



Center for Academic Resources in Engineering (CARE) Peer Exam Review Session

Math 241 – Calculus III

Midterm 2 Worksheet Solutions

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1. Consider the vector function $\vec{r}(t) = \langle 2 \cos t, 2 \sin t, t \rangle$. Find the length from $(2, 0, 0)$ to $(2, 0, 4\pi)$ of the vector function.

Need to figure out the values of t at start and end point

a: $(2, 0, 0) \rightarrow z = 0 = t \rightarrow t = 0$

b: $(2, 0, 4\pi) \rightarrow z = 4\pi = t \rightarrow t = 4\pi$

$$L = \int_0^{4\pi} \sqrt{(-2\sin t)^2 + (2\cos t)^2 + 1^2} dt = \int_0^{4\pi} \sqrt{4\sin^2 t + 4\cos^2 t + 1} dt = \int_0^{4\pi} \sqrt{5} dt = 4\sqrt{5}\pi$$

2. A tiny spaceship is orbiting a path given by $x^2 + y^2 = 4$. The solar radiation at a point (x, y) in the plane of the orbit is $f(x, y) = xy + 2y$.

Use the method of *Lagrange multipliers* to find the maximum value and minimum value of solar radiation experienced by the tiny spaceship in its orbit.

The function to be maximized/minimized is f , subject to the constraint $x^2 + y^2 = 4$, which we will call g .

$$\nabla f = \langle y, x + 2 \rangle \quad \nabla g = \langle 2x, 2y \rangle$$

We have 3 equations to work with. We know

$$\nabla f = \lambda \nabla g$$

gives the following system of equations

$$\begin{aligned} y &= \lambda(2x) \\ x + 2 &= \lambda(2y) \\ x^2 + y^2 &= 4 \end{aligned}$$

Where the last equation is the constraint. We solve for λ in the first two equations:

$$\frac{y}{2x} = \lambda \text{ and } \frac{x+2}{2y} = \lambda$$

Set them equal to each other to get an equation with just x and y :

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{y}{2x} &= \frac{x+2}{2y} \\ 2y^2 &= 2x^2 + 4x \end{aligned}$$

$$y^2 = x^2 + 2x$$

Plug this in to the constraint

$$x^2 + y^2 = 4$$

$$x^2 + x^2 + 2x = 4$$

We get $x = 1, -2$

Obtain the corresponding values for y :

For $x = 1$

$$y^2 = x^2 + 2x \quad y = -\sqrt{3}, \sqrt{3}$$

For $x = -2$

$$y^2 = x^2 + 2x \quad y = 0$$

Now we must test whether these are minimum or maximum points. We have three points to test in our radiation function $f(x, y) = xy + 2y$

$$f(1, \sqrt{3}) = 3\sqrt{3}$$

$$f(1, -\sqrt{3}) = -3\sqrt{3}$$

$$f(-2, 0) = 0$$

$$\boxed{\text{Max: } 3\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\boxed{\text{Min: } -3\sqrt{3}}$$

3. Let $f(x, y)$ be a differentiable function on the disk $\{D : x^2 + y^2 \leq 400\}$, where:
- (I) $f(x, y) = 19$ for every point on the boundary of the disk $x^2 + y^2 = 400$
 - (II) $f(0, 0) = 7$
 - (III) $f(x, y)$ has only one critical point which is at $(-1, 2)$

Decide which statement is true:

- A) $f(-1, 2) > 7$
- B) $f(-1, 2) < 7$
- C) $f(-1, 2) = 7$
- D) Not enough information is given

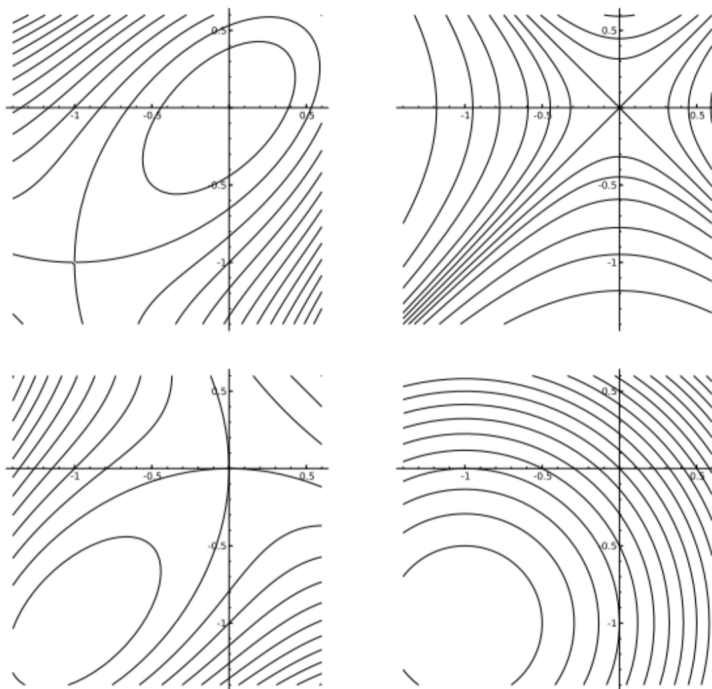
From the extreme value theorem we know that the maximum and minimum of the function in the domain D must (if they exist) be at the critical points or some points on the boundary.

Suppose $f(-1, 2) \geq 7$, then the minimum of the function is not at the point $(-1, 2)$ since $f(0, 0)$ has a smaller value. This would imply another critical point below $f(-1, 2)$, but the function only has one critical point.

The minimum is also not on the boundary since $f(x, y) = 19 > 7$ for every point on the boundary of the disk.

Lastly, suppose $f(-1, 2) = 7$, then this implies that $(0, 0)$ is also a critical point, which disagrees with the condition. So the only way to satisfy the condition that there is one critical point is make $f(-1, 2) < 7$. This means it is below the origin.

4. Consider the function $f(x, y) = x^3 + y^3 + 3xy$
- (a) The critical points of f are $(0, 0)$ and $(-1, -1)$. Classify them into local minima, local maxima and/or saddle points
- (b) Based on your answer in (a), identify the correct contour diagram of f



$$(a) \quad f_x = 3x^2 + 3y \\ f_{xx} = 6x$$

$$f_y = 3y^2 + 3x \\ f_{yy} = 6y$$

$$f_{xy} = f_{yx} = 3$$

$$\text{At } (0, 0) \quad D = \begin{bmatrix} f_{xx} & f_{xy} \\ f_{yx} & f_{yy} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 3 \\ 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = -9 < 0 \rightarrow \text{SADDLE}$$

$$\text{At } (-1, -1) \quad D = \begin{bmatrix} f_{xx} & f_{xy} \\ f_{yx} & f_{yy} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -6 & 3 \\ 3 & -6 \end{bmatrix} = 36 - 9 = 27$$

$$27 > 0 \text{ and } f_{xx} = -6 < 0 \rightarrow \text{LOCAL MAX}$$

- (b) Bottom left is correct (max/min values have no level curves within it, and saddle points have cross-over shapes)

5. Consider a function $f(t) = f(x(t), y(t), z(t)) = xyz - z^2$, where $x(t)$, $y(t)$, $z(t)$ are defined as followed:

$$x(t) = 2t^2 + 1$$

$$y(t) = 3 - \frac{1}{t}$$

$$z(t) = 3$$

Find the following values:

(a) $f_z(3, 1, 2)$

(b) $\left. \frac{dx}{dt} \right|_{(t=0)}$

(c) $\left. \frac{df}{dt} \right|_{(t=1)}$

(a)

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial z}(xyz - z^2)$$

$$xy - 2z$$

$$f_z(3, 1, 2) = 3 - 4 = -1$$

(b)

$$\frac{d}{dt}x = 4t$$

$$\left. \frac{dx}{dt} \right|_{(t=0)} = 0$$

(c)

$$\frac{df}{dt} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \frac{dy}{dt} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} \frac{dz}{dt} = yz(4t) + xz\left(\frac{1}{t^2}\right) + (xy - 2z)(0)$$

When $t = 1$:

$$x = 3$$

$$y = 2$$

$$z = 3$$

Plug into the equation:

$$\left. \frac{df}{dt} \right|_{(t=1)} = 24 + 9 + 0 = 33$$

6. If $f(x, y, z) = xye^z$, find the gradient of f and the directional derivative at $(2, 5, 0)$ in the direction of $\vec{v} = 2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}$.

$$f_x = ye^z$$

$$f_y = xe^z$$

$$f_z = xye^z$$

The gradient of f is $\nabla f(x, y, z) = \langle ye^z, xe^z, xye^z \rangle$

The unit vector of $\vec{v}$ is

$$\vec{u} = \left\langle \frac{2}{\sqrt{6}}, \frac{-1}{\sqrt{6}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \right\rangle$$

At $(2, 5, 0)$,

$$\nabla f(2, 5, 0) = \langle 5, 2, 10 \rangle$$

The directional derivative at $(2, 5, 0)$ in the direction of $\vec{v}$ is calculated to be

$$D_{\vec{u}}f(2, 5, 0) = \nabla f(2, 5, 0) \cdot \vec{u} = \langle 5, 2, 10 \rangle \cdot \left\langle \frac{2}{\sqrt{6}}, \frac{-1}{\sqrt{6}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \right\rangle$$

$$= \frac{18}{\sqrt{6}} = 3\sqrt{6}$$

7. Find min/max of $f(x,y,z) = 3x^2 + 8y^2 + z^2 - 2z$ defined on the domain $x^2 + 4y^2 + 2z \leq 8$ and $z \geq 0$
- (a) The domain is (select all that apply)
- I) open
 - II) closed
 - III) bounded
 - IV) unbounded
- (b) Where are the critical points inside the domain? Evaluate the function value on these points.
- (c) What is the minimum and maximum on $x^2 + 4y^2 + 2z = 8$?
- (d) What is the minimum and maximum on $z = 0$?
- (e) What is the global minimum and maximum of the whole domain?

- (a) The region includes *all* of its boundary points, therefore it's closed and bounded (II and III).
- (b) The critical points inside the domain are where $\nabla f = 0$.

$$\nabla f = \langle 6x, 16y, 2z - 2 \rangle = \langle 0, 0, 0 \rangle$$

Which gives us

$$x = 0, y = 0, z = 1$$

Critical Points: $f(0, 0, 1) = -1$

- (c) Since we're dealing with the boundary now, we must use Lagrange multipliers. Start by defining $g(x, y, z)$ as the boundary of the curve with $g(x, y, z) = 8$.

$$g(x, y, z) = x^2 + 4y^2 + 2z$$

$$\nabla f = \lambda \nabla g \rightarrow \langle 6x, 16y, 2z - 2 \rangle = \langle 2\lambda x, 8\lambda y, 2\lambda \rangle$$

Move ∇f and $\lambda \nabla g$ to the same side to solve for each variable.

$$\begin{aligned} 6x - 2\lambda x &= 0 \\ \lambda &= 3 \text{ or } x = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 16y - 8\lambda y &= 0 \\ \lambda &= 2 \text{ or } y = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 2z - 2 - 2\lambda &= 0 \\ \lambda &= z - 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$g(x, y, z) = x^2 + 4y^2 + 3z = 12$$

Solving these four equations for four unknowns, we have three solutions:

$$\lambda = 3, x = 0, y = 0, z = 4$$

$$\lambda = 2, x = 0, y = \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, z = 3$$

$f(0, 0, 4) = 8 \quad f\left(0, \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, 3\right) = 7$

(d) We are using a new boundary now, so we have to define a new $g(x, y, z)$.

$$g(x, y, z) = z$$

$$\nabla f = \lambda \nabla g \rightarrow \langle 6x, 16y, 2z - 2 \rangle = \langle 0, 0, \lambda \rangle$$

$$g(x, y, z) = 0$$

There is one solution $x = 0, y = 0, z = 0, \lambda = -2$

$$f(0, 0, 0) = 0$$

(e)

$$f(0, 0, 1) = -1 \quad f(0, 0, 4) = 8$$

8. The vector field $\vec{F} = \langle 2xy + 2x + y^2, 2xy + 2y + x^2 \rangle$ is conservative. Find a potential function f for $\vec{F}$ (a function with $\nabla f = \vec{F}$)

$$\vec{F} = \langle f_x, f_y \rangle = \langle 2xy + 2x + y^2, 2xy + 2y + x^2 \rangle$$

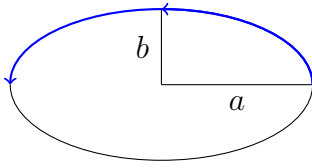
$$\int f_x = yx^2 + x^2 + xy^2 + C(y)$$

$$\int f_y = xy^2 + y^2 + yx^2 + C(x)$$

Looking at all the terms and comparing with $\vec{F}$, we know that $C(y) = y^2$ and $C(x) = x^2$, therefore the potential function is:

$$f(x, y, z) = yx^2 + x^2 + xy^2 + y^2$$

9. A particle moves along the upper part of an ellipse in the xy -plane that has its center at the origin with semi-major and semi-minor axes $a = 4$ and $b = 3$, respectively. Starting at $(a, 0)$ and ending at $(-a, 0)$ and subject to the following force field, what is the total work done?



$$\vec{F} = (3x - 4y + 2z)\hat{i} + (4x + 2y - 3z^2)\hat{j} + (2xz - 4y^2 + z^3)\hat{k}$$

- (1) Find the parameterization of the ellipse

$$x = 4 \cos t, \quad y = 3 \sin t, \quad z = 0$$

$$dx = -4 \sin t \, dt, \quad dy = 3 \cos t \, dt, \quad dz = 0$$

Recall that $d\vec{r} = dx\hat{i} + dy\hat{j} + dz\hat{k}$

- (2) Take the dot product in the line integral for work. (The z component is zero so it can be ignored here).

$$\begin{aligned} \oint \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} &= \int [(3x - 4y)\hat{i} + (4x + 2y)\hat{j}] \cdot (dx\hat{i} + dy\hat{j}) \\ &= \oint (3x - 4y)dx + (4x + 2y)dy \end{aligned}$$

- (3) Substitute in the parameterization found in (1)

$$\oint (12 \cos(t) - 12 \sin(t))(-4 \sin(t))dt + (16 \cos(t) + 6 \sin(t))(3 \cos(t))dt$$

- (4) Determine the times that the particle is at its starting and ending position, which in this case is $0 < t < \pi$. And solve the integral

$$\int_{t=0}^{t=\pi} [(12 \cos t - 12 \sin t)(-4 \sin t) + (16 \cos t + 6 \sin t)(3 \cos t)] dt$$

$$\boxed{48\pi}$$

10. Evaluate $\int_C \nabla f \cdot d\vec{r}$ where $f(x, y) = ye^{x^2-1} + 4x\sqrt{y}$ and C is given by $\vec{r}(t) = \langle 1 - t, 2t^2 - 2t \rangle$ with $0 \leq t \leq 2$.

Use the fundamental theorem of line integral.

$$\int_C \nabla f \cdot d\vec{r} = f[\vec{r}(2)] - f[\vec{r}(0)]$$

$$\vec{r}(0) = \langle 1, 0 \rangle, \text{ and } \vec{r}(2) = \langle -1, 4 \rangle$$

$$f[\vec{r}(2)] - f[\vec{r}(0)] = f(-1, 4) - f(1, 0) = -4 - 0 = \boxed{-4}$$