

Exercise Set #9

1. Let $f : [0, 2] \times [0, 4] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $f(x, y) = x^2 - 2xy + 2y$. Find the global minimum and global maximum points of f .
2. Let $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $f(x, y) = (x^2 - y)(x^2 - 3y)$.
 - a) Prove that 0_2 is a stationary point of f . Is 0_2 a local minimum point of f ?
 - b) Prove that the restriction of f to any line through 0_2 attains a local minimum at 0_2 .
3. Find the stationary points and the local extremum points (specifying their type) of the following functions:
 - a) $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $f(x, y) = x^3 - 3x + y^2$, b) $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $f(x, y) = x^3 + y^3 - 3xy$,
 - c) $f : (0, \infty) \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $f(x, y) = x(y^2 + \ln^2 x)$, d) $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $f(x, y) = x^4 + y^4 - 4(x - y)^2$,
 - e) $f : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $f(x, y, z) = z^2(1 + xy) + xy$, f) $f : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $f(x, y, z) = x^3 - 3x + y^2 + z^2$.