

Q) Find maximum and minimum distance of  $(3, 4, 12)$  subjected to sphere  $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 4$ .

Given, sphere  $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 4$  with centre  $(0, 0, 0)$

and distance from point  $P(x, y, z)$  to  $A(3, 4, 12)$  is

$$d^2 = (x-3)^2 + (y-4)^2 + (z-12)^2$$

So objective function (ie to be extremized) found maxima/minima is)

$$f(x, y, z) = d^2 = (x-3)^2 + (y-4)^2 + (z-12)^2$$

and the bounding function is

$$g(x, y, z) = x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - 4$$

According to Lagrange's Multiplier method, extreme points lie when

$$\nabla f(x, y, z) = \lambda \nabla g(x, y, z)$$

$$\text{i.e. } \left\langle \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} \right\rangle = \lambda \left\langle \frac{\partial g}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial g}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial g}{\partial z} \right\rangle$$

$$\Rightarrow \langle 2(x-3), 2(y-4), 2(z-12) \rangle$$

$$= \lambda \langle 2x, 2y, 2z \rangle - \textcircled{1}$$

Solving for corresponding values.

$$2(x-3) = 2\lambda x \quad - \textcircled{2}$$

$$2(y-4) = 2\lambda y \quad - \textcircled{3}$$

$$2(z-12) = 2\lambda z \quad - \textcircled{4}$$

and constraint  $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 4 \quad - \textcircled{5}$

Solving  $\textcircled{2}$ ,

$$x-3 = \lambda x$$

$$x(1-\lambda) = 3$$

$$\therefore x = \frac{3}{1-\lambda} \quad - \textcircled{6}$$

lly,  $y-4 = \lambda y$

$$y = \frac{4}{1-\lambda} \quad - \textcircled{7}$$

and  $z = \frac{12}{1-\lambda} \quad - \textcircled{8}$



put ⑥, ⑦, ⑧ in ⑤,

$$\frac{9}{(1-\lambda)^2} + \frac{416}{(1-\lambda)^2} + \frac{144}{(1-\lambda)^2} = 4$$

$$169 = 4(1-2\lambda+\lambda^2)$$

$$4\lambda^2 - 8\lambda + 4 - 169 = 0$$

$$4\lambda^2 - 8\lambda - 165 = 0 \quad - \text{⑨}$$

Solving ⑨,  $\lambda = \frac{15}{2}, -\frac{11}{2}$ .

put  $\lambda = 15/2$ .

$$x = \frac{3}{1 - \frac{15}{2}} = -\frac{6}{13}$$

$$y = \frac{4}{1 - \frac{15}{2}} = -\frac{8}{13}$$

$$z = \frac{12}{1 - \frac{15}{2}} = -\frac{24}{13}$$

$$\text{put } \lambda = -\frac{11}{2},$$

$$x = \frac{3}{1 + 1\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{6}{13}$$

$$y = \frac{4}{1 + 1\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{8}{13}$$

$$z = \frac{12}{1 + 1\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{24}{13}$$

Now, evaluating function at

$$\begin{aligned} f\left(-\frac{6}{13}, -\frac{8}{13}, -\frac{24}{13}\right) &= \left(-\frac{6}{13} - 3\right)^2 + \left(-\frac{8}{13} - 4\right)^2 \\ &\quad + \left(-\frac{24}{13} - 12\right)^2 \\ &= 225. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f\left(\frac{6}{13}, \frac{8}{13}, \frac{24}{13}\right) &= \left(\frac{6}{13} - 3\right)^2 + \left(\frac{8}{13} - 4\right)^2 + \left(\frac{24}{13} - 12\right)^2 \\ &= 121 \end{aligned}$$

∴ Maximum distance = 225 at  $\left(-\frac{6}{13}, -\frac{8}{13}, -\frac{24}{13}\right)$ .

∴ Minimum distance = 121 at  $\left(\frac{6}{13}, \frac{8}{13}, \frac{24}{13}\right)$ .



Q) Find the point on the plane  $x + 2y + 3z = 13$  closest to point  $(1, 1, 1)$ .

Given, ~~be~~ boundary condition  $x + 2y + 3z = 13$

given function is distance from  $P(x, y, z)$  to  $A(1, 1, 1)$

$$\text{i.e. } f(x, y, z) = d^2 = (x-1)^2 + (y-1)^2 + (z-1)^2$$

and boundary function  $g(x, y, z) = x + 2y + 3z - 13$

Using Lagrange's multiplier method

$$\nabla f(x, y, z) = \lambda \nabla g(x, y, z)$$

$$\Rightarrow \left\langle \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} \right\rangle = \lambda \left\langle \frac{\partial g}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial g}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial g}{\partial z} \right\rangle$$

So

$$\Rightarrow \langle 2(x-1), 2(y-1), 2(z-1) \rangle = \lambda \langle 1, 2, 3 \rangle$$

So,

$$2(x-1) = \lambda$$

$$2(y-1) = 2\lambda$$

$$2(z-1) = 3\lambda$$

Solving we get.

$$x = 1 + \frac{\lambda}{2}$$

$$y = 1 + \lambda$$

$$z = 1 + \frac{3\lambda}{2}$$

Given boundary condition

$$g(x, y, z) = x + 2y + 3z - 13 = 0 \text{ (let)}$$

$$\Rightarrow x + 2y + 3z = 13$$

$$\left(1 + \frac{\lambda}{2}\right) + 2(1 + \lambda) + 3\left(1 + \frac{3\lambda}{2}\right) = 13$$

$$\frac{2 + \lambda}{2} + 2 + 2\lambda + 3 + \frac{9\lambda}{2} = 13$$

$$\frac{2 + \lambda + 9\lambda + 10 + 4\lambda}{2} = 13$$

$$12 + 14\lambda = 26$$

$$14\lambda = 14$$

$$\lambda = \frac{14}{14}$$

$$12 + 14\lambda = 26$$

$$14\lambda = 14$$

$$\therefore \lambda = 1$$



$$\therefore x = 1 + \frac{\lambda}{2} = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$\text{Hence } y = 1 + \lambda = 2$$

$$z = 1 + \frac{3\lambda}{2} = \frac{5}{2}$$

$\therefore$  point  $\left(\frac{3}{2}, 2, \frac{5}{2}\right)$  lying on plane is closest to  $(1, 1, 1)$ .

Q) Find the farthest distance from point  $(1, 1, 1)$  connected to sphere  $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 4$ .

Given, boundary cond<sup>n</sup>  $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 4$

and boundary function  $g(x, y, z) = x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - 4$ .

We have to maximise distance, so function is

$$f(x, y, z) = d^2 = (x-1)^2 + (y-1)^2 + (z-1)^2$$

Using Lagrange's multiplier

$$\left\langle \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} \right\rangle = \lambda \left\langle \frac{\partial g}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial g}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial g}{\partial z} \right\rangle$$

$$\Rightarrow \langle 2(x-1), 2(y-1), 2(z-1) \rangle = \lambda \langle 2x, 2y, 2z \rangle$$

Solving, we get-

$$2(x-1) = 2\lambda x$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 1 + \lambda$$

$$x - \lambda x = 1$$

$$\therefore x = \frac{1}{1-\lambda}$$

$$\text{Similarly, } 2(y-1) = 2\lambda y$$

$$\therefore y = 1 + \lambda$$

$$\text{Similarly, } y-1 = y\lambda \Rightarrow y(1-\lambda) = 1$$

$$\therefore y = \frac{1}{1-\lambda}$$



$$\text{and } (z-1) = \lambda z - \\ \Rightarrow z - \lambda z = 1 \\ z = \frac{1}{1-\lambda}$$

Put  $x, y, z$  in terms of  $\lambda$  in  $g(x, y, z) = 0$

$$\text{i.e. } x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - 4 = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{(1-\lambda)^2} + \frac{1}{(1-\lambda)^2} + \frac{1}{(1-\lambda)^2} = 4$$

$$\therefore 1 = 4(1-\lambda)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow (1-\lambda)^2 = \frac{1}{4}$$

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

$$\therefore \lambda = \frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{2}$$

if  $\lambda = \frac{1}{2}$ ,

$$(x, y, z) = \left( \frac{1}{1-\frac{1}{2}}, \frac{1}{1-\frac{1}{2}}, \frac{1}{1-\frac{1}{2}} \right) \\ = (2, 2, 2).$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{i) } \lambda &= 3/2 \\ (x, y, z) &= \left( \frac{1}{1-3/2}, \frac{1}{1-3/2}, \frac{1}{1-3/2} \right) \\ &= (-2, -2, -2). \end{aligned}$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} f(2, 2, 2) &= (2-1)^2 + (2-1)^2 + (2-1)^2 \\ &= 3 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(-2, -2, -2) &= (-2-1)^2 + (-2-1)^2 + (-2-1)^2 \\ &= 3 \times 9 \\ &= 27 \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore (-2, -2, -2)$  is the furthest point from  $(1, 1, 1)$  connected to  $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 4$ .