

(Cont'd)

$$(1) \Rightarrow \lambda \neq 0$$

$$\text{then } (2) \Rightarrow x+2y=0 \Rightarrow x=-2y$$

$$\text{Sub into (3)} \Rightarrow (-2y)^2 + (-2y)y + y^2 = 9$$

$$\Rightarrow y = \pm \sqrt{3} \quad (\text{check!})$$

Hence  $(x, y) = (-2\sqrt{3}, \sqrt{3}), (2\sqrt{3}, -\sqrt{3})$  are the critical points.

Comparing the values  $2\sqrt{3} > -2\sqrt{3}$

$\Rightarrow$  max. value of x-coordinates is  $2\sqrt{3}$

(at the point  $(2\sqrt{3}, -\sqrt{3})$ ) ~~XX~~

Eg 2 Find the point(s) on the hyperboloid

$$xy - yz - zx = 3 \quad (\text{check: it is really a hyperboloid})$$

closest to the origin

Soln Let  $f(x, y, z) = x^2 + y^2 + z^2$

$$g(x, y, z) = xy - yz - zx$$

Minimize f under constraint g=3

$$\text{Consider } F(x, y, z, \lambda) = x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - \lambda(xy - yz - zx - 3)$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 0 = \frac{\partial F}{\partial x} = 2x - \lambda(y-z) \quad \text{--- (1)} \\ 0 = \frac{\partial F}{\partial y} = 2y - \lambda(x-z) \quad \text{--- (2)} \\ 0 = \frac{\partial F}{\partial z} = 2z + \lambda(x+y) \quad \text{--- (3)} \\ 0 = \frac{\partial F}{\partial \lambda} = -(xy-yz-xz-3) \quad \text{--- (4)} \end{array} \right.$$

If  $\lambda=0$ , then (1), (2) & (3)  $\Rightarrow x=y=z=0$

contradicting eqt. (4)

So  $\lambda \neq 0$ .

Then (1), (2) & (3)  $\Rightarrow$   $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} y-z = \frac{2}{\lambda}x \quad \text{--- (5)} \\ x-z = \frac{2}{\lambda}y \quad \text{--- (6)} \\ x+y = -\frac{2}{\lambda}z \quad \text{--- (7)} \end{array} \right.$

$$(5)-(6) \Rightarrow y-x = \frac{2}{\lambda}(x-y) \Rightarrow \left(1 + \frac{2}{\lambda}\right)(x-y) = 0 \quad \text{--- (8)}$$

$$(7)-(6) \Rightarrow y+z = -\frac{2}{\lambda}(z+y) \Rightarrow \left(1 + \frac{2}{\lambda}\right)(y+z) = 0 \quad \text{--- (9)}$$

If  $1 + \frac{2}{\lambda} = 0$ , i.e.  $\lambda = -2$ ,

then (5), (6), (7)  $\Rightarrow x+y-z=0$

$\Rightarrow$

$$\begin{aligned} 0 = (x+y-z)^2 &= x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 2(xy - yz - xz) \\ &= x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 6 \quad (\text{by (4)}) \end{aligned}$$

which is a contradiction.

$$\therefore 1 + \frac{2}{\lambda} \neq 0$$

Then (8) & (9)  $\Rightarrow x = y = -z$

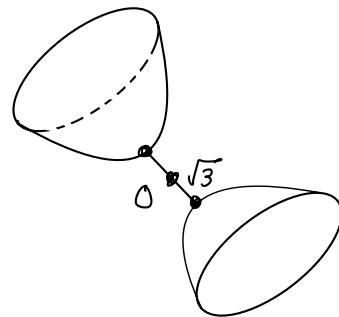
Sub. into (4)  $\Rightarrow 3x^2 = 3 \Rightarrow x = \pm 1$

$\therefore (x, y, z) = \pm (1, 1, -1)$  ( $\& \lambda = 1$ , if you're interested)

$$f(1, 1, -1) = f(-1, -1, 1) = 3$$

$\Rightarrow$  closest points are  $\pm (1, 1, -1)$

with corresponding distance  $= \sqrt{3}$



## Lagrange Multipliers with multiple Constraints

Let  $\begin{cases} \bullet f, g_1, \dots, g_k : \mathcal{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ be } C^1 \text{ functions, } (\mathcal{D} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n, \text{ open}) \\ \bullet S = \left\{ \vec{x} \in \mathcal{D} : g_i(\vec{x}) = c_i \text{ for } i=1, \dots, k \right\} \end{cases}$

Suppose  $\begin{cases} \bullet \vec{a} \text{ is a local extremum of } f \text{ on } S \\ \bullet \vec{\nabla}g_1(\vec{a}), \dots, \vec{\nabla}g_k(\vec{a}) \text{ are linearly independent vectors} \end{cases}$

Then  $\begin{cases} \vec{\nabla}f(\vec{a}) = \sum_{i=1}^k \lambda_i \vec{\nabla}g_i(\vec{a}) \\ g_i(\vec{a}) = c_i, i=1, \dots, k \end{cases}$

for some Lagrange multipliers  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_k \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Same as 1 constraint,

Finding extrema of  $f(\vec{x})$  with constraints  $g_i(\vec{x}) = c_i, i=1, \dots, k$



Finding extrema of  $F(\vec{x}, \lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_k) = f(\vec{x}) - \sum_{i=1}^k \lambda_i (g_i(\vec{x}) - c_i)$   
without constraint

(but more variables: adding  $\lambda_i$  as new variables)

e.g. Maximize  $f(x, y, z) = x^2 + 2y - z^2$

on the line  $L : \begin{cases} 2x-y=0 \\ y+z=0 \end{cases}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^3$

(Given that maximum exists)

Soln Let  $g_1(x, y, z) = 2x-y$

$$g_2(x, y, z) = y+z$$

Maximize  $f$  subject to constraints  $\begin{cases} g_1=0 \\ g_2=0 \end{cases}$

$\left[ \begin{array}{l} f \text{ is } 2\text{-degree poly,} \\ g_1, g_2 \text{ are degree 1 polynomials} \end{array} \Rightarrow f, g_1, g_2 \text{ are } C^1 \right]$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{\nabla} g_1 &= (2, -1, 0) \\ \vec{\nabla} g_2 &= (0, 1, 1) \end{aligned} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{are linearly independent (prove it!)} \end{array} \right\}$$

Consider

$$F(x, y, z, \lambda_1, \lambda_2) = x^2 + 2y - z^2 - \lambda_1(2x-y) - \lambda_2(y+z)$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 0 = \frac{\partial F}{\partial x} = 2x - z\lambda_1 \\ 0 = \frac{\partial F}{\partial y} = 2 + \lambda_1 - \lambda_2 \\ 0 = \frac{\partial F}{\partial z} = -2z - \lambda_2 \end{array} \right. \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} x = \lambda_1 \quad (1) \\ \lambda_2 = \lambda_1 + 2 \quad (2) \\ \lambda_2 = -2z \quad (3) \\ 2x = y \quad (4) \\ y = -z \quad (5) \end{array} \right.$$

(1) & (3) sub into (2)

$$-2z = x + 2 \quad \text{--- (6)}$$

$$(4) \& (5) \Rightarrow zx = y = -z \quad \text{--- (7)}$$

Sub into (6)  $4x = x + 2 \Rightarrow x = \frac{2}{3}$

Sub into (7)  $\Rightarrow y = \frac{4}{3}, z = -\frac{4}{3}$

$\Rightarrow$  max occurs at  $(\frac{2}{3}, \frac{4}{3}, -\frac{4}{3})$

with value  $f(\frac{2}{3}, \frac{4}{3}, -\frac{4}{3}) = (\frac{2}{3})^2 + 2(\frac{4}{3}) - (\frac{4}{3})^2$

(check!)  $= \frac{4}{3} \quad \times$

Eg 2 Find the distance between  
the hyperbola  $\mathcal{E} = xy = 1$  and  
the line  $L: x + 4y = \frac{15}{8}$

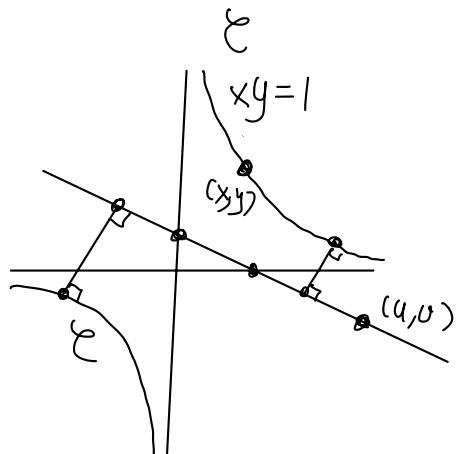
Solu: Let

$$f(x, y, u, v) = (x-u)^2 + (y-v)^2$$

Minimize  $f$  under constraints

$$g_1(x, y, u, v) = xy = 1$$

$$g_2(x, y, u, v) = u + 4v = \frac{15}{8}$$



$$\vec{\nabla}g_1 = [y \quad x \quad 0 \quad 0]$$

$$\vec{\nabla}g_2 = [0 \quad 0 \quad 1 \quad 4]$$

$\vec{\nabla}g_1$  &  $\vec{\nabla}g_2$  are linearly independent

$\Leftrightarrow (x, y) \neq (0, 0)$  (Can you prove it?)

Consider

$$F(x, y, u, v, \lambda_1, \lambda_2) = (x-u)^2 + (y-v)^2 - \lambda_1(xy-1) - \lambda_2(u+4v - \frac{15}{8})$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} 0 = \frac{\partial F}{\partial x} = 2(x-u) - \lambda_1 y \\ 0 = \frac{\partial F}{\partial y} = 2(y-v) - \lambda_1 x \end{array} \right\} \quad (1)$$

$$0 = \frac{\partial F}{\partial u} = -2(x-u) - \lambda_2 \quad (2)$$

$$0 = \frac{\partial F}{\partial v} = -2(y-v) - 4\lambda_2 \quad (3)$$

$$0 = \frac{\partial F}{\partial \lambda_1} = -(xy-1) \quad (4)$$

$$0 = \frac{\partial F}{\partial \lambda_2} = -(u+4v - \frac{15}{8}) \quad (5)$$

$$0 = \frac{\partial F}{\partial \lambda_2} = -(u+4v - \frac{15}{8}) \quad (6)$$

Case 1 If  $\lambda_1=0$  or  $\lambda_2=0$ , then

$$x=u \text{ and } y=v$$

$$\text{Sub into (6)} \Rightarrow x = \frac{15}{8} - 4y$$

$$\text{Sub into (5)} \Rightarrow (\frac{15}{8} - 4y)y = 1$$

$$4y^2 - \frac{15}{8}y + 1 = 0 \text{ has no (real) solution}$$

Case 2  $\lambda_1 \neq 0$  &  $\lambda_2 \neq 0$ .

Then (3) & (4)  $\Rightarrow$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \frac{x-u}{y-v} = \frac{1}{4} \\ \frac{x-u}{y-v} = \frac{y}{x} \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow x = 4y$$

& (1) & (2)  $\Rightarrow$

sub. into (5)  $(4y)y = 1 \Rightarrow y = \pm \frac{1}{2}$

$\therefore (x, y) = \pm \left( 2, \frac{1}{2} \right) \quad (\neq (0, 0))$

$$\text{Then for } (2, \frac{1}{2}), \frac{2-u}{\frac{1}{2}-v} = \frac{1}{4} \Rightarrow 4u - v = \frac{15}{2}$$

together (6)  $u + 4v = \frac{15}{8}$

$$\Rightarrow (u, v) = \left( \frac{15}{8}, 0 \right) \text{ (check!)}$$

Similarly for  $(-2, -\frac{1}{2})$ , we have  $(u, v) = \left( -\frac{225}{136}, \frac{15}{17} \right)$  (Ex!)

Comparing the values  $f(2, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{15}{8}, 0) = \frac{17}{64} (= (\text{dist})^2)$  (check!)

$$f(-2, -\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{225}{136}, \frac{15}{17}) = \dots > \frac{17}{64}$$

$\uparrow$   
check

$$\Rightarrow \text{distance between } \mathcal{C} \text{ and } L = \sqrt{\frac{17}{8}} \quad (\text{check}) \quad \times$$

## Implicit Function Theorem

Recall : Implicit differentiation

e.g.  $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 2$  and if  $z = z(x, y)$ ,

then

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} (x^2 + y^2 + z^2) = 0 \Rightarrow 2x + 2z \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial y} (x^2 + y^2 + z^2) = 0 \Rightarrow 2y + 2z \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = 0$$

If the point  $(x, y, z)$  satisfies  $z \neq 0$

then we have  $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = -\frac{x}{z}$  &  $\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = -\frac{y}{z}$

Question : If a level set  $g(x, y) = c$  (or more generally)

is given, can we "solve" the constraint?

i.e. can we find  $y = h(x)$  s.t.  $g(x, h(x)) = c$

or  $x = k(y)$  s.t.  $g(k(y), y) = c$  ?

e.g.  $g(x, y) = x^2 - y^2 = 0 \quad (\Rightarrow x = \pm y)$

