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Final 2013WT2, Problem 2(a)

At $t = 0$ we have $(x, y, z) = (0, -1, 1)$,

$$P = \frac{0^2 + 2(-1)^2}{1 + 1^2} = 1, \quad T = 5 + 0 \cdot (-1) - 1^2 = 4.$$

We have

$$\frac{d}{dt}(PT)^2 = 2(PT)\left(\frac{dP}{dt}T + P\frac{dT}{dt}\right) = 2(1 \cdot 4)\left(4\frac{dP}{dt} + 1\frac{dT}{dt}\right) = 32\frac{dP}{dt} + 8\frac{dT}{dt}.$$

As for derivatives, we have $dx/dt = 2$, $dy/dt = 2t$, $dz/dt = -\sin t$, so at $t = 0$ we have $dx/dt = 2$, $dy/dt = 0$, $dz/dt = 0$. So

$$\frac{dP}{dt} = P_x \frac{dx}{dt} + P_y \frac{dy}{dt} + P_z \frac{dz}{dt},$$

which at $t = 0$ is

$$= 2P_x + 0P_y + 0P_z.$$

So we only need to compute P_x (at $t = 0$), which is

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \frac{x^2 + 2y^2}{1 + z^2} = \frac{2x}{1 + z^2},$$

which at $t = 0$ is therefore $(2 \cdot 0)/(1 + 1^1) = 0$. Hence at $t = 0$ we have

$$\frac{dP}{dt} = 2 \cdot 0 = 0.$$

Similarly, at $t = 0$ we have

$$\frac{dT}{dt} = 2T_x + 0T_y + 0T_z.$$

So we only need to compute T_x (at $t = 0$), which is

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x}(5 + xy - z^2) = y$$

which at $t = 0$ is therefore -1 . Hence at $t = 0$ we have

$$\frac{dT}{dt} = 2(-1) = -2.$$

It follows that at $t = 0$ we have

$$\frac{d}{dt}(PT)^2 = 32\frac{dP}{dt} + 8\frac{dT}{dt} = 32 \cdot 0 + 8 \cdot (-2) = -16.$$

Remark: if you don't notice that $dy/dt = 0$ and $dz/dt = 0$ at $t = 0$, then you might think you need to compute P_y and P_z to find

$$\frac{dP}{dt} = P_x \frac{dx}{dt} + P_y \frac{dy}{dt} + P_z \frac{dz}{dt};$$

this is why you might want to first compute dx/dt , dy/dt , and dz/dt , and see if you get lucky.

Final 2013WT1, Problem 1(b)

(i).

For $F(x, y, z) = x^2z^3 + y \sin(\pi x) + y^2$ we have

$$F_x = 2xz^3 + y\pi \cos(\pi x), \quad F_y = \sin(\pi x) + 2y, \quad F_z = x^23z^2.$$

Therefore at $(1, 1, -1)$ we have

$$F_x = 2(1)(-1)^3 + 1\pi(-1) = -2 - \pi, \quad F_y = \sin(\pi) + 2 = 2, \quad F_z = 3.$$

Therefore the tangent plane to $F(x, y, z) = 0$ at $(1, 1, -1)$ is given by

$$F_x(1, 1, -1)(x - 1) + F_y(1, 1, -1)(y - 1) + F_z(1, 1, -1)(z + 1) = 0,$$

that is,

$$(-2 - \pi)(x - 1) + 2(y - 1) + 3(z + 1) = 0.$$

(ii).

Since $F(x, y, z) = 0$ with F as above, we can differentiate implicitly to find

$$F_x + F_z z_x = 0,$$

and hence at $(1, 1, -1)$, from part (i), we have

$$z_x = -F_x/F_z = (2 + \pi)/3.$$

(iii).

By the linear approximation we have

$$\Delta z \approx (\Delta x)z_x + (\Delta y)z_y = (-0.03)(2 + \pi)/3 + 0z_y = -0.01(2 + \pi).$$

Final 2012WT1, Problem 2

(a).

We have $z = f(x, y) = 1000 - 0.02x^2 - 0.01y^2$, and so $z_x = -0.04x$ and $z_y = -0.02y$. At $x = 0$ and $y = 100$ we have

$$\nabla z = (-0.04 \cdot 0, -0.02 \cdot 100) = (0, -2).$$

Therefore the direction of steepest ascent, i.e., the direction in which ∇z points, is the negative y direction, i.e., South.

(b).

The slope of the hill in the steepest ascent direction is $|\nabla z| = |(0, -2)| = 2$.

(c).

The slope in the steepest descent direction is -2 , which means at 5 m/s your rate of change is -10 m/s (which is -36 km/h, so you should be wearing a helmet).

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