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$$② df = \frac{y - xy}{(x+y)^2} dx + \frac{x - xy}{(x+y)^2} dy$$

$$③ df = \frac{-2}{16} dx + 0 \cdot dy$$

$$z - \frac{3}{4} = -\frac{1}{8} \cdot (x - 3)$$

$$④ \Delta z \approx -\frac{1}{8} \cdot \Delta x = -\frac{1}{8} \cdot 0.01$$

$$z \approx \frac{3}{4} + \Delta z \approx \frac{3}{4} - \frac{1}{8} \cdot 0.01$$

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$$④ \pm \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \frac{1}{8} \end{pmatrix}$$

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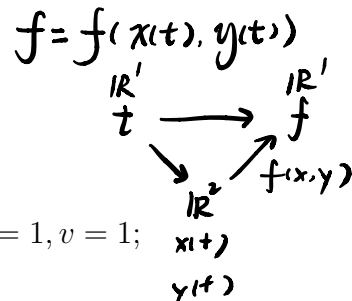
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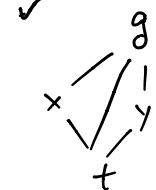
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①  $\frac{df}{dt} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \cdot \frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \cdot \frac{dy}{dt}$

$= (y^3 \cdot 2x + y^2 \cdot 3x^2) \cdot (2t+1) + (x^2 \cdot 3y^2 + x^3 \cdot 2y) \cdot e^t = g(x, y, t)$



②  $\frac{df}{dt} \Big|_{t=0} = 0$

③  $\frac{d^2f}{dt^2} = \frac{\partial g}{\partial x} \cdot \frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{\partial g}{\partial y} \cdot \frac{dy}{dt} + \frac{\partial g}{\partial t}$

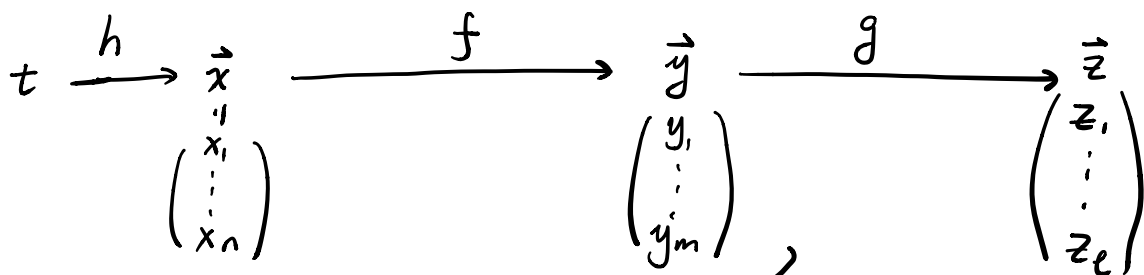
$= [(2t+1) \cdot (y^3 \cdot 2 + y^2 \cdot 3 \cdot 2x) + e^t \cdot (2x \cdot 3y^2 + 3x^2 \cdot 2y)] \cdot (2t+1)$

$+ [(2t+1) \cdot (3y^2 \cdot 2x + 2y \cdot 3x^2) + e^t \cdot (x^2 \cdot 6y + x^3 \cdot 2)] \cdot e^t$

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④  $\frac{d^2f}{dt^2} \Big|_{t=0} = 1 \cdot 2 \cdot 1 = 2$

$x = 0$   
 $y = 1$



$$\begin{array}{c}
 \overbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \vec{x}(t) \\ x_1'(t) \\ x_2'(t) \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix}}^{J_h} \\
 = \vec{x}'(t)
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$$J_f \cdot J_g = \begin{pmatrix} \overbrace{\quad}^m \\ \underbrace{\quad}_n \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \overbrace{\quad}^\ell \\ \underbrace{\quad}_m \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \overbrace{\quad}^\ell \\ \underbrace{\quad}_n \end{pmatrix} = J_{f \circ g}$$

$\vec{x}(t)$ : curve

$$\vec{y}(t) = f \circ h(t)$$

$$\frac{d\vec{x}(t)}{dt} = \vec{x}'(t) = J_h$$

$$\vec{y}'(t) = J_{f \circ h} = J_f \cdot J_h = J_f \cdot \vec{x}'(t)$$

$$\vec{z}'(t) = J_{g \circ (f \circ h)} = J_g \cdot J_{f \circ h} = J_g \cdot J_f \cdot \vec{x}'(t)$$

A general formula for second order derivatives. (Only for fun, no need for general audience)

$$\frac{df}{dt} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \cdot \frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \cdot \frac{dy}{dt} = f_x(x,y) \cdot x'(t) + f_y(x,y) \cdot y'(t)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d^2f}{dt^2} &= \left[ \frac{df_x(x,y)}{dt} \right] \cdot x'(t) + f_x(x,y) \cdot x''(t) + \\ &\quad \left[ \frac{df_y(x,y)}{dt} \right] \cdot y'(t) + f_y(x,y) \cdot y''(t) \\ &= \left[ f_{xx}(x,y) \cdot x'(t) + f_{xy}(x,y) \cdot y'(t) \right] \cdot x'(t) + f_x(x,y) \cdot x''(t) \\ &\quad + \left[ f_{yx}(x,y) \cdot x'(t) + f_{yy}(x,y) \cdot y'(t) \right] \cdot y'(t) + f_y(x,y) \cdot y''(t) \end{aligned}$$

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$$J_h = \begin{pmatrix} x'(t) \\ y'(t) \end{pmatrix} \quad J_s = (f_x(x,y) \quad f_y(x,y))$$

$$J_{s \circ h} = \underline{J_s} \cdot J_h = (f_x \quad f_y) \begin{pmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{pmatrix} = f_x \cdot x' + f_y \cdot y'$$

$$\frac{\partial J_s(x,y) \cdot J_h(t)}{\partial t} = \left[ \frac{\partial J_s}{\partial t} \right] \cdot J_h(t) + J_s \cdot \frac{\partial J_h}{\partial t}$$

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$$J_h = \begin{pmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{pmatrix} \quad J_w = \begin{pmatrix} f_{xx} & f_{xy} \\ f_{yx} & f_{yy} \end{pmatrix}$$

$( )^T$  means transpose of a matrix.  
We use  $( )^T$  here because the convention of  $J$  is  $\begin{pmatrix} f_x'(t) \\ f_y'(t) \end{pmatrix}$ , but we need  $(f_x'(t) \quad f_y'(t))$  to match.

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- ②  $df = y^2 dx + 2xy dy$
- ③  $df|_{\vec{x}_0} = dx + 4 dy$   
 $z - 2 = (x-2) + 4(y-1)$
- ④  $\Delta z \approx \Delta x + 4 \Delta y$   
 $= 0.01 + 4 \cdot (-0.01)$   
 $= -0.03$   
 $z \approx 2 - 0.03 = 1.97$
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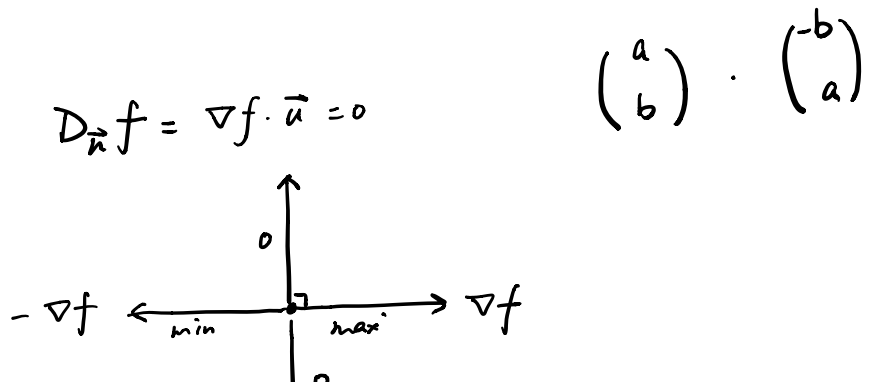
*↙ mit vector.*

①  $\nabla f = \begin{pmatrix} y^2 \\ 2xy \end{pmatrix}$

②  $D_{\vec{u}} f|_{\vec{x}_0} = \begin{pmatrix} y^2 \\ 2xy \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1/2 \\ \sqrt{3}/2 \end{pmatrix} \Big|_{\vec{x}_0} = \frac{y^2}{2} + \sqrt{3} xy \Big|_{\vec{x}_0} = \frac{1}{2} + \sqrt{3} \cdot 2$

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4. ①  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = 2xy \cdot \cos x^2y + y^2 \cdot (-\sin x^2y)$   $\frac{\partial x}{\partial u} = v \cdot e^{uv}$   $\frac{\partial y}{\partial u} = \frac{1}{u}$   
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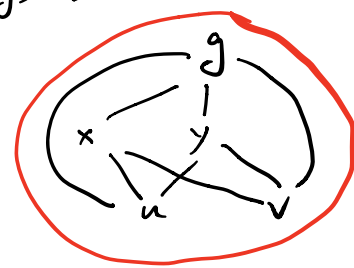
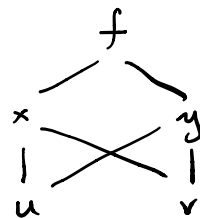
$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial u} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \cdot \frac{\partial x}{\partial u} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \cdot \frac{\partial y}{\partial u}$$

$$= (2xy \cdot \cos x^2y - y^2 \cdot \sin x^2y) \cdot v \cdot e^{uv}$$

$$+ (x^2 \cos x^2y - 2xy \cdot \sin xy^2) \cdot \frac{1}{u} \quad = g(x, y, u, v)$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial v} = (2xy \cdot \cos x^2y - y^2 \cdot \sin x^2y) \cdot u \cdot e^{uv}$$

$$+ (x^2 \cos x^2y - 2xy \cdot \sin xy^2) \cdot \frac{1}{v}$$



②  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial u} \Big|_{\vec{x}_0} = 1$   $\frac{\partial f}{\partial v} \Big|_{\vec{x}_0} = 1$ .

③  $f_{uu} = \frac{\partial g}{\partial x} \cdot \frac{\partial x}{\partial u} + \frac{\partial g}{\partial y} \cdot \frac{\partial y}{\partial u} + \frac{\partial g}{\partial u}$  (Just one example)

$$= (v \cdot e^{uv} \cdot [2y \cos x^2y + 2xy \cdot 2xy \cdot (-\sin x^2y) - y^2 \cdot y^2 \cdot \cos xy^2] + \frac{1}{u} \cdot [2x \cdot \cos x^2y + x^2 \cdot 2xy \cdot (-\sin x^2y) - 2xy \cdot (-\sin)xy^2 - 2xy \cdot y^2 \cdot (-\cos xy^2)]) \cdot u \cdot e^{uv}$$

$$+ \left( v \cdot e^{uv} \cdot \left[ 2x \cdot \cos x^2 y + 2xy \cdot (-\sin x^2 y) \cdot x^2 - 2y \cdot \sin xy^2 - y^2 \cdot \cos xy^2 \cdot x \cdot 2y \right] \right. \\ \left. + \frac{1}{u} \cdot \left[ x^2 \cdot (-\sin x^2 y) \cdot x^2 - 2x \cdot (-\sin xy^2) - 2xy \cdot (-\cos xy^2) \cdot 2xy \right] \right) \cdot \frac{1}{u}$$

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$$\textcircled{4} f_{uu} \Big|_{\vec{x}_0} = 1 \cdot 2 \cdot 1 \cdot e + e \cdot 2 - 1 = 4e - 1$$

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3.  $\begin{cases} \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = e^{3-x^2-y^2} \cdot (-2x) \\ \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = e^{3-x^2-y^2} \cdot (-2y) \end{cases}$        $df = e^{3-x^2-y^2} \cdot (-2x) dx + e^{3-x^2-y^2} \cdot (-2y) dy$

③  $df = -2e dx - 2e dy$       ④  $\vec{N} = \begin{pmatrix} -2e \\ -2e \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$   
 $z - e = -2e(x-1) - 2e(y-1)$

④.  $-2e \cdot 0.1 - 2e \cdot 0.1 \approx z - e$      $z \approx 0.6e$

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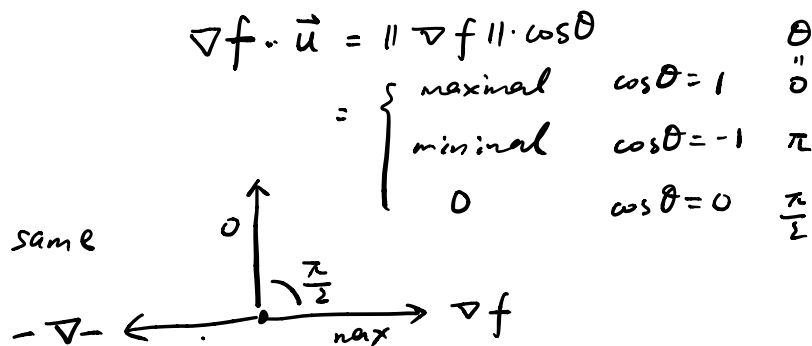
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②  $D_{\vec{u}} f = \nabla f \cdot \vec{u} = e^{3-x^2-y^2} \cdot (-x - \sqrt{3}y) |_{x=1}$   
 $= e \cdot (-1 - \sqrt{3})$

③  $\nabla f = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} \cdot e$  increases  
 $-\nabla f = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \cdot e$  decreases

④  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $\begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$  remains same





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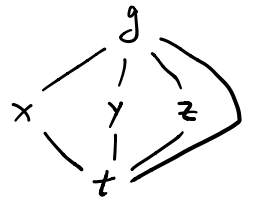
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$= yz \cdot \frac{1}{t} + xz \cdot e^t + xy \cdot \frac{-1}{t^2} = g(x, y, z, t)$

$x = x(t)$   
 $y = y(t)$   
 $z = z(t)$

②  $\frac{df}{dt} \Big|_{t=2} = e^2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} + \ln 2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot e^2 + \ln 2 \cdot e^2 \cdot \frac{-1}{4}$   
 $= \frac{e^2}{4} (1 + \ln 2)$



③  $\frac{df'}{dt} = \frac{\partial g}{\partial x} \cdot \frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{\partial g}{\partial y} \cdot \frac{dy}{dt} + \frac{\partial g}{\partial z} \cdot \frac{dz}{dt} + \frac{\partial g}{\partial t}$

$= (z \cdot e^t + y \cdot \frac{-1}{t^2}) \cdot \frac{1}{t} + (z \cdot \frac{1}{t} + x \cdot \frac{-1}{t^2}) \cdot e^t + (y \cdot \frac{1}{t} + x \cdot e^t) \cdot \frac{-1}{t^2}$

④  $\frac{df''}{dt} \Big|_{t=2} = \left( \frac{1}{2} \cdot e^2 + e^2 \cdot \frac{-1}{4} \right) \cdot \frac{1}{2} + \left( \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} + \ln 2 \cdot \frac{-1}{4} \right) \cdot e^2 + \left( yz \cdot \frac{-1}{t^2} + xz \cdot e^t + xy \cdot \frac{2}{t^3} \right)$   
 $= e^2 \cdot \left( \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{8} - \frac{1}{8} \right) + e^2 \cdot \ln 2 \cdot \left( -\frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{4} + e^2 \cdot \ln 2 \cdot \frac{2}{2^3} \right)$   
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