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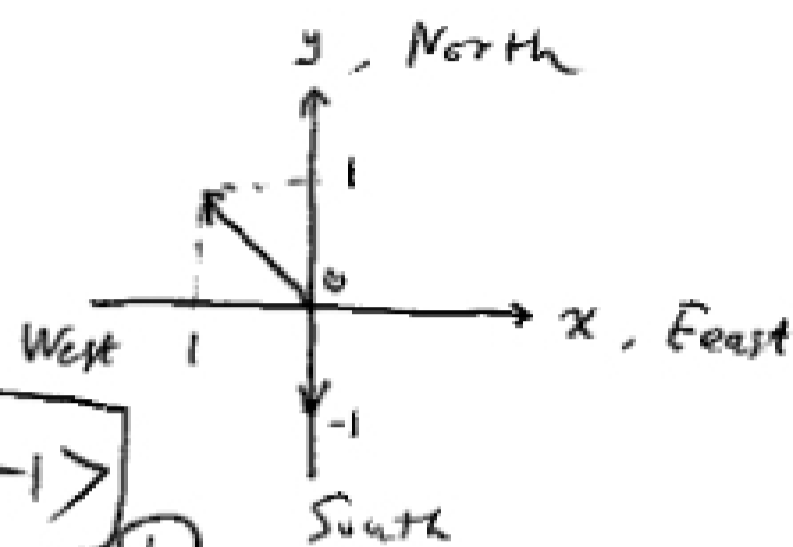
$$z = f(x, y) = 1000 - 0.005x^2 - 0.01y^2$$

$$P(60, 40, 966)$$

$$\nabla f = \langle -0.01x, -0.02y \rangle$$

(a) To south, the direction

$$\vec{s} = \langle 0, -1 \rangle$$



$$\nabla f(60, 40) = \langle f_x(60, 40), f_y(60, 40) \rangle$$

$$= \langle -0.01 \times 60, -0.02 \times 40 \rangle$$

$$= \langle -0.6, -0.8 \rangle$$

$$\text{So } D_{\vec{s}} f(60, 40) = \nabla f(60, 40) \cdot \vec{s}$$

$$= \langle -0.6, -0.8 \rangle \cdot \langle 0, -1 \rangle = 0.8 > 0$$

You start to ascend at the rate 0.8.

(1 meter to south  $\rightarrow$  0.8 meter above the standing point)

(b) To northwest, the direction is along  $\vec{v} = \langle -1, 1 \rangle$

$$\text{Unit vector } \vec{u} = \frac{\vec{v}}{|\vec{v}|} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \langle -1, 1 \rangle$$

$$\begin{aligned} D_{\vec{u}} f(60, 40) &= \nabla f(60, 40) \cdot \vec{u} = \langle -0.6, -0.8 \rangle \cdot \left( \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \langle -1, 1 \rangle \right) \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} [(-0.6) + (-0.8)] = -0.7\sqrt{2} < 0 \end{aligned}$$

So you start to descend at the rate of  $-0.7\sqrt{2}$ .

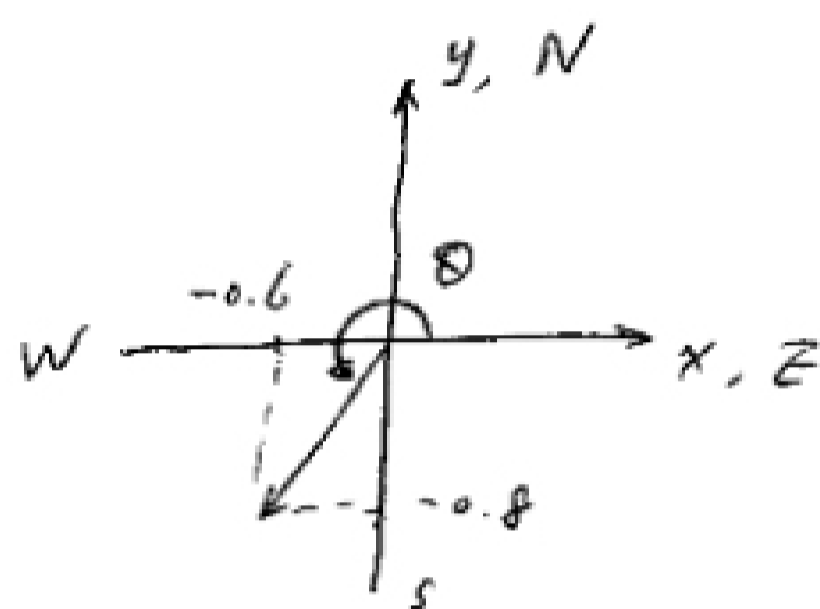
(c) In the direction of  $\nabla f(60, 40) = \boxed{\langle -0.6, -0.8 \rangle}$  ①  
the slope is largest.

The rate of ascend in this direction is:

$$|\nabla f(60, 40)| = \sqrt{(-0.6)^2 + (-0.8)^2} = \boxed{1} \text{ ①}$$

The angle of the path above  
the horizontal is:

$$\begin{aligned} \theta &= \pi + \arctan\left(\frac{0.8}{0.6}\right) \\ &= \pi + \arctan\left(\frac{4}{3}\right). \end{aligned}$$



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$$2(x-2)^2 + (y-1)^2 + (z-3)^2 = 0, \quad (3, 3, 5)$$

Let  $\boxed{F(x, y, z) = 2(x-2)^2 + (y-1)^2 + (z-3)^2}$  ①

Then  $F(x, y, z) = 0$  is a level surface of  $F$ .

(a) The tangent plane to the level surface at  $(3, 3, 5)$ :

$$F_x(3, 3, 5)(x-3) + F_y(3, 3, 5)(y-3) + F_z(3, 3, 5)(z-5) = 0$$

$$F_x = 4(x-2), \quad F_x(3, 3, 5) = 4$$

$$F_y = 2(y-1), \quad F_y(3, 3, 5) = 4$$

$$F_z = 2(z-3), \quad F_z(3, 3, 5) = 4$$

So the plane is:

$$\boxed{4(x-3) + 4(y-3) + 4(z-5) = 0} \text{ ①}$$

$$(\text{or: } (x-3) + (y-3) + (z-5) = x + y + z - 11 = 0)$$

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(b) The normal line is :

$$\frac{x-3}{F_x(3,3,5)} = \frac{y-3}{F_y(3,3,5)} = \frac{z-5}{F_z(3,3,5)}$$

i.e.  $\boxed{\frac{x-3}{4} = \frac{y-3}{4} = \frac{z-3}{4}} \quad \textcircled{1}$

(or  $x-3 = y-3 = z-3$ )

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$f(x,y) = xy$

$\nabla f = \langle f_x, f_y \rangle = \langle y, x \rangle$

$\nabla f(3,2) = \langle 2, 3 \rangle$

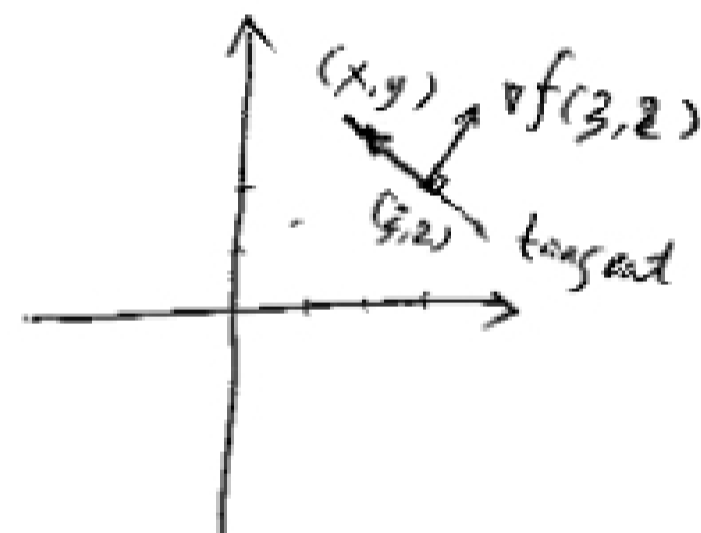


(1) The tangent line to the level curve :

$\nabla f(3,2) \cdot \langle x-3, y-2 \rangle = 0$

i.e.  $\boxed{2(x-3) + 3(y-2) = 0} \quad \textcircled{1}$

(or  $2x + 3y - 12 = 0$ )

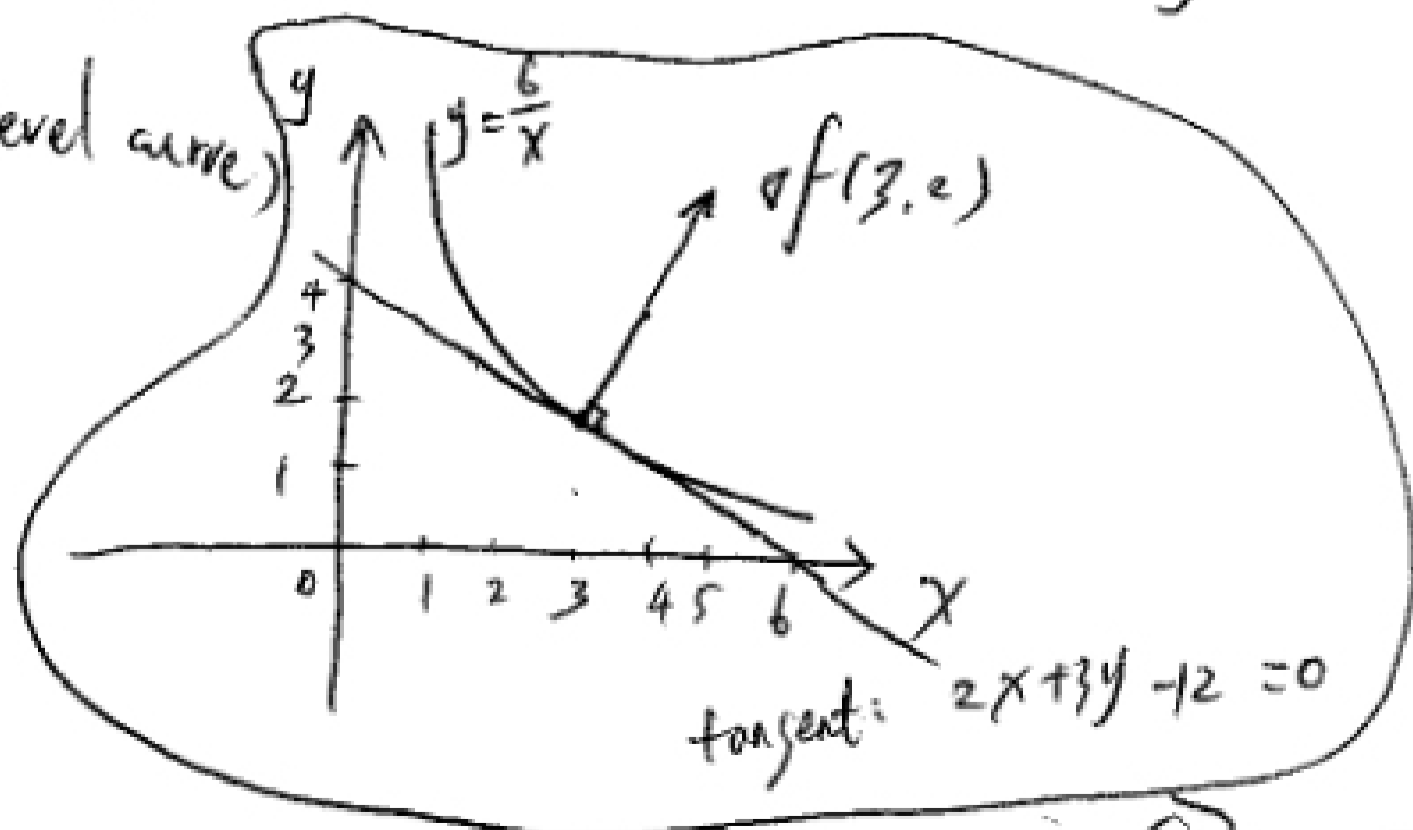


(2)  $f(x,y) = xy = f(3,2) = 3 \times 2 = 6$ , i.e.  $xy = 6$

$\Rightarrow y = \frac{6}{x}$  (level curve)

$\nabla f(3,2) = \langle 2, 3 \rangle$

$|\nabla f(3,2)| = \sqrt{13}$



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