

§ 14.3

Partial Derivatives

ex1: $f(x,y) = x^2 + 3xy + y - 1$; $P(4,-5)$

Def: $f_x(x,y) \equiv \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h,y) - f(x,y)}{h}$

$f_x(x_0, y_0) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x_0+h, y_0) - f(x_0, y_0)}{h}$

ex1: $f_x = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(x+h)^2 + 3(x+h)y + y - 1 - x^2 - 3xy - y + 1}{h} =$

$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{2xh + h^2 + 3yh}{h} = 2x + 3y$

$f_x(4,-5) = -7$

$f_y = 3x + 1$

$$\textcircled{*} x^2 + y^2 = 1$$

Diff $\textcircled{*}$ w.r. to x

$$2x + 2y \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-2x}{2y} \quad \text{if } y \neq 0$$

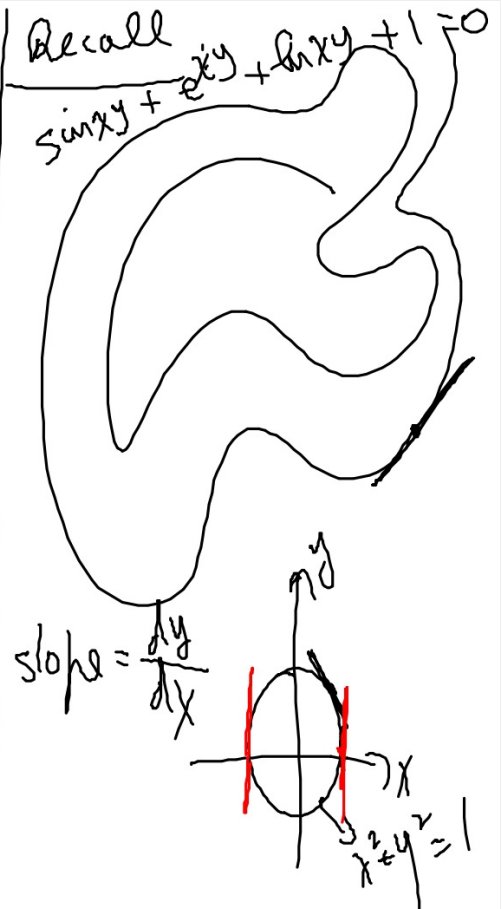
$$\frac{dy}{dx} = ?$$

Implicit derivative

$$y = x^2 + 1$$

$y(x)$ explicit.

Recall $\sin xy + e^{xy} + \ln xy + 1 = 0$



ex 4 \textcircled{A} $yz - \ln z = x + y$; $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = ?$

$z(x,y)$.

Diff. \textcircled{A} w.r. to x to get

$$y \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} - \frac{1}{z} \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = 1$$

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \left(y - \frac{1}{z} \right) = 1$$

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = \frac{z}{yz - 1}$$

if $yz - 1 \neq 0$

\Downarrow at $(0,0,1)$
we get
 $-\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = 1$

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} (0,0,1) = -1$$



Second derivatives:

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

$$f_{yy} = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right) = 0$$

mixed deriv

$$f_{xy} = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right) = 3$$

$$f_{yx} = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right) = 3$$

$$f(x,y) = x^2 + 3xy + y - 1$$

$$f_x = 2x + 3y$$

$$f_y = 3x + 1$$

Remark:

Mixed derivatives
need not be
the same.

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$$xy + z^3x - 2yz = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}(1,1,1) = ??$$

diff. all w.r. to x :

$$y + 3z^2x \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + z^3 - 2y \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = 0$$

at $(1,1,1)$ we have:

$$1 + 3 \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + 1 - 2 \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}(1,1,1) = -2$$

$z(x,y)$

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$$f_x = yz \frac{1}{xy} y = \frac{yz}{x} \quad (\text{Note that } y \neq 0)$$

$$f_y = z \ln xy + yz \frac{1}{xy} x = z \ln xy + z \quad (\text{since } x \neq 0)$$

$$f_z = y \ln xy$$

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$$f(x, y, z) = (x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$f_{xx} + f_{yy} + f_{zz} = 0$$

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

$$f_{xx} = -(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{-\frac{3}{2}} + 3x^2(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{-\frac{5}{2}} \quad ; \text{ Similarly}$$

$$f_{yy} = -(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{-\frac{3}{2}} + 3y^2(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{-\frac{5}{2}}$$

$$f_{zz} = -(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{-\frac{3}{2}} + 3z^2(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{-\frac{5}{2}}$$

$$f_{xx} + f_{yy} + f_{zz} = -3(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{-\frac{3}{2}} + 3(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{-\frac{5}{2}}(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)$$

$$= -3(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{-\frac{3}{2}} + 3(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{-\frac{3}{2}} = 0$$

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$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(1,2) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(1, 2+h) - f(1,2)}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - 1 + 2+h - 3(2+h) + 4}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{-2h}{h} = -2$$

$$f_y = 1 - 3x^2$$

$$f_y(1,2) = -2.$$

Cramer's Rule

$$a_1x + b_1y = c_1$$

$$a_2x + b_2y = c_2$$

$$\text{if } \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & b_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 \end{vmatrix} \neq 0$$

$$x = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} c_1 & b_1 \\ c_2 & b_2 \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} a_1 & b_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 \end{vmatrix}}$$

$$y = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} a_1 & c_1 \\ a_2 & c_2 \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} a_1 & b_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 \end{vmatrix}}$$

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$u(x,y)$
 $v(x,y)$

$$v \ln u = x$$

$$u \ln v = y$$

Diff. both equations w.r. to x :

$$v_x \ln u + \frac{v}{u} u_x = 1 \quad (1)$$

$$u_x \ln v + \frac{u}{v} v_x = 0 \quad (2)$$

Solve

$$\ln u \ v_x + \frac{v}{u} u_x = 1$$

$$\frac{u}{v} v_x + \ln v \ u_x = 0$$

$v_x = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} 1 & v/u \\ 0 & \ln v \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} \ln u & v/u \\ u/v & \ln v \end{vmatrix}}$

if $\neq 0$ $\leftarrow \frac{\begin{vmatrix} u/v & \ln v \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} \ln u & v/u \\ u/v & \ln v \end{vmatrix}}$

$$= \frac{\ln v}{\ln u \ln v - 1}$$

$$u_x = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} \ln u & 1 \\ u/v & 0 \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} \ln u & v/u \\ u/v & \ln v \end{vmatrix}}$$

$$= \frac{-u/v}{\ln u \ln v - 1}$$

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$$g_x = 2xy + y \cos x$$

$$g_y = x^2 - \sin y + \sin x$$

$$g_{xx} = 2y - y \sin x$$

$$g_{xy} = 2x + \cos x$$

$$g_{yx} = 2x + \cos x$$

$$g_{yy} = -\cos y$$