Total: 100 points

1. (25 points) Find the points on the curve $x^2y = 2$ nearest the origin.

Solution:

• Goal: to minimize $f(x,y) = d^2 = x^2 + y^2$ subject to the constraint $g(x,y) = x^2y - 2 = 0$ where d is the distance between the point (x,y) and the origin. Because $\nabla f = \langle 2x, 2y \rangle$, $\nabla g = \langle 2xy, x^2 \rangle$, $\nabla f = \lambda \nabla g, g(x,y) = 0$,

$$2x = \lambda \cdot 2xy \Rightarrow \lambda = \frac{1}{y}$$

$$2y = \lambda \cdot x^2 \Rightarrow 2y = \frac{1}{y} \cdot x^2 \Rightarrow x^2 = 2y^2$$

$$x^2y = 2 \Rightarrow x^2y = 2y^2 \cdot y = 2 \Rightarrow y^3 = 1 \Rightarrow y = 1, x^2 = 2 \Rightarrow x = \pm \sqrt{2}$$

Note that $x \neq 0$, therefore, we can write $\lambda = 1/y$ only from $2x = \lambda 2xy$ and omit the case x = 0. From the result above, $(\pm \sqrt{2}, 1)$ are the points on the curve $x^2y = 2$ nearest the origin.

2. (25 points) Find all the local maxima, local minima, and saddle points of the function

$$f(x,y) = 2x^2 + 3xy + 4y^2 - 5x + 2y$$

Solution:

• Find critical points.

$$f_x(x,y) = 4x + 3y - 5 = 0$$

$$f_y(x,y) = 3x + 8y + 2 = 0$$

After solving this equation, one can find that the critical point is (x, y) = (2, -1).

• Check Hessian at this point (x, y) = (2, -1).

$$f_{xx}(2,-1) = 4 > 0, f_{yy}(2,-1) = 8, f_{xy}(2,-1) = 3 \Rightarrow \mathbf{Hessian} : f_{xx}(2,-1) \cdot f_{yy}(2,-1) - \left(f_{xy}(2,-1)\right)^2 = 23 > 0$$

• Based on this result, f(x, y) has a local minimum at (x, y) = (2, -1). The value of the local minimum is f(2, -1) = -6.

3. (30 points) Write an equivalent double integral with the order of integration reversed.

(a)
$$\int_0^{3/2} \int_{-\sqrt{9-4y^2}}^{\sqrt{9-4y^2}} f(x,y) \, dx \, dy$$
 (b) $\int_0^{\ln 2} \int_{e^y}^2 f(x,y) \, dx \, dy$

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(c)
$$\int_{0}^{8} \int_{\sqrt[3]{x}}^{2} f(x,y) \, dy \, dx$$

Solution:

(a)
$$\int_0^{3/2} \int_{-\sqrt{9-4y^2}}^{\sqrt{9-4y^2}} f(x,y) \, dx \, dy = \int_{-3}^3 \int_0^{\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{9-x^2}} f(x,y) \, dy \, dx$$

(b)
$$\int_0^{\ln 2} \int_{e^y}^2 f(x, y) \, dx \, dy = \int_1^2 \int_0^{\ln x} f(x, y) \, dy \, dx$$

(c)
$$\int_0^8 \int_{\sqrt[3]{x}}^2 f(x,y) \, dy \, dx = \int_0^2 \int_0^{y^3} f(x,y) \, dx \, dy$$

4. (20 points) Change the Cartesian integral into an equivalent polar integral. Then evaluate the polar integral.

$$\int_1^2 \int_0^{\sqrt{2x-x^2}} \frac{1}{(x^2+y^2)^2} \, dy \, dx$$

Solution:

• The integral is

$$\int_{1}^{2} \int_{0}^{\sqrt{2x-x^{2}}} \frac{1}{(x^{2}+y^{2})^{2}} dy dx = \int_{0}^{\pi/4} \int_{\sec\theta}^{2\cos\theta} \frac{1}{r^{4}} r dr d\theta = \int_{0}^{\pi/4} \int_{\sec\theta}^{2\cos\theta} r^{-3} dr d\theta = \int_{0}^{\pi/4} \left[-\frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{r^{2}} \right]_{\sec\theta}^{2\cos\theta}$$

$$= \int_{0}^{\pi/4} \left[\left(-\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{4\cos^{2}\theta} \right) - \left(-\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{\sec^{2}\theta} \right) \right] d\theta = \int_{0}^{\pi/4} \left(\frac{1}{2}\cos^{2}\theta - \frac{1}{8}\sec^{2}\theta \right) d\theta$$

$$= \frac{\pi}{16}.$$