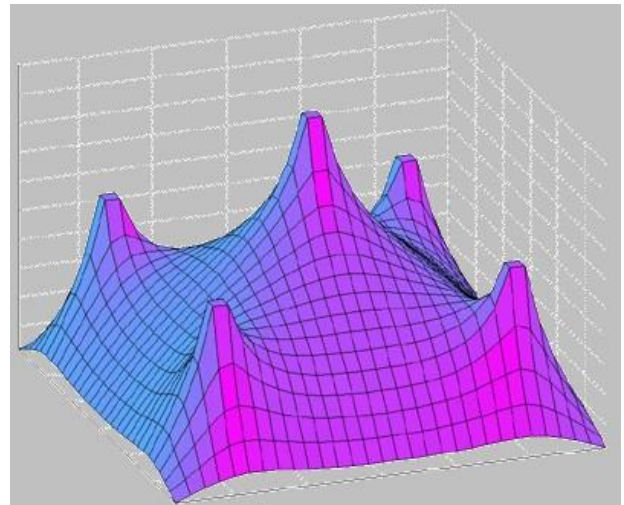
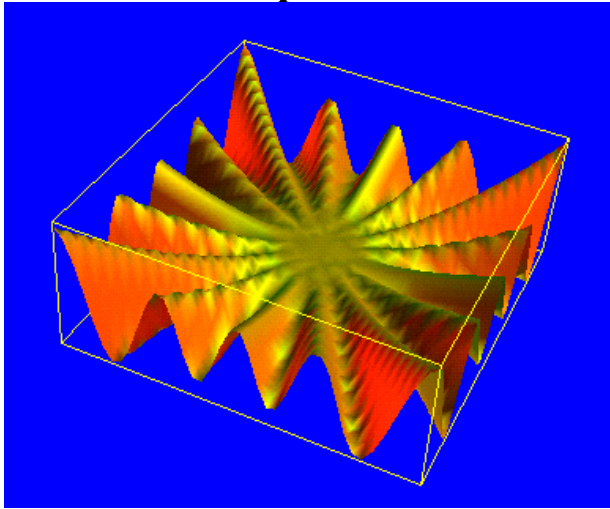


Optimisation of Multivariable Functions



1. Function of Two or More Variables

Typical relationships in economics are relationships of more than one variable, for example,

$z = f(x, y)$
 z is a function of two variables x and y . z is dependent variable (dependent on x and y) and x and y are independent variables. It is not stated then the domain is a set of all (x, y) for which the expression $f(x, y)$ is defined (real number).

$f(1, 0) = 2(1) + (1)^2(0) = 2$
 $f(0, 1) = 2(0) + (0)^2(1) = 0$

Ex.1:

(a) $f(x, y) = 2x + x^2y^3$ Find the domain of f , $f(1, 0)$, $f(0, 1)$ and $f(a+1, b)$.

[Ans: $x \in \mathbb{R}, y \in \mathbb{R}$, 2, 0, $2(a+1) + (a+1)^2b^3$]

(b) $f(x, y) = \frac{3x^2 + 5y}{x - y}$ Find the domain of f and $f(1, -2)$.

[Ans: $x \neq y$, $-7/3$]

$f(1, -2) = \frac{3(1)^2 + 5(-2)}{1 - (-2)} = \frac{3 - 10}{3} = -\frac{7}{3}$
 $\rightarrow f$ is not defined when $x - y = 0 \Rightarrow x = y$

(c) $f(x, y) = xe^y + \ln x$ Find the domain of f and $f(e^2, \ln 2)$.

[Ans: $x > 0$, $2(e^2 + 1) \approx 16.78$]

(d) $f(x, y, z) = xy + xz + yz$ Find $f(-1, 2, 5)$.

[Ans: 3]

Ex.2: Production function $F(x, y) = Ax^a y^b$ (Function in this form is called 'Cobb-Douglas' function) where A, a and b are constants. F is number of units produced. x and y are input factors.

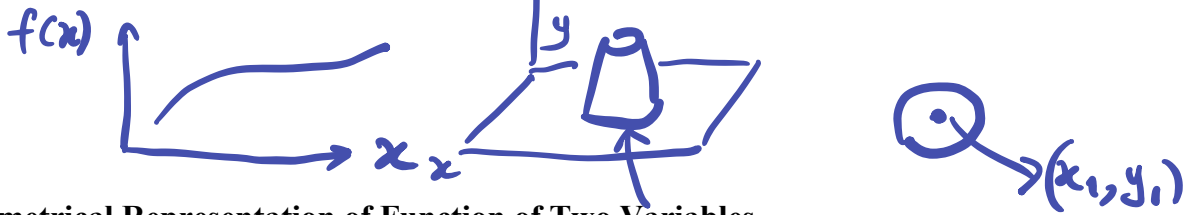
Show that

$$F(2x, 2y) = 2^{a+b} F(x, y)$$

And

$$F(x+h, y) - F(x, y) = Ay^b \{(x+h)^a - x^a\}$$

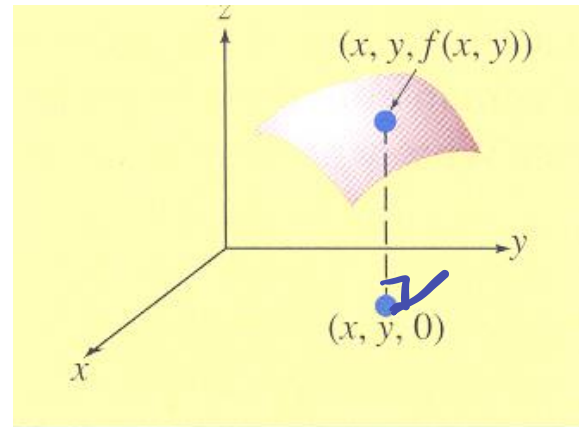
$$\begin{aligned} F(2x, 2y) &= A(2x)^a (2y)^b \\ &= A 2^a x^a 2^b y^b \\ &= 2^a \cdot 2^b (Ax^a y^b) \\ &= 2^{a+b} (Ax^a y^b) \end{aligned}$$



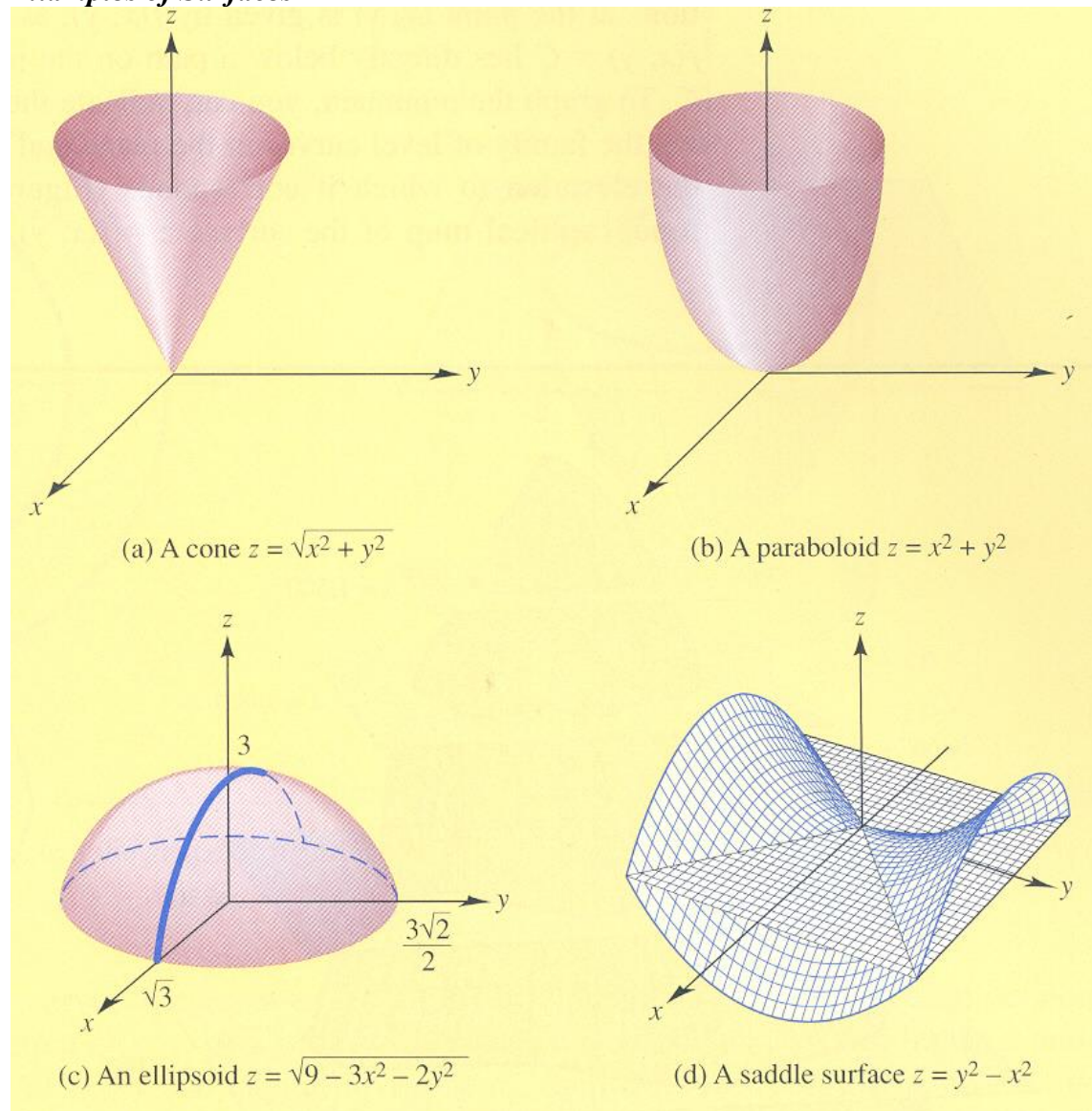
2. Geometrical Representation of Function of Two Variables

The graph of a two-variable function is the set of triple (x, y, z) where (x, y) is in the domain of f and $z = f(x, y)$. $z = f(x, y)$ can be plotted in the three-dimensional rectangular coordinate system.

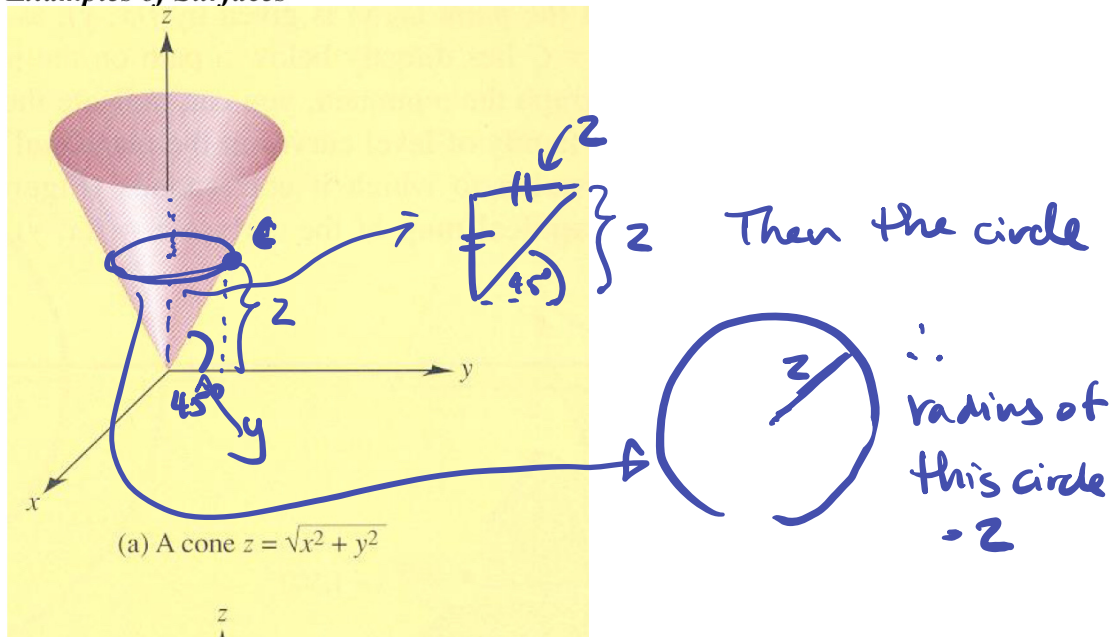
- The origin of the system is where the x -, y - and z -axes intercepts and all three axes are perpendicular.
- The arrows indicate the positive direction.
- Function of two variables can be represented by a 3-D plot.
- Function of more than two variables cannot be visualised.
- The plot of a two-variable function become a surface in three-dimensional space.



Examples of Surfaces



Examples of Surfaces



@ point c coordinate (x, y) height = z

point c is a point on a circle

$$\therefore x^2 + y^2 = r^2$$

$$x^2 + y^2 = z^2$$

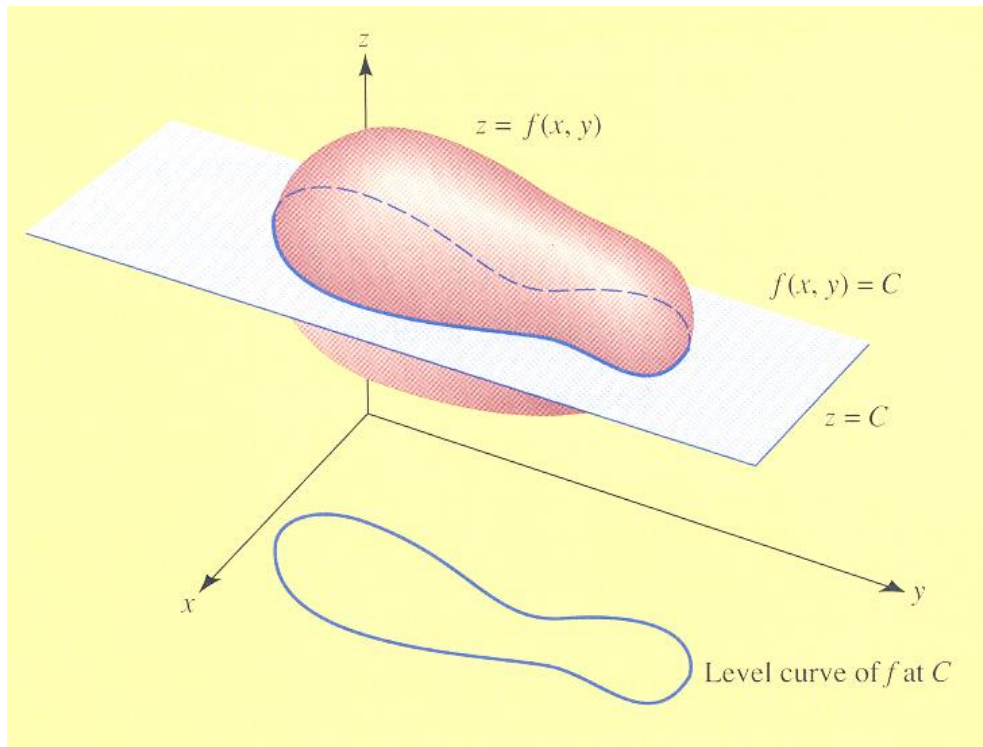
$$z = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$$

$\therefore z$ is $(+)$
in this
case

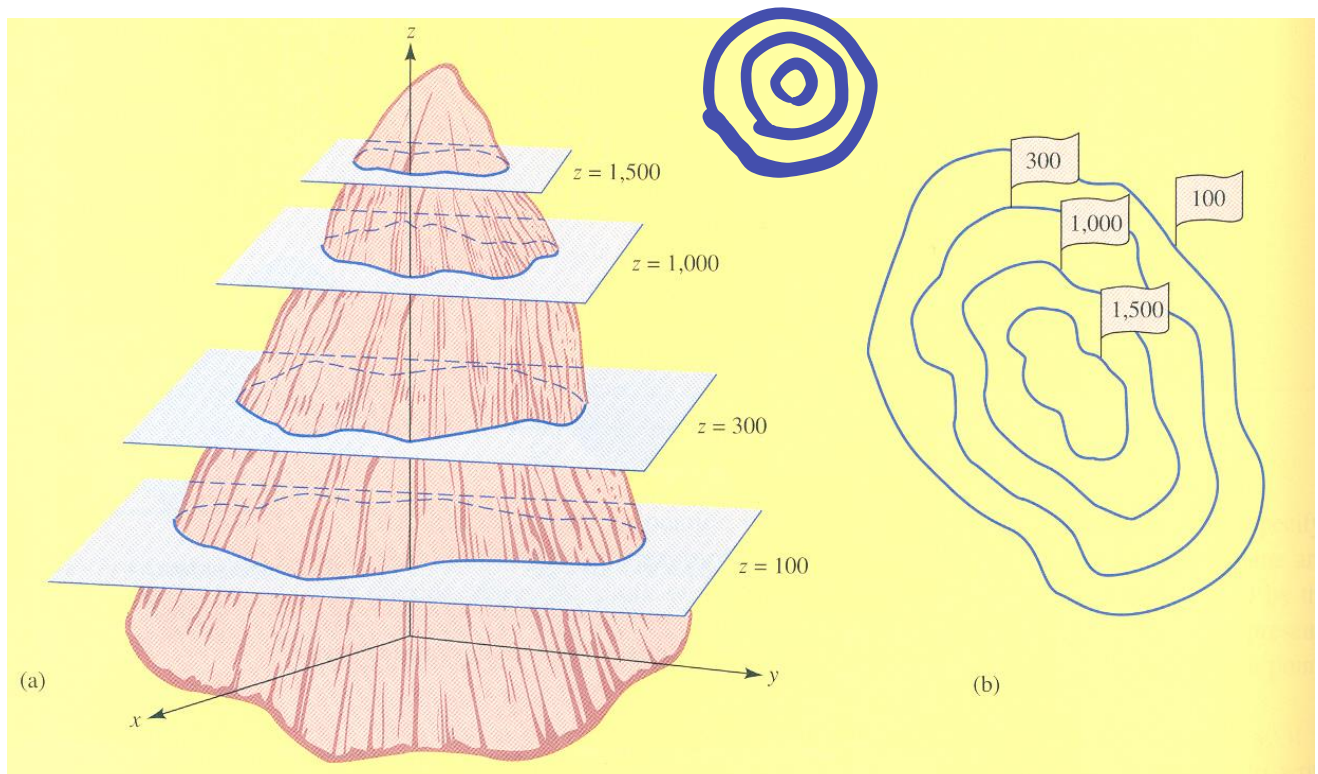
Level Curves: *maps*

The set of points (x, y) in the plane xy plane that satisfy $f(x, y) = C$ is called the **level curve** of f at C . An entire family of level curves is generated as C varies over a set of numbers. These level curves can help to visualise the surface plot.

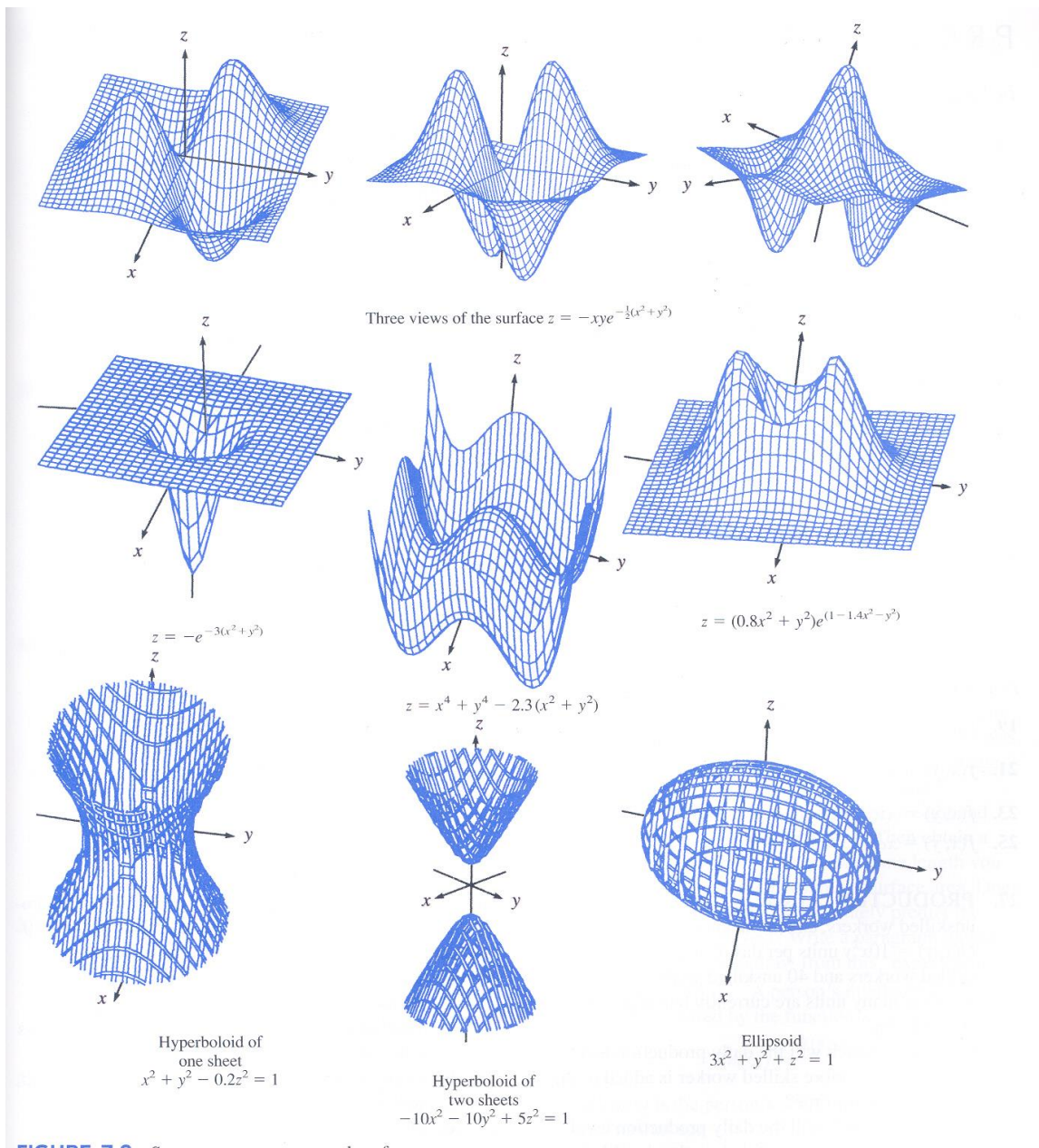
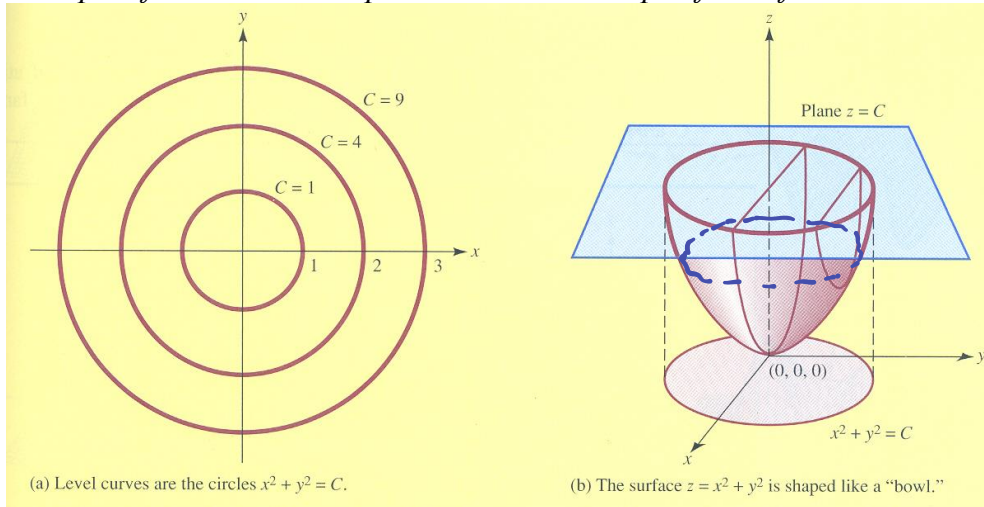
Example of a level curve



Example of the application of level curves in a topographical map for mountain



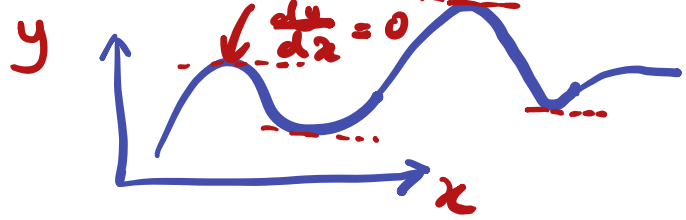
Example of level curves help to visualise the shape of a surface



slope = 0

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→ max = ?
→ min = ?



3. Partial Derivatives

Recall a single variable function $y = f(x)$, $\frac{dy}{dx}$ is rate of change of y when x changes.

Now, $z = f(x, y)$, if we want to know how z changes when x or y changes, we use partial derivatives.

$$z = x^3 + 2y^2 \rightarrow z = x^3 + 2c^2 = 3x^2$$

When y is constant, the rate of change of z with respect to x .

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = 3x^2$$

Note: We use the notation “ ∂ ” not “ d ” to indicate partial derivative.

When x is constant, the rate of change of z with respect to y .

$$z = c^3 + 2y^2$$

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = 4y$$

Partial Derivative Notations

- Partial derivative of f or z with respect to x $f'_x(x, y), f_x(x, y), \frac{\partial}{\partial x}[f(x, y)]$ and $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}$
- Partial derivative of f or z with respect to x evaluated at (x_0, y_0)

$$f'_x(x_0, y_0), f_x(x_0, y_0), \left[\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}\right]_{(x_0, y_0)}, \left[\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}\right]_{x=x_0, y=y_0}, \left.\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}\right|_{(x_0, y_0)} \text{ and } \left.\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}\right|_{x=x_0, y=y_0}$$

Ex.3: $f(x, y) = x^3y + x^2y^2 + x + y^2$ Find all partial derivatives of $f(x, y)$.

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = 3x^2y + 2xy^2 + 1 + 0$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = x^3(1) + x^2(2y) + 0 + 2y$$

Ex.4:

(a) $f(x, y) = \frac{xy}{x^2 + y^2}$ Find all partial derivatives of $f(x, y)$.

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[Ans: $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = \frac{y^3 - x^2y}{(x^2 + y^2)^2}$ and $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = \frac{x^3 - xy^2}{(x^2 + y^2)^2}$]

(b) $z = (x^2 + xy + y)^5$ Find all partial derivatives.

[Ans: $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = 5(x^2 + xy + y)^4(2x + y)$ and $\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = 5(x^2 + xy + y)^4(x + 1)$]

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$$= Am^{2.08} p^{-1.5}$$

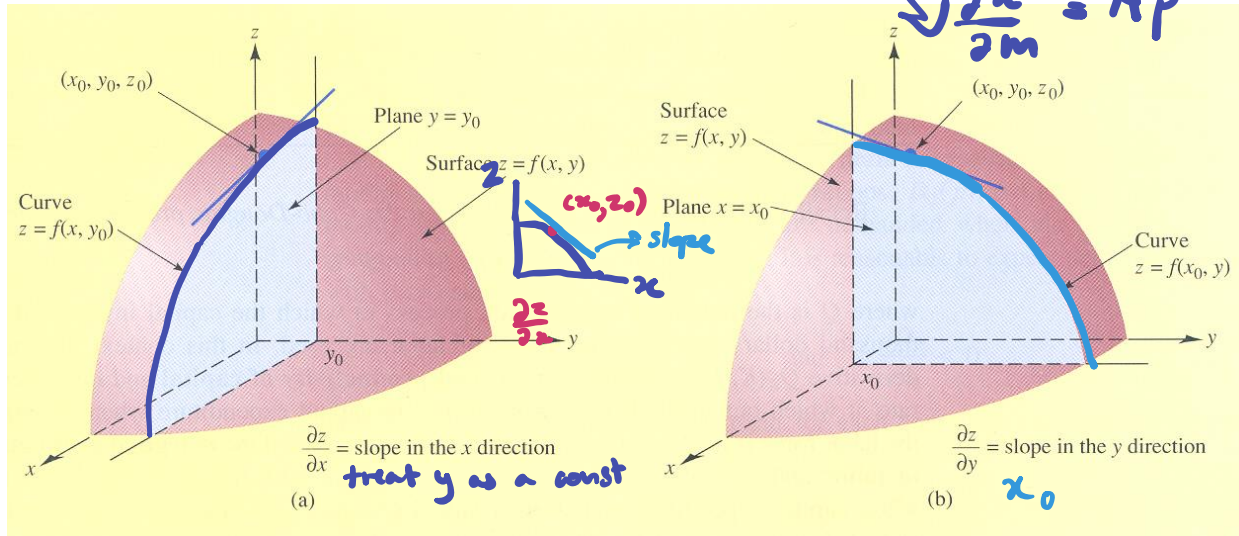
Ex.5: A demand for rice is $x = \frac{Am^{2.08}}{p^{1.5}}$ where x is the rice consumption, m is the income per family, p is the price, and A is a constant. Calculate $\frac{\partial x}{\partial p}$ and $\frac{\partial x}{\partial m}$.

Handwritten solutions for Ex.5:

$$\frac{\partial x}{\partial p} = -1.5 p^{-2.5} A m^{2.08}$$

$$\frac{\partial x}{\partial m} = A p^{-1.5} 2.08 m^{1.08}$$

4. Formal Definition of Partial Derivatives



Slope of tangent line at $(x_0, y_0, f(x_0, y_0))$ = partial derivative of z (or f) with respect to x at (x_0, y_0)

By definition,

$$\left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}\right)_{(x_0, y_0)} = f'_x(x_0, y_0) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{f(x_0 + h, y_0) - f(x_0, y_0)}{h} \right)$$

Similarly,

$$\left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}\right)_{(x_0, y_0)} = f'_y(x_0, y_0) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{f(x_0, y_0 + h) - f(x_0, y_0)}{h} \right)$$

Ex.6: A company produces 2 products, the joint cost function per week is given by

$C = f(x, y) = 0.07x^2 + 75x + 85y + 6000$. Determine marginal cost $\frac{\partial C}{\partial x}$ and $\frac{\partial C}{\partial y}$ when $x = 100$ and $y = 50$. [Ans: 89, 85]

Solution:

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial x} = 0.14x + 75$$

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial y} = 85$$

$$\left[\frac{\partial C}{\partial x}\right]_{(100, 50)} = 0.14(100) + 75 = 89$$

$$\left[\frac{\partial C}{\partial y}\right]_{(100, 50)} = 85$$

5. Implicit Partial Differentiation

z is not given in term of x and y , for example,

$$z^2 - x^2 - y^2 = 0$$

Find $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}$ and $\frac{\partial z}{\partial y}$.

$$z^2 = x^2 + y^2$$

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

Partial differentiate both sides of the equation with respect to x to find $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}$. *treat y as a const*

$$2z \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} - 2x + 0 = 0$$

$$2z \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = 2x$$

Rearranging,

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = \frac{x}{z}$$

Similarly,

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = \frac{y}{z}$$

$$2z \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} + 0 - 2y = 0$$

$$2z \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = 2y$$

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Ex.7: If $z = f(x, y)$ and $e^{yz} = -xyz$, find $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}$ where $x = -\frac{e^2}{2}$, $y = 1$ and $z = 2$. [Ans: $-\frac{4}{e^2}$]

6. Higher-Order Partial Derivative

For $z = f(x, y)$,

1st order partial derivatives are $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}$ and $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}$

2nd order partial derivatives are

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right) = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} = f_{xx} \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right) = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} = f_{yy}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right) = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x} = f_{xy} \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right) = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} = f_{yx}$$

2nd 1st 1st y²

Note: Beyond the 2nd order derivatives can also be determined e.g.

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right) \right] = \frac{\partial^3 f}{\partial y \partial x^2} = f_{xyx}$$

Ex.8: For $f(x, y) = 7x^2 + 3y$, find f_y , f_{yy} and f_{yyx} . [Ans: 3, 0, 0]

$$f_y = 3$$

$$f_{yy} = 0$$

$$f_{yyx} = 0$$

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Ex.9: For $f(x, y) = (x + y)^2(xy)$, find f_x , f_y , f_{xx} , f_{yy} , f_{yyx} and f_{xyy} .

[Ans: $3x^2y + 4xy^2 + y^3$, $x^3 + 4x^2y + 3xy^2$, $6xy + 4y^2$, $4x^2 + 6xy$, $8x + 6y$, $8x + 6y$]

Ex.10: For $f(x, y) = y^2e^x + \ln(xy)$, find $f_{yyy}(1, 1)$. [Ans: 2e]

Ex7 $z = f(x, y)$ $e^{yz} = -xyz$

$y = e^{3x} = e^u$
 $\frac{dy}{dx} = e^u$

Find $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}$ when $x = -\frac{e^2}{2}$, $y = 1$, $z = 2$

$e^{yz} = -xyz = -y(xz)$

Diff w.r.t. x (treat y as a constant) both sides

$y e^{yz} \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = -y \frac{\partial (xz)}{\partial x}$

$y e^{yz} \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = -y \left[(1)z + \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} x \right]$

$y e^{yz} \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} + yx \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = -zy$

$y = e^{3x} = e^u$
 $u = 3x \rightarrow \frac{du}{dx} = 3$
 $\frac{dy}{dx} = e^u \cdot 3$
 $y = 3e^{3x}$

$(y e^{yz} + yx) \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = -zy$

$y (e^{yz} + x) \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = -zy$

$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = \frac{-z}{e^{yz} + x}$

\rightarrow when $x = -\frac{e^2}{2}$
 $y = 1$
 $z = 2$

$= \frac{-2}{e^2 + -\frac{e^2}{2}} = \frac{-2}{\frac{e^2}{2}} = \frac{-4}{e^2}$

Ex. 9 $f(x, y) = (x + y)^2(xy)$ $f' = uv$
 $f' = u'v + v'u$

$$f_x = 2(x+y)(1)xy + y(x+y)^2$$

$$= 2x^2y + 2y^2x + y(x^2 + 2xy + y^2)$$

$$= 2x^2y + 2y^2x + x^2y + 2xy^2 + y^3$$

$$f_x = \underline{3x^2y + 4xy^2 + y^3} \rightarrow f_{xy} = 3x^2 + 8xy + 3y^2$$

$$f_{xx} = 3y(2x) + 4y^2(1) + 0 \quad \Downarrow$$

$$= 6xy + 4y^2 \quad f_{xyy} = 0 + 8x + 6y$$

Ex. 9 $f(x, y) = (x + y)^2(xy)$

$$f_y = 2(x+y)xy + x(x+y)^2$$

$$= 2x^2y + 2y^2x + x(x^2 + 2xy + y^2)$$

$$= 2x^2y + 2y^2x + x^3 + 2x^2y + xy^2$$

$$= 4x^2y + 3y^2x + x^3 \rightarrow$$

$$f_{yy} = 4x^2 + 6yx$$

$$f_{yyx} = 8x + 6y$$

$$f_{xyy} = ? \quad f_x = 3x^2y + 4xy^2 + y^3$$

$$f_{xy} = 3x^2 + 8xy + 3y^2$$

$$f_{xyy} = 8x + 6y$$

$$f = (x)$$

$$f' = \text{slope of a tangent} = \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x}$$

$\lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0}$

7. Chain Rule

$$z = f_1(x, y), x = f_2(r, s) \text{ and } y = f_3(r, s)$$

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial r} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial r} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial r} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial z}{\partial s} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial s} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial s}$$

consider x

Note: In the chain rule, the number of intermediate variables of z (in this case is 2) is the same as the number of terms that compose each of $\frac{\partial z}{\partial r}$ and $\frac{\partial z}{\partial s}$.

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial r} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \cdot \frac{\partial x}{\partial r} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \cdot \frac{\partial y}{\partial r}$$

Ex.11: For $z = 5x + 3y$, $x = 2r + 3s$ and $y = r - 2s$, find $\frac{\partial z}{\partial r}$ and $\frac{\partial z}{\partial s}$. [Ans: 13, 9]

$$= 5(2) + 3(1) = 13$$

Ex.12: C is the total cost of producing q_C units of digital cameras and q_F units of memory sticks is

$$C = 30q_C + 0.015q_C q_F + q_F + 900.$$

The demand function is $q_C = \frac{9000}{p_C \sqrt{p_F}}$ and $q_F = 2000 - p_C - 400p_F$ where p_C is the price per

digital camera and p_F is the price per memory sticks. Find the rate of change of the total cost with respect to price of digital camera when the price per digital camera is 50 and the price per memory stick is 2. [Ans: -123.2]

8. Chain Rule (Extension)

Similar to the chain rule for single-variable functions,

$$z = (\dots, x, \dots, y)$$

$$z = (r, s, t)$$

- If $z = f(x, y)$, $x = g_1(r, s, t)$ and $y = g_2(r, s, t)$ then

The partial derivative of z with respect to r is

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial r} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial r} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial r}$$

The partial derivative of z with respect to s is

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial s} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial s} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial s}$$

The partial derivative of z with respect to t is

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial t}$$

- If $z = f(w, x, y)$, $w = g_1(r, s)$, $x = g_2(r, s)$ and $y = g_3(r, s)$ then

$$z = f_2(r, s)$$

The partial derivative of z with respect to r is

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial r} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial w} \frac{\partial w}{\partial r} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial r} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial r}$$

The partial derivative of z with respect to s is

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial s} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial w} \frac{\partial w}{\partial s} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial s} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial s}$$

▪ **General case**

If $z = f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$, $x_1 = g_1(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_m)$, $x_2 = g_2(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_m)$ and $x_n = g_n(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_m)$ where m and n are positive integers then there are m possible partial derivatives of z which are

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial z}{\partial y_1} &= \frac{\partial z}{\partial x_1} \cdot \frac{\partial x_1}{\partial y_1} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial x_2} \cdot \frac{\partial x_2}{\partial y_1} + \dots + \frac{\partial z}{\partial x_n} \cdot \frac{\partial x_n}{\partial y_1} \\ \frac{\partial z}{\partial y_2} &= \frac{\partial z}{\partial x_1} \cdot \frac{\partial x_1}{\partial y_2} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial x_2} \cdot \frac{\partial x_2}{\partial y_2} + \dots + \frac{\partial z}{\partial x_n} \cdot \frac{\partial x_n}{\partial y_2} \\ &\vdots \\ \frac{\partial z}{\partial y_m} &= \frac{\partial z}{\partial x_1} \cdot \frac{\partial x_1}{\partial y_m} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial x_2} \cdot \frac{\partial x_2}{\partial y_m} + \dots + \frac{\partial z}{\partial x_n} \cdot \frac{\partial x_n}{\partial y_m} \end{aligned}$$

The change in y_i affects x_i and subsequently affects z .

Ex.13: If $z = \frac{x + e^y}{y}$, $x = rs + se^{rt}$ and $y = 9 + rt$, find $\frac{\partial z}{\partial s}$ when $r = -2$, $s = 5$ and $t = 4$.

[Ans: $-2 + e^{-8}$]

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial s} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \cdot \frac{\partial x}{\partial s} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \cdot \frac{\partial y}{\partial s}$$

9. Young's Theorem

All the m^{th} -order partial derivatives of the function $f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$ are continuous. If any two involve differentiating with respect to each of the same variables the same number of times, then they are necessary equal. For example, if $m = 2$ and $z = f(x, y)$

$$y = x^4 \\ \frac{dy}{dx} = 4x^3$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x}$$

Provided that slopes are continuous.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} &= 8x^3 + 3y^3 3x^2 \\ &+ y^2(1) \\ \frac{\partial z}{\partial x \partial y} &= 9x^2 3y^2 + 2y \end{aligned}$$

Ex.14: For $z = f(x, y) = 2x^4 + 3x^3y^3 + xy^2 + y$, show that $\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x \partial y} = \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial y \partial x} = 27x^2y^2 + 2y$.

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = 9x^3y^2 + 2xy + 1 \rightarrow \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial y \partial x} = 9y^2 3x^2 + 2y$$

10. Competitive / Complementary Products

For related products, a price change of one affects the demand of the others.

- If an increase in demand for one product results in a decrease in demand for another product, the two products are said to be **COMPETITIVE** or **SUBSTITUTE products**. Examples of competitive or substitute products are Coke and Pepsi; eye glasses and contact lens, _____
- If an increase in demand for one product results in an increase in demand for another product, the two products are said to be **COMPLEMENTARY products**. Examples of complementary products are eye glasses and lens, digital camera and memory sticks, tennis rackets and tennis balls, _____

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Ex.13: If $z = \frac{x+e^y}{y}$, $x = rs + se^{rt}$ and $y = 9 + rt$, find $\frac{\partial z}{\partial s}$ when $r = -2$, $s = 5$ and $t = 4$. = 1

[Ans: $-2 + e^{-8}$]

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial s} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \cdot \frac{\partial x}{\partial s} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \cdot \frac{\partial y}{\partial s}$$

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$$z = \frac{1}{y} (x + e^y)$$

$$z = \frac{x + e^y}{y}$$

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = \frac{1}{y}$$

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = \frac{-x}{y^2} + \frac{e^y}{y}$$

$$= \frac{y e^y - (x + e^y)}{y^2}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} [J(x)g(x)] = J(x)g'(x) + J'(x)g(x)$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left[\frac{f(x)}{g(x)} \right] = \frac{g(x)f'(x) - f(x)g'(x)}{[g(x)]^2}$$

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$$\therefore \frac{\partial z}{\partial s} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \cdot \frac{\partial x}{\partial s} = \frac{1}{y} (r + e^{rt})$$

$r = -2$
 $s = 5$
 $t = 4$

$$= \frac{1}{1} (-2 + e^{-2(4)}) = -2 + e^{-8}$$

Partial derivatives can be used to determine whether two products are competitive, complementary, or neither. The demand functions for two products are dependent on the prices for both products p_A and p_B :-

$$q_A = f(p_A, p_B) \quad \text{Demand function for product A}$$

$$q_B = g(p_A, p_B) \quad \text{Demand function for product B}$$

Normally, if the price of A increases while the price of B is held constant, the demand for A will decrease; that is $\frac{\partial q_A}{\partial p_A} < 0$ (i.e. marginal demand of A with respect to the price of A). In

addition, if A and B are competitive products, the demand for B will increase; that is, $\frac{\partial q_B}{\partial p_A} > 0$.

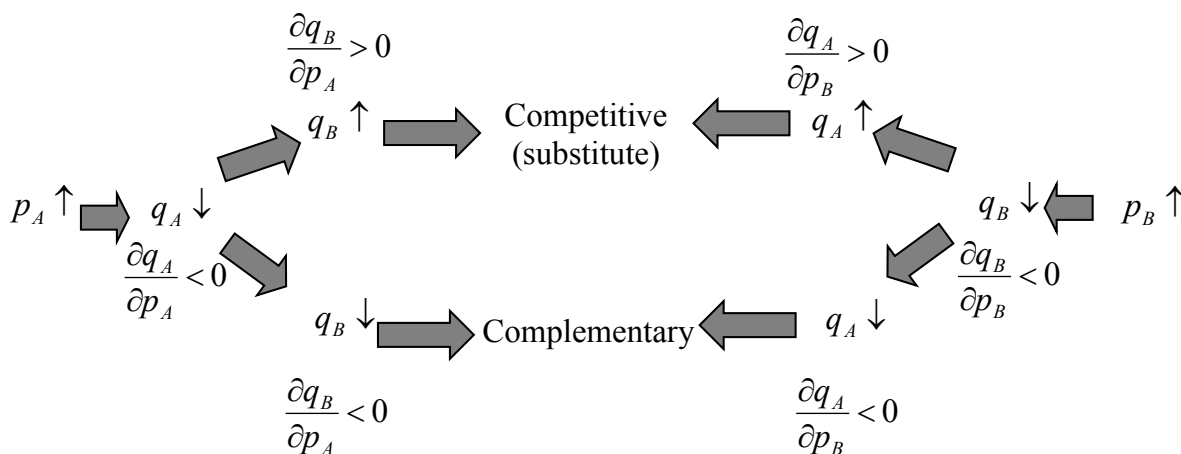
Similarly, if the price of B increases while the price of A is held constant, the demand for B will decrease; that is $\frac{\partial q_B}{\partial p_B} < 0$ (i.e. marginal demand of B with respect to the price of B). In

addition, if A and B are competitive products, the demand for A will increase; that is, $\frac{\partial q_A}{\partial p_B} > 0$.

Complementary products have similar reasoning, hence, $\frac{\partial q_B}{\partial p_A} < 0$ and $\frac{\partial q_A}{\partial p_B} < 0$.

$p_A \uparrow \rightarrow q_A \downarrow \rightarrow \frac{\partial q_B}{\partial p_A} < 0 \rightarrow \frac{\partial q_A}{\partial p_B} < 0$

Product A and B	Partial Derivatives
Competitive (substitute)	$\frac{\partial q_A}{\partial p_B} > 0$ and $\frac{\partial q_B}{\partial p_A} > 0$
Complementary	$\frac{\partial q_B}{\partial p_A} < 0$ and $\frac{\partial q_A}{\partial p_B} < 0$
Neither	$\frac{\partial q_B}{\partial p_A} \geq 0$ and $\frac{\partial q_A}{\partial p_B} \leq 0$
Neither	$\frac{\partial q_B}{\partial p_A} \leq 0$ and $\frac{\partial q_A}{\partial p_B} \geq 0$



$$\frac{\partial q_A}{\partial p_B} = 0.16 p_B \quad \therefore p_B, p_A > 0$$

$$\frac{\partial q_B}{\partial p_A} = 0.08 p_A$$

Ex.15: Determine whether the indicated products are competitive, complementary or neither where their demand functions are.

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- a) $q_A = 8000 - 0.09p_A^2 + 0.08p_B^2$ and $q_B = 15000 + 0.04p_A^2 - 0.3p_B^2$
 b) $q_A = 200 - 5p_A + 4p_B^2$ and $q_B = 300 + 2p_A - 4p_B$
 c) $q_A = 800 - 0.004p_A^2 - 0.003p_B^2$ and $q_B = 600 - 0.003p_A^2 - 0.003p_B^2$
 d) $q_A = 500 - 0.5p_A - p_B^2$ and $q_B = 10000 - 0.5p_A - 100p_B^2$

[Ans: (a) Competitive, (b) competitive, (c) complementary, and (d) complementary]

Ex.16: The weekly demand of A and B are $q_A = e^{-\left(\frac{p_A}{p_B}\right)}$ and $q_B = \frac{16}{p_A p_B^2}$ where q_A and q_B are

the demand of A and B respectively, p_A and p_B are price per unit in thousand of baht of A and B respectively.

- a) A and B are competitive, complementary or neither.
 b) If unit prices of A and B are 1,000 baht and 2,000 baht respectively, estimate demand change in A when the price of A is held constant and the price of B decreases by 40 baht.

$$p_A = 1, p_B = 2$$

[Ans: $-0.01/\sqrt{e}$]

11. Elasticity (Extension)

Recall, the single-variable demand function,

$$E = \frac{\% \text{ change in demand}}{\% \text{ change in price}} = \frac{p}{q} \cdot \frac{dq}{dp}$$

$E(q)$	Demand	Interpretation
$0 < E(q) < 1$	Inelastic	Demand is not sensitive to changes in price. A given change in price produces a smaller change in demand.
$ E(q) > 1$	Elastic	Demand is sensitive to changes in price. A change given in price produces a larger change in demand.
$ E(q) = 1$	Unit	A given change in price produces the same change in demand.

Ex.17: In a supermarket, rice has the elasticity of -1.1 and potato has the elasticity of -0.2. Which product is more essential to customers?

Ex.18: A demand function for a product is $q = 8000p^{-1.5}$. Find the elasticity and percentage change in demand when the price of the product is increased by 1% from the price of 4.

[Ans: $E = -1.5$, 1.5% decreases in demand]

$$15 \text{ b) } \frac{\partial g_A}{\partial p_B} =$$

$$\frac{\partial g_B}{\partial p_A} =$$

Partial Elasticity

If the demand of a product is a function of two variables (price x and price y) i.e. $q = f(x, y)$, the elasticity of this product can be defined using partial differentiation with respect to each variable.

The percentage change in demand with respect to the percentage change in variable x :

$$E_{qx} = \frac{x}{q} \left(\frac{\partial q}{\partial x} \right)$$

The percentage change in demand with respect to the percentage change in variable y :

$$E_{qy} = \frac{y}{q} \left(\frac{\partial q}{\partial y} \right)$$

Ex.19: A product has the demand function $z = Ax^a y^b$. Show that the partial elasticity of z with respect to x is $E_{zx} = a$.

$$E_{zx} = \frac{x}{z} \left(\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \right) = \frac{x}{z} (Ay^b \cdot ax^{a-1}) = \frac{aAx^a y^b}{z}$$

$$E_{zx} = \frac{a}{z} (Ax^a y^b) = \frac{a}{z} (z) = a$$

Similarly, the partial elasticity with respect to y is $E_{zy} = b$.

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Ex.20: The annual demand function of rice in Thailand is estimated to be $q_r = Ap_r^{-0.28} m^{0.34}$ where p_r is the price of rice per kilogram and m is the average income of the people per year.

The annual demand for orange is $q_o = Bp_o^{-1.27} m^{1.32}$ where p_o is the price of orange per kg.

Show that the elasticity of demand with respect to the price and income are

$$E_{q_r, p_r} = -0.28, E_{q_o, p_o} = -1.27, E_{q_r, m} = 0.34, E_{q_o, m} = 1.32.$$

Explain the significance of each elasticity.

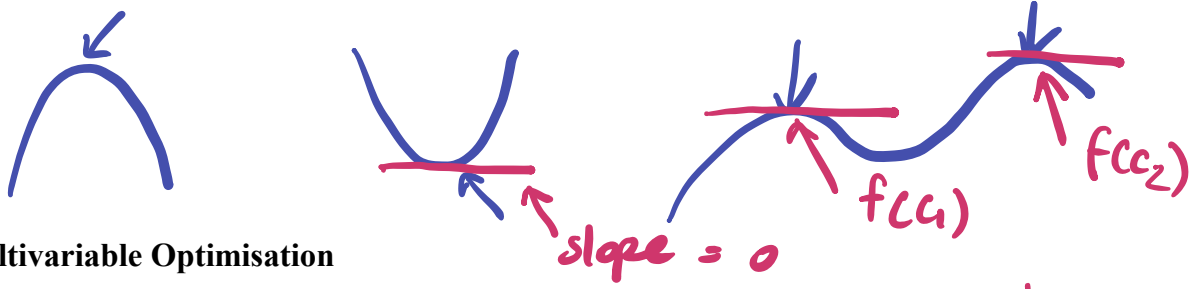
$$\begin{aligned} E_{q_r, p_r} &= \frac{p_r}{q_r} \left(\frac{\partial q_r}{\partial p_r} \right) = \frac{p_r}{A p_r^{-0.28} m^{0.34}} (-0.28) A m^{0.34} p_r^{-1.28} \\ &= -0.28 \rightarrow \text{"inelastic"} \\ E_{q_o, p_o} &= \frac{p_o}{q_o} \left(\frac{\partial q_o}{\partial p_o} \right) = \frac{p_o}{B p_o^{-1.27} m^{1.32}} (-1.27) B m^{1.32} p_o^{-2.27} \\ &= -1.27 \quad | E_{q_o, p_o} | = 1.27 > 1 \rightarrow \text{elastic} \end{aligned}$$

$$E_{\sigma_r, m} = \frac{m}{\sigma_r} \left(\frac{\partial \sigma_r}{\partial m} \right) = \frac{m \cdot \cancel{A p^{-0.28}} \cdot \cancel{m^{-0.66}}}{\cancel{A p^{-0.28}} \cdot \cancel{m^{-0.66}} \cdot m^{0.34}} = 0.34 \rightarrow \text{inelastic}$$

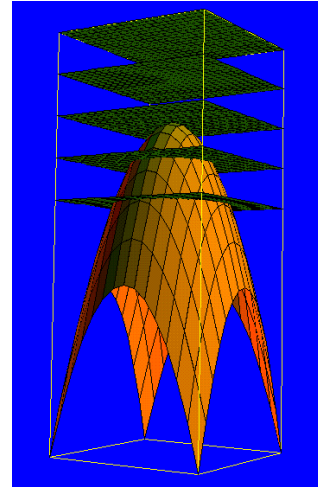
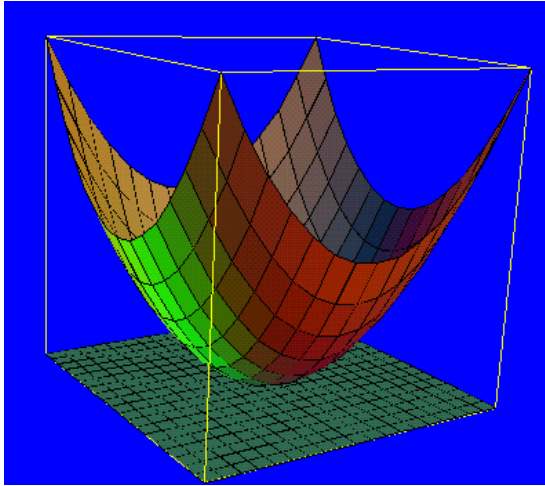
$$E_{\sigma_0, m} = \frac{m}{\sigma_0} \left(\frac{\partial \sigma_0}{\partial m} \right) = \frac{m}{B p_0^{-1.27} m^{1.32}} = B p_0^{-1.27} 1.32 m^{0.32} = 1.32 \rightarrow \text{elastic} \rightarrow m \uparrow \sigma_0 \uparrow$$

$$E_{\sigma_0, p_0} -$$

$$= -1.27$$



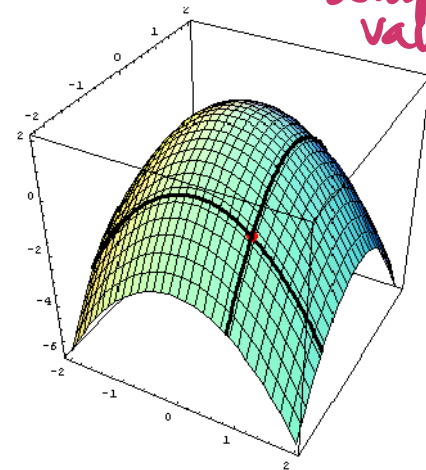
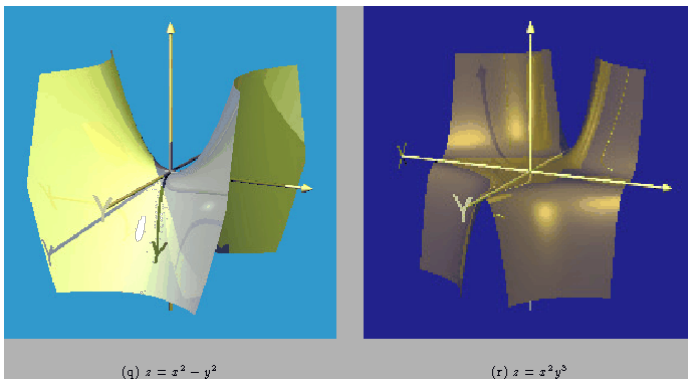
12. Multivariable Optimisation



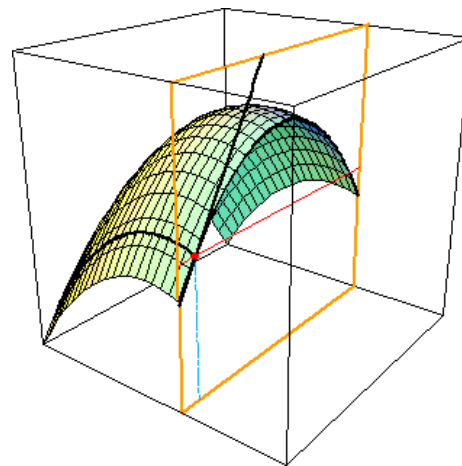
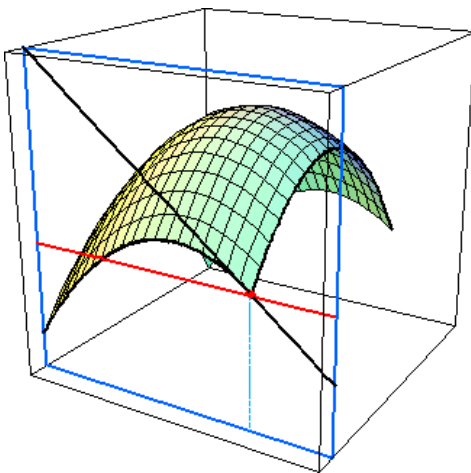
1st
find
critical point

2nd
check if that
is max or
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2nd derivative



compare
values of f
at all
critical
points



- $f(x_0, y_0)$ is a relative maximum if $f(x_0, y_0) \geq f(x, y)$ for all x and y closed to (x_0, y_0) .
- $f(x_0, y_0)$ is a relative minimum if $f(x_0, y_0) \leq f(x, y)$ for all x and y closed to (x_0, y_0) .

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Necessary Conditions for Relative Extrema

$$y = x^n$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = nx^{n-1}$$

A two-variable function, $z = f(x, y)$, has a relative maximum or minimum at (x_0, y_0) if the point (x_0, y_0) satisfies

$$f'_x(x, y) = 0 \quad \left(\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = 0 \right) \quad \text{and} \quad f'_y(x, y) = 0 \quad \left(\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = 0 \right)$$

Hence, (x_0, y_0) is a critical point if $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = 0$ and $\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = 0$.

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = -2(2x) - 2y + 0 + 36 + 0 + 0 = 0 \Rightarrow -4x - 2y + 36 = 0$$

Ex.21: $z = f(x, y) = -2x^2 - 2xy - 2y^2 + 36x + 42y - 158$ Assume that z has a relative maximum point, find this point. [Ans: (5, 8)]

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = -2x - 4y + 0 + 42 - 0 = 0 \Rightarrow -2x - 4y + 42 = 0 \quad (2)$$

Second-Derivative Test for Relative Extrema

Let $z = f(x, y)$ has continuous $f''_{xx}(x, y)$, $f''_{yy}(x, y)$ and $f''_{xy}(x, y)$ at all points (x, y) near the critical point (x_0, y_0) . Let D be the function defined by

$$D(x, y) = f''_{xx}(x, y)f''_{yy}(x, y) - [f''_{xy}(x, y)]^2$$

- If $f''_{xx}(x, y) < 0$ and $D(x_0, y_0) > 0$, f has a relative maximum at (x_0, y_0) .
- If $f''_{xx}(x, y) > 0$ and $D(x_0, y_0) > 0$, f has a relative minimum at (x_0, y_0) .
- If $D(x_0, y_0) < 0$, f has neither a relative maximum nor minimum at (x_0, y_0) . This point (x_0, y_0) is known as a **saddle point**.
- If $D(x_0, y_0) = 0$, no conclusion about an extremum at (x_0, y_0) can be drawn, and further analysis is required..

Ex.22: $f(x, y) = x^3 - x^2 - y^2 + 8$ Find all critical points and classify them.

$$3x^2 - 2x = 0$$

$$x(3x - 2) = 0$$

1st find critical point

$$f'_x(x, y) = 3x^2 - 2x = 0 \Rightarrow x = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad x = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$f'_y(x, y) = -2y = 0 \Rightarrow y = 0$$

Hence, critical points are $(0, 0)$ and $\left(\frac{2}{3}, 0\right)$.

2nd derivative test

$$f''_{xx}(x, y) = 6x - 2$$

$$f''_{yy}(x, y) = -2$$

$$f''_{xy}(x, y) = 0$$

$$D(x, y) = f''_{xx}(x, y)f''_{yy}(x, y) - [f''_{xy}(x, y)]^2$$

Consider the critical point $(0, 0)$,

$$f''_{xx}(0, 0) = -2 < 0, \quad f''_{yy}(0, 0) = -2, \quad f''_{xy}(0, 0) = 0, \quad D(0, 0) = (-2)(-2) - 0^2 = 4 > 0$$

∴ $(0, 0)$ is a relative maximum.

$$-4x - 2y + 36 = 0 \quad (1)$$

$$-2x - 4y + 42 = 0 \quad (2)$$

$$(1) \times 2 \rightarrow -8x - 4y + 72 = 0 \quad (3)$$

$$(2) - (3) \quad 6x - 30 = 0$$

$$6x = 30$$

$$x = 5$$

Sub

$$x=5 \text{ into (1)} \quad -4(5) - 2y + 36 = 0$$

$$-20 + 36 = 2y$$

$$16 = 2y$$

$$y = 8$$

$$\therefore (x, y) = (5, 8)$$

$$f_{xx}''(x, y) = 6x - 2$$

$$f_{yy}''(x, y) = -2$$

$$f_{xy}''(x, y) = 0$$

$$D(x, y) = f_{xx}''(x, y)f_{yy}''(x, y) - [f_{xy}''(x, y)]^2$$

Ex.24: A production function of a firm is $p = 1.08l^2 - 0.03l^3 + 1.68k^2 - 0.08k^3$. Find quantities of l and k which maximise the output p .

[Ans: Critical points are $(0,0)$, $(0,14)$, $(24,0)$, $(24,14)$. Maxima $l = 24$ and $k = 14$]

$$\frac{\partial p}{\partial l} = 2.16l - 0.09l^2 = 0$$

$$l(2.16 - 0.09l) = 0$$

$$l = 0, \quad 0.09l = 2.16$$

$$l = 24$$

$$\frac{\partial p}{\partial k} = 3.36k - 0.24k^2 = 0$$

$$k(3.36 - 0.24k) = 0$$

$$k = 0, \quad 3.36 = 0.24k$$

$$k = 14$$

$(0, 0)$ $(0, 14)$ $(24, 0)$ $(24, 14)$
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$l = x$
 $k = y$

- If $f_{xx}''(x, y) < 0$ and $D(x_0, y_0) > 0$, f has a relative maximum at (x_0, y_0) .
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$$p(0,0) = 0$$

$$p(9,14) = 329.28 - 219.52 = 109.76$$

$$p(24,0) = 622.08 - 414.72 = 207.36$$

$$p(24,14) = 207.36 + 109.76 = 317.12$$

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

$$f_{xx}''\left(\frac{2}{3}, 0\right) = 6\left(\frac{2}{3}\right) - 2 = 2 > 0, \quad f_{yy}''\left(\frac{2}{3}, 0\right) = -2, \quad f_{xy}''\left(\frac{2}{3}, 0\right) = 0,$$

$$D\left(\frac{2}{3}, 0\right) = (2)(-2) - 0^2 = -4 < 0$$

$\therefore \left(\frac{2}{3}, 0\right)$ is a saddle point.

Ex.23: $f(x, y) = \frac{x^3}{3} + y^2 - 2x + 2y - 2xy$ Determine all critical points and classify them.

[Ans: $f_x'(x, y) = x^2 - 2 - 2y = 0$, $f_y'(x, y) = 2y + 2 - 2x = 0$, $(0, -1)$ saddle point, $(2, 1)$ rel. min.]

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13. Optimisation of Multivariable Function with Constraints

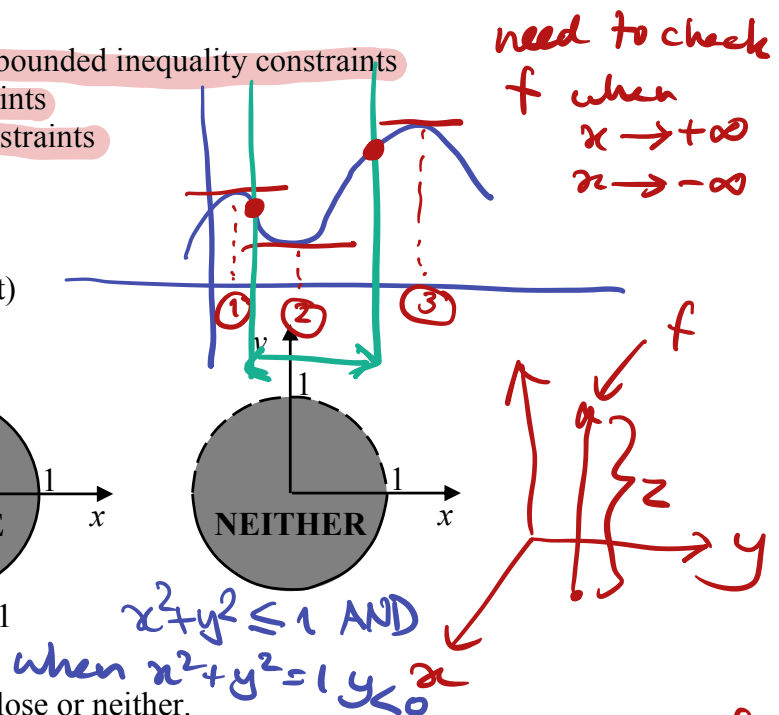
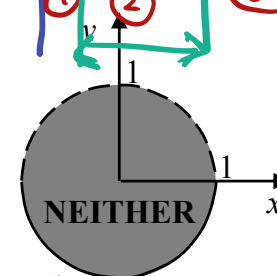
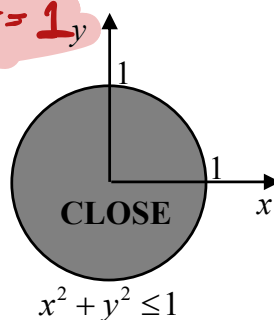
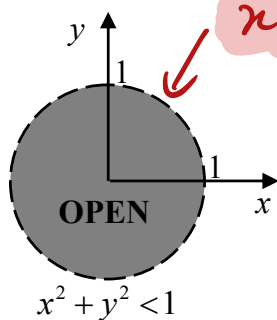
Three methods will be introduced:-

1. Extreme Value Theorem for closed and bounded inequality constraints
2. Substitution Method for equality constraints
3. Lagrange Multiplier Method for any constraints

14.1 Domain – Range of consideration

1-variable function \rightarrow the domain is an interval

2-variable function \rightarrow the domain is a plane (set)



Ex.25: Classify if the following sets are open, close or neither.

a) $2x + y \leq 2, x \geq 0$ and $y \geq 0 \rightarrow$ close

b) $2x + y < 2, x > 0$ and $y > 0 \rightarrow$ open

c) $2x + y \leq 2, x > 0$ and $y \geq 0 \rightarrow$ neither
close open close

open - domain contains none of its boundary points
close - domain contains ALL of its boundary points

A set (domain) is considered bounded if the whole set is contained within a closed area.

Ex.23: $f(x,y) = \frac{x^3}{3} + y^2 - 2x + 2y - 2xy$ Determine all critical points and classify them.

[Ans: $f'_x(x,y) = x^2 - 2 - 2y = 0$, $f'_y(x,y) = 2y + 2 - 2x = 0$, $(0,-1)$ saddle point, $(2,1)$ rel. min.]

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = x^2 - 2 - 2y = 0 \Rightarrow x^2 - 2y - 2 = 0 \quad (1)$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = 2y + 2 - 2x = 0 \Rightarrow y - x = -1$$

$$y = x - 1 \quad (2)$$

$$x^2 - 2(x-1) - 2 = 0$$

$$x^2 - 2x + \cancel{2} - \cancel{2} = 0$$

$$x^2 - 2x = 0$$

$$x(x-2) = 0$$

$$x = 0, 2$$

$$y = -1, 1$$

critical points are $(0,-1)$ and $(2,1)$

$$f''_{xx} = 2x$$

$$D(x,y) = f''_{xx}(x,y)f''_{yy}(x,y) - [f''_{xy}(x,y)]^2$$

$$f''_{yy} = 2$$

$$\text{at } (0,-1) \quad f''_{xx}(0,-1) = 0$$

$$f''_{xy} = -2$$

$$D(0,-1) = 0 - (-2)^2 < 0$$

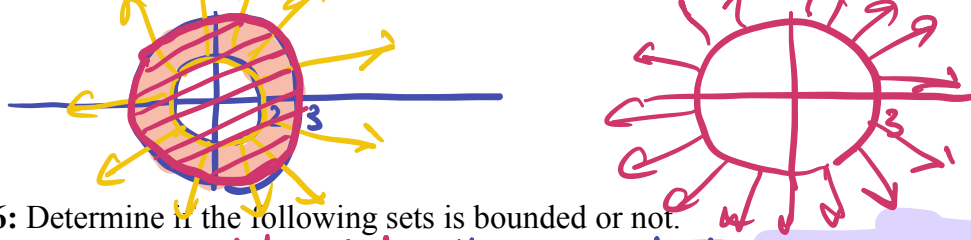
"saddle point"

$$\text{at } (2,1) \quad f''_{xx}(2,1) = 4 > 0 \quad f''_{yy} = 2$$

$$f''_{xy} = -2$$

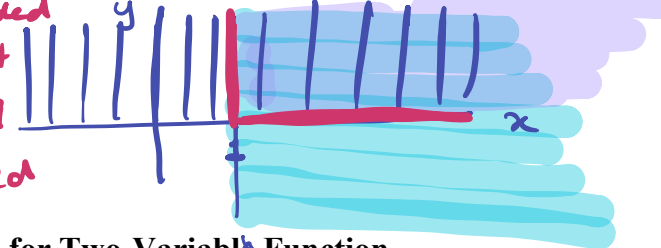
$$D(2,1) = 4(2) - 4 > 0$$

$(2,1)$ is a relative minimum



Ex.26: Determine if the following sets is bounded or not.

- a) $x \geq 1$ and $y \geq 0$ *not bounded*
- b) $4 \leq x^2 + y^2 \leq 9$ *bounded*
- c) $4 < x^2 + y^2 \leq 9$ *not bounded*
- d) $x^2 + y^2 \geq 9$ *not bounded*



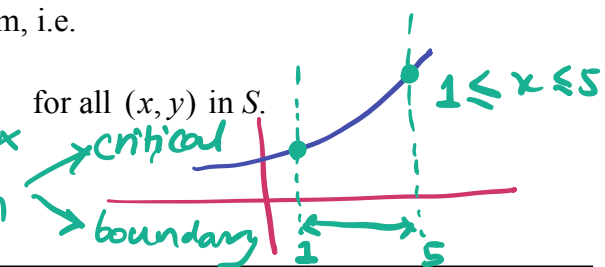
14.2 Extreme-Value Theorem for Two-Variable Function

The extrema-value theorem for one-variable function can be generalised into multi-variable function. If a function $f(x,y)$ is continuous throughout a **closed bounded set S** in a plane, then there exists both a point (a,b) in S where $f(a,b)$ has an absolute minimum and a point (c,d) in S where $f(c,d)$ has an absolute maximum, i.e.

$$f(a,b) \leq f(x,y) \leq f(c,d) \quad \text{for all } (x,y) \text{ in } S.$$

Candidates for absolute max
absolute min

This is sufficient but not necessary.



To find maxima and minima of a differentiable function $f(x,y)$ defined on a closed bounded set S in a plane:

- (1) Find all critical points of $(x,y)_{c,i}$ in S by differentiating with respect to each variable and equating to zero. $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = 0$ and $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = 0$
- (2) If asked, classify relative maximum and minimum points. **(ONLY if ASKED)**
- (3) Compare relative maximum and minimum points to find absolute maximum and minimum points by comparing
 - a. the **critical points** of $f(x,y)$ on **the boundary of S** and the **corner points** (same as in one-variable case).
 - b. the values of $f(x,y)_{c,i}$ in (1)



Ex.27: Find absolute maxima and minima of $f(x,y)$ defined over S when

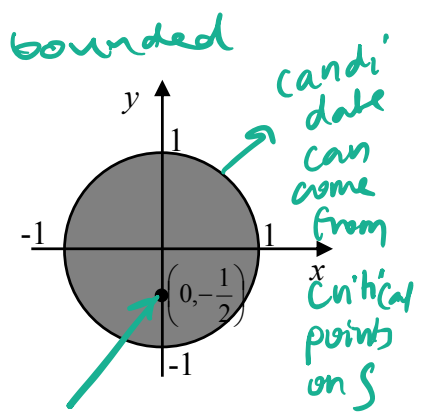
$$z = f(x,y) = x^2 + y^2 + y - 1 \quad \text{subject to } S = \{(x,y) : x^2 + y^2 \leq 1\}$$

closed and bounded

Procedures:

- (1) Find critical points

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = 2x = 0 &\Rightarrow x = 0 \\ \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = 2y + 1 = 0 &\Rightarrow y = -\frac{1}{2} \end{aligned} \right\} \begin{array}{l} 1^{\text{st}} \text{ order condition gives ONLY} \\ \text{one critical point } \left(0, -\frac{1}{2}\right). \end{array}$$



(2) Don't need to classify the nature of the critical point.

(3) (a) Find the absolute maximum or minimum points on the boundary $S: x^2 + y^2 = 1$

The domain of x is $[-1, 1]$ and the domain of y is also $[-1, 1]$ and $x^2 + y^2 = 1$.

Hence, on the boundary of S , $f(x, y)$ becomes

$$z = f(x, y) = \underbrace{x^2 + y^2}_{=1} + y - 1 = 1 + y - 1 \Rightarrow f(x, y) = y \quad \text{and} \quad y \in [-1, 1]$$

Hence, $f(x, y)$ is **maximised** when $y = 1$ and $x = 0$, $f(0, 1) = 1$

$f(x, y)$ is **minimised** when $y = -1$ and $x = 0$, $f(0, -1) = -1$

$$\frac{df}{dy} = 1 \neq 0$$

(b) Calculate the value of the critical point $\left(0, -\frac{1}{2}\right)$.

$$f\left(0, -\frac{1}{2}\right) = 0^2 + \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) - 1 = -\frac{5}{4} *$$

Compare (a) and (b): $f(0, 1) = 1$, $f(0, -1) = -1$ and $f\left(0, -\frac{1}{2}\right) = -\frac{5}{4}$.

Hence, maximum value of $f(x, y)$ in S is 1 at $(0, 1)$.

Minimum value of $f(x, y)$ in S is $-\frac{5}{4}$ at $\left(0, -\frac{1}{2}\right)$.

Ex.28.a: For a two-variable function,

$$f(x, y) = x^2 - xy + y^2 + 4$$

(a) Find critical point(s) using the first derivative.

[Ans: $(0, 0)$]

(b) Find the maximum and minimum value of the above function $f(x, y)$ on the closed area in the first quadrant bounded by the triangle formed by the line $x = 0$, $y = 4$ and $y = x$.

[Ans: Maximum value $f(0, 4) = f(4, 4) = 20$ and minimum value $f(0, 0) = 4$]

Ex.28.b: Thai government is promoting transportation vehicles e.g. taxi, van and trucks to use natural gas (NG). Currently the government is importing NG from Burma (x) and Malaysia (y). The benefit function of import NG is given by $f(x, y) = 9x + 8y - 6(x + y)^2$. Due to the limitation of capacity $0 \leq x \leq 5$ and $0 \leq y \leq 3$. For potential reason, importing from Burma should not be too small, so that $x \geq 2(y - 1) \Rightarrow y \leq \frac{x}{2} + 1$. Find the import value from Burma and Malaysia that will maximise the benefit.

Max. $f(x, y) = 9x + 8y - 6(x + y)^2$ subject to $0 \leq x \leq 5$; $0 \leq y \leq 3$ and $y \leq \frac{x}{2} + 1$

Candidates for ab max ab min are
 $(0,0)$, $(0,4)$, $(2,4)$ and $(4,4)$

$$f(0,0) = 4$$

$$f(0,4) = 20 \text{ max}$$

$$f(2,4) = 16$$

$$f(4,4) = 20 \text{ max}$$