

18.022: Multivariable calculus - solution to pset 8, ver 1 - fall 2006

1. (5 points) 4.1.8

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(x, y) &= 1/(x^2 + y^2 + 1) \\
 f_x &= -\frac{2x}{(x^2 + y^2 + 1)^2} \\
 f_y &= -\frac{2y}{(x^2 + y^2 + 1)^2} \\
 f_{xx} &= -\frac{2}{(x^2 + y^2 + 1)^2} + \frac{8x^2}{(x^2 + y^2 + 1)^3} \\
 f_{yy} &= -\frac{2}{(x^2 + y^2 + 1)^2} + \frac{8y^2}{(x^2 + y^2 + 1)^3} \\
 f_{xy} &= \frac{8xy}{(x^2 + y^2 + 1)^3}
 \end{aligned}$$

At $(0, 0)$,

$$\begin{aligned}
 f &= 1 \\
 f_x &= f_y = f_{xy} = 0 \\
 f_{xx} &= f_{yy} = -2 \\
 p_1 &= 1 \\
 p_2 &= 1 - x^2 - y^2
 \end{aligned}$$

2. (5 points) 4.1.15

$$\begin{aligned}
 f_x &= 3x^2 + 2xy \\
 f_y &= x^2 - z^2 \\
 f_z &= -2yz + 6z^2 \\
 f_{xx} &= 6x + 2y \\
 f_{xy} &= 2x \\
 f_{xz} &= f_{yy} = 0 \\
 f_{yz} &= -2z \\
 f_{zz} &= -2y + 12z
 \end{aligned}$$

$$Hf(1,0,1) = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & -2 & 12 \end{pmatrix}$$

3. (5 points) 4.1.17

$$p_2 = 1 + (0 \ 0) \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} + \frac{1}{2} (x \ y) \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

4. (5 points) 4.1.18

$$\begin{aligned} f(1,0,1) &= 3 \\ Df(1,0,1) &= (3 \ 0 \ 6) \\ p_2 &= 3 + (3 \ 0 \ 6) \begin{pmatrix} x-1 \\ y \\ z-1 \end{pmatrix} + \frac{1}{2} (x-1 \ y \ z-1) \begin{pmatrix} 6 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & -2 & 12 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x-1 \\ y \\ z-1 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

5. (10 points) 4.1.33

(a)

$$\begin{aligned} f &= \cos x \sin y \\ f_x &= -\sin x \sin y \\ f_y &= \cos x \cos y \\ f_{xx} &= -\cos x \sin y \\ f_{xy} &= -\sin x \cos y \\ f_{yy} &= -\cos x \sin y \end{aligned}$$

At $(0, \pi/2)$,

$$\begin{aligned} f_x &= f_y = f_{xy} = 0 \\ f &= 1 \\ f_{xx} &= f_{yy} = -1 \\ p_2 &= 1 - \frac{x^2}{2} - \frac{(y - \pi/2)^2}{2} \end{aligned}$$

(b)

$$\begin{aligned}
 R_2(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{a}) &= \frac{1}{6} \sum_{i,j,k=1}^2 f_{x_i x_j x_k} h_i h_j h_k \\
 |R_2(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{a})| &\leq \frac{1}{6} \times 8 \times |f_{x_i x_j x_k}| |h_i| |h_j| |h_k| \\
 &\leq \frac{8}{6} \times 1 \times (0.3)^3 \\
 &\approx 0.036
 \end{aligned}$$

6. (10 points) 4.1.34

(a)

$$\begin{aligned}
 f &= f_x = f_{xx} = e^{x+2y} \\
 f_{xy} &= f_y = 2f \\
 f_{yy} &= 4f
 \end{aligned}$$

At $(0,0)$,

$$\begin{aligned}
 f &= f_x = f_{xx} = 1 \\
 f_{xy} &= f_y = 2 \\
 f_{yy} &= 4 \\
 p_2 &= 1 + x + 2y + \frac{x^2}{2} + 2y^2 + 2xy
 \end{aligned}$$

(b)

$$\begin{aligned}
 R_2(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{a}) &= \frac{1}{6} \sum_{i,j,k=1}^2 f_{x_i x_j x_k} h_i h_j h_k \\
 |R_2| &\leq \frac{1}{6} \times 8 \times (1 \times 3 + 3 \times 4 + 3 \times 2 + 1 \times 1) \times e^{0.3} \times 0.1^3 \\
 &\approx 0.0396
 \end{aligned}$$

7. (5 points) 4.2.2(a,c)

(a)

$$\begin{aligned}
 g_x &= 2x + 2 \\
 g_y &= -4y \\
 (x, y) &= (-1, 0)
 \end{aligned}$$

(b) At $(-1, 0)$,

$$\begin{aligned} g_{xx} &= 2 \\ g_{yy} &= -4 \\ g_{xy} &= 0 \\ Hg(-1, 0) &= \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & -4 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Take $u_1 = (1, 0)$ and $u_2 = (0, 1)$. Since $u_1^T H u_1^T > 0$ and $u_2^T H u_2^T < 0$ and $\det(H) \neq 0$, $(-1, 0)$ is a saddle point.

8. (5 points) 4.2.4

$$\begin{aligned} f &= \ln(x^2 + y^2 + 1) \\ f_x &= \frac{2x}{x^2 + y^2 + 1} \\ f_y &= \frac{2y}{x^2 + y^2 + 1} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $(0, 0)$ is the only critical point. Put $x = r \cos \theta, y = r \sin \theta$. $f = \ln(r^2 + 1) > \ln(1)$ for any values of r and θ . Thus, $(0, 0)$ is a local minimum point.

9. (5 points) 4.2.5

$$\begin{aligned} f &= x^2 + y^3 - 6xy + 3x + 6y \\ f_x &= 2x - 6y + 3 \\ f_y &= 3y^2 - 6x + 6 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $(3/2, 1)$ and $(27/2, 5)$ are the only critical points.

$$\begin{aligned} f_{xx} &= 2 > 0 \\ f_{yy} &= 6y \\ f_{xy} &= -6 \\ f_{xx}f_{yy} - (f_{xy})^2 &= 12y - 36 \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow (3/2, 1)$ is a saddle points since $12(1) - 36 < 0$ and $(27/2, 5)$ is a local minimum points since $f_{xx} > 0$ and $12(5) - 36 > 0$.

10. (5 points) 4.2.12

$$\begin{aligned} f &= e^{-x}(x^2 + 3y) \\ f_x &= e^{-x}(2x - x^2 - 3y^2) \\ f_y &= e^{-x}6y \end{aligned}$$

At $(0, 0)$ and $(2, 0)$, $f_x = f_y = 0$. Therefore they are both critical points.

$$\begin{aligned} f_{xx} &= e^{-x}(x^2 - 4x + 3y^2 + 2) \\ f_{xy} &= -6ye^{-x} \\ f_{yy} &= 6e^{-x} \end{aligned}$$

At $(0, 0)$, $f_{xx} = 2 > 0$ and $f_{xx}f_{yy} - (f_{xy})^2 = 12 - 36 < 0 \Rightarrow (0, 0)$ is a local maximum point.

At $(2, 0)$, $f_{xx} = -2e^{-2} < 0$ and $f_{xx}f_{yy} - (f_{xy})^2 = e^{-4}(-12) < 0 \Rightarrow (2, 0)$ is a saddle point.

11. (10 points) 4.2.22

(a)

$$\begin{aligned} f_x &= 2kx - 2y \\ f_y &= -2x + 2ky \end{aligned}$$

$f_x(0, 0) = f_y(0, 0) = 0$ for all k . Thus $(0, 0)$ is a critical point. $f_{xx}f_{yy} - (f_{xy})^2 = 4k^2 - 4$ and $f_{xx} = 2k$. Therefore when $k > 1$, $f_x > 0$ $f_{xx}f_{yy} - (f_{xy})^2 > 0$ and $(0, 0)$ is a local minimum; when $k < -1$, $f_x < 0$ $f_{xx}f_{yy} - (f_{xy})^2 > 0$ and $(0, 0)$ is a local maximum.

(b)

$$\begin{aligned} f_x &= 2kx + kz \\ f_y &= -2z - 2y \\ f_z &= kx - 2y + 2kz \end{aligned}$$

$f_x(0, 0, 0) = f_y(0, 0, 0) = f_z(0, 0, 0) = 0$ for all k . Thus $(0, 0)$ is a critical point.

$$\begin{aligned}d_1 &= 2k \\d_2 &= -4k \\d_3 &= -6k^2 - 8k\end{aligned}$$

When $k < -4/3$, $d_1 < 0$, $d_2 > 0$, $d_3 < 0$, and hence $(0, 0, 0)$ is a local maximum point.

12. (10 points) 4.2.23

(a)

$$\begin{aligned}f_x &= 2ax \\f_y &= 2by \\f_{xx} &= 2a \\f_{xx}f_{yy} - (f_{xy})^2 &= 4ab\end{aligned}$$

$f_x = f_y = 0$ iff $x = y = 0$. Therefore the origin is the only critical point. And $(0, 0)$ is a local minimum point if $a > 0$ and $b > 0$; $(0, 0)$ is a local maximum point if $a < 0$ and $b < 0$; otherwise $(0, 0)$ is a saddle point.

(b)

$$\begin{aligned}f_x &= 2ax \\f_y &= 2by \\f_z &= 2cz \\d_1 &= 2a \\d_2 &= 4ab \\d_3 &= 8abc\end{aligned}$$

$f_x = f_y = f_z = 0$ iff $x = y = z = 0$. Therefore the origin is the only critical point. And $(0, 0, 0)$ is a local minimum point if $a > 0$, $b > 0$ and $c > 0$; $(0, 0, 0)$ is a local maximum point if $a < 0$, $b < 0$ and $c < 0$; otherwise $(0, 0, 0)$ is a saddle point.

(c) For $i = 1, \dots, n$, $f_{x_i} = 2a_i x_i$ and hence $f_{x_1} = f_{x_2} = \dots = f_{x_n} = 0$ iff $x_1 = x_2 = \dots = x_n = 0$.

$d_1 = 2x_1$, $d_2 = 2^2 x_1 x_2, \dots$, $d_n = 2^n x_1 x_2 \dots x_n$. The origin is a local minimum if x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n are all positive; the origin is a local maximum if x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n are all negative; otherwise, the origin is a saddle point.

13. (10 points) 4.2.30

$$\begin{aligned}f_x &= 2x + y = 0 \\f_y &= x + 2y - 6 = 0\end{aligned}$$

$(-2, 4)$ is the only critical point at which $f_{xx} = 2 > 0$ and $f_{xx}f_{yy} - (f_{xy})^2 = 3 > 0$. Therefore, $(-2, 4)$ is a local minimum and $f(-2, 4) = -12$. We need to check the values on boundary.

$$\begin{aligned}-9 \leq f(x, 0) &= x^2 \leq 9 \\-45/4 \leq f(x, 5) &= (x + 5/2)^2 - 45/4 \leq 19 \\27/4 \leq f(3, y) &= (y - 3/2)^2 + 27/4 \leq 19 \\-9 \leq f(-3, y) &= (y - 9/2)^2 - 45/4 \leq 9\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $f(-2, 4) = -12$ is the abs. min. and $f(3, 5) = 19$ is the abs. max.

14. (5 points) 4.2.46(b)

$$\begin{aligned}f_x &= 3ye^x - 3e^{3x} = 0 \\f_y &= 3e^x - 3y^2 = 0\end{aligned}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (x, y) = (0, 1) \text{ and } f(0, 1) = 1$$

$$\begin{aligned}f_{xx}(0, 1) &= -6 < 0 \\f_{xx}f_{yy} - (f_{xy})^2 &= 27 > 0\end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow (0, 1)$ is a local maximum. However, $f(0, y) = -y(y^2 + 3) - 1 \rightarrow \infty$ as $y \rightarrow -\infty$.