

0.1) Given that $Z = \frac{x^3 - y^3}{x^2 y^2}$, show that $x \frac{\partial Z}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial Z}{\partial y} = -Z$

$$\frac{\partial Z}{\partial x} = \left[x^2 y^2 \left(\frac{\partial x^3 - y^3}{\partial x} \right) \right] - \left[(x^3 - y^3) \left(\frac{\partial x^2 y^2}{\partial x} \right) \right]$$

$$= \left[x^2 y^2 (3x^2) \right] - \left[(x^3 - y^3) (2xy^2) \right]$$

$$= (3x^4 y^2) - (2x^4 y^2 - 2xy^5)$$

$$= 3x^4 y^2 + 2xy^5$$

$$= \frac{x^4 y^4 (x^3 + 2y^3)}{x^4 y^4}$$

$$= \frac{x^3 + 2y^3}{x^3 y^2}$$

$$x \left(\frac{x^3 + 2y^3}{x^3 y^2} \right) + y \left(\frac{-2y^3 - 2x^3}{x^2 y^3} \right) = \frac{-x^3 + y^3}{x^2 y^2}$$

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

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

$$\frac{\partial Z}{\partial y} = \frac{\left[x^2 y^2 \left(\frac{\partial x^3 - y^3}{\partial y} \right) \right] - \left[(x^3 - y^3) \left(\frac{\partial x^2 y^2}{\partial y} \right) \right]}{(x^2 y^2)^2}$$

$$= \left[x^2 y^2 (-3y^2) \right] - \left[(x^3 - y^3) (x^2 \cdot 2y) \right]$$

$$= -3y^4 x^2 - (x^5 2y - x^2 2y^4)$$

$$= \frac{-y^4 x^2 - 2x^5 y + x^2 2y^4}{x^4 y^4}$$

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0.2) Given that $Z = \frac{x-y}{x+y}$ use the total differential and calculate the change in Z when $x=1$ and $y=1$. What would happen to Z if X increases by 2 units while Y decreases by 2 units?

$$dz = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \cdot dx + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \cdot dy$$

$$= \frac{(x+y)\partial(x-y) - (x-y)\partial(x+y)}{(x+y)^2} dx + \frac{(x+y)\partial(x-y) - (x-y)\partial(x+y)}{(x+y)^2} dy$$

$$= \frac{(x+y)(1) - (x-y)(1)}{x^2 + 2xy + y^2} dx + \frac{(x+y)(-1) - (x-y)(1)}{(x+y)^2} dy$$

$$= \frac{x+y - x+y}{(x+y)^2} dx + \frac{-x+y - x+y}{(x+y)^2} dy$$

$$= \frac{2y}{(x+y)^2} dx - \frac{2x}{(x+y)^2} dy$$

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

$$= \frac{4}{4} + \frac{4}{4}$$

$$= 2$$

0.3) If $z = 2x^2y + 3xy + y^2$ where $x = r^2 + 2rs$ and $y = 2r - 4s$, then by means of the chain rule, (0.3a) find $\partial z / \partial s$ and $\partial z / \partial r$; (0.3b) evaluate when $r = 1$ and $s = 0$

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

$$= \left[\frac{\partial (2x^2y + 3xy + y^2)}{\partial x} \times \frac{\partial (r^2 + 2rs)}{\partial s} \right] + \left[\frac{\partial (2x^2y + 3xy + y^2)}{\partial y} \times \frac{\partial (2r - 4s)}{\partial s} \right]$$

$$= [(4xy + 3y) \times (2r)] + [(2x^2 + 3x + 2y) \times (-4)]$$

$$\boxed{r=1, s=0}$$

$$= (8xy + 3y) + (-8x^2 - 12x - 8y)$$

$$= -8x^2 - 12x + 8xy - 5y$$

$$= -8(1)^2 - 12(1) + 8(1)(2) - 5(2)$$

$$= -8 - 12 + 16 - 10$$

$$= -8$$

$$\begin{array}{l|l} x = r^2 + 2rs & y = 2r - 4s \\ = 1^2 + 2(1)(0) & = 2(1) - 4(0) \\ = 1 & = 2 \end{array}$$

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

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$$= [(4xy + 3y) \times (2r + 2s)] + [(2x^2 + 3x + 2y) \times (2)]$$

$$\boxed{r=1, s=0}$$

$$= (8xy + 3y) + (4x^2 + 6x + 4y)$$

$$= 4x^2 + 6x + 8xy + 7y$$

$$= 4(1)^2 + 6(1) + 8(1)(2) + 7(2)$$

$$= 4 + 6 + 16 + 14$$

$$= 40$$

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0.4) For $2x^2 + 3y^2 + 2z^2 = 16$, evaluate $\partial z / \partial y$ when $x = 1$, $y = 2$, $z = -1$.

$$2x^2 + 3y^2 + 2z^2 - 16 = 0$$

$$f(x, y, z) = 2x^2 + 3y^2 + 2z^2 - 16$$

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = - \frac{\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}}{\frac{\partial f}{\partial z}}$$

$$= - \frac{\partial (2x^2 + 3y^2 + 2z^2 - 16)}{\partial y}}{\partial (2x^2 + 3y^2 + 2z^2 - 16)}{\partial z}}$$

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = - \frac{6y}{4z}$$

$$= - \frac{6(2)}{4(-1)}$$

$$= \frac{-12}{-4}$$

$$= 3$$

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0.5) Given that $\ln(x+y+z) + xyz = ze^{x+y+z}$, evaluate $\partial z / \partial x$ when $x = 0, y = 1, z = 0$.

0.5) $f(x, y, z) = \ln(x+y+z) + xyz - ze^{x+y+z}$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \cdot \frac{\partial x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} \cdot \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = \frac{d \cdot 0}{dx}$$

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = - \frac{\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}}{\frac{\partial f}{\partial z}}$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = \left(\frac{1}{x+y+z} \right) + yz - (ze^{x+y+z})(1)$$

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

$$\left. \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \right|_{0,1,0} = - \left[\frac{\left(\frac{1}{0+1+0} \right) + 0 - 0}{\left(\frac{1}{0+1+0} \right) + 0 - 0} \right] = -1 //$$

Question 1: Suppose that the demand of a product is given by,

$$Q_x = 100 - 4P_x - \frac{50}{\sqrt{P_y}} + 0.5I^2 \quad -50(P_y)^{-1/2}$$

where P_x is the price of good X, P_y is the price of good Y, and I is the level of income.

Consider the following problems

1.1) What is the relationship between good x and good y? Are they substitute product/complementary product? Show your results using the partial derivative

$$\frac{\partial Q_x}{\partial P_x} = -4 \quad ; \quad P_x \uparrow \$1 \rightarrow Q_x \downarrow 4 \text{ units}$$

$$\frac{\partial Q_x}{\partial P_y} = 25(P_y)^{-3/2} = \frac{25}{\sqrt{P_y^3}}$$

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$$\left. \begin{array}{l} P_y > 0 \quad P_y \uparrow \quad Q_y \downarrow \rightarrow Q_x \uparrow \frac{25}{\sqrt{P_y^3}} \text{ units} \\ P_y = 0 \quad P_y \uparrow \quad Q_y \downarrow \rightarrow Q_x \uparrow 25 \text{ units} \end{array} \right\} \text{substitute product}$$

1.2) Is the product X considered an inferior product?

1.3) What is the level of quantity demanded if $P_x = 10$, $P_y = 25$ and $I = 100$?

$$1.2) \frac{\Delta Q_x}{\Delta I} = (0.5)(2) \cdot I = I$$

As income increases by \$1, quantity of good X increases by I.
So, product X considered as a normal good. //

$$1.3) Q_x = 100 - 4P_x - \frac{50}{\sqrt{P_y}} + 0.5 \cdot I^2$$

$$Q_x = 100 - 4(10) - \frac{50}{\sqrt{25}} + 0.5(100)$$

$$= 100 - 40 - 10 + 50 = 100 //$$

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- 1.5) Calculate the cross-price elasticity of demand when $P_x = 10, P_y = 25$ and $I = 10$.
- 1.6) Calculate income elasticity of demand when $P_x = 10, P_y = 25$ and $I = 10$. Is the product a necessary or luxurious product?

1.4). Calculate the own-price elasticity of demand

$$\begin{aligned} \varepsilon^D &= \frac{\% \Delta Q_x}{\% \Delta P_x} = \frac{\Delta Q_x}{\Delta P_x} \times \frac{P_x}{Q_x} = (-4) \times \frac{P_x}{100 - 4P_x - \frac{50}{\sqrt{P_y}} + 0.5I^2} \\ &= \frac{-4P_x}{100 - 4P_x - \frac{50}{\sqrt{P_y}} + 0.5I^2} \end{aligned}$$

When $P_x = 10, P_y = 25$ and $I = 10$:

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \varepsilon^D &= \frac{(-4) \times (10)}{100 - 4(10) - \frac{50}{\sqrt{25}} + 0.5(10)^2} \\ \varepsilon^D &= \frac{-40}{100 - 40 - 10 + 50} = \underline{-0.4} \end{aligned}$$

1.5). Calculate the cross-price elasticity of demand

$$\varepsilon^C = \frac{\% \Delta Q_x}{\% \Delta P_y} = \frac{\Delta Q_x}{\Delta P_y} \times \frac{P_y}{Q_x} = (-50) \times \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) \times (P_y)^{-\frac{3}{2}} \times \frac{P_y}{100 - 4P_x - \frac{50}{\sqrt{P_y}} + 0.5I^2}$$

$$= \frac{25(p_y)^{-\frac{1}{2}}}{100 - 4p_x - \frac{50}{\sqrt{p_y}} + 0.5I^2}$$

When $p_x = 10$, $p_y = 25$ and $I = 10$:

$$\Rightarrow \epsilon^c = \frac{25 \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{25}}}{100 - 4(10) - \frac{50}{\sqrt{25}} + 0.5(10)^2} = 0.05$$

1.6). Calculate income elasticity of demand

$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon^I &= \frac{\% \Delta Q_x}{\% \Delta I} = \frac{\Delta Q_x}{\Delta I} \times \frac{I}{Q_x} = 0.5 \times 2I \times \frac{I}{100 - 4p_x - \frac{50}{\sqrt{p_y}} + 0.5I^2} \\ &= \frac{I^2}{100 - 4p_x - \frac{50}{\sqrt{p_y}} + 0.5I^2} \end{aligned}$$

When $p_x = 10$, $p_y = 25$ and $I = 10$:

$$\epsilon^I = \frac{10^2}{100 - 4(10) - \frac{50}{\sqrt{25}} + 0.5(10)^2} = 1$$

\Rightarrow The product is a necessary product.

Question 3: Suppose that the preference set of a household can be given by

$$U(x, y) = x^{1/2} + y^{1/2},$$

where x is the amount of consumption on good- x , and y is the amount of consumption on good- y . Consider the following problems.

- 3.1) Calculate the marginal utility of good x and good y , respectively.
- 3.2) Does the utility function satisfy with the law of diminishing marginal utility?
- 3.3) Does the marginal utility curve of good x shift up when the consumer consumes more units of good- y ?
- 3.4) What is the level of the household utility when the consumer consumes 1 unit of good- x and 2 units of good- y ?
- 3.5) Following (3.4), use the total differential to calculate the change in the level of utility under which the consumer increases the consumption on good x by 3 units and reduces the consumption on good y by 1 unit.
- 3.6) Derive the MRS and show that MRS is decreasing in x .

$$U(x, y) = x^{1/2} + y^{1/2},$$

3.1) Calculate the marginal utility of good x and good y, respectively.

$$MU_x = \frac{\partial U}{\partial x} = \frac{1}{2}x^{-1/2} \quad MU_y = \frac{\partial U}{\partial y} = \frac{1}{2}y^{-1/2}$$

3.2) Does the utility function satisfy with the law of diminishing marginal utility?

$$\text{Since } MU_x = \frac{1}{2}x^{-1/2} \quad \text{and } MU_y = \frac{1}{2}y^{-1/2} \\ \frac{dMU_x}{dx} = -\frac{1}{4}x^{-3/2} < 0 \quad \frac{dMU_y}{dy} = -\frac{1}{4}y^{-3/2} < 0$$

The utility function satisfies with the law of diminishing marginal utility.

3.3) Does the marginal utility curve of good x shift up when the consumer consumes more units of good-y?

$$\frac{\partial MU_x}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{1}{2}x^{-1/2} \right) = 0$$

An increase in consumption in good-y does not affect MU_x
 \therefore Marginal utility curve of good x remains the same.

3.4) What is the level of the household utility when the consumer consumes 1 unit of good-x and 2 units of good-y?

$$U(x, y) = x^{1/2} + y^{1/2}$$

$$U(1, 2) = 1^{1/2} + 2^{1/2} = 1 + \sqrt{2} \approx 1 + 1.414 \approx 2.414$$

\therefore The level of the household utility is approximately 2.414.

- 3.5) Following (3.4), use the total differential to calculate the change in the level of utility under which the consumer increases the consumption on good x by 3 units and reduces the consumption on good y by 1 unit.

$$dU = \frac{\partial U}{\partial x} dx + \frac{\partial U}{\partial y} dy$$

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

(Handwritten notes: dx is circled with a downward arrow pointing to 3; dy is circled with an upward arrow pointing to -1)

$$dU = \frac{3}{2} x^{-\frac{1}{2}} - \frac{1}{2} y^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

3.6). Derive the MRS and show that MRS is decreasing in x

$$\begin{aligned} \text{MRS} &= - \frac{\text{MU}_x}{\text{MU}_y} = - \frac{\frac{\partial U}{\partial x}}{\frac{\partial U}{\partial y}} = - \frac{(\frac{1}{2})x^{-\frac{1}{2}}}{(\frac{1}{2})y^{-\frac{1}{2}}} = - \frac{x^{-\frac{1}{2}}}{y^{-\frac{1}{2}}} \\ &= - \frac{y^{\frac{1}{2}}}{x^{\frac{1}{2}}} \end{aligned}$$

As x increases, the denominator gets bigger and MRS decreases.

As x increases, y decreases and the numerator gets smaller so MRS decreases.

Therefore, MRS is decreasing in x .