

Practice Midterm 2 for MATH 226, section 39559

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Problem 1 (10 points): Define

$$f(x, y, z) = \frac{1}{x^2} + \frac{4}{y^2} + \frac{9}{z^2},$$

where $x > 0$, $y > 0$, and $z > 0$. Use Lagrange multipliers to find the minimum value of f on the portion of the surface $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 36$ with $x > 0, y > 0, z > 0$. (You may assume that this absolute minimum exists, and that the solution to the system of equations coming from Lagrange multipliers is this absolute minimum.)

Let's use Lagrange multipliers with $g(x, y, z) = x^2 + y^2 + z^2$ to find the critical points of f subject to the constraint $g = 36$:

$$\begin{cases} -2/x^3 & = 2\lambda x, \\ -8/y^3 & = 2\lambda y, \\ -18/z^3 & = 2\lambda z, \\ x^2 + y^2 + z^2 & = 36. \end{cases}$$

Solving for λ (and using that x, y, z are nonzero), we have $-1/x^4 = -4/y^4 = -9/z^4$, hence $y = \sqrt{2}x$, $z = \sqrt{3}x$ (here we have used that x, y, z are all positive). Substituting this into the constraint, we have $x^2 + 2x^2 + 3x^2 = 36$, hence $x = \sqrt{6}$, hence the one critical point of f subject to $g = 36$ is $(\sqrt{6}, 2\sqrt{3}, 3\sqrt{2})$. This must be the global minimum, since as we approach the boundary of this portion of the ellipsoid, f goes to ∞ . Therefore the global minimum of f on this eighth-ellipsoid is $f(\sqrt{6}, 2\sqrt{3}, 3\sqrt{2}) = 1/6 + 4/12 + 9/18 = 1$.

Problem 2 (10 points): Consider the function

$$f(x, y) = \frac{1}{5}xy^2 - x$$

on the domain $D = \{(x, y) \mid -2 \leq x \leq 2, x^2 \leq y \leq 4\}$.

(a; 3 points) Find the critical points of $f(x, y)$ in the interior of D .

The critical points are where f_x and f_y both vanish. We compute these partial derivatives:

$$f_x = \frac{1}{5}y^2 - 1, \quad f_y = \frac{2}{5}xy.$$

The equation $f_x = 0$ gives $y = \pm\sqrt{5}$, hence the equation $f_y = 0$ gives $x = 0$. Of the points $(0, \pm\sqrt{5})$, only the point $(0, \sqrt{5})$ is in D .

(b; 3 points) Classify the critical points of $f(x, y)$ in the interior of D as local minima, local maxima, or saddles.

We use the second derivative test. We compute the quantity called “ D ” (unfortunate overlap of notation):

$$\begin{aligned} D = f_{xx}f_{yy} - f_{xy}^2 &= \left(\frac{1}{5}y^2 - 1\right)_x \left(\frac{2}{5}xy\right)_y - \left(\left(\frac{1}{5}y^2 - 1\right)_y\right)^2 = 0 \cdot \left(\frac{2}{5}x\right) - \left(\frac{2}{5}y\right)^2 \\ &= -\frac{4}{25}y^2. \end{aligned}$$

It follows that $D(0, \sqrt{5}) = -4/5$ is negative, hence $(0, \sqrt{5})$ is a saddle point.

Problem 2 (continued).

(c; 4 points) Find the absolute maximum and minimum values of $f(x, y)$ on D .

We must find the candidate-extrema on the interior and boundary. The only candidate on the interior is the critical point $(0, \sqrt{5})$, but we know that it cannot be a global extremum of f on D because $(0, \sqrt{5})$ is a saddle.

The boundary is composed of two curves: L_1 , the curve (x, x^2) for $-2 \leq x \leq 2$, and L_2 , the curve $(x, 4)$ for $-2 \leq x \leq 2$.

- Consider L_1 . We have $f(x, x^2) = \frac{1}{5}x^5 - x$. Its critical points are where $(\frac{1}{5}x^5 - x)' = (x^4 - 1) = 0$, i.e. ± 1 . Its endpoints are $(\pm 2, 4)$.
- Consider L_2 . We have $f(x, 4) = \frac{16}{5}x - x = \frac{11}{5}x$, hence it has no critical points. Its endpoints are $(\pm 2, 4)$.

The candidate-extrema are therefore $(1, 1)$, $(-1, 1)$, $(2, 4)$, and $(-2, 4)$ (we argued that the interior critical point cannot be a global extremum, because it is a saddle). We have $f(1, 1) = -\frac{4}{5}$, $f(-1, 1) = \frac{4}{5}$, $f(2, 4) = \frac{22}{5}$, and $f(-2, 4) = -\frac{22}{5}$, so the absolute max res. min are $\frac{22}{5}$ and $-\frac{22}{5}$.

Problem 3 (10 points): Evaluate the following integrals.

(a; 5 points) $I = \int_0^4 \int_{\sqrt{x}}^2 \frac{3}{y^3 + 1} dy dx$ (switch the order!).

By drawing the domain of integration, we see that we can swap the order and rewrite the integral like so:

$$I = \int_0^4 \int_{\sqrt{x}}^2 \frac{3}{y^3 + 1} dy dx = \int_0^2 \int_0^{y^2} \frac{3}{y^3 + 1} dx dy = \int_0^2 \frac{3y^2}{y^3 + 1} dy = \int_1^9 \frac{1}{u} du = \log 9.$$

(b; 5 points) $I = \int_0^{\sqrt{2}} \int_x^{\sqrt{4-x^2}} \sqrt{1+x^2+y^2} dy dx.$

The upper bound on y is $y = \sqrt{4-x^2}$, which yields $x^2 + y^2 = 4$, i.e. the circle of radius 2. The lower bound is $y = x$, i.e. the line that makes an angle of $\pi/4$ with the $+x$ -axis. In polar coordinates, the domain of integration is therefore

$$E = \{(r, \theta) \mid \pi/4 \leq \theta \leq \pi/2, 0 \leq r \leq 2\}.$$

We compute I in polar coordinates:

$$\begin{aligned} I &= \int_{\pi/4}^{\pi/2} \int_0^2 r \sqrt{1+r^2} dr d\theta = \int_{\pi/4}^{\pi/2} \frac{1}{2} \int_1^5 \sqrt{u} du d\theta = \int_{\pi/4}^{\pi/2} \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{2}{3} u^{3/2} \right]_1^5 d\theta \\ &= \int_{\pi/4}^{\pi/2} \frac{1}{3} (5^{3/2} - 1) d\theta \\ &= \frac{\pi}{12} (5^{3/2} - 1). \end{aligned}$$

Problem 4 (10 points): Consider the region E that is under the plane $z + 3y = 16$, inside the cylinder $x^2 + y^2 = 4$, and in the first octant.

(a; 3 points) Rewrite the integral $\iiint_E x \, dV$ as an iterated integral in Cartesian coordinates (i.e. x, y, z). (Do not compute this integral.)

The constraint that E is under the plane $z + 3y = 16$ is equivalent to $z \leq -3y + 16$. The constraint that E is inside the given cylinder is equivalent to $x^2 + y^2 \leq 4$. Finally, the constraint that E is in the first octant is equivalent to $x \geq 0$, $y \geq 0$, and $z \geq 0$. We can therefore rewrite E like so:

$$E = \{0 \leq x \leq 2, 0 \leq y \leq \sqrt{4 - x^2}, 0 \leq z \leq -3y + 16\}.$$

This allows us to rewrite the integral I like so:

$$I = \int_0^2 \int_0^{\sqrt{4-x^2}} \int_0^{-3y+16} x \, dz \, dy \, dx.$$

(b; 3 points) Rewrite this integral as an iterated integral in cylindrical coordinates.

This is pretty straightforward, as long as remember the extra factor of r we pick up when going into cylindrical coordinates:

$$I = \int_0^{\pi/2} \int_0^2 \int_0^{-3r \sin \theta + 16} r^2 \cos \theta \, dz \, dr \, d\theta.$$

(c; 4 points) Evaluate this integral.

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$$\begin{aligned} I &= \int_0^{\pi/2} \int_0^2 \int_0^{-3r \sin \theta + 16} r^2 \cos \theta \, dz \, dr \, d\theta = \int_0^{\pi/2} \int_0^2 (-3r^3 \sin \theta \cos \theta + 16r^2 \cos \theta) \, dr \, d\theta \\ &= \int_0^{\pi/2} \left[-\frac{3}{4}r^4 \sin \theta \cos \theta + \frac{16}{3}r^3 \cos \theta \right]_{r=0}^2 d\theta \\ &= \int_0^{\pi/2} \left(-12 \sin \theta \cos \theta + \frac{128}{3} \cos \theta \right) d\theta \\ &= \left[-6 \sin^2 \theta + \frac{128}{3} \sin \theta \right]_{\theta=0}^{\theta=\pi/2} \\ &= -6 + \frac{128}{3} \\ &= \frac{110}{3}. \end{aligned}$$

Problem 5 (10 points):

(a; 5 points) Rewrite the integral $I = \int_{-1}^1 \int_{x^2}^1 \int_0^{1-y} f(x, y, z) dz dy dx$ as an iterated integral in the order $dx dy dz$. (You may want to draw a picture of the domain of integration, to help you figure out how to switch the order.)

This is tantamount to rewriting the domain:

$$\begin{aligned} E &= \{(x, y, z) \mid -1 \leq x \leq 1, x^2 \leq y \leq 1, 0 \leq z \leq 1 - y\} \\ &= \{(x, y, z) \mid 0 \leq z \leq 1, 0 \leq y \leq 1 - z, -\sqrt{y} \leq x \leq y\}. \end{aligned}$$

We can therefore rewrite I in the desired order:

$$I = \int_0^1 \int_0^{1-z} \int_{-\sqrt{y}}^{\sqrt{y}} f(x, y, z) dx dy dz.$$

(b; 5 points) Compute the integral $I = \int_{-1}^1 \int_{-\sqrt{1-y^2}}^{\sqrt{1-y^2}} \int_{\sqrt{x^2+y^2}}^1 z dz dx dy$.

We rewrite the domain in cylindrical coordinates:

$$\begin{aligned} E &= \{(x, y, z) \mid -1 \leq y \leq 1, -\sqrt{1-y^2} \leq x \leq \sqrt{1-y^2}, \sqrt{x^2+y^2} \leq z \leq 1\} \\ &= \{(r, \theta, z) \mid 0 \leq \theta \leq 2, 0 \leq r \leq 1, r \leq z \leq 1\}. \end{aligned}$$

We now compute I :

$$\begin{aligned} I &= \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^1 \int_r^1 rz dz dr d\theta = \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^1 \frac{1}{2} r(1 - r^2) dr d\theta \\ &= \int_0^{2\pi} \left[\left(\frac{1}{4} r^2 - \frac{1}{8} r^4 \right) \cos \theta \right]_0^1 d\theta \\ &= \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{1}{8} d\theta = \frac{\pi}{4}. \end{aligned}$$