

Exercise 14.8

Lagrange Multipliers.

Suppose that $f, g: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be C^1 functions, $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ open,
and $\nabla g \neq 0$ when $g(\vec{x}) = 0$.

• Finding local extrema of $f(\vec{x})$ with constraint $g(\vec{x}) = c$
at $\vec{x} = \vec{a}$.

Then: $\begin{cases} \nabla f(\vec{a}) = \lambda \nabla g(\vec{a}) & \text{for some } \lambda \in \mathbb{R} \\ g(\vec{a}) = c \end{cases}$

• Finding local extrema of $\boxed{F(\vec{x}, \lambda) = f(\vec{x}) - \lambda(g(\vec{x}) - c)}$

Then: $\nabla F = \vec{0}$

$$\text{i.e. } \begin{cases} \frac{\partial F}{\partial x_i} = 0 & \forall i=1, \dots, n \\ \frac{\partial F}{\partial \lambda} = 0 \end{cases}$$

Q6 Find the points on the curve $x^2y = 2$ nearest
the origin.

minimize $f(x, y) = x^2 + y^2$ with constraint $g(x, y) = x^2y = 2$

Consider $F(x, y, \lambda) = x^2 + y^2 - \lambda(x^2y - 2)$

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial F}{\partial x} = 2x - 2\lambda xy = 0 \\ \frac{\partial F}{\partial y} = 2y - \lambda x^2 = 0 \\ \frac{\partial F}{\partial \lambda} = -(x^2y - 2) = 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} 2x = 2\lambda xy \\ 2y = \lambda x^2 \\ \Rightarrow \lambda = \frac{2y}{x^2} \end{cases}$$

($x \neq 0$, otherwise $x=0, y=0, g(0,0)=0 \neq 2$)

$$\Rightarrow 2x = 2\left(\frac{2y}{x^2}\right)xy \Rightarrow x^2 = 2y^2$$

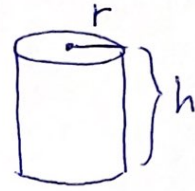
$$\Rightarrow g(x, y) = (2y^2) \cdot y = 2y^3 = 2 \Rightarrow y = 1 \Rightarrow x = \pm\sqrt{2} \quad \therefore (\pm\sqrt{2}, 1)$$

Q9 Find the dimensions of the closed right circular cylindrical can of smallest surface area whose volume is $16\pi \text{ cm}^3$.

minimize $S = 2\pi rh + 2\pi r^2$

with constraint $V = \pi r^2 h = 16\pi$

$$g = r^2 h = 16$$



Consider $F(r, h, \lambda) = 2\pi rh + 2\pi r^2 - \lambda (r^2 h - 16)$

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial F}{\partial r} = 2\pi h + 4\pi r - 2\lambda rh = 0 \\ \frac{\partial F}{\partial h} = 2\pi r - \lambda r^2 = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = \frac{2\pi}{r} \quad (r \neq 0) \\ \frac{\partial F}{\partial \lambda} = -(r^2 h - 16) = 0 \end{cases}$$

otherwise
no cylindrical
can

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow 2\pi h + 4\pi r &= 2\left(\frac{2\pi}{r}\right)rh = 4\pi h \\ 4\pi r &= 2\pi h \\ 2r &= h \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow r^2(2r) = 16 \Rightarrow r^3 = 8 \Rightarrow r = 2 \Rightarrow h = 4$$

the only extremum:
 $S = 24\pi$

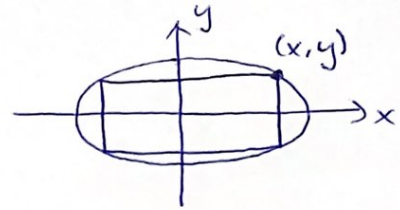
Take $r = 4, h = 1 \Rightarrow S = 40\pi > 24\pi$

$\therefore 24\pi \text{ cm}^2$ is the minimum surface area.

Q12 Find the dimensions of the rectangle of largest perimeter that can be inscribed in the ellipse $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ with sides parallel to the coordinate axes. What is the largest perimeter?

maximize $P = 4x + 4y$

with constraint $g(x, y) = \frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$



Consider $F(x, y, \lambda) = 4x + 4y - \lambda \left(\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} - 1 \right)$

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial F}{\partial x} = 4 - \frac{2\lambda x}{a^2} = 0 \\ \frac{\partial F}{\partial y} = 4 - \frac{2\lambda y}{b^2} = 0 \\ \frac{\partial F}{\partial \lambda} = -\left(\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} - 1 \right) = 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \lambda = \frac{2b^2}{y}$$

$$\Rightarrow 4 = \frac{2\left(\frac{2b^2}{y}\right)x}{a^2} \Rightarrow y = \frac{b^2}{a^2}x$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{\left(\frac{b^2}{a^2}x\right)^2}{b^2} = 1$$

$$\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{b^2 x^2}{a^4} = 1$$

$$(a^2 + b^2)x^2 = a^4$$

$$x = \frac{a^2}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}} \quad (x > 0)$$

$$\Rightarrow y = \frac{b^2}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}$$

$$\therefore \text{width} = 2x = \frac{2a^2}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}$$

$$\text{height} = 2y = \frac{2b^2}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}$$

$$\text{largest perimeter} = 4x + 4y = \frac{4a^2 + 4b^2}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}} = 4\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$$

Exercise 14.9

Taylor's polynomial (2nd order) at $\vec{x}_0 = \vec{a}$

$$P_2(\vec{x}) = f(\vec{a}) + \underbrace{Df(\vec{a})}_{\text{matrix of partial derivatives}} (\vec{x} - \vec{a}) + \frac{1}{2} (\vec{x} - \vec{a})^T \underbrace{Hf(\vec{a})}_{\text{Hessian matrix}} (\vec{x} - \vec{a})$$

Q4 $f(x, y) = \sin x \cos y$, at the origin.

$$Df(x, y) = (\cos x \cos y \quad -\sin x \sin y)$$

$$Df(0, 0) = (1 \quad 0)$$

$$Hf(x, y) = \begin{pmatrix} -\sin x \cos y & -\cos x \sin y \\ -\cos x \sin y & -\sin x \cos y \end{pmatrix}$$

$$Hf(0, 0) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$f(0, 0) = 0$$

$$P_2(x, y) = 0 + (1 \ 0) \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} + 0 = x$$

Q7 $f(x, y) = \sin(x^2 + y^2)$, at the origin.

$$Df(x, y) = (2x \cos(x^2 + y^2) \quad 2y \cos(x^2 + y^2))$$

$$Df(0, 0) = (0 \ 0)$$

$$Hf(x, y) = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \cos(x^2 + y^2) - 4x^2 \sin(x^2 + y^2) & -4xy \sin(x^2 + y^2) \\ -4xy \sin(x^2 + y^2) & 2 \cos(x^2 + y^2) - 4y^2 \sin(x^2 + y^2) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$Hf(0, 0) = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$f(0, 0) = 0$$

$$P_2(x, y) = 0 + (0 \ 0) \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} + \frac{1}{2} (x \ y) \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = x^2 + y^2$$