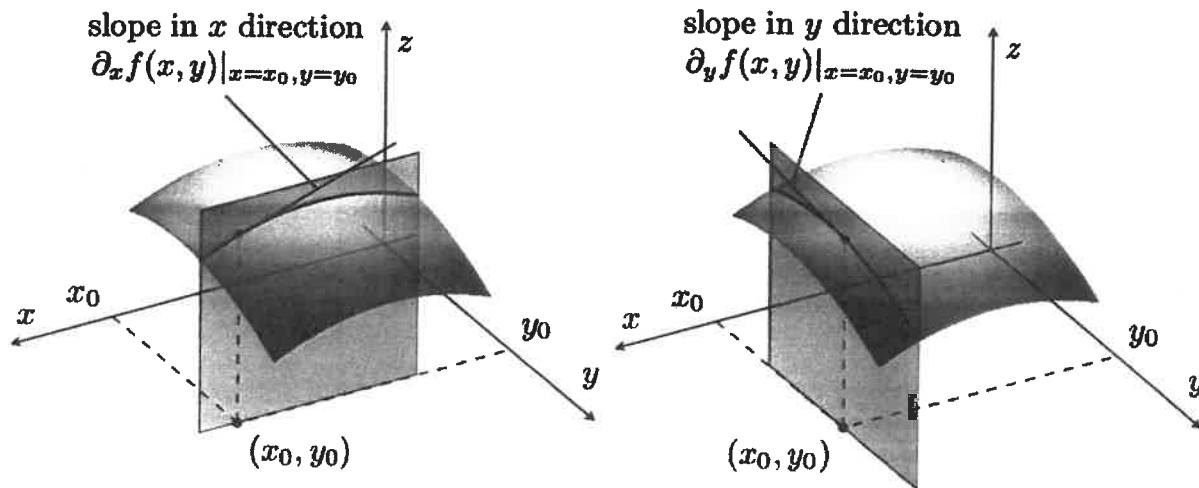


### 15.3 Partial Derivatives Multivariable Calculus

Partial derivatives are computed just like ordinary derivatives in one variable with this difference: To compute  $f_x$ , treat  $y$  as a constant, and to compute  $f_y$ , treat  $x$  as a constant.



1. Compute the partial derivatives of  $f(x, y) = x^2y^5$

$$f_x(x, y) = 2xy^5$$

$$f_y(x, y) = 5x^2y^4$$

2. Calculate  $g_x(1, 3)$  and  $g_y(1, 3)$ , where  $g(x, y) = \frac{y^2}{(1+x^2)^3}$

$$\begin{aligned} g_x(x, y) &= y^2 \left( -3(1+x^2)^{-4}(2x) \right) \\ &= \frac{-6xy^2}{(1+x^2)^4} \end{aligned}$$

$$g_x(1, 3) = \frac{-6(1)(3)^2}{(1+1^2)^4}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{-54}{16} \\ &= \boxed{-\frac{27}{8}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} g_y(x, y) &= \frac{1}{(1+x^2)^3} 2y \\ &= \frac{2y}{(1+x^2)^3} \end{aligned}$$

$$g_y(1, 3) = \frac{2(3)}{(1+1^2)^3}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{6}{8} \\ &= \boxed{\frac{3}{4}} \end{aligned}$$

3. Calculate  $\frac{d}{dx} \sin(x^2y^5)$

$$2xy^5 \cos(x^2y^5)$$

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4. Calculate  $f_z(0, 0, 1, 1)$ , where  $f(x, y, z, w) = \frac{e^{xy}}{z^2+w}$

$$f_z(x, y, z, w) = \frac{(z^2+w) e^{xz+y} x - e^{xz+y} 2z}{(z^2+w)^2}$$

$$f_z(0, 0, 1, 1) = \frac{(1^2+1) e^{0(1)+0}(0) - e^{0(1)+0} 2(1)}{(1^2+1)^2} = \frac{-2}{4}$$

5. Calculate the second-order partial derivatives of  $f(x, y) = x^3 + y^2 e^x$

$$= -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$f_x(x, y) = 3x^2 + y^2 e^x$$

$$f_y(x, y) = 2y e^x$$

$$f_{xx}(x, y) = 6x + y^2 e^x$$

$$f_{yy}(x, y) = 2e^x$$

$$f_{xy}(x, y) = 2y e^x$$

$$f_{yx}(x, y) = 2y e^x$$

6. Calculate  $f_{xyy}$  for  $f(x, y) = x^3 + y^2 e^x$

$$f_x(x, y) = 3x^2 + y^2 e^x$$

$$f_{xy}(x, y) = 2y e^x$$

$$f_{xyy}(x, y) = 2e^x$$

**Clairut's Theorem: Equality of Mixed Partials**

If  $f_{xy}$  and  $f_{yx}$  are both continuous functions on a disk  $D$ , then  $f_{xy}(a, b) = f_{yx}(b, a)$  for all  $(a, b) \in D$ .

$$\frac{d^2f}{dxdy} = \frac{d^2f}{dydx}$$

7. Calculate the partial derivative  $g_{zzwx}$  where  $g(x, y, z, w) = x^3w^2z^2 + \sin(\frac{xy}{z^2})$

\*choose order wisely \*

$$\begin{aligned} g_w(x, y, z, w) &= x^3 z^2 (2w) \\ &= 2x^3 z^2 w \end{aligned}$$

$$g_{wz}(x, y, z, w) = 4x^3 z \omega$$

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$$g_{wzzx}(x, y, z, w) = 12x^2 \omega$$

$$g_{zzwx}(x, y, z, w) = 12x^2 \omega$$

