

# MATH 223: Multivariable Calculus

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CONCEPT

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**Exam 2 Next Monday Night**

Today

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The Surface  $2x^3y + yx^2 + t^2 = 0$  and the Plane  $x + y + t - 1 = 0$

intersect along a Curve which contains the point  
 $t = 1, x = -1, y = 1$

Check: Surface:  $2(-1)(1) + 1(-1)^2 + 1^2 = 0$ ; Plane:  
 $-1 + 1 + 1 - 1 = 0$

Treat  $x$  and  $y$  as unknown functions of  $t$ .

Problem: Find  $x'(t)$  and  $y'(t)$  at  $(t, x, y) = (1, -1, 1)$

Each equation defines a surface in 3-space and intersection of two surfaces is a curve.

The curve has some parametrization **G**

$$\mathbf{G}(t) = \begin{pmatrix} t \\ x(t) \\ y(t) \end{pmatrix}, \mathcal{R}^1 \rightarrow \mathcal{R}^3$$

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$$\text{Consider } \mathcal{R}^1 \xrightarrow{\mathbf{G}} \mathcal{R}^3 \xrightarrow{\mathbf{F}} \mathcal{R}^2$$

$$\text{where } \mathbf{F}(x, y, t) = \begin{pmatrix} F_1(t) \\ F_2(t) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2x^3y + yx^2 + t^2 \\ x + y + t - 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{Then } \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{G}(t)) = \mathbf{0} \text{ for all } t$$

Differentiate using Chain Rule:

$$[\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{G}(t))]' = \mathbf{F}'(\mathbf{G}(t))\mathbf{G}'(t) = \begin{pmatrix} F_{1t} & F_{1x} & F_{1y} \\ F_{2t} & F_{2x} & F_{2y} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ x' \\ y' \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

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$$\begin{pmatrix} 2t \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 6x^2y + 2xy & 2x^3 + x^2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

or

$$\begin{pmatrix} 6x^2y + 2xy & 2x^3 + x^2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{pmatrix} = - \begin{pmatrix} 2t \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Multiply each side by inverse of coefficient matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{pmatrix} = - \begin{pmatrix} 6x^2y + 2xy & 2x^3 + x^2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 2t \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

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Evaluate at the given point:  $t = 1, x = -1, y = 1$

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{pmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{pmatrix} &= - \begin{pmatrix} 6 - 2 & -2 + 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= - \begin{pmatrix} 4 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= -\frac{1}{5} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= -\frac{1}{5} \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -3/5 \\ -2/5 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

## More Generally

$\begin{cases} F_1(x, y, t) = 0 \\ F_2(x, y, t) = 0 \end{cases}$  define  $x, y$  implicitly as functions of  $t$

Problem: Find  $x'(t)$  and  $y'(t)$  where  $\mathbf{f}(t) = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$ .

Set Up:  $\mathcal{R}^1 \xrightarrow{\mathbf{G}} \mathcal{R}^3 \xrightarrow{\mathbf{F}} \mathcal{R}^2$  where  $\mathbf{G}(t) = \begin{pmatrix} t \\ x(t) \\ y(t) \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\mathbf{F}(t, x, y) = \begin{pmatrix} F_1 \\ F_2 \end{pmatrix}$

Then  $\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{G}(t)) \equiv 0$  so  $\mathbf{F}'(\mathbf{G}(t))\mathbf{G}'(t) = 0$  which we write as

$$(F_t, F_x, F_y) \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ x' \\ y' \end{pmatrix} = 0 \text{ or } F_t + [F_x, F_y][\mathbf{f}'(t)] = 0$$

$$\mathbf{f}'(t) = -[F_x, F_y]^{-1} F_t$$

Here the notation is

$$F_x = \begin{pmatrix} F_{1x} \\ F_{2x} \end{pmatrix}, F_y = \begin{pmatrix} F_{1y} \\ F_{2y} \end{pmatrix}, F_t = \begin{pmatrix} F_{1t} \\ F_{2t} \end{pmatrix}$$



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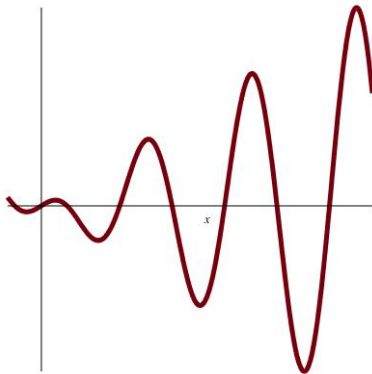
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COMPARE

Today:  
Maxima and Minima of Real-Valued Functions

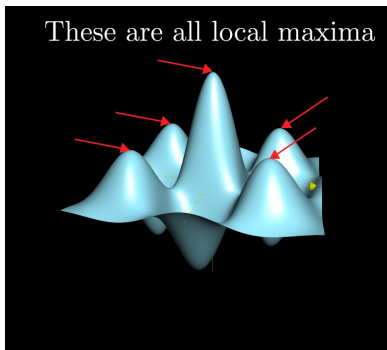


Let  $D$  be a subset of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and  $f : D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^1$  be a real-valued function with  $\vec{x}_0$  a point in  $D$ .

Definition:  $f$  has an **absolute maximum** at  $\vec{x}_0$  if  $f(\vec{x}_0) \geq f(\vec{x})$  for all  $\vec{x}$  in  $D$ .

Note:  $\geq$  makes sense because we are comparing real numbers.

$f$  has a **relative maximum** at  $\vec{x}_0$  if there is a neighborhood  $N$  around  $\vec{x}_0$  such that  $f(\vec{x}_0) \geq f(\vec{x})$  for all  $\vec{x}$  in  $N$ .



Theorem: Let  $\vec{x}_0$  be an **interior** point of  $D$ . If  $f$  is differentiable at  $\vec{x}_0$  and  $f$  has a relative maximum or minimum at  $\vec{x}_0$ ,  
then  $f'(\vec{x}_0) = \nabla f(\vec{x}_0) = \vec{0}$ .

Proof: Suppose  $f$  has a relative maximum at  $\vec{x}_0$   
Let  $\vec{u}$  be any unit vector in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

$$\text{Then } \frac{\partial f}{\partial \vec{u}} = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(\vec{x}_0 + t\vec{u}) - f(\vec{x}_0)}{t}$$

$$\text{(a) Take } \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} : \frac{-}{+} \leq 0$$

$$\text{thus } \frac{\partial f}{\partial \vec{u}} = 0 \text{ for all } \vec{u}$$

$$\text{(b) Take } \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^-} : \frac{-}{-} \geq 0$$

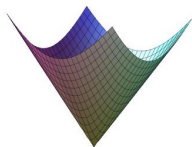
Taking  $\vec{u}$  to be unit vectors gives  $\nabla f(\vec{x}_0) = \vec{0}$

**Theorem:  $f$  differentiable at relative extrema implies gradient is 0.**

**The Theorem Has Its Limitations:**

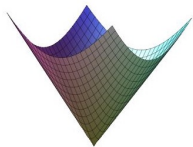
- (1) The function can have an extreme value at a point where it is not differentiable.**

Example:  $f(x, y) = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$  has minimum at  $(0,0)$  but is not differentiable there.



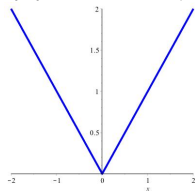
$$f_x(x, y) = \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}}, f_y(x, y) = \frac{y}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}},$$

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Analogue in Calculus I:

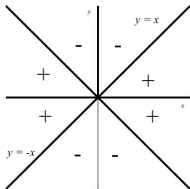
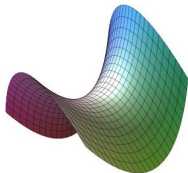
$$f(x) = \sqrt{x^2} = |x|$$



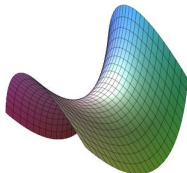
**Theorem:  $f$  differentiable at relative extrema implies gradient is 0.**

**The Theorem Has Its Limitations:**

(2) We can have  $\nabla f(\vec{x}_0) = 0$  but no extreme point at  $\vec{x}_0$



$$\nabla f(x, y) = (2x, 2y)$$



There is a Maximum in one direction and a Minimum in another

**Saddle Point**





**Quiz:**  
**Name a Famous**  
**Commercial Food Product**  
**That Exhibits**  
**a Saddle Point**



Definition: A point  $\vec{x}_0$  in the domain of  $f$  is a **Critical Point** of  $f$  if

$$(a) \nabla f(\vec{x}_0) = \vec{0}$$

or

(b)  $\nabla f$  does not exist at  $\vec{x}_0$ .

**Extreme Values Can Occur at Critical Points or Points on the Boundary**

Example: Temperature Distribution on disk of radius 1 centered at origin is  $T(x, y) = 2x^2 + 4y^2 + 2x + 1$ .

For Critical Points, examine  $\nabla T = (4x + 2, 8y)$

$\nabla T = (0, 0)$  only at  $x = -\frac{1}{2}, y = 0$

which does lie inside the disk.

Note  $T(-\frac{1}{2}, 0) = 2(\frac{1}{4}) + 4(0^2) + 2(-\frac{1}{2}) + 1 = \frac{1}{2}$ , and  $T(0, 0) = 1$ .

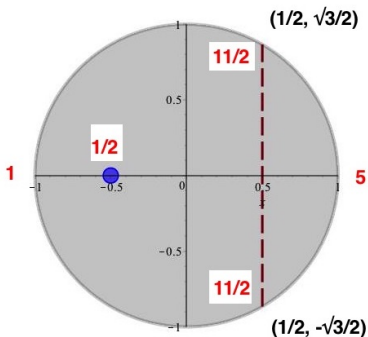
### Analyze Along Boundary:

$$x^2 + y^2 = 1 \text{ so } y^2 = 1 - x^2 \text{ and}$$

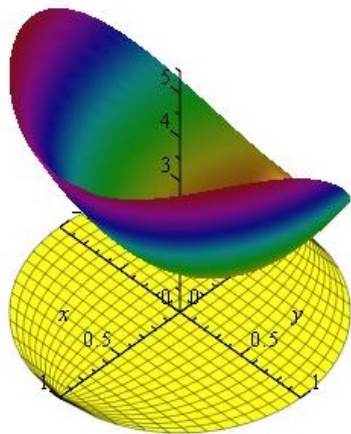
$$T(x, y) = g(x) = 2x^2 + 4(1 - x^2) + 2x + 1 = -2x^2 + 2x + 5$$

Thus  $g'(x) = -4x + 2$ ,  $g''(x) = -4$  so  $x = \frac{1}{2}$  gives a maximum.

$$x = \frac{1}{2} \text{ gives } y^2 = 1 - \frac{1}{4} = \frac{3}{4} \text{ so } y = \pm \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$



red numbers are values of the function



## Parametrize Boundary

$$x = \cos t, y = \sin t \text{ for } 0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$$

$$\begin{aligned} T(x, y) &= 2x^2 + 4y^2 + 2x + 1 \\ &= 2\cos^2 t + 4\sin^2 t + 2\cos t + 1 \\ &= 2\cos^2 t + 2\sin^2 t + 2\sin^2 t + 2\cos t + 1 \\ &= 2 + 2\sin^2 t + 2\cos t + 1 = 2\sin^2 t + 2\cos t + 3 \\ &= H(t) \end{aligned}$$

$$H(0) = 2 \cdot 1 + 2 \cdot 0 + 3 = 5, H(\pi) = 2 \cdot 1 + 2 \cdot (-1) + 3 = 1$$

Now  $H'(t) = 4\sin t \cos t - 2\sin t = 2\sin t(2\cos t - 1)$  so

$$H'(t) = 0 \text{ at } \sin t = 0 \text{ or } \cos t = \frac{1}{2}$$

The first condition gives  $t = 0, t = \pi$ , the second occurs when

$$t = \frac{\pi}{3}.$$

Next Time:

## Solving Constrained Optimization Problems Using Lagrange Multipliers

Joseph-Louis Lagrange



As long as algebra and geometry have been separated, their progress have been slow and their uses limited; but when these two sciences have been united, they have lent each mutual forces, and have marched together towards perfection.

AZ QUOTES