

MATH1052 - PROJECT 1 SOLUTIONS

NOTE: For problems such as these there is not necessarily a unique way of solving the problem. The solutions given here are just one of the possible correct solutions.

PART A - 1.

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>>ezsurf('x', 'x+2', 'z', [-3,0], [-15,5])
>>hold on
>>ezsurf('4-x^2-y^2', [-3,3])
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2. Substituting (2) into (1) gives

$$z = 4x - 2x^2. \quad (*)$$

Now

$$\frac{dz}{dx} = 4 - 4x, \quad \frac{d^2z}{dx^2} = -4$$

from which we see that when $x = 1$ the first derivative is zero and since the second derivative is negative this corresponds to a local maximum. Substituting $x = 1$ into eq. (*) yields the maximum value of 2.

3.

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>>ezplot('y-x-2', [-3,3])
>>hold on
>>ezplot('3-x^2-y^2')
>>ezplot('2-x^2-y^2')
>>ezplot('1-x^2-y^2')
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PART B - 2.

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = -4x(x^2 - 1) - 2(2xy - 1)(x^2y - x - 1) \quad (1)$$

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

$$\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2} = -4(x^2 - 1) - 8x^2 - 4y(x^2y - x - 1) - 2(2xy - 1)^2 \quad (3)$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial y^2} = -2x^4 \quad (4)$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x \partial y} = -4x(x^2y - x - 1) - 2x^2(2xy - 1). \quad (5)$$

From (2), we see that $\partial z / \partial y = 0$ when $x = 0$ or

$$x^2y - x - 1 = 0. \quad (6)$$

Substituting $x = 0$ into (1) shows that $\partial z / \partial x = 2$ so there is no critical point with $x = 0$. Returning to (6) we find

$$y = \frac{x+1}{x^2}. \quad (7)$$

Substituting (7) into (1) now yields

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = -4x(x^2 - 1)$$

so that $\partial z/\partial x = 0$ when $x = \pm 1$. We now substitute these values for x back into (7) to find the values 0,2 for y . Thus the critical points are (1,2) and (-1,0).

In order to classify these critical points we need to consider

$$D(x, y) = \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2} \cdot \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial y^2} - \left[\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x \partial y} \right]^2.$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial^2 z(1, 2)}{\partial x^2} &= -26 \\ \frac{\partial^2 z(1, 2)}{\partial y^2} &= -2 \\ \frac{\partial^2 z(1, 2)}{\partial x \partial y} &= -6 \\ \frac{\partial^2 z(-1, 0)}{\partial x^2} &= -10 \\ \frac{\partial^2 z(-1, 0)}{\partial y^2} &= -2 \\ \frac{\partial^2 z(-1, 0)}{\partial x \partial y} &= 2. \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} D(1, 2) &= 16 > 0 \quad \text{with} \quad \frac{\partial^2 z(1, 2)}{\partial x^2} < 0 \\ D(-1, 0) &= 16 > 0 \quad \text{with} \quad \frac{\partial^2 z(-1, 0)}{\partial x^2} < 0 \end{aligned}$$

so both points are local maxima.

4.

Substituting $y = x + 1$ into $z(x, y)$ gives

$$\begin{aligned} w(x) = z(x, x + 1) &= -(x^2 - 1)^2 - (x^2(x + 1) - x - 1)^2 \\ &= -(x^2 - 1)^2 - (x + 1)^2(x^2 - 1)^2 \\ &= -(x^2 - 1)^2 [1 + (x + 1)^2] \\ &= -(x^2 - 1)^2(x^2 + 2x + 2) \end{aligned}$$

and we can calculate

$$\frac{dw}{dx} = -(x^2 - 1)^2(2x + 2) - 4x(x^2 - 1)(x^2 + 2x + 2).$$

Matlab commands for the full problem (including Matlab output)

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>>ezplot('(x^2-1)^2+(x^2*y-x-1)^2-2', [-2,2], [-1,3])
>>hold on
>>ezplot('(x^2-1)^2+(x^2*y-x-1)^2-.5')
>>ezplot('(x^2-1)^2+(x^2*y-x-1)^2-.1')
>>ezplot('y-x-1')
>>x=fzero('-(x^2-1)^2*(2*x+2)-4*x*(x^2-1)*(x^2+2*x+2)', 0)
Zero found in the interval: [-0.32, 0.32].
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x=

0.2316

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>> w=-(x^2-1)^2*(x^2+2*x+2)
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w =

-2.2541

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>>ezplot('(x^2-1)^2+(x^2*y-x-1)^2-2.2541')
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5.

Following the line $y = x + 1$ from $(-1,0)$ to $(1,2)$ the contour levels are decreasing as we move away from $(-1,0)$ and increasing as we approach $(1,2)$. The point where the contour lines crossover from decreasing to increasing is not a local minimum. The figure shows that at this point the contour line is tangential to the line $y = x + 1$. For any curve from $(-1,0)$ to $(1,2)$ it is possible for a similar situation to occur, which demonstrates that it is *not necessary* for a local minimum to exist.