

CHAPTER 5: Optimization

5-1. Find and classify the critical points of the following functions.

- (a) $f(x, y) = x^2 - y^2 + xy$.
- (b) $f(x, y) = x^2 + y^2 + 2xy$.
- (c) $f(x, y) = e^{x \cos y}$.
- (d) $f(x, y) = e^{1+x^2-y^2}$.
- (e) $f(x, y) = x \sin y$.
- (f) $f(x, y) = xe^{-x}(y^2 - 4y)$

5-2. Find the critical points of the following functions. For which points the second derivative criterion does not give any information?

- (a) $f(x, y) = x^3 + y^3$.
- (b) $f(x, y) = ((x-1)^2 + (y+2)^2)^{1/2}$.
- (c) $f(x, y) = x^3 + y^3 - 3x^2 + 6y^2 + 3x + 12y + 7$.
- (d) $f(x, y) = x^{2/3} + y^{2/3}$

5-3. Let $f(x, y) = (3-x)(3-y)(x+y-3)$.

- (a) Find and classify the critical points.
- (b) ¿Does f have absolute extrema? (hint: consider the line $y = x$)

5-4. Find the values of the constants a , b and c so that the function $f(x, y) = ax^2y + bxy + 2xy^2 + c$ has a local minimum at the point $(2/3, 1/3)$ and the minimum value at that point is $-1/9$.

5-5. The income function is $R(x, y) = x(100 - 6x) + y(192 - 4y)$ where x and y are the number of articles sold. If the cost function is $C(x, y) = 2x^2 + 2y^2 + 4xy - 8x + 20$ determine the maximum profit.

5-6. A milk store produces x units of whole milk and y units of skim milk. The price for whole milk is $p(x) = 100 - x$ and the price for skim milk is $q(y) = 100 - y$. The cost of production is $C(x, y) = x^2 + xy + y^2$. How should the company choose x and y to maximize profits?

5-7. A monopolist produces a good which is bought by two types of consumers. The consumers of type 1 are willing to pay $50 - 5q_1$ euros in order to purchase q_1 units of the good. The consumers of type 2 are willing to pay $100 - 10q_2$ euros in order to purchase q_2 units of the good. The cost function of the monopolist is $c(q) = 90 + 20q$ euros. How much should the monopolist produce in each market?

5-8. Find and classify the extreme points of the following functions under the given restrictions.

- (a) $f(x, y, z) = x + y + z$ in $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 2$.
- (b) $f(x, y) = \cos(x^2 - y^2)$ in $x^2 + y^2 = 1$.

5-9. Minimize $x^4 + y^4 + z^4$ on the plane $x + y + z = 1$.

5-10. A company makes two products, P_1 and P_2 . If the company sells x_1 units of P_1 and x_2 units of P_2 it receives a net profit of $R = -5x_1^2 - 8x_2^2 - 2x_1x_2 + 42x_1 + 102x_2$. Find x_1 and x_2 that maximize net profit.

5-11. The prices for two goods produced by a monopolist are

$$p_1 = 256 - 3q_1 - q_2$$

$$p_2 = 222 + q_1 - 5q_2$$

where p_1, p_2 are the prices and q_1, q_2 are the quantities produced. The cost function is $C(q_1, q_2) = q_1^2 + q_1q_2 + q_2^2$. Find the quantities that maximize profit.

5-12. The production function for a firm is $4x + xy + 2yz$, where x is labor and y is capital. The total budget that the company can spend is 2000\$. Each unit of labor costs 20\$, whereas each unit of capital costs 4\$. Find

the optimal level of production for the firm.

- 5-13. An editor has been assigned a budget of 60.000 to be spent on advertising and production of a new book. She estimates that spending x thousand euro in production and y thousand euro in advertising she can sell $f(x, y) = 20x^{3/2}y$ books. If she wants to maximize sales, how much should she allocate to advertising and how much should she allocate to production?
- 5-14. A store sells two products which are close substitutes. The manager has found that if he sells the products at the prices P_1 and P_2 , the net profit is $R = 500P_1 + 800P_2 + 1,5P_1P_2 - 1,5P_1^2 - P_2^2$. Find the optimal prices for the manager.
- 5-15. The utility function of a consumer is $u(x, y) = \frac{1}{3} \ln x + \frac{2}{3} \ln y$, where x and y are the consumption goods, with prices, respectively, p_1 and p_2 . The rent of the agent is M . Find the demand of the agent for each good.
- 5-16. Find and classify the extreme points of the function f on the given set.
- (a) $f(x, y, z) = x^2 + y^2 + z^2$ on the set $\{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 : x + 2y + z = 1, 2x - 3y - z = 4\}$.
 - (b) $f(x, y, z) = (y + z - 3)^2$ on the set $\{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 : x^2 + y + z = 2, x + y^2 + 2z = 2\}$.
 - (c) $f(x, y, z) = x + y + z$ on the set $\{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 : x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1, x - y - z = 1\}$.
 - (d) $f(x, y, z) = x^2 + y^2 + z^2$ on the set $\{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 : x^2 + y^2 = z, x + y + z = 4\}$.
- 5-17. Find the maximum of the function $f(x, y, z) = xyz$ on the set $\{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 : x + y + z \leq 1, \quad x, y, z \geq 0\}$.
- 5-18. Find the minimum of the function $f(x, y) = 2y - x^2$ on the set $\{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : x^2 + y^2 \leq 1, \quad x, y \geq 0\}$.
- 5-19. Solve the optimization problem

$$\begin{cases} \min & x^2 + y^2 - 20x \\ \text{s.t.} & 25x^2 + 4y^2 \leq 100 \end{cases}$$

- 5-20. Solve the optimization problem

$$\begin{cases} \max & x + y - 2z \\ \text{s.t.} & z \geq x^2 + y^2 \\ & x, y, z \geq 0 \end{cases}$$