

Practice problems #3: implicit functions and constrained extrema

- (1) Find $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}$ and $\frac{\partial z}{\partial y}$ if

$$F(x, y, z) = xyz - (x + y)e^z = 0.$$

- (2) Find $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}$ and $\frac{\partial z}{\partial y}$ if

$$F(x, y, z) = \sin(xy) + \sin(xz) + \sin(yz) = 0.$$

- (3) Argue that for every x and y there is a unique z such that

$$F(x, y, z) = \arctan(x + z) + e^{y+z} - xy = 1.$$

Note that $F(0, 0, 0) = 1$, so that $z = 0$ if $x = y = 0$. Find $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}$ and $\frac{\partial z}{\partial y}$ at $x = y = 0$.

- (4) If $u(x, y, z)$, $v(x, y, z)$ and $w(x, y, z)$ satisfy $x = u + v + w$, $y = u^2 + v^2 + w^2$, $z = u^3 + v^3 + w^3$, show that

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \frac{vw}{(u-v)(u-w)}.$$

- (5) Find the maximum and the minimum of the function $f(x, y) = x^2y$ subject to the constraint $g(x, y) = x^2 + y^2 - 3 = 0$
- (6) Find the maximum and the minimum value of the function $f(x, y) = xy$ on the curve $3x^2 + y^2 = 6$.
- (7) Find the maximum and the minimum value of the function $f(x, y, z) = x^2 - y^2$ on the surface $x^2 + 2y^2 + 3z^2 = 1$.
- (8) Find the maximum and the minimum value of the function $f(x, y) = x^3 - 3xy^2 + 4x^2 + 4y^2 - 3x$ in the unit circle $x^2 + y^2 \leq 1$.
- (9) Find the maximum value of $f(x, y) = -x \log x - y \log y$ subject to the constraint $g(x, y) = x + y - 1 = 0$. Note that here $x, y > 0$. How would you show that the value that you found is indeed the maximum?
- (10) Find the maximum value of $f(x, y, z) = -x \log x - y \log y - z \log z$ subject to the constraint $g(x, y, z) = x + y + z - 1 = 0$. Note that here $x, y, z > 0$. How would you show that the value that you found is indeed the maximum?