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(Ch → 13.3) [Anton]

**Definition** (13.3.1):

If  $z = f(x, y)$  and  $(x_0, y_0)$  is a point in domain of  $f$ , the partial derivative of  $f$  with respect to  $x$  at  $(x_0, y_0)$  is the der. at  $x_0$  when  $y = y_0$  is fixed and  $x$  is to vary.

The partial der. is denoted by,

$$f_x(x_0, y_0):$$

$$f_x(x_0, y_0) = \frac{d}{dx} [f(x, y_0)]_{x=x_0}$$

(1st order Partial derivative)

similarly,  $f_y(x_0, y_0) = \frac{d}{dy} [f(x_0, y)]_{y=y_0}$

→ First order Partial derivative  
→ 2nd order Partial derivative  
→ 3rd order  
→ higher

(Example: 02)

**Problem:**

Find  $f_x(1, 3)$  and  $f_y(1, 3)$   
for  $f(x, y) = 2x^3y^2 + 2y + 4x$

Soln:

$$\rightarrow \frac{d}{dx} [2x^3y^2 + 2y + 4x]$$

$$f_x(x, y) = 6x^2y^2 + 4$$

$$\therefore f_x(1, 3) = 6 \times 1 \times 3^2 + 4 = 54 + 4 = 58$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{d}{dy} [2x^3y^2 + 2y + 4x]$$

and  $f_y(x, y) = 2x^3 \cdot 2y + 2$

$$\therefore f_y(1, 3) = 2 \times (1)^3 \times 2 \times (3) + 2$$

$$= 14$$

[Ans.]

Partial derivative refers to the derivative with respect to one variable in a multivariable function.

\* Partial derivative Notation:

If  $z = f(x, y)$ , then partial derivatives  $f_x, f_y$  are denoted by symbols

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial z}{\partial x}$$

(Example: 03)

✓ Problem: Find  $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}$  and  $\frac{\partial z}{\partial y}$  if  $z = x^4 \sin(xy^3)$

Soln:  $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} [x^4 \sin(xy^3)]$

$$= x^4 \cdot \cos(xy^3) \cdot y^3 + \sin(xy^3) 4x^3$$

$$= x^4 y^3 \cos(xy^3) + 4x^3 \sin(xy^3)$$

$$\text{and } \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} [x^4 \sin(xy^3)]$$

$$= x^4 \cos(xy^3) \cdot 3xy^2 + 0$$

$$= 3 \cos(xy^3) x^5 y^2$$

[Ans.]

Problem: (Example: 5)

Let,  $f(x, y) = x^2y + 5y^3$

a) Find the slope of surface  $z = f(x, y)$  in the  $x$ -direction at  $(1, -2)$

b) Find also in the  $y$ -direction at  $(1, -2)$ .

Soln: a)  $f_x(x, y) = 2xy + 0 = 2xy$

The slope in the  $x$ -direction  $f_x(1, -2) = 2 \times 1 \times (-2) = -4$

$z$  is decreasing at the rate of 4 units

b)  $f_y(x, y) = x^2 + 15y^2$

The slope in the  $y$ -direction is  $f_y(1, -2) = 1 + (15 \times 4) = 61$

$z$  is increasing at the rate of 61 units.

\* Partial derivative of functions with more than two variables

If  $f(x, y, z) = x^3y^2z^4 + 2xy + z$

then, find  $f_x$ ,  $f_y$  and  $f_z$ .

Soln:  $f_x(x, y, z) = 3x^2y^2z^4 + 2y$



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

$$\text{and } f_z(x, y, z) = 4x^3 y^2 z^3 + 1$$

[Ans.]

(Example: 11)

Problem: If  $f(\rho, \theta, \phi) = \rho^2 \cos \phi \sin \theta$

Find  $f_\rho$ ,  $f_\theta$  and  $f_\phi$

Sol<sup>n</sup>:

$$f_\rho = 2\rho \cos \phi \sin \theta$$

$$f_\theta = \rho^2 \cos \phi \cos \theta$$

$$\text{and } f_\phi = -\rho^2 \sin \theta \sin \phi$$

[Ans.]

\*Higher order Partial Derivatives:

2nd order partial derivatives of  $f$ , which are defined by,

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

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

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

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

mixed 2nd  
order P.D.

Problem: (Example: 12) Find the 2nd order partial derivatives of  $f(x, y) = x^2 y^3 + x^4 y$

Soln:  $\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} [2xy^3 + 4x^3y]$   
 $= 2y^3 + 12x^2y$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right) = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} [3x^2y^2 + x^4]$$

$$= 6x^2y + 0$$

$$= 6x^2y$$

Then,  $f_{xy} = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left[ \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right]$   
 $= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} [2 \cdot 3x^2y^2 + x^4]$   
 $= 6xy^2 + 4x^3$

and  $f_{yx} = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left[ \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right] = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} [2xy^3 + 4x^3y]$   
 $= 6xy^2 + 4x^3$

(Example: 17)

Problem:

$f(x, y) = y^2 e^x + y$ . Find  $f_{xy}$

Soln:

$$f_{xyy} = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} \left[ \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right]$$

OR,  $\frac{\partial}{\partial y} [f_{xy}]$

$$= \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right) \right]$$

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

$$= \frac{\partial}{\partial y} [2y e^x]$$

$$= 2e^x$$

$$= \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} [y^2 e^x]$$

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$$= 2e^x$$

[Ans.]

Exercise: 13.3 (1-13, 25-52, 85-92, 95-

Example: (1-5)

Problem: (2) Let,  $z = e^{2x} \sin y$  Find

(d)  $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \Big|_{(x,0)}$

$$= 2e^{2x} \sin y = 0$$

(h)  $\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \Big|_{(\ln 2, 0)}$

$$= e^{2x} \cos y = e^{2 \ln 2}$$

(f)  $\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \Big|_{(x,0)}$

$$= e^{2x} \cos y = e^{2x}$$

~~Exercise~~

✓ Problem: (4)  $f(x, y) = 10x^2y^4 - 6xy^2 + 10x^2$

$$f_x(x, y) = 20xy^4 - 6y^2 + 20x$$

$$f_y(x, y) = 40x^2y^3 - 12xy$$

✓ Problem: (6)  $f(x, y) = \frac{1}{xy^2 - x^2y}$

$$f_x = - (xy^2 - x^2y)^{-2} [y^2 - 2xy]$$

$$f_y = - (xy^2 - x^2y)^{-2} [2xy - x^2]$$

✓ Problem: (8)  $\frac{\partial}{\partial x} [x e^{\sqrt{15xy}}]$

$$= x e^{\sqrt{15xy}} \cdot \frac{1}{2\sqrt{15xy}} \cdot 15y +$$

and  $\frac{\partial}{\partial y} [x e^{\sqrt{15xy}}]$

$$= x e^{\sqrt{15xy}} \cdot \frac{1}{2\sqrt{15xy}} \cdot 15x + 0$$

$$= x e^{\sqrt{15xy}} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{15xy}} \cdot 15x \quad [\text{Ans.}]$$



Problem: (12) Let,  $f(x, y) = xe^{-y} + 5y$

a) Find the slope  $z = f(x, y)$  in  $x$ -direction at  $(3, 0)$

b) Find the slope  $z = f(x, y)$  in  $y$ -direction at  $(3, 0)$ .

Soln:

(a)  $f_x(x, y) = e^{-y}$   
 $f_x(3, 0) = e^0 = 1$

slope = 1

(b)  $f_y(x, y) = -xe^{-y} + 5$   
 $f_y(3, 0) = -3 + 5 = 2$

slope = 2

Problem: (27) Find  $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}$  and  $\frac{\partial z}{\partial y}$ .

Given,  $z = x^3 \ln(1 + xy^{-3/5})$

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



$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = x^3 \frac{1}{(1 + xy^{3/5})} \cdot [xx^{-3/5} y^{8/5}]$$

$$= -\frac{3}{5} x^4 / (y^{8/5} + xy) \quad [\text{Ans.}]$$

Problem: (29)  $z = \frac{xy}{x^2 + y^2}$

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

$$= \frac{y(x^2 + y^2) - \cancel{4x^2y(x^2 + y^2)}}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} = \frac{y}{x^2 + y^2} - \frac{2yx^2}{(x^2 + y^2)^2}$$

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = \frac{(x^2 + y^2) \cdot x - \cancel{2xy^2(x^2 + y^2)}}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} = \frac{x}{x^2 + y^2} - \frac{2xy^2}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} \quad [\text{Ans.}]$$

Problem: (30)  $z = \frac{x^2 y^3}{\sqrt{x+y}}$

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = \frac{\sqrt{x+y} \cdot 2y^3 x - x^2 y^3 \cdot \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x+y}}}{x+y}$$

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = \frac{\sqrt{x+y} \cdot 3x^2 y^2 - x^2 y^3 \cdot \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x+y}}}{x+y}$$

[Ans.]

✓  
Problem: (33) Find  $f_x(x, y)$  and  $f_y(x, y)$

Given,  $f(x, y) = y^{-3/2} \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{y}\right)$

$$= y^{-3/2} \frac{1}{1 + \frac{x^2}{y^2}} \cdot \frac{dy - 0}{y^2}$$

$$= y^{-5/2} \frac{y^2}{x^2 + y^2}$$

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

$$f_y(x, y) = -\frac{3}{2} y^{-5/2} \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{y}\right) + \frac{y^2}{x^2 + y^2} \cdot x (-1) \cdot y$$

$$= -\frac{3}{2} y^{-5/2} \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{y}\right) - x y^{-3/2} \frac{x}{x^2 + y^2}$$

[Ans.]

Problem: (36) Given, \*

$$f(x, y) = \cosh(\sqrt{x}) \sinh^2(xy^2)$$

$$\text{Now, } f_x(x, y) = \sinh(\sqrt{x}) \cdot \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} \sinh^2(xy^2) + \cosh(\sqrt{x}) \cdot 2 \sinh(xy^2) \cdot \cosh(xy^2) \cdot y^2$$

$$\text{and } f_y(x, y) = \cosh(\sqrt{x}) \cdot 2 \sinh(xy^2) \cosh(xy^2) \cdot 2yx$$

[Ans]

Problem: (38)  $f(x, y) = x^2 y e^{xy}$

Evaluate  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \big|_{(1,1)}$  ;  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \big|_{(1,1)}$

Soln:  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \big|_{(1,1)}$  =  $2x y e^{xy} + x^2 [y e^{xy}]$   
 =  $2e + e$   
 =  $3e$

Fixed  $y$

and  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \big|_{(1,1)}$  =  $x^2 [y e^{xy} \cdot x + e^{xy}]$   
 =  $e + e$   
 =  $2e$

Fixed  $x$

[Ans]



Problem: (41) Given,  $f(x, y, z) = x^2 y^4 z^3 + x y$

Now,

$$(a) f_x(x, y, z) = 2x y^4 z^3 + y$$

$$(c) f_z(x, y, z) = 3x^2 y^4 z^2 + 1$$

$$(d) f_y(1, 2, z) = \cancel{2x^2 y^3 z^3} + x \\ = 4(1)^2 \cdot 2^3 z^3 + 1 \\ = 32z^3 + 1$$

Problem: (43) Given,  $f(x, y, z) = z \ln(x^2 y \cos z)$

$$\text{Now, } f_x = z \cdot \frac{1}{x^2 y \cos z} \cdot 2x y \cos z + 0$$

$$\therefore f_x = \frac{2z}{x}$$

$$f_y = z \cdot \frac{1}{x^2 y \cos z} \cdot x^2 \cos z$$

$$\therefore f_y = \frac{z}{y}$$

$$\text{and } f_z = z \cdot \frac{x^2 y}{x^2 y \cos z} (-\sin z) + \ln(x^2 y \cos z) \\ = -\cancel{\frac{z}{x^2 y}} \tan z + \ln(x^2 y \cos z)$$

Problem: (48) Given,  $w = \frac{x^2 - y^2}{y^2 + z^2}$

Now,

$$\frac{\partial w}{\partial x} = \frac{(y^2 + z^2) \cdot 2x - (x^2 - y^2) \cdot 0}{(y^2 + z^2)^2}$$

$$= 2x / (y^2 + z^2)$$

$$\frac{\partial w}{\partial y} = \frac{(y^2 + z^2)(-2y) - (x^2 - y^2) \cdot 2y}{(y^2 + z^2)^2} = \frac{-2y(x^2 + z^2)}{(y^2 + z^2)^2}$$

Problem: (52) \* Given,  $f(x, y, z) = \sqrt{x^2 + 4y^2 - z^2}$

(a)  $\left. \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} \right|_{(2, 1, -1)}$

$$= \frac{2x}{2\sqrt{x^2 + 4y^2 - z^2}} \cdot 2x$$

$$= \frac{2}{\sqrt{(2)^2 + 4 - 1}}$$

$$= \frac{2}{\sqrt{7}}$$

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[Ans.]

(b)  $\left. \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} \right|_{(2, 1, -1)}$

$$= \frac{-2y}{2\sqrt{x^2 + 4y^2 - z^2}}$$

$$= \frac{-4y}{\sqrt{x^2 + 4y^2 - z^2}}$$

$$= \frac{-4}{\sqrt{4 + 4 - 1}} = \frac{-4}{\sqrt{7}} \quad [\text{Ans.}]$$

Problem: (88) Confirm that the mixed 2nd Order partial derivatives are same.

Given,  $f(x, y) = e^{x-y^2}$

Now,  $f_x = e^{x-y^2}$

$f_y = e^{x-y^2} (-2y)$

Then,  $f_{xy} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} [f_x] = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} [e^{x-y^2}]$   
 $= e^{x-y^2} (-2y)$

$= -2y e^{x-y^2}$

and  $f_{yx} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} [f_y] = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} [-2y e^{x-y^2}]$   
 $= -2y [e^{x-y^2} (-2y) + e^{x-y^2}]$

$= -2 [y e^{x-y^2} + 0]$   
 $= -2y e^{x-y^2}$

$\therefore f_{xy} = f_{yx}$

[Ans.]



Problem:

(61)  $f(x, y) = \frac{x-y}{x+y}$

Now,  $f_x = \frac{(x+y) \cdot 1 - (x-y)}{(x+y)^2}$

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

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

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

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

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

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

$$= 2 \left[ \frac{(x+y)^2 \cdot 1 - y \cdot 2(x+y)}{(x+y)^4} \right] = \frac{2(x-y)}{(x+y)^3}$$

$$= 2 \frac{(x+y)^2 - 2xy - 2y^2}{(x+y)^4}$$

$$f_{yx} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left[ \frac{-2x}{(x+y)^2} \right] = -2 \left[ \frac{(x+y)^2 \cdot 1 - x \cdot 2(x+y)}{(x+y)^4} \right]$$
$$= \frac{2(x-y)}{(x+y)^3} = \frac{-2(x+y)}{(x+y)^3} = -2 \left[ \frac{(x+y)(x+y-2x)}{(x+y)^4} \right]$$

[Confirmed]