

## # Absolute Extreme Values

There are three steps to calculate the absolute extreme values on closed bounded region.

(i): List the interior points of  $R$  where  $f$  may have local maxima and minima and evaluate  $f$  at these points. These are the critical points of  $f$ .

(ii) List the boundary points of  $R$  where  $f$  has local maxima and minima and evaluate  $f$  at these points. We show how to do this shortly.

(iii) Look through the lists for the maximum and minimum values of  $f$ . These will be the absolute maximum and minimum values of  $f$  on  $R$ .

Since absolute extrema are also local extrema, we get value at step 1/2.

Q: Find absolute maximum value and absolute minimum value of

$T(x,y) = x^2 + xy + y^2 - 6x$   
on rectangular plate  $0 \leq x \leq 5, -3 \leq y \leq 3$ .

Sol<sup>n</sup>:

Given,

$$T(x,y) = x^2 + xy + y^2 - 6x$$

For interior points,

$$T_x = 2x + y - 6 = 0 \quad \text{--- (i)}$$

$$T_y = x + 2y = 0 \quad \text{--- (ii)}$$

Solving (i) and (ii), we get.

$$2x + y = 6$$

$$x + 2y = 0$$

$$\therefore (x,y) = (4,-2)$$

$$\text{So, } T(4,-2) = 4^2 + 4(-2) + (-2)^2 - 6 \times 4 = -12$$

Now, along boundary,

(a) Along AB:  $y = -3$

$$\therefore T(x,-3) = x^2 + x(-3) + (-3)^2 - 6x = x^2 - 9x + 9$$

Now,

$$T'(x,-3) = 0$$

$$\text{or, } 2x - 9 = 0$$

$$\therefore x = 9/2$$

$$\therefore y = -3$$

So, points on AB are,

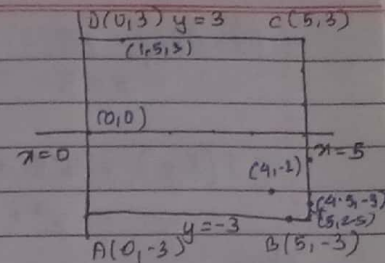
$$(0,-3), (5,-3), (4.5,-3)$$

Now,

$$T(0,-3) = 9$$

$$T(5,-3) = 25 - 45 + 9 = -11$$

$$T(4.5,-3) = 81/4 - 81/2 + 9 = -11.25$$



(b): Along BC,  
 $x = 5$

$$\therefore T(5, y) = 25 + 5y + y^2 - 30 \\ = y^2 + 5y - 5$$

Now,

$$T'(5, y) = 2y + 5 = 0$$

$$\text{or } 2y + 5 = 0$$

$$\therefore y = -5/2$$

So points on BC is  $(5, -3), (5, 3), (5, -2.5)$

Now,

$$T(5, -3) = -11$$

$$T(5, 3) = 19$$

$$T(5, -5/2) = -5$$

(c): Along CD,  
 $y = 3$

$$\therefore T(x, 3) = \cancel{2x} + 3x^2 + 3x + \cancel{9} - 6x \\ = x^2 - 3x + 9$$

Now,

$$T'(x, 3) = 0$$

$$\text{or } 2x - 3 = 0$$

$$\therefore x = 3/2 \quad y = 3$$

So points along CD

$(0, 3), (5, 3), (1.5, 3)$

Now,

$$T(0, 3) = 9$$

$$T(5, 3) = 19$$

$$T(1.5, 3) = 6.75$$

(d): Along DA,  
 $x = 0$

$$\therefore T(0, y) = y^2$$

Now,

$$T'(0, y) = 2y = 0$$

$$\therefore y = 0.$$

So, points along DA,

$(0, 0), (0, 3), (0, -3)$

Now,

$$T(0, 0) = 0$$

$$T(0, 3) = 9$$

$$T(0, -3) = 9$$

So, the absolute maxima = 19 at  $(5, 3)$

the absolute minima = -11 at  $(4, -2)$

Q7: Find the absolute maxima and minimum values of  $f(x, y) = 2 + 2x + 2y - x^2 - y^2$  on a triangular plane in 1st quadrant bounded by  $x=0, y=0$  and  $x+y=9$ .

Soln,



Given,

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

for interior points,

$$f_x = 2 - 2x = 0 \quad \text{--- (i)}$$

$$f_y = 2 - 2y = 0 \quad \text{--- (ii)}$$

Solving (i) and (ii), we get

$$x = 1, \quad y = 1$$

$$\therefore (x,y) = (1,1)$$

So,

$$f(1,1) = 2 + 2 + 2 - 1 - 1 = 4$$

Now, along ~~AB~~ <sup>OA</sup>,  $x = 0$

$$\therefore T(0,y) = 2 + 2y - y^2$$

So,

$$T'(0,y) = 2 - 2y = 0$$

$$\text{or } y = 1.$$

So points on OA  $(0,0)$ ,  $(0,1)$ ,  $(0,9)$

So,

$$T(0,0) = 2$$

$$T(0,1) = 3$$

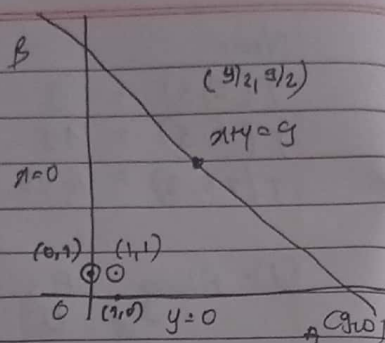
$$T(0,9) = -61$$

Now, along OA,  $y = 0$ .

$$\therefore T(x,0) = 2 + 2x - x^2$$

$$\text{So, } T'(x,0) = 2 - 2x = 0 \quad \therefore x = (1,0)$$

$(0,9)$



So, points on OA  $(0,0)$ ,  $(1,0)$ ,  $(9,0)$ .

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

$$f(9,0) = -61$$

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

Now, along AB,

$$x + y = 9$$

$$\text{or } y = 9 - x.$$

So,

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

$$= 2 + 2x + 18 - 2x - (81 - 18x + x^2) - x^2$$

$$= 20 - 81 + 18x - x^2 - x^2$$

$$= 18x - 61 - 2x^2.$$

So,

$$f'(x,y) = f'(x, 9-x) = 18 - 4x$$

$$\text{or } 18 - 4x = 0$$

$$\therefore x = 9/2$$

$$\text{So, } y = 9/2$$

Points on AB,  $(0,9)$ ,  $(9,0)$ ,  $(9/2, 9/2)$

$$f(9/2, 9/2) = -20.5.$$

Hence,

$$\text{absolute maxima} = 4 \text{ at } (1,1)$$

$$\text{absolute minima} = -61 \text{ at } (0,9) \text{ and } (9,0)$$

Q7: find absolute maximum value and absolute minimum value of  
 $f(x,y) = x^2 + y^2$   
 on closed triangular plate  $x=0$ ,  $y=0$ ,  $y+x=2$   
 in the first quadrant.

Sol<sup>n</sup>:

Given,  
 $f(x,y) = x^2 + y^2$

for interior points,

$f_x = 2x = 0$  — (i)

$f_y = 2y = 0$  — (ii)

$\therefore (x,y) = (0,0)$

$f(0,0) = 0$

Along OB,  $x=0$ .

$T(0,y) = y^2$

$\therefore T'(0,y) = 2y = 0$

$\therefore y = 0$

$\therefore (x,y) = (0,0)$

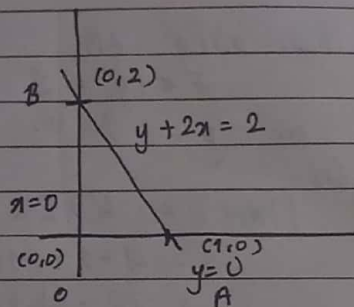
So, points on OB,  $(0,0)$ ,  $(0,2)$

$\therefore f(0,2) = 4$

Along OA,  $y=0$ .

$T(x,0) = x^2$

$\therefore T'(x,0) = 2x = 0 \quad \therefore x=0 \quad \text{So, } (x,y) = (0,0)$



So, points on OA  $(0,0)$ ,  $(1,0)$

$f(1,0) = 1$

Along AB,

$y = 2-x$

So,

$$\begin{aligned} f(x, 2-x) &= x^2 + (2-x)^2 \\ &= x^2 + 4 - 4x + x^2 \\ &= 5x^2 - 4x + 4 \end{aligned}$$

So,

$f'(x, 2-x) = 10x - 4 = 0$

$\therefore x = 4/5$

So,  $y = 2/5$

So, points on AB  $(4/5, 2/5)$ ,  $(0,2)$ ,  $(1,0)$

$\therefore f(4/5, 2/5) = 4/5 = 0.8$

Hence,

absolute minimum = 0 at  $(0,0)$

absolute maxima = 4 at  $(0,2)$



# Constrained Maxima - Minima

Q7: Find the point  $(x, y, z)$  on the plane  $2x + y - z - 5 = 0$  that is closed to the origin.  
Sol<sup>n</sup>:

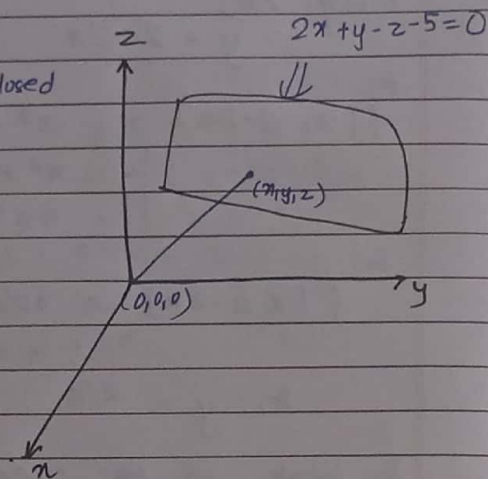
Now let  $P(x, y, z)$  be the closed point.

$$|OP| = d = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$$

We have to find  $x, y, z$  minimizing  $d$ .

and  $x, y, z$  must be on the plane

$$2x + y - z - 5 = 0.$$



We need to minimize  $f = x^2 + y^2 + z^2$   
with constraint:  $2x + y - z - 5 = 0$

Using Lagrange's Multiplier,

$$\nabla f = \lambda (\nabla g)$$

So,

$$2x\hat{i} + 2y\hat{j} + 2z\hat{k} = \lambda (2\hat{i} + \hat{j} - \hat{k})$$

$$\text{or } 2x\hat{i} + 2y\hat{j} + 2z\hat{k} = 2\lambda\hat{i} + \lambda\hat{j} - \lambda\hat{k}$$

Squaring corresponding components,

$$2x = 2\lambda$$

$$2z = -\lambda$$

$$2y = \lambda$$

$$\text{and } 2x + y - z = 5$$

Now,

$$x = \frac{5}{2}\lambda$$

$$y = \frac{1}{2}\lambda$$

$$z = -\frac{1}{2}\lambda$$

Now putting in constraint,

$$2 \times \frac{5}{2}\lambda + \frac{1}{2}\lambda + \frac{1}{2}\lambda = 5$$

Multiplying both sides by 2,

$$4\lambda + \lambda + \lambda = 10$$

$$\therefore \lambda = \frac{5}{3}$$

$$\therefore x = \frac{5}{3}$$

$$y = \frac{5}{6}$$

$$z = -\frac{5}{6}$$

And,

$$\text{distance} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{5}{3}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)^2 + \left(-\frac{5}{6}\right)^2}$$

$$= 2.04 \text{ units.}$$

# Lagrange's Multiplier

Suppose that  $f(x, y, z)$  and  $g(x, y, z)$  are differentiable and  $\nabla g \neq 0$  when  $g(x, y, z) = 0$ .

To find the local maximum and minimum values of subject to the constraint  $g(x, y, z) = 0$  if there exists, find the values of  $x, y, z$  and that simultaneously satisfy the equations

$$\nabla f = \lambda \nabla g \quad \text{and} \quad g(x, y, z) = 0$$

For functions having two independent variables, the condition is similar, but without the variable  $z$ .

Q7: Find the greatest and smallest values that the function  $f(x,y) = xy$  takes on the ellipse  $\frac{x^2}{8} + \frac{y^2}{2} = 1$ .

Soln:

Given,

$$f(x,y) = xy$$

and constraint,

$$g(x,y) = \frac{x^2}{8} + \frac{y^2}{2} - 1 = 0$$

So,

$$\nabla f = y\hat{i} + x\hat{j}$$

$$\nabla g = \frac{1}{4}x\hat{i} + y\hat{j}$$

Now,

$$\nabla f = \lambda(\nabla g)$$

$$\text{or } y\hat{i} + x\hat{j} = \frac{\lambda x}{4}\hat{i} + \lambda y\hat{j}$$

Equating corresponding components,

$$y = \frac{\lambda x}{4} \quad \text{(i)} \quad x = \lambda y \quad \text{(ii)}$$

Putting (ii) in (i),

$$y = \frac{\lambda^2 y}{4} \quad \text{or } y - \frac{\lambda^2 y}{4}$$

$$\therefore y = 0, \quad y \left( 1 - \frac{\lambda^2}{4} \right) = 0$$

Case 1: If  $y=0$ ,  $x=0$ .

But  $(0,0)$  doesn't exist on the ellipse. So,  $y \neq 0$ .

Case 2: If  $y \neq 0$ ,

$$\lambda = \pm 2$$

$$x = \pm 2y$$

Now, putting in constraint,

$$\frac{(\pm 2y)^2}{8} + \frac{y^2}{2} = 1$$

$$\text{or } \frac{4y^2}{2} + \frac{y^2}{2} \quad \text{or } 2y^2 = 2 \quad \therefore y = \pm 1$$

$$\therefore x = \pm 2$$

The extreme values exist at  $(2,1), (-2,1)$   
 $(-2,-1), (2,-1)$

Now,

$$f(2,1) = 2$$

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

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

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

The greatest value = 2 at  $(2,1), (-2,-1)$   
and

smallest value = -2 at  $(-2,1), (2,-1)$ .



Q7: Find the extreme values of  $f(x,y) = x^3 + y^2$  on the circle  $x^2 + y^2 = 1$ .  
Sol<sup>n</sup>:

Given function,

$$f(x,y) = x^3 + y^2$$

given constraint;

$$g(x,y) = x^2 + y^2 - 1 \quad \text{where } x^2 + y^2 = 1 \text{ (i).}$$

Now,

$$\nabla f = \lambda \nabla g$$

$$\nabla f = 3x^2 \hat{i} + 2y \hat{j}$$

$$\nabla g = 2x \hat{i} + 2y \hat{j}$$

We know,

$$\nabla f = \lambda \nabla g$$

$$\text{or } 3x^2 \hat{i} + 2y \hat{j} = \lambda (2x \hat{i} + 2y \hat{j})$$

$$\text{on } 3x^2 \hat{i} + 2y \hat{j} = 2x \lambda \hat{i} + 2y \lambda \hat{j}$$

Equating corresponding components,

$$3x^2 = 2\lambda x \quad \text{--- (ii)}$$

$$2y = 2\lambda y \quad \text{--- (iii)}$$

$$\text{From (iii), } 2y = 2\lambda y$$

$$\text{or } y(1-\lambda) = 0$$

$$\therefore y = 0, \quad \lambda = 1$$

$$\text{If } y = 0, \quad x = \pm 1$$

$$\text{If } \lambda = 1, \quad 3x^2 = 2x$$

$$\text{or } x(3x-2) = 0$$

$$\therefore x = 0, \quad y = \pm 1$$

$$\text{If } x = 0, \quad y = \pm 1$$

$$\text{If } x = 2/3, \quad y = \pm \sqrt{5}/3$$

So, the points are,

$$(0,1), (0,-1), (1,0), (-1,0), (2/3, \sqrt{5}/3), (2/3, -\sqrt{5}/3)$$

Now,

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

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

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

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

$$f(2/3, \sqrt{5}/3) = 0.85$$

$$f(2/3, -\sqrt{5}/3) = 0.85$$

$\therefore$  The maximum is  $\neq 1$  at  $(0, \pm 1)$  &  $(1,0)$  and

minimum is  $-1$  at  $(-1,0)$

(\*) Lagrange's Multiplier with two constraints:

$$\nabla f = \lambda \nabla g_1 + \mu \nabla g_2$$

$$\text{where, } g_1(x,y,z) = 0$$

$$g_2(x,y,z) = 0$$

Q7: Minimize  $f(x, y, z) = x^2 + y^2 + z^2$  subjected to the constraints  $x + 2y + 3z = 6$  and  $x + 3y + 9z = 9$

Soln:

Given,

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

The two constraints are:

$$g_1(x, y, z) = x + 2y + 3z - 6$$

$$g_2(x, y, z) = x + 3y + 9z - 9$$

Now,

$$\nabla f = 2x\hat{i} + 2y\hat{j} + 2z\hat{k}$$

$$\nabla g_1 = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$$

$$\nabla g_2 = \hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 9\hat{k}$$

We know,

$$\nabla f = \lambda \nabla g_1 + \mu \nabla g_2$$

$$\text{or, } 2x\hat{i} + 2y\hat{j} + 2z\hat{k} = \lambda(\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) + \mu(\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 9\hat{k})$$

$$\text{or, } 2x\hat{i} + 2y\hat{j} + 2z\hat{k} = (\lambda + \mu)\hat{i} + (2\lambda + 3\mu)\hat{j} + (3\lambda + 9\mu)\hat{k}$$

Equating corresponding components, we get

$$x = \frac{\lambda + \mu}{2}, \quad y = \frac{2\lambda + 3\mu}{2}, \quad z = \frac{3\lambda + 9\mu}{2}$$

Substituting the values in  $g_1$  and  $g_2$ ,

$$\frac{\lambda + \mu}{2} + 2\left(\frac{2\lambda + 3\mu}{2}\right) + 3\left(\frac{3\lambda + 9\mu}{2}\right) = 6$$

$$\text{or, } \lambda + \mu + 4\lambda + 6\mu + 9\lambda + 27\mu = 12$$

$$\text{or, } 14\lambda + 34\mu = 12 \quad \text{--- (a)}$$

$$\frac{\lambda + \mu}{2} + 3\left(\frac{2\lambda + 3\mu}{2}\right) + 9\left(\frac{3\lambda + 9\mu}{2}\right) = 9$$

$$\text{or, } \lambda + \mu + 12\lambda + 18\mu + 54\lambda + 162\mu = 18$$

$$\text{or, } 67\lambda + 181\mu = 18 \quad \text{--- (b)}$$

Substituting the values in  $g_1$  and  $g_2$

$$\frac{\lambda + \mu}{2} + 2\left(\frac{2\lambda + 3\mu}{2}\right) + 3\left(\frac{3\lambda + 9\mu}{2}\right) = 0$$

$$\text{or, } 7\lambda + 17\mu = 0 \quad \text{--- (a)}$$

$$\frac{\lambda + \mu}{2} + 3\left(\frac{2\lambda + 3\mu}{2}\right) + 9\left(\frac{3\lambda + 9\mu}{2}\right) = 0$$

$$\text{or, } \frac{\lambda}{2} + \frac{\mu}{2} + \frac{6\lambda}{2} + \frac{9\mu}{2} + \frac{27\lambda}{2} + \frac{81\mu}{2} = 0$$

$$\lambda + \mu + 6\lambda + 9\mu + 27\lambda + 81\mu = 0$$

$$\text{or, } 34\lambda + 91\mu = 0 \quad \text{--- (b)}$$

Solving (a) and (b), we get.  $\lambda = \frac{240}{59}$  and  $\mu = \frac{-78}{59}$

$$\text{So, } x = \frac{81}{59}, \quad y = \frac{123}{59}, \quad z = \frac{9}{59}$$

$$\therefore \text{Min}(f) = \frac{369}{59} \text{ at } \left(\frac{81}{59}, \frac{123}{59}, \frac{9}{59}\right)$$