

18MAB101T- CALCULUS AND LINEAR ALGEBRA

Unit II - Function of several variables



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Function of several variables

INTRODUCTION

Definition 1: Independent variable

In a function, the values for the variable which are free to assign is called independent variable.

Definition 2: Dependent variable

In a function, the values for the variable which depends on the value of independent variable is called dependent variable.

Example

$$z = x^2 + y^2$$

Here x and y are independent variable and z is a dependent variable.



Note: In a function, you have only one dependent variable and the other variables are called independent variable.

Definition 3: Function of several variables

A function which has more than one independent variable is called function of several variables.

Example: $u(x, y, z) = x^2 + y^2 + 2xy - z^2 + xz$

Definition 4: Partial derivative

The derivative of function of several variable with respect to independent variable is called partial derivative and it is denoted by ∂

Example :

$$Z = x^3 - y^3 + 3x^2y + 3xy^2$$

$\frac{\partial Z}{\partial x}$ is called partial derivative with respect to independent variable x

$$\frac{\partial Z}{\partial x} = 3x^2 + 6xy + 3y^2$$


In $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}$, differentiating z with respect to independent variable x and treating the other independent variable as constants.

Example:

Find $\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}$, $\frac{\partial u}{\partial y}$ and $\frac{\partial u}{\partial z}$ for $U = e^x \sin y \cos z$.

Solution:

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = e^x \sin y \cos z$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = e^x \cos y \cos z$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial z} = -e^x \sin y \sin z$$



Definition: Chain rule

If $z = f(x, y)$ and x and y are function on t then,

$$\frac{dz}{dt} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \cdot \frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \cdot \frac{dy}{dt}$$

Example: Find $\frac{dz}{dt}$ where $z = xy^2 + x^2y$, $x = at^2$ and $y = 2at$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dz}{dt} &= \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \cdot \frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \cdot \frac{dy}{dt} \\ \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} &= y^2 + 2xy \quad \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = 2xy + x^2 \\ \frac{dx}{dt} &= 2at \quad \frac{dy}{dt} = 2a\end{aligned}$$



$$\frac{dz}{dt} = (y^2 + 2xy)(2at) + (2xy + x^2)(2a)$$

Substituting $x = at^2$ and $y = 2at$ we get

$$\frac{dz}{dt} = 16a^3t^3 + 10a^3t^4$$

If $u = \sin\left(\frac{x}{y}\right)$, $x = e^t$, $y = t^2$ Find $\frac{du}{dt}$

Solution:

$$\frac{du}{dt} = \frac{e^t}{t^2} \cos\left(\frac{e^t}{t^2}\right) \left(1 - \frac{2}{t}\right)$$

Differentiation of Implicit Function

Consider the implicit function $f(x, y) = 0$ then $\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{\partial f / \partial x}{\partial f / \partial y}$.



Example: Find $\frac{dy}{dx}$ if $xe^{-y} - 2ye^x = 1$

Solution:

Given $f(x, y) = xe^{-y} - 2ye^x - 1 = 0$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} &= e^{-y} - 2ye^x & \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} &= -e^{-y} - 2e^x \\ \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{-\partial f / \partial x}{\partial f / \partial y} = -\frac{e^{-y} - 2ye^x}{-e^{-y} - 2e^x} \\ &= \frac{e^{-y} - 2ye^x}{xe^{-y} + 2e^x}\end{aligned}$$



Find $\frac{dy}{dx}$ if $(\cos x)^y = (\sin y)^x$

Solution:

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y \tan x + \log(\sin y)}{\log(\cos x) - x \cot y}$$

Total differentiation: If $z = f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$ where x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n are all functions on t then,

$$\frac{dz}{dt} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1} \cdot \frac{dx_1}{dt} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_2} \cdot \frac{dx_2}{dt} + \dots + \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_n} \cdot \frac{dx_n}{dt}$$



Example: For $z = f(x_1, x_2, x_3) = x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_3^2$ where $x_1(t) = t^2$, $x_2(t) = 2t$ and $x_3(t) = 3t^3$ then find $\frac{dz}{dt}$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1} &= 2x_1 & \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_2} &= 2x_2 & \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_3} &= 2x_3 \\ \frac{dx_1}{dt} &= 2t & \frac{dx_2}{dt} &= 2 & \frac{dx_3}{dt} &= 9t^2 \\ \frac{dz}{dt} &= 2(t^2)(2t) + 2(2t)(2) + 2(3t^2)(9t^2) \\ &= 4t^3 + 8t + 54t^5 \\ &= 54t^5 + 4t^3 + 8t.\end{aligned}$$



Total differential:

If $u = f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$ then the total differential of u is given by

$$du = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1} \cdot dx_1 + \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_2} \cdot dx_2 + \dots + \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_n} \cdot dx_n.$$

Example: A metal box without a top has inside dimensions 6ft, 4ft and 2ft. If the metal is 0.1ft thick. Find the approximate volume by using the differential.

Solution: Let x, y, z be the dimensions of a metal box. Then its volume is $V = xyz$ From total differential we have

$$\begin{aligned} dV &= \frac{\partial V}{\partial x} \cdot dx + \frac{\partial V}{\partial y} \cdot dy + \frac{\partial V}{\partial z} \cdot dz \\ &= yzdx + xzdy + xydz \\ &= 8(0.2) + 12(0.2) + 24(0.1) \\ &= 6.4 \text{ cu.ft} \end{aligned}$$



TAYLOR SERIES

The Taylor series expansions of $f(x, y)$ in powers of $(x - a)$ and $(y - b)$ is given by

$$\begin{aligned} f(x, y) = & f(a, b) + [(x - a)f_x(a, b) + (y - b)f_y(a, b)] \\ & + \frac{1}{2!} [(x - a)^2 f_{xx}(a, b) + 2(x - a)(y - b)f_{xy}(a, b) + (y - b)^2 f_{yy}(a, b)] \\ & + \frac{1}{3!} [(x - a)^3 f_{xxx}(a, b) + 3(x - a)^2(y - b)f_{xxy}(a, b) \\ & + 3(x - a)(y - b)^2 f_{xyy}(a, b) + (y - b)^3 f_{yyy}(a, b) + \dots \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Where } f_x = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \quad f_y = \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}$$

$$f_{xx} = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} \quad f_{xy} = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} \quad f_{yy} = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2}$$

$$f_{xxx} = \frac{\partial^3 f}{\partial x^3} \quad f_{xxy} = \frac{\partial^3 f}{\partial x^2 \partial y} \quad f_{xyy} = \frac{\partial^3 f}{\partial x \partial y^2} \text{ and } f_{yyy} = \frac{\partial^3 f}{\partial y^3} \text{ and so on.}$$



Note: If $a = 0$ and $b = 0$ then the Taylor's series is reduce to Macularian's series in two variables

$$f(x, y) = f(0, 0) + [xf_x(0, 0) + yf_y(0, 0)] + \frac{1}{2!} (x^2 f_{xx}(0, 0) + 2xy f_{xy}(0, 0) + y^2 f_{yy}(0, 0)) + \frac{1}{3!} (x^3 f_{xxx}(0, 0) + 3x^2 y f_{xxy}(0, 0) + 3xy^2 f_{xyy}(0, 0) + y^3 f_{yyy}(0, 0)) + \dots$$

Problems on Taylor's series

Expand $x^2y + 3y - 2$ in power of $(x - 1)$ and $(y + 2)$ using Taylor series upto terms of third degree.

Solution: The Taylor series expansion of $f(x, y)$ in power of $(x - a)$ and $(y - b)$ is given by

$$f(x, y) = f(a, b) + [(x - a)f_x(a, b) + (y - b)f_y(a, b)] + \frac{1}{2!} [(x - a)^2 f_{xx}(a, b) + 2(x - a)(y - b)f_{xy}(a, b) + (y - b)^2 f_{yy}(a, b)] + \dots$$



Here $a = 1$ and $b = -2$

$$f(x, y) = x^2y + 3y - 2 \quad f(1, -2) = -10$$

$$f_x = 2xy \quad f_x(1, -2) = -4$$

$$f_y = x^2 + 3 \quad f_y(1, -2) = 4$$

$$f_{xx} = 2y \quad f_{xx}(1, -2) = -4$$

$$f_{xy} = 2x \quad f_{xy}(1, -2) = 2$$

$$f_{yy} = 0 \quad f_{yy}(1, -2) = 0$$

$$f_{xxx} = 0 \quad f_{xxx}(1, -2) = 0$$

$$f_{xxy} = 2 \quad f_{xxy}(1, -2) = 2$$

$$f_{xyy} = 0 \quad f_{xyy}(1, -2) = 0$$

$$f_{yyy} = 0 \quad f_{yyy}(1, -2) = 0$$

Substituting the values we get

$$f(x, y) = -10 + \frac{1}{1!} ((x-1)(-4) + (y+2)(4))$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2!} ((x-1)^2(-4) + 2(x-1)(y+2)(2)) + \frac{1}{3!} (3(x-1)^2(y+2)(2)) + \dots$$

$$= -10 - 4(x-1) + 4(y+2) - 2(x-1)^2 + 2(x-1)(y+2) + (x-y)^2(y+2) + \dots$$



Expand $e^x \cos y$ in power of x and y as far as the term of the third degree

Solution: $f(x, y) = e^x \cos y$ $a = 0$ and $b = 0$

$$f(x, y) = e^x \cos y \quad f(0, 0) = 1$$

$$f_x = e^x \cos y \quad f_x(0, 0) = 1$$

$$f_y = -e^x \sin y \quad f_y(0, 0) = 0$$

$$f_{xx} = e^x \cos y \quad f_{xx}(0, 0) = 1$$

$$f_{xy} = -e^x \sin y \quad f_{xy}(0, 0) = 0$$

$$f_{yy} = -e^x \cos y \quad f_{yy}(0, 0) = -1$$

$$f_{xxx} = e^x \cos y \quad f_{xxx}(0, 0) = 1$$

$$f_{xxy} = -e^x \sin y \quad f_{xxy}(0, 0) = 0$$

$$f_{xyy} = -e^x \cos y \quad f_{xyy}(0, 0) = -1$$

$$f_{yyy} = e^x \sin y \quad f_{yyy}(0, 0) = 0$$

Substituting these values in the Taylor series we get,

$$f(x, y) = 1 + \frac{x}{1!} + \frac{x^2 - y^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3 - 3xy^2}{3!} + \dots$$



Using Taylor series verify that $\cos(x + y) = 1 - \frac{(x + y)^2}{2!} + \frac{(x + y)^4}{4!} - \dots$

$$f(x, y) = \cos(x + y) \quad f(0, 0) = 1$$

$$f_x = f_y = -\sin(x + y) \Rightarrow f_x(0, 0) = f_y(0, 0) = 0$$

$$f_{xx} = f_{xy} = f_{yy} = -\cos(x + y) \Rightarrow f_{xx}(0, 0) = f_{xy}(0, 0) = f_{yy}(0, 0) = -1$$

$$f_{xxx} = f_{xxy} = f_{xyy} = f_{yyy} = \sin(x + y) \Rightarrow f_{xxx}(0, 0) = f_{xxy}(0, 0) = f_{xyy}(0, 0) = f_{yyy}(0, 0) = 0$$

$$f_{xxxx} = f_{xxxy} = f_{xxyy} = f_{xyyy} = f_{yyyy} = \cos(x + y) \Rightarrow f_{xxxx}(0, 0) = f_{xxxy}(0, 0) = f_{xxyy}(0, 0) = f_{xyyy}(0, 0) = f_{yyyy}(0, 0) = 1$$

Substituting these values we get

$$\cos(x + y) = 1 - \frac{(x + y)^2}{2!} + \frac{(x + y)^4}{4!} - \dots$$



Expand the function $\sin xy$ in powers of $x-1$ and $y-\frac{\pi}{2}$ up to second degree terms.

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

$$f_x = y \cos(xy)$$

$$f_y = x \cos(xy)$$

$$f_{xx} = -y^2 \sin(xy)$$

$$f_{xy} = -xy \sin(xy) + \cos(xy)$$

$$f_{yy} = -x^2 \sin(xy)$$

Value of the function at $(1, \pi/2)$

$$f = 1$$

$$f_x = 0$$

$$f_y = 0$$

$$f_{xx} = -\frac{\pi^2}{4}$$

$$f_{xy} = -\frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$f_{yy} = -1$$



Taylor's series expansion is

$$\begin{aligned}f(1, \pi / 2) &= 1 + [(x-1)0 + (y - \pi / 2)0] \\&+ \frac{1}{2!} [(x-1)^2(-\pi^2 / 4) + 2(x-1)(y - \pi / 2)(-\pi / 2) + (y - \pi / 2)^2(-1)] + \dots \\&= 1 + \frac{1}{2} \left[-\frac{\pi^2}{4} (x-1)^2 - \pi (x-1) \left(y - \frac{\pi}{2} \right) - \left(y - \frac{\pi}{2} \right)^2 \right] + \dots\end{aligned}$$



Problems for practice

- 1 Using Taylor's series expand $e^x \log(1 + y)$ upto term of the third degree about $(0,0)$
- 2 Find the Taylor series expansion of e^{xy} at $(1,1)$ upto third degree terms.
- 3 Find the expansions for $\cos x \sin y$ on powers of x and y upto terms of third degree.

