

Problem Related to Maxima and Minima of Function of two variables

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1. Maximum: $\rightarrow$

* The Function $f(x, y)$ is said to have a Maximum value at a point (a, b) if
 $f(x, y) - f(a, b) < 0$ for every point (x, y) in the nhd of (a, b)

2. Minimum $\rightarrow$ The Function $f(x, y)$ is said to have a minimum value at a point (a, b) provided $f(x, y) - f(a, b) > 0$ for every point (x, y) in the nhd of (a, b)

* Necessary Condition under which $f(x, y)$ have Extreme value at (a, b) are

$$\left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}\right)_{(a, b)} = 0 \quad \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}\right)_{(a, b)} = 0$$

* Stationary point $\rightarrow$ The point (x, y) at which $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = 0$ and $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = 0$ is called Stationary point

* Sufficient Condition $\rightarrow$ usually. We denote $\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} = A$ or r

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} = B \text{ or } s$$

$$\text{and } \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} = C \text{ or } t$$

$f(x, y)$ is (i) Maximum at (a, b) , if $r < 0$ and $rt - s^2 > 0$

(ii) Minimum at (a, b) , if $r > 0$ and $rt - s^2 > 0$

(iii) Neither Maximum nor Minimum at (a, b) if $rt - s^2 < 0$ or $r \neq 0$

Working Rule for Finding Maxima and Minima of a function $f(x, y)$

STEP I → Calculate $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}$, $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}$, $\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2}$, $\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y}$ and $\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2}$

STEP II → Solve the Simultaneous Equations
 $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = 0$
 $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = 0$

STEP III - Calculate $r = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2}$, $s = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y}$, $t = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2}$ at the point which are obtained for Solving Simultaneous Equation $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = 0$

STEP → If $r < 0$ and $rt - s^2 > 0$ at (a, b) and $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = 0$
 $\Rightarrow f(x, y)$ have maximum value at (a, b)

If $r > 0$ and $rt - s^2 > 0$ at (a, b)
 $\Rightarrow f(x, y)$ will be minimum at (a, b)

If $rt - s^2 < 0$ then $f(x, y)$ have neither maximum nor minimum.

Problem

* Find the maximum and minimum value of the function. $f(x, y) = x^3 + y^3 - 3x - 12y + 10$

Here $f(x, y) = x^3 + y^3 - 3x - 12y + 10$

$$f_x = 3x^2 - 3 \qquad f_y = 3y^2 - 12$$

$$r = f_{xx} = 6x \qquad t = f_{yy} = 6y$$

$$s = f_{xy} = 0$$

Ex:- Find the maximum & minimum values of $f(x, y)$ where

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$$f(x, y) = x^3 + y^3 - 3axy \quad \begin{matrix} x \neq 0 \\ y \neq 0 \end{matrix}$$

Solⁿ → Here Given function

$$f(x, y) = x^3 + y^3 - 3axy$$

$$\text{Now } f_x(x, y) = 3x^2 - 3ay$$

$$f_y(x, y) = 3y^2 - 3ax$$

$$f_{xx}(x, y) = 6x = r$$

$$f_{xy}(x, y) = -3a = s$$

$$f_{yy}(x, y) = 6y = t$$

for maximum & minimum We calculate stationary points

for which $f_x = 0$ — (I) and $f_y = 0$ — (II)

$$\Rightarrow 3x^2 - 3ay = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 = ay$$

$$\Rightarrow x^4 = a^2 y^2$$

$$= a \cdot ax$$

$$\Rightarrow a^3 x^4 - a^3 x = 0$$

$$x(x^3 - a^3) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 0 \text{ or } x = a$$

$$3y^2 - 3ax = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 = ax$$

$$\text{Since } y^2 = ax$$

$$\text{When } x = a$$

$$y^2 = a^2$$

$$\Rightarrow y = a$$

Here stationary point is (a, a)

Now

$$\cancel{r = s^2}$$

$$f_{xx}(a, a) = 6a = r$$

$$f_{xy}(a, a) = -3a = s$$

$$f_{yy}(a, a) = 6a = t$$

$$\text{Now } rt - s^2 = 36a^2 + 9a^2 = 45a^2 > 0$$

$$\text{Here } r = 6a$$

$$rt - s^2 > 0$$

When $a = +ve$

$$r > 0$$

$$\text{and } rt - s^2 > 0$$

⇒ it has minimum value at (a, a)

When $a = -ve$

$$\Rightarrow r < 0$$

$$\text{and } rt - s^2 > 0$$

⇒ it has maximum value at (a, a)

for stationary points

$$f_x = 0 \Rightarrow 3x^2 - 3 = 0 \Rightarrow x^2 - 1 = 0 \Rightarrow x^2 = 1 \Rightarrow x = \pm 1$$

$$f_y = 0 \Rightarrow 3y^2 - 12 = 0 \Rightarrow y^2 - 4 = 0 \Rightarrow y^2 = 4 \Rightarrow y = \pm 2$$

Stationary points $(1, 2)$, $(1, -2)$, $(-1, 2)$, $(-1, -2)$

Since $r = f_{xx} = 6x$

$s = f_{xy} = 0$

$t = f_{yy} = 6y$

(i) At the point $(1, 2)$

$r = 6$

$s = 0$

$t = 12$

Now $rt - s^2$
 $= 72 > 0$

Since $r = 6 > 0$

$\therefore f(x, y)$ has Minimum value at $(1, 2)$

and Since $f(x, y) = x^3 + y^3 - 3x - 12y + 10$

$\therefore f(1, 2) = 1 + 8 - 3 - 24 + 10$

Here $r > 0$ and $(rt - s^2) > 0 \Rightarrow f(x, y)$ has minimum.
Value at $(1, 2)$ is -8

(ii) When stationary point is $(1, -2)$

$r = 6x = 6 > 0$

Now $r > 0$

$s = 0$

$t = -12$

Also $rt - s^2 = -72 < 0$

Thus $f(x, y)$ has neither Maximum nor Minimum.

(iii) When stationary point $(-1, 2)$

$r = 6x = -6$

Now $rt - s^2 = -72 < 0$

$s = 0$

and $r < 0$

$t = 6y = 12$

$\Rightarrow f(x, y)$ has neither Maximum nor Minimum.

(iv) When stationary point $(-1, -2)$

$r = -6$

$s = 0$

$t = -12$

$r < 0$ and $rt - s^2 > 0$

$\Rightarrow f(x, y)$ has Maximum point at $(-1, -2)$

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Topic
B.Sc III Lagrange's Method of undetermined Multipliers

Usually Lagrange's method of undetermined multipliers can only determine points where the function can have a maximum or minimum. It can not say definitely whether a given point is a maximum or minimum. This is also true in the case of three variables.

Problem 1. Find the minimum value of $x^2 + y^2 + z^2$ having
Given $ax + by + cz = p$

Solution Let $u = x^2 + y^2 + z^2 \Rightarrow du = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} dx + \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} dy + \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} dz$
 $\Rightarrow du = 2x dx + 2y dy + 2z dz$

for stationary points

$$du = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x dx + 2y dy + 2z dz = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x dx + y dy + z dz = 0 \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Also say $g(x, y, z) = ax + by + cz - p = 0$

$$dg = \frac{\partial g}{\partial x} dx + \frac{\partial g}{\partial y} dy + \frac{\partial g}{\partial z} dz$$
$$= a dx + b dy + c dz = 0 \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

Now $du + \lambda dg = 0$

$$\Rightarrow x dx + y dy + z dz + \lambda [a dx + b dy + c dz] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x + a\lambda) dx + (y + b\lambda) dy + (z + c\lambda) dz = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x + a\lambda = 0 \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

$$y + b\lambda = 0 \quad \text{--- (4)}$$

$$z + c\lambda = 0 \quad \text{--- (5)}$$

value
for λ

$$\textcircled{3} \times x + \textcircled{4} \times y + \textcircled{5} \times z$$

We have $x^2 + a x \lambda + y^2 + b y \lambda + z^2 + c z \lambda = 0$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + \lambda (ax + by + cz) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow u + \lambda p = 0 \quad \text{--- (6)}$$

Again $a \times \textcircled{3} + b \times \textcircled{4} + c \times \textcircled{5}$

$$\Rightarrow ax + a^2 \lambda + by + b^2 \lambda + cz + c^2 \lambda = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (ax + by + cz) + \lambda (a^2 + b^2 + c^2) = 0$$

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$$\Rightarrow t + (a^2 + b^2 + c^2) \lambda = 0 \quad \text{--- (7) Since, by the question } ax + by + cz = p$$

Now from (6) $4 + \lambda p = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = -\frac{4}{p}$$

From (7) $(a^2 + b^2 + c^2) \lambda + t = 0$

$$\Rightarrow (a^2 + b^2 + c^2) \lambda = -t$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = \frac{-t}{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}$$

$$\therefore -\frac{4}{p} = \frac{-t}{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow 4 = \frac{p^2}{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}$$

Now we determine the minimum value of u

Differentiating

$$ax + by + cz = p$$

Partially with respect to x , Treating z as a function of x and y .

$$\text{We get } a + c \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = 0 \Rightarrow c \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = -a$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = -\frac{a}{c}$$

Also Differentiating $ax + by + cz = p$ with respect to y Treating z as a function of x and y

$$b + c \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = -\frac{b}{c}$$

Now Given $u = x^2 + y^2 + z^2$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = 2x + 2z \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = 2x + 2z \left(-\frac{a}{c}\right) = 2x - \frac{2az}{c}$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = 2y + 2z \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = 2y + 2z \left(-\frac{b}{c}\right) = 2y - \frac{2bz}{c}$$

$$r = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} = 2 - \frac{2a}{c} \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = 2 - \frac{2a}{c} \left(-\frac{a}{c}\right) = 2 + \frac{2a^2}{c^2}$$

$$s = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x \partial y} = -\frac{2a}{c} \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = -\frac{2a}{c} \left(-\frac{b}{c}\right) = \frac{2ab}{c^2}$$

$$t = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = 2 - \frac{2b}{c} \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = 2 - \frac{2b}{c} \left(-\frac{b}{c}\right) = 2 + \frac{2b^2}{c^2}$$

Here $x > 0$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Also } x^2 - y^2 &= \left(2 + \frac{2y^2}{c^2}\right) \left(2 + \frac{2y^2}{c^2}\right) - \frac{4y^2b^2}{c^4} \\ &= 4 + \frac{4y^2}{c^2} + \frac{4y^2}{c^2} + \frac{4y^4}{c^4} - \frac{4y^2b^2}{c^4} \\ &= 4 \left(1 + \frac{y^2}{c^2} + \frac{y^2}{c^2}\right) > 0 \end{aligned}$$

Thus we get minimum value of u as above.

Find the maximum and minimum values of $x^2 + y^2 + z^2$ subject to conditions

$$\frac{x^2}{4} + \frac{y^2}{5} + \frac{z^2}{25} = 1$$

$$\text{and } x = y + z$$

Solution $\Rightarrow$ Here objective function $f(x, y, z) = x^2 + y^2 + z^2$

Consider Lagrangian Function F of independent variables x, y, z

$$F = x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + \lambda_1 \left(\frac{x^2}{4} + \frac{y^2}{5} + \frac{z^2}{25} - 1 \right) + \lambda_2 (x + y - z) \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore dF &= 2x dx + 2y dy + 2z dz + \lambda_1 \left(\frac{2x}{4} dx + \frac{2y}{5} dy + \frac{2z}{25} dz \right) + \lambda_2 (dx + dy - dz) \\ &= \left(2x + \frac{x}{2} \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 \right) dx + \left(2y + \frac{2y}{5} \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 \right) dy + \left(2z + \frac{2z}{25} \lambda_1 - \lambda_2 \right) dz \end{aligned}$$

Since x, y, z are independent variables, we get

$$\begin{aligned} 2x + \frac{x}{2} \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 &= 0 & \therefore x &= -\frac{2\lambda_2}{\lambda_1 + 4} \\ 2y + \frac{2y}{5} \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 &= 0 & y &= -\frac{5\lambda_2}{2\lambda_1 + 10} \\ 2z + \frac{2z}{25} \lambda_1 - \lambda_2 &= 0 & z &= \frac{25\lambda_2}{2\lambda_1 + 50} \end{aligned}$$

Since by the question

$$x + y = z$$

$$-\frac{2\lambda_2}{\lambda_1 + 4} - \frac{5\lambda_2}{2\lambda_1 + 10} = \frac{25\lambda_2}{2\lambda_1 + 50}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2}{\lambda_1 + 4} + \frac{5\lambda_2}{2\lambda_1 + 10} + \frac{25}{2\lambda_1 + 50} = 0 \quad \text{--- (1)} \quad \lambda_2 \neq 0$$

As if $\lambda_2 = 0$

$x = y = z = 0$ but $(0, 0, 0)$ does not satisfy the other condition given in question.

Now From (1)

$$\frac{2}{\lambda_1 + 4} + \frac{5}{2\lambda_1 + 10} = -\frac{25}{2\lambda_1 + 50}$$

$$\frac{4\lambda_1 + 20 + 5\lambda_1 + 20}{2\lambda_1^2 + 18\lambda_1 + 40} = -\frac{25}{2\lambda_1 + 50}$$

$$\Rightarrow (9\lambda_1 + 40)(2\lambda_1 + 50) = -25(2\lambda_1^2 + 18\lambda_1 + 40)$$

$$\Rightarrow 18\lambda_1^2 + 450\lambda_1 + 80\lambda_1 + 2000 = -50\lambda_1^2 - 450\lambda_1 - 1000$$

$$\Rightarrow 68\lambda_1^2 + 900\lambda_1 + 80\lambda_1 + 3000 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 68\lambda_1^2 + 980\lambda_1 + 3000 = 0$$

$$17\lambda_1^2 + 245\lambda_1 + 750 = 0$$

this is a quadratic equation in λ_1

So we have $\lambda_1 = -10$

$$= -\frac{75}{17}$$

for $\lambda_1 = -10$ $x = \frac{1}{3}\lambda_2$

$$y = \frac{1}{2}\lambda_2$$

$$z = \frac{5}{6}\lambda_2$$

Putting the value of λ, y, z in

$$\frac{x^2}{4} + \frac{y^2}{5} + \frac{z^2}{25} = 1 \quad \text{On solving}$$

$$\text{We get } \lambda_2^2 = \frac{180}{19} \Rightarrow \lambda_2 = \pm 6\sqrt{\frac{5}{19}}$$

$\therefore$ Corresponding Stationary Points are

$$\pm 2\sqrt{5/19}, \pm 3\sqrt{5/19}, \pm 5\sqrt{5/19}$$

$$x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = \frac{20}{19} + \frac{45}{19} + \frac{125}{19} = \frac{190}{19} = 10$$

When $\lambda_1 = -\frac{75}{17}$

$$x = \frac{34}{7} \lambda_2$$

$$y = -\frac{17}{4} \lambda_2$$

$$z = \frac{17}{25} \lambda_2$$

Putting these values of x, y, z

$$\text{in } \frac{x^2}{4} + \frac{y^2}{5} + \frac{z^2}{25} = 1$$

$$\text{We get } \lambda_2 = \pm \frac{140}{17\sqrt{646}}$$

$\therefore$ Corresponding stationary points.

$$\left(\pm \frac{40}{\sqrt{646}}, \mp \frac{35}{\sqrt{646}}, \pm \frac{5}{\sqrt{646}} \right)$$

And the value of $x^2 + y^2 + z^2$ corresponding to these points is $\frac{75}{17}$

$$\therefore \text{Maximum value} = 10$$

$$\text{Minimum value} = \frac{75}{17}$$