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of  $f$ ,  $f(x, y) \leq f(a, b)$  when  $(x, y) \rightarrow (a, b)$

and  $(a, b)$  attains a local minima  
of  $f$  at then  
 $f(x, y) \geq f(a, b)$  when  $(x, y) \rightarrow (a, b)$ .

Let  $xy = b$  and consider the  
f.  $f(x, b)$  then  $f(x, b)$   
has a local max/min at  $x = a$ .  
lly, if  $x = a$  then  $f(a, y)$  has  
a local max/min at  $y = b$ .

Then from Fermat's theorem.

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x, b) = 0 \text{ at } x = a$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(a, b) = 0$$

$$\text{lly, } \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(a, y) = 0 \text{ at } y = b \Rightarrow \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(a, b) = 0$$



Thm. A fn  $f$  has local  
max or min at  $(a, b)$  then  
 $f_x(a, b) = 0 = f_y(a, b)$ .

Critical point: A point  $(a, b)$   
is called a critical pt. for the  
fn  $f$  if  $f_x(a, b) = 0$  and  $f_y(a, b) = 0$   
or if one of these partial  
derivatives does not exist.

Exp.  $f(x, y) = x^2 + y^2 - 2x - 6y + 14$   
The critical point is  $(1, 3)$

Exp.  $f(x, y) = y^2 - x^2$   
The critical pt. is  $(0, 0)$

# Characterization of a critical point

Thm. Let a fu.  $f(x, y)$  have continuous partial derivatives up to order 3 near a point  $(a, b)$ . In addition, let the pt.  $(a, b)$  be a critical pt. of  $f(x, y)$  i.e.

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(a, b) = 0, \quad \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(a, b) = 0.$$

$$\text{Let } D = f_{xx}(a, b) f_{yy}(a, b) - \left( f_{xy}(a, b) \right)^2.$$

Then at  $(a, b)$

- ①  $f(x, y)$  has a local max if  $D > 0$  and  $f_{xx}(a, b) < 0$
- ②  $f(x, y)$  has a local min if  $D > 0$  and  $f_{xx}(a, b) > 0$
- ③  $f(x, y)$  has neither local max nor local min, and  $(a, b)$  is called a saddle pt. if  $D < 0$ .
- ④ If  $D = 0$  there may or may not be a local extremum.

Exp.

Characterize critical

points of

$$f(x, y) = x^3 + y^3 - 3xy$$



max/min  $f(x, y, z)$

subject to some constraints

$$g(x, y, z) = k_1$$

$$h(x, y, z) = k_2$$

method of Lagrange multipliers.

max/min  $f(x, y, z)$

s.t.  $g(x, y, z) = k$

Assume that the extreme values exist and  $\nabla g = \left[ \frac{\partial g}{\partial x} \quad \frac{\partial g}{\partial y} \quad \frac{\partial g}{\partial z} \right] \neq 0$  on the surface  $g(x, y, z) = k$

① Find all values of  $(x, y, z)$  and  $\lambda$  such that

$$\nabla f(x, y, z) = \lambda \nabla g(x, y, z)$$

$$\text{and } g(x, y, z) = k$$

② Evaluate  $f$  at all the points obtained from ①. The largest of these values is the maximum value of  $f$ , the smallest is the min value of  $f$ .

EX.  $\text{max/min } f(x,y) = x^2 + 2y^2$   
 st.  $g(x,y) = x^2 + y^2 = 1$

Sol<sup>n</sup>.  $2x = \lambda 2x$ ,  $4y = \lambda 2y$ ,  $x^2 + y^2 = 1$  — (3)

From (1)  $\lambda = 1$  or  $x = 0$

If  $x = 0$  then from (3)  $y = \pm 1$

If  $\lambda = 1$  then  $y = 0$  from eq(2) which gives  $x = \pm 1$  from (3)

Hence the possible values of  $f$  are at the points  $(0, 1)$ ,  $(0, -1)$ ,  $(1, 0)$  and  $(-1, 0)$



Exp. Find  $\max f(x, y, z) = x + 2y + 3z$

s.t.  $x - y + z = 1$   
and  $x^2 + y^2 = 1$

Sol<sup>n</sup>  $\nabla f = \lambda \nabla g + \mu \nabla h$

here  $g = (x - y + z) = 1$   
 $h = (x^2 + y^2) = 1$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = \lambda \frac{\partial g}{\partial x} + \mu \frac{\partial h}{\partial x}$$
$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = \lambda \frac{\partial g}{\partial y} + \mu \frac{\partial h}{\partial y}$$
$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial z} = \lambda \frac{\partial g}{\partial z} + \mu \frac{\partial h}{\partial z}$$

Ans.  $3 + \sqrt{29}$

Find <sup>Absolute</sup> ~~the~~ max / min of  
a continuous  $f$  on  
a closed and ~~is~~ bounded  
set  $D$ :

① Find the values of  $f$   
at the critical points  
of  $f$  in  $D$ .

② Find the extreme  
values of  $f$  on the  
boundary of  $D$

③ The largest of the values  
from step 1 and 2 is  
the absolute max value  
the smallest of these  
values is the absolute  
min. value.

Exp. Find the extreme values of  $f(x, y) = x^2 + 2xy^2$  on the disk  $x^2 + y^2 \leq 1$