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Course Info Brightspace

Lectures Mon 9.00-9.50 Th. F (SCI-HUB)

Wed 9.00-9.50 Th. E (SCI-HUB)

Tutorial Fri 10.00-10.50 Th. F (SCI-HUB)

Tutorials Start in week 2, details TBA

Assessment Midterm 20%

Midterm takes place at 10.00 on Friday 10th of March

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Grades are calculated using the alternative linear scale!!

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A+
     95-100%
Α
   90-94.99%
A— 85-89.99%
B+ 80-84.99%
B 75-79.99%
B- 70-74.99%
C+ 65-69.99%
C 60-64.99%
C- 55-59.99%
D+
   50-54.99%
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D- 40-44.99%
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FM— 10-29.99%
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     0-9.99\%
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Comments Do the exercises!

Go to the tutorials prepared!

Ask questions in class!

Talk to me!

Go to the Maths Support Centre!

- Extrema for one and several variables
- Hessians and the second derivative test for n variables
- Method of Lagrange multipliers
- Linear programming
- The simplex method
- Duality theory
- Non-linear programming
- Kuhn-Tucker theory
- Convexity and optimization
- Cobb-Douglas functions in n variables

This module is about using mathematical methods to solve optimization problems.

Typical examples of such problems are:

A cosmetic firm packages and sells two products, standard shower gel and moisturising shower gel. The wholesale price per carton that the firm receives is €2000 for standard and €2400 for moisturising. The cost of production is

$$1000x + 1200y + x^2 + 2xy + 2y^2 + 50000$$

where x is the number of cartons of the standard version; y, that of the moisturising version. Determine the pair (x, y) which maximizes profit, assuming that all the products can be sold.