

# Math Review Part II

## Problem Set 4

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1. Solve the following constrained maximization problem:

$$\max \quad f(x, y, z) = yz + xz \quad \text{s.t.} \quad y^2 + z^2 = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad xz = 3.$$

2. Solve the following constrained maximization problem:

$$\max \quad f(x_1, x_2) = x_1^2 x_2 \quad \text{s.t.} \quad (x_1, x_2) \in C_h \quad \text{where} \quad C_h = \{(x_1, x_2) : 2x_1^2 + x_2^2 = 3\}$$

Use the second order conditions to determine which of the critical points are local maxima and which are local minima.

3. Minimize

$$\begin{aligned} & (x - a)^2 + (y - b)^2 \\ & \text{s.t.} \quad x \leq 1 \\ & \quad \quad y \leq 2 \end{aligned}$$

for all possible real values of  $a$  and  $b$ .

4. Maximize

$$\begin{aligned} & \ln(x + 1) + \ln(y + 1) \\ & \text{s.t.} \quad x + 2y \leq c \\ & \quad \quad x + y \leq 2 \end{aligned}$$

where  $c$  is a positive constant.

- 4.1. Write down the Lagrangian and the necessary Kuhn-Tucker conditions.

- 4.2. Solve for  $c = 5/2$ .

- 4.3. Let  $V(c)$  denote the value function. Find the value of  $V'(5/2)$

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