

Quiz 4

#1 ∇f should be perpendicular to level sets, eliminating first two answer choices.

$|\nabla f|$ is the rate of increase (in the direction of steepest increase) and so the third answer choice is a lot more reasonable than the fourth.

#2 Told that $f_x(\pi/2, 0) = 0$
 $f_y(\pi/2, 0) = 0$.

$$g(x, y) = \sin(f(x, y))$$

$$g_x(x, y) = \cos(f(x, y)) f_x(x, y)$$

$$g_y(x, y) = \cos(f(x, y)) f_y(x, y)$$

What can I plug in for x and y to make these zero?

A: Just use $(\pi/2, 0)$.

Suppose $(2, 4)$ is a critical point of $f(x, y)$. Which of the following must be a critical point of $g(u, v) = \sin(f(u + v, u - v))$?

$(6, -2)$

A

$(3, -1)$

B

$(\sin(2), \sin(4))$

C

$(\sin(6), \sin(-2))$

D

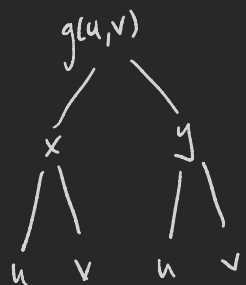
None of the above

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We're told:

$$f_x(2,4) = 0$$

$$f_y(2,4) = 0.$$



$$x = u + v$$

$$y = u - v$$

What can we plug in for u and v to make these zero?

Want to make $u + v = 2$

$$u - v = 4$$

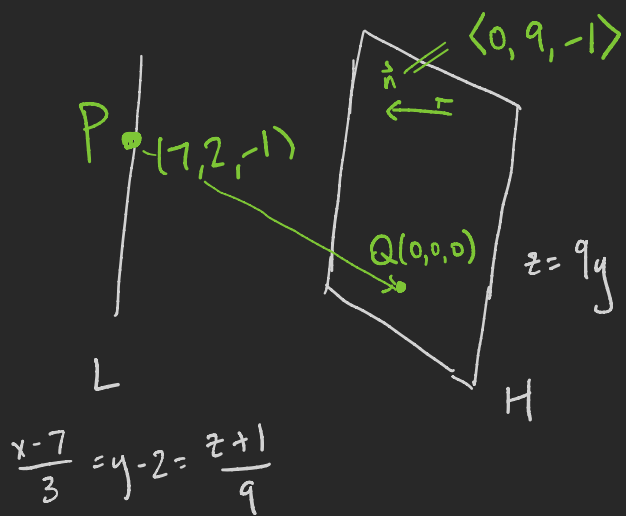
$\rightsquigarrow u = 3 \quad v = -1.$

$$g_u(u,v) = \cos(f(u+v, u-v)) f_x(u+v, u-v) \cdot (1)$$

$$+ \cos(f(u+v, u-v)) f_y(u+v, u-v) \cdot (1)$$

$$g_v(u,v) = \cos(f(u+v, u-v)) f_x(u+v, u-v) \cdot (1)$$

$$+ \cos(f(u+v, u-v)) f_y(u+v, u-v) \cdot (-1)$$

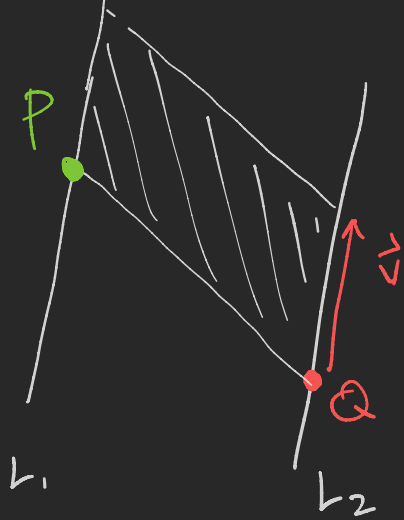


If L and H are parallel, then distance between them is the distance between P and H , where P is any pt. on L .

For distance from P to H , can use formula, or

pick some point Q on H e.g. $(0, 0, 0)$ in this example, then compute

$$\left| \text{comp}_{\vec{n}} \vec{PQ} \right|.$$



If L_1, L_2 are parallel lines, to find distance, pick a point P on L_1 . Then it's just the distance from P to L_2 .

Q is any pt. on L_2 . \vec{v} is a direction vector for L_2 .

$$\text{Distance} = \frac{|\vec{v} \times \vec{PQ}|}{|\vec{v}|} \leftarrow \text{Area of shaded parallelogram}$$

⚠ If dealing with skew lines, refer to last example in §12.4

Consider the polar curve $r = \sin(3\theta)$. Starting from $\theta = 0$, when does this polar curve begin to retrace itself?

At $\theta = \pi/3$

At $\theta = 2\pi/3$

At $\theta = \pi$

At $\theta = 2\pi$

This curve does not retrace itself.

**Consider the polar curve $r = \sin(4\theta)$. Starting from $\theta = 0$,
when does this polar curve begin to retrace itself?**

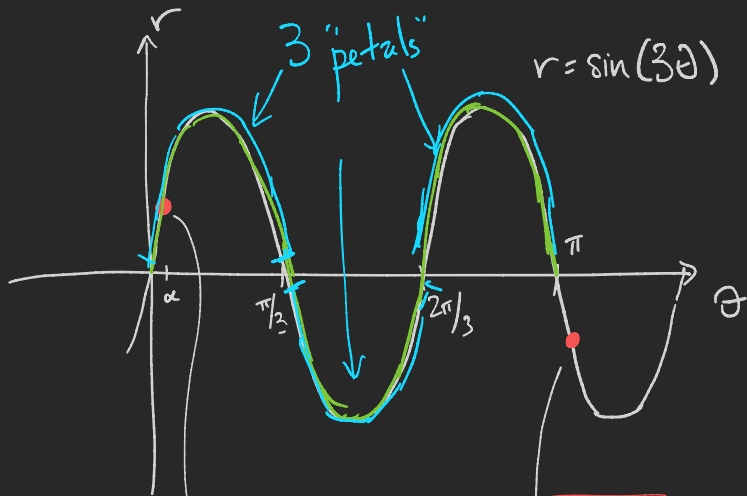
At $\theta = \pi/4$

At $\theta = \pi/2$

At $\theta = \pi$

At $\theta = 2\pi$

This curve does not retrace itself.



$$r = \sin(3\theta)$$

$$\theta = \alpha$$

$$r = \sin(3\alpha)$$

$$\theta = \alpha + \pi$$

$$r = \sin(3(\alpha + \pi))$$

$$= \sin(3\alpha + 2\pi + \pi)$$

$$= -\sin(3\alpha)$$

same point in the
xy-plane !!!

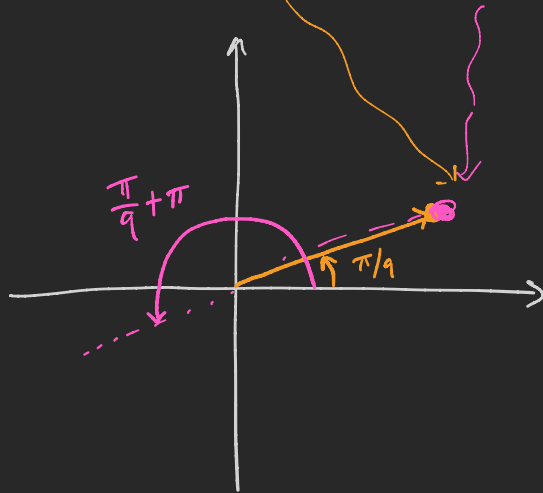
example:

$$\theta = \frac{\pi}{9}$$

$$r = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$\theta = \frac{\pi}{9} + \pi$$

$$r = -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$



For $\sin(4\theta)$, turns out you need 2π
rather than π .