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**Definition 1.** Differentiation

The rate at which a function changes with respect to the independent variable is called the derivative of the function.

(i.e) If  $y = f(x)$  be a function, where  $x$  and  $y$  are real variables which are independent and dependent variables respectively, then the derivative of  $y$  with respect to  $x$  is  $\frac{dy}{dx}$ .

**Definition 2.** Derivative of addition or subtraction of functions

If  $f(x)$  and  $g(x)$  are two functions of  $x$ , then  $\frac{d[f(x) \pm g(x)]}{dx} = \frac{d[f(x)]}{dx} \pm \frac{d[g(x)]}{dx}$

**Definition 3.** Product rule

If  $y = uv$ , where  $u$  and  $v$  are functions of  $x$ , then  $\frac{d[uv]}{dx} = v \frac{d[u]}{dx} + u \frac{d[v]}{dx}$

**Definition 4.** Quotient rule

If  $y = \frac{u}{v}$ , where  $u$  and  $v$  are functions of  $x$ , then  $\frac{d}{dx} \left[ \frac{u}{v} \right] = \frac{\frac{du}{dx} - u \frac{dv}{dx}}{v^2}$

**Important Derivatives Formulae**

$$1. \frac{d}{dx}(c) = 0 \text{ where 'c' is any constant.}$$

$$2. \frac{d}{dx}(x^n) = nx^{n-1}.$$

$$3. \frac{d}{dx}(\log_e x) = \frac{1}{x}.$$

$$4. \frac{d}{dx}(a^x) = a^x \log a$$

$$5. \frac{d}{dx}(e^x) = e^x.$$

$$6. \frac{d}{dx}(\sin x) = \cos x.$$

$$7. \frac{d}{dx}(\cos x) = -\sin x.$$

$$8. \frac{d}{dx}(\tan x) = \sec^2 x.$$

$$9. \frac{d}{dx}(\cot x) = -\operatorname{cosec}^2 x.$$

$$10. \frac{d}{dx}(\sec x) = \sec x \tan x.$$

$$11. \frac{d}{dx}(\operatorname{cosec} x) = -\operatorname{cosec} x \cot x.$$

$$12. \frac{d}{dx}(\sin^{-1} x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}.$$

$$13. \frac{d}{dx}(\cos^{-1} x) = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}.$$

$$14. \frac{d}{dx}(\tan^{-1} x) = \frac{1}{1+x^2}.$$

$$15. \frac{d}{dx}(\cot^{-1} x) = \frac{-1}{1+x^2}.$$

$$16. \frac{d}{dx}(\sec^{-1} x) = \frac{1}{x\sqrt{1-x^2}}.$$

$$17. \frac{d}{dx}(\operatorname{cosec}^{-1} x) = \frac{-1}{x\sqrt{1-x^2}}$$

## Problems

### I. Ordinary Differentiation Problems

1. Differentiate  $x + \frac{1}{x}$

Solution Let  $y = x + \frac{1}{x}$

$$\text{Then } \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{d(x + \frac{1}{x})}{dx} = \frac{d(x)}{dx} + \frac{d(x^{-1})}{dx} = 1 - \frac{1}{x^2}$$

2. Differentiate  $3\tan x + 2 \cos x - e^x + 5$

Solution:

$$\text{Let } y = 3\tan x + 2 \cos x - e^x + 5$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Then } \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{d(3\tan x + 2 \cos x - e^x + 5)}{dx} = 3 \frac{d(\tan x)}{dx} + 2 \frac{d(\cos x)}{dx} - \frac{d(e^x)}{dx} + \frac{d(5)}{dx} \\ &= 3\sec^2 x - 2 \sin x - e^x\end{aligned}$$

3. Differentiate  $y = e^{2x} \cos 3x$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Solution: } \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{d(e^{2x} \cos 3x)}{dx} = \cos 3x \frac{d(e^{2x})}{dx} + e^{2x} \frac{d(\cos 3x)}{dx} \\ &= 2\cos 3x e^{2x} - 3e^{2x} \sin 3x\end{aligned}$$

4. Differentiate  $y = e^{\sin x} x^2$

$$\text{Solution: } \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{d(e^{\sin x} x^2)}{dx}$$

$$= x^2 \frac{d(e^{\sin x})}{dx} + e^{\sin x} \frac{d(x^2)}{dx}$$

$$= x^2 e^{\sin x} (\cos x) + 2x e^{\sin x}$$

**5. Differentiate  $y = x^3 e^{-x} \tan x$**

Solution:  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{d(x^3 e^{-x} \tan x)}{dx}$

$$= e^{-x} \tan x \frac{d(x^3)}{dx} + x^3 \tan x \frac{d(e^{-x})}{dx} + x^3 e^{-x} \frac{d(\tan x)}{dx}$$

$$= 3x^2 e^{-x} \tan x - x^3 e^{-x} \tan x + x^3 e^{-x} \sec^2 x$$

**6. Differentiate  $y = \frac{e^x}{\cos x}$**

Solution:  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{d(\frac{e^x}{\cos x})}{dx} = \frac{\cos x e^x - e^x (-\sin x)}{\cos^2 x}$

$$= \frac{\cos x e^x + e^x (\sin x)}{\cos^2 x}$$

**7. Differentiate  $y = \frac{ax+b}{cx+d}$**

Solution:  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{(cx+d)a - (ax+b)c}{(cx+d)^2}$  (by quotient rule)

**8. Differentiate  $\frac{x^2+2x+3}{\sqrt{x}}$**

Solution:  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{\sqrt{x}(2x+2) - (x^2+2x+3)\frac{1}{2}x^{-1/2}}{(\sqrt{x})^2} = \frac{2\sqrt{x}(x+1) - (x^2+2x+3)\frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}}{(\sqrt{x})^2}$

$$= \frac{2\sqrt{x} \times 2\sqrt{x}(x+1) - (x^2+2x+3)}{2\sqrt{x}(\sqrt{x})^2} = \frac{4x(x+1) - (x^2+2x+3)}{2x^{3/2}}$$

$$= \frac{4x^2+4x-x^2-2x-3}{2x^{3/2}} = \frac{3x^2+2x-3}{2x^{3/2}}$$

**9. Differentiate  $y = (3x^2 - 1)^3$**

Solution: Given  $y = (3x^2 - 1)^3$

Differentiating w.r.to x, we get

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = 3(3x^2 - 1)^2 6x$$

$$= 3(9x^4 - 6x^2 + 1) = 27x^4 - 18x^2 + 3$$

**10. Differentiate:  $\log\left(\frac{1+\sin x}{1-\sin x}\right)$**

Solution: Let  $y = \log\left(\frac{1+\sin x}{1-\sin x}\right)$

$$\Rightarrow y = \log(1 + \sin x) - \log(1 - \sin x)$$

Differentiate y w.r.to x, we get

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{1+\sin x} \cos x - \frac{1}{1-\sin x} (-\cos x)$$

$$= \frac{(1-\sin x)\cos x + \cos x(1+\sin x)}{(1+\sin x)(1-\sin x)}$$

$$= \frac{\cos x - \sin x \cos x + \cos x + \cos x \sin x}{1 - \sin^2 x}$$

$$= \frac{2 \cos x}{\cos^2 x} = 2 \frac{1}{\cos x} = 2 \sec x$$

## II. Differentiation Problems on Logarithmic Functions

**1. Differentiate  $x^{\sin x}$**

Solution: Let  $y = x^{\sin x}$

Taking log on both sides, we get  $\log y = \sin x \log x$

Now differentiating with respect to x

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{y} \frac{dy}{dx} = \log x (\cos x) + \sin x \frac{1}{x} \quad (\text{Using product rule})$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = y \left( \log x (\cos x) + \sin x \frac{1}{x} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y(x \cos x \log x + \sin x)}{x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = x^{\sin x} \left( \frac{x \cos x \log x + \sin x}{x} \right)$$

- 2. If  $x^y = e^{x-y}$ , prove that  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{\log x}{(1+\log x)^2}$**

Solution: Given  $x^y = e^{x-y}$

Taking log on both sides, we get  $\log x^y = \log e^{x-y}$

$$\Rightarrow y \log x = (x - y) \log e$$

$$\Rightarrow y \log x = (x - y) \dots \dots \dots (1)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{x} y + \log x \frac{dy}{dx} = 1 - \frac{dy}{dx}$$

$$\Rightarrow \log x \frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{dy}{dx} = 1 - \frac{y}{x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} (\log x + 1) = \frac{x-y}{x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{x-y}{x(1+\log x)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y \log x}{x(1+\log x)} \dots \dots (2)$$

Again from (1)  $y + y \log x = x$

$$\Rightarrow y(1 + \log x) = x, \frac{y}{x} = \frac{1}{1+\log x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{\log x}{(1+\log x)^2}$$

- 3. If  $y = x^{x^{\dots\infty}}$ , then find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$**

Solution:

$$\text{Given } y = x^{x^{\dots\infty}} = x^y$$

Taking log on both sides

$$\log y = y \log x$$

Differentiating w. r. to x we get

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{y} \frac{dy}{dx} = y \frac{1}{x} + \log x \frac{dy}{dx}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left( \frac{1}{y} - \log x \right) \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y}{x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left( \frac{1-y \log x}{y} \right) \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y}{x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y}{x} \left( \frac{y}{1-y \log x} \right) = \frac{y^2}{x(1-y \log x)}$$

- 4. Differentiate  $y = \log \left( \frac{x^2+1}{x^2-1} \right)$**

Solution:

$$y = \log(x^2 + 1) - \log(x^2 - 1)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{x^2+1} 2x - \frac{1}{x^2-1} 2x$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = 2x \left( \frac{1}{x^2+1} - \frac{1}{x^2-1} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = 2x \left( \frac{x^2 - 1 - (x^2 + 1)}{(x^2 + 1)(x^2 - 1)} \right) = 2x \left( \frac{x^2 - 1 - x^2 - 1}{x^4 - 1} \right) = 2x \left( \frac{-2}{x^4 - 1} \right) = \frac{-4x}{x^4 - 1}$$

5. Differentiate  $y = e^{3x^2+2x+3}$

$$\text{Solution: } \frac{dy}{dx} = e^{3x^2+2x+3}(6x + 2)$$

### III. Differentiation of Implicit functions

If two variables  $x$  and  $y$  are connected by the relation  $f(x, y) = 0$  and none of the variable is directly expressed in terms of the other, then the relation is called an implicit function.

#### Problems

1. Find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$ , if  $x^3 + y^3 = 3axy$

Solution:

Differentiating w.r.to  $x$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow 3x^2 + 3y^2 \frac{dy}{dx} &= 3a \left[ x \frac{dy}{dx} + y \right] \\ \Rightarrow 3y^2 \frac{dy}{dx} - 3ax \frac{dy}{dx} &= 3ay - 3x^2 \\ \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} (3y^2 - 3ax) &= 3ay - 3x^2 \\ \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{(3ay - 3x^2)}{3(y^2 - ax)} = \frac{3(ay - x^2)}{3(y^2 - ax)} = \frac{(ay - x^2)}{(y^2 - ax)} \end{aligned}$$

2. Find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$ , if  $x^2 + y^2 = 16$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Given } x^2 + y^2 &= 16 \\ \Rightarrow y^2 &= 16 - x^2 \\ \Rightarrow y &= \sqrt{16 - x^2} \\ \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{1}{2} (16 - x^2)^{-1/2} \times (-2x) \\ \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} &= -\frac{x}{\sqrt{16 - x^2}} = -\frac{x}{y} \end{aligned}$$

3. Find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$ , if  $x = at^2, y = 2at$

Solution: Given  $x = at^2, y = 2at$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dx}{dt} &= 2at, \frac{dy}{dt} = 2a \\ \text{Now } \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{dy}{dt} / \frac{dx}{dt} = \frac{2a}{2at} = \frac{1}{t} \end{aligned}$$

4. Find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$ , if  $y^2 + x^3 - xy + \cos y = 0$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Given } y^2 + x^3 - xy + \cos y &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow 2y \frac{dy}{dx} + 3x^2 - \frac{d}{dx}(xy) - \sin y \frac{dy}{dx} &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow (2y - \sin y) \frac{dy}{dx} + 3x^2 - \left( x \frac{dy}{dx} + y \times 1 \right) &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow (2y - \sin y - x) \frac{dy}{dx} + 3x^2 - y &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow (2y - \sin y - x) \frac{dy}{dx} &= y - 3x^2 \\ \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{y - 3x^2}{2y - \sin y - x} \end{aligned}$$

## IV. Successive Differentiation

The process of differentiating a given function again and again is called as successive differentiation and the results of such differentiation are called successive derivatives.

Notations:

- i)  $\frac{dy}{dx}, \frac{d^2y}{dx^2}, \frac{d^3y}{dx^3}, \dots, n^{\text{th}} \text{ order derivative: } \frac{d^n y}{dx^n}$
- ii)  $f'(x), f''(x), f'''(x), \dots, n^{\text{th}} \text{ order derivative: } f^n(x)$
- iii)  $Dy, D^2y, D^3y, \dots, n^{\text{th}} \text{ order derivative: } D^n y$
- iv)  $y', y'', y''', \dots, n^{\text{th}} \text{ order derivative: } y^{(n)}$
- v)  $y_1, y_2, y_3, \dots, n^{\text{th}} \text{ order derivative: } y_n$

### Problems

1. If  $y = \sin(\sin x)$ , prove that  $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + \tan x \frac{dy}{dx} + y \cos^2 x = 0$

**Solution:**

Given  $y = \sin(\sin x) \dots \quad (1)$

Differentiating (1) with respect to  $x$  we get,

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \cos(\sin x) \cdot \cos x \dots \quad (2)$$

Differentiating (2) with respect to  $x$  we get,

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \cos(\sin x)(-\sin x) + \cos x(-\sin(\sin x) \cdot \cos x) \quad [\text{Product Rule}]$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = -\sin x \cos(\sin x) - \cos^2 x \sin(\sin x) \dots \quad (3)$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + \tan x \frac{dy}{dx} + y \cos^2 x &= -\sin x \cos(\sin x) - \cos^2 x \sin(\sin x) + (\tan x) \cos(\sin x) \cdot \cos x + y \cos^2 x \\ &= -\sin x \cos(\sin x) - y \cos^2 x + \sin x \cos(\sin x) + y \cos^2 x \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

2. If  $x = a(\cos t + t \sin t)$ ,  $y = a(\sin t - t \cos t)$ , find  $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$

**Solution:**

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = a(-\sin t + t \cos t + \sin t) = at \cos t.$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = a(\cos t + t \sin t - \cos t) = at \sin t.$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{\frac{dy}{dt}}{\frac{dx}{dt}} = \frac{at \sin t}{at \cos t} = \tan t.$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{d}{dx} \left( \frac{dy}{dx} \right) = \frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{dy}{dx} \right) \frac{dt}{dx} = \frac{\sec^2 t}{at \cos t} = \frac{1}{at \cos^3 t}.$$

3. If  $ax^2 + 2hxy + by^2 = 1$  then prove that  $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{h^2 - ab}{(hx + by)^3}$

**Solution:**

Given  $ax^2 + 2hxy + by^2 = 1$  .....(1)

Differentiating (1) partially with respect to x, we get,

$$2ax + 2h\left(x\frac{dy}{dx} + y\right) + 2by\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

$$\text{Then, } \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-(ax + hy)}{(hx + by)} \text{ .....(2)}$$

Differentiating (2) with respect to x again, we get,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} &= \frac{(hx + by)\left[-a - h\frac{dy}{dx}\right] + (ax + hy)\left[h + b\frac{dy}{dx}\right]}{(hx + by)^2} \\ &= \frac{(h^2 - ab)y - \frac{dy}{dx}(h^2 - ab)x}{(hx + by)^2} = \frac{(h^2 - ab)\left(y - x\frac{dy}{dx}\right)}{(hx + by)^2} \\ &= \frac{(h^2 - ab)\left(y + x\frac{(ax + hy)}{(hx + by)}\right)}{(hx + by)^2} = \frac{(h^2 - ab)(ax^2 + by^2 + 2hxy)}{(hx + by)^3} \\ \text{Thus, } \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} &= \frac{h^2 - ab}{(hx + by)^3} \text{ (from(1))} \end{aligned}$$

**n<sup>th</sup> derivative of some standard functions:**

S.No	Y=f(x)	$y_n = \frac{d^n y}{dx^n} = D^n y$
1.	$e^{mx}$	$m^n e^{mx}$
2.	$(ax + b)^m$	$m(m-1)(m-2)\dots(m-n+1)a^n(ax + b)^{m-n}$
3.	$\frac{1}{ax + b}$	$\frac{(-1)^n n! a^n}{(ax + b)^{n+1}}$
4.	$\log(ax + b)$	$\frac{(-1)^{n-1} (n-1)! a^n}{(ax + b)^n}$
5.	$\sin(ax + b)$	$a^n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{2} + ax + b\right)$
6.	$\cos(ax + b)$	$a^n \cos\left(\frac{n\pi}{2} + ax + b\right)$

**4. Find  $y_n$ , where  $y = \frac{3}{(x+1)(2x-1)}$**

**Solution:**

Resolving into partial fractions,

$$y = \frac{2}{2x-1} - \frac{1}{x+1}$$

$$\therefore y_n = \frac{2(-1)^n 2^n n!}{(2x-1)^{n+1}} - \frac{(-1)^n n!}{(x+1)^{n+1}}$$

**5. Find the  $n^{\text{th}}$  derivative of  $\log(9x^2-1)$ .**

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Let } y &= \log(9x^2 - 1) = \log\{(3x+1)(3x-1)\} \\ &= \log(3x+1) + \log(3x-1) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } y_n &= \frac{d^n}{dx^n}(\log(3x+1)) + \frac{d^n}{dx^n}(\log(3x-1)) \\ \therefore y_n &= \frac{(-1)^{n-1}(n-1)!(3)^n}{(3x+1)^n} + \frac{(-1)^{n-1}(n-1)!(3)^n}{(3x-1)^n} \end{aligned}$$

**6. Find  $y_n$ , where  $y = e^{7x+5}$**

**Solution:**

$$\text{Let } y = e^{7x+5}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } y_n &= \frac{d^n}{dx^n}(e^{7x+5}) = \frac{d^n}{dx^n}(e^5 e^{7x}) = e^5 \frac{d^n}{dx^n}(e^{7x}) \\ \Rightarrow y_n &= e^5 7^n e^{7x} \end{aligned}$$

### Leibnitz formula for the $n^{\text{th}}$ derivative of a product

If  $u$  and  $v$  are functions of  $x$ , then

$$D^n(uv) = u_n v + n c_1 u_{n-1} v_1 + n c_2 u_{n-2} v_2 + \dots + n c_r u_{n-r} v_r + \dots + u v_n$$

### Problems

**7. Find the  $n^{\text{th}}$  differential coefficient of  $x^2 \log x$**

**Solution:**

$$\text{Take } u = \log x, v = x^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d^n}{dx^n}(x^2 \log x) &= \frac{d^n}{dx^n}(\log x)x^2 + n c_1 \frac{d^{n-1}}{dx^{n-1}}(\log x) \frac{d}{dx}(x^2) + n c_2 \frac{d^{n-2}}{dx^{n-2}}(\log x) \frac{d^2}{dx^2}(x^2) \\ &\quad (\text{since all the other terms are zero}) \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{(-1)^{n-1}(n-1)!x^2}{(x)^n} + \frac{n(-1)^{n-2}(n-2)!(2x)}{(x)^{n-1}} + \frac{n(n-1)(-1)^{n-3}(n-3)!2}{2(x)^{n-2}}$$

$$= \frac{2(-1)^{n-2}(n-3)!}{(x)^{n-2}}$$

**8. If  $y = x^2 e^x$ , show that  $y_n = \frac{1}{2}n(n-1)y_2 - n(n-2)y_1 + \frac{1}{2}(n-1)(n-2)y$  where  $y_n$  stands for**

$$\frac{d^n y}{dx^n}$$

**Solution:**

Take  $u = e^x, v = x^2$

$$y_n = \frac{d^n}{dx^n}(x^2 e^x) = \frac{d^n}{dx^n}(e^x)x^2 + nc_1 \frac{d^{n-1}}{dx^{n-1}}(e^x) \frac{d}{dx}(x^2) + nc_2 \frac{d^{n-2}}{dx^{n-2}}(e^x) \frac{d^2}{dx^2}(x^2)$$

(since all the other terms are zero)

$$\therefore y_n = e^x x^2 + 2nxe^x + n(n-1)e^x$$

$$\text{Now, } y_1 = x^2 e^x + 2x e^x, y_2 = x^2 e^x + 4x e^x + 2e^x$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{2}n(n-1)y_2 - n(n-2)y_1 + \frac{1}{2}(n-1)(n-2)y = \frac{n(n-1)[x^2 e^x + 4x e^x + 2e^x]}{2}$$

$$- n(n-2)[x^2 e^x + 2x e^x] + \frac{(n-1)(n-2)x^2 e^x}{2}$$

$$= x^2 e^x \left[ \frac{n(n-1)}{2} - n(n-2) + \frac{(n-1)(n-2)}{2} \right] + x e^x [2n(n-1) - 2n(n-2)] + n(n-1)e^x$$

=  $y_n$  on simplification.

## V. Partial Differentiation

Consider  $z = f(x, y)$ , here  $z$  is a function of two independent variables  $x$  and  $y$ .  $z$  can be differentiated with respect to  $x$  or  $y$  but when we are differentiating  $z$  with respect to  $x$  (or  $y$ ) we must keep the variable  $y$  (or  $x$ ) as a constant.

### Notations:

Let  $z = f(x, y)$

First order partial derivatives of  $f(x, y)$  with respect to  $x$  and  $y$ .

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = f_x, \quad \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = f_y$$

Second order partial derivatives of  $f(x, y)$  with respect to  $x$  and  $y$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} = f_{xx}, \quad \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} = f_{yy}$$

Second order mixed partial derivatives of  $f(x, y)$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} = f_{xy}, \quad \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x} = f_{yx}$$

Problems:

1. If  $u = x^3 + y^3 + 3xy$ , find  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}$

Solution: Given If  $u = x^3 + y^3 + 3xy$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = 3x^2 + 3y, \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = 3y^2 + 3x$$

2. If  $u = \log(x^3 + y^3 + z^3 - 3xyz)$ , show that  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} = \frac{3}{(x+y+z)}$

Solution:  $u = \log(x^3 + y^3 + z^3 - 3xyz)$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \frac{1}{x^3 + y^3 + z^3 - 3xyz} 3x^2 - 3yz,$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = \frac{1}{x^3 + y^3 + z^3 - 3xyz} 3y^2 - 3xz,$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial z} = \frac{1}{x^3 + y^3 + z^3 - 3xyz} 3z^2 - 3xy$$

$$\text{Now } \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} = \frac{3x^2 + 3y^2 + 3z^2 - 3yz - 3xz - 3xy}{x^3 + y^3 + z^3 - 3xyz} \\ = \frac{3(x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - xy - yz - zx)}{(x+y+z)(x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - xy - yz - zx)} = \frac{3}{x+y+z}$$

3. If  $f(x, y) = x^2 \sin y + y^2 \cos x$ , then find its all first and 2nd order partial derivatives.

Solution: Given  $f(x, y) = x^2 \sin y + y^2 \cos x$

$$f_x = 2x \sin y - y^2 \sin x; f_y = x^2 \cos y + 2y \cos x.$$

$$f_{xx} = 2 \sin y - y^2 \cos x; f_{yy} = -x^2 \sin y + 2 \cos x;$$

$$f_{xy} = 2x \cos y - 2y \sin x; f_{yx} = 2x \cos y - 2y \sin x.$$

4. If  $f(x, y) = \frac{y}{x} \log x$ , then find its all 1st and 2nd order derivatives.

$$\text{Solution: } f_x = \frac{y}{x} \cdot \frac{1}{x} + \log x \left( \frac{-y}{x^2} \right) = \frac{y}{x^2} (1 - \log x), f_y = \frac{\log x}{x},$$

$$f_{xx} = \frac{y}{x^2} \left( -\frac{1}{x} \right) - \frac{2y}{x^3} (1 - \log x) = \frac{y}{x^3} (-1 - 2(1 - \log x)) = \frac{y}{x^3} (\log x - 3);$$

$$f_{yy} = 0, f_{yx} = \frac{1}{x^2} (1 - \log x); f_{xy} = \frac{1}{x} \frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{x^2} \log x = \frac{1}{x^2} (1 - \log x).$$

5. Find  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial u}{\partial z}$  for  $u = \sin(ax + by + cz)$

Solution:

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = a \cos(ax + by + cz)$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = b \cos(ax + by + cz)$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial z} = c \cos(ax + by + cz)$$

## VI. Euler's Theorem for Homogeneous Functions

A homogenous function of degree  $n$  of the variables  $x, y, z$  is a function in which each term has degree  $n$ . For example, the function  $f(x, y, z) = Ax^3 + By^3 + Cz^3 + Dxy^2 + Exz^2 + Fyz^2 + Gyx^2 + Hzx^2 + Izy^2 + Jxyz$ , is a homogeneous function of  $x, y, z$ , in which all terms are of degree three.

### Note:

A function  $f(x, y)$  of two independent variables  $x$  and  $y$  is said to be homogeneous in  $x$  and  $y$  of degree  $n$  if  $f(tx, ty) = t^n f(x, y)$  for any positive quantity  $t$ .

### Euler's theorem:

- 1). If  $f(x, y)$  is a homogeneous function of degree  $n$ , then

$$x \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = nf$$

- 2). If  $f(x, y, z)$  is a homogeneous function of degree  $n$ , then

$$x \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} + z \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} = nf$$

**Result:** If  $z$  is a homogeneous function of  $x, y$  of degree  $n$  and  $z=f(u)$  then

$$(i). x \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = n \frac{f(u)}{f'(u)}$$

### Problems on Euler's theorem

**1. Verify Euler's theorem when  $u = x^3 + y^3 + z^3 + 3xyz$**

Solution:

$$\text{Given } u = x^3 + y^3 + z^3 + 3xyz$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now } tu &= (tx)^3 + (ty)^3 + (tz)^3 + 3txtytz \\ &= t^3(x^3 + y^3 + z^3 + 3xyz) = t^3u \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $u$  is a homogeneous function of degree 3.

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = 3x^2 + 3yz$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = 3y^2 + 3xz$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial z} = 3z^2 + 3xy$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Therefore } x \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} + z \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} &= x(3x^2 + 3yz) + y(3y^2 + 3xz) + z(3z^2 + 3xy) \\ &= 3x^3 + 3y^3 + 3z^3 + 9xyz \\ &= 3(x^3 + y^3 + z^3) = 3u \end{aligned}$$

Hence Euler's theorem is verified.

**2. If  $u = x \log \left(\frac{y}{x}\right)$ , then prove that  $x \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = nu$**

Solution:

$$\text{Given } u = x \log \left(\frac{y}{x}\right)$$

$u$  is a homogeneous function of degree 1.

$$\text{Therefore by Euler's theorem } x \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = 1 \times u = u$$

**3. If  $(x, y) = \frac{1}{x^2} + \frac{1}{xy} + \frac{\log x - \log y}{x^2+y^2}$ , then prove that  $x \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} + 2f = 0$**

Solution:

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

$$\text{Now } f(tx, ty) = \frac{1}{(tx)^2} + \frac{1}{txy} + \frac{\log tx - \log ty}{(tx)^2+(ty)^2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{t^2x^2} + \frac{1}{t^2xy} + \frac{\log \frac{tx}{ty}}{t^2(x^2+y^2)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{t^2} \left( \frac{1}{x^2} + \frac{1}{xy} + \frac{\log x - \log y}{x^2+y^2} \right)$$

$$= t^{-2} \left( \frac{1}{x^2} + \frac{1}{xy} + \frac{\log x - \log y}{x^2+y^2} \right)$$

Therefore  $f(x, y)$  is a homogeneous function of degree -2

$$\text{By Euler's theorem, } x \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = -2f$$

$$\Rightarrow x \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} + 2f = 0$$

**4. If  $u = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{x^3+y^3}{x-y} \right)$ , show that  $x \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = \sin 2u$**

Solution: Given  $u = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{x^3+y^3}{x-y} \right)$

$$\Rightarrow \tan u = \left( \frac{x^3+y^3}{x-y} \right)$$

$$\text{Let } z = \tan u = \left( \frac{x^3+y^3}{x-y} \right)$$

And  $z$  is a homogeneous function of order 2.

We know that  $x \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = n \frac{f(u)}{f'(u)}$

Here  $f(u) = \tan u$

$\Rightarrow f'(u) = \sec^2 u$

Therefore by the result,

$$\begin{aligned} x \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} &= 2 \frac{\tan u}{\sec^2 u} = 2 \frac{\sin u}{\cos u} \times \cos^2 u \\ &= 2 \sin u \times \cos u = \sin 2u \end{aligned}$$

(Or)

By Euler's theorem,  $x \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = nz$

$$\Rightarrow x \sec^2 u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + y \sec^2 u \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = 2z$$

$$\Rightarrow x \sec^2 u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + y \sec^2 u \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = 2 \tan u$$

$$\Rightarrow x \frac{1}{\cos^2 u} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + y \frac{1}{\cos^2 u} \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = 2 \frac{\sin u}{\cos u}$$

$$\Rightarrow x \frac{1}{\cos u} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + y \frac{1}{\cos u} \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = 2 \frac{\sin u}{1}$$

$$\Rightarrow x \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = 2 \sin u \cos u = \sin 2u.$$

All the best