

Math 173 - Quiz 8

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Name key

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1. (3 points) Find the absolute extreme values of $f(x, y) = y^2 - 4x$ subject to $x^2 + y^2 = 9$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(x, y) &= y^2 - 4x \\
 g(x, y) &= x^2 + y^2 \\
 \vec{\nabla} f &= \lambda \vec{\nabla} g \\
 x^2 + y^2 &= 9 \\
 \downarrow \\
 -4 &= 2\lambda x \\
 2y &= 2\lambda y \rightarrow 2y - 2\lambda y = 0 \\
 x^2 + y^2 &= 9 \quad y = 0 \text{ or } \lambda = 1
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 y &= 0 \\
 \downarrow \\
 x &= \pm 3 \\
 \lambda &= 1 \\
 \downarrow \\
 x &= -2 \\
 \downarrow \\
 y &= \pm\sqrt{5}
 \end{aligned}$$

CRITICAL PTS ARE $(3, 0), (-3, 0), (-2, \sqrt{5}), (-2, -\sqrt{5})$

$$f(-3, 0) = 12$$

$$f(3, 0) = -12 \leftarrow \text{CONSTRAINED MIN}$$

$$f(-2, \pm\sqrt{5}) = 13 \leftarrow \text{CONSTRAINED MAX}$$

2. (3 points) Find the absolute extreme values of $f(x, y, z) = x^2 + y^2 + z^2$ subject to $z = 1 + 2xy$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(x, y, z) &= x^2 + y^2 + z^2 \\
 g(x, y, z) &= z - 2xy \\
 \vec{\nabla} f &= \lambda \vec{\nabla} g \\
 z &= 1 + 2xy \\
 \downarrow \\
 2x &= -2\lambda y \\
 2y &= -2\lambda x \\
 2z &= \lambda \\
 z &= 1 + 2xy
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 x &= y \\
 2x &= -2\lambda x \\
 x &= 0 \text{ or } \lambda = -1 \\
 \downarrow & \quad \downarrow \\
 y &= 0 \quad z = -\frac{1}{2} \\
 \downarrow & \quad \downarrow \\
 z &= 1 \quad -\frac{1}{2} = 1 + 2x^2 \\
 \downarrow & \quad \text{IMPOSSIBLE} \\
 (0, 0, 1) &
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 x &= -y \\
 2x &= 2\lambda x \\
 x &= 0 \text{ or } \lambda = 1 \\
 \downarrow & \quad \downarrow \\
 (0, 0, 1) & \quad z = \frac{1}{2} \\
 \frac{1}{2} &= 1 - 2x^2 \\
 \downarrow \\
 x &= \pm \frac{1}{2} \\
 \downarrow \\
 y &= \mp \frac{1}{2} \\
 \downarrow \\
 (\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}), & (-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})
 \end{aligned}$$

$$f(0, 0, 1) = 1 \leftarrow \text{CONSTRAINED MIN}$$

$$f(\pm \frac{1}{2}, \mp \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}) = \frac{3}{4} \leftarrow \text{CONSTRAINED MAX}$$

3. (4 points) Find the points on the plane $x + 2y + z = 2$ closest to $(2, 0, 4)$.

$$\text{Minimize } f(x, y, z) = (x-2)^2 + y^2 + (z-4)^2$$

$$\text{s.t. } g(x, y, z) = x + 2y + z = 2$$

$$\vec{\nabla} f = \lambda \vec{\nabla} g$$

$$x + 2y + z = 2$$

$\Downarrow$

$$2(x-2) = \lambda \Rightarrow 2x = \lambda + 4$$

$$2y = 2\lambda \Rightarrow 2y = 2\lambda$$

$$2(z-4) = \lambda \Rightarrow 2z = \lambda + 8$$

$$x + 2y + z = 2$$

$$\rightarrow 2x + 4y + 2z = 4$$

$$\lambda + 4 + 4\lambda + \lambda + 8 = 4$$

$$6\lambda + 12 = 4$$

$$\lambda = -\frac{4}{3}$$

$\Downarrow$

$$\begin{array}{l} x = \frac{4}{3} \\ y = -\frac{4}{3} \\ z = \frac{10}{3} \end{array}$$

← THESE MUST GIVE
A MIN. THERE
IS CLEARLY
NO MAX.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Min distance is } & \sqrt{\left(\frac{4}{3} - 2\right)^2 + \left(-\frac{4}{3}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{10}{3} - 4\right)^2} \\ & = \frac{4}{\sqrt{6}} \end{aligned}$$