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Theory Of Real Functions

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PART-1

1. Extreme Values

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Let f be a function containing (a, b) . Then $f(a, b)$ is an extreme value of f if for every (x, y) other than (a, b) , of some neighbourhood of (a, b) , the difference

$$f(x, y) - f(a, b)$$

keeps the same sign.

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$$f_x(a, b) = 0 = f_y(a, b) \quad \text{and} \quad f_{xx}(a, b).f_{yy}(a, b) - [f_{xy}(a, b)]^2 > 0$$

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$$f_x(a, b) = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad f_y(a, b) = 0$$

4. **show that $2x^4 - 3x^2y + y^2$ has neither a maximum nor a minimum at $(0, 0)$.**

Answer:

Let $f(x, y) = 2x^4 - 3x^2y + y^2$.

Then, $f_x(x, y) = 8x^3 - 6xy$ and $f_y(x, y) = -3x^2 + 2y$

and $f_{xx}(x, y) = 24x^2 - 6y$, $f_{xy}(x, y) = -6x$ and $f_{yy}(x, y) = 2$

Now, $f_x(0, 0) = 0$ and $f_y(0, 0) = 0$

$f_{xx}(0, 0) = 0$, $f_{xy}(0, 0) = 0$ and $f_{yy}(0, 0) = 2$

Therefore, $f_{xx}(0, 0) \cdot f_{yy}(0, 0) - (f_{xy}(0, 0))^2 = 0$

So, we need further investigation.

Here,

$$\begin{aligned} f(x, y) - f(0, 0) &= (2x^4 - 3x^2y + y^2) - 0 \\ &= (x^2 - y)(2x^2 - y) \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$f(x, y) - f(0, 0) > 0 \quad \text{if } y < 0 \quad \text{or } x^2 > y > 0$$

and

$$f(x, y) - f(0, 0) < 0 \quad \text{if } y > x^2 > \frac{y}{2} > 0$$

Thus, $f(x, y) - f(0, 0)$ does not keep the same sign near the origin, Hence, f has neither a minimum nor a maximum at the origin.

5. **Show that $y^2 + x^2y + x^4$ has a minimum at $(0, 0)$.**

Answer:

Let $f(x, y) = y^2 + x^2y + x^4$.

We have,

$$\begin{aligned}f(x, y) - f(0, 0) &= (y^2 + x^2y + x^4) - 0 \\&= y^2 + x^2y + \frac{x^4}{4} + \frac{3x^4}{4} \\&= \left(y + \frac{x^2}{2}\right)^2 + \frac{3x^4}{4} \\&> 0; \text{ when } (x, y) \neq (0, 0)\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $y^2 + x^2y + x^4$ has a minimum at $(0, 0)$.

6. Investigate the maxima and minima of the function $f(x, y) = x^3 + y^3 - 63(x + y) + 12xy$

Answer:

For $f(x, y) = x^3 + y^3 - 63(x + y) + 12xy$, we have

$$f_x(x, y) = 3x^2 - 63 + 12y, \quad f_y(x, y) = 3y^2 - 63 + 12x.$$

For extreme values of f we must have, $f_x(x, y) = 0 = f_y(x, y)$.

Therefore,

$$3x^2 - 63 + 12y = 0 \quad \text{--- (i) and}$$

$$3y^2 - 63 + 12x = 0 \quad \text{--- (ii)}$$

Subtracting (ii) from (i) we get,

$$\begin{aligned}3(x^2 - y^2) + 12(y - x) &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow (x - y)(x + y - 4) &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow x = y \quad \text{or} \quad x = 4 - y.\end{aligned}$$

Putting $x = y$ in (ii) we get,

$$y^2 + 4y - 21 = 0 \Rightarrow y = -7 \quad \text{or} \quad y = 3.$$

Therefore, $(3, 3)$ and $(-7, -7)$ are stationary points of f . Again, putting $x = 4 - y$ in (ii), we get

$$3y^2 + 12(4 - y) - 63 = 0$$

$$3y^2 - 12y - 15 = 0$$

$$y^2 - 4y - 5 = 0$$

$$(y - 5)(y + 1) = 0$$

Therefore, $y = 5$ or $y = -1$

We get corresponding stationary points $(5, -1)$ and $(-1, 5)$. Thus, $(3, 3)$, $(-7, -7)$, $(5, -1)$ and $(-1, 5)$ are stationary points of f .

Now,

$$\begin{aligned}A = f_{xx}(x, y) &= 6x, \quad C = f_{yy}(x, y) = 6y \\ \text{and } B = f_{yx}(x, y) &= f_{xy}(x, y) = 12.\end{aligned}$$

At $(3, 3)$ we get, $A = 18$, $B = 12$ and $C = 18$,
so that $AC - B^2 = 180 > 0$ and $A > 0$.

Hence $(3, 3)$ is a minimum of f and the minimum value of f is
 $f(3, 3) = 3^3 + 3^3 - 63(3 + 3) + 12(3)(3) = -216$.

At $(-7, -7)$ we get, $A = -42$, $B = 12$ and $C = -42$,
so that $AC - B^2 = 1620 > 0$ and $A < 0$.

Hence $(-7, -7)$ is a maximum of f and the maximum value of f is
 $f(-7, -7) = (-7)^3 + (-7)^3 - 63(-7 - 7) + 12(-7)(-7) = 784$.

At $(5, -1)$ we get, $A = 30$, $B = 12$, $C = -6$,
so that $AC - B^2 = -324 < 0$.

Hence $(5, -1)$ is not an extreme point of f .

At $(-1, 5)$ we get, $A = -6$, $B = 12$, $C = 30$,
so that $AC - B^2 = -324 < 0$.

Hence $(-1, 5)$ is not an extreme point of f .

7. A rectangular box open at the top is to have a volume of $32m^3$. Find the dimensions of box so that the total surface area is minimum.

Proof:

Suppose lengths of the edges of the box are x, y and z .

Then volume of the box is given by

$$V = xyz$$

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But, it is given that $V = 32$

Therefore, $32 = xyz$

Therefore, $z = \frac{32}{xy}$

Now, the total surface area of the box, is $2xy + 2yz + 2zx$.

The surface area of the open box is $xy + 2yz + 2zx = xy + 2y\frac{32}{xy} + 2\frac{32}{xy}x = xy + 64(\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y})$.

Let $f(x, y) = xy + 64(\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y})$.

Now,

$$f_x(x, y) = y - \frac{64}{x^2}, \quad f_y(x, y) = x - \frac{64}{y^2}.$$

For extreme values of f we must have, $f_x(x, y) = f_y(x, y) = 0$.

Then $x^2y - 64 = 0 = xy^2 - 64$.

Therefore, $xy(x - y) = 0$.

Hence $x = y$ or $x = 0$ or $y = 0$.

Since any length of each edge must be positive, $x \neq 0, y \neq 0$.

So, we must have, $x = y$.

Taking $x = y$ in $x^2y - 64 = 0$, we get $y^3 = 64$.

That is, $x = y = 4$.

Now $A = f_{xx}(x, y) = \frac{128}{x^3}$, $B = f_{xy}(x, y) = 1$ and $C = f_{yy}(x, y) = \frac{128}{y^3}$.

Therefore at $(4, 4)$ we have,

$A = 2$, $B = 1$ and $C = 2$.

Here, $AC - B^2 = 3 > 0$ and $A > 0$.

Therefore, at $(4, 4)$ f is minimum.

Thus, for minimum surface area, the edges of the box are

$$x = 4m, y = 4m \text{ and } z = \frac{32}{4 \times 4} = 2m.$$

8. Show that $(y - x)^4 + (x - 2)^4$ has a minimum at $(2, 2)$.

Answer:

$$\text{Let } f(x, y) = (y - x)^4 + (x - 2)^4.$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} f(x, y) - f(2, 2) &= (y - x)^4 + (x - 2)^4 - 0 \\ &= (y - x)^4 + (x - 2)^4 \\ &> 0 \quad \forall (x, y) \neq (2, 2) \\ \therefore f(x, y) - f(2, 2) &> 0 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $f(x, y)$ has a minimum at $(2, 2)$.