

## Local maximum and minimum

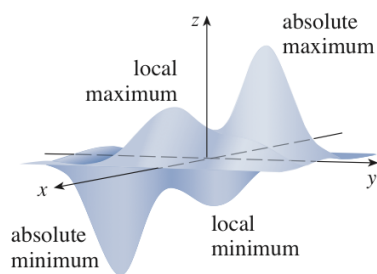


FIGURE 1

Notice that the conclusion of Theorem 2 can be stated in the notation of gradient vectors as  $\nabla f(a, b) = \mathbf{0}$ .

**2 Theorem** If  $f$  has a local maximum or minimum at  $(a, b)$  and the first-order partial derivatives of  $f$  exist there, then  $f_x(a, b) = 0$  and  $f_y(a, b) = 0$ .

## Critical point : 导数为0 或不存在

A point  $(a, b)$  is called a **critical point** (or *stationary point*) of  $f$  if  $f_x(a, b) = 0$  and  $f_y(a, b) = 0$ , or if one of these partial derivatives does not exist. Theorem 2 says that if  $f$

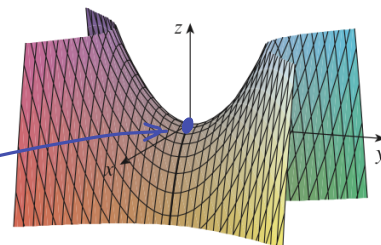
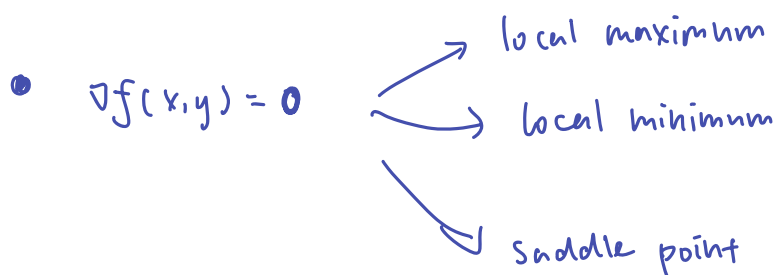


FIGURE 3  
 $z = y^2 - x^2$

用来

## 判断具体是个什么点：

**3 Second Derivatives Test** Suppose the second partial derivatives of  $f$  are continuous on a disk with center  $(a, b)$ , and suppose that  $f_x(a, b) = 0$  and  $f_y(a, b) = 0$  [so  $(a, b)$  is a critical point of  $f$ ]. Let

$$D = D(a, b) = f_{xx}(a, b)f_{yy}(a, b) - [f_{xy}(a, b)]^2$$

- (a) If  $D > 0$  and  $f_{xx}(a, b) > 0$ , then  $f(a, b)$  is a local minimum.
- (b) If  $D > 0$  and  $f_{xx}(a, b) < 0$ , then  $f(a, b)$  is a local maximum.
- (c) If  $D < 0$ , then  $(a, b)$  is a saddle point of  $f$ .

**NOTE 1** If  $D = 0$ , the test gives no information:  $f$  could have a local maximum or local minimum at  $(a, b)$ , or  $(a, b)$  could be a saddle point of  $f$ .

## Global (Absolute) maximum and minimum

**7 Definitio** Let  $(a, b)$  be a point in the domain  $D$  of a function  $f$  of two variables. Then  $f(a, b)$  is the

- **absolute maximum** value of  $f$  on  $D$  if  $f(a, b) \geq f(x, y)$  for all  $(x, y)$  in  $D$ .
- **absolute minimum** value of  $f$  on  $D$  if  $f(a, b) \leq f(x, y)$  for all  $(x, y)$  in  $D$ .

**8 Extreme Value Theorem for Functions of Two Variables** If  $f$  is continuous on a closed, bounded set  $D$  in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ , then  $f$  attains an absolute maximum value  $f(x_1, y_1)$  and an absolute minimum value  $f(x_2, y_2)$  at some points  $(x_1, y_1)$  and  $(x_2, y_2)$  in  $D$ .

## 求极值:

**9** To find the absolute maximum and minimum values of a continuous function  $f$  on a closed, bounded set  $D$ :

1. Find the values of  $f$  at the critical points of  $f$  in  $D$ .
2. Find the extreme values of  $f$  on the boundary of  $D$ .
3. The largest of the values from steps 1 and 2 is the absolute maximum value; the smallest of these values is the absolute minimum value.

## Lagrange Multipliers : Find the extreme values under some constraints.

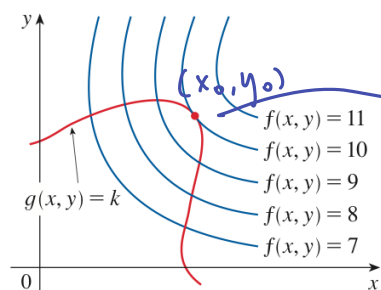


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Example: 在  $g(x, y) = k$  的限制下求  $f(x, y)$  的极值

在取到极值的这个点,  $\nabla f$  和  $\nabla g$  平行

$$\therefore \nabla f(x_0, y_0) = \lambda \nabla g(x_0, y_0) \text{ for some scalar } \lambda$$

Lagrange multiplier

**Method of Lagrange Multipliers** To find the maximum and minimum values of  $f(x, y, z)$  subject to the constraint  $g(x, y, z) = k$  [assuming that these extreme values exist and  $\nabla g \neq \mathbf{0}$  on the surface  $g(x, y, z) = k$ ]:

1. Find all values of  $x, y, z$ , and  $\lambda$  such that

and

$$\nabla f(x, y, z) = \lambda \nabla g(x, y, z) \quad \text{one constrain}$$

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

2. Evaluate  $f$  at all the points  $(x, y, z)$  that result from step 1. The largest of these values is the maximum value of  $f$ ; the smallest is the minimum value of  $f$ .

$$f_x = \lambda g_x \quad f_y = \lambda g_y \quad g(x, y) = k$$

For two constraints:

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$$\nabla f(x_0, y_0, z_0) = \lambda \nabla g(x_0, y_0, z_0) + \mu \nabla h(x_0, y_0, z_0)$$

$$f_x = \lambda g_x + \mu h_x$$

$$f_y = \lambda g_y + \mu h_y$$

$$f_z = \lambda g_z + \mu h_z$$

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

$$h(x, y, z) = c$$

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## Calculus III (Math 241)

**W25** Do Exercises 23, 34, 36 in [Ste21], Ch. 14.7.

**W26** Do Exercise 5 in [Ste21], Ch. 14.8.

**W27** Using Lagrange Multipliers, do Exercise 50 in [Ste21], Ch. 14.7.

- 23.** Show that  $f(x, y) = x^2 + 4y^2 - 4xy + 2$  has an infinite number of critical points and that  $D = 0$  at each one. Then show that  $f$  has a local (and absolute) minimum at each critical point.

$$\begin{aligned} f_x &= 2x - 4y = 0 \Rightarrow x = 2y \\ f_y &= 8y - 4x = 0 \\ f_{xx} &= 2 \quad f_{yy} = 8 \\ f_{xy} &= -4 \\ D &= f_{xx}f_{yy} - (f_{xy})^2 = 0 \end{aligned}$$

**33–40** Find the absolute maximum and minimum values of  $f$  on the set  $D$ .

- 33.**  $f(x, y) = x^2 + y^2 - 2x$ ,  $D$  is the closed triangular region with vertices  $(2, 0)$ ,  $(0, 2)$ , and  $(0, -2)$

- 34.**  $f(x, y) = x + y - xy$ ,  $D$  is the closed triangular region with vertices  $(0, 0)$ ,  $(0, 2)$ , and  $(4, 0)$

- 35.**  $f(x, y) = x^2 + y^2 + x^2y + 4$ ,  
 $D = \{(x, y) \mid |x| \leq 1, |y| \leq 1\}$

- 36.**  $f(x, y) = x^2 + xy + y^2 - 6y$ ,  
 $D = \{(x, y) \mid -3 \leq x \leq 3, 0 \leq y \leq 5\}$

let  $\nabla f(x, y) = (1 - y, 1 - x) = 0$   
 $y = x = 1$   
 $f(1, 1) = 1$   
check boundary:  
 $f(0, y) = y$ ,  $\max = 2$ ,  $\min = 0$   
 $f(x, 0) = x$ ,  $\max = 4$ ,  $\min = 0$   
 $f(x, \frac{1}{2}x + 1) = \frac{1}{2}x + 2 - x(\frac{1}{2}x + 1)$   
 $\frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2}x^2 - \frac{3}{2}x + 2$   $x = 0, 4$   
 $\min = \frac{7}{2}$   $\max = 4$   
Thus,  $\max = 4$   $\min = 0$

s.  $\nabla f = (y, x)$   
 $\nabla g = (8x, 2y)$   
 $\nabla f = \lambda \nabla g$ ,  $\nabla g \neq 0$   
 $4x^2 + y^2 = 8$   
 $\begin{cases} y = 8x \cdot \lambda \\ x = 2y \cdot \lambda \\ 4x^2 + y^2 = 8 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{matrix} \lambda = -4 & \lambda = -4 & \lambda = 4 & \lambda = 4 \\ x = -1 & x = 1 & x = -1 & x = 1 \\ y = 2 & y = -2 & y = -2 & y = 2 \end{matrix}$   
for  $f(\pm 1, \pm 2)$ ,  $\max = 2$ ,  $\min = -2$

**3–16** Each of these extreme value problems has a solution with both a maximum value and a minimum value. Use Lagrange multipliers to find the extreme values of the function subject to the given constraint.

**3.**  $f(x, y) = x^2 - y^2$ ,  $x^2 + y^2 = 1$

**4.**  $f(x, y) = x^2y$ ,  $x^2 + y^4 = 5$

**5.**  $f(x, y) = xy$ ,  $4x^2 + y^2 = 8$

So,  let  $J = xyz = 1000$

$A = f(x, y, z) = 2xy + 2yz + 2xz$

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

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

$\begin{cases} 2y + 2z = \lambda yz \\ 2x + 2z = \lambda xz \\ 2y + 2x = \lambda xy \\ xyz = 1000 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} 2xy + 2z = \lambda xyz \\ 2xy + 2z = \lambda xyz \end{cases} \Rightarrow x = y$   
Similarly,  $x = y = z$   
 $\therefore x = y = z = 10$   
 $A = 600 \text{ cm}^2$

- 50.** Find the dimensions of the box with volume  $1000 \text{ cm}^3$  that has minimal surface area.