

1. Find all the critical points of the function

$$f(x, y) = \sin x + y^2 + 2y \cos x + 1$$

and classify them (maximum, minimum or saddle point)

2. Determine if the following statements are true or false. If they are true, explain why, otherwise provide a counter-example.

(a)

$$\int_{-1}^2 \int_0^6 x^2 \sin(x-y) dx dy = \int_0^6 \int_{-1}^2 x^2 \sin(x-y) dy dx.$$

(b)

$$\int_0^1 \int_0^x \sqrt{x+y^2} dy dx = \int_0^x \int_0^1 \sqrt{x+y^2} dx dy.$$

(c)

$$\int_1^2 \int_3^4 x^2 e^y dy dx = \left(\int_1^2 x^2 dx \right) \left(\int_3^4 e^y dy \right).$$

(d)

$$\int_{-1}^1 \int_0^1 e^{x^2+y^2} \sin(y) dx dy = 0.$$

(e) If f is continuous on $[0, 1]$, then

$$\int_0^1 \int_0^1 f(x)f(y) dx dy = \left[\int_0^1 f(x) dx \right]^2.$$

(f)

$$\int_1^4 \int_0^1 (x^2 + \sqrt{y}) \sin(x^2 y^2) dx dy \leq 9.$$

(g) If f has a local minimum at (a, b) and f is differentiable at (a, b) , then $\nabla f(a, b) = 0$

(h) If $(2, 1)$ is a critical point of f and

$$(\partial_{xx} f(2, 1)) (\partial_{yy} f(2, 1)) < (\partial_{xy} f(2, 1))^2$$

then f has a saddle point at $(2, 1)$.

(i) If $f(x, y)$ has two local maxima, then f must have a local minimum.

(j) There exists a function f with continuous second-order partial derivatives such that

$$\partial_x f(x, y) = x + y^2 \quad \text{and} \quad \partial_y f(x, y) = x - y^2. \quad (1)$$

(k)

$$f_{xy} = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y}. \quad (2)$$

3. (a) Evaluate

$$\iint_D \frac{1}{(x^2 + y^2)^{n/2}} dA,$$

where n is an integer, and D is the region bounded by the circles with center in the origin and radii r and R , such that $0 < r < R$. (Hint: use polar coordinates.)

(b) For what values of n does the integral above have a limit when $r \rightarrow 0^+$.

4. Show the following identities:

(a)

$$\int_0^1 \int_0^1 \frac{1}{1-xy} dx dy = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} \quad (3)$$

Hint: expand the integrand as a geometric series, and interchange the order of the sum and integrals.

(b)

$$\int_0^1 \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \frac{1}{1-xyz} dx dy dz = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^3} \quad (4)$$

5. Suppose that a function F is defined as

$$F(x, y) = f(x, g(x)k(y), h(x, y)),$$

where f, g, h, k are twice differentiable functions. Find

$$\frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial x \partial y}$$

in terms of the partial derivatives of f, g, h, k .

6. Let $g : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ a function twice differentiable, and let f be a function defined on $\Omega = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2, y \neq 0\}$ twice differentiable such that $f(x, y) = g(xy, x/y)$.

Suppose, that f satisfies

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} = 0$$

and define $u = xy$ and $v = \frac{x}{y}$. Show that g satisfies

$$\left(uv + \frac{u}{v}\right) \frac{\partial^2 g}{\partial u^2} + 2(1-v^2) \frac{\partial^2 g}{\partial u \partial v} + \frac{v}{u}(1+v^2) \frac{\partial^2 g}{\partial v^2} + 2\frac{v^2}{u} \frac{\partial g}{\partial v} = 0.$$

Hint: use the equation that f satisfies, and compute the partial derivatives of f using the chain rule on g .

7. A disk of radius 1 is rotating in the counter-clockwise direction at a constant angular speed ω . A particle starts at the center of the disk and moves toward the edge along a fixed radius so that its position at time $t \geq 0$, is given by $\mathbf{r}(t) = t\mathbf{R}(t)$, where

$$\mathbf{R}(t) = \cos(\omega t)\mathbf{i} + \sin(\omega t)\mathbf{j}.$$

(a) Show that the velocity \mathbf{v} of the particle is

$$\mathbf{v}(t) = \cos(\omega t)\mathbf{i} + \sin(\omega t)\mathbf{j} + t\mathbf{v}_d$$

where $\mathbf{v}_d = \mathbf{R}'(t)$ is the velocity of a point at the edge of the disk.

- (b) Show that the acceleration \mathbf{a} of the particle is given by

$$\mathbf{a} = 2\mathbf{v}_d + t\mathbf{a}_d$$

where, $\mathbf{a}_d = \mathbf{R}''(t)$ is the the acceleration of a point on the edge of the disk. In this case, $2\mathbf{v}_d$ corresponds to the Coriolis acceleration.

- (c) Compute the Coriolis acceleration of a moving particle that moves on a rotating disk according to the equation

$$\mathbf{r}(t) = e^{-t} \cos(\omega t)\mathbf{i} + e^{-t} \sin(\omega t)\mathbf{j}.$$

8. Suppose that you have two planets: one of mass M situated at $\mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^3$ and the other of mass m located at $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^3$. Following the gravitation law we have that the force on the planet located at x is given by

$$\mathbf{F} = -\gamma \frac{Mm}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}|^3}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}).$$

If $\mathbf{x}(t)$ is the position in the space of a planet of mass m that moves under the action of the gravitational force due to a mass M located in the origin, then show that the energy, defined as

$$E(t) = \frac{m}{2} \left| \frac{d\mathbf{x}(t)}{dt} \right|^2 - \gamma \frac{Mm}{|\mathbf{x}(t)|},$$

is preserved, i.e., show that $E'(t) = 0$.

Hint: you need to use Newton's second law $\mathbf{F} = m\mathbf{a}$, where $\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{x}''(t)$. Moreover, you may want to recall that $|\mathbf{x}(t)| = \sqrt{\mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{x}}$.

9. (a) Maximize $\sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i$ subject to the constraints $\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 = 1$ and $\sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2 = 1$.
Hint: computing the derivatives may seem overwhelming, this can be easily tackled by exploiting the symmetry in the problem. In this case, you may want to treat x first and then treat y , and then put them together in the equation for the Lagrange multipliers.
- (b) Let $\mathbf{a} = \langle a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n \rangle$ and $\mathbf{b} = \langle b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n \rangle$ two vectors in \mathbb{R}^n .

Put

$$x_i = \frac{a_i}{\sqrt{\sum_j^n a_j^2}} \quad \text{and} \quad y_i = \frac{b_i}{\sqrt{\sum_j^n b_j^2}}$$

and using the last question show that

$$\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} \leq |\mathbf{a}||\mathbf{b}|.$$

This inequality is known as the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality.

Hint: recall that $\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i b_i$ and $|\mathbf{a}| = \sqrt{\sum_j^n a_j^2}$

10. If $\llbracket x \rrbracket$ denotes the greatest integer in x , evaluate the integral

$$\iint_R \llbracket x + y \rrbracket dA$$

where $R = [1, 3] \times [2, 5]$.

11. Evaluate the integral

$$\int_0^1 \int_0^1 e^{\max(x^2, y^2)} dx dy,$$

where $\max(x^2, y^2)$ means the larger of the numbers x^2 and y^2 .

12. If f is continuous, show that

$$\int_0^x \int_0^y \int_0^z f(t) dt dz dy = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^x (x-t)^2 f(t) dt$$

13. (Example from Statistical physics) We define the entropy of a system as the function $S : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined as

$$S(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = - \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \ln x_i.$$

we aim to maximize this function.

- (a) Find the domain of S , and compute its partial derivatives.
- (b) Find a critical point and show that it is a maximum. (You will need to use a higher dimension version of the second derivative test.)
- (c) Find a critical point with the restriction that $\sum_{k=1}^n x_k = 1$. Show that it is a maximum.
- (d) Let $E_1 < E_2 < E_3 < \dots < E_n$ and E be given real number (i.e. they are constant). In the next questions we want to maximize S under the restrictions

$$\sum_{k=1}^n x_k = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \sum_{k=1}^n x_k E_k = E$$

write the equations for the Lagrange multipliers. (You will obtain $n + 2$ equations)

- (e) Argue that the solution of the system of equations has the form $x_i = e^{-\beta E_i} / Z$ where $Z = \sum_{i=1}^n e^{-\beta E_i}$, and its known as the partition function.
- (f) Write the equation to find *beta* (do not try to find it).
- (g) Argue that the solution to the system maximizes S under the constraints.