

# Calculus

## B.Sc. 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester (FYUGP)

### Unit 3 and Unit 4

**Unit 3:** Rolle's theorem, Lagrange's mean value theorem with geometrical interpretations and simple applications, Maclaurin and Taylor polynomials and their sigma notations. Taylor's formula with remainder, Introduction to Maclaurin and Taylor series.

**Unit 4:** Functions of two or more variables, Partial differentiation up to second order, Euler's theorem on homogeneous functions

## Unit - 3

### \* Rolle's Theorem

If a function  $f(x)$  is derivable in an interval  $[a, b]$  and also  $f(a) = f(b)$ , then there exist at least one value 'c' of  $x$  lying within  $[a, b]$  such that  $f'(c) = 0$

~~Proof~~

(or)

If  $f(x)$  is a function define on  $[a, b]$  such that

- (i)  $f(x)$  is continuous in  $[a, b]$
- (ii)  $f(x)$  is differentiable in  $(a, b)$
- (iii)  $f(a) = f(b)$

Then there exist one point  $c \in (a, b)$  such that  $f'(c) = 0$

Proof: Given function  $f(x)$  is continuous in  $[a, b]$ .  
Therefore,  $f(x)$  attains its maximum <sup>(M)</sup> and minimum <sup>(m)</sup> value. Two cases arises, either  $M = m$  or  $M \neq m$

Case (i)  $M = m$

$\Rightarrow f(x)$  is a constant function

i.e.,  $f(x) = \text{constant}$

$\therefore f'(x) = 0$

Case (ii)  $m \neq M$

Since  $f(a) = f(b)$ ,

$\Rightarrow f$  has at least one value different from  $f(a)$  and  $f(b)$ .

Let  $f(c) = M$ , where  $c \in (a, b)$

Also,  $f$  is differentiable in  $[a, b]$

$\therefore f'(c)$  exist

i.e,  $f'(c) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(c+h) - f(c)}{h}$  will exist — (1)

Now  $f(c) = M$

$$\Rightarrow f(c+h) \leq f(c)$$

$$\Rightarrow f(c+h) - f(c) \leq 0 \text{ — (2)}$$

When  $h > 0$ , from (1) and (2), we have

$$f'(c) \leq 0 \text{ — (3)}$$

When  $h < 0$ , from (1) and (2), we have

$$f'(c) \geq 0 \text{ — (4)}$$

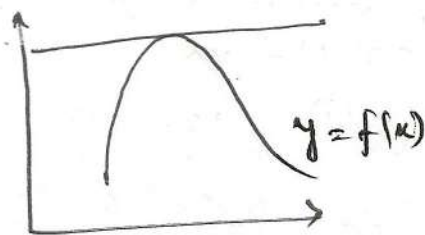
From (3) and (4), we get

$$f'(c) = 0$$

### \* Geometrical Interpretations of Rolle's Theorem:

Let the curve  $y = f(x)$

which is continuous on  $[a, b]$  and derivable on  $(a, b)$  be drawn.



The theorem simply states that between two points with equal ordinates on the graph of  $f$ , there exist at least one point where the tangent is parallel to x-axis.

Algebraic: Between two zeros  $a$  and  $b$  of  $f(x)$

(i.e, between two roots  $a$  and  $b$  of  $f(x) = 0$ )  $\exists$  at least one zero of  $f'(x)$ .

Ex ① Verify Rolle's Theorem

(i)  $x^2$  in  $[-1, 1]$  (ii)  $x(x+3)e^{-\frac{x}{2}}$  in  $[-3, 0]$

Proof (i) Let  $f(x) = x^2$

Since the given function is polynomial function

$\therefore f(x) = x^2$  is continuous on  $[-1, 1]$

Also,  $f(x) = x^2$  is differentiable in  $(-1, 1)$

$$\text{Now, } f(-1) = (-1)^2 = 1$$

$$f(1) = 1^2 = 1$$

$$\therefore f(-1) = f(1)$$

$$\text{We have, } f'(x) = 2x$$

$$\text{If } f'(x) = 0 \Rightarrow 2x = 0 \Rightarrow x = 0$$

Which value lies within  $[-1, 1]$

Hence the Rolle's Theorem is verified.

(ii) Let  $f(x) = x(x+3)e^{-\frac{x}{2}}$

$$\text{we have, } f(-3) = 0 = f(0)$$

$f(x)$  is derivable in the interval  $[-3, 0]$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{we have, } f'(x) &= (2x+3)e^{-\frac{x}{2}} + x(x+3)e^{-\frac{x}{2}}\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) \\ &= \frac{-x^2 + x + 6}{2} e^{-\frac{x}{2}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Putting } f'(x) = 0 \text{ we get } -x^2 + x + 6 = 0 \Rightarrow x = -2, 3$$

Of these two values of  $x$ , for which  $f'(x)$  is zero,  $-2$  belongs to the interval  $[-3, 0]$  under consideration.

Ex 2: Verify Rolle's theorem in the interval  $[a, b]$

for the functions

(i)  $\log \frac{x^2+ab}{(a+b)x}$

(ii)  $(x-a)^m (x-b)^n$ ;  $m, n$  being +ve integers.

Solution (i) Let  $f(x) = \log \frac{x^2+ab}{(a+b)x}$

Since,  $f(x)$  is continuous on  $[a, b]$  and differentiable in  $(a, b)$ .

Also,  $f(a) = \log \frac{a^2+ab}{(a+b)a} = \log \frac{a(a+b)}{a(a+b)} = \log 1 = 0$

$f(b) = \log \frac{b^2+ab}{(a+b)b} = 0$

$\therefore f(a) = f(b)$

Now,  $f'(x) = \frac{1}{\frac{x^2+ab}{(a+b)x}} \cdot \frac{(a+b)x(2x) - (x^2+ab)(a+b)}{(a+b)^2 x^2}$   
 $= \frac{(a+b)x}{(x^2+ab)} \times \frac{(a+b)(2x^2 - x^2 - ab)}{(a+b)^2 x^2}$   
 $= \frac{x^2 - ab}{(x^2+ab)x}$

If  $f'(x) = 0 \Rightarrow x^2 - ab = 0 \Rightarrow x = \pm \sqrt{ab}$

Since,  $x = \sqrt{ab} \in (a, b)$

Hence, the Rolle's theorem is verified.

(ii) Try yourself.

[Hint:  $f'(x) = 0$  -

$\Rightarrow x = \frac{an - bm}{n - m} \in (a, b)$

Since,  $m, n$  is +ve integer.

## \* Lagrange's Mean Value Theorem

If a function  $f$  defined on  $[a, b]$  is

- (i) continuous on  $[a, b]$  and
- (ii) derivable on  $(a, b)$

Then  $\exists$  at least one real number  $c$  between  $a$  and  $b$  such that

$$f'(c) = \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a}, \quad c \in (a, b)$$

Proof: Let us consider a function

$$\phi(x) = f(x) + Ax, \quad x \in [a, b]$$

where  $A$  is constant to be determined such that

$$\begin{aligned} \phi(a) &= \phi(b) \\ \Rightarrow A &= - \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a} \end{aligned}$$

Now, the function  $\phi(x)$ , being the sum of two continuous and derivable functions, is itself

- (i) continuous on  $[a, b]$
- (ii) derivable on  $(a, b)$  and
- (iii)  $\phi(a) = \phi(b)$

Therefore, by Rolle's Theorem  $\exists$  a real number  $c \in (a, b)$  such that  $\phi'(c) = 0$

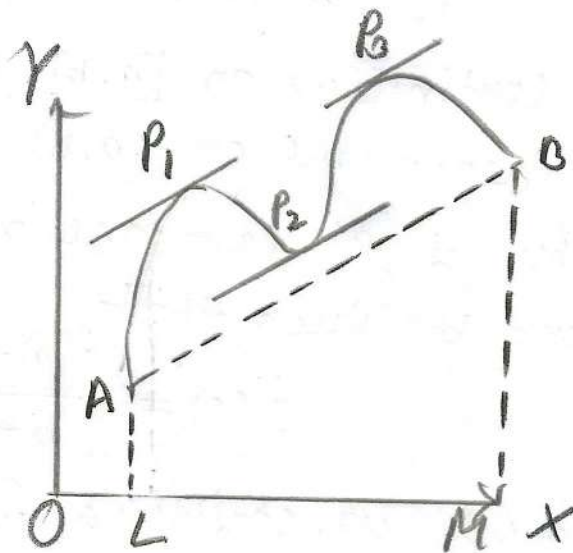
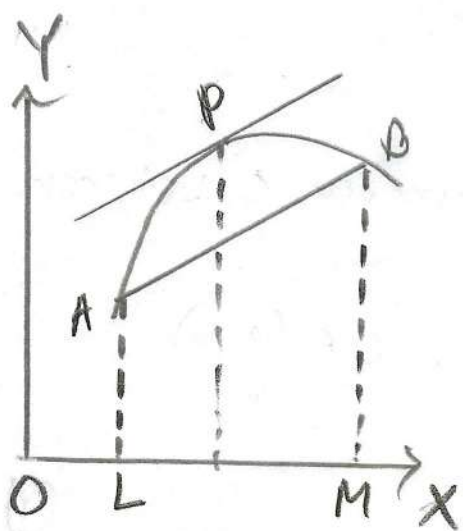
$$\text{But } \phi'(x) = f'(x) + A$$

$$\therefore f'(c) + A = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow f'(c) = -A$$

$$\Rightarrow f'(c) = \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a}$$

## Geometrical statement of the theorem



If a curve has a tangent at each of its points, then there exist at least one point P on the curve such that the tangent at P is parallel to the chord AB joining its extremities.

If  $f(x)$  is derivable in  $[a, b]$ , then the curve  $y = f(x)$  has a tangent at each point of the curve lying between the extremities  $A[a, f(a)]$  and  $B[b, f(b)]$ .

$$\text{Slope of the chord AB} = \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a}$$

Let P be the point  $(c, f(c))$  on the curve;

$$c \text{ being such that } \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a} = f'(c)$$

The slope of the tangent at P =  $f'(c)$

Thus  $\exists$  a point P on the curve the tangent at which is parallel to the chord AB.

Ex: ① If  $f(x) = \frac{(x-1)(x-2)(x-3)}{1}$ ;  $a=0, b=4$  then find the value of  $c$ .

Solution: Given,  $f(x) = (x-1)(x-2)(x-3)$

$$\therefore f(a) = f(0) = -6, \quad f(b) = f(4) = 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1 = 6$$

$$\therefore \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a} = \frac{f(4) - f(0)}{4 - 0} = \frac{12}{4} = 3$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Also, } f'(x) &= (x-1)(x-2) + (x-2)(x-3) + (x-3)(x-1) \\ &= x^2 - 3x + 2 + x^2 - 5x + 6 + x^2 - 4x + 3 \\ &= 3x^2 - 12x + 11 \end{aligned}$$

By Lagrange's Mean Value Theorem

$$f'(c) = \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a}$$

$$\Rightarrow 3c^2 - 12c + 11 = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow 3c^2 - 12c + 8 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow c = \frac{6+2\sqrt{3}}{3}, \frac{6-2\sqrt{3}}{3} \in (0, 4)$$

Ex(2): Verify the mean value theorem for

(i)  $\log x$  in  $[1, e]$  (ii)  $x^3$  in  $[a, b]$

(iii)  $ax^2 + mx + n$  in  $[a, b]$

Solution: (i) Let  $f(x) = \log x$ ,  $[1, e]$

Now,  ~~$f(1) = \log 1 = 0$~~

~~$f$~~

Since given function is logarithmic functions.

$\therefore f(x)$  is continuous on  $[1, e]$

and  $f(x)$  is differentiable in  $(1, e)$



And,  $f(a) = f(1) = \log 1 = 0$

$$f(b) = f(e) = \log e = 1$$

$$\therefore \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a} = f'(c) \Rightarrow \frac{1}{e-1} = f'(c) \quad \text{--- (i)}$$

$$\text{Now, } f'(x) = \frac{1}{x} \Rightarrow f'(c) = \frac{1}{c} \quad \text{--- (ii)}$$

From (i) and (ii), we have

$$\frac{1}{c} = \frac{1}{e-1} \Rightarrow c = e-1 \in [1, e]$$

Since,  $2 < e < 3$

Hence,  $f(x) = \log x$  in  $[1, e]$  is verified.

(ii) Try yourself

$$[\text{Hint: } c^2 = \frac{a^2 + ab + b^2}{3}]$$

$$\text{Let } c_1 = \left(\frac{a^2 + ab + b^2}{3}\right)^{1/2}, \quad c_2 = -\left(\frac{a^2 + ab + b^2}{3}\right)^{1/2}$$

We need to prove that; at least one of the following two inequalities holds;

$$(I) a < c_1 < b \quad ; \quad (II) a < c_2 < b$$

Consider 2 cases:

1.  $0 \leq a < b$ : In this case (I) is true.

because  $c_1^2 - a^2 = \frac{1}{3}(b-a)(b+2a) > 0$  and

$$b^2 - c_1^2 = \frac{1}{3}(b-a)(2b+a) > 0$$

2.  $a < b \leq 0$ ; similarly, in this case (II) is

true because  $a^2 - c_2^2 > 0$  and  $c_2^2 - b^2 > 0$

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Ex: 3: Find  $c$  of the mean value theorem of

$$f(x) = x(x-1)(x-2); \quad a=0, \quad b=\frac{1}{2}$$

Ans:  $c = \frac{1-\sqrt{21}}{6}$

Ex 4: Find  $c$  so that  $f'(c) = \frac{f(b)-f(a)}{b-a}$  in

following cases:—

(i)  $f(x) = x^2 - 3x - 1; \quad a = \frac{-11}{7}, \quad b = \frac{13}{7}$

(ii)  $f(x) = \sqrt{x^2 - 4}; \quad a = 2, \quad b = 3$

(iii)  $f(x) = e^x; \quad a = 0, \quad b = 1$

Ans: (i)  $c = \frac{1}{7} \in (a, b)$

(ii)  $c = \sqrt{5} \in (a, b)$

(iii)  $c = \log(e-1) \in (a, b)$

Ex: 5: Explain the failure of theorem in the

interval  $[-1, 1]$  when  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}, \quad x \neq 0; \quad f(0) = 0$

Solution: Let  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}, \quad [-1, 1]$

$$f'(x) = -\frac{1}{x^2}$$

Now,  $f'(c) = \frac{f(b)-f(a)}{b-a}$

$$\Rightarrow -\frac{1}{c^2} = \frac{1 - (-1)}{1 - (-1)} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow c^2 = -1$$

$$\Rightarrow c = \pm\sqrt{-1} \notin [-1, 1]$$

Therefore, Mean value theorem cannot be applied.

\* Some Important deductions from the Mean Value Theorems

Let  $x_1, x_2$  be any two points belonging to the interval  $[a, b]$  such that  $x_1 < x_2$ .

Applying the mean value theorem to the interval  $[x_1, x_2]$ . We see that  $\exists$  a number  $\xi$  between  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  such that

$$f'(\xi) = \frac{f(x_2) - f(x_1)}{x_2 - x_1} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

(A) Let  $f'(x) = 0$  throughout the interval  $[a, b]$ .

From (1), we get  $f(x_2) = f(x_1)$

Where,  $x_1, x_2$  are any two values of  $x$ , thus we see that every two values of the function are equal. Hence  $f(x)$  is a constant. We thus proved

"If the derivative of a function vanishes for all of  $x$  in an interval, then the function must be constant."

(B) Let  $f'(x) > 0$  for every value of  $x$  in  $[a, b]$

From (1), we get

$$f(x_2) - f(x_1) > 0 \Rightarrow f(x_2) > f(x_1)$$

Hence  $f(x)$  is an increasing function of  $x$ .

We thus proved —

"A function whose derivative is positive for every values of  $x$  in an interval is a monotonically increasing function of  $x$  in that interval."

(c) Let  $f(x) < 0$  for every value of  $x$  in  $[a, b]$

From ①, we have  $f(x_2) - f(x_1) < 0$

$$\Rightarrow f(x_2) < f(x_1)$$

Hence,  $f(x)$  is a decreasing function of  $x$ .

We have thus proved:—

“A function whose derivative is negative for every value of  $x$  in an interval is a monotonically decreasing function of  $x$  in that interval.”

### Examples

① Show that  $x^3 - 3x^2 + 3x + 2$  is monotonically increasing in every interval.

Solution: Let  $f(x) = x^3 - 3x^2 + 3x + 2$

$$\therefore f'(x) = 3x^2 - 6x + 3 = 3(x-1)^2$$

Thus,  $f'(x) > 0$  for every value of  $x$  except 1 where it vanishes.

Hence  $f(x)$  is monotonically increasing.

② Separate the interval in which the polynomial

$$2x^3 - 15x^2 + 36x + 1$$

is decreasing or increasing,

Also draw a graph of the function.

Solution: Let  $f(x) = 2x^3 - 15x^2 + 36x + 1$

$$\therefore f'(x) = 6x^2 - 30x + 36 = 6(x-2)(x-3)$$

To find interval, we consider

$$f'(x) = 0 \Rightarrow 6x^2 - 30x + 36 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 5x + 6 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 2, 3$$

∴ intervals are  $(-\infty, 2)$ ,  $[2, 3]$  and  $(3, \infty)$

We have,  $f'(x) = 0$  for  $x = 2$  and  $3$ .

$$\Rightarrow f(x) = \text{constant}$$

Again, Now, ~~the~~

$$\text{For } x < 2, \quad f'(x) > 0$$

$$\text{For } 2 < x < 3, \quad f'(x) < 0$$

$$\text{For } x > 3, \quad f'(x) > 0$$

Thus,  $f(x)$  is positive in  $(-\infty, 2)$  and  $(3, \infty)$  and negative in the interval  $(2, 3)$

Hence,  $f(x)$  is ~~is~~ <sup>monotonically</sup> increasing in the intervals  $(-\infty, 2)$ ,  $[3, \infty)$  and monotonically decreasing in  $[2, 3]$ .

⑤ Show that  $\frac{x}{1+x} < \log(1+x) < x$  for  $x > 0$  (VII)

Solution let  $f(x) = \log(1+x) - \frac{x}{1+x}$  ∴  $f'(x) = \frac{x}{(1+x)^2}$

Thus,  $f'(x) > 0$  for  $x > 0$  and  $f'(x) = 0$  for  $x = 0$

Hence,  $f(x)$  is monotonically increasing in the interval  $[0, \infty)$ . Also,  $f(0) = 0$ , ∴  $f(x) > f(0) = 0$  for  $x > 0$ .

Hence,  $f(x)$  is positive for every positive value of  $x$ , so that  $\log(1+x) > \frac{x}{1+x}$ , for  $x > 0$ , ①

Again, let  $F(x) = x - \log(1+x)$

$$\therefore F'(x) = 1 - \frac{1}{1+x} = \frac{x}{1+x}$$

Thus  $F'(x) > 0$  for  $x > 0$  and  $F'(x) = 0$  for  $x = 0$

Therefore,  $F(x)$  is monotonically increasing in the interval  $[0, \infty)$ . Also,  $F(0) = 0$

$$F(x) > F(0) = 0, \text{ for } x > 0$$

Hence,  $F(x)$  is positive for positive values of  $x$  so that  $x > \log(1+x)$ , for  $x > 0$  — (ii)

From (i) and (ii), we have

$$\frac{x}{1+x} < \log(1+x) < x, \text{ for } x > 0$$

Ex(4) Show that  $x < -\log(1-x) < x(1-x)^{-1}$ , for  $0 < x < 1$

Ex(5) Determine the intervals in which the function  $(x^4 + 6x^3 + 17x^2 + 32x + 32)e^{-x}$  is increasing or decreasing.

Ex(6) Let  $f(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$ . Let  $p$  and  $q$  are two real members such that  $f(p) = f(q)$ .

Prove that  $f'\left(\frac{p+q}{2}\right) = 0$

Solution: Given function  $f(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$ .

Since the given function is a polynomial function. So, it is continuous and differentiable for every value of  $x$ , in particular in  $[p, q]$

Also, given that  $f(p) = f(q)$

Thus, the given function  $f$  satisfies all the conditions of Rolle's Theorem, hence there

is at least one value  $m$  say  $c$

$$f'(c) = 0 \quad \text{--- (i)}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2ac + b = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow c = -\frac{b}{2a}, \quad c \in (p, q) \quad \text{--- (ii)}$$

But,  $f(p) = f(q)$

$$\Rightarrow ap^2 + bp + c = aq^2 + bq + c$$

$$\Rightarrow a(p^2 - q^2) + b(p - q) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a(p+q)(p-q) + b(p-q) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a(p+q) + b = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow p+q = -\frac{b}{a}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{p+q}{2} = -\frac{b}{2a} \quad \text{--- (iii)}$$

From (ii) and (iii), we have

$$c = \frac{p+q}{2}$$

Using the values of  $c$  in (i), we have

$$f'\left(\frac{p+q}{2}\right) = 0.$$

## \* Maclaurin and Taylor polynomial:

① Taylor polynomial: If  $f$  can be differentiated  $n$  times at  $x_0$ , then we define the  $n$ th Taylor polynomial for  $f$  about  $x = x_0$  to be

$$P_n(x) = f(x_0) + f'(x_0)(x-x_0) + \frac{f''(x_0)}{2!}(x-x_0)^2 + \frac{f'''(x_0)}{3!}(x-x_0)^3 + \dots + \frac{f^{(n)}(x_0)}{n!}(x-x_0)^n$$

② Maclaurin polynomial: If  $f$  can be differentiated  $n$  times at  $0$ , then we define the  $n$ th Maclaurin polynomial for  $f$  to be

$$P_n(x) = f(0) + f'(0)x + \frac{f''(0)}{2!}x^2 + \frac{f'''(0)}{3!}x^3 + \dots + \frac{f^{(n)}(0)}{n!}x^n$$

### Example

① Find the Maclaurin polynomial  $P_0, P_1, P_2, P_3$  and  $P_n$  for  $e^x$ .

Solution: Given function  $f(x) = e^x$

We know that Maclaurin polynomial

$$P_n(x) = f(0) + f'(0)x + \frac{f''(0)}{2!}x^2 + \frac{f'''(0)}{3!}x^3 + \dots + \frac{f^{(n)}(0)}{n!}x^n$$



$$\text{Since, } f(x) = e^x, \quad f(0) = e^0 = 1$$

$$f'(x) = e^x, \quad f'(0) = e^0 = 1$$

$$f''(x) = e^x, \quad f''(0) = e^0 = 1$$

$$\vdots \quad \vdots$$

$$f^{(n)}(x) = e^x, \quad f^{(n)}(0) = e^0 = 1$$

∴ Maclaurin polynomial

$$P_0(x) = f(0) = 1$$

$$P_1(x) = f(0) + f'(0)x = 1 + x$$

$$P_2(x) = f(0) + f'(0)x + \frac{f''(0)}{2!}x^2 = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!}$$

$$P_3(x) = f(0) + f'(0)x + \frac{f''(0)}{2!}x^2 + \frac{f'''(0)}{3!}x^3$$
$$= 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!}$$

$$P_n(x) = f(0) + f'(0)x + \frac{f''(0)}{2!}x^2 + \frac{f'''(0)}{3!}x^3 + \dots + \frac{f^{(n)}(0)}{n!}x^n$$
$$= 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \dots + \frac{x^n}{n!}$$

Example: (2) Find the  $n$ th Maclaurin polynomial for

(a)  $\sin x$  (b)  $\cos x$

Solution: (a)  $\sin x$

$$\text{Given, } f(x) = \sin x \Rightarrow f(0) = 0$$

$$\therefore f'(x) = \cos x, \quad f'(0) = 1$$

$$f''(x) = -\sin x, \quad f''(0) = 0$$

$$f'''(x) = -\cos x, \quad f'''(0) = -1$$

$$f^{(4)}(x) = \sin x, \quad f^{(4)}(0) = 0$$

The pattern 0, 1, 0, -1 will repeat as we evaluate the successive derivative at 0. Therefore, Maclaurin polynomial is

$$\begin{aligned} P_n(x) &= f(0) + f'(0)x + \frac{f''(0)}{2!}x^2 + \frac{f'''(0)}{3!}x^3 + \frac{f^{(4)}(0)}{4!}x^4 + \dots + \frac{f^{(n)}(0)}{n!}x^n \\ &= 0 + x + \frac{0}{2!}x^2 + \frac{(-1)}{3!}x^3 + \frac{0}{4!}x^4 + \dots + \frac{(-1)^n x^n}{n!} \\ &= x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \frac{x^7}{7!} + \dots + (-1)^n \frac{x^n}{n!} \end{aligned}$$

(OR)

$$P_0(x) = 0$$

$$P_1(x) = 0 + x$$

$$P_2(x) = 0 + x + 0$$

$$P_3(x) = 0 + x + 0 - \frac{x^3}{3!}$$

$$P_4(x) = 0 + x + 0 - \frac{x^3}{3!} + 0$$

$$P_5(x) = 0 + x + 0 - \frac{x^3}{3!} + 0 + \frac{x^5}{5!}$$

$$P_6(x) = 0 + x + 0 - \frac{x^3}{3!} + 0 + \frac{x^5}{5!} + 0$$

$$P_7(x) = 0 + x + 0 - \frac{x^3}{3!} + 0 + \frac{x^5}{5!} + 0 - \frac{x^7}{7!}$$

## \* Sigma notation for Taylor and Maclaurin Polynomial:

To express Taylor and Maclaurin polynomial in Sigma notation, we use the notation  $f^{(k)}(x_0)$  to denote the  $k^{\text{th}}$  derivative of  $f$  at  $x = x_0$  and we make the convention that  $f^{(0)}(x_0)$  denotes  $f(x_0)$ .

Thus Taylor polynomial becomes.

$$\sum_{k=0}^n \frac{f^{(k)}(x_0)}{k!} (x-x_0)^k = f(x_0) + f'(x_0)(x-x_0) + \frac{f''(x_0)}{2!} (x-x_0)^2 + \dots + \frac{f^{(n)}(x_0)}{n!} (x-x_0)^n$$

Similarly, we can write the Maclaurin polynomial

$$\sum_{k=0}^n \frac{f^{(k)}(0)}{k!} x^k = f(0) + f'(0)x + \frac{f''(0)}{2!} x^2 + \dots + \frac{f^{(n)}(0)}{n!} x^n$$

Example: Find the  $n^{\text{th}}$  Taylor polynomial for  $\frac{1}{x}$  about  $x = 1$  and express it in sigma notations.

Solution: Given function  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$

At about  $x = 1$ , we have

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{x}, \quad f(1) = 1$$

$$f'(x) = -\frac{1}{x^2}, \quad f'(1) = -1$$

$$f''(x) = \frac{2}{x^3}, \quad f''(1) = 2 = 2!$$

$$f'''(x) = -\frac{6}{x^4}, \quad f'''(1) = -6 = -3!$$

$$f^{(4)}(x) = \frac{24}{x^5}, \quad f^{(4)}(1) = 24 = 4!$$

Similarly,

$$f^{(k)}(x) = \frac{k!}{x^{k+1}}, \quad f^{(k)}(1) = (-1)^k k!$$

∴ Taylor polynomial about  $x=1$  is

$$\sum_{k=0}^n \frac{(-1)^k k!}{k!} (x-1)^k = 1 + (-1)(x-1) + \frac{2!}{2!} (x-1)^2 + \frac{(-3!)}{3!} (x-1)^3 + \frac{4!}{4!} (x-1)^4 + \dots + \frac{(-1)^n n!}{n!} (x-1)^n$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{k=0}^n (-1)^k (x-1)^k = 1 - (x-1) + (x-1)^2 - (x-1)^3 + (x-1)^4 + \dots + (-1)^n (x-1)^n$$

Example: use sigma notation to write the Taylor series about  $x=-1$  for the function  $e^x$ .

Solution: Given  $f(x) = e^x$

At about  $x=-1$ , we have

$$f(x) = e^x, \quad f(-1) = e^{-1} = \frac{1}{e}$$

$$f'(x) = e^x, \quad f'(-1) = \frac{1}{e}$$

$$f''(x) = e^x, \quad f''(-1) = \frac{1}{e}$$

Similarly,

$$f^{(n)}(x) = e^x, \quad f^{(n)}(-1) = \frac{1}{e}$$

∴ Taylor series for the function  $e^x$  about  $x = -1$  in sigma notation is given by

$$\sum_{k=0}^n \frac{e}{k!} (x - (-1))^k = \frac{e}{e} + \frac{e}{e} (x - (-1)) + \frac{1}{e 2!} (x - (-1))^2 + \frac{1}{e 3!} (x - (-1))^3 + \dots + \frac{1}{e n!} (x - (-1))^n$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{1}{e k!} (x+1)^k = \frac{1}{e} + \frac{1}{e} (x+1) + \frac{1}{e 2!} (x+1)^2 + \frac{1}{e 3!} (x+1)^3 + \dots + \frac{1}{e n!} (x+1)^n$$

\* Taylor's formula with remainder:

It will be convenient to have a notation for the error in the approximation  $f(x) \approx P_n(x)$ . Accordingly, we will let  $R_n(x)$  denote the difference between  $f(x)$  and its  $n$ th Taylor polynomial; that is

$$R_n(x) = f(x) - P_n(x) = f(x) - \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{f^{(k)}(x_0)}{k!} (x - x_0)^k$$

This can also be written as

$$f(x) = P_n(x) + R_n(x) = \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{f^{(k)}(x_0)}{k!} (x - x_0)^k + R_n(x)$$

The function  $R_n(x)$  is called the  $n$ th remainder for the Taylor series of  $f$  and above formula is called Taylor formula with remainder.

## \* Maclaurin and Taylor Series

If  $f$  can be differentiated  $n$ th times at  $x_0$ ,

Then Taylor series is given by

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(k)}(x_0)}{k!} (x-x_0)^k = f(x_0) + f'(x_0)(x-x_0) + \frac{f''(x_0)}{2!} (x-x_0)^2 + \dots + \frac{f^{(k)}(x_0)}{k!} (x-x_0)^k$$

And, Maclaurin series is given by

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(k)}(0)}{k!} x^k = f(0) + f'(0)x + \frac{f''(0)}{2!} x^2 + \dots + \frac{f^{(k)}(0)}{k!} x^k$$

Example: Expand Maclaurin series of

- (i)  $\sin x$  (ii)  $\cos x$  (iii)  $e^x$  (iv)  $\log(1+x)$

Soln: (i)  $\sin x = x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \dots + (-1)^k \frac{x^{2k+1}}{(2k+1)!} + \dots$

(ii)  $\cos x = 1 - \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} - \frac{x^6}{6!} + \dots + (-1)^k \frac{x^{2k}}{(2k)!} + \dots$

(iii)  $e^x = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \dots + \frac{x^k}{k!} + \dots$

(iv)  $\log(1+x) = x - \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{3} - \dots + (-1)^{k+1} \frac{x^k}{k} + \dots$

\* Functions of two or more Variables

① A function  $f$  of two variables  $x$  and  $y$  is a rule that assigns a unique real number  $f(x, y)$  to each point  $(x, y)$  in some set  $D$  in the  $xy$ -plane. e.g.,

$$f(x, y) = x^2 + y^2 - 1$$

$$f(x, y) = \sqrt{1 - x^2 - y^2}$$

② A function  $f$  of three variables  $x, y$  and  $z$  is a rule that assigns a unique real number  $f(x, y, z)$  to each point  $(x, y, z)$  in some set  $D$  in the  $xyz$ -plane. e.g.,

$$f(x, y, z) = x + y + z$$

$$f(x, y, z) = 1 - xyz$$

\* Partial derivatives of function of two variables

Let  $z = f(x, y)$  then

$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(a+h, b) - f(a, b)}{h}$  if it exists, is said to be partial derivatives of  $f(x, y)$  w.r.t  $x$  at  $(a, b)$  and is denoted by

$\left(\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}\right)_{(a, b)}$  or  $f_x(a, b)$ ,  $\partial \rightarrow \text{del}$

Again, let  $z = f(x, y)$  then

$\lim_{k \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(a, b+k) - f(a, b)}{k}$  if it exists, is said

Partial derivatives of  $f(x, y)$  w.r.t  $y$  at  $(a, b)$  and is denoted by  $\left(\frac{\partial z}{\partial y}\right)_{(a, b)}$  or  $f_y(a, b)$ .

Note If  $f(x, y)$  possesses a partial derivatives w.r.t  $x$  and  $y$  at every point of its domain of definition, then it is denoted by

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \text{ or } f_x \text{ or } \frac{\partial z}{\partial x}$$

$$\text{And, } \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}, \text{ or } f_y \text{ or } \frac{\partial z}{\partial y}.$$

\* Partial derivatives of higher order:

We can form partial derivatives of  $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}$  and  $\frac{\partial z}{\partial y}$  w.r.t  $x$ . We have

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

Which are called the second order partial derivatives of  $z$  and are denoted by

$$\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2}, \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x \partial y} \text{ or } f_{xx}, f_{xy}$$

Ex 1 Find  $f_x(1, 3)$  and  $f_y(1, 3)$  for the function  $f(x, y) = 2x^3y^2 + 2y + 4x$ .

Solution Given  $f(x, y) = 2x^3y^2 + 2y + 4x$

[Remember To find partial derivative of  $f(x, y)$  w.r.t  $(x)$  then we take  $(y)$  as constant, and if w.r.t  $(y)$  then we take  $(x)$  as constant]



$$\begin{aligned} \therefore f_x(x, y) &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (2x^3y^2 + 2y + 4x) \\ &= 6x^2y^2 + 4 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f_y(x, y) &= \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (2x^3y^2 + 2y + 4x) \\ &= 4x^3y + 2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{At } (1, 3)$$

$$\therefore f_x(1, 3) = 6 \cdot 1^2 \cdot 3^2 + 4 = 58$$

$$f_y(1, 3) = 4 \cdot 1^3 \cdot 3 + 2 = 14$$

Ex 2: Find  $f_x(x, y)$  and  $f_y(x, y)$  for  $f(x, y) = 2x^3y^2 + 2y + 4x$  and use these partial derivatives to compute  $f_x(1, 3)$  and  $f_y(1, 3)$ . [Ans: Ex(1)]

Ex 3: Find  $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}$  and  $\frac{\partial z}{\partial y}$  if  $z = x^4 \sin(xy^3)$

Solution: Given  $z = x^4 \sin(xy^3)$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} [x^4 \sin(xy^3)] \\ &= x^4 \frac{\partial}{\partial x} [\sin(xy^3)] + \sin(xy^3) \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (x^4) \\ &= x^4 \cos(xy^3) \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (xy^3) + \sin(xy^3) \cdot 4x^3 \\ &= x^4 y^3 \cos(xy^3) + 4x^3 \sin(xy^3) \end{aligned}$$

Similarly,  $\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = 3x^5 y^2 \cos(xy^3)$ .

Ex 4: If  $f(x, y, z) = x^2 y^2 z^4 + 2xy + z$  then find  $f_x(x, y, z)$ ,  $f_y(x, y, z)$ ,  $f_z(x, y, z)$

Solution: To differentiate partially w.r.t  $x$  we take  $y$  and  $z$  as constant.

$$\therefore f_x(x, y, z) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (x^3 y^2 z^4 + 2xy + z)$$

$$= 3x^2 y^2 z^4 + 2y$$

$$f_y(x, y, z) = 2x^3 y z^4 + 2x$$

$$f_z(x, y, z) = 4x^3 y^2 z^3 + 1$$

Ex 5: Let  $f(x, y) = y^2 e^x + y$ . Find  $f_{xyy}$

Solutions: we know,  $f_{xy} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right)$

$$\therefore f_{xyy} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y^2} \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right)$$

$$\text{Now, } \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = y^2 e^x$$

$$\therefore \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right) = 2y e^x$$

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

$$\text{Hence, } f_{xyy} = 2e^x.$$

Ex 6 Find the first order partial derivatives of (i)  $\tan^{-1}(x+y)$  (ii)  $e^{ax} \sin by$  (iii)  $\log(x^2 + y^2)$

Solutions: (i)  $\tan^{-1}(x+y)$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} (\tan^{-1}(x+y)) = \frac{1}{1+(x+y)^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (x+y) = \frac{1}{1+(x+y)^2}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial y} (\tan^{-1}(x+y)) = \frac{1}{1+(x+y)^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (x+y) = \frac{1}{1+(x+y)^2}$$

(ii)  $e^{ax} \sin by$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} (e^{ax} \sin by) = \sin by \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (e^{ax}) = e^{ax} \sin by$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial y} (e^{ax} \sin by) = e^{ax} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (\sin by) = b e^{ax} \cos by$$

(iii)  $\log(x^2+y^2)$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} [\log(x^2+y^2)] = \frac{1}{x^2+y^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (x^2+y^2) = \frac{2x}{x^2+y^2}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial y} [\log(x^2+y^2)] = \frac{1}{x^2+y^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (x^2+y^2) = \frac{2y}{x^2+y^2}$$

Ex 7.6 Find the second order derivatives of

- (i)  $e^{x-y}$  (ii)  $e^{xy}$  (iii)  $\tan(\tan^{-1}x + \tan^{-1}y)$

Solutions (i)  $e^{x-y} = f$  (say)

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (e^{x-y}) = e^{x-y} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (x-y) = e^{x-y}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (e^{x-y}) = e^{x-y}$$

Again  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (e^{x-y}) = e^{x-y} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (x-y) = -e^{x-y}$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right) = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (-e^{x-y}) = e^{x-y}$$

[ (ii) and (iii) Try yourself ]

Ex 8 Verify that  $\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x \partial y} = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y \partial x}$

When  $u$  is (i)  $\sin^{-1} \frac{x}{y}$  (ii)  $\frac{xy}{\sqrt{1+x^2+y^2}}$

(iii)  $\log(x \sin u + u \sin y)$ .

Solutions (i) Given  $u = \sin^{-1} \frac{x}{y}$

We want to show  $\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x \partial y} = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y \partial x}$

Now,  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \sin^{-1} \frac{x}{y}$

$$\rightarrow \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{x}{y}\right)^2}} \frac{\partial}{\partial u} \left( \frac{x}{y} \right) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\left(\frac{y^2 - x^2}{y^2}\right)}} \cdot \frac{1}{y} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{y^2 - x^2}}$$

$$\text{And, } \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( \sin^{-1} \frac{x}{y} \right) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{x}{y}\right)^2}} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( \frac{x}{y} \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{\frac{y^2 - x^2}{y^2}}} \left( -\frac{x}{y^2} \right) = \frac{-x}{y\sqrt{y^2 - x^2}}$$

$$\text{Again, } \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x \partial y} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( \frac{-x}{y\sqrt{y^2 - x^2}} \right)$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x \partial y} = \frac{y\sqrt{y^2 - x^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (-x) - (-x) \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \sqrt{y^2 - x^2}}{y^2 (y^2 - x^2)}$$

$$= \frac{y\sqrt{y^2 - x^2} (-1) + x \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y^2 - x^2}} (-2x)}{y^2 (y^2 - x^2)}$$

$$= \frac{-y(y^2 - x^2) + xy(-x)}{y^2 (y^2 - x^2)^{3/2}}$$

$$= \frac{-y}{(y^2 - x^2)^{3/2}} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$\text{And, } \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y \partial x} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right) = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{y^2 - x^2}} \right)$$

$$= \frac{-1 \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (\sqrt{y^2 - x^2})}{(y^2 - x^2)}$$

$$= \frac{-\frac{1}{2\sqrt{y^2 - x^2}} (2y)}{(y^2 - x^2)}$$

$$= \frac{-y}{(y^2 - x^2)^{3/2}} \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

From (1) and (2), we get  $\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x \partial y} = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y \partial x}$ .

\* Homogeneous Functions:

① A function  $F(x, y)$  is said to be homogeneous function of degree  $n$  if

$$F(\lambda x, \lambda y) = \lambda^n F(x, y)$$

for any nonzero constant  $\lambda$ .

② A function  $f(x, y)$  is a homogeneous function of order or degree  $n$ , if it is expressible as  $x^n f\left(\frac{y}{x}\right)$  or  $y^n f\left(\frac{x}{y}\right)$ .

Example: ①  $F_1(x, y) = y^2 + 2xy$  ②  $F_2(x, y) = 2x - 3y$

③  $F_3(x, y) = \cos\left(\frac{y}{x}\right)$  ④  $F_4(x, y) = \frac{\sqrt{y} + \sqrt{x}}{y + x}$

Explanations: ①  $F_1(\lambda x, \lambda y) = (\lambda y)^2 + 2(\lambda x)(\lambda y)$   
 $= \lambda^2 (y^2 + 2xy)$   
 $= \lambda^2 F_1(x, y)$

So,  $F_1(x, y)$  is a homogeneous function of degree 2.

③  $F_3(x, y) = \cos\left(\frac{y}{x}\right)$

$$\therefore F_3(\lambda x, \lambda y) = \cos\left(\frac{\lambda y}{\lambda x}\right) = \cos\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) = \lambda^0 \cos\left(\frac{y}{x}\right)$$

So,  $F_3(x, y)$  is a homogeneous function of degree 0.

④  $F_4(\lambda x, \lambda y) = \frac{\sqrt{\lambda y} + \sqrt{\lambda x}}{\lambda y + \lambda x} = \frac{\sqrt{\lambda}(\sqrt{y} + \sqrt{x})}{\lambda(y + x)} = \lambda^{-1/2} (F_4(x, y))$

So,  $F_4(x, y)$  is a homogeneous function of degree  $-\frac{1}{2}$ .

\* Euler's Theorem on Homogeneous Function:

If  $f$  be a homogeneous function of  $x, y$  of degree  $n$ , then

$$x \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = n f.$$

Proof: Let  $f$  be a homogeneous function of  $x, y$  of degree  $n$ .

$$\text{i.e. } f = x^n f\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} &= n x^{n-1} f\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) + x^n f'\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) \left(-\frac{y}{x^2}\right) \\ &= n x^{n-1} f\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) - y x^{n-2} f'\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{and } \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} &= x^n f'\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) \cdot \frac{1}{x} \\ &= x^{n-1} f'\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Now, } x \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}$$

$$= n x^n f\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) - y x^{n-1} f'\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) + y x^{n-1} f'\left(\frac{y}{x}\right)$$

$$= n x^n f\left(\frac{y}{x}\right)$$

$$= n f \quad \text{[Using (1)]}$$

$$\therefore x \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = n f.$$

① Notes If  $z$  be a homogeneous function of  $x, y$  of degree  $n$  then  $x^n \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2} + 2xy \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x \partial y} + y^n \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial y^2} = n(n-1)z$ .

Proof: We know that by Euler's theorem, if  $z$  be a homogeneous function of  $x, y$  of degree  $n$ , then

$$x \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = nz \quad \text{--- (i)}$$

Differentiating (i) partially w.r.t ( $x$ ) we have

$$x \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x \partial y} = n \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \quad \text{--- (ii)}$$

Again, Differentiating (i) partially w.r.t ( $y$ ) we have

$$x \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial y \partial x} + y \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = n \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \quad \text{--- (iii)}$$

Now, multiplying (ii), (iii) by  $x, y$  respectively and adding, we get

$$x^n \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2} + x \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + xy \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x \partial y} + xy \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial y \partial x} + y^n \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial y^2} +$$

$$y \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = nx \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + ny \frac{\partial z}{\partial y}$$

$$\Rightarrow x^n \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2} + 2xy \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x \partial y} + y^n \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial y^2} = n(n-1)z. //$$

Ex 1 If  $u = x^n \tan^{-1} \frac{y}{x} - y^2 \tan^{-1} \frac{x}{y}$  then

prove that  $\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x \partial y} = \frac{x^2 - y^2}{x^2 + y^2}$

Solution: Given  $u = x^n \tan^{-1} \frac{y}{x} - y^2 \tan^{-1} \frac{x}{y}$

$$\therefore \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = x^n \frac{1}{1 + \frac{y^2}{x^2}} \cdot \frac{1}{x} + y^2 \frac{1}{1 + \frac{x^2}{y^2}} \cdot \frac{x}{y^2} - 2y \tan^{-1} \frac{x}{y}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = \frac{x^3}{x^2+y^2} + \frac{my^2}{x^2+y^2} - 2y \tan^{-1} \frac{x}{y}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = x - 2y \tan^{-1} \frac{x}{y}$$

Again,  $\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x \partial y} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right)$

$$= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( x - 2y \tan^{-1} \frac{x}{y} \right)$$

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

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

Ex 2: If  $u = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2+y^2+z^2}}$  show that

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial z^2} = 0 \quad (\text{VI})$$

Solution: Given  $u = (x^2+y^2+z^2)^{-\frac{1}{2}}$

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

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left[ -x (x^2+y^2+z^2)^{-\frac{3}{2}} \right] \\ &= -x \left[ -\frac{3}{2} (x^2+y^2+z^2)^{-\frac{5}{2}} (2x) \right] + (x^2+y^2+z^2)^{-\frac{3}{2}} (-1) \\ &= 3x^2 (x^2+y^2+z^2)^{-\frac{5}{2}} - (x^2+y^2+z^2)^{-\frac{3}{2}} \end{aligned}$$

Similarly

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = 3y^2 (x^2+y^2+z^2)^{-\frac{5}{2}} - (x^2+y^2+z^2)^{-\frac{3}{2}}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial z^2} = 3z^2 (x^2+y^2+z^2)^{-\frac{5}{2}} - (x^2+y^2+z^2)^{-\frac{3}{2}}$$



$$\text{Now, } \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial z^2}$$

$$= 3(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{-5/2} (x^2 + y^2 + z^2) - 3(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{-3/2}$$

$$= 3(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{-3/2} - 3(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{-3/2}$$

$$= 0$$

Ex(3): If  $u = \tan^{-1} \frac{x^3 + y^3}{x - y}$  prove that

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

Solution: To apply Euler's theorem, first we have to check; whether  $u$  is homogeneous function or not.

$$\begin{aligned} u(\lambda x, \lambda y) &= \tan^{-1} \frac{(\lambda x)^3 + (\lambda y)^3}{\lambda x - \lambda y} \\ &= \tan^{-1} \frac{\lambda^3 (x^3 + y^3)}{\lambda (x - y)} \neq \lambda^2 u(x, y) \end{aligned}$$

Clearly,  ~~$u$  is~~  $u$  is not homogeneous.

But, The values of  $u$  can be re-written as

$$\begin{aligned} u &= \tan^{-1} z, \quad \text{let } z = \frac{x^3 + y^3}{x - y} \\ \Rightarrow z &= \tan u \end{aligned}$$

Clearly,  $z$  is homogeneous degree of 2.

∴ By Euler's theorem, we have

$$x \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = 2z$$

$$\Rightarrow x \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (\tan u) + y \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (\tan u) = 2 \tan u$$

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

$$\Rightarrow x \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = 2 \sin u \cos u \quad [\because \sec \theta = \frac{1}{\cos \theta}]$$

$$\Rightarrow x \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = \sin 2u \quad [\because \sin 2\theta = 2 \sin \theta \cos \theta]$$

Ex 4 Verify Euler's theorem for

(i)  $z = ax^2 + 2hxy + by^2$       (ii)  $z = (x^2 + xy + y^2)$

(iii)  $z = \sin^{-1} \frac{x}{y} + \tan^{-1} \frac{y}{x}$       (iv)  $z = x^n \log \frac{y}{x}$

(v)  $z = \frac{x^{1/4} + y^{1/4}}{x^{1/5} + y^{1/5}}$

Solution: (i) Given  $z(x, y) = ax^2 + 2hxy + by^2$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore z(\lambda x, \lambda y) &= a(\lambda x)^2 + 2h(\lambda x)(\lambda y) + b(\lambda y)^2 \\ &= \lambda^2 (ax^2 + 2hxy + by^2) \\ &= \lambda^2 z(x, y) \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore z$  is a homogeneous function of degree 2.

By Euler's theorem, we have

$$x \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = 2z.$$

(iii)  $z(x, y) = \sin^{-1} \frac{x}{y} + \tan^{-1} \frac{y}{x}$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore z(\lambda x, \lambda y) &= \sin^{-1} \frac{\lambda x}{\lambda y} + \tan^{-1} \frac{\lambda y}{\lambda x} \\ &= \lambda^0 (z(x, y)) \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore z$  is a homogeneous function of degree 0.

$$\therefore x \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = 0.$$

(iv) Given  $z(x, y) = x^n \log \frac{y}{x}$

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore z(\lambda x, \lambda y) &= (\lambda x)^n \log \frac{\lambda y}{\lambda x} \\ &= \lambda^n x^n \log \frac{y}{x} \\ &= \lambda^n z(x, y)\end{aligned}$$

$\therefore z$  is a homogeneous function of degree  $n$ ,  
therefore, by Euler's theorem, we have

$$x \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = n z,$$

Ex(5): If  $u = f\left(\frac{y}{x}\right)$  show that

$$x \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = 0$$

Solution: In this question, we can prove by two methods.

Method (1): Given  $u = f\left(\frac{y}{x}\right)$

$$\therefore \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = f'\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{y}{x}\right) = -\frac{y}{x^2} f'\left(\frac{y}{x}\right)$$

$$\text{and } \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = f'\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{y}{x}\right) = \frac{1}{x} f'\left(\frac{y}{x}\right)$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Now, } x \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} &= -\frac{y}{x} f'\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) + \frac{y}{x} f'\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) \\ &= 0\end{aligned}$$

Method (2): Given  $u = f\left(\frac{y}{x}\right)$

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore u(\lambda x, \lambda y) &= f\left(\frac{\lambda y}{\lambda x}\right) = f\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) \\ &= \lambda^0 f\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) \\ &= \lambda^0 u\end{aligned}$$

∴  $u$  is a homogeneous function of degree 0.  
By Euler's theorem, we get

$$x \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = 0.$$

Ex(6): If  $z = xy f\left(\frac{x}{y}\right)$ , show that

$$x \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = 2z.$$

Ans: [Try yourself] [Hint:  $z$  is a homogeneous function of degree 2].

Ex(7): If  $u = \log \frac{x^2 + y^2}{x + y}$ , prove that

$$x \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = 1$$

Ex(8): If  $u = \sin^{-1} \frac{x^2 + y^2}{x + y}$ , show that

$$x \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = \tan u.$$

Solution: [Ex(7) and Ex(8); Solving technique are same]

$$\text{Given, } u = \sin^{-1} \frac{x^2 + y^2}{x + y}$$

Clearly  $u$  is not homogeneous function, (?)

∴ we can re-write  $u$  as below

$$u = \sin^{-1} z, \quad \text{let } z = \frac{x^2 + y^2}{x + y}$$

$$\Rightarrow z = \sin u$$

Clearly,  $z$  is homogeneous function of degree 1. Therefore by Euler's theorem

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

$$\Rightarrow x \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (\sin y) + y \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (\sin y) = \sin y$$

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

$$\Rightarrow x \frac{\partial y}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial y}{\partial y} = \tan y$$

Ex(9): If  $u = \sin^{-1} \frac{\sqrt{x} - \sqrt{y}}{\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{y}}$  show that

$$x \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = 0$$

Ex(10): If  $z = f(x+ay) + \phi(x-ay)$

prove that  $\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial y^2} = a^2 \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2}$

Ex(11): If  $u = f(r)$  where  $r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$

prove that  $\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = f''(r) + \frac{1}{r} f'(r)$

Ex(12): If  $u = \log(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)$ , prove that

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

Ex(13): If  $v = r^m$ , where  $r^2 = x^2 + y^2 + z^2$

show that  $\frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial z^2} = m(m+1)r^{m-2}$

Ex(14): If  $u = \tan^{-1} \frac{x^2 + y^2}{x+y}$ , find

$$x^2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + 2xy \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x \partial y} + y^2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2}$$

[Ans:  $(1 - 4 \sin^2 u) \sin 2u$ ]

Ex (15): If  $u = \sin^{-1} \left\{ \frac{x^{1/3} + y^{1/3}}{x^{1/2} + y^{1/2}} \right\}^{1/2}$  show that

$$x \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + 2xy \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x \partial y} + y^2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = \frac{\tan u}{144} (13 + \tan^2 u)$$

Solution: Given  $u = \sin^{-1} \left\{ \frac{x^{1/3} + y^{1/3}}{x^{1/2} + y^{1/2}} \right\}^{1/2}$

$$\Rightarrow u = \sin^{-1} z \quad (\text{say})$$

$$\Rightarrow z = \sin u \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Now,  $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = \cos u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2} = \cos u \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} - \sin u \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right)^2$$

$$\therefore \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial y \partial x} = \cos u \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y \partial x} - \sin u \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}$$

And,  $\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = \cos u \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial y^2} = \cos u \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} - \sin u \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right)^2$$

As  $z$  is homogeneous function of  $x, y$  of degree  $-\frac{1}{12}$ , By Note (1), we have [Above Ex (1)]

$$x \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2} + 2xy \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x \partial y} + y^2 \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial y^2} = -\frac{1}{12} \left( -\frac{1}{12} - 1 \right) z$$

$$\Rightarrow x \left[ \cos u \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} - \sin u \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right)^2 \right] + 2xy \left[ \cos u \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y \partial x} - \sin u \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right]$$

$$+ y^2 \left[ \cos u \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} - \sin u \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right)^2 \right] = \frac{13}{144} \sin u$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos 4 \left[ x^2 \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial x^2} + 2xy \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial x \partial y} + y^2 \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial y^2} \right] - \sin 4 \left[ x^2 \left( \frac{\partial y}{\partial x} \right)^2 + 2xy \frac{\partial y}{\partial x} \frac{\partial y}{\partial y} + y^2 \left( \frac{\partial y}{\partial y} \right)^2 \right] = \frac{13}{144} \sin 4$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos 4 \left[ x^2 \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial x^2} + 2xy \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial x \partial y} + y^2 \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial y^2} \right] - \sin 4 \left[ x \frac{\partial y}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial y}{\partial y} \right]^2 = \frac{13}{144} \sin 4 \quad \text{--- (*)}$$

Now,  $x \frac{\partial y}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial y}{\partial y} = -\frac{1}{12} \tan 4$  (why?)

$$\therefore (*) \Rightarrow \cos 4 \left[ x^2 \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial x^2} + 2xy \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial x \partial y} + y^2 \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial y^2} \right] = \frac{\sin 4}{144} \tan^2 4 + \frac{13}{144} \sin 4$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial x^2} + 2xy \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial x \partial y} + y^2 \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial y^2} = \frac{\tan 4}{144} (13 + \tan^2 4)$$

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