Theorem7.2

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Theorem (7.2). Let the domain D be convex and the function f(x,y) be differentiable with respect to y in D.Then for the Lipschitz condition

$$|f(x,y_1) - f(x,y_2)| \le L|y_1 - y_2|$$

to be satisfied, it is necessary and sufficient that

$$\sup_{D} \left| \frac{\partial f(x,y)}{\partial y} \right| \le L.$$

Proof. \Rightarrow : $\forall (x,y) \in D$,

$$\left| \frac{\partial f(x,y)}{\partial y} \right| = \lim_{\Delta y \to 0; \Delta y \neq 0} \left| \frac{f(x,y+\Delta y) - f(x,y)}{\Delta y} \right| \leq L.$$

So we have

$$\sup_{D} \left| \frac{\partial f(x,y)}{\partial y} \right| \le L.$$

 \Leftarrow :This can be easily proved by the differential mean value theorem. \Box