

Use Lagrange multiplier to find the point on a line closest to origin.

$$2D : Ax + By = C \quad \text{minimize } x^2 + y^2$$

$$g(x, y) = Ax + By = C$$

$$\nabla f = (2x, 2y) \quad \nabla g = (A, B)$$

$$\nabla f = \lambda \nabla g$$

$$2x = \lambda A$$

$$+ 2y = \lambda B$$

$$\underline{2x^2 + 2y^2 = \lambda (Ax + By) = \lambda C}$$

$$B \cdot 2x = \lambda A B$$

$$- A \cdot 2y = \lambda B A$$

$$2Bx - 2Ay = 0 \quad \& \quad Ax + By = C$$

$$BAx + B^2y = CB$$

$$2Bx = 2Ay$$

$$A^2y + B^2y = CB$$

$$y = \frac{CB}{A^2 + B^2}$$

$$x = \frac{CA}{A^2 + B^2}$$

Solve directly $x^2 + y^2$ " $A^2x^2 + A^2y^2$ " $= (Ax)^2 + A^2y^2$

$$= (C - By)^2 + A^2y^2$$

$$= (A^2 + B^2)y^2 - 2BCy + C^2$$

$$(A^2 + B^2) \left(y^2 - \frac{2BC}{A^2 + B^2}y + \frac{C^2}{A^2 + B^2} \right)$$

$$\left(y - \frac{BC}{A^2 + B^2} \right)^2 + \text{constants}$$

The later problems comes from

http://www.personal.psu.edu/sxj937/Notes/Lagrange_Multipliers.pdf

<https://math.berkeley.edu/~scanlon/m16bs04/ln/16b2lec3.pdf>

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3D minimize $f(x,y,z) = x^2 + y^2 + z^2$ on L
 given plane g, h (intersecting at a line L)

L tangent to the sphere (radius = distance)

at the minimizing point

$$L \perp \nabla f$$

$$L \text{ in } g, h : L \perp \nabla g, \nabla h \rightarrow L \perp \lambda_1 \nabla g + \lambda_2 \nabla h$$

g, h not parallel : $\lambda_1 \nabla g + \lambda_2 \nabla h$ covers all direction
 perp to L

$$\nabla f = \lambda_1 \nabla g + \lambda_2 \nabla h \text{ (also applies } f, g_1, g_2, g_3, \dots, g_n)$$

Problem #2. Find all solutions (x, y, z, λ) of the equations given by the Lagrange multiplier method for the problem of determining the points on the surface $z^2 = xy + 4$ closest to the origin.

$$f(x, y, z) = x^2 + y^2 + z^2 \text{ (minimize)}$$

$$(0, 0, 2, 1)$$

$$(0, 0, -2, 1)$$

$$g(x, y, z) = z^2 - xy$$

$$\nabla g = (-y, -x, 2z)$$

$$\nabla f = (2x, 2y, 2z)$$

along $y = x$ ↑
 z ↑

$$\nabla f = \lambda \nabla g : 3\text{rd component}$$

$$2z = \lambda 2z$$

$$\leftarrow z = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad \lambda = 1 \rightarrow \begin{cases} 2x = -y \\ 2y = -x \end{cases} \rightarrow x = y = 0$$

$$z^2 = 4 \quad z = \pm 2$$

smaller : $(0, 0, \pm 2)$

$(2, -2, 0)$
 $x = 2, y = -2$
 $x = -2, y = 2$
 $xy = -4$
 $2x^2 = -\lambda xy$
 $2y^2 = -\lambda xy$
 $x^2 - y^2 = 0$
 $|x| = |y|$

Find the extrema of the function $F(x, y) = 2y + x$ subject to the constraint $0 = g(x, y) = y^2 + xy - 1$.

$$\nabla F = (1, 2)$$

$$\nabla g = (y, 2y + x)$$

$$1 = \lambda y \quad - \textcircled{1}$$

$$2 = \lambda(2y + x) \quad - \textcircled{2}$$

$$\textcircled{2} - 2 \textcircled{1}$$

$$\lambda x = 0 \quad \lambda = 0 \rightarrow \cancel{x = y}$$

$$x = 0 \quad y^2 - 1 = 0 \quad y = \pm 1$$

$$(0, 1) \quad (0, -1)$$

$$y^2 + xy - 1 = 0 \quad 2y \frac{dy}{dx} + y + x \frac{dy}{dx} = 0 \quad \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y}{2y+x}$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{\frac{dy}{dx}(2y+x) - y(2\frac{dy}{dx} + 1)}{(2y+x)^2} = \frac{y - \frac{2y^2}{2y+x} - y}{(2y+x)^2} = \frac{-2y^2}{(2y+x)^3}$$

$\max \quad x=0 \quad y=1 \quad \frac{-2}{2^3} < 0$
 $\min \quad x=0 \quad y=-1 \quad \frac{-2}{(-2)^3} > 0$

Find the extrema of $F(x, y) = x^2y - \ln(x)$ subject to

$$0 = g(x, y) := 8x + 3y.$$

$$\nabla F = \left(2xy - \frac{1}{x}, x^2 \right)$$

$$\nabla g = (8, 3)$$

$$2xy - \frac{1}{x} = 8\lambda \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$x^2 = 3\lambda \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

$$g = 8x = -3y \quad x = -\frac{3y}{8} \quad \text{(3)}$$

$$x \text{ (1) } - 2y \text{ (2)} \quad 2x^2y - 1 - 2yx^2 = 8\lambda x - 6\lambda y = -3\lambda y - 6\lambda y$$

$$\text{(3)} \rightarrow \text{(1)} \quad \frac{1}{24\lambda^2} = 3\lambda \quad \lambda^3 = \frac{1}{12^3} \quad \lambda = \frac{1}{12} \quad \frac{1}{\lambda} = 12$$

$$y = \frac{1}{9\lambda} \quad \text{(4)}$$

$$y = \frac{4}{3} \quad x = -\frac{1}{2} \rightarrow \text{not in the domain}$$

Domain: $x > 0$ ($x=0$ is not included)

No boundary pts: No extrema.

Example 5.8.1.2 Use Lagrange multipliers to find the maximum and minimum values of the function subject to the given constraint $x^4 + y^4 + z^4 = 1$.

$$f(x, y, z) = x^2 + y^2 + z^2 \quad \text{Symmetric}$$

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

$$\frac{1}{\lambda} \begin{pmatrix} 2x \\ 2y \\ 2z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4x^3 \\ 4y^3 \\ 4z^3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$|x| = |y| = |z|$$

$$x, y, z = \pm \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{\frac{1}{4}}$$

max.

$$4x^4 + 4y^4 + 4z^4 = 4$$

$$x, y, z \neq 0$$

$$\frac{1}{\lambda} (2x^2 + 2y^2 + 2z^2) = 4$$

$$1 = \lambda 2x^2$$

$$1 = \lambda 2y^2$$

$$1 = \lambda 2z^2$$

$$x, y, z = 0$$

$$(0, 0, 1)$$

$$(0, 0, -1) \text{ etc}$$

min