



Assignment - 1  
Partial Differentiation

1 If  $u = e^{xyz}$ , Prove that  $\frac{\partial^3 u}{\partial x \partial y \partial z} = (1 + 3xyz + x^2 y^2 z^2) e^{xyz}$

Sol<sup>n</sup>  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial z} = xy e^{xyz}$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} \right) = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (xy e^{xyz})$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y \partial z} = xy \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (e^{xyz}) + e^{xyz} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (xy)$$

$$= xy (xz) e^{xyz} + e^{xyz} (x)$$

$$= xy (xz) e^{xyz} + x e^{xyz}$$

$$= x^2 y z e^{xyz} + x e^{xyz}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y \partial z} = (x^2 y z + x) e^{xyz}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y \partial z} \right) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} [(x^2 y z + x) e^{xyz}]$$

$$\frac{\partial^3 u}{\partial x \partial y \partial z} = (x^2 y z + x) \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (e^{xyz}) + e^{xyz} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (x^2 y z + x)$$

$$= (x^2 y z + x) y z e^{xyz} + e^{xyz} (2x y z + 1)$$

$$= e^{xyz} (x^2 y^2 z^2 + x y z + 2x y z + 1)$$

$$= e^{xyz} (x^2 y^2 z^2 + 3x y z + 1)$$

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

$$\frac{\partial^3 u}{\partial x \partial y \partial z}$$

$$\text{LHS} = \text{RHS}$$

Hence Proved

2 If  $z = x^2 \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) - y^2 \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{y}\right)$ , prove that  $\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x \partial y} = \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial y \partial x} = \frac{x^2 - y^2}{x^2 + y^2}$

Sol<sup>n</sup>  $z = x^2 \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) - y^2 \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{y}\right)$



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$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = x^2 \frac{1}{1 + \left(\frac{y}{x}\right)^2} \cdot \frac{1}{x} - \left\{ y^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left[ \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{y}\right) \right] + \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{y}\right) \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (y^2) \right\}$$

$$= \frac{x^3}{x^2 + y^2} - \left\{ y^2 \frac{1}{1 + \left(\frac{x}{y}\right)^2} \cdot \left(-\frac{x}{y^2}\right) + 2y \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{y}\right) \right\}$$

$$= \frac{x^3}{x^2 + y^2} + \frac{xy^2}{x^2 + y^2} - 2y \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{y}\right)$$

$$= \frac{x(x^2 + y^2)}{x^2 + y^2} - 2y \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{y}\right)$$

$$= x - 2y \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{y}\right)$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \right) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left[ x - 2y \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{y}\right) \right]$$

$$= 1 - 2y \frac{1}{1 + \left(\frac{x}{y}\right)^2} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{y}\right)$$

$$= 1 - \frac{2y^2}{x^2 + y^2}$$

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

$$\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x \partial y} = \frac{x^2 - y^2}{x^2 + y^2} \quad \text{--- ①}$$

$$\text{Also, we know that } \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x \partial y} = \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial y \partial x} \quad \text{--- ②}$$

By ① & ②

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

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3. If  $u = f\left(\frac{x^2}{y}\right)$ , prove that  $x\left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}\right) + 2y\left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial y}\right) = 0$

$$\text{And } x^2\left(\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}\right) + 3xy\left(\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x \partial y}\right) + 2y^2\left(\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2}\right) = 0$$

Sol<sup>n</sup> Proof (1):

$$u = f\left(\frac{x^2}{y}\right)$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \frac{2x}{y}$$

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

$$x\left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}\right) + 2y\left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial y}\right) = x\left(\frac{2x}{y}\right) + 2y\left(-\frac{x^2}{y^2}\right)$$
$$= \frac{2x^2}{y} - \frac{2x^2}{y}$$

$$x\left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}\right) + 2y\left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial y}\right) = 0$$

LHS = RHS

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Proof (2)

From Proof (1),

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x}\left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}\right) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}\left(\frac{2x}{y}\right) = +\frac{2}{y}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial y}\left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial y}\right) = \frac{\partial}{\partial y}\left(-\frac{x^2}{y^2}\right) = -\frac{2x^2}{y^3}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x}\left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial y}\right) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}\left(-\frac{x^2}{y^2}\right) = -\frac{2x}{y^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{LHS} &= x^2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + 3xy \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x \partial y} + 2y^2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = 0 \\ &= x^2 \left( \frac{2}{y} \right) + 3xy \left( -\frac{2x}{y^2} \right) + 2y^2 \left( \frac{2x^2}{y^2} \right) \\ &= \frac{2x^2}{y} - \frac{6x^2}{y} + \frac{4x^2}{y} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{LHS} = \frac{y}{0} \quad y \quad y$$

$$\text{LHS} = \text{RHS}$$

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4. If  $u = f(e^{y-z}, e^{z-x}, e^{x-y})$ , prove that  $u_x + u_y + u_z = 0$

Sol<sup>n</sup>

$$\begin{aligned} e^{y-z} &= l \\ e^{z-x} &= m \\ e^{x-y} &= n \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial l}{\partial x} &= 0 & \frac{\partial l}{\partial y} &= e^{y-z} & \frac{\partial l}{\partial z} &= -e^{y-z} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial m}{\partial x} &= -e^{z-x} & \frac{\partial m}{\partial y} &= 0 & \frac{\partial m}{\partial z} &= e^{z-x} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial n}{\partial x} &= e^{x-y} & \frac{\partial n}{\partial y} &= -e^{x-y} & \frac{\partial n}{\partial z} &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$u = f(l, m, n)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} &= \frac{\partial u}{\partial l} \frac{\partial l}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial m} \frac{\partial m}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial n} \frac{\partial n}{\partial x} \\ &= \frac{\partial u}{\partial l} \cdot 0 + \frac{\partial u}{\partial m} (-e^{z-x}) + \frac{\partial u}{\partial n} (e^{x-y}) \\ &= \frac{\partial u}{\partial m} (-e^{z-x}) + \frac{\partial u}{\partial n} (e^{x-y}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial n} (e^{x-y}) - \frac{\partial u}{\partial m} (e^{z-x}) \quad \text{--- ①}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} &= \frac{\partial u}{\partial l} \frac{\partial l}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial m} \frac{\partial m}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial n} \frac{\partial n}{\partial y} \\ &= \frac{\partial u}{\partial l} (e^{y-z}) + 0 + \frac{\partial u}{\partial n} (-e^{x-y}) \\ &= \frac{\partial u}{\partial l} (e^{y-z}) - \frac{\partial u}{\partial n} (e^{x-y}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial l} (e^{y-z}) - \frac{\partial u}{\partial n} (e^{x-y}) \quad \text{--- ②}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} &= \frac{\partial u}{\partial l} \frac{\partial l}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial m} \frac{\partial m}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial n} \frac{\partial n}{\partial z} \\ &= \frac{\partial u}{\partial l} (-e^{y-z}) + \frac{\partial u}{\partial m} (e^{z-x}) + 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial z} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial m} (e^{z-x}) - \frac{\partial u}{\partial l} (e^{y-z}) \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} &= \frac{\partial u}{\partial n} (e^{x-y}) - \frac{\partial u}{\partial m} (e^{z-x}) \\ &\quad + \frac{\partial u}{\partial l} (e^{y-z}) - \frac{\partial u}{\partial n} (e^{x-y}) \\ &\quad + \frac{\partial u}{\partial m} (e^{z-x}) - \frac{\partial u}{\partial l} (e^{y-z}) \end{aligned} \quad [\text{from (1), (2) \& (3)}]$$

$$u_x + u_y + u_z = 0$$

Hence Proved

5. If  $z = f(x, y)$ ,  $x = r \cos \theta$ ,  $y = r \sin \theta$   
 Prove that,  $\left(\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial z}{\partial y}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{\partial z}{\partial r}\right)^2 + \frac{1}{r^2} \left(\frac{\partial z}{\partial \theta}\right)^2$

Sol<sup>n</sup>  $x = r \cos \theta$ ,  $y = r \sin \theta$   
 Differentiating partially wrt  $\theta$ ,  
 $\frac{\partial x}{\partial \theta} = -r \sin \theta$ ,  $\frac{\partial y}{\partial \theta} = r \cos \theta$

Differentiating partially wrt  $r$ ,  
 $\frac{\partial x}{\partial r} = \cos \theta$ ,  $\frac{\partial y}{\partial r} = \sin \theta$

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial r} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial r} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial r}$$





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$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial r} = \cos \theta \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + \sin \theta \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Similarly,

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial \theta} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial \theta} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial \theta}$$

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial \theta} = -r \sin \theta \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + r \cos \theta \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

$$\text{RHS} = \left( \frac{\partial z}{\partial r} \right)^2 + \frac{1}{r^2} \left( \frac{\partial z}{\partial \theta} \right)^2$$

$$= \left( \cos \theta \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + \sin \theta \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \right)^2 + \frac{1}{r^2} \left( -r \sin \theta \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + r \cos \theta \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \right)^2$$

... [From (1) & (2)]

$$= \cos^2 \theta \left( \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \right)^2 + 2 \sin \theta \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \cdot \cos \theta \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + \sin^2 \theta \left( \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \right)^2 + \frac{1}{r^2}$$

$$\left[ r^2 \cos^2 \theta \left( \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \right)^2 - 2 r \cos \theta \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \cdot r \sin \theta \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + r^2 \sin^2 \theta \left( \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \right)^2 \right]$$

$$\therefore = \cos^2 \theta \left( \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \right)^2 + 2 \sin \theta \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \cos \theta \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + \sin^2 \theta \left( \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \right)^2 + \cos^2 \theta \left( \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \right)^2$$

$$- 2 \cos \theta \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \sin \theta \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + \sin^2 \theta \left( \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \right)^2$$

$$= \left( \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \right)^2 (\cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta) + \left( \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \right)^2 (\cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta)$$

$$= \left( \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \right)^2 \quad [\because \sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta = 1]$$

= LHS

LHS = RHS

Hence Proved