

Nature Inspired Computing and Applications

Topics: Maxima, Minima, and Saddle Point for Single Variable and Multiple Variable Optimization Function, Realization

Single Variable: Maxima, Minima and Saddle point

To find out maxima/ minima/ saddle point for unconstrained & single variable:

Step1: Equate the gradient/ derivative of the function to zero to determine stationary point.

Step2: Maxima and minima are located at stationary point. Therefore, find out second derivative at stationary point.

Step3: If, 2nd derivative

+ve

nature of extreme is minimum

-ve

nature of extreme is maxima

0

Saddle point, no minima or maxima

Single Variable: Maxima, Minima, & saddle point

$$f(x) = x^3 - 9x^2 + 24x \quad \frac{df}{dx} = 3x^2 - 18x + 24 = x^2 - 6x + 8$$

Two stationary points, roots of $x^2 - 6x + 8 = 0$

$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} = \frac{-(-6) \pm \sqrt{(-6)^2 - 4 * 1 * 8}}{2 * 1} \Rightarrow x = 2, x = 4$$

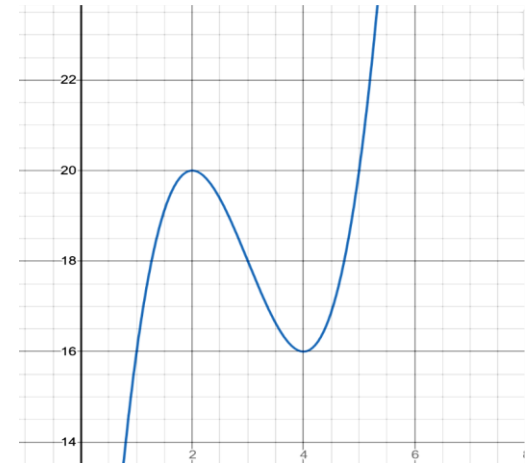
$$f'' = \frac{d^2f}{dx^2} = 2x - 6$$

$$\text{for } x = 2, f''(2) = 2 * 2 - 6 = -2 \quad \text{Maxima}$$

$$f(x) = 2^3 - 9 * 2^2 + 24 * 2 = 8 - 36 + 48 = 20$$

$$\text{for } x = 4, f''(4) = 2 * 4 - 6 = 2 \quad \text{Minima}$$

$$f(x) = 4^3 - 9 * 4^2 + 24 * 4 = 64 - 144 + 96 = 16$$



Multiple Variable: Maxima, Minima and saddle point

To find out maxima/ minima/ saddle point for unconstraint & single variable:

Step1: Equate the Jacobian derivative of the function to zero to determine stationary points.

Step2: Maxima and minima are located at stationary point. Therefore, find out Hessian at stationary point.

Step3: If, Hessian

definite +ve

definite -ve

definite 0

nature of extreme is minimum

nature of extreme is maxima

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Multivariable: Maxima, Minima, & saddle point

$$f(x) = 3x_1^2 + 2x_2^2 + x_3^2 - 2x_1x_2 - 2x_2x_3 + 2x_1x_3 - 6x_1 - 4x_2 - 2x_3$$

Stationary Points

$$J = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1} \\ \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_2} \\ \dots \\ \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_n} \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{aligned} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1} &= 6x_1 - 2x_2 + 2x_3 - 6 \\ \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_2} &= -2x_1 + 4x_2 - 2x_3 - 4 \\ &\vdots \\ \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_n} &= 2x_1 - 2x_2 + 2x_3 - 2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\rightarrow J = 0 \rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} 6 & -2 & 2 \\ -2 & 4 & -2 \\ 2 & -2 & 2 \end{vmatrix} \begin{vmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 6 \\ 4 \\ 2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 3 \end{vmatrix}$$

Hessian Matrix

$$H = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_1^2} & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_1 x_2} & \dots & \dots & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_1 x_n} \\ \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_2 x_1} & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_2^2} & \dots & \dots & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_2 x_n} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_n x_1} & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_n x_2} & \dots & \dots & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_n^2} \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\rightarrow \begin{aligned} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_1^2} &= 6, \quad \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_1 x_2} = -2, \quad \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_1 x_3} = 2 \\ \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_2 x_1} &= -2, \quad \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_2^2} = 4, \quad \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_2 x_n} = -2 \\ \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_1 x_3} &= 2, \quad \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_2 x_3} = -2, \quad \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_3^2} = 2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\rightarrow H = \begin{vmatrix} 6 & -2 & 2 \\ -2 & 4 & -2 \\ 2 & -2 & 2 \end{vmatrix}$$

Principal Determinant

$$H_1 = 6 > 0$$

$$H_2 = \begin{vmatrix} 6 & -2 \\ -2 & 4 \end{vmatrix} = 20 > 0$$

$$H_3 = \begin{vmatrix} 6 & -2 & 2 \\ -2 & 4 & -2 \\ 2 & -2 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 16 > 0$$

**All +ve definite matrix,
Hence stationary point
corresponds to minima**

Realization

- Two or more solution with same objective function. Different decision variable but same solution.

$$f(x_1, x_2) = \max(x_1, x_2)$$

$$s. t. \quad x_1 + x_2 = 3$$

$$x_1 - x_2 \leq 1$$

$$x_1, x_2 \geq 0$$

	x_1	x_2	f
Sol1	1	2	2
Sol2	2	1	2

Problem Statement: Design a Cylindrical can using two parameters: diameter d and height h . Consider a case that the can needs to have a volume of at least 300ml and the objective of the design is to minimize the cost of can material.

Objective Function: Minimize $f(d, h) = c \left(\frac{\pi d^2}{2} + \pi d h \right)$

Subject to $g(d, h) = \frac{\pi d^2 h}{4} \geq 300$

