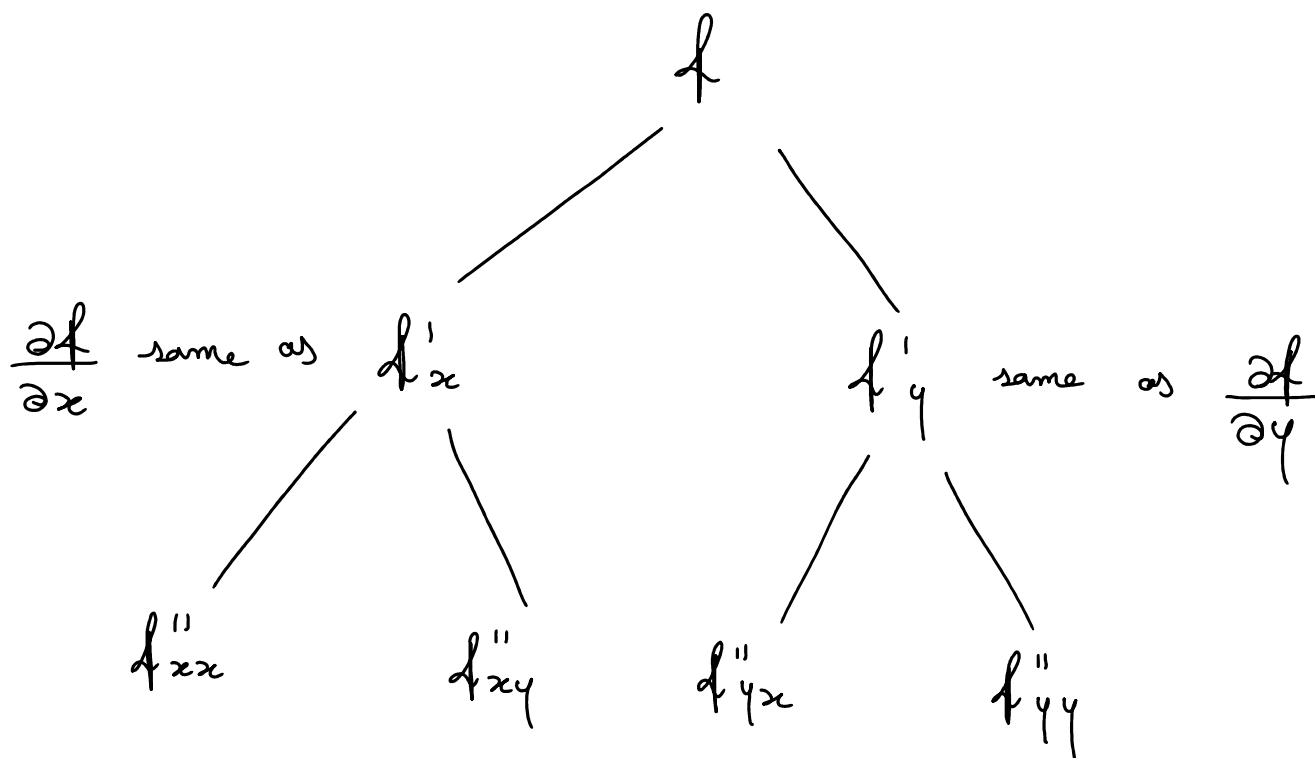
$$f(x, y) = x^2 + 3xy - y^2x$$

f is C
 $f \in C$

$$f'_x = 2x + 3y - y^2$$

f is C^1

$$f'_y = 3x - 2yx$$



f''_{xy} first derive with respect to x and then with respect to y

It is the same as

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right)$$

$$f'_x = 2x + 3y - y^2$$

$$f'_y = 3x - 2yx$$

$$f''_{xx} = 2$$

$$f''_{xy} = \underline{3 - 2y}$$

$$f''_{yy} = -2x$$

$$f''_{yx} = \underline{3 - 2y}$$

f is of class C^2

THE SECOND PARTIAL DERIVATIVES

If all the first partial derivatives are derivable again, then it is possible to calculate their partial derivatives thus obtaining:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i} \right) = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_j \partial x_i} = f_{x_j x_i} \quad \text{with } i \neq j$$

Mixed second derivative

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_i \partial x_i} = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_i^2} = f_{x_i x_i}$$

Pure second derivative

Def: function of CLASS C^2

If all the second derivatives of f exist and are continuous, then f is said to be of C^2 class

We will consider only C^2 functions!

Schwarz THEOREM

If $f : A \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, A open set, is a C^2 function on A then

$\Downarrow$

$\forall \underline{x} \in A$ and $\forall i, j$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_j \partial x_i}(\underline{x}) = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_i \partial x_j}(\underline{x})$$

Def: Hessian of f in point $\underline{x}^*$

Let f be of C^2 class and let $\underline{x}^*$ be an interior fixed point. The hessian of f in point $\underline{x}^*$ is given by:

$$Hf(\underline{x}^*) = \begin{pmatrix} f_{x_1 x_1}(\underline{x}^*) & f_{x_1 x_2}(\underline{x}^*) & \cdots & f_{x_1 x_n}(\underline{x}^*) \\ f_{x_2 x_1}(\underline{x}^*) & f_{x_2 x_2}(\underline{x}^*) & \cdots & f_{x_2 x_n}(\underline{x}^*) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \cdots & \vdots \\ f_{x_n x_1}(\underline{x}^*) & f_{x_n x_2}(\underline{x}^*) & \cdots & f_{x_n x_n}(\underline{x}^*) \end{pmatrix}$$

Notice that Hf is a **symmetric** square matrix ($n \times n$).

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

$$f''_{xx} = 2$$

$$f''_{xy} = \underline{3 - 2y}$$

$$f''_{yy} = -2x$$

$$f''_{yx} = \underline{3 - 2y}$$

$$Hf(x, y) = \begin{bmatrix} f''_{xx} & f''_{xy} \\ f''_{yx} & f''_{yy} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 - 2y \\ 3 - 2y & -2x \end{bmatrix}$$

TAYLOR POLYNOMIALS

Let $f: A \subseteq \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ (with A open) be a C^{k+1} function. For any $x, x_0 \in A$ there exists a point c^* between x and x_0 such that:

$$f(x) = \underbrace{f(x_0) + f'(x_0)(x-x_0) + \frac{1}{2}f''(x_0)(x-x_0)^2 + \dots + \frac{1}{k!}f^{(k)}(x_0)(x-x_0)^k}_{\text{polynomial}} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{(k+1)!}f^{(k+1)}(c^*)(x-x_0)^{k+1}}_{\text{remainder}}$$

$$f(x) = \boxed{\text{polynomial}} + \text{remainder}$$

with $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} \frac{R_k(x, x_0)}{|x - x_0|^k} = 0$

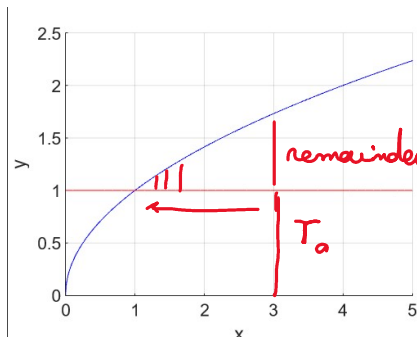
$$f(x) = \sqrt{x} \quad \text{and} \quad x_0 = 1$$

Approximate it with a Taylor polynomial of degree 2.

$$f(x) = \underbrace{f(x_0) + f'(x_0)(x-x_0) + \frac{1}{2}f''(x_0)(x-x_0)^2}_{\text{Taylor polynomial of degree 2}} + \dots$$

Taylor polynomial of degree 0:

$$T_0(x_0) = f(x_0) = f(1) = \sqrt{1} = 1$$



remainder that goes to 0 when $x \rightarrow x_0$

$$T_1(x) = f(x_0) + f'(x_0)(x - x_0)$$

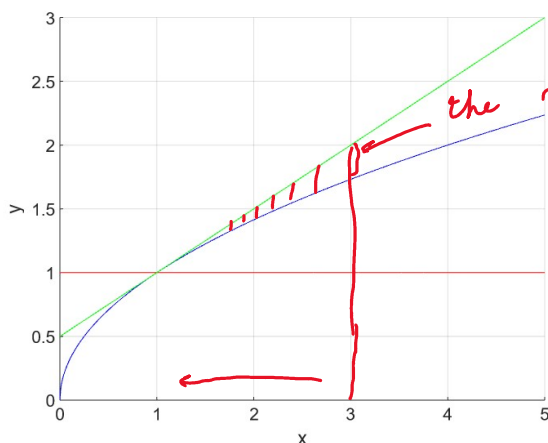
$$f(x) = \sqrt{x} = x^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

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

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}$$

$$f'(x_0) = f'(1) = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$T_1(x) = 1 + \frac{1}{2}(x - 1) = 1 + \frac{1}{2}x - \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}x$$



the remainder tends to 0 as $x \rightarrow 1$

$$T_2(x) = \underline{f(x_0) + f'(x_0)(x-x_0) + \frac{1}{2}f''(x_0)(x-x_0)^2}$$

$$f''(x) = D \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} = \frac{1}{2} D x^{-\frac{1}{2}} =$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) x^{-\frac{1}{2}-1} = -\frac{1}{4} x^{-\frac{3}{2}} =$$

$$= -\frac{1}{4} \frac{1}{x\sqrt{x}}$$

$$f''(x_0) = f''(1) = -\frac{1}{4}$$

$$T_2(x) = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}x - \frac{1}{8}(x-1)^2$$

$$f(x) = \underline{f(x_0) + f'(x_0)(x-x_0) + \frac{1}{2}f''(x_0)(x-x_0)^2} + R_2(x, x_0)$$

$$f(\underline{x}) = f(\underline{x}_0) + \nabla f^T(\underline{x}_0)(\underline{x} - \underline{x}_0) +$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} (\underline{x} - \underline{x}_0)^T H f(\underline{x}_0) (\underline{x} - \underline{x}_0) + R_2(\underline{x}, \underline{x}_0)$$

$$f(x, y) = x\sqrt{y} \quad P_0(1, 4)$$

$$T_0(x, y) = f(\underline{x}_0) = f(1, 4) = 1 \cdot \sqrt{4} = 2$$

$$T_1(x, y) = f(\underline{x}_0) + \nabla f^T(\underline{x}_0) (\underline{x} - \underline{x}_0)$$

$$f(x, y) = x\sqrt{y}$$

$$f'_x = \sqrt{y}$$

$$f'_y = \frac{x}{2\sqrt{y}}$$

$\underline{x}_0$: particular point
(1, 4)

$\underline{x}$: generic point

$$\underline{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\nabla f(x, y) = \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{y} \\ \frac{x}{2\sqrt{y}} \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$\nabla f(\underline{x}_0) = \nabla f(1, 4) = \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{4} \\ \frac{1}{2\sqrt{4}} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ \frac{1}{4} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\underline{x} - \underline{x}_0 = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x-1 \\ y-4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 T_1(x, y) &= f(\underline{x}_0) + \nabla f^T(\underline{x}_0) (\underline{x} - \underline{x}_0) = \\
 &= 2 + \begin{bmatrix} 2 & \frac{1}{4} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x - 1 \\ y - 4 \end{bmatrix} = \\
 &= 2 + 2(x - 1) + \frac{1}{4}(y - 4) = \\
 &= 2 + 2x - 2 + \frac{1}{4}y - 1 = -1 + 2x + \frac{1}{4}y
 \end{aligned}$$

$$f'_x = \sqrt{y} \quad f'_y = \frac{x}{2\sqrt{y}}$$

$$f''_{xx} = 0 \quad f''_{xy} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \sqrt{y} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}}$$

$$f''_{yx} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \frac{x}{2\sqrt{y}} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 f''_{yy} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \frac{x}{2\sqrt{y}} = \frac{x}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} y^{-\frac{1}{2}} = \\
 &= \frac{x}{2} \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) y^{-\frac{3}{2}} = -\frac{x}{4y\sqrt{y}}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$Hf(\underline{x}) = Hf(x, y) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}} \\ \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}} & -\frac{x}{4y\sqrt{y}} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\underline{\underline{H}}f(\underline{x}_0) = \underline{\underline{H}}f(1, 4) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \frac{1}{4} \\ \frac{1}{4} & -\frac{1}{32} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(\underline{x} - \underline{x}_0)^T \underline{\underline{H}}f^{(\underline{x}_0)}(\underline{x} - \underline{x}_0)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x-1 & y-4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \frac{1}{4} \\ \frac{1}{4} & -\frac{1}{32} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x-1 \\ y-4 \end{bmatrix} =$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \frac{y-4}{4} & \frac{x-1}{4} - \frac{y-4}{32} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x-1 \\ y-4 \end{bmatrix} =$$

$$= \frac{1}{4}(x-1)(y-4) + \frac{(x-1)(y-4)}{4} - \frac{(y-4)^2}{32} =$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}(x-1)(y-4) - \frac{(y-4)^2}{32}$$

$$\begin{aligned} T_2(x, y) &= -1 + 2x + \frac{1}{4}y + \frac{1}{4}(x-1)(y-4) \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{64}(y-4)^2 \end{aligned}$$