

- Partial derivatives 偏导

在一个热热的天，一名气象学家提出了 Heat index  $I$  受 Temperature 和 humidity 影响：

**Table 1** Heat index  $I$  as a function of temperature and humidity

		Relative humidity (%)								
Actual temperature (°C)	$T \backslash H$	40	45	50	55	60	65	70	75	80
	26	28	28	29	31	31	32	33	34	35
	28	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39
	30	34	35	36	37	38	40	41	42	43
	32	37	38	39	41	42	43	45	46	47
	34	41	42	43	45	47	48	49	51	52
	36	43	45	47	48	50	51	53	54	56

$$I = f(T, H)$$

For example, if we want to know how much  $I$  will change related to humidity when  $T$  is fixed to  $30^\circ\text{C}$ , the function  $f(T, H)$  will become  $f(30, H)$ , which only has one independent variable

**4 Definitio** If  $f$  is a function of two variables, its **partial derivatives** are the functions  $f_x$  and  $f_y$  defined by

$$f_x(x, y) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x + h, y) - f(x, y)}{h} : \text{partial derivatives of } f \text{ with respect to } x$$

$$f_y(x, y) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x, y + h) - f(x, y)}{h} : \text{partial derivatives of } f \text{ with respect to } y$$

**Notations for Partial Derivatives** If  $z = f(x, y)$ , we write

$$f_x(x, y) = f_x = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} f(x, y) = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = f_1 = D_1 f = D_x f$$

$$f_y(x, y) = f_y = \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} f(x, y) = \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = f_2 = D_2 f = D_y f$$

partial derivative  
的表示形式：

**EXAMPLE 1** If  $f(x, y) = x^3 + x^2y^3 - 2y^2$ , find  $f_x(2, 1)$  and  $f_y(2, 1)$ .

$$f_x(x, y) = x^3 + 2xy^3$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 1/ \\ 16 \end{array}$$

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$$f_y(x, y) = 3x^2y^2 - 4y$$

● Second Partial Derivatives

$$f_{xx} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right) = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2}$$

$$f_{xy} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right) = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x}$$

$$f_{yx} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right) = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y}$$

$$f_{yy} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right) = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2}$$

For previous function  $f(x, y) = x^3 + x^2y^3 - 2y^2$

$$f_x(x, y) = x^3 + 2xy^3$$

$$f_y(x, y) = 3x^2y^2 - 4y$$

$$f_{xx} = 3x^2 + 2y^3$$

equal  $f_{xy} = 6xy^2$

$f_{yx} = 6xy^2$

$$f_{yy} = 6x^2y - 4$$

**Clairaut's Theorem** Suppose  $f$  is defined on a disk  $D$  that contains the point  $(a, b)$ . If the functions  $f_{xy}$  and  $f_{yx}$  are both continuous on  $D$ , then

$$f_{xy}(a, b) = f_{yx}(a, b)$$

### Theorem

Let  $f: D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ ,  $D \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ , be a function with coordinate functions  $f_1, \dots, f_m$  and  $\mathbf{x} \in D^\circ$ .

- 1 If  $f$  is differentiable at  $\mathbf{x}$  then  $f$  is continuous at  $\mathbf{x}$ .
- 2 If  $f$  is differentiable at  $\mathbf{x}$  then the partial derivatives  $\frac{\partial f_i}{\partial x_j}(\mathbf{x})$  exist for  $1 \leq i \leq m$ ,  $1 \leq j \leq n$ , and

第1个函数分别对所有自变量求偏导

• Jacobi Matrix



$\mathbf{J}_f(\mathbf{x}) =$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_1}(\mathbf{x}) & \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_2}(\mathbf{x}) & \dots & \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_n}(\mathbf{x}) \\ \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_1}(\mathbf{x}) & \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_2}(\mathbf{x}) & \dots & \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_n}(\mathbf{x}) \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial f_m}{\partial x_1}(\mathbf{x}) & \frac{\partial f_m}{\partial x_2}(\mathbf{x}) & \dots & \frac{\partial f_m}{\partial x_n}(\mathbf{x}) \end{pmatrix}.$$

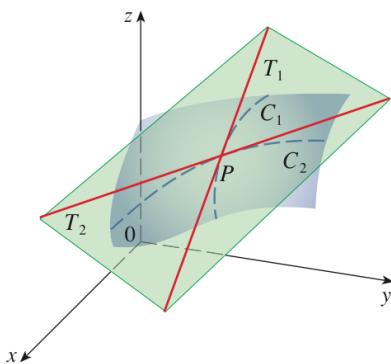
第m个函数分别对所有自变量求偏导

For example, let  $f: D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ ,  $D \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$

$$\vec{F}(x, y) = \begin{pmatrix} x^2 + y^2 \\ 2xy \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} f_1 \\ f_2 \end{matrix}$$

$$\text{Then } J_F(x, y) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial y} \\ \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial y} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2x & 2y \\ 2y & 2x \end{pmatrix}$$

## • Tangent Plane



**FIGURE 1**

The tangent plane contains the tangent lines  $T_1$  and  $T_2$ .

**2 Equation of a Tangent Plane** Suppose  $f$  has continuous partial derivatives. An equation of the tangent plane to the surface  $z = f(x, y)$  at the point  $P(x_0, y_0, z_0)$  is

$$z - z_0 = f_x(x_0, y_0)(x - x_0) + f_y(x_0, y_0)(y - y_0)$$

We know a plane can be expressed as :

$$A(x - x_0) + B(y - y_0) + C(z - z_0) = 0$$

⇓ Dividing  $C$

$$\frac{A}{C}(x - x_0) + \frac{B}{C}(y - y_0) + (z - z_0) = 0$$

the intersection with the plane  $y = y_0$  :  $z - z_0 = -\frac{A}{C}(x - x_0)$

the intersection with the plane  $x = x_0$  :  $z - z_0 = -\frac{B}{C}(y - y_0)$

$$\begin{cases} -\frac{A}{C} = \frac{z-z_0}{x-x_0} & \text{partial derivative } f_x \\ -\frac{B}{C} = \frac{z-z_0}{y-y_0} \end{cases}$$

Thus,  $z - z_0 = f_x(x_0, y_0)(x - x_0) + f_y(x_0, y_0)(y - y_0)$

## • Differentiable

For a differentiable function  $z = f(x, y)$ ,

Total differential is:

$$dz = f_x(x, y) dx + f_y(x, y) dy = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} dx + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} dy$$

## Differentiable Maps

用来判断一个函数是否 differentiable:

What does  $o(h)$  mean?

$$\text{If } \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} R(h)/|h| = 0$$

$$R(h) = o(h)$$

### Definition

Suppose  $f: D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  is a map with domain  $D \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $\mathbf{x}_0$  is an inner point of  $D$ . The map  $f$  is said to be differentiable at  $\mathbf{x}_0$  if there exists a linear map  $L: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  such that

$$f(\mathbf{x}_0 + \mathbf{h}) = f(\mathbf{x}_0) + L(\mathbf{h}) + o(\mathbf{h}) \quad \text{for } \mathbf{h} \rightarrow \mathbf{0}. \quad (\text{TD})$$

If this is the case then the linear map  $L$ , which is uniquely determined, is called the *differential* of  $f$  at  $\mathbf{x}_0$  and denoted by  $df(\mathbf{x}_0)$ .

Same as

$$\lim_{\mathbf{h} \rightarrow \mathbf{0}} \frac{f(\mathbf{x}_0 + \mathbf{h}) - f(\mathbf{x}_0) - L(\mathbf{h})}{|\mathbf{h}|} = \mathbf{0} \in \mathbb{R}^m$$

Example ( $f(x, y) = e^{xy}$ )  $f_x = ye^{xy}$   
 $f_y = xe^{xy}$

This example has been included, because it is genuinely non-polynomial. Here we can argue as follows:

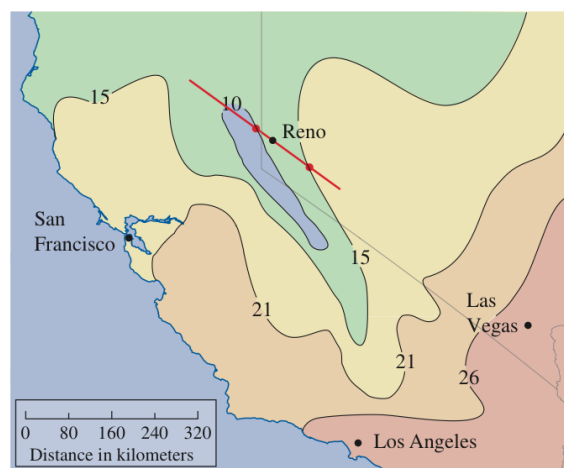
$$\begin{aligned} e^{(x+h_1)(y+h_2)} - e^{xy} &= e^{xy+yh_1+xh_2+h_1h_2} - e^{xy} = e^{xy} (e^{yh_1+xh_2+h_1h_2} - 1) \\ &\stackrel{dz}{=} e^{xy} (yh_1 + xh_2 + \text{terms of degree } \geq 2 \text{ in } \mathbf{h}) \\ &= (ye^{xy})h_1 + (xe^{xy})h_2 + o(\mathbf{h}). \end{aligned}$$

$\downarrow$   $f_x$   $\downarrow$   $f_y$   $\downarrow$   
 $f_x dx$   $f_y dy$  it will vanish as  $h \rightarrow 0$

## • Directional Derivatives :

它的意义：

我们想知道在某个方向上函数值变化了多少



定义:

**2 Definitio** The **directional derivative** of  $f$  at  $(x_0, y_0)$  in the direction of a unit vector  $\mathbf{u} = \langle a, b \rangle$  is

$$D_{\mathbf{u}}f(x_0, y_0) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x_0 + ha, y_0 + hb) - f(x_0, y_0)}{h}$$

if this limit exists.

• The gradient vector

**8 Definitio** If  $f$  is a function of two variables  $x$  and  $y$ , then the **gradient** of  $f$  is the vector function  $\nabla f$  defined by

$$\nabla f(x, y) = \langle f_x(x, y), f_y(x, y) \rangle = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \mathbf{i} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \mathbf{j}$$

Directional derivative VS. gradient :

$$D_{\mathbf{u}}f(x, y) = \nabla f(x, y) \cdot \mathbf{u}$$

↑                      ↑  
一个数值              一个向量

以上讨论的都是 2 个自变量的, 更多自变量的函数也同理.

limit  $\xleftrightarrow{*}$  continuous  $\xleftrightarrow{*}$  differentiable

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## Calculus III (Math 241)

**W20** Show that the function  $g: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defined by  $g(0,0) = 0$  and

$$g(x,y) = \frac{xy^2}{x^2+y^2} \quad \text{for } (x,y) \neq (0,0)$$

has directional derivatives at  $(0,0)$  in every direction but is not differentiable at  $(0,0)$ .

$$\frac{\partial g}{\partial x} = g_x = \frac{y^2(x^2+y^2) - xy^2 \cdot 2x}{(x^2+y^2)^2}$$

$$\frac{\partial g}{\partial y} = g_y = \frac{2xy(x^2+y^2) - xy^2 \cdot 2y}{(x^2+y^2)^2}$$

$$f_x(x,y) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h,y) - f(x,y)}{h}$$

$$f_y(x,y) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x,y+h) - f(x,y)}{h}$$

$$g_x(x,y) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{g(x+h,y) - g(x,y)}{h}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{(x+h)y^2}{x^2+y^2} - 0}{h} =$$

$$\frac{xy^2 + hy^2}{(x^2+y^2)h}$$

$$= \frac{xy^2}{(x^2+y^2)h} + \frac{y^2}{(x^2+y^2)}$$



**W21** From a previous midterm

Consider the function  $u: \mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{(0,0)\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defined by

$$u(x,y) = x + \frac{x}{x^2 + y^2}.$$

- Which symmetry properties does  $u$  have?
- Describe the behaviour of  $u(x,y)$  for  $(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)$ ,  $x \geq 0$ .  
*Hint:* Use polar coordinates.
- Show that  $u$  is differentiable and determine the differential  $du$ .
- Show that there exists exactly one point  $(x_0, y_0)$  with  $x_0 \geq 0$  at which  $du$  vanishes.
- Sketch the contour of  $u$  through  $(x_0, y_0)$ .

$$a) \quad u(x, -y) = x + \frac{x}{x^2 + y^2} = u(x, y) \Rightarrow u(x, y) \text{ 关于 } x\text{-}z \text{ plane 对称}$$

$$u(-x, y) = -x - \frac{x}{x^2 + y^2} = -u(x, y) \Rightarrow \text{关于 } y \text{ 轴对称}$$

$$b) \quad \text{let } x = r \cos \phi \quad y = r \sin \phi$$

$$u(x, y) = r \cos \phi + \frac{r \cos \phi}{r^2} = \cos \phi \left( r + \frac{1}{r} \right)$$

$$\text{As } (x, y) \rightarrow (0, 0),$$

$$\text{For } \cos \phi > 0, \quad r \rightarrow 0, \quad \frac{1}{r} \rightarrow \infty, \quad u(x, y) \rightarrow \infty$$

$$\text{For } \cos \phi = 0, \quad x = 0, \quad \text{And } u(x, y) \text{ is continuous}$$

$$u(0, y) = \lim_{y \rightarrow 0} \left( 0 + \frac{0}{0 + y^2} \right) = 0$$

$$(c) \quad u_x = 1 + \frac{y^2 - x^2}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} \quad u_y = -\frac{2xy}{(x^2 + y^2)^2}$$

And  $u(x, y)$  is continuous in  $\mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{(0, 0)\}$ ,

Then  $u(x, y)$  is differentiable

$$\begin{aligned} du &= u_x dx + u_y dy \\ &= \left( 1 + \frac{y^2 - x^2}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} \right) dx - \frac{2xy}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} dy \end{aligned}$$

$$(d) \quad u_x = u_y = 0$$

$$\text{if } x=0, \quad u_x = 1 + \frac{y^2}{y^4} = 0 \text{ no solution}$$

$$\text{if } y=0, \quad u_x = 1 - \frac{x^2}{x^4} = 0, \quad x=1$$

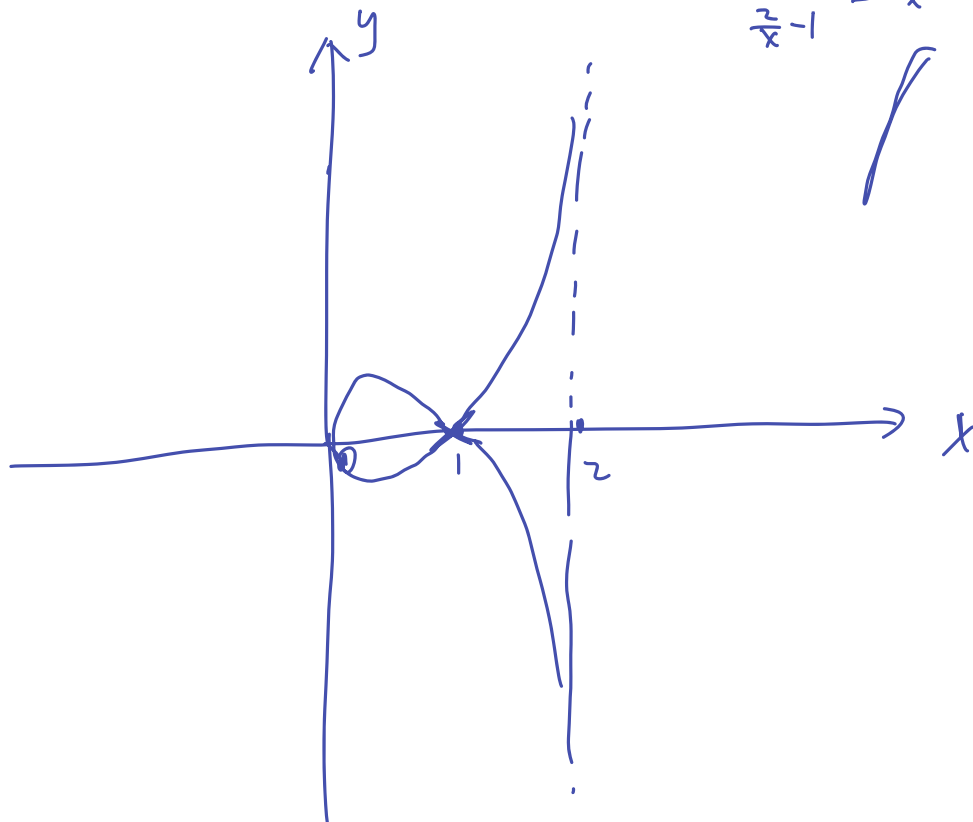
Thus,  $du$  vanishes at  $(1, 0)$

(e)

$$u(1, 0) = 2$$

$$x + \frac{x}{x^2 + y^2} = 2 \iff x^2 + y^2 = \frac{x}{2-x}$$

$$y^2 = \frac{x}{2-x} - x^2$$



$$\frac{1}{\frac{x}{2}-1} - x$$

$$\frac{x - 2x^2 + x^3}{2 - x}$$

$$y = \int \frac{x^3 - 2x^2 + x}{2 - x} dx > 0 \Rightarrow x < 2$$

$$y = \frac{x(x-1)^2}{2-x} > 0$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$\boxed{0 < x < 2}$$

$$y = \int \frac{x^3 - 2x^2 + x}{2 - x} dx$$

$$y' = \frac{(2-x)(3x^2 - 4x + 1)}{(2-x)^2} > 0$$

$$2 \sqrt{\frac{x(x-1)^2}{2-x}} \text{ when } x > 1$$

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