

Analysis III for Engineering Students

Work sheet 5

Exercise 1:

Given the following optimization problem:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Find the minima of } & f(x, y) = 2 - x + \frac{4}{9}y \\ \text{that satisfy the constraint } & g(x, y) = 25 - 9x^2 - y^2 \geq 0. \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

- a) Are there any local minima in the interior the admissible region, i.e. of $25 - 9x^2 - y^2 > 0$? Explain your answer.

Hint: local minima in the interior of the admissible set are also the local minima of the unconstrained problem: $\min_{x, y \in \mathbb{R}} f(x, y) = 2 - x + \frac{4}{9}y$.

- b) Find all global minima of f that satisfy the constraint

$$g(x, y) = 25 - 9x^2 - y^2 = 0$$

using the Lagrange multiplier rule. First check the regularity condition.

Remark: This exercise can also be solved by eliminating one of the variables. However, in this exercise we would like to practice the new solution method on the simple example.

- c) Find all global minima of the optimization problem (1) .

Hint: use a) and b).

Exercise 2:

Given the minimization problem:

$$f(x, y, z) := 2x + y + z \rightarrow \min$$

subject to

$$g(x, y, z) := x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 9.$$

$$h(x, y, z) := x^2 + (y - z)^2 = 1.$$

- a) Show that $\mathbf{x}_0 = (1, 2, 2)^T$ together with the corresponding multiplier is a stationary point of the Lagrange function $F := f + \lambda_1 g + \lambda_2 h$.
- b) Show that the point $\mathbf{x}_0 = (1, 2, 2)^T$ is a local maximum of the function f that fulfills the given constraint. To do this, check second order sufficient condition.