

Extremes of 2-variable functions:

$$f(x,y) = xy(x+y-6) = x^2y + xy^2 - 6xy$$

I Partial derivatives:

$$f_x = 2xy + y^2 - 6y \quad f_{xx} = 2y$$

$$f_y = x^2 + 2xy - 6x \quad f_{yy} = 2x$$

$$f_{xy} = (2xy + y^2 - 6y)'_y = 2x + 2y - 6$$

II Critical (= stationary) points

$$\begin{cases} 2xy + y^2 - 6y = 0 & \Rightarrow y(2x + y - 6) = 0 \\ x^2 + 2xy - 6x = 0 & \quad y = 0 \vee 2x + y - 6 = 0 \end{cases}$$

a)  $y = 0$

$$x^2 - 6x = 0$$

$$x(x-6) = 0$$

$$x = 0 \vee x = 6$$

$$\underline{P_1(0,0)} \quad \underline{P_2(6,0)}$$

b)  $2x + y - 6 = 0$

$$y = -2x + 6$$

$$x^2 + 2x(-2x + 6) - 6x = 0$$

$$x^2 - 4x^2 + 12x - 6x = 0$$

$$-3x^2 + 6x = 0$$

$$-3x(x-2) = 0$$

$$x = 0 \vee x = 2$$

$$\underline{P_3(0,6)} \quad \underline{P_4(2,2)}$$

III Determinants

$$Df = \begin{vmatrix} 2y & 2x+2y-6 \\ 2x+2y-6 & 2x \end{vmatrix}$$

$$Df(0,0) = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & -6 \\ -6 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = -36 < 0, \text{ saddle point}$$

$$Df(0,6) = \begin{vmatrix} 12 & 6 \\ 6 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = -36 < 0, \text{ saddle point}$$

$$Df(6,0) = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 6 \\ 6 & 12 \end{vmatrix} = -36 < 0, \text{ saddle point}$$

$$Df(2,2) = \begin{vmatrix} 4 & 2 \\ 2 & 4 \end{vmatrix} = 16 > 0, \quad (Dy)_{(2,2)} = 4 > 0 \text{ minimum}$$

IV Answer

$$f(2,2) = -8 \text{ is a minimum}$$

Saddle points:

$$f(0,0) = 0 \quad \underline{P = (0,0,0)}$$

$$f(0,6) = 0 \quad \underline{P = (0,6,0)}$$

$$f(6,0) = 0 \quad \underline{P = (6,0,0)}$$


**WolframAlpha** computational knowledge engine

Input interpretation:

plot  $x^2y + xy^2 - 6xy$ 

x = 1.99 to 2.01

y = 2.01 to 1.99

3D plot:

Show contour lines

