



# Calculus 3

# Workbook Solutions

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Optimization

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MATH

## CRITICAL POINTS

- 1. Find a set of critical points for  $f(t, s)$ .

$$f(t, s) = \ln \frac{2t^3 - 12t^2 + 1}{s^2 + 6s + 11}$$

*Solution:*

Rewrite  $f$  using laws of logs.

$$f(t, s) = \ln(2t^3 - 12t^2 + 1) - \ln(s^2 + 6s + 11)$$

Use chain rule to find partial derivatives.

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} = \frac{6t^2 - 24t}{2t^3 - 12t^2 + 1}$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial s} = -\frac{2s + 6}{s^2 + 6s + 11}$$

Set both partial derivatives equal to 0 and use those as a system of equations to find critical points.

$$\frac{6t^2 - 24t}{2t^3 - 12t^2 + 1} = 0$$

$$-\frac{2s + 6}{s^2 + 6s + 11} = 0$$

That gives the system



$$6t^2 - 24t = 0$$

$$2s + 6 = 0$$

and then

$$t(t - 4) = 0$$

$$s + 3 = 0$$

The solutions to the system are  $(0, -3)$  and  $(4, -3)$ .

Check if each of these points lie within the domain of  $f$ .

$$\frac{2(0)^3 - 12(0)^2 + 1}{(-3)^2 + 6(-3) + 11} = \frac{1}{2} > 0$$

$$\frac{2(4)^3 - 12(4)^2 + 1}{(-3)^2 + 6(-3) + 11} = \frac{-63}{2} < 0$$

So only the point  $(0, -3)$  lies within the domain and is a critical point of the function  $f(t, s)$ .

## ■ 2. Find and identify a set of critical points for $f(x, y, z)$ .

$$f(x, y, z) = x^2 \cos(y + z)$$

*Solution:*

Use chain rule to find partial derivatives.



$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = 2x \cos(y + z)$$

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

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

Set the partial derivatives equal to 0 and use those as a system of equations to find critical points.

$$2x \cos(y + z) = 0$$

$$-x^2 \sin(y + z) = 0$$

$$-x^2 \sin(y + z) = 0$$

Since the system of equations

$$\sin \theta = 0$$

$$\cos \theta = 0$$

has no real solutions,  $\cos(y + z)$  and  $\sin(y + z)$  can't be equal to 0 simultaneously. So the solution to the system is  $x = 0$ , or the  $yz$ -plane.

### ■ 3. Find a set of critical points for $f(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4)$ .

$$f(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) = x_1^2 - 2x_1x_2 + 2x_2^2 - 4x_3^2 + 4x_1 + 5x_4^2 - 10x_4 + 6$$



*Solution:*

Use chain rule to find partial derivatives.

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1} = 2x_1 - 2x_2 + 4$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_2} = -2x_1 + 4x_2$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_3} = -8x_3$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_4} = 10x_4 - 10$$

Setting all the partial derivatives equal to 0 to create a system of equations gives

$$2x_1 - 2x_2 + 4 = 0$$

$$-2x_1 + 4x_2 = 0$$

$$-8x_3 = 0$$

$$10x_4 - 10 = 0$$

The solution to the system is  $(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) = (-4, -2, 0, 1)$ , so this is the critical point of the function.



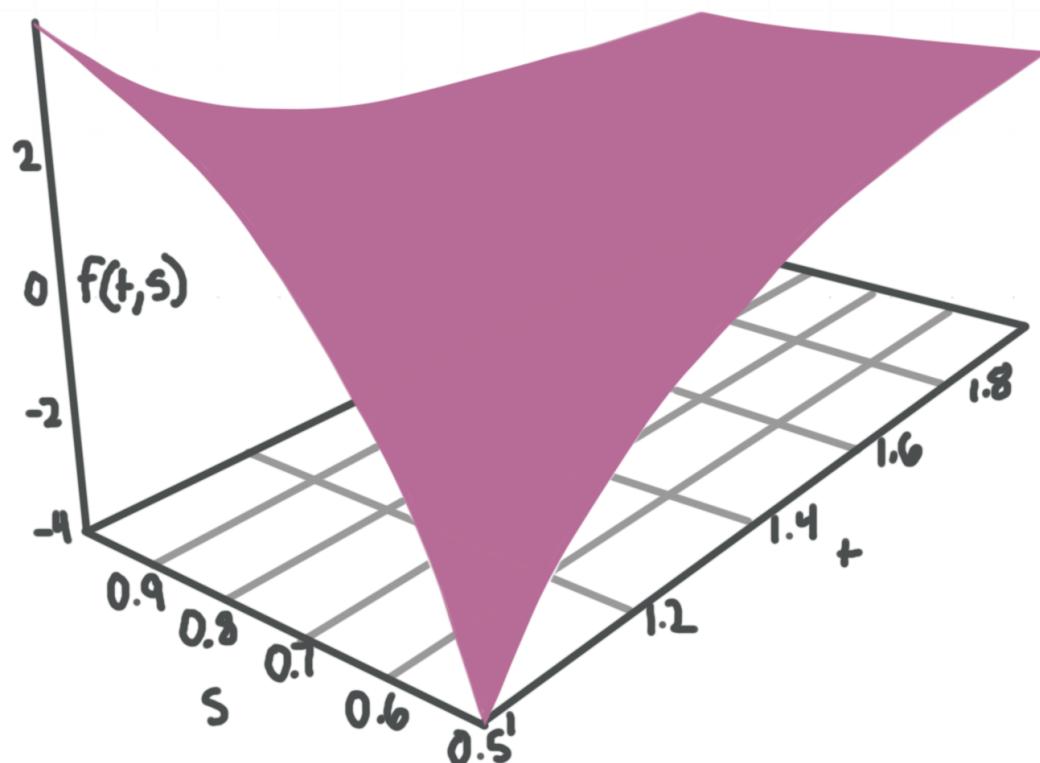
## SECOND DERIVATIVE TEST

- 1. Use the second derivative test to classify the critical points of  $f(t, s)$ .

$$f(t, s) = \frac{t^5 s - 3t + 6s^2}{s^2 t^5}$$

*Solution:*

A sketch of the function is



Rewrite  $f$ .

$$f(t, s) = \frac{t^5 s}{s^2 t^5} - \frac{3t}{s^2 t^5} + \frac{6s^2}{s^2 t^5}$$

$$f(t, s) = \frac{1}{s} - \frac{3}{s^2 t^4} + \frac{6}{t^5}$$

$$f(t, s) = s^{-1} - 3s^{-2}t^{-4} + 6t^{-5}$$

Use chain rule to find first-order partial derivatives.

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} = 12s^{-2}t^{-5} - 30t^{-6}$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial s} = 6s^{-3}t^{-4} - s^{-2}$$

Setting both partial derivatives equal to 0 gives a system of equations that we can use to find critical points.

$$12s^{-2}t^{-5} - 30t^{-6} = 0$$

$$6s^{-3}t^{-4} - s^{-2} = 0$$

Solve the system for  $t \neq 0$  and  $s \neq 0$ .

$$2t - 5s^2 = 0$$

$$st^4 - 6 = 0$$

$$t = 2.5s^2$$

$$s(2.5s^2)^4 - 6 = 0$$

$$s^9 2.5^4 = 6$$

The values that satisfy the system are  $s = 2^{\frac{5}{9}} 3^{\frac{1}{9}} 5^{-\frac{4}{9}} \approx 0.81$  and  $t = 3^{\frac{2}{9}} 10^{\frac{1}{9}} \approx 1.65$ , so the solution is  $(1.65, 0.81)$ .



Calculate the second-order partial derivatives to perform the second derivative test.

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial t^2} = -60s^{-2}t^{-6} + 180t^{-7}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial s^2} = -18s^{-4}t^{-4} + 2s^{-3}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial t \partial s} = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial s \partial t} = -24s^{-3}t^{-5}$$

Substitute (1.65,0.81) for  $(t, s)$ .

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial t^2}(1.65,0.81) = -60 \cdot 0.81^{-2}1.65^{-6} + 180 \cdot 1.65^{-7} \approx 0.87$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial s^2}(1.65,0.81) = -18 \cdot 0.81^{-4}1.65^{-4} + 2 \cdot 0.81^{-3} \approx -1.88$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial t \partial s}(1.65,0.81) = -24 \cdot 0.81^{-3}1.65^{-5} \approx -3.69$$

Perform the second derivative test.

$$D(t, s) = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial t^2} \cdot \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial s^2} - \left( \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial t \partial s} \right)^2$$

$$D(1.65,0.81) = 0.87 \cdot (-1.88) - (-3.69)^2 = -15.2517 < 0$$

So  $(1.65,0.81)$  is a saddle point.

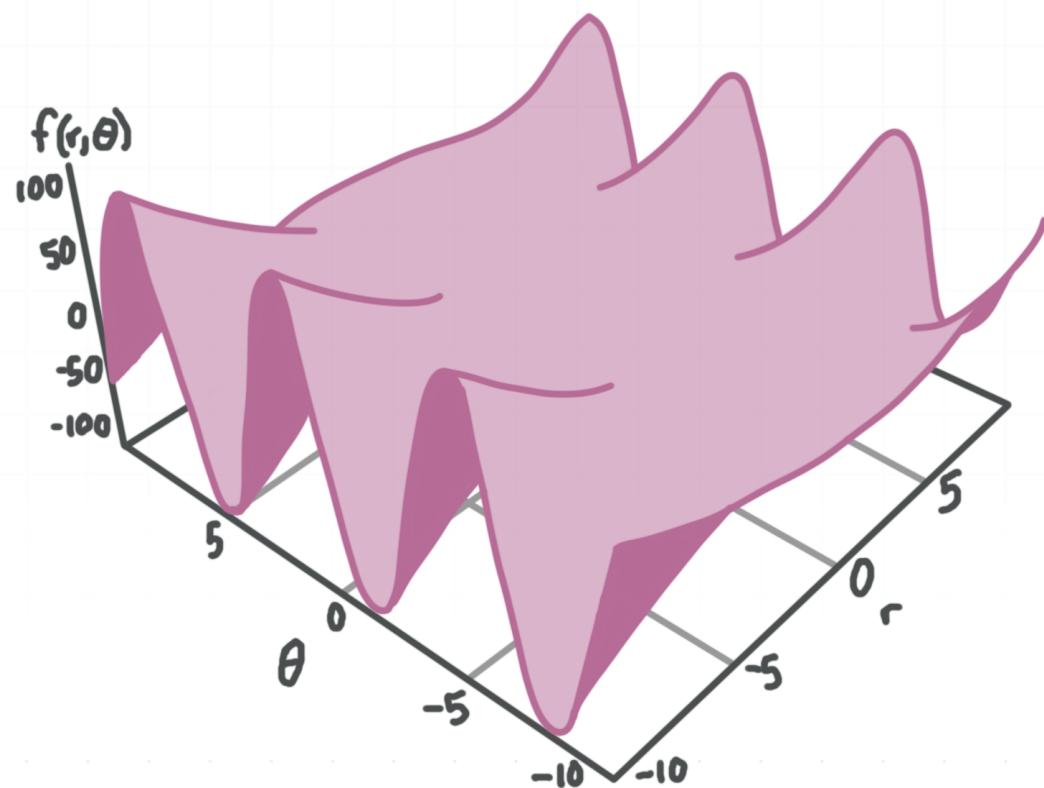


■ 2. Use the second derivative test to classify the critical points of  $f(r, \theta)$ .

$$f(r, \theta) = (r^2 - 2r - 3)\sin \theta$$

*Solution:*

A sketch of the function is



Find first-order partial derivatives.

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial r} = (2r - 2)\sin \theta$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial \theta} = (r^2 - 2r - 3)\cos \theta$$

Setting both partial derivatives equal to 0 gives a system of equations that we can use to find critical points.

$$(2r - 2)\sin \theta = 0$$

$$(r^2 - 2r - 3)\cos \theta = 0$$

Solve the system for  $r$  and  $\theta$ .

$$(r - 1)\sin \theta = 0$$

$$(r + 1)(r - 3)\cos \theta = 0$$

Since  $\sin \theta$  and  $\cos \theta$  can't be equal to 0 simultaneously, we have the three sets of solutions:

1)  $r - 1 = 0$  and  $\cos \theta = 0$

$$r = 1 \text{ and } \theta = \frac{\pi}{2} + \pi n \text{ where } n \text{ is any integer number}$$

2)  $r + 1 = 0$  and  $\sin \theta = 0$

$$r = -1 \text{ and } \theta = \pi m \text{ where } m \text{ is any integer number}$$

3)  $r - 3 = 0$  and  $\sin \theta = 0$

$$r = 3 \text{ and } \theta = \pi k \text{ where } k \text{ is any integer number}$$

Calculate the second-order partial derivatives to perform the second derivative test.

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial r^2} = 2 \sin \theta$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial \theta^2} = -(r^2 - 2r - 3)\sin \theta$$



$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial r \partial \theta} = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial \theta \partial r} = (2r - 2)\cos \theta$$

Perform the second derivative test.

$$D(r, \theta) = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial r^2} \cdot \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial \theta^2} - \left( \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial r \partial \theta} \right)^2$$

The second derivative test for the first set of solutions is

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial r^2} \left( 1, \frac{\pi}{2} + \pi n \right) = 2 \sin \left( \frac{\pi}{2} + \pi n \right) = 2(n \text{ is even}) \text{ or } -2(n \text{ is odd})$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial \theta^2} \left( 1, \frac{\pi}{2} + \pi n \right) = -(1^2 - 2(1) - 3) \sin \left( \frac{\pi}{2} + \pi n \right) = 4(n \text{ is even}) \text{ or } -4(n \text{ is odd})$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial r \partial \theta} \left( 1, \frac{\pi}{2} + \pi n \right) = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial \theta \partial r} = (2(1) - 2)\cos \left( \frac{\pi}{2} + \pi n \right) = 0$$

For even  $n$ :

$$D \left( 1, \frac{\pi}{2} + \pi n \right) = 2 \cdot 4 - 0^2 = 8 > 0$$

For odd  $n$ :

$$D \left( 1, \frac{\pi}{2} + \pi n \right) = (-2) \cdot (-4) - 0^2 = 8 > 0$$

Since  $\partial^2 f / \partial r^2 > 0$  for even  $n$ , and  $< 0$  otherwise, the set of critical points  $r = 1, \theta = \pi/2 + \pi n$  where  $n$  is even, are the local minima, and the set of critical points  $r = 1, \theta = \pi/2 + \pi n$  where  $n$  is odd, are the local maxima.



Perform the second derivative test for the second set of solutions is

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial r^2}(-1, \pi m) = 2 \sin(\pi m) = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial \theta^2}(-1, \pi m) = -((-1)^2 - 2(-1) - 3)\sin(\pi m) = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial r \partial \theta}(-1, \pi m) = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial \theta \partial r} = (2(-1) - 2)\cos(\pi m) = \pm 4$$

Then

$$D(-1, \pi m) = 0 \cdot 0 - (\pm 4)^2 = -16 < 0$$

Since  $D < 0$ , the set of critical points  $r = -1, \theta = \pi m$  where  $m$  is an integer, are saddle points.

Perform the second derivative test for the third set of solutions is

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial r^2}(3, \pi k) = 2 \sin(\pi k) = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial \theta^2}(3, \pi k) = - (3^2 - 2(3) - 3)\sin(\pi k) = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial r \partial \theta}(3, \pi k) = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial \theta \partial r} = (2(3) - 2)\cos(\pi k) = \pm 4$$

Then

$$D(3, \pi k) = 0 \cdot 0 - (\pm 4)^2 = -16 < 0$$



Since  $D < 0$ , the set of critical points  $r = 3, \theta = \pi k$  where  $k$  is integer, are saddle points.

Then the extrema of the function are

Local minima:  $r = 1, \theta = \frac{\pi}{2} + \pi n$  where  $n$  is even

Local maxima:  $r = 1, \theta = \frac{\pi}{2} + \pi n$  where  $n$  is odd

Saddle points:  $r = -1, \theta = \pi m$ , and  $r = 3, \theta = \pi k$  where  $m$  and  $k$  are integers

- 3. Find the set of all possible values of  $a$  for which  $f(x, y)$  has only one local minimum.

$$f(x, y) = x^2 + ay^2 - 4x + 8y - 6$$

*Solution:*

Calculate the first order partial derivatives:

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = 2x - 4$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = 2ay + 8$$

Setting both partial derivatives equal to 0 gives a system of equations that we can use to find critical points.



$$2x - 4 = 0$$

$$2ay + 8 = 0$$

The solution to the system is  $x = 2$ ,  $y = -4/a$  for  $a \neq 0$ . If  $a = 0$ , then the function has no critical points.

Calculate the second order partial derivatives to perform the second derivative test.

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

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} = 2a$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x} = 0$$

The second derivative test gives

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

$$D\left(2, -\frac{4}{a}\right) = 2 \cdot 2a - 0^2 = 4a$$

Since the function must have the local maximum at this critical point,  $D > 0$ , and

$$4a > 0$$

$$a > 0$$



If  $a > 0$ , then  $D > 0$  and  $\partial^2 f / \partial x^2 = 2 > 0$  at the point  $(2, -4/a)$ . So the function has only one local minimum when  $a > 0$ .



## LOCAL EXTREMA AND SADDLE POINTS

■ 1. Find the local extrema of  $f(t, s)$ .

$$f(t, s) = \frac{t^3 + s^3 + 1}{ts}$$

*Solution:*

Rewrite  $f$ .

$$f(t, s) = \frac{t^3}{ts} + \frac{s^3}{ts} + \frac{1}{ts}$$

$$f(t, s) = \frac{t^2}{s} + \frac{s^2}{t} + \frac{1}{ts}$$

$$f(t, s) = t^2s^{-1} + s^2t^{-1} + t^{-1}s^{-1}$$

Find first-order partial derivatives.

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} = 2ts^{-1} - s^2t^{-2} - t^{-2}s^{-1}$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial s} = -t^2s^{-2} + 2st^{-1} - t^{-1}s^{-2}$$

Setting the partial derivatives equal to 0 gives a system of equations that we can use to find critical points.

$$2ts^{-1} - s^2t^{-2} - t^{-2}s^{-1} = 0$$



$$-t^2s^{-2} + 2st^{-1} - t^{-1}s^{-2} = 0$$

Solve the system for  $t \neq 0$  and  $s \neq 0$ .

$$s^3 - 2t^3 + 1 = 0$$

$$t^3 - 2s^3 + 1 = 0$$

Subtract equations to get

$$3t^3 - 3s^3 = 0$$

$$t^3 = s^3$$

$$t = s$$

and then

$$s^3 - 2s^3 + 1 = 0$$

$$-s^3 + 1 = 0$$

$$s = 1$$

So the solution to the system is  $(1,1)$ .

Find second order partial derivatives to perform the second derivative test.

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial t^2} = 2s^{-1} + 2s^2t^{-3} + 2s^{-1}t^{-3}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial s^2} = 2t^2s^{-3} + 2t^{-1} + 2t^{-1}s^{-3}$$



$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial t \partial s} = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial s \partial t} = -2ts^{-2} - 2st^{-2} + t^{-2}s^{-2}$$

Evaluate the second order partial derivatives at (1,1).

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial t^2}(1,1) = 2(1)^{-1} + 2(1)^2(1)^{-3} + 2(1)^{-1}(1)^{-3} = 6$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial s^2}(1,1) = 2(1)^2(1)^{-3} + 2(1)^{-1} + 2(1)^{-1}(1)^{-3} = 6$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial t \partial s}(1,1) = -2(1)(1)^{-2} - 2(1)(1)^{-2} + (1)^{-2}(1)^{-2} = -3$$

Perform the second derivative test.

$$D(t,s) = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial t^2} \cdot \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial s^2} - \left( \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial t \partial s} \right)^2$$

$$D(1,1) = 6 \cdot 6 - (-3)^2 = 27 > 0$$

Since  $D(1,1) > 0$  and  $\partial^2 f / \partial t^2(1,1) > 0$ , the point (1,1) is a local minima. So find  $f(1,1)$ .

$$f(1,1) = \frac{(1)^3 + (1)^3 + 1}{(1)(1)} = 3$$

Then  $f(1,1) = 3$  is the local minimum.

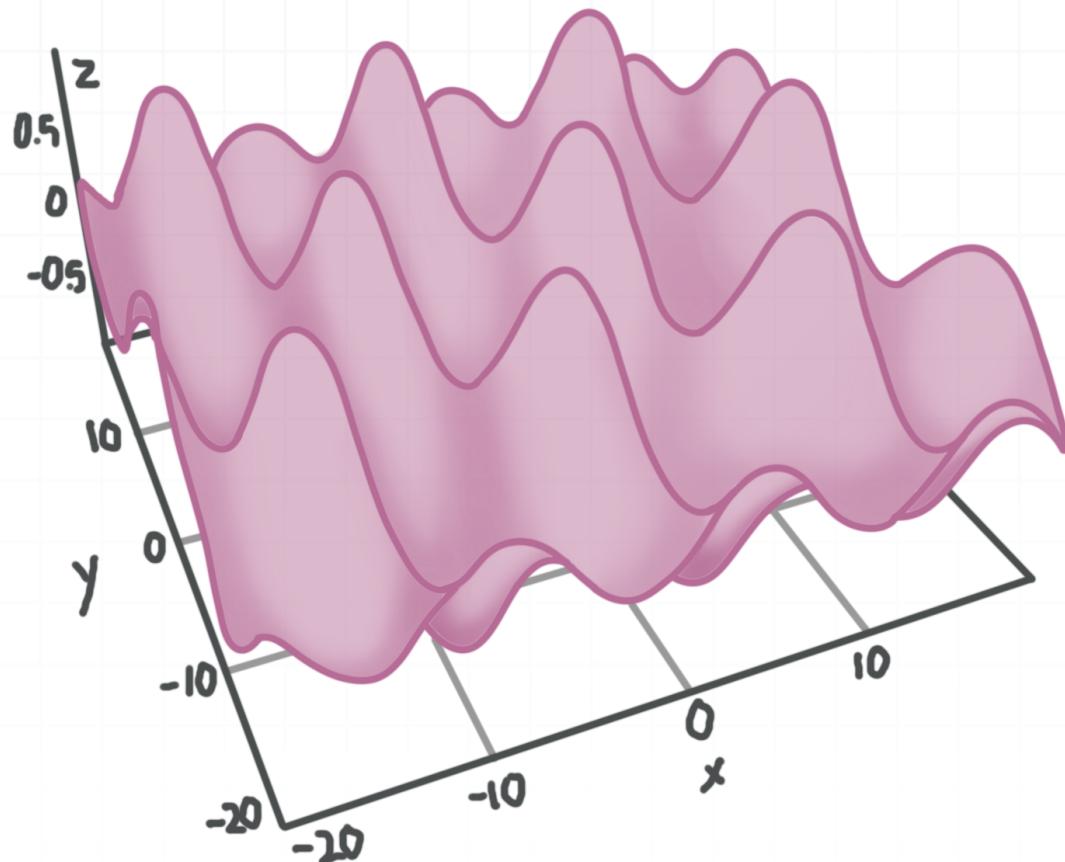
## ■ 2. Find the local extrema of $f(x,y)$ .

$$f(x,y) = \sin(0.5x)\cos(0.25y)$$



*Solution:*

A sketch of the surface is



Use chain rule to find first order partial derivatives.

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = 0.5 \cos(0.5x) \cos(0.25y)$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = -0.25 \sin(0.5x) \sin(0.25y)$$

Set both partial derivatives equal to 0 to make a system of equations that we can use to find critical points.

$$0.5 \cos(0.5x) \cos(0.25y) = 0$$

$$-0.25 \sin(0.5x) \sin(0.25y) = 0$$

Solve the system for  $x$  and  $y$ .

$$\cos(0.5x)\cos(0.25y) = 0$$

$$\sin(0.5x)\sin(0.25y) = 0$$

Since sine and cosine functions of the same angle can't be 0 at the same time, we have two sets of solutions.

$$1) \cos(0.5x) = 0, \sin(0.25y) = 0$$

$$2) \cos(0.25y) = 0, \sin(0.5x) = 0$$

So the solution sets are

$$1) 0.5x = 0.5\pi + \pi n, 0.25y = \pi m$$

$x = \pi + 2\pi n, y = 4\pi m$  where  $n$  and  $m$  are integers

$$2) 0.5x = \pi n, 0.25y = 0.5\pi + \pi m$$

$x = 2\pi n, y = 2\pi + 4\pi m$  where  $n$  and  $m$  are integers

Find second order partial derivatives to perform the second derivative test.

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} = -0.5^2 \sin(0.5x)\cos(0.25y)$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} = -0.5^4 \sin(0.5x)\cos(0.25y)$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial s \partial t} = -0.5^3 \cos(0.5x)\sin(0.25y)$$



The second derivative test gives

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

The second derivative test for the first solution set, substituting  $(\pi + 2\pi n, 4\pi m)$  for  $(x, y)$  gives

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2}(\pi + 2\pi n, 4\pi m) = -0.5^2 \sin(0.5(\pi + 2\pi n)) \cos(0.25(4\pi m)) = \pm 0.5^2$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2}(\pi + 2\pi n, 4\pi m) = -0.5^4 \sin(0.5(\pi + 2\pi n)) \cos(0.25(4\pi m)) = \pm 0.5^4$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y}(\pi + 2\pi n, 4\pi m) = -0.5^3 \cos(0.5(\pi + 2\pi n)) \sin(0.25(4\pi m)) = 0$$

So the second derivative test gives

$$D(\pi + 2\pi n, 4\pi m) = 0.5^6 \sin^2(0.5(\pi + 2\pi n)) \cos^2(0.25(4\pi m)) = 0.5^6 > 0$$

When  $n$  and  $m$  are both even, or when  $n$  and  $m$  are both odd,  $\partial^2 f / \partial x^2(\pi + 2\pi n, 4\pi m) < 0$ , so we have a local maximum at the point. Otherwise the point is a local minimum.

Find the value of  $f$ .

$$f(\pi + 2\pi n, 4\pi m) = \sin(0.5(\pi + 2\pi n)) \cos(0.25(4\pi m)) = \sin(0.5\pi + \pi n) \cos(\pi m) = 1$$

when  $n$  and  $m$  are both even, or when  $n$  and  $m$  are both odd, or equal to  $-1$ .



The second derivative test for the second solution set, substituting  $(2\pi n, 2\pi + 4\pi m)$  for  $(x, y)$  gives

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2}(2\pi n, 2\pi + 4\pi m) = -0.5^2 \sin(0.5(2\pi n)) \cos(0.25(2\pi + 4\pi m)) = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2}(2\pi n, 2\pi + 4\pi m) = -0.5^4 \sin(0.5(2\pi n)) \cos(0.25(2\pi + 4\pi m)) = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y}(2\pi n, 2\pi + 4\pi m) = -0.5^3 \cos(0.5(2\pi n)) \sin(0.25(2\pi + 4\pi m)) = \pm 0.5^3$$

So the second derivative test gives

$$D(2\pi n, 2\pi + 4\pi m) = 0 \cdot 0 - (\pm 0.5^3)^2 < 0$$

Since  $D < 0$  for any  $n$  and  $m$ , all points from the second solution set are saddle points.

So the extrema of the function are

Local maxima at  $(\pi + 2\pi n, 4\pi m, 1)$  when  $n$  and  $m$  are either both even or both odd.

Local minima at  $(\pi + 2\pi n, 4\pi m, -1)$  when  $n$  is even and  $m$  is odd, or vice versa.

- 3. Find the equation(s) of the tangent plane to  $f(x, y)$  at the function's local maximum.

$$f(x, y) = -x^2 - 2y^2 + 4x - 12y - 9$$



*Solution:*

Use power rule to find first order partial derivatives.

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = -2x + 4$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = -4y - 12$$

Setting both partial derivatives equal to 0 gives us a system of equations that we can use to find critical points.

$$-2x + 4 = 0$$

$$-4y - 12 = 0$$

The solution to the system is  $x = 2$  and  $y = -3$ .

Calculate second order partial derivatives to perform the second derivative test.

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2}(2, -3) = -2$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2}(2, -3) = -4$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y}(2, -3) = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial s \partial t} = 0$$

Then the second derivative test gives



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

$$D(2, -3) = (-2) \cdot (-4) - (0)^2 = 8 > 0$$

Since  $D > 0$  and  $\partial^2 f / \partial x^2 < 0$ , the point  $(2, -3)$  is a local maximum.

Since  $\partial f / \partial x(2, -3) = 0$  and  $\partial f / \partial y(2, -3) = 0$ , the equation of the tangent plane to the surface  $z = f(x, y)$  at  $(2, -3)$  is

$$z = f(2, -3) = -2^2 - 2(-3)^2 + 4(2) - 12(-3) - 9 = 13$$

So the equation of the tangent plane is  $z = 13$ .

■ 4. Find the values of  $a$  and  $b$  where  $f(x, y)$  has a local minimum at  $(5, -3)$ .

$$f(x, y) = 4x^2 + 2y^4 - ax - by + 5$$

*Solution:*

Use power rule to calculate first order partial derivatives.

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = 8x - a$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = 8y^3 - b$$

Setting both partial derivatives equal to 0 gives us a system of equations we can use to find critical points.

$$8x - a = 0$$

$$8y^3 - b = 0$$

The solution to the system is  $x = a/8$  and  $y = \sqrt[3]{b}/2$ .

Setting  $x$  and  $y$  equal to 5 and  $-3$  respectively and using these equations as a system of simultaneous equations to find the values of  $a$  and  $b$  gives

$$\frac{a}{8} = 5$$

$$\frac{\sqrt[3]{b}}{2} = -3$$

The solution to this system is  $a = 8(5) = 40$  and  $b = (2(-3))^3 = -216$ .

Find second order partial derivatives to perform the second derivative test.

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2}(5, -3) = 8$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2}(5, -3) = 24(-3)^2 = 216$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y}(5, -3) = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial s \partial t} = 0$$

The second derivative test gives



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

$$D(5, -3) = 8 \cdot 216 - (0)^2 = 1728 > 0$$

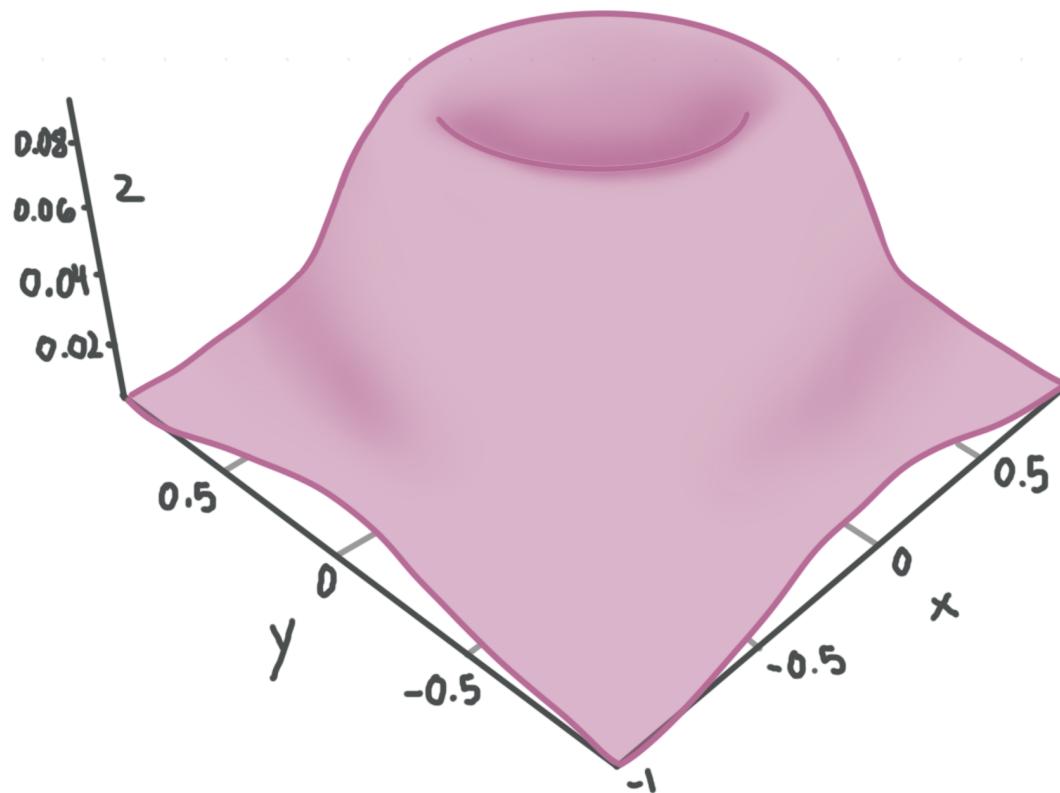
Since  $D > 0$  and  $\partial^2 f / \partial x^2 > 0$ , the point  $(5, -3)$  is a local minimum. So the values of  $a$  and  $b$  are  $a = 40$  and  $b = -216$ .

■ 5. Find and identify the set of local maxima of  $f(x, y)$ .

$$f(x, y) = e^{-4(x^2+y^2)}(x^2 + y^2)$$

*Solution:*

A sketch of the surface is



Use product rule to find first order partial derivatives.

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = -8xe^{-4(x^2+y^2)}(x^2 + y^2) + e^{-4(x^2+y^2)}(2x) = -2xe^{-4(x^2+y^2)}(4x^2 + 4y^2 - 1)$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = -8ye^{-4(x^2+y^2)}(x^2 + y^2) + e^{-4(x^2+y^2)}(2y) = -2ye^{-4(x^2+y^2)}(4x^2 + 4y^2 - 1)$$

Setting both partial derivatives equal to 0 gives a system of equations that we can use to find critical points.

$$-2xe^{-4(x^2+y^2)}(4x^2 + 4y^2 - 1) = 0$$

$$-2ye^{-4(x^2+y^2)}(4x^2 + 4y^2 - 1) = 0$$

Since  $e^a > 0$ ,

$$x(4x^2 + 4y^2 - 1) = 0$$

$$y(4x^2 + 4y^2 - 1) = 0$$

Then the solution sets are

1)  $4x^2 + 4y^2 - 1 = 0$ , or  $x^2 + y^2 = (0.5)^2$ , which is a circle with center  $(0,0)$  and radius 0.5

2)  $x = 0, y = 0$

Since  $f(x,y) > 0$  for all  $(x,y)$  except  $(0,0)$ , and  $f(0,0) = 0$ , the point  $(0,0)$  is a local (and also global) minimum.

To check if the solution set  $(x,y) | x^2 + y^2 = (0.5)^2$  are a set of local maxima, we need to perform the second derivative test. Since the points from the



set form a continuous curve, all of them may be classified the same way.  
So we can check any point from the set, for example (0.5,0).

Find second order partial derivatives.

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} = 2e^{-4(x^2+y^2)}(32x^4 + 32x^2y^2 - 20x^2 - 4y^2 + 1)$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} = 2e^{-4(x^2+y^2)}(32y^4 + 32x^2y^2 - 20y^2 - 4x^2 + 1)$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x} = 32xye^{-4(x^2+y^2)}(2x^2 + 2y^2 - 1)$$

Evaluate the second order partial derivatives at (0.5,0).

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2}(0.5,0) = -\frac{4}{e}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2}(0.5,0) = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y}(0.5,0) = 0$$

The second derivative test gives

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

$$D(0.5,0) = -\frac{4}{e} \cdot 0 - (0)^2 = 0$$



So the second derivative test is inconclusive. So consider the arbitrary cross-section through the critical point  $(0.5,0)$  along the line  $y = t(x - 0.5)$ . Substitute  $t(x - 0.5)$  for  $y$  into the expression for  $f(x, y)$ .

$$g(x) = f(x, t(x - 0.5)) = e^{-4(x^2 + t^2(x - 0.5)^2)}(x^2 + t^2(x - 0.5)^2)$$

$$g(x) = e^{(-4(t^2+1)x^2+4t^2x-t^2)}((t^2 + 1)x^2 - t^2x + 0.25t^2)$$

Investigate the sign of  $g'(x)$  in the vicinity of the  $x = 0.5$ .

$$g'(x) = e^{(-4(t^2+1)x^2+4t^2x-t^2)}((-8(t^2 + 1)x + 4t^2)((t^2 + 1)x^2 - t^2x + 0.25t^2) + 2(t^2 + 1)x - t^2)$$

Since  $g'(0.5) = 0$  and  $g'(0.5^-) > 0$ ,  $g'(0.5^+) < 0$ , the function  $g(x)$  has a local maximum at  $x = 0.5$ . So since every cross-section through the point  $(0.5,0)$  has a local maximum at this point, the function  $f(x, y)$  also has a local maximum at  $(0.5,0)$ .

So the set of local maxima is given by  $x^2 + y^2 = (0.5)^2$ , which is the circle with center  $(0,0)$  and radius 0.5.

## ■ 6. Find and identify the saddle points and local extrema of $f(x, y)$ .

$$f(x, y) = (x - 4)^8 - (y + 7)^{12}$$

*Solution:*

Use power rule to find first order partial derivatives.



$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = 8(x - 4)^7$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = -12(y + 7)^{11}$$

Setting both partial derivatives equal to 0 gives a system of equations that we can use to find critical points.

$$8(x - 4)^7 = 0$$

$$-12(y + 7)^{11} = 0$$

The solution to this system is  $x = 4$ ,  $y = -7$ .

Find second order partial derivatives.

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} = 8 \cdot 7(x - 4)^6$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} = -12 \cdot 11(y + 7)^{10}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} = 0$$

Evaluate the second order partial derivatives at  $(4, -7)$ .

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2}(4, -7) = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2}(4, -7) = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y}(4, -7) = 0$$

Since  $D(4, -7) = 0$ , the second derivative test is inconclusive. Then consider two cross-sections through the critical point  $(4, -7)$ , along the lines  $x = 4$  and  $y = -7$ .

Substitute  $x = 4$  into the expression for  $f(x, y)$ .

$$g(y) = f(4, y) = -(y + 7)^{12}$$

Since  $g(-7) = 0$  and  $g(y) < 0$  when  $y \neq -7$ , the function has a local maximum at the point.

Substitute  $y = -7$  into the expression for  $f(x, y)$ .

$$h(x) = f(x, -7) = (x - 4)^8$$

Since  $h(4) = 0$  and  $h(x) > 0$  when  $x \neq 4$ , the function has a local minimum at the point.

So since two cross sections have minimum and maximum at the critical point  $(4, -7)$ , it's a saddle point.



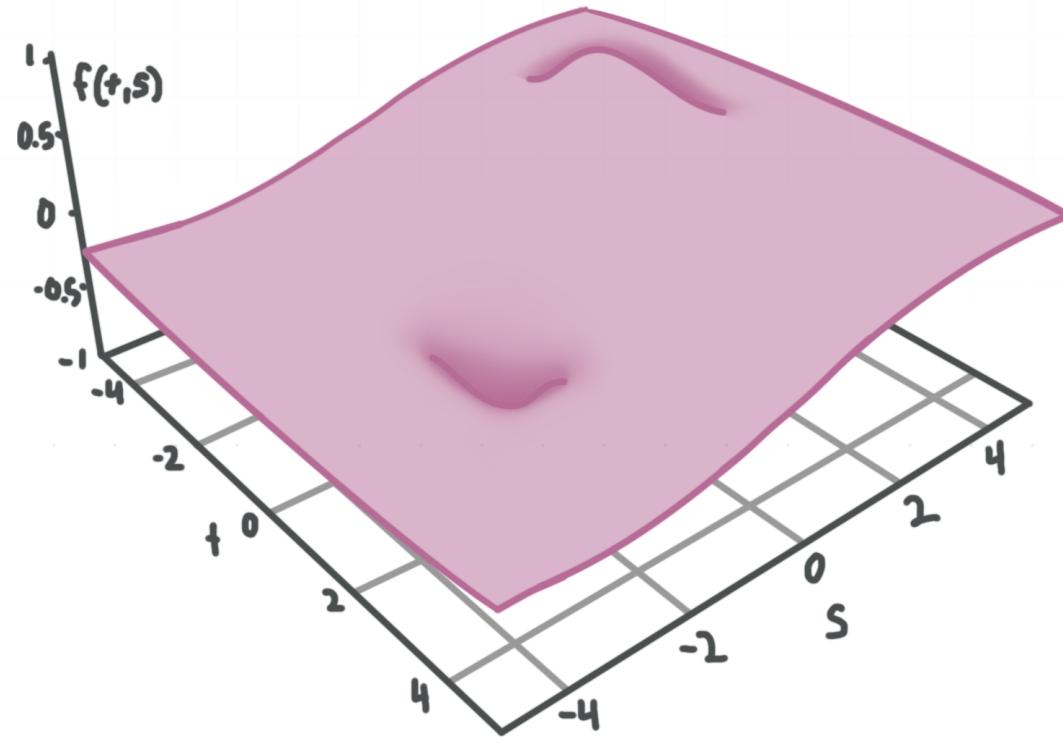
## GLOBAL EXTREMA

- 1. Find the global extrema of  $f(t, s)$  over  $R^2$ .

$$f(t, s) = \frac{4s}{t^2 + 2s^2 + 2}$$

*Solution:*

A sketch of the surface is



Use quotient rule to find first order partial derivatives.

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} = \frac{-8ts}{(t^2 + 2s^2 + 2)^2}$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial s} = \frac{4t^2 - 8s^2 + 8}{(t^2 + 2s^2 + 2)^2}$$

Setting both of them equal to 0 and using these equations as a system of simultaneous equations to find critical points gives

$$-8ts = 0$$

$$4t^2 - 8s^2 + 8 = 0$$

Then

$$ts = 0$$

$$t^2 - 2s^2 + 2 = 0$$

If  $t = 0$ , then

$$(0)^2 - 2s^2 + 2 = 0$$

$$s^2 = 1$$

$$s = \pm 1$$

If  $s = 0$ , then

$$t^2 - 2(0)^2 + 2 = 0$$

$$t^2 = -2$$

and there are no solutions. So the solutions to the system are  $(0, 1)$  and  $(0, -1)$ .

Find second order partial derivatives to perform the second derivative test.



$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial t^2} = \frac{8s(3t^2 - 2s^2 - 2)}{(t^2 + 2s^2 + 2)^3}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial s^2} = \frac{16s(-3t^2 + 2s^2 - 6)}{(t^2 + 2s^2 + 2)^3}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial t \partial s} = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial s \partial t} = \frac{8t(-t^2 + 6s^2 - 2)}{(t^2 + 2s^2 + 2)^3}$$

Evaluate the second order partial derivatives at (0,1).

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial t^2}(0,1) = \frac{8(1)(3(0)^2 - 2(1)^2 - 2)}{((0)^2 + 2(1)^2 + 2)^3} = -0.5$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial s^2}(0,1) = \frac{16(1)(-3(0)^2 + 2(1)^2 - 6)}{((0)^2 + 2(1)^2 + 2)^3} = -1$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial t \partial s}(0,1) = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial s \partial t} = \frac{8(0)(-(0)^2 + 6(1)^2 - 2)}{((0)^2 + 2(1)^2 + 2)^3} = 0$$

Perform the second derivative test for (0,1).

$$D(t,s) = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial t^2} \cdot \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial s^2} - \left( \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial t \partial s} \right)^2$$

$$D(0,1) = (-0.5) \cdot (-1) - (0)^2 = 0.5 > 0$$

So the critical point (0,1) is a local extremum. Since  $\partial^2 f / \partial t^2(0,1) < 0$ , it's a local maximum.

$$f(0,1) = \frac{4(1)}{(0)^2 + 2(1)^2 + 2} = 1$$



Evaluate the second order partial derivatives at  $(0, -1)$ .

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial t^2}(0, -1) = \frac{8(-1)(3(0)^2 - 2(-1)^2 - 2)}{((0)^2 + 2(-1)^2 + 2)^3} = 0.5$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial s^2}(0, -1) = \frac{16(-1)(-3(0)^2 + 2(-1)^2 - 6)}{((0)^2 + 2(-1)^2 + 2)^3} = 1$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial t \partial s}(0, -1) = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial s \partial t} = \frac{8(0)(-(0)^2 + 6(-1)^2 - 2)}{((0)^2 + 2(-1)^2 + 2)^3} = 0$$

Perform the second derivative test for  $(0, -1)$ .

$$D(0, -1) = 0.5 \cdot 1 - (0)^2 = 0.5 > 0$$

So the critical point  $(0, -1)$  is a local extremum. Since  $\partial^2 f / \partial t^2(0, -1) > 0$ , it's a local minimum.

$$f(0, -1) = \frac{4(-1)}{(0)^2 + 2(-1)^2 + 2} = -1$$

To check if these local extrema are global, we need to check the values of  $f(t, s)$  on the boundaries of the region, in our case on  $t \rightarrow \infty, s \rightarrow \infty$ .

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty, s \rightarrow \infty} f(t, s)$$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty, s \rightarrow \infty} \frac{4s}{t^2 + 2s^2 + 2}$$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty, s \rightarrow \infty} \frac{4}{t^2/s + 2s + 2/s}$$

$$\frac{4}{\infty} = 0$$



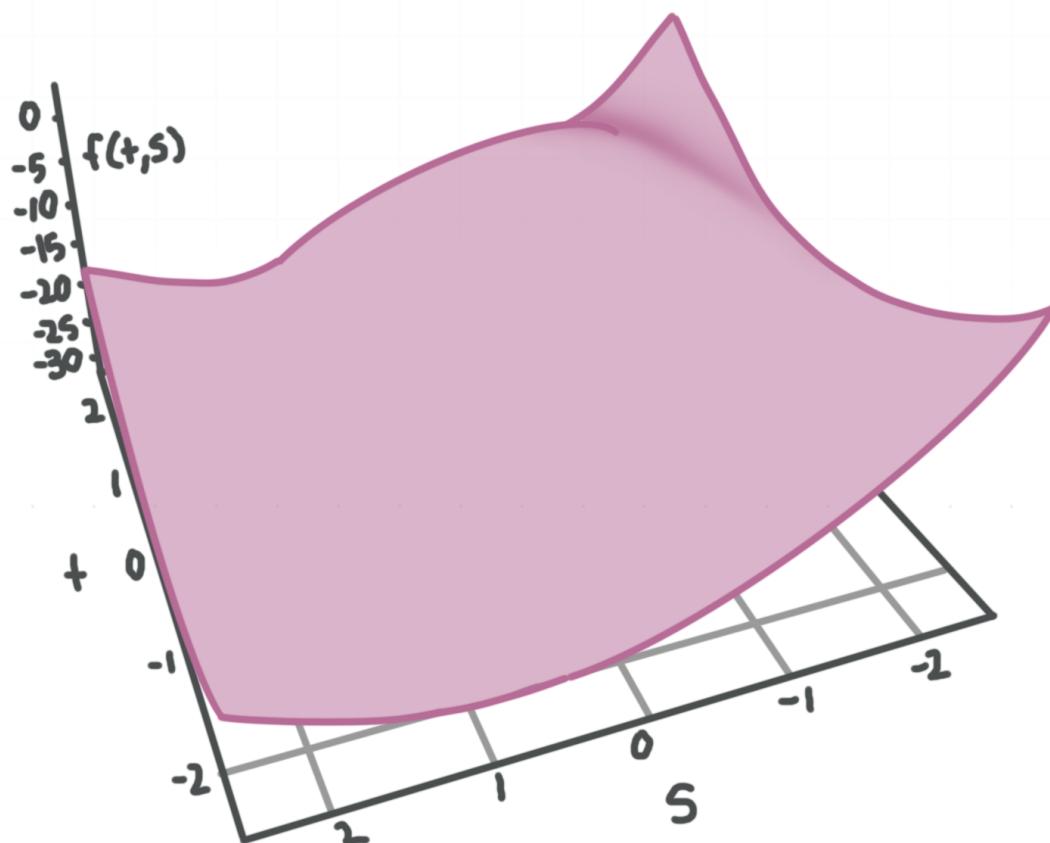
So 1 is the global maximum at  $(0,1)$  and  $-1$  is the global minimum at  $(0,-1)$ .

■ 2. Find the global extrema of  $f(t,s)$  over  $R^2$ .

$$f(t,s) = t^2s^2 - 4t^2 - 4s^2 - 4s + 1$$

*Solution:*

A sketch of the surface is



Use power rule to find first order partial derivatives.

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} = 2ts^2 - 8t$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial s} = 2t^2s - 8s - 4$$

Setting both partial derivatives equal to 0 gives us a system of equations we can use to find critical points.

$$2ts^2 - 8t = 0$$

$$2t^2s - 8s - 4 = 0$$

and then

$$t(s^2 - 4) = 0$$

$$t^2s - 4s - 2 = 0$$

Consider the first equation. If  $t = 0$ , then

$$-4s - 2 = 0$$

$$s = -0.5$$

If  $s = 2$ , then

$$t^2(2) - 4(2) - 2 = 0$$

$$2t^2 - 10 = 0$$

$$t = \pm \sqrt{5}$$

If  $s = -2$ , then

$$t^2(-2) - 4(-2) - 2 = 0$$

$$-2t^2 + 6 = 0$$

$$t = \pm \sqrt{3}$$



So the solutions to the system are  $(0, -0.5)$ ,  $(\pm\sqrt{5}, 2)$ , and  $(\pm\sqrt{3}, -2)$ .

So we have five critical points, and we can perform the second derivative test and get the result that the point  $(0, -0.5)$  is a local maximum, and four other points are saddle points. However, it's not necessary here, because we can see that the function has no global minima/maxima because it tends to infinity for big  $t$  and  $s$ .

For example, consider the path  $t = 0, s \rightarrow \infty$ .

$$\lim_{t=0, s \rightarrow \infty} f(t, s)$$

$$\lim_{t=0, s \rightarrow \infty} (t^2 s^2 - 4t^2 - 4s^2 - 4s + 1)$$

$$\lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} (-4s^2 - 4s + 1) = -\infty$$

So the function has no global minimum because it tends to  $-\infty$  for some  $t$  and  $s$ .

As another example, consider the path  $t = s, s \rightarrow \infty$ .

$$\lim_{t=s, s \rightarrow \infty} f(t, s)$$

$$\lim_{t=s, s \rightarrow \infty} (t^2 s^2 - 4t^2 - 4s^2 - 4s + 1)$$

$$\lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} (s^2 s^2 - 4s^2 - 4s^2 - 4s + 1)$$

$$\lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} (s^4 - 8s^2 - 4s + 1)$$

$$\lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} s^4 \left( 1 - \frac{8}{s^2} - \frac{4}{s^3} + \frac{1}{s^4} \right)$$

$$\infty \cdot 1 = \infty$$

So the function has no global maximum because it tends to  $\infty$  for some values of  $t$  and  $s$ . So the global extrema do not exist.

■ 3. Find the global extrema of  $f(x, y)$  over  $R^2$ .

$$f(x, y) = \frac{\sin(3x)}{x^2 + 3y^2}$$

*Solution:*

Let's investigate the behavior of the function when either  $x$  or  $y$  approaches infinity.

$$|f(x, y)| = \left| \frac{\sin(3x)}{x^2 + 3y^2} \right| = \frac{|\sin(3x)|}{|x^2 + 3y^2|} \leq \frac{1}{|x^2 + 3y^2|} = \frac{1}{x^2 + 3y^2}$$

So  $f(x, y) \rightarrow 0$  as  $x$  or  $y$  approach infinity. Which means the function can have global extrema if it has no infinite discontinuity. But it has one at the point  $(0, 0)$ .

So consider the path  $y = 0, x \rightarrow 0^+$ .

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+, y=0} f(x, y)$$



$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+, y=0} \frac{\sin(3x)}{x^2 + 3y^2}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\sin(3x)}{x^2}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\sin(3x)}{x} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{1}{x}$$

$$3 \cdot \infty = \infty$$

So the function has no global maximum because it tends to  $\infty$  for some  $x$  and  $y$ .

Then consider the path  $y = 0, x \rightarrow 0^-$ .

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-, y=0} f(x, y)$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-, y=0} \frac{\sin(3x)}{x^2 + 3y^2}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{\sin(3x)}{x^2}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{\sin(3x)}{x} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{1}{x}$$

$$3 \cdot -\infty = -\infty$$

So the function has no global minimum because it tends to  $-\infty$  for some  $x$  and  $y$ . So the global extrema do not exist.



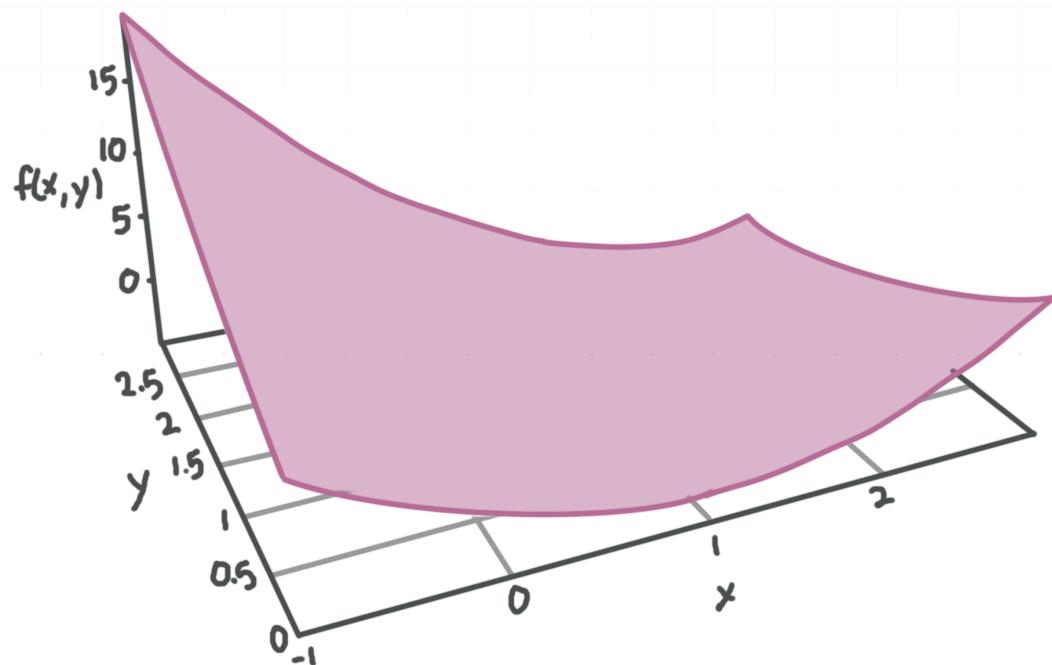
## EXTREME VALUE THEOREM

- 1. Determine whether the Extreme Value Theorem applies. If the theorem applies, find the global extrema of  $f(x, y)$  on the closed rectangle  $-1 \leq x \leq 3$ ,  $0 \leq y \leq 3$ .

$$f(x, y) = 2x^2 - 2xy + y^2 - 4x - 1$$

*Solution:*

A sketch of the surface is



Calculate the first order partial derivatives:

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = 4x - 2y - 4$$

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

Setting both partial derivatives equal to 0 and using these as a system of equations to find critical points gives

$$4x - 2y - 4 = 0$$

$$-2x + 2y = 0$$

The solution to the system is (2,2).

Polynomial functions are always continuous on  $R^2$ . So we consider the continuous function over a closed region, and by the extreme value theorem it has a global maximum and a global minimum.

So we don't need to perform a secondary derivative test in order to find global extrema. We just need to determine the values of the function in every critical point (including boundaries), and find the greatest/the least of them.

Find critical points on the boundary  $x = -1$ .

$$g(y) = f(-1, y)$$

$$g(y) = 2(-1)^2 - 2(-1)y + y^2 - 4(-1) - 1$$

$$g(y) = y^2 + 2y + 5$$

$$g'(y) = 2y + 2 = 0$$

$$y = -1$$

The point is out of the region, so we should check only the endpoints  $(-1, 0)$  and  $(-1, 3)$ .



Find critical points on the boundary  $x = 3$ .

$$g(y) = f(3, y)$$

$$g(y) = 2(3)^2 - 2(3)y + y^2 - 4(3) - 1$$

$$g(y) = y^2 - 6y + 5$$

$$g'(y) = 2y - 6 = 0$$

$$y = 3$$

The point is the endpoint of the region, so we should check the endpoints  $(3,0)$  and  $(3,3)$ .

Find critical points on the boundary  $y = 0$ .

$$h(x) = f(x, 0)$$

$$h(x) = 2x^2 - 2x(0) + (0)^2 - 4x - 1$$

$$h(x) = 2x^2 - 4x - 1$$

$$h'(x) = 4x - 4 = 0$$

$$x = 1$$

So we should check the critical point  $(1,0)$  and the endpoints  $(-1,0)$  and  $(3,0)$ .

Find critical points on the boundary  $y = 3$ .

$$h(x) = f(x, 3)$$



$$h(x) = 2x^2 - 2x(3) + (3)^2 - 4x - 1$$

$$h(x) = 2x^2 - 10x + 8$$

$$h'(x) = 4x - 10 = 0$$

$$x = 2.5$$

So we should check the critical point  $(2.5, 3)$  and the endpoints  $(-1, 3)$  and  $(3, 3)$ .

Collect all of the points together.

$$f(2, 2) = -5$$

$$f(-1, 0) = 5$$

$$f(-1, 3) = 20$$

$$f(3, 0) = 5$$

$$f(3, 3) = -4$$

$$f(1, 0) = -3$$

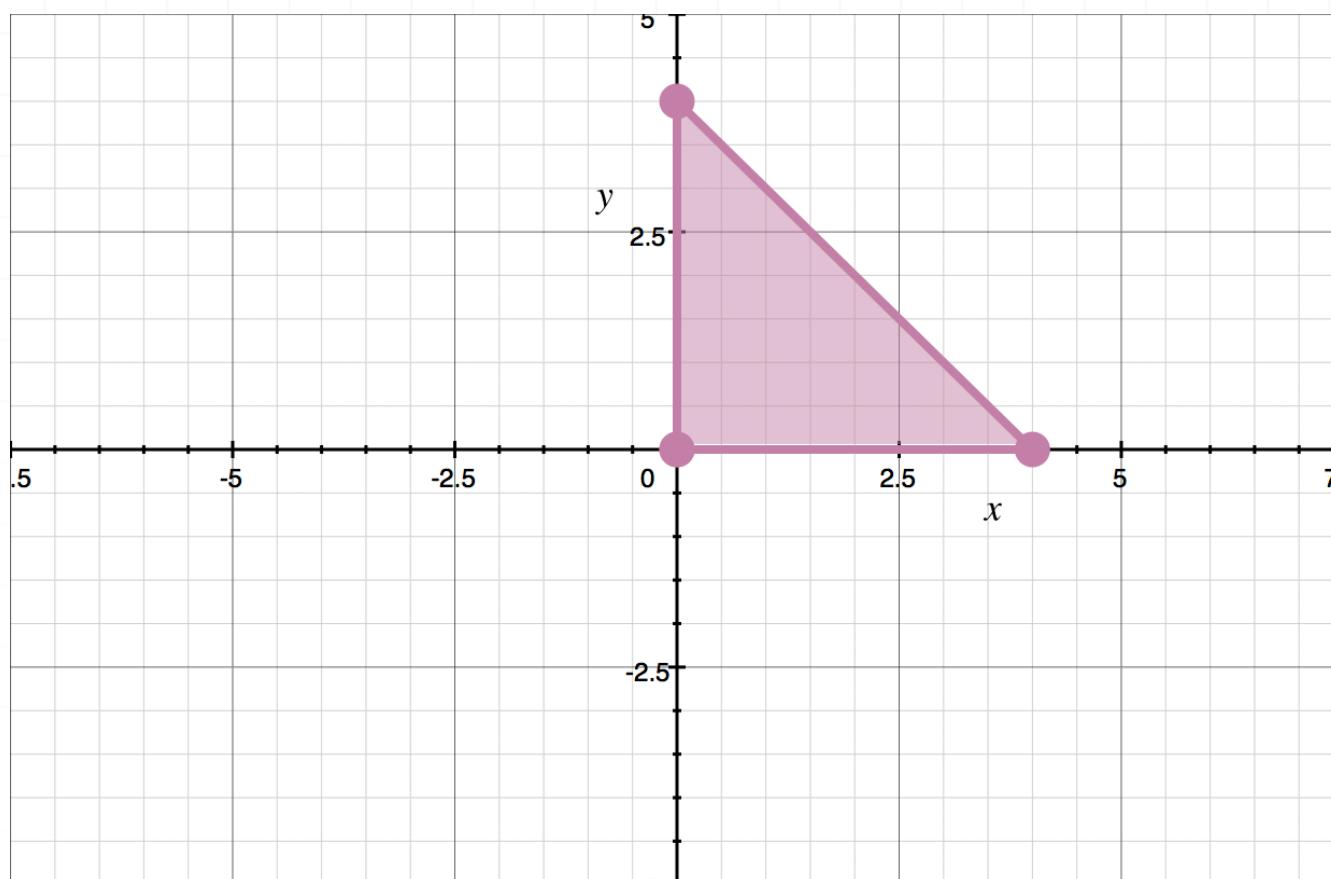
$$f(2.5, 3) = -4.5$$

Comparing all of these, we can say that 20 is the global maximum at  $(-1, 3)$ , and  $-5$  is the global minimum at  $(2, 2)$ .



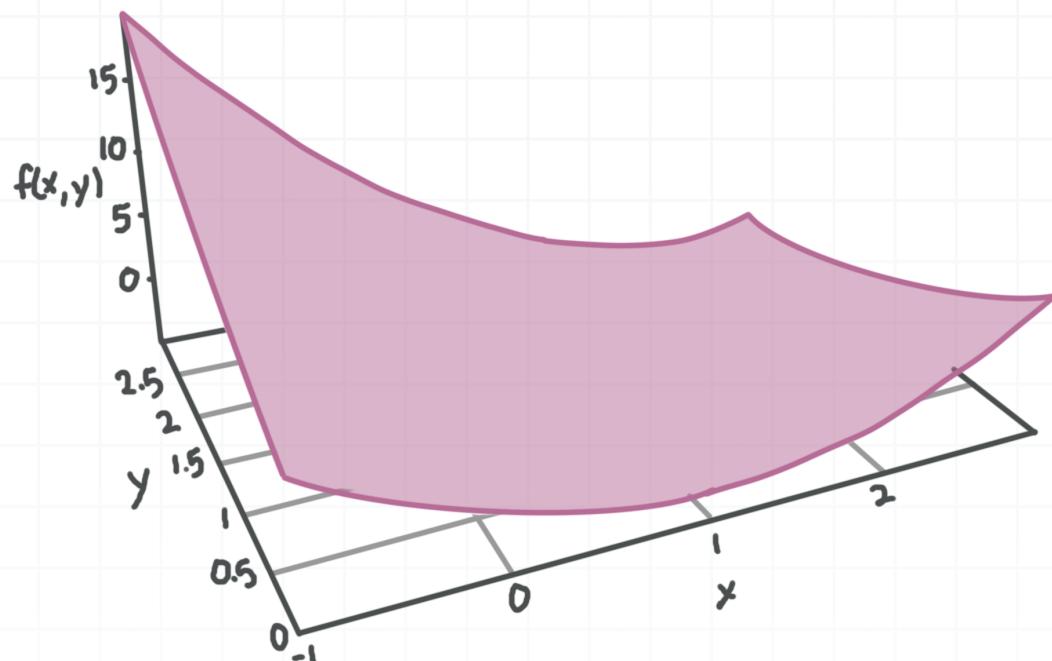
■ 2. Determine whether the Extreme Value Theorem applies. If the theorem applies, find the global extrema of  $f(x, y)$  on a closed triangle bounded by  $x = 0$ ,  $y = 0$ , and  $x + y - 4 = 0$ .

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



*Solution:*

A sketch of the surface is



Find first order partial derivatives.

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

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

Since  $x^2 + y^2 - 2y - x + 2$  is always positive, setting both numerators equal to 0 and using these equations as a system of equations to find critical points gives

$$2x - 1 = 0$$

$$2y - 2 = 0$$

The solution to the system is  $(0.5, 1)$ .

The logarithmic function  $\ln a$  is continuous on its domain  $a > 0$ , and  $x^2 + y^2 - 2y - x + 2$  is always positive. So we consider the continuous function over a closed region, and by the extreme value theorem it has a global maximum and a global minimum.

So we don't need to perform a secondary derivative test in order to find the global extrema. We just need to determine the values of the function at every critical point (including boundaries), and find the greatest/the least of them.

The vertices of the triangle are  $(0,0)$ ,  $(0,4)$ ,  $(4,0)$ .

Find critical points on the boundary  $x = 0$ .

$$g(y) = f(0,y)$$

$$g(y) = \ln((0)^2 + y^2 - 2y - (0) + 2)$$

$$g(y) = \ln(y^2 - 2y + 2)$$

$$g'(y) = \frac{2y - 2}{y^2 - 2y + 2} = 0$$

$$y = 1$$

So we should check the critical point  $(0,1)$ .

Find critical points on the boundary  $y = 0$ .

$$h(x) = f(x,0)$$

$$h(x) = \ln(x^2 + (0)^2 - 2(0) - x + 2)$$

$$h(x) = \ln(x^2 - x + 2)$$

$$h'(x) = \frac{2x - 1}{x^2 - x + 2} = 0$$

$$x = 0.5$$



So we should check the critical point (0.5,0).

Find critical points on the boundary  $x + y - 4 = 0$ , or  $y = 4 - x$ .

$$h(x) = f(x, 4 - x)$$

$$h(x) = \ln(x^2 + (4 - x)^2 - 2(4 - x) - x + 2)$$

$$h(x) = \ln(2x^2 - 7x + 10)$$

$$h'(x) = 4x - 7 = 0$$

$$x = 1.75 \text{ and } y = 4 - 1.75 = 2.25$$

So we should check the critical point (1.75,2.25).

Collect all of the points together.

$$f(0.5, 1) = \ln(0.75)$$

$$f(0, 0) = \ln(2)$$

$$f(0, 4) = \ln(10)$$

$$f(4, 0) = \ln(14)$$

$$f(0, 1) = \ln(1)$$

$$f(0.5, 0) = \ln(1.75)$$

$$f(1.75, 2.25) = \ln(3.875)$$

Since the logarithm is an increasing function, then  $\ln(14)$  is a maximum, and  $\ln(0.75)$  is a minimum. So  $\ln(14)$  is the global maximum at  $(4,0)$ , and  $\ln(0.75)$  is the global minimum at  $(0.5,1)$ .

- 3. Determine whether the Extreme Value Theorem applies. If the theorem applies, find the global extrema of  $f(x,y)$  on the closed rectangle  $-\pi \leq x \leq \pi, -1 \leq y \leq 3$ .

$$f(x,y) = y^2 \tan(2x)$$

*Solution:*

The tangent function is continuous at any point within its domain. The points excluded from domain are

$$\frac{\pi}{2} + \pi n \text{ for any integer } n$$

So we have the inequality

$$2x \neq \frac{\pi}{2} + \pi n \text{ for any integer } n$$

$$x \neq \frac{\pi}{4} + \frac{\pi}{2}n \text{ for any integer } n$$

Consider the point

$$y = 1, n = 0, x = \frac{\pi}{4} + \frac{\pi}{2}n = \frac{\pi}{4}$$



The point  $(\pi/4, 1)$  lies within the given closed rectangle, and the function  $f(x, y)$  is not continuous in it. So the Extreme Value Theorem does not apply in this case.

And because of this, there's no global extrema on the given rectangle since  $f(x, y)$  tends to  $\infty$  or  $-\infty$  as  $x$  approaches  $\pi/4$  for any  $y$ .

■ 4. Determine whether the Extreme Value Theorem applies. If the theorem applies, find the global extrema of the function  $f(x, y)$  on the closed rectangle  $-\pi \leq x \leq \pi, -2 \leq y \leq 2$ .

$$f(x, y) = (y^2 + 2y + 3)\tan\left(\frac{x}{4}\right)$$

*Solution:*

The tangent function is continuous at any point within its domain. The points excluded from domain are

$$\frac{\pi}{2} + \pi n \text{ for any integer } n$$

So we have the inequality

$$\frac{x}{4} \neq \frac{\pi}{2} + \pi n \text{ for any integer } n$$

$$x \neq 2\pi + 4\pi n \text{ for any integer } n$$



Since none of these points lie within the given interval  $-\pi \leq x \leq \pi$ , the function  $\tan(x/4)$  is continuous on it. Also, because the polynomial function  $y^2 + 2y + 3$  is continuous for any values of  $x$  and  $y$ , the function  $f(x, y)$  is continuous on the given rectangle.

So Extreme Value Theorem applies in this case, and the function has a global maximum and a global minimum. To find the global extrema, we need to determine the values of function in every critical point (including boundaries), and find the greatest/the least of them.

Find the first order partial derivatives.

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = \frac{1}{4}(y^2 + 2y + 3)\sec^2\left(\frac{x}{4}\right)$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = (2y + 2)\tan\left(\frac{x}{4}\right)$$

Setting both of them equal to 0 and using these equations as a system of equations to find critical points gives

$$\frac{1}{4}(y^2 + 2y + 3)\sec^2\left(\frac{x}{4}\right) = 0$$

$$(2y + 2)\tan\left(\frac{x}{4}\right) = 0$$

Since  $(y^2 + 2y + 3)\sec^2(x/4) > 0$  for any  $(x, y)$ , the system has no solutions. So there are no critical points inside the rectangle.

Find critical points on the boundary  $x = -\pi$ .



$$g(y) = f(-\pi, y) = (y^2 + 2y + 3)$$

$$\tan\left(\frac{-\pi}{4}\right) = -(y^2 + 2y + 3)$$

$$g'(y) = -2y - 2 = 0$$

$$y = -1$$

So we should check the critical point  $(-\pi, -1)$  and the endpoints  $(-\pi, -2)$  and  $(-\pi, 2)$ .

Find critical points on the boundary  $x = \pi$ .

$$g(y) = f(\pi, y)$$

$$g(y) = (y^2 + 2y + 3)\tan\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right)$$

$$g(y) = (y^2 + 2y + 3)$$

$$g'(y) = 2y + 2 = 0$$

$$y = -1$$

So we should check the critical point  $(\pi, 1)$  and the endpoints  $(\pi, -2)$  and  $(\pi, 2)$ .

Find critical points on the boundary  $y = -2$ .

$$h(x) = f(x, -2)$$

$$h(x) = ((-2)^2 + 2(-2) + 3)\tan\left(\frac{x}{4}\right)$$



$$h(x) = 3 \tan\left(\frac{x}{4}\right)$$

$$h'(x) = \frac{3}{4} \sec^2\left(\frac{x}{4}\right) > 0$$

There are no critical points on the boundary, so we should check the endpoints  $(-\pi, -2)$  and  $(\pi, -2)$ .

Find critical points on the boundary  $y = 2$ .

$$h(x) = f(x, 2)$$

$$h(x) = ((2)^2 + 2(2) + 3)\tan\left(\frac{x}{4}\right)$$

$$h(x) = 11 \tan\left(\frac{x}{4}\right)$$

$$h'(x) = \frac{11}{4} \sec^2\left(\frac{x}{4}\right) > 0$$

There are no critical points on the boundary, so we should check the endpoints  $(-\pi, 2)$  and  $(\pi, 2)$ .

Collect all of the points together.

$$f(-\pi, 2) = -11$$

$$f(\pi, 2) = 11$$

$$f(-\pi, -2) = -3$$



$$f(\pi, -2) = 3$$

$$f(-\pi, -1) = -2$$

$$f(\pi, 1) = 6$$

Comparing all of these, we can say that 11 is the global maximum at  $(\pi, 2)$ , and  $-11$  is the global minimum at  $(-\pi, 2)$ .

- 5. Determine whether the Extreme Value Theorem applies. If the theorem applies, find the global extrema of the function  $f(x, y)$  on the closed circle with center at the origin and radius 1.

$$f(x, y) = x^2 + y^2 - 2x + 2\sqrt{3}y - 3$$

*Solution:*

The polynomial function is continuous at any point. So the Extreme Value Theorem applies in this case, and the function has a global maximum and a global minimum.

To find the global extrema, we need to determine the values of the function at every critical point (including boundaries), and find the greatest/the least of them.

Find first order partial derivatives.

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



$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = 2y + 2\sqrt{3}$$

Setting both of them equal to 0 and using these equations as a system of equations to find critical points gives

$$2x - 2 = 0$$

$$2y + 2\sqrt{3} = 0$$

The solution to the system is  $(1, -\sqrt{3})$ . The point lies outside the given circle. To find the critical points on the boundary, consider the function using polar coordinates.

Convert into polar coordinates  $(r, \theta)$  assuming  $r = 1$  on the circle.

$$r \geq 0, 0 \leq \theta < 2\pi$$

$$x = r \cos \theta = \cos \theta$$

$$y = r \sin \theta = \sin \theta$$

$$r^2 = x^2 + y^2 = 1 \text{ on the circle}$$

Substitute into the function equation.

$$g(\theta) = f(\cos \theta, \sin \theta)$$

$$g(\theta) = 1 - 2 \cos \theta + 2\sqrt{3} \sin \theta - 3$$

$$g(\theta) = -2 \cos \theta + 2\sqrt{3} \sin \theta - 2$$

$$g'(\theta) = 2 \sin \theta + 2\sqrt{3} \cos \theta = 0$$



$$\sin \theta = -\sqrt{3} \cos \theta$$

$$\tan \theta = -\sqrt{3}$$

$$\theta = \frac{2\pi}{3} \text{ or } \theta = \frac{5\pi}{3}$$

So there are two critical points on the circle,  $(1, 2\pi/3)$  and  $(1, 5\pi/3)$ .

$$g\left(\frac{2\pi}{3}\right) = -2 \cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{3}\right) + 2\sqrt{3} \sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{3}\right) - 2 = 2$$

$$g\left(\frac{5\pi}{3}\right) = -2 \cos\left(\frac{5\pi}{3}\right) + 2\sqrt{3} \sin\left(\frac{5\pi}{3}\right) - 2 = -6$$

So we have a global maximum of 2 and global minimum of -6. Return back to  $(x, y)$  coordinates.

$$x_1 = \cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{3}\right) = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$y_1 = \sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{3}\right) = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$x_2 = \cos\left(\frac{5\pi}{3}\right) = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$y_2 = \sin\left(\frac{5\pi}{3}\right) = -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

So the extrema of the function are

A global maximum of 2 at  $\left(-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)$

A global minimum of -6 at  $\left(\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)$



