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Differentiation is a linear operation:

### Proposition 4.1: Linearity of Differentiation

- Let  $\mathbf{f}, \mathbf{g} : X \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  be two functions that are both differentiable at a point  $\mathbf{a} \in X$  and let  $c \in \mathbb{R}$  be any scalar.
- Then,

1. The function  $\mathbf{h} = \mathbf{f} + \mathbf{g}$  is also differentiable at  $\mathbf{a}$ , and

$$D\mathbf{h}(\mathbf{a}) = D(\mathbf{f} + \mathbf{g})(\mathbf{a}) = D\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{a}) + D\mathbf{g}(\mathbf{a})$$

2. The function  $\mathbf{k} = c\mathbf{f}$  is differentiable at  $\mathbf{a}$ , and

$$D\mathbf{k}(\mathbf{a}) = D(c\mathbf{f})(\mathbf{a}) = cD\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{a})$$

## Example 1

- Let  $\mathbf{f}$  and  $\mathbf{g}$  be defined by,

$$\mathbf{f}(x, y) = (x + y, xy \sin y, y/x)$$

$$\mathbf{g}(x, y) = (x^2 + y^2, ye^{xy}, 2x^3 - 7y^5)$$

- Then

$$D\mathbf{f}(x, y) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ y \sin y & x \sin y + xy \cos y \\ -y/x^2 & 1/x \end{bmatrix}$$

$$D\mathbf{g}(x, y) = \begin{bmatrix} 2x & 2y \\ y^2 e^{xy} & e^{xy} + xye^{xy} \\ 6x^2 & -35y^4 \end{bmatrix}$$

- $\mathbf{f}$  is differentiable only in  $\mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{x = 0\}$  and  $\mathbf{g}$  is differentiable on all of  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

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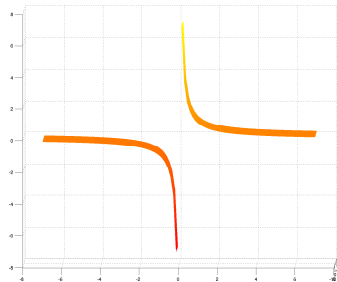
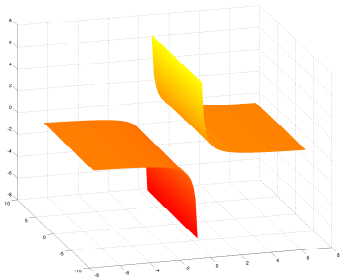
- If we let  $\mathbf{h} = \mathbf{f} + \mathbf{g}$ , then [Proposition 4.1](#) tells us that  $\mathbf{h}$  must be differentiable on all of its domain
- Furthermore,

$$\begin{aligned} D\mathbf{h}(x, y) &= D\mathbf{f}(x, y) + D\mathbf{g}(x, y) \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 2x + 1 & 2y + 1 \\ y \sin y + y^2 e^{xy} & x \sin y + xy \cos y + e^{xy} + xye^{xy} \\ 6x^2 - y/x^2 & 1/x - 35y^4 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

## Example 1

- Some graphical representation.

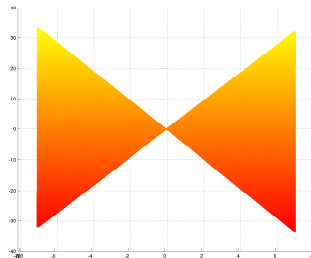
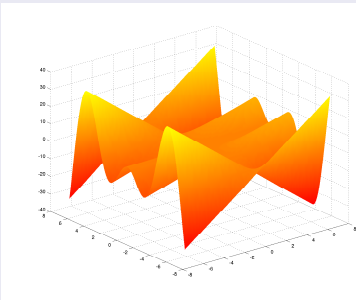
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- Some graphical representation.

$$f_2 = xy \sin y$$

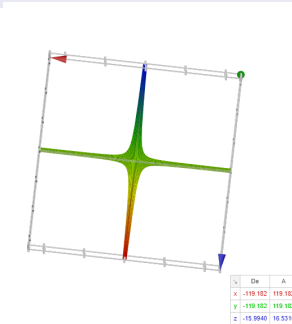
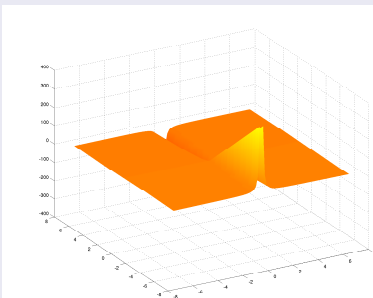




## Example 1

- Some graphical representation.

$$\frac{\partial f_3}{\partial x} = -y/x^2$$



## Proposition 4.2

- Let  $f, g : X \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be differentiable at  $\mathbf{a} \in X$ .
- Then,
  1. The product function  $fg$  is also differentiable at  $\mathbf{a}$ :

$$D(fg)(\mathbf{a}) = g(\mathbf{a})Df(\mathbf{a}) + f(\mathbf{a})Dg(\mathbf{a})$$

2. If  $g(\mathbf{a}) \neq 0$ , then the quotient function  $f/g$  is differentiable at  $\mathbf{a}$ :

$$D(f/g)(\mathbf{a}) = \frac{g(\mathbf{a})Df(\mathbf{a}) - f(\mathbf{a})Dg(\mathbf{a})}{g(\mathbf{a})^2}$$

## Example 2

- Suppose

$$f(x, y, z) = ze^{xy}$$

$$g(x, y, z) = xy + 2yz - xz$$

- Then

$$(fg)(x, y, z) = (xyz + 2yz^2 - xz^2)e^{xy}$$

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- So that

$$D(fg)(x, y, z) = \begin{bmatrix} (yz - z^2)e^{xy} + (xyz + 2yz^2 - xz^2)ye^{xy} \\ (xz + 2z^2)e^{xy} + (xyz + 2yz^2 - xz^2)xe^{xy} \\ (xy + 4yz - 2xz)e^{xy} \end{bmatrix}^T$$

## Example 2

$$f(x, y, z) = ze^{xy}$$

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$$Df(x, y, z) = [yze^{xy} \quad xze^{xy} \quad e^{xy}]$$

$$Dg(x, y, z) = [y - z \quad x + 2z \quad 2y - x]$$

- Using [Proposition 4.2](#)

$$\begin{aligned} g(x, y, z)Df(x, y, z) + f(x, y, z)Dg(x, y, z) &= \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} (xy^2z + 2y^2z^2 - xyz^2)e^{xy} \\ (x^2yz + 2xyz^2 - x^2z^2)e^{xy} \\ (xy + 2yz - xz)e^{xy} \end{bmatrix}^T + \begin{bmatrix} (yz - z^2)e^{xy} \\ (xz + 2z^2)e^{xy} \\ (2yz - xz)e^{xy} \end{bmatrix}^T \\ &= e^{xy} \begin{bmatrix} (yz - z^2) + (xyz + 2yz^2 - xz^2)y \\ (xz + 2z^2) + (xyz + 2yz^2 - xz^2)x \\ (xy + 4yz - 2xz) \end{bmatrix}^T \end{aligned}$$

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How many **“second derivatives”** does a function have?

### Example 3

- Let

$$f(x, y, z) = x^2y + y2z$$

- The **first-order partial derivatives** are

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = 2xy$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = x^2 + 2yz$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial z} = y^2$$

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$$f(x, y, z) = x^2y + y2z$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = 2xy, \quad \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = x^2 + 2yz, \quad \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} = y^2$$

- The **second-order partial derivative** with respect to  $x$  is,

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

- Similarly, the **second-order partial derivatives** with respect to  $y$  and  $z$  are, respectively,

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

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



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$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = 2xy, \quad \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = x^2 + 2yz, \quad \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} = y^2$$

- The **mixed partial derivative** with respect to first  $x$  and then  $y$

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

- There are **five more mixed** partials for this particular function

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y}, \quad \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial z \partial x}, \quad \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial z}, \quad \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial z \partial y}, \quad \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial z}$$



## General kth-order partial derivatives

- Suppose  $f : X \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a scalar-valued function of  $n$  variables.
- The **kth-order partial derivative** with respect to the variables  $x_{i_1}, x_{i_2}, \dots, x_{i_k}$  (in that order) is the iterated derivative

$$\frac{\partial^k f}{\partial x_{i_k} \cdots \partial x_{i_2} \partial x_{i_1}} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{i_k}} \cdots \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{i_2}} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{i_1}} (f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n))$$

where  $i_1, i_2, \dots, i_k$  are integers in the set  $\{1, 2, \dots, n\}$  (possibly repeated)

- Equivalent notation,

$$f_{x_{i_1} x_{i_2} \cdots x_{i_k}}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$$

## Example 4

- Let

$$f(x, y, z, w) = xyz + xy^2w - \cos(x + zw)$$

- We then have

$$f_{yw}(x, y, z, w) = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial w \partial y} = \frac{\partial}{\partial w} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (xyz + xy^2w - \cos(x + zw))$$

$$= \frac{\partial}{\partial w} (xz + 2xyw) = 2xy$$

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$$= \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (xy^2 + z \sin(x + zw)) = 2xy$$

This example suggests that there might be a simple relationship among the mixed second partials

### Theorem 4.3 (Schwarz)

- Suppose that  $X$  is open in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .
- Suppose  $f : X \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  has continuous first- and second-order partial derivatives.
- Then **the order** in which we evaluate the mixed second-order partials **is immaterial**.
- That is, if  $i_1$  and  $i_2$  are any two integers between 1 and  $n$ , then,

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_{i_1} \partial x_{i_2}} = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_{i_2} \partial x_{i_1}}$$

## Definition 4.4: Smooth Functions

- Assume  $X$  is open in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .
- Let  $f : X \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a scalar-valued function.
- Function  $f$  is said to be of class  $C^k$  if its partial derivatives up to order at least  $k$ , exist and are continuous on  $X$ .
- Function  $f$  is said to be of class  $C^\infty$ , or **smooth**, if it has continuous partial derivatives of all orders on  $X$

A vector-valued function  $\mathbf{f} : X \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  is of class  $C^k(C^\infty)$

if and only if

Each of its component functions is of class  $C^k(C^\infty)$

## Theorem 4.5 Schwarz (extended)

- Let  $f : X \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a scalar-valued function of class  $C^k$
- Then the order in which we calculate any  $k$ th-order partial derivative does not matter
- Suppose
  - $(i_1, \dots, i_k)$  are any  $k$  integers (not necessarily distinct) between 1 and  $n$ , and
  - $(j_1, \dots, j_k)$  is any permutation (rearrangement) of these integers
- Then

$$\frac{\partial^k f}{\partial x_{i_1} \cdots \partial x_{i_k}} = \frac{\partial^k f}{\partial x_{j_1} \cdots \partial x_{j_k}}$$

### Example 5

- Let

$$f(x, y, z, w) = x^2 w e^{yz} - z e^{xw} + xyzw$$

- We verify [Theorem 4.5](#)

$$\frac{\partial^5 f}{\partial x \partial w \partial z \partial y \partial x} = 2e^{yz}(yz + 1) = \frac{\partial^5 f}{\partial z \partial y \partial w \partial^2 x}$$