

- ① (a) Discuss the maxima and minimal of $f(x, y) = x^3 y^2 (1 - x - y)$.

Solution: Let $f(x, y) = x^3 y^2 (1 - x - y)$

$$f_x = 3x^2 y^2 - 4x^3 y^2 - 3x^2 y^3$$

$$f_y = 2x^3 y - 2x^4 - 3x^3 y^2$$

Then $f_x = 0$ and $f_y = 0$

$$3x^2 y^2 - 4x^3 y^2 - 3x^2 y^3 = 0 \text{ and}$$

$$2x^3 y - 2x^4 - 3x^3 y^2 = 0$$

i.e. $x^2 y^2 (3 - 4x - 3y) = 0$ and $x^3 y (2 - 2x - 3y) = 0$

$\therefore x = 0$ or $y = 0$

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Solving $4x + 3y = 3$

we get $x = \frac{1}{2}$

or

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or

$2x + 3y = 2$

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$y = \frac{1}{3}$

Hence the critical points are $(0, 0)$ and $(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3})$.

Further,

$$A = f_{xx} = 6x^2 y - 12x^3 y^2 - 6x^2 y^3$$

$$= 6x^2 y^2 (1 - 2x - y)$$

$$B = f_{xy} = 6x^2 y - 8x^3 y - 9x^2 y^2$$

$$= x^2 y (6 - 8x - 9y)$$

$$C = f_{yy} = 2x^3 - 2x^4 - 4x^3 y$$

$$= 2x^3 (1 - x - 3y)$$

- (i) At the point $(0, 0)$, $A = 0$, $B = 0$
 $C = 0$, $AC - B^2 = 0$ and further investigation required.

(ii) At the point $(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3})$

$$A = -\frac{1}{9}, B = -\frac{1}{12}, C = -\frac{1}{8}$$

$$\text{Now } AC - B^2 = \left(-\frac{1}{9}\right)\left(-\frac{1}{8}\right) - \left(-\frac{1}{12}\right)^2 = \frac{1}{144} > 0$$

$$\text{and } A = -\frac{1}{9} < 0$$

$\therefore f(x, y)$ attains its maximum at $\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3}\right)$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Maximum } f(x, y) &= f\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3}\right) = \frac{1}{8} \cdot \frac{1}{9} \left[1 - \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3}\right] \\ &= \frac{1}{144}\end{aligned}$$

(b) Discuss the minimum and maximum values for
 $f(x, y) = x^3 + y^3 - 3axy$

Sol: - let $f(x, y) = x^3 + y^3 - 3axy$
At the critical values of the function, both the first derivatives are zero.

$$\Rightarrow f_x = 3x^2 - 3ay = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad f_y = 3y^2 - 3ax = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y = \frac{x^2}{a} \Rightarrow 3\left(\frac{x^2}{a}\right)^2 - 3ax = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x^4}{a^2} - ax = 0 \Rightarrow x^4 - a^3x = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x(x^3 - a^3) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad x = a$$

when $x = 0, y = 0$ and when $x = a, y = a$

$$f_{xx} = 6x, \quad f_{yy} = 6y \quad \text{and} \quad f_{xy} = -3a$$

$$\text{At } (x, y) = (0, 0)$$

$$f_{xx}f_{yy} - f_{xy}^2 = 36xy - 9a^2 = -9a^2 < 0$$

$\Rightarrow (x, y) = (0, 0)$ is a saddle point

At $(x, y) = (a, a)$

$$f_{xx} f_{yy} - f_{xy}^2 = 36xy - 9a^2 = 27a^2 > 0$$

Further $f_{xx} = 6a > 0$ if $a > 0$ and $f_{xx} = 6a < 0$ if $a < 0$

$\Rightarrow (x, y) = (a, a)$ represents a minimum if $a > 0$
and represents a maximum if $a < 0$.

when $(x, y) = (a, a)$, $f(x, y) = x^3 + y^3 - 3axy = -a^3$.

If $a = 0$, the function becomes $x^3 + y^3$, which does not have any maximum or minimum and has a saddle point at $(x, y) = (0, 0)$.

② Find the volume of the greatest rectangular parallelepiped that can be inscribed in the ellipsoid $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} + \frac{z^2}{c^2} = 1$

Soln: Let $P = (x, y, z)$ be a point on the ellipsoid with $x, y, z > 0$. Take the eight different points with $P_i(\pm x, \pm y, \pm z)$

These points are the vertices of a parallelepiped with the side length $2x, 2y$ and $2z$. Then the volume parallelepiped is:

$$V = 2x \cdot 2y \cdot 2z = 8xyz$$

Let $h(x) = \text{maximum value} = 8xyz + f(x^2/a^2 + y^2/b^2 + z^2/c^2 + 1) \rightarrow \text{①}$

where λ = Lagrangian multiplier.

The differentiate partially with respect to x

$$8yz + 2\lambda x/a^2 = 0 \rightarrow (2)$$

$$1/a^2 = (-8yz/2\lambda)$$

Similarly

$$1/b^2 = (-8x/2\lambda y)$$

$$1/c^2 = (-8xy/2\lambda z)$$

$$x^2/a^2 + y^2/b^2 + z^2/c^2 = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = -12xyz$$

Put λ value in eqn (2)

$$x = \frac{a}{\sqrt{3}}$$

Similarly

$$y = \frac{b}{\sqrt{3}}, \quad z = \frac{c}{\sqrt{3}}$$

\Rightarrow the largest volume of parallelepiped inscribed in ellipsoid

$$\begin{aligned} &= 8xyz = 8(a/\sqrt{3})(b/\sqrt{3})(c/\sqrt{3}) \\ &= \frac{8abc}{3\sqrt{3}} // \end{aligned}$$

3(a) let x, y, z respectively be the length, breadth and height of the rectangular box. Since it is open at the top, the surface area (S) is given by

$$S = xy + 2xz + 2yz = 432$$

$$\text{volume}(V) = xyz$$

We need to find x, y, z such that V is maximum subject to the condition that

$$xy + 2xz + 2yz = 432$$

$$\text{Let } F = xyz + \lambda(xy + 2xz + 2yz)$$

We form the Equation $F_x = 0, F_y = 0, F_z = 0$

$$\text{i.e., } yz + \lambda(y + 2z) = 0 \text{ or } \lambda = -yz/(y + 2z)$$

$$xz + \lambda(x + 2z) = 0 \text{ (or) } \lambda = -xz/(x + 2z)$$

$$xy + \lambda(2x + 2y) = 0 \text{ (or) } \lambda = -xy/2(x + y)$$

$$\text{Now } \frac{-yz}{y+2z} = \frac{-xz}{x+2z} = \frac{-xy}{2(x+y)}$$

$$\text{(or) } \frac{y}{y+2z} = \frac{x}{x+2z} \text{ Gives } x = y$$

$$\text{Also } \frac{z}{x+2z} = \frac{y}{2x+2y} \text{ Gives } y = 2z$$

$$\text{Hence, } x = y = 2z$$

$$\text{But } xy + 2xz + 2yz = 432$$

$$x^2 + x^2 + x^2 = 432$$

$$\text{(or) } 3x^2 = 432 \text{ or } x^2 = 144$$

$$\text{We have } x = 12 \text{ and hence } y = 12, z = 6$$

Thus the required dimensions are 12, 12, 6

③ ⑥ 31: Suppose the (say, positive) sum of three numbers is S , and we suppose that each of the summands is required to be, Positive.

If x, y, z

are three numbers whose sum is S .
then $z = S - x - y$, so the product of three numbers is

$$P = xyz = xy(S - x - y)$$

which we hence regard as a function of (x, y) in the first quadrant $\{x, y > 0\}$

where this function has a local extremum
we have

$$0 = \frac{\partial P}{\partial x} = Sy - 2xy - y^2,$$

by symmetry

$$0 = \frac{\partial P}{\partial y} = Sx - 2xy - x^2$$

Solving this system gives that the unique extremum for which $x, y, z = S - x - y$ are all positive is

$$x = y = \frac{S}{3}$$

and hence

$$z = S - x - y = \frac{S}{3}$$