# **Challenge Problem**





# **Partial Derivatives**

## **Definition (Partial Derivatives)**

Let *D* be an open set in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ ,  $(a, b) \in D$ , and  $f: D \to \mathbb{R}$ . Then

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(a,b) = \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{f(a+h,b) - f(a,b)}{h},$$
$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(a,b) = \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{f(a,b+h) - f(a,b)}{h}$$

when the limits are finite.

## Example (Woof!)

Let 
$$f(x,y) = \frac{xy(x^2 - y^2)}{x^2 + y^2}$$
 and  $f(\vec{0}) = 0$ . Then  
 $f_x(0,0) = \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{f(h,0) - 0}{h} = 0$   
and  
 $f_y(0,0) = \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{f(0,h) - 0}{h} = 0$ 

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# More Partial Derivatives

#### Examples

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**2**. g(x,

$$y) = x^2/\sqrt{y}$$
. Then  
 $h_x(x,y) = 2x y^{-1/2}$   
 $h_y(x,y) = -\frac{1}{2}x^2y^{-3/2}$   
 $y) = -\cos(x+y^2)$ . Then  
 $g_x(x,y) = \sin(x+y^2)$   
 $g_y(x,y) = 2y\sin(x+y^2)$ 

3. 
$$f(x,y) = x^2 \sin(y) - xe^{-xy}$$
. Then  
 $f_x(x,y) = 2x \sin(y) + (xy-1)e^{-xy}$   
 $f_y(x,y) = x^2 (\cos(y) + e^{-xy})$ 

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# Deeper Partial Derivatives, II

#### Proof (cont).

Apply the MVT to  $\Delta_y p$  and  $\Delta_x q$  above to have (for some  $\theta_j \in (0,1)$ )  $g(h,k) = k p_y(a,b+\theta_1 k) = k \cdot [f_y(a+h,b+\theta_1 k) - f_y(a,b+\theta_1 k)]$  $g(h,k) = h q_x(a+\theta_2 h,b)) = h \cdot [f_x(a+\theta_2 h,b+k) - f_x(a+\theta_2 h,b)]$ 

Apply the MVT to  $\Delta_x f_y$  and  $\Delta_y f_x$  above to have (for some  $\theta_k \in (0, 1)$ ).

$$g(h,k) = hk f_{yx}(a + \theta_3 h, b + \theta_1 k)$$
  
$$g(h,k) = kh f_{xy}(a + \theta_2 h, b + \theta_4 k)$$

Whence

$$f_{yx}(a+\theta_3h,b+\theta_1k) = f_{xy}(a+\theta_2h,b+\theta_4k)$$

Let  $h, k \to 0$ . Since  $f_{xy}$  and  $f_{yx}$  are continuous, then

$$f_{yx}(a,b) = f_{xy}(a,b)$$

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# **Operators and Exact Equations**

#### Definition (Operators and Annihilators)

Let  $C^1(S) = \{$  continuously differentiable fcns on  $S \}.$ 

- An *operator* on S is a fcn  $\Phi: C^1(S) \to C^1(S)$ .
- An *annihilator* is an operator combination that maps a fcn to 0.

#### Definition (Exact Differential Equations)

A differential equation M dx + N dy = 0 is *exact* iff there is a function f(x, y) s.t.  $M = \partial f / \partial x$  and  $N = \partial f / \partial y$ .

#### Examples

•  $D_j = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}$  is an operator on  $C^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .

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- $L = (D-2)^2$  annihilates the function  $f_a(x) = axe^{2x}$ .
- The DE  $(2xy + y^2)dx + (x^2 + 2xy)dy = 0$  is exact from  $f(x, y) = x^2y + xy^2$ .

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# Partial Antiderivatives and Exact Equations

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#### Example

Solve the DE:  $2xy dx + (x^2 - 1) dy = 0$ 

Solution: Set M = 2xy and  $N = x^2 - 1$ .

1. Since 
$$f_x = M = 2xy$$
, then  $f(x, y) = \int 2xy \, dx = x^2y + \phi(y)$ .

2. Now 
$$f_y = N = (x^2 - 1)$$
, so

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

Since  $\frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left[ x^2 y + \phi(y) \right] = x^2 + \frac{d}{dy} \phi(y)$ , we have  $\phi'(y) = -1$ . Whence  $\phi(y) = -y$ 

Putting the pieces together, f(x, y) is given by

$$x^2y - y = c$$

where c is a constant of integration.

Try:  $(x + y/(x^2 + y^2)) dx + (y - x/(x^2 + y^2)) dy = 0.$ 





# In $\mathbb{R}^2$

Consider...

- Slope of the tangent line at x = a is f'(a)
- Tangent line is y = f(a) + f'(a)(x a)

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- Tangent vector in the x direction at  $\vec{a}$  is  $T_x = \langle 1, 0, f_x(\vec{a}) \rangle$
- Tangent vector in the y direction at  $\vec{a}$  is  $T_y = \langle 0, 1, f_y(\vec{a}) \rangle$
- A plane containing  $\vec{a}$  and the tangent vectors is

$$(T_x \times T_y) \cdot (\vec{x} - \vec{a}) = 0$$

or (with  $\vec{a} = \langle x_0, y_0 \rangle$  and  $\vec{m}_{\vec{a}} = \langle f_x(\vec{a}), f_y(\vec{a}) \rangle$ )  $z = f(\vec{a}) + f_x(\vec{a})(x - x_0) + f_y(\vec{a})(y - y_0)$   $= f(\vec{a}) + \vec{m}_{\vec{a}} \cdot (\vec{x} - \vec{a})$ 

# Differentiation

# **Definition (Derivative)**

Let *f* be defined on the open set  $D \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$ . Then *f* is *differentiable at*  $\vec{x}_0 \in D$ iff there is a vector  $\vec{m}$  s.t. ▶ Picture Time

$$f(\vec{x}_0 + \vec{h}) = f(\vec{x}_0) + \vec{m} \cdot \vec{h} + \varepsilon \|\vec{h}\|$$

Equivalently: iff there is a vector  $\vec{m}$  s.t. for  $T(\vec{x}) = f(\vec{x}_0) + \vec{m} \cdot (\vec{x} - \vec{x}_0)$ , then

$$\lim_{\vec{x} \to \vec{x}_0} \frac{f(\vec{x}) - T(\vec{x})}{\|\vec{x} - \vec{x}_0\|} = 0$$

The gradient (vector) of f, written as  $\nabla f$  of grad(f) is

$$\nabla f(\vec{x}_0) = \left\langle \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \vec{x}_0, \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \vec{x}_0 \right\rangle$$

Note:  $\nabla$  is a vector differential operator (generalizing  $D_x$ ):  $\nabla = \left\langle \frac{\partial}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \right\rangle$ .

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$$T(x,y) = f(x_0,y_0) + f_x(x_0,y_0)(x-x_0) + f_y(x_0,y_0)(y-y_0)$$

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# Derivative

#### Proof (The "Continuity of Partials Suffices" Thm).

Let  $\vec{a} = \langle x_0, y_0 \rangle$ . NTS:  $\Delta f(\vec{a}) = \nabla f(\vec{a}) \cdot \langle \Delta x, \Delta y \rangle + \vec{\varepsilon} \cdot \langle \Delta x, \Delta y \rangle$  with  $\vec{\varepsilon} \rightarrow \vec{0}$  as  $\Delta x, \Delta y \rightarrow 0$ . 1. Fix y. MVT  $\Rightarrow \exists x_1 \in B(x_0; r)$  s.t.  $f(x, y) - f(x_0, y) = f_x(x_1, y)(x - x_0)$ 2.  $f_x \in C(D) \Rightarrow f_x(x_1, y) = f_x(x_0, y_0) + \varepsilon_x$  where  $\varepsilon_x \rightarrow 0$  as  $(x, y) \rightarrow (x_0, y_0)$ So  $f(x, y) - f(x_0, y) = [f_x(x_0, y_0) + \varepsilon_x] (x - x_0)$  where  $\varepsilon_x \longrightarrow 0$ . 3. Fix x. MVT  $\Rightarrow \exists y_1 \in B(y_0; r)$  s.t.  $f(x, y) - f(x, y_0) = f_y(x, y_1)(y - y_0)$ 4.  $f_y \in C(D) \Rightarrow f_y(x, y_1) = f_y(x_0, y_0) + \varepsilon_y$  where  $\varepsilon_y \rightarrow 0$  as  $(x, y) \rightarrow (x_0, y_0)$ So  $f(x, y) - f(x, y_0) = [f_y(x_0, y_0) + \varepsilon_y] (y - y_0)$  where  $\varepsilon_y \xrightarrow{x, y \rightarrow x_0, y_0} 0$ . Whence  $f(x, y) - f(x_0, y_0) = [f(x, y) - f(x_0, y)] + [f(x_0, y) - f(x_0, y_0)]$  $= [f_x(x_0, y_0) + \varepsilon_x] (x - x_0) + [f_y(x_0, y_0) + \varepsilon_y] (y - y_0)$ 

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# **Derivatives and Continuity**

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#### Theorem ( $D \Rightarrow C$ Thm)

If f is differentiable at  $\vec{a}$ , then f is continuous at  $\vec{a}$ .

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#### Proof.

Since *f* is differentiable at  $\vec{a}$ ,

$$f(\vec{a} + \vec{h}) - f(\vec{a}) = \nabla f(\vec{a}) \cdot \vec{h} + \vec{\varepsilon} \|\vec{h}\|$$

where  $\vec{\varepsilon} \to 0$  as  $\vec{h} \to 0$ . Thus

$$\left| f(\vec{a} + \vec{h}) - f(\vec{a}) \right| \le \left| \nabla f(\vec{a}) \cdot \vec{h} \right| + |\vec{\varepsilon}| \|\vec{h}\|$$

 $\leq \|\nabla f(\vec{a})\| \, \|\vec{h}\| + |\vec{\varepsilon}| \, \|\vec{h}\| = (\|\nabla f(\vec{a})\| + |\vec{\varepsilon}|) \, \|\vec{h}\|$ 

Whence  $\lim_{\vec{x} \to \vec{a}} f(\vec{x}) = f(\vec{a}).$ 

# Algebra of Derivatives



•  $(x_0 + h, y_0) \xrightarrow[h \to 0]{} (x_0, y_0)$  equiv to  $\langle x_0, y_0 \rangle + h \langle 1, 0 \rangle \xrightarrow[h \to 0]{} \langle x_0, y_0 \rangle$ •  $(x_0, y_0 + k) \xrightarrow[k \to 0]{} (x_0, y_0)$  equiv to  $\langle x_0, y_0 \rangle + k \langle 0, 1 \rangle \xrightarrow[k \to 0]{} \langle x_0, y_0 \rangle$ 

3. With an arbitrary direction  $\vec{u}$  (unit vector):  $\vec{x} + h \vec{u} \xrightarrow[h \to 0]{} \vec{x}_0$ 

#### **Definition (Directional Derivative)**

Let *f* be defined on an open set *D* and  $\vec{a} \in D$ . Then the *directional derivative* of *f* in the direction of  $\vec{u}$ , a unit vector, is given, if the limit is finite, by

$$D_{\vec{u}}f(\vec{a}) = \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{f(\vec{a} + h\,\vec{u}) - f(\vec{a})}{h}$$

or

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial \vec{u}}(\vec{a}) = \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{f(x + hu_x, y + hu_y) - f(x, y)}{h}$$

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# **Directional Derivative's Properties**

#### Theorem

If f is differentiable at  $\vec{a}$ , then  $D_{\vec{u}}f(\vec{a})$  exists for any direction  $\vec{u}$ . And

 $D_{\vec{u}}f(\vec{a}) = \nabla f(\vec{a})\cdot\vec{u}$ 

Proof.

Simple computation from:  $f(\vec{a} + h\vec{u}) = f(\vec{a}) + \nabla f(\vec{a}) \cdot (h\vec{u}) + \varepsilon ||h\vec{u}||$ 

### Corollary ("Method of Steepest Ascent/Descent")

Let f be differentiable at  $\vec{a}$ . Then

- 1. The max rate of change of f at  $\vec{a}$  is  $\|\nabla f(\vec{a})\|$  in the direction of  $\nabla f(\vec{a})$ .
- 2. The min rate of change of f at  $\vec{a}$  is  $-\|\nabla f(\vec{a})\|$  in the direction of  $-\nabla f(\vec{a})$ .

Proof.

Simple computation from:  $D_{\vec{u}}f(\vec{a}) = \nabla f(\vec{a}) \cdot \vec{u} = \|\nabla f(\vec{a})\| \|\vec{u}\| \cos(\theta)$ 

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f is not continuous at  $\vec{0}$ , but has directional derivatives in all directions at  $\vec{0}$ !

# The Chain Rule

#### Theorem (The Chain Rule)

If x(t) and y(t) are differentiable at  $t_0$ , and f is differentiable at  $\vec{a} = (x(t_0), y(t_0))$ , then f composed with x and y is differentiable at  $t_0$  with

 $\frac{d}{dt}f(x(t), y(t)) = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}\frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}\frac{dy}{dt}$ 

#### Proof.

Let z = f(x, y) and  $\Delta t = t_1 - t_0$ . Then  $\Delta x = x(t_1) - x(t_0)$  and  $\Delta y = y(t_1) - y(t_0)$ . Since f is differentiable, we have  $\Delta z = f(x + \Delta x, y + \Delta y) - f(x, y) = f_x \Delta x + f_y \Delta y + \varepsilon_1 \Delta x + \varepsilon_2 \Delta y$ So  $\frac{\Delta z}{\Delta t} = f_x \frac{\Delta x}{\Delta t} + f_y \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta t} + \varepsilon_1 \frac{\Delta x}{\Delta t} + \varepsilon_2 \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta t}$ Since  $\Delta t \to 0 \implies \Delta x, \Delta y \to 0$ , then  $\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2 \to 0$  with  $\Delta t$ .

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# The Mean Value Theorem

#### Theorem (*MVT for Two*)

Suppose *f* is differentiable on the open *D* containing the segment  $L(\vec{p}, \vec{q})$ . Then there is a  $\vec{c}$  on *L* s.t.

$$f(\vec{p}) - f(\vec{q}) = \nabla f(\vec{c}) \cdot (\vec{p} - \vec{q})$$

#### Proof.

- 1. Set  $(x_0, y_0) = \vec{q}$  and  $(h, k) = \vec{p} \vec{q}$
- 2. Set  $g(t) = f(x_0 + ht, y_0 + kt)$  for  $t \in [0, 1]$  (g parametrizes f on L)
- 3. Then  $g(1) g(0) = g'(\theta)(1 0)$  for some  $\theta \in (0, 1)$ ; i.e.

$$f(\vec{p}) - f(\vec{q}) = g'(\theta)$$

#### 4. The MCR implies

$$g'(t) = f_x \, \frac{dx}{dt} + f_y \, \frac{dy}{dt} = \langle f_x, f_y \rangle \cdot \langle \frac{dx}{dt}, \frac{dy}{dt} \rangle$$

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# Taylor's Theorem

#### Theorem (MV Taylor's Theorem)

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Suppose *f* has partial (n + 1)st derivatives (of all 'mixtures') existing on  $B(\vec{a}; r)$ . Then for  $\vec{x} = \vec{a} + (h, k)$  in  $B(\vec{a}; r)$ ,

$$f(\vec{a} + (h, k)) = f(\vec{a}) + \left(h\frac{\partial}{\partial x} + k\frac{\partial}{\partial y}\right)f(\vec{a}) \\ + \frac{1}{2!}\left(h\frac{\partial}{\partial x} + k\frac{\partial}{\partial y}\right)^2 f(\vec{a}) + \cdots \\ + \frac{1}{n!}\left(h\frac{\partial}{\partial x} + k\frac{\partial}{\partial y}\right)^n f(\vec{a}) + R_n$$

where

$$R_n = \frac{1}{(n+1)!} \left( h \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + k \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \right)^{n+1} f(\vec{a} + \theta(h, k))$$

for some  $\theta \in (0, 1)$ .

# Taylor's Theorem Eg

#### Example (Second Order, Two Variable)

Find the Taylor polynomial of order 2 at  $\vec{a} = \langle 1, 1 \rangle$  and remainder for  $f(x, y) = x^2 y$  and  $\vec{x} = \langle 1, 1 \rangle + \langle h, k \rangle$ .

1. 
$$f(\vec{x}) = f(1,1) + [f_x(1,1) \cdot h + f_y(1,1) \cdot k] \\ + \frac{1}{2} [f_{xx}(1,1) \cdot h^2 + 2f_{xy}(1,1) \cdot hk + f_{yy}(1,1) \cdot k^2] \\ + \frac{1}{3!} [f_{xxx}(1+\theta h, 1+\theta k) \cdot h^3 + 3f_{xxy}(1+\theta h, 1+\theta k) \cdot h^2 k \\ + 3f_{xyy}(1+\theta h, 1+\theta k) \cdot hk^2 + f_{yyy}(1+\theta h, 1+\theta k) \cdot k^3]$$
where  $\theta \in (0,1)$ 

2. 
$$f(1+h, 1+k) = 1 + [2h+k] + \frac{1}{2} [2h^2 + 4hk + 0k^2] + R_2$$
  
and  $R_2 = \frac{1}{6} [0h^3 + 6h^2k + 0hk^2 + 0k^3] = h^2k$  with  $\theta \in (0, 1)$ 

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# **Multiple Integration**

Multiple Integration

#### **Definition (The Double Sums)**

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Suppose *f* is bounded on  $R = [a, b] \times [c, d]$ . Let  $P = P_1 \times P_2$  be a partition of R given by  $P_1 = \{a = x_0, \ldots, x_n = b\}$  and  $P_2 = \{c = y_0, \ldots, y_m = d\}$  with  $R_{ij} = [x_{i-1}, y_{j-1}] \times [x_i, y_j]$ . Then the area of  $R_{ij}$  is  $A_{ij} = \Delta x_i \cdot \Delta y_j$ 

- Set  $||P|| = \max{\{\Delta x_i, \Delta y_j\}}.$
- Define

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$$M_{ij}(f) = \sup_{R_{ij}} f(x, y)$$
 and  $m_{ij}(f) = \inf_{R_{ij}} f(x, y)$ 

Then define

$$U(P, f) = \sum_{i} \sum_{j} M_{ij} \Delta x_i \Delta y_j = \sum_{i,j} M_{ij} A_{ij}$$
$$L(P, f) = \sum_{i} \sum_{j} m_{ij} \Delta x_i \Delta y_j = \sum_{i,j} m_{ij} A_{ij}$$
$$S(P, f) = \sum_{i} \sum_{j} f(c_i, d_j) \Delta x_i \Delta y_j = \sum_{i,j} f(c_i, d_j) A_{ij}$$
where  $(c_i, d_j) \in R_{ij}$  is arbitrary.