

Problem 1. Consider the function

$$f(x, y) = \frac{4}{3}x^3 + y^2x - x.$$

- (a) Find the critical points for this function
- (b) Determine whether each of these is a local maximum, local minimum, or saddle point.
- (c) Does $f(x, y)$ have a global maximum or global minimum? Why or why not?

Answer 1.1. (a) The critical points are points where the gradient of the function ∇f vanishes. Which then gives

$$\nabla f(x, y) = (4x^2 + y^2 - 1, 2xy) = 0.$$

Then we have two equations

$$4x^2 + y^2 = 1$$

and

$$xy = 0,$$

which result in four solutions

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

- (b) Note that the discriminant is

$$D(x, y) = 16x^2 - 4y^2.$$

As a result, $(1/2, 0)$ is a local minima, $(-1/2, 0)$ is a local maxima, and $(0, \pm 1)$ is saddle points.

- (c) It does not. Consider $x \rightarrow \infty$.

Problem 2. Use the method of Lagrange multipliers to find the point on the ellipsoid

$$\frac{x^2}{3} + \frac{y^2}{2} + \frac{z^2}{4} = 1$$

that maximizes the sum $x + y + z$.

Answer 2.1. Let $f(x, y, z) = x + y + z$ and $g(x, y, z) = \frac{x^2}{3} + \frac{y^2}{2} + \frac{z^2}{4}$. Then by the method of Lagrange multipliers, we need to find solutions of

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \nabla f(x, y, z) + \lambda \nabla g(x, y, z), \\ &= \left(1, 1, 1\right) + \lambda \left(\frac{2x}{3}, y, \frac{z}{2}\right). \end{aligned}$$

To find the values of λ , let us plug the solutions

$$(x, y, z) = -\frac{1}{\lambda} \left(\frac{3}{2}, 1, 2\right)$$

to

$$g(x, y, z) = 1.$$

Then we obtain

$$\frac{1}{\lambda^2} = \frac{4}{9}. \quad (1)$$

As a result, the maximum value of $f(x, y, z)$ is

$$f\left(1, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{4}{3}\right) = 3. \quad (2)$$

Problem 3. Consider the following iterated triple integral.

$$\int_0^2 \int_0^{y/2} \int_0^{2-y} xyz \, dz \, dx \, dy.$$

- (a) Sketch the region of integration, and indicate the equations of the four bounding surfaces.
 (b) Write this integral in the order of $dy \, dz \, dx$. Do not evaluate this integral.

Answer 3.1. (a) Refers to Figure 1 and 2. Four bounding surfaces are

$$z = 0, \quad y = 0, \quad y + z = 2, \quad 2x - y = 0.$$

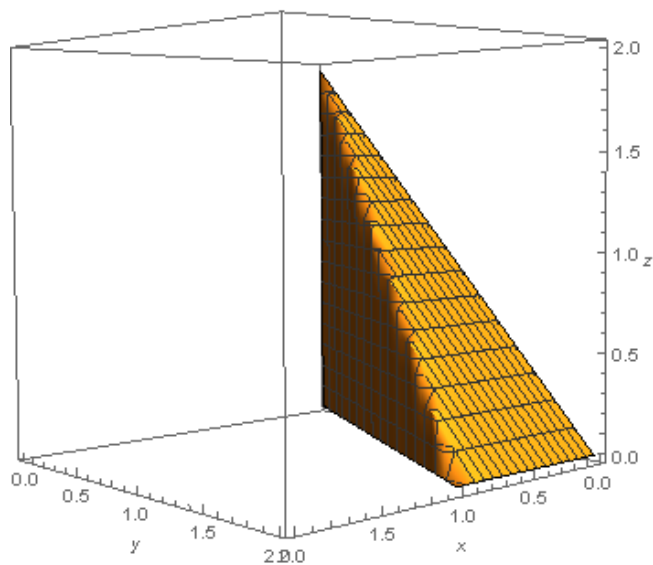


Figure 1:

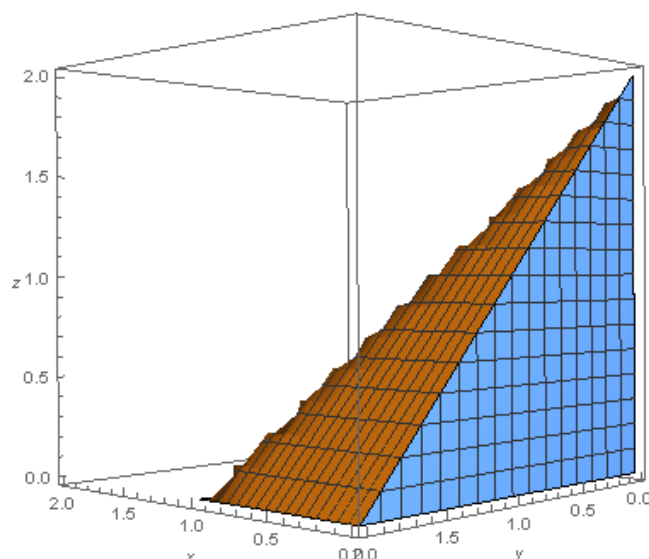


Figure 2:

- (b) Given fixed x , z is bounded below $2 - 2x$ and bounded above 0. Similarly, y is bounded above $2 - z$ and bounded below $2x$. Thus the domain of the integral is

$$\begin{aligned} 2x &\leq y \leq 2 - z, \\ 0 &\leq z \leq 2 - 2x, \\ 0 &\leq x \leq 1. \end{aligned}$$

As a result, the integral becomes

$$\int_0^1 \int_0^{2-2x} \int_{2x}^{2-z} xyz \, dy \, dz \, dx.$$

Problem 4. Consider the hyperboloid given by

$$x^2 + 2y^2 - 3z^2 = 1.$$

Find all the points $P = (a, b, c)$ on the hyperboloid such that the tangent plane at P is parallel to the plane

$$3x + 2y + z = 0.$$

Answer 4.1. Let us denote $f(x, y, z) = x^2 + 2y^2 - 3z^2$. We need to find the points P such that

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda(3, 2, 1) &= \nabla f(P), \\ &= (2a, 4b, -6c). \end{aligned}$$

As a result, $(a, b, c) = (\frac{3\lambda}{2}, \frac{\lambda}{2}, -\frac{\lambda}{6})$. As the points P should be on the hyperboloid,

$$\left(\frac{3\lambda}{2}\right)^2 + 2\left(\frac{\lambda}{2}\right)^2 - 3\left(\frac{\lambda}{6}\right)^2 = 1.$$

Thus $\lambda = \pm\sqrt{6}/4$, which results in $(a, b, c) = \pm\sqrt{6}/4(3/2, 1/2, -1/6)$.

Problem 5. Let D be the region in space where $x > 0$, $y > 0$, and $z > 0$. Consider the vector field

$$F = \left\langle \frac{1}{x^2y}, 1 + \frac{1}{xy^2}, \frac{1}{z} \right\rangle.$$

- (a) Is D simply connected?
- (b) Find $\text{curl } F$.
- (c) Find a potential function for F , if one exists. If one doesn't exist, explain why.

Answer 5.1. (a) Yes. Every loop in D could be contractible to a point.

(b)

$$\text{curl} F = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ \frac{1}{x^2y} & 1 + \frac{1}{xy^2} & \frac{1}{z} \end{pmatrix} = (0, 0, 0).$$

- (c) As the curl vanishes and D is simply connected, the potential function exists.

$$\begin{aligned} V(x, y, z) - V(a, b, c) &= - \int_{(a,b,c)}^{(x,y,z)} F \cdot dr, \\ &= \frac{1}{xy} - \frac{1}{ab} - y + b - \ln\left(\frac{z}{c}\right). \end{aligned}$$

Problem 6. Little Johnny has built a teleporter. Teleported objects materialize inside the half-ball

$$x^2 + y^2 + z^2 \leq 1, \quad z \geq 0.$$

The location of entry is random, with probability density $p(x, y, z) = kz^2$ (Note: $p(x, y, z) = 0$ outside the half-ball).

- (a) What is the value of k which makes $p(x, y, z)$ a valid probability density function?
- (b) What is the probability that the object materializes in the region above $z = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$ with $y \geq 0$?

Answer 6.1. (a) The probability density satisfies

$$\int \int \int p(x, y, z) dx dy dz = 1.$$

To find k , let us enumerate integral in the spherical coordinate.

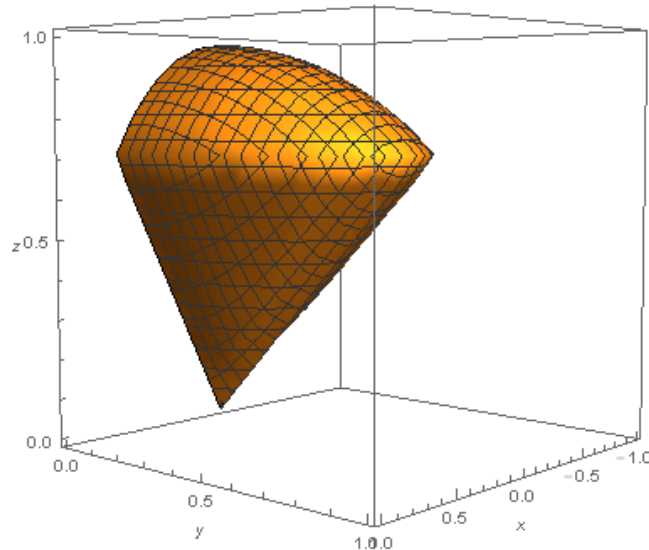
$$\int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{\pi/2} \int_0^1 k(\rho \cos \theta)^2 \rho^2 \sin \theta d\rho d\theta d\phi = \frac{2\pi}{15} k.$$

Thus $k = \frac{15}{2\pi}$.

- (b) To simplify the computation, let us choose the cylindrical coordinate. Then the domain of integral is

$$r \leq z \leq \sqrt{1-r^2}, \quad 0 \leq r \leq \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}, \quad -\frac{\pi}{2} \leq \theta \leq \frac{\pi}{2}.$$

As a result, the integral is



$$\int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} \int_0^{\sqrt{2}/2} \int_r^{\sqrt{1-r^2}} \frac{15}{2\pi} z^2 r dz dr d\theta = \frac{1}{8}(4 - \sqrt{2}).$$