

Math 495R Homework 18

In this lab you will create visualizations to help you understand vector fields. Before beginning the lab, please review how to create quiver plots in python.

<https://problemsolvingwithpython.com/06-Plotting-with-Matplotlib/06.15-Quiver-and-Stream-Plots/>

A quiver plot is a plot that shows vectors as arrows and is especially useful when talking about vector fields.

- (1) Plot the vector field $\mathbf{F}(x, y) = (y^2 - 2xy)\mathbf{i} + (3xy - 6x^2)\mathbf{j}$.
- (2) Let $\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}) = (r^2 - 2r)\mathbf{x}$, where $\mathbf{x} = \langle x, y \rangle$ and $r = |\mathbf{x}|$. You may have to vary your domain to see what is happening.
- (3) Plot the gradient vector field of f together with a contour map of f for:
 - (a) $f(x, y) = \ln(1 + x^2 + 2y^2)$
 - (b) $f(x, y) = \cos x - 2 \sin y$
- (4) Of course there are also vector fields in higher dimensions. Plot the following vector fields:
 - (a) $\mathbf{F}(x, y, z) = \mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{j} + 3\mathbf{k}$
 - (b) $\mathbf{F}(x, y, z) = \mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{j} + z\mathbf{k}$
 - (c) $\mathbf{F}(x, y, z) = x\mathbf{i} + y\mathbf{j} + z\mathbf{k}$
 - (d) $\mathbf{F}(x, y, z) = \sin y\mathbf{i} + (x \cos y + \cos z)\mathbf{j} - y \sin z\mathbf{k}$