

Math 261, Lecture 16, 9/26/18

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Today: §14.7 (begin), Next: §14.7 (finish)

Recap: $z = f(x, y)$ $\vec{\nabla}f = \langle f_x, f_y \rangle$

$$D_{\vec{u}}f = \vec{\nabla}f \cdot \vec{u} \quad |\vec{u}| = 1$$

directional derivative (number)

↳ Direction of fastest increase/decrease at (x_0, y_0)

$$\frac{\vec{\nabla}f(x_0, y_0)}{|\vec{\nabla}f(x_0, y_0)|}$$

↳ Fastest rate of increase/decrease at (x_0, y_0)

$$|\vec{\nabla}f(x_0, y_0)|$$

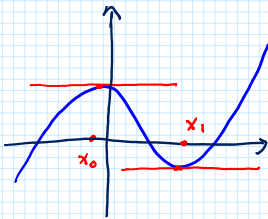
$F(x, y, z) = c$ Implicit Surface

↳ tangent plane at (x_0, y_0, z_0) is

$$F_x(x_0, y_0, z_0)(x - x_0) + F_y(x_0, y_0, z_0)(y - y_0) + F_z(x_0, y_0, z_0)(z - z_0)$$

§14.7 Maximal and Minimal Values

Calc 1 critical pt slope is flat, $f'(x) = 0$



2nd derivative test $f'(a) = 0$

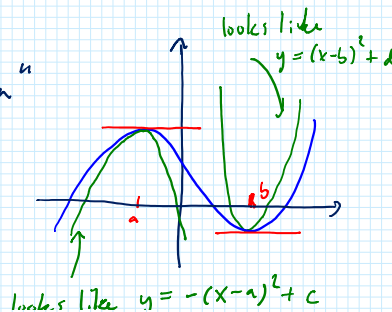
$f''(a) > 0$ local minimum

$f''(a) < 0$ local maximum

$f''(a) = 0$ no information

1st derivative = "best fit line"

2nd derivative = "best fit parabola"



What about 2D? $z = f(x, y)$


local minima and maxima occur where tangent plane is horizontal or "flat"


So critical point (a, b) is where $\begin{cases} f_x(a, b) = 0 \\ f_y(a, b) = 0 \end{cases}$


1st derivative = "best fit plane"

2nd derivative = "best fit quadric"

$$\hookrightarrow z \approx C(x-a)^2 + D(x-b)^2$$

$C, D > 0$  upward elliptic paraboloid
so local min.

$C, D < 0$  downward elliptic paraboloid
so local max

$C > 0, D < 0$
 $C < 0, D > 0$  hyperbolic paraboloid
"saddle pt" neither
local min or local max.

$z = f(x, y)$ (a, b) is a critical pt, $f_x(a, b) = 0 = f_y(a, b)$

$$D = \begin{vmatrix} f_{xx} & f_{xy} \\ f_{xy} & f_{yy} \end{vmatrix} = f_{xx}(a, b)f_{yy}(a, b) - [f_{xy}(a, b)]^2$$

"Hessian" at (a, b)

\hookrightarrow Combines all 2nd derivative information in a single number.

2nd Derivative Test

If (a, b) a critical pt for $z = f(x, y)$

Then: $D > 0$, $f_{xx}(a, b) > 0$ local min

$D > 0$, $f_{xx}(a, b) < 0$ local max

$D < 0$ saddle pt

$D = 0$ no information

* Can use $f_{yy}(a,b)$ to test as well.

Ex. $f(x,y) = -x^3 - 4y^3 + 6xy$.

Find all crit pts, loc. min, loc. max, saddle pts.

$$\begin{cases} f_x = -3x^2 + 6y = 0 \rightarrow 6y = 3x^2 \text{ or } y = \frac{1}{2}x^2 \\ f_y = -12y^2 + 6x = 0 \end{cases}$$

← sub into 2nd eq'n.

$$\begin{aligned} -12\left(\frac{1}{2}x^2\right)^2 + 6x &= 0 \\ \text{or } x(x^3 - 2) &= 0 \\ \text{so } x &= 0, \sqrt[3]{2} \end{aligned}$$

So $(0, 0)$ and $(\sqrt[3]{2}, \frac{\sqrt[3]{4}}{2})$ are the crit pts.
 $y = \frac{1}{2}(0)^2$ $y = \frac{1}{2}(\sqrt[3]{2})^2$

Now find the Hessian:

$$\begin{aligned} f_{xx} &= -6x & f_{xy} &= f_{yx} = 6 \\ f_{yy} &= -24y \end{aligned}$$

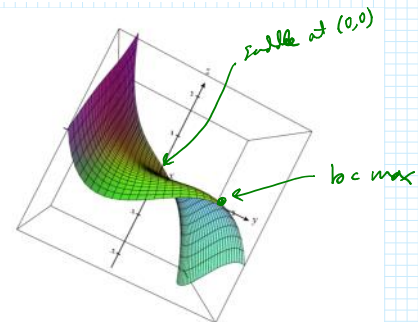
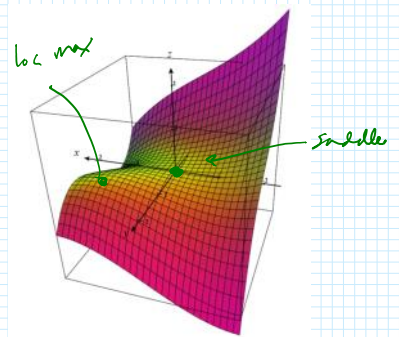
$$D = f_{xx} f_{yy} - [f_{xy}]^2 = (-6x)(-24x) - (6)^2 = 144xy - 36$$

$$D(0,0) = 144 \cdot 0 \cdot 0 - 36 = -36 < 0 \text{ so } (0,0) \text{ saddle pt}$$

$$\begin{aligned} D(\sqrt[3]{2}, \frac{\sqrt[3]{4}}{2}) &= 144(\sqrt[3]{2})(\frac{\sqrt[3]{4}}{2}) - 36 \\ &= 144(\frac{\sqrt[3]{8}}{2}) - 36 = 144 - 36 = 108 > 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$f_{xx}(\sqrt[3]{2}, \frac{\sqrt[3]{4}}{2}) = -6\sqrt[3]{2} < 0$$

so $(\sqrt[3]{2}, \frac{\sqrt[3]{4}}{2})$ is a local max.



two views of a rescaled plot of $z = -x^3 - 4y^3 + 6xy$

Ex. $f(x,y) = x - e^{xy}$. Find crit pts, loc max, loc min, saddle pts.

$$f_x = 1 - ye^{xy} = 0 \quad \leftarrow \text{sub } x=0 \text{ into 1st eqn}$$

$$\begin{cases} f_x = 1 - ye^{xy} = 0 \\ f_y = -xe^{xy} = 0 \end{cases} \rightarrow \begin{array}{l} \leftarrow \text{sub } x=0 \text{ into 1st eqn} \\ x=0 \text{ or } e^{xy}=0 \\ \text{but } e^{(\cdot)} > 0 \end{array}$$

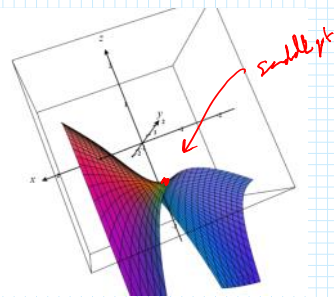
Subbing $x=0$ into 1st eqn $0=1-ye^0=1-y$ or $y=1$

So $(0,1)$ only crit pt.

Hessian:

$$\begin{aligned} f_{xx} &= -y^2 e^{xy} & f_{xy} &= -e^{xy} - xy e^{xy} \\ f_{yy} &= -x^2 e^{xy} \end{aligned}$$

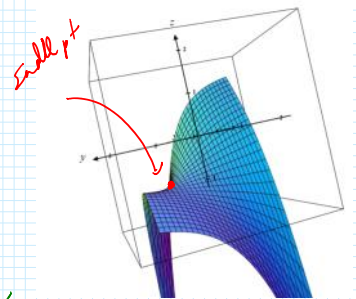
two views of the saddle pt for $z = x - e^{xy}$



$$\begin{aligned} f_{xx}(0,1) &= -(1)^2 e^{0 \cdot 1} = -1 & f_{xy}(0,1) &= -e^{0 \cdot 1} - 0 \cdot 1 \cdot e^{0 \cdot 1} \\ f_{yy}(0,1) &= -0^2 e^{0 \cdot 1} = 0 & &= -1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So } D(0,1) &= f_{xx}(0,1)f_{yy}(0,1) - [f_{xy}(0,1)]^2 \\ &= -1 \cdot 0 - [-1]^2 = -1 \end{aligned}$$

So $D < 0$ at $(0,1)$ which means this is a saddle pt



Bonus Ex. $f(x,y) = y \sin(x)$. Find local min, local max, saddle pts.

$$\begin{cases} f_x = y \cos(x) = 0 \rightarrow y=0 \text{ or } X = \frac{\pi}{2} + \pi k \\ f_y = \sin(x) = 0 \end{cases}$$

$\sin(\frac{\pi}{2} + \pi k) = \pm 1$ so never satisfies 2nd eqn.

So $y=0, \sin(x)=0$ only solutions or

$$y=0, x = \pi l \quad l = 0, 1, -1, 2, -2, \dots$$

are crit pts.

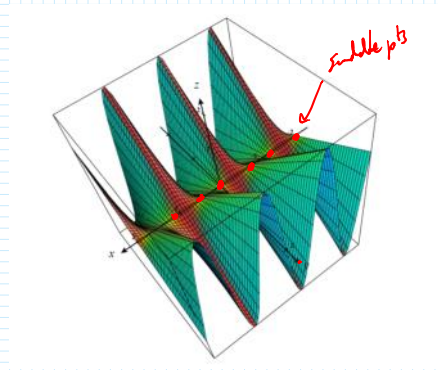
Hessian: $f_{xx} = -y \sin(x) \quad f_{xy} = \cos(x)$

$$f_{yy} = 0$$

$$D = f_{xx} f_{yy} - [f_{xy}]^2 = -y \sin(x) \cdot 0 - [\cos(x)]^2 \\ = -\cos(x)^2$$

$$D(\pi l, 0) = -\cos(\pi l)^2 = -1 (\pm 1)^2 = -1 < 0$$

so all $(\pi l, 0)$ are saddle pts



Rescaled graph
of

$$z = y \sin(x)$$

Ex. $f(x,y) = x^2 y e^{-x^2-y^2}$ Find all critical pts.

$$\begin{cases} f_x = 2xy e^{-x^2-y^2} - 2x^3 y e^{-x^2-y^2} = 0 \\ f_y = x^2 e^{-x^2-y^2} - 2x^2 y^2 e^{-x^2-y^2} = 0 \end{cases}$$

$e^{-x^2-y^2} > 0$ so factor it out to get

$$\begin{cases} 2xy(1-x^2) = 0 \rightarrow x=0, y=0, x=\pm 1 \\ x^2(1-2y^2) = 0 \end{cases}$$

← Try each of these 4 cases in 2nd equation.

Sub $x=0$ get $0^2(1-2y^2) = 0$ so any y works!

$(0, y)$ crit pts.

Sub $y=0$ get $x^2(1-2(0)^2) = x^2 = 0$ so $x=0$

$(0,0)$ is a crit pt (already know from case $x=0$)

$$\text{Sub } x=1 \text{ get } 1^2(1-2y^2)=0 \text{ or } 1-2y^2=0$$

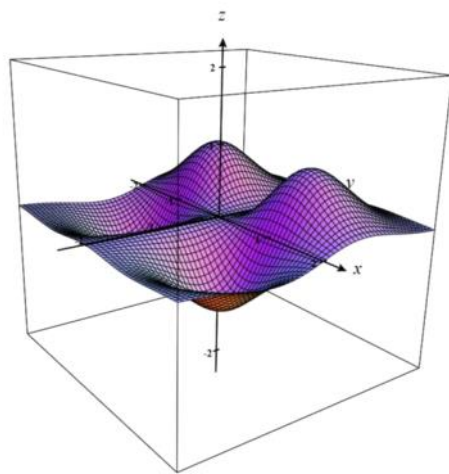
$$y = \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

so $(1, \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}})$ crit pts

$$\text{Sub } x=-1 \text{ get } (-1)^2(1-2y^2)=0 \text{ or}$$

$$1-2y^2=0, y = \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

so $(-1, \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}})$ crit pts.



$(\pm 1, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}})$ loc max

$(\pm 1, -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}})$ loc min

$(0, y)$ $y < 0$ loc max

$(0, y)$ $y > 0$ loc min

$(0, 0)$ Saddle

rescaled graph of $z = x^2 y e^{-x^2 - y^2}$