

# Physical Chemistry I. practice

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## I.: Calculus overview

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# Derivatives of functions of a single variable

Rules:

[notation:  $\frac{df(x)}{dx} = f'(x)$ ]

$$\frac{dx^n}{dx} = n \cdot x^{n-1}$$

$$\frac{d[f(x) \cdot g(x)]}{dx} = f'(x) \cdot g(x) + f(x) \cdot g'(x)$$

$$\frac{de^x}{dx} = e^x$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \cdot \left( \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} \right) = \frac{f'(x) \cdot g(x) - f(x) \cdot g'(x)}{[g(x)]^2}$$

$$\frac{d \ln(x)}{dx} = \frac{1}{x}$$

$$\frac{df[g(x)]}{dx} = \frac{df[g(x)]}{dg(x)} \cdot \frac{dg(x)}{dx}$$

$f'(x) = ?$

a)  $f(x) = 2x^3 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} + 2$

b)  $f(x) = (x + 2) \cdot (x^2 - 2)$

c)  $f(x) = \frac{e^{2x-1}}{x + 2}$

d)  $f(x) = (x - 1) \cdot e^{(2x-3)^2}$

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$$\text{a) } f'(x) = 6x^2 + \frac{1}{2}x^{-\frac{3}{2}}$$

$$\text{b) } f'(x) = (x^2 - 2) + (x + 2) \cdot 2x$$

$$\text{c) } f'(x) = \frac{2e^{2x-1} \cdot (x + 2) - e^{2x-1}}{(x + 2)^2}$$

$$\text{d) } f'(x) = e^{(2x-3)^2} + (x - 1) \cdot e^{(2x-3)^2} \cdot 2(2x - 3) \cdot 2$$

# Derivatives of functions of a single variable

a) Where is the extremum of  $f(x) = \ln(x) \cdot x^2$  for  $x > 0$  ?

b) What kind of extremum is it (min., max., inflection)?

[ a) At which  $x$  is  $f'(x) = 0$ ?

b) What is the sign of  $f''(x)$  at this  $x$ ?

+ : minimum; - : maximum; 0 : inflection ]

# Derivatives of functions of a single variable

Where is the extremum of  $f(x) = \ln(x) \cdot x^2$  for  $x > 0$  ?

$$f'(x) = 0 = x + \ln(x) \cdot 2x$$

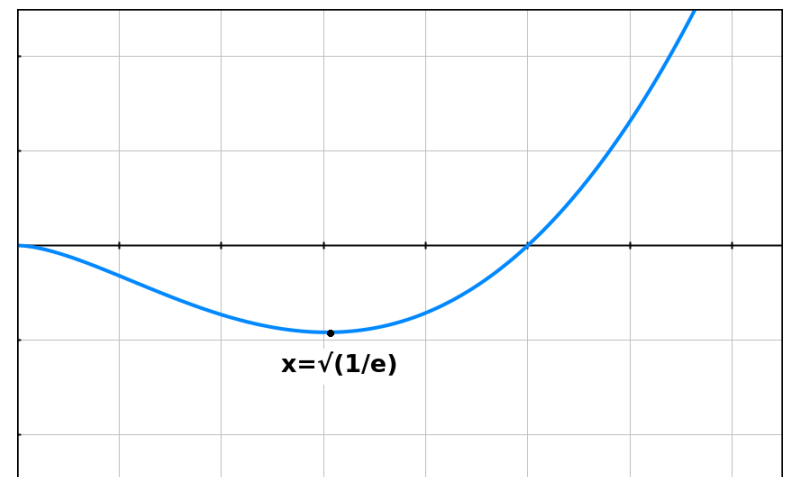
$$\ln(x) = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$x = e^{-\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{e}}$$

What kind of extremum is it?

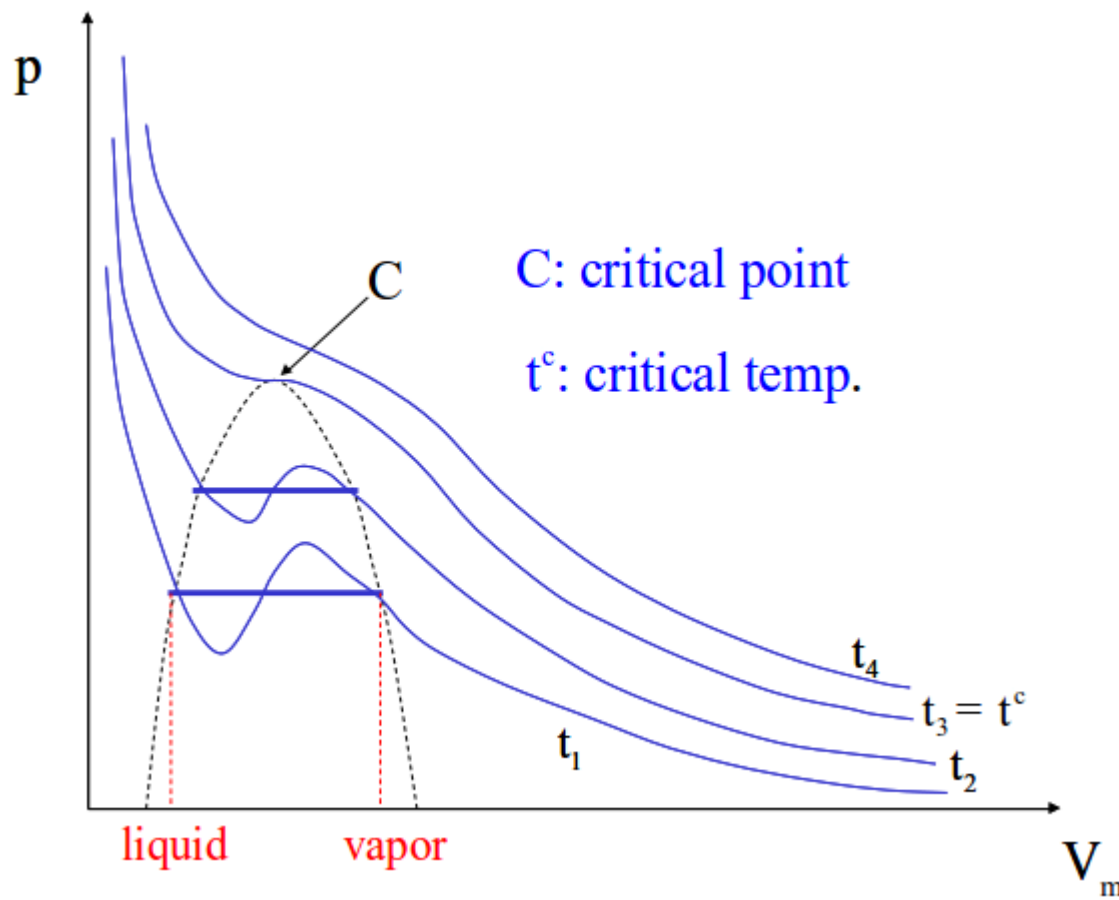
$$f''(x) = 3 + \ln(x) \cdot 2$$

$$f''(e^{-\frac{1}{2}}) = 2 \rightarrow \text{minimum}$$



# Derivatives of functions of a single variable

Application: Determine the critical point of water from the van der Waals equation of state



$$p(V_m) = \frac{RT}{V_m - b} - \frac{a}{V_m^2}$$

Inflection point at the critical point:

$$p'(V_m^c) = p''(V_m^c) = 0$$

$$p^c = ? \quad V_m^c = ? \quad T^c = ?$$

# Derivatives of functions of a single variable

Application: Determine the critical point of water from the van der Waals equation of state

$$p(V_m) = \frac{RT}{V_m - b} - \frac{a}{(V_m)^2}$$

At the critical point:

$$p'(V_m^c) = 0 = -\frac{RT^c}{(V_m^c - b)^2} + \frac{2a}{(V_m^c)^3} \rightarrow \frac{RT^c}{(V_m^c - b)^2} = \frac{2a}{(V_m^c)^3}$$

$$p''(V_m^c) = 0 = 2\frac{RT^c}{(V_m^c - b)^3} - \frac{6a}{(V_m^c)^4} \rightarrow 2\frac{RT^c}{(V_m^c - b)^3} = \frac{6a}{(V_m^c)^4}$$

Express  $V_m^c$  and  $T^c$  in terms of constants ( $a, b, R$ )

# Derivatives of functions of a single variable

$$\frac{RT^c}{(V_m^c - b)^2} = \frac{2a}{(V_m^c)^3} \quad \boxed{\text{substitute it into } \rightarrow} \quad 2 \frac{RT^c}{(V_m^c - b)^3} = \frac{6a}{(V_m^c)^4}$$

$$\frac{RT^c}{(V_m^c - b)^2} \cdot \frac{2}{V_m^c - b} = \frac{4a}{(V_m^c)^4 - b(V_m^c)^3} = \frac{6a}{(V_m^c)^4}$$

$$4a \cdot (V_m^c)^4 = 6a \cdot (V_m^c)^4 - 6ab \cdot (V_m^c)^3, \quad V_m^c > 0$$

$$\boxed{V_m^c = 3b}$$

$$\frac{RT^c}{(2b)^2} = \frac{2a}{(3b)^3}$$

$$\boxed{T^c = \frac{8a}{27Rb}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} p^c &= p(V_m^c) \\ &= p(3b) = \frac{R \frac{8a}{27Rb}}{2b} - \frac{a}{(3b)^2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\dots \rightarrow \boxed{p^c = \frac{a}{27b^2}}$$



# Partial derivatives of multivariable functions

$$\frac{\partial f(x, y)}{\partial x} = ? \quad , \quad \frac{\partial f(x, y)}{\partial y} = ?$$

a)  $f(x, y) = x^2 \cdot y + 2x + 2y + 4$

b)  $f(x, y) = e^x \cdot x \cdot y + y^2 + 2$

c)  $f(x, y) = \frac{x^2}{y}$

d) Check Young's theorem  $\left( \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x} \right)$  for b)

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

$$\text{b) } \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = e^x \cdot x \cdot y + e^x \cdot y$$

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

$$\text{c) } \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = \frac{2x}{y}$$

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

$$\text{d) } \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x} = e^x \cdot x + e^x$$

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# Partial derivatives of multivariable functions

Application: exact differential of  $p(V, T)$

$$f = f(x, y), \quad df(x, y) = \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}\right)_y dx + \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}\right)_x dy$$

$$p(V, T) = \frac{nRT}{V - nb} - \frac{n^2a}{V^2}$$

$$dp(V, T) = \left(\frac{\partial p}{\partial V}\right)_T dV + \left(\frac{\partial p}{\partial T}\right)_V dT = ?$$

# Partial derivatives of multivariable functions

Application: exact differential of  $p(V, T)$

$$p(V, T) = \frac{nRT}{V - nb} - \frac{n^2a}{V^2}$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial p}{\partial T}\right)_V = \frac{nR}{V - nb}$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial p}{\partial V}\right)_T = -\frac{nRT}{(V - nb)^2} + \frac{2n^2a}{V^3}$$

$$dp(V, T) = \left(-\frac{nRT}{(V - nb)^2} + \frac{2n^2a}{V^3}\right)dV + \left(\frac{nR}{V - nb}\right)dT$$

# Partial derivatives of multivariable functions

Application: isothermal compressibility ( $\kappa_T$ ) and thermal expansion coefficient ( $\alpha$ )

$$p(V, T) = \frac{nRT}{V - nb} - \frac{n^2a}{V^2}$$

$$\kappa_T = -\frac{1}{V} \left( \frac{\partial V}{\partial p} \right)_T$$

How do we make  $\left( \frac{\partial V}{\partial p} \right)_T$  appear from  $p(V, T)$  ?

Trick: 
$$\frac{\partial f(x)}{\partial g(x)} \cdot \frac{\partial g(x)}{\partial f(x)} = 1$$

# Partial derivatives of multivariable functions

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$$\left( \frac{\partial p}{\partial V} \right)_T \cdot \left( \frac{\partial V}{\partial p} \right)_T = 1 \quad \rightarrow \quad \left( \frac{\partial V}{\partial p} \right)_T = \frac{1}{\left( \frac{\partial p}{\partial V} \right)_T}$$

$$\left( \frac{\partial p}{\partial V} \right)_T = -\frac{nRT}{(V - nb)^2} + \frac{2n^2 a}{V^3}$$

$$\left( \frac{\partial V}{\partial p} \right)_T = \frac{1}{-\frac{nRT}{(V - nb)^2} + \frac{2n^2 a}{V^3}} \rightarrow \kappa_T = -\frac{1}{V} \frac{1}{-\frac{nRT}{(V - nb)^2} + \frac{2n^2 a}{V^3}}$$

# Partial derivatives of multivariable functions

$$\alpha = \frac{1}{V} \left( \frac{\partial V}{\partial T} \right)_p = ? \quad , \quad p(V, T) = \frac{nRT}{V - nb} - \frac{n^2 a}{V^2}$$

$$\left( \frac{\partial T}{\partial V} \right)_p \cdot \left( \frac{\partial V}{\partial T} \right)_p = 1 \quad \rightarrow \quad \left( \frac{\partial V}{\partial T} \right)_p = \frac{1}{\left( \frac{\partial T}{\partial V} \right)_p}$$

$$p(V, T) \rightarrow T(p, V) = \frac{\left( p + \frac{n^2 a}{V^2} \right) \cdot (V - nb)}{nR}$$

$$\left( \frac{\partial T}{\partial V} \right)_p = \frac{\left( -\frac{2n^2 a}{V^3} \right) \cdot (V - nb) + \left( p + \frac{n^2 a}{V^2} \right)}{nR}$$

$$\alpha = \frac{1}{V} \cdot \left( \frac{\partial V}{\partial T} \right)_p = \frac{1}{V} \frac{nR}{\left( -\frac{2n^2 a}{V^3} \right) \cdot (V - nb) + \left( p + \frac{n^2 a}{V^2} \right)}$$

## Simple integrals

$$\int f(x)dx = F(x) + C \qquad \int_{x_1}^{x_2} f(x)dx = F(x_2) - F(x_1)$$

Rules:

$$f(x) = x^n \quad (n \neq -1) \quad \rightarrow \quad F(x) = \frac{1}{n+1}x^{n+1}$$

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{x} \quad \rightarrow \quad F(x) = \ln(|x|)$$

$$f(x) = e^x \quad \rightarrow \quad F(x) = e^x$$

If the argument is a linear function of  $x$ :

$$\int f(ax + b)dx = \frac{1}{a}F(ax + b) + C$$



# Simple integrals

$$\int f(x)dx = ?$$

a)  $f(x) = 2x^3 + 8x + 5$

b)  $f(x) = \frac{2}{x + 5}$

c)  $f(x) = e^{(2x-1)} + x^2$

# Simple integrals

$$\int f(x)dx = ?$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{a) } f(x) &= 2x^3 + 8x + 5 & \rightarrow & \int f(x)dx = \frac{1}{2}x^4 + 4x^2 + 5x + C \\ \text{b) } f(x) &= \frac{2}{x+5} & \rightarrow & \int f(x)dx = 2\ln(x+5) + C \\ \text{c) } f(x) &= e^{(2x-1)} + x^2 & \rightarrow & \int f(x)dx = \frac{1}{2}e^{(2x-1)} + \frac{1}{3}x^3 + C \end{aligned}$$

## Simple integrals

Application: Calculate the (reversible) isothermal work required to compress a gas from  $V_1$  to  $V_2$

$$p(V, T) = \frac{nRT}{V - nb} - \frac{n^2a}{V^2}$$

$$W = - \int_{V_1}^{V_2} p dV = ?$$

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$$W = nRT \ln \left( \frac{V_1 - nb}{V_2 - nb} \right) - \frac{n^2a}{3} \left( \frac{1}{(V_2)^3} - \frac{1}{(V_1)^3} \right)$$