

Numerical Solution MA217 Midterm 2013 (1.30 hour exam)

1. (a) (0,0) saddle point, (-3, 0) saddle point, $\left(0, \frac{3}{2}\right)$ saddle point and

$$\left(-1, \frac{1}{2}\right) \text{ relative minimum}$$

(b) $f(x, y, a) = x^2y - 2xy^2 + axy + 4$, $\Delta a = 0.1 - 3 = -0.1$

$$f^*_{new} = 3.45$$

2. From Q1, critical points from $f(x, y)$ are (0,0), (-3, 0), $\left(0, \frac{3}{2}\right)$ and $\left(-1, \frac{1}{2}\right)$ and all are outside the constraint. **You should not do this calculation for critical points again. Just take the results from Q1.**

Critical points from boundaries:-

boundary $x = -2$, invalid critical point is $\left(-2, \frac{1}{4}\right)$ outside domain

boundary $y = 1$, critical point is $\left(-\frac{1}{2}, 1\right)$

boundary $y = 1 - 4x$, critical point is $(-0.06, 1.24)$ and invalid critical point is $(0.15, 0.4)$ outside domain

end points are (0,1), (-2,1), (-2,9)

Absolute maximum is (-2, 9) and absolute minimum is $\left(-\frac{1}{2}, 1\right)$

3. (a) Critical points are (0.15,0.4) and (-0.06,1.24). Absolute maximum value is $f(0.15, 0.4) = 4.14$ and absolute minimum value is $f(-0.06, 1.24) = 3.9658$.
 (b) $\lambda = 0.1212$, $\Delta C = 0.9 - 1 = -0.1$, $f^*_{new} = 3.9536$

4. Case I $y + 4x = 1$

Give critical point (0,1)

Case II $y + 4x < 1$

Give critical point $\left(-\frac{1}{2}, 1\right)$

Absolute maximum is (0,1) and absolute minimum is $\left(-\frac{1}{2}, 1\right)$

5. **Note that the constraints are \geq , you need to multiply -1 to both sides of the constraint equations.**

Case I $y = 1$ and $x = -2$

Give invalid critical point (1,-2) and $\mu_2 = 3$ because $\mu_1 = -6$

Case II $y = 1$ and $x > -2$

Give invalid critical point $\left(-\frac{1}{2}, 1\right)$ because $\mu_1 = -\frac{3}{4}$

Case III $y > 1$ and $x = -2$

Give invalid critical point $\left(-2, \frac{1}{4}\right)$ but violate $y > 1$

(A valid critical point needs to satisfy all starting questions.)

Case IV $y > 1$ and $x > -2$

Note can use what we did from Q1 and we get 3 invalid critical points $(0,0)$

violate $y > 1$, $(-3, 0)$ violate $x > -2$ and $\left(-1, \frac{1}{2}\right)$ violate $y > 1$ and 1 valid

critical point $\left(0, \frac{3}{2}\right)$.

Hence, there is only 1 valid critical point $\left(0, \frac{3}{2}\right)$ and $f^* = 4$ but because there is only 1 point, we can only say that this is the critical point but cannot determine if it is the absolute maximum or minimum.