

**Example:** Find the second-order Taylor polynomial of  $f(x, y) = \frac{\sin x}{y}$  about  $(x, y) = (0, 1)$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 P_2(x, y) &= f(0, 1) + f_x(0, 1)(x-0) + f_y(0, 1)(y-1) \\
 &\quad + \frac{1}{2!} \left( f_{xx}(0, 1)(x-0)^2 + 2f_{xy}(0, 1)(x-0)(y-1) + f_{yy}(0, 1)(y-1)^2 \right) \\
 &= \frac{\sin 0}{1} + \frac{\cos x}{y} \Big|_{(0,1)} (x-0) + \frac{\sin x}{-y^2} \Big|_{(0,1)} (y-1) \\
 &\quad + \frac{1}{2!} \left( \frac{-\sin x}{y} \Big|_{(0,1)} (x-0)^2 + 2 \frac{\cos x}{-y^2} \Big|_{(0,1)} (x-0)(y-1) + \frac{2 \sin x}{y^3} \Big|_{(0,1)} (y-1)^2 \right) \\
 &= 0 + 1(x-0) + 0(y-1) + \frac{1}{2!} \left( 0(x-0)^2 - 2(x-0)(y-1) + 0(y-1)^2 \right) \\
 &= x - x(y-1)
 \end{aligned}$$

**Example:** (compare p19) Find the fourth-order Taylor polynomial of  $f(x, y) = \frac{\sin x}{y}$  about  $(x, y) = (0, 1)$ .

Idea: multiply the 1D Taylor polynomials for  $\sin x$  about  $x=0$  and for  $\frac{1}{y}$  about  $y=1$

$$\frac{1}{y} = \frac{1}{1+(y-1)}$$

$$= 1 - (y-1) + (y-1)^2 - (y-1)^3 + (y-1)^4 - \dots$$

from Taylor polynomial for  $\frac{1}{1+?}$

$$\text{So } \frac{\sin x}{y} = \left( x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \dots \right) (1 - (y-1) + (y-1)^2 - (y-1)^3 + (y-1)^4 - \dots)$$

$$= x - x(y-1) + x(y-1)^2 - \frac{x^3}{3!} - x(y-1)^3 + \frac{x^3}{3!}(y-1) + \dots$$

no constant term

degree 1

degree 2

degree 3

degree 4

throw away terms of degree > 4 in  $x, y$

**Example:** Find the third-order Taylor polynomial of  $\ln(2 + 2x + 2y^2)$  about  $(0, 0)$ .

$$\begin{aligned}\ln(2 + 2x + 2y^2) &= \ln(2(1 + x + y^2)) \\ &= \ln 2 + \ln(1 + x + y^2)\end{aligned}$$

$$= \ln 2 + \left( (x + y^2) - \frac{(x + y^2)^2}{2} + \frac{(x + y^2)^3}{3} - \dots \right)$$

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

ignore terms  
of degree  $> 3$

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