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Problem 1: Find the absolute maximum and minimum of $f(x, y) = 2x + 3y - x^2 - y^2$ in the region $x^2 + 2y^2 \leq 9$.

We need to check interior and boundary

Interior: $f_x = 2 - 2x \rightarrow f_x = 0$ when $x = 1$

$f_y = 3 - 2y \rightarrow f_y = 0$ when $y = 1.5$

$(1^2 + 1.5^2 < 9)$ so this is inside our region

We employ the Δ -test $f_{xx} = -2, f_{yy} = -2, f_{xy} = 0$

$D = 4 > 0, f_{xx} < 0$ so $f(1, 1.5) = 2 + 3 \cdot 1.5 - 1 - 2.25$

$= 3.25$ is a local max

Now we check boundaries:

We can use Lagrange multipliers

$\nabla f = \lambda \nabla g \rightarrow 2 - 2x = \lambda \cdot 2x$

$3 - 2x = \lambda \cdot 4y$

$x^2 + 2y^2 = 9$

either of these is worth full credit

or substitute $x = \pm \sqrt{9 - 4y^2}$

Unfortunately I made a mistake in tuning the parameters so the resulting equation is really hard to solve (It uses the quartic formula)

In the end the boundary max is $f(1.34, 1.96) = 3.017...$

and min is $f(-2.74, -0.97) = -16.325...$

Problem 2: Find the extreme values of $f(x, y, z) = y - 2x$ subject to the constraints $x + y + z = 3$ and $x^2 + z^2 = 4$

We'll solve this with Lagrange multipliers.

$$\text{let } g(x, y, z) = x + y + z, \quad h(x, y, z) = x^2 + z^2$$

Then our Lagrange condition is $\nabla f(x, y, z) = \lambda \nabla g(x, y, z) + \mu \nabla h(x, y, z)$

So we have this system:

$$a) \quad -2 = \lambda \cdot 1 + \mu \cdot 2x$$

$$b) \quad 1 = \lambda \cdot 1 + \mu \cdot 0$$

$$c) \quad 0 = \lambda \cdot 1 + \mu \cdot 2z$$

$$d) \quad x + y + z = 3$$

$$e) \quad x^2 + z^2 = 4$$

$$b \Rightarrow \lambda = 1$$

$$a \Rightarrow x = \frac{-3}{2\mu}$$

$$c \Rightarrow z = -\frac{1}{2\mu}$$

$$\rightarrow x = 3z$$

$$e) \Rightarrow 9z^2 + z^2 = 4$$

$$z = \pm \frac{2}{\sqrt{10}}$$

$$x = \pm \frac{6}{\sqrt{10}}$$

$$d) \quad y = 3 \mp \frac{8}{\sqrt{10}}$$

So our points are

$$P_1 \left(\frac{6}{\sqrt{10}}, \frac{2}{\sqrt{10}}, 3 - \frac{8}{\sqrt{10}} \right)$$

and

$$P_2 \left(-\frac{6}{\sqrt{10}}, -\frac{2}{\sqrt{10}}, 3 + \frac{8}{\sqrt{10}} \right)$$

$$\text{At } P_1, f = y - 2x = 3 - \frac{20}{\sqrt{10}}$$

and at P_2

$$f = 3 + \frac{20}{\sqrt{10}}$$

So these are our extreme values.