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Maximum and Minimum & Saddle Point

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LECTURE CONTENTS:

- Maximum Value.
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- Let $f(x, y)$ be defined on a region (R) containing the point (a, b) then:

1- $f(a, b)$ is a local Maximum value of (f) if $f(a, b) \geq f(x, y)$ for all domain points (x, y) in an open disk centered at (a, b) .

2- $f(a, b)$ is a local Minimum value of (f) if $f(a, b) \leq f(x, y)$ for all domain points in an open disk centered at (a, b) .

- if $f(x, y)$ has a local maximum or minimum value at interior point (a, b) of its domain and if the first partial derivatives exist there, then $f_x(a, b) = 0$ and $f_y(a, b) = 0$.

- An interior point of the domain of a function $f(x, y)$ where both (f_x) and (f_y) are zero or where one or both of (f_x) and (f_y) do not exist is a critical point of (f) .

- A differentiable function $f(x, y)$ has a saddle point at a critical point (a, b) if in every open disk centered at (a, b) there are domain points (x, y) where $f(x, y) > f(a, b)$ and domain points (x, y) where $f(x, y) < f(a, b)$. The corresponding point $(a, b, f(a, b))$ on the surface $z = f(x, y)$ is called saddle point of the surface.

- in mathematics, a saddle point is a point on the surface of the graph of a function where the slopes (derivatives) in orthogonal directions are all zero (a critical point), but which is not a local extremum of the function. An example of a saddle point shown on the right is when there is a critical point with a relative minimum along one axial direction (between peaks) and a relative max. along the crossing axis.

- suppose that $f(x, y)$ and its first and second partial derivatives are continuous through out a disk centered at (a, b) and that $f_x(a, b) = f_y(a, b) = 0$, then

1- (f) has a local Maximum at (a, b) if $\boxed{f_{xx} < 0 \text{ and } f_{xx} \cdot f_{yy} - f_{xy}^2 > 0}$ at (a, b) .

2- (f) has a local Minimum at (a, b) if $\boxed{f_{xx} > 0 \text{ and } f_{xx} \cdot f_{yy} - f_{xy}^2 > 0}$ at (a, b) .

3- (f) has a saddle point at (a, b) if $\boxed{f_{xx} \cdot f_{yy} - f_{xy}^2 < 0}$ at (a, b) .

4- the test is inconclusive at (a, b) if $\boxed{f_{xx} \cdot f_{yy} - f_{xy}^2 = 0}$ at (a, b) , in this case we must find some other way to determine the behavior of (f) at (a, b) .

خطوات الحل:

١- نقوم بإيجاد الـ (critical points) أو (stationary points) عن طريق المشتقات الأولى لـ (x) و (y) ومساواتها بـ (صفر) لإيجاد قيم (x) و (y) ، ويمكن أن يكون الناتج نقطة واحدة أو أكثر.

٢- نجد قيمته (D) والسبب تبادلي :

$$D = f_{xx} \cdot f_{yy} - f_{xy}^2 \text{ at } (x_0, y_0)$$

يتم إيجاد قيمة (D) لجميع النقاط في حالة وجود أكثر من نقطة .

٣- نقارن قيمة (D) :

$$D > 0 \begin{cases} f_{xx} > 0 \rightarrow \text{local minimum } \cup \\ f_{xx} < 0 \rightarrow \text{local maximum } \cap \end{cases}$$

$$D < 0 \rightarrow \text{saddle point}$$

٤: (saddle point) لا هي (max) ولا (min) .

Ex: Find all the local maximum and minimum, and saddle points of the functions below:

$$1- f(x,y) = \frac{1}{x^2+y^2-1}$$

solution:

$$f_x = \frac{-2x}{(x^2+y^2-1)^2} \Rightarrow \frac{-2x}{(x^2+y^2-1)^2} = 0 \rightarrow \boxed{x=0}$$

$$f_y = \frac{-2y}{(x^2+y^2-1)^2} \Rightarrow \frac{-2y}{(x^2+y^2-1)^2} = 0 \rightarrow \boxed{y=0}$$

the critical point is $(0,0)$

نعوض قيم (x,y) التي تم إيجادها في المعادلة الأصلية

$$f(0,0) = \frac{1}{(0)^2+(0)^2-1} \Rightarrow f(0,0) = -1 \quad \text{a) } (0,0)$$

$$f_{xx} = \frac{((x^2+y^2-1)^2) * (-2) - (-2x) * (2(x^2+y^2-1) * (2x))}{(x^2+y^2-1)^4}$$

نعوض قيم (x) و (y) ← $(0,0)$

$$f_{xx} = \frac{(-1)^2 * (-2) + 0}{(-1)^4} = \frac{-2}{1} = -2$$

$$\Rightarrow f_{xx} = -2 \text{ at } x=0, y=0.$$

$$f_{yy} = \frac{(x^2+y^2-1)^2 * (-2) - (-2y) * (2(x^2+y^2-1) * (2y))}{(x^2+y^2-1)^4}$$

$$f_{yy} = \frac{(-1)^2 * (-2) + 0}{(-1)^4} = -2$$

$$\Rightarrow f_{yy} = -2 \text{ at } x=0, y=0.$$

$$f_{xy} = \frac{(x^2+y^2-1)^2 * 0 - (-2x) * (2(x^2+y^2-1)) * (2y)}{(x^2+y^2-1)^4}$$

$$f_{xy} = \frac{0 + 0}{(-1)^4}$$

$$\Rightarrow f_y = 0 \text{ at } x=0, y=0$$

$$D = f_{xx} \cdot f_{yy} - (f_{xy})^2 = (-2) * (-2) - (0)^2$$

$$D = 4 > 0$$

$$f_{xx} < 0$$

$$D > 0 \begin{cases} f_{xx} > 0 \text{ min} \\ f_{xx} < 0 \text{ max} \end{cases}$$

$\Rightarrow$ The point is local maximum.