

Re76: Gradients and Partial Derivatives Part 7 (AIMA4e pp. 119–122)

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Moving the airport to improve its value.

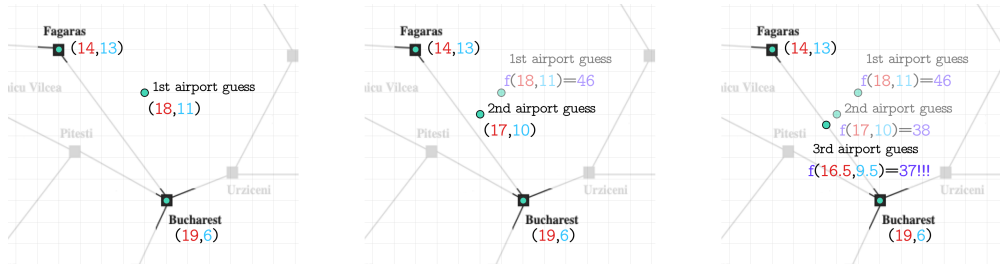
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We're focusing on the math and code of AIMA4e¹ right now, December 2022.

This is in service of our plan to deep-dive the book from Jan.–Jun., 2023.

DISCLAIMER: The below mathematics cannot be trusted; it's a student's attempt, not an expert's.

Two more guesses, on the basis of gradient descent:



Lucky-unlucky: There is exactly *one* line ($y = x - 7$) on which placing an airport leads to the two partial derivatives being equal—and I placed the first airport on it. This led to tens of minutes of doubt and disappointment, but ultimately I've become reasonably sure I understand the cause and that my calculations are correct.

The hand-math:

Handwritten work showing the derivation of partial derivatives for the function $f(x_1, x_2) = (x_1 - 14)^2 + (x_1 - x_2)^2 + (x_2 - 19)^2$.

Partial derivative with respect to x_1 :

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1} = 2(x_1 - 14) + 2(x_1 - x_2) = 4x_1 - 2x_2 - 28$$

Partial derivative with respect to x_2 :

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_2} = -2(x_1 - x_2) + 2(x_2 - 19) = -2x_1 + 4x_2 - 38$$

Setting both partial derivatives to zero:

$$\begin{cases} 4x_1 - 2x_2 - 28 = 0 \\ -2x_1 + 4x_2 - 38 = 0 \end{cases}$$

Solving the system of equations:

$$\begin{aligned} 4x_1 - 2x_2 &= 28 \\ -2x_1 + 4x_2 &= 38 \end{aligned}$$

Multiplying the first equation by 2 and adding to the second equation:

$$8x_1 - 4x_2 = 56$$

$$-2x_1 + 4x_2 = 38$$

$$6x_1 = 94 \implies x_1 = \frac{47}{3} \approx 15.67$$

Substituting $x_1 = \frac{47}{3}$ into the first equation:

$$4\left(\frac{47}{3}\right) - 2x_2 = 28$$

$$\frac{188}{3} - 2x_2 = 28$$

$$-2x_2 = 28 - \frac{188}{3} = \frac{84 - 188}{3} = -\frac{104}{3}$$

$$x_2 = \frac{52}{3} \approx 17.33$$

Final result:

$$f\left(\frac{47}{3}, \frac{52}{3}\right) = 37$$

Notes: SLOPE SHOULD BE ZERO?, SLOPE IS ZERO!!

¹Russell & Norvig (2020).

The spreadsheet-math:

$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_a} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0}$		$f(18+h, 11) =$					$f(18+h, 11) - f(18, 11) =$			$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_a}$
		$2h^2$	$+6h$	$+46$	total	-46	total	$/h$		
1	2									
0.5	0.5									
0.25	0.125									
0.125	0.03125									
0.0625	0.0078125									
0.03125	0.001953125									
0.015625	0.00048828125									
0.0078125	0.0001220703125									
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0.000244140625	0.0000001192092896									
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$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_a} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0}$		$f(16.5+h, 9.5) =$				$f(16.5+h, 9.5) - f(16.5, 9.5) =$			$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_a}$	
		$2h^2$	37	total	-37	total	$/h$			
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The gradient descent tutorial I mentioned: <https://realpython.com/gradient-descent-algorithm-python>. We might come back and do this.



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