

# Solutions

## Math 2D Quiz 7 Evening, November 17th

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Show all of your work. \*There is a question on the back side.\*

1. Consider the function  $f(x, y) = xy^2$  on the domain  $\mathcal{D} = \{(x, y) | x \geq 0, y \geq 0, x^2 + y^2 \leq 3\}$ .

(a) [3pts] Find and classify all the critical points of  $f$  that are in  $\mathcal{D}$ . Evaluate  $f$  at these points.

Hint: There's infinitely many, and they're all the same type and have the same function value.

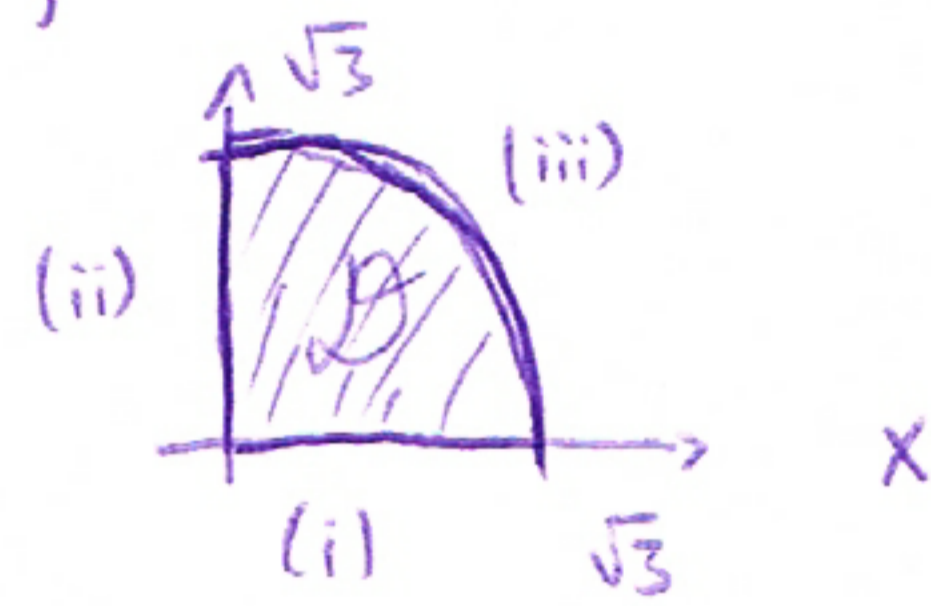
$$\nabla f(x, y) = \langle y^2, 2xy \rangle \stackrel{+1}{=} \text{is } (0, 0) \text{ when } y=0, x \sim \text{anything.}$$

$$\leadsto \boxed{(x, 0) \text{ for } 0 \leq x \leq \sqrt{3}} \stackrel{+1}{=} \text{are all crit. pts, and } \underline{f(x, 0) = 0.}$$

$$D = \det \begin{bmatrix} f_{xx} & f_{xy} \\ f_{yx} & f_{yy} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{matrix} 0 \cdot 2x - (2y)^2 \\ = -4y^2 \end{matrix} \left. \vphantom{\det} \right\} \begin{matrix} \text{At } (x, 0), D = 0 \quad +1 \\ \hookrightarrow \underline{\text{Inconclusive!}} \end{matrix}$$

(b) [7pts] Find the absolute max and min of  $f(x, y)$  on  $\mathcal{D}$ . It may help to draw  $\mathcal{D}$ .

Also list at which points the absolute max and min occur at.



• Crit. pts taken care of in (a) ✓

(i)  $y=0, x \sim \text{var}, f(x, 0) = 0 \stackrel{+1}{=} \text{(crit pts) ✓}$

(ii)  $x=0, y \sim \text{var}, f(0, y) = 0 \stackrel{+1}{=} \text{too ✓}$

(iii)  $x^2 + y^2 = 3 \leadsto y = \pm \sqrt{3-x^2} \parallel \text{Pick } (+) \text{ b/c top } y \geq 0 \text{ of circle.}$

$$\leadsto f(x, \sqrt{3-x^2}) \stackrel{+1}{=} = 3x - x^3 \leadsto \frac{df}{dx} = 3 - 3x^2 \stackrel{+2}{=} , x = \pm 1 \text{ are local extrema.}$$

only  $x=1$  is in  $\mathcal{D}$   $\leadsto \boxed{x=1, y=\pm\sqrt{2}} \stackrel{+1}{=} \text{(only } \underline{+\sqrt{2}} \text{ here).}$

Compare:  $\boxed{f(1, \sqrt{2}) = 2 \text{ max}} \stackrel{+1}{=}$

$\boxed{f(x, 0) = f(0, y) = 0}$  at all pts  $(x, 0), (0, y)$   
↑ ↑  
 $0 \leq x \leq \sqrt{3}$   $0 \leq y \leq \sqrt{3}$   
Min

(solu)

2. [10pts total] You may or may not know that a cube maximizes the volume while minimizing surface area for a rectangular shape, but why? We'll see. Assume that the dimensions  $x, y, z \geq 0$ .  
→ Using Lagrange Multipliers, Prove that the dimensions of a rectangular box constrained to have surface area  $150 \text{ cm}^2$  which maximizes volume are  $x = y = z = 5 \text{ cm}$ . Follow this outline:

(a) [2pts] What is the system of equations we have to solve for Lagrange Multipliers?

Hint:  $V = xyz$ ,  $A = 2xy + 2yz + 2xz$  are the volume and surface area equations, respectively.

Maximizing  $V$ , so

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla V &= \lambda \nabla A \\ A &= 150 \text{ (cm}^2\text{)} \end{aligned} \Rightarrow \begin{aligned} \text{(i)} \quad yz &= 2\lambda(y+z) \\ \text{(ii)} \quad xz &= 2\lambda(x+z) && +2 \\ \text{(iii)} \quad xy &= 2\lambda(x+y) \\ \text{(iv)} \quad 2(xy+yz+xz) &= 150 \text{ (cm}^2\text{)} \end{aligned}$$

(b) [3pts] Trivial Cases. How can we have  $0 = 0$  for any equation above? What is the volume in these cases? Is it maximizing or minimizing the volume? (Recall: We are assuming  $x, y, z \geq 0$ ).

In any case, if any eqn reads  $0 = 0 \Rightarrow$  one of  $x, y, z$  is 0 (at least) +1

If one of these is 0  $\Rightarrow$   $V = 0$ , minimizing Volume! +1

(c) [5pts] Now we can assume none of the above equations read as  $0 = 0$ . Solve the system in (a) for the values of  $x, y, z$  where hopefully you should get  $x = y = z = 5 \text{ cm}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(i)} \div \text{(ii)} &\Rightarrow \frac{y}{x} = \frac{y+z}{x+z} \Rightarrow \cancel{xy} + zy = \cancel{xy} + xz \Rightarrow \underline{zy = zx} \\ &\text{so, } \boxed{y = x} && +2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(ii)} \div \text{(iii)} &\Rightarrow \frac{z}{y} = \frac{x+z}{x+y} \Rightarrow \cancel{zx} + zy = xy + \cancel{zy} \Rightarrow \underline{zx = xy} \\ &\text{so, } \boxed{z = y} && +2 \end{aligned}$$

Thus,  $x = y = z$ . Using this in (iv) the constraint,

$$\Rightarrow 2(3x^2) = 150 \text{ (cm}^2\text{)} \Rightarrow \boxed{x^2 = \frac{150}{6} = 25 \text{ (cm}^2\text{)}} +1$$

Thus,  $x = 5 \text{ cm}$  and  $x = y = z \Rightarrow$   $x = y = z = 5 \text{ cm}$   
( $x \geq 0$  assumed)