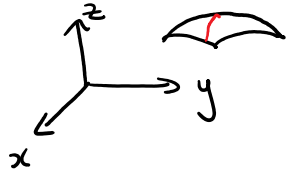


Quiz Tues 29.3

29.3 Cont'd

Partial Derivatives



slice parallel to x-axis

Slope of the tangent line is $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}$
"partial derivative of z with respect to x"

Notation: $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}$ or $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}$ or z_x

Ex: $f = x^3 + 4xy + 7y$ (4y)_x

$\frac{df}{dx}$: x is the variable (y is constant)

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{df}{dx} &= 3x^2 + 4y + 0 \\ &= 3x^2 + 4y\end{aligned}$$

$\frac{df}{dy}$: y is the variable (x is constant)

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{df}{dy} &= 0 + 4x + 7 \\ &= 4x + 7\end{aligned}$$

Ex: $f = \cos xy$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{df}{dy} &= -\sin xy (x) \\ &= -x \sin xy\end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{df}{dx} = -\sin xy (y)$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = -\sin xy (y)$$

$$= -y \sin xy$$

Ex: $z = \frac{e^{6x+y}}{x^2+7}$

Find $\left. \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \right|_{(0,0,\frac{1}{7})}$

Recall Quotient Rule $\left(\frac{u}{v}\right)' = \frac{vu' - v'u}{v^2}$

$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}$: x is the variable (y is a #)

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = \frac{(x^2+7)(6e^{6x+y}) - (2x)(e^{6x+y})}{(x^2+7)^2}$$

$$\left. \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \right|_{\substack{x=0 \\ y=0}} = \frac{7(6) - 0}{7^2}$$

$$= \frac{42}{49} \text{ or } \frac{6}{7}$$

Second-Order Partial Derivatives

Notation

$$\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \right)$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial y \partial x} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \right)$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x \partial y} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \right)$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial y^2} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \right)$$

Ex: $z = x^2 \cos 4y$ Find:

a) $\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2}$

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$$\dots \frac{\partial}{\partial x^2}$$

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = 2x \cos 4y$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \right) &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (2x \cos 4y) \\ &= 2 \cos 4y \end{aligned}$$

$$b) \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial y \partial x} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \right)$$

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = 2x \cos 4y$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \right) &= \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (2x \cos 4y) \\ &= 2x \cdot -4 \sin 4y \\ &= -8x \sin 4y \end{aligned}$$

$$c) \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x \partial y} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \right)$$

$$z = x^2 \cos 4y$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} &= x^2 \cdot -4 \sin 4y \\ &= -4x^2 \sin 4y \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \right) &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (-4x^2 \sin 4y) \\ &= -8x \sin 4y \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Notice } \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial y \partial x} = \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x \partial y}$$

Always true in Math 193



[In general, $\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial y \partial x} = \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x \partial y}$ when

$\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial y \partial x}$ and $\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x \partial y}$ are continuous]

$$d) \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \right)$$

$$d) \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial y^2} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \right)$$

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = -4x^2 \sin 4y$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \right) &= \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (-4x^2 \sin 4y) \\ &= -4x^2 \cdot 4 \cos 4y \\ &= -16x^2 \cos 4y \end{aligned}$$

ASIDE

$$\frac{d}{dy} \sin 4y = 4 \cos 4y$$

$$\frac{d}{dy} -\sin 4y = -4 \cos 4y$$

$$\frac{d}{dy} -2 \sin 4y = -8 \cos 4y$$