

Partial Derivative

Multivariate Function: A function that contains multiple variables.

A simple regression such as $y = mx + b$ is a multivariate function (y) where there are two variables (m and b)

Partial derivative enable us to calculate multivariate equations.

Problem: $Z = x^2 - y^2$

Determine:

- ① ~~$x=3, y=0$~~ The value of Z
- ② The slope of Z with respect to x .
- ③ The slope of Z with respect to y .

at the points where

- ① $x=3, y=0$
- ② $x=2, y=3$
- ③ $x=-2, y=-3$

① For, $x=3$ and $y=0$, (i) $Z = x^2 - y^2 = 9 - 0 = 9$

$$ii) \frac{\partial Z}{\partial x} = 2x = 2 \times 3 = 6$$

$$ii) \frac{\partial Z}{\partial y} = -2y = -2 \times 0 = 0$$

Ans

② For $x=2, y=3, z=x^2-y^2=2^2-3^2=-5$

i) $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = 2x = 2 \times 2 = 4$

ii) $\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = -2y = -2 \times 3 = -6$ Ans

③ For $x=-2, y=-3, z=x^2-y^2=4-9=-5$

i) $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = 2x = 2(-2) = -4$

ii) $\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = -2y = -2(-3) = 6$ Ans

Advanced Partial Derivative Exercises

① $z = y^3 + 5xy$

Treating y as a constant

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = 3y^2 + 5x(1)$$

$$= 3y^2 + 5x$$

Treating x as a constant

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = 0 + 5y(1)$$

$$= 5y$$

② $z = 2\pi r^2 + 2\pi rh$

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial r} = 4\pi r + 2\pi h$$

[Treating h as constant]

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial h} = 0 + 2\pi r(1)$$

$$= 2\pi r$$

[Treating r as constant]

③ $v = x^2y - z^3$

① Treating y and z as constant

$$\frac{\partial v}{\partial x} = 2xy - 0$$

$$= 2xy$$

Treating x and z as constant

$$\frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = x^2$$

Treating x and y as constant

$$\frac{\partial v}{\partial z} = 0 - 3z^2$$

$$= -3z^2$$

For Partial Derivative Chain Rule:

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{\partial y}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial y}{\partial u} \cdot \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}$$

if, $z = f(u, v)$, $u = g(x, z)$, $v = h(x, z)$



$$\therefore \frac{\partial y}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial y}{\partial u} \cdot \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial y}{\partial v} \cdot \frac{\partial v}{\partial x}$$

$$\therefore \frac{\partial y}{\partial z} = \frac{\partial y}{\partial u} \cdot \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial y}{\partial v} \cdot \frac{\partial v}{\partial z}$$

Generalized Formula:

$$z = f(u_1, u_2, u_3, \dots, u_m) \quad u_i = g(x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_n)$$

for, $i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n;$

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x_i} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial u_1} \cdot \frac{\partial u_1}{\partial x_i} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial u_2} \cdot \frac{\partial u_2}{\partial x_i} + \dots + \frac{\partial z}{\partial u_m} \cdot \frac{\partial u_m}{\partial x_i}$$

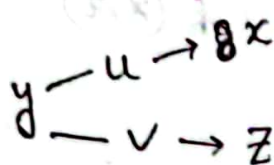
Problem: Find all the partial derivatives of y , where:

① $z = f(u, v)$, $u = g(x)$, $v = h(z)$

② $z = f(u, v)$, $u = g(x)$, $v = h(k, y)$

③ $z = f(u, v, w)$, $u = g(x)$, $v = h(k)$, $w = j(x)$

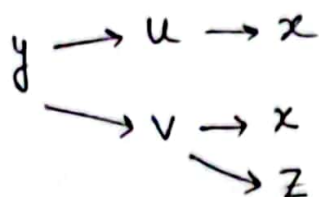
Problem 1: $y = f(u, v)$, $u = g(x)$, $v = h(z)$



$$\frac{\partial y}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial y}{\partial u} \cdot \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}, \quad \frac{\partial y}{\partial z} = \frac{\partial y}{\partial v} \cdot \frac{\partial v}{\partial z}$$

Problem 2:

$$y = f(u, v), \quad u = g(x), \quad v = h(x, z)$$

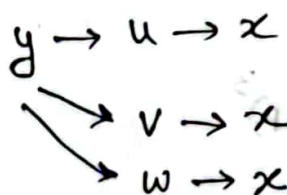


$$\frac{\partial y}{\partial x} = \left(\frac{\partial y}{\partial u} \cdot \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right) + \left(\frac{\partial y}{\partial v} \cdot \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \right)$$

$$\frac{\partial y}{\partial z} = \frac{\partial y}{\partial v} \cdot \frac{\partial v}{\partial z}$$

Problem 3:

$$y = f(u, v, w), \quad u = g(x), \quad v = h(x), \quad w = j(x)$$



$$\frac{\partial y}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial y}{\partial u} \cdot \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial y}{\partial v} \cdot \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial y}{\partial w} \cdot \frac{\partial w}{\partial x}$$

Gradients:

if $f(x,y) = x^2 + y^2$, then $\frac{\partial}{\partial x} f(x,y) = 2x$ and $\frac{\partial}{\partial y} f(x,y) = 2y$

So, the gradient of $f(x,y)$ is: $\nabla f = \begin{bmatrix} 2x \\ 2y \end{bmatrix}$

Problem: Find the gradient of $f(x,y)$ at $(2,3)$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{The gradient at } (2,3) \text{ is } \rightarrow \Delta f &= \begin{bmatrix} 2 \cdot 2 \\ 2 \cdot 3 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Ans

Find

Problem: Minimize the cost functions \rightarrow

$$E(m,b) = 14m^2 + 3b^2 + 38 + 12mb - 42m - 20b$$

$$\frac{\partial E}{\partial m} = 28m + 12b - 42$$

$$\frac{\partial E}{\partial b} = 6b + 12m - 20 = 6b - 12m - 20$$

Now, to find the minima/maxima both $\frac{\partial E}{\partial m}$ and $\frac{\partial E}{\partial b}$ has to be 0.

$$\therefore \frac{\partial E}{\partial m} = 0$$

$$\therefore \frac{\partial E}{\partial b} = 0$$

$$\therefore 28m + 12b - 42 = 0$$

$$\therefore 6b - 12m - 20 = 0$$

$$(m,b) = \left(\frac{5}{6}, \frac{4}{3} \right) \quad \left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{7}{3} \right)$$

Ans

Optimization using Gradient Descent:

The concept is to take any random value in the graph. Check it's right and left. Where the value is smaller, shift the pointer in that area.

There will be a scenario, when the left side value and the right side value both would be greater than the point. So, that can be called the minima or very close to a minima.

Algorithm of Gradient Descent: (For 1 variable)

Function: $F(x)$

Goal: find minimum of $f(x)$

Step 1: \rightarrow Define a learning rate α
 \rightarrow Choose a starting point x_0

Step 2: Update: $x_k = x_{k-1} - \underbrace{df'(x_{k-1})}_{\text{[learning rate]}}$

Step 3: Repeat Step 2 until you are close enough to the true minimum

Algorithm of Gradient Descent: (For 2 variables)

Function: $F(x, y)$

Goal: find minimum of $f(x, y)$

step 1: Define a learning rate α
choose a starting point x_0

Step 2: Update $\begin{bmatrix} x_k \\ y_k \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_{k-1} \\ y_{k-1} \end{bmatrix} - \alpha \nabla f(x_{k-1}, y_{k-1})$

Step 3: Repeat step 2, until you reach close enough to the true minimum.