

Last time $f(x, y)$, $f(x, y, z)$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \quad (\text{or } f_x, f_y)$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2}, \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y \partial x}, \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y}, \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} \quad (f_{xx}, f_{xy}, f_{yx}, f_{yy})$$

Mixed Derivatives Thm: $f \in C^2$ (\uparrow exist and continuous)

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{f_{xy} = f_{yx}}$$

One counterexample if f is not cts after 2nd derivatives

Consider

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{xy(x^2 - y^2)}{x^2 + y^2} & \text{when } (x, y) \neq (0, 0) \\ 0 & \text{when } (x, y) = (0, 0) \end{cases}$$

(Ex: f is cts at $(0, 0)$.)

Claim: $f_{xy}(0, 0) \neq f_{yx}(0, 0) \Rightarrow f \notin C^2$.

$$\begin{aligned} f_{xy}(0, 0) &= (f_x)_y(0, 0) \\ &:= \lim_{k \rightarrow 0} \frac{f_x(0, k) - f_x(0, 0)}{k} \end{aligned} \Rightarrow f_x(0, k) = ?$$

For $y \neq 0$,

$$\begin{aligned} f_x(0, y) &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{xy(x^2 - y^2)}{x^2 + y^2} \right) \Big|_{(0, y)} \\ &= \frac{(x^2 + y^2) [y(x^2 - y^2) + 2x(2x)] - xy(x^2 - y^2) \cdot (2x)}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} \Big|_{(0, y)} \\ &= \frac{-y^5}{y^4} = -y. \end{aligned}$$

For $y=0$,

$$\begin{aligned} f_x(0,0) &:= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(h,0) - f(0,0)}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{0 - 0}{h} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

In summary, $f_x(0,y) = -y \quad \forall y$

$$\begin{aligned} f_{xy}(0,0) &= \lim_{k \rightarrow 0} \frac{f_x(0,k) - f_x(0,0)}{k} \\ &= \lim_{k \rightarrow 0} \frac{-k - 0}{k} = -1 \end{aligned}$$

For the right hand side,

...

$$\begin{aligned} f_{yx}(0,0) &= (f_y)_x(0,0) \\ &:= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f_y(h,0) - f_y(0,0)}{h} \end{aligned}$$

For $x \neq 0$,

$$\begin{aligned} f_y(x,0) &= \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{xy(x^2 - y^2)}{x^2 + y^2} \right) \Big|_{(x,0)} \\ &= \frac{(x^2 + y^2)[(x)(x^2 - y^2) + \dots] - \dots}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} \Big|_{(x,0)} \\ &= \frac{x^5}{x^4} = x. \end{aligned}$$

For $x=0$,

$$f_y(0,0) = \lim_{k \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(0,k) - f(0,0)}{k} = \lim_{k \rightarrow 0} \frac{0 - 0}{k} = 0$$

$\Rightarrow f_y(x,0) = x, \quad \forall x.$

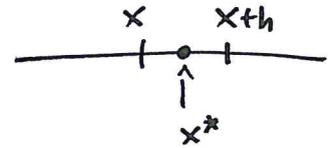
$$f_{yx}(0,0) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f_y(h,0) - f_y(0,0)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{h - 0}{h} = 1$$

Now, $f_{xy}(0,0) = -1 \neq 1 = f_{yx}(0,0)$

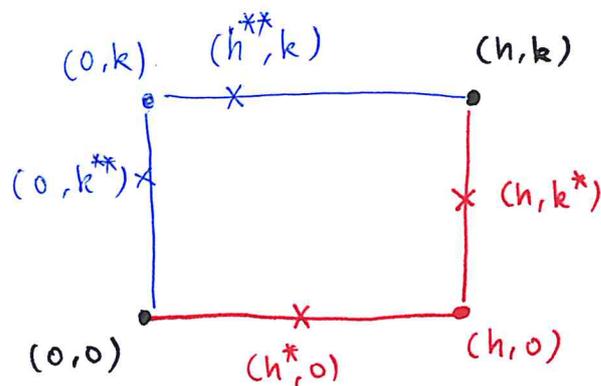
Proof of $f_{xy} = f_{yx}$ if $f \in C^2$:

Recall: Mean Value Theorem in 1-D.

$$\frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} = f'(x^*)$$



Fix $(0,0)$ to be the point: ie $f_{xy}(0,0) = f_{yx}(0,0)$.



$$f(h,k) - f(0,0) = \underbrace{f(h,k) - f(h,0)} + \underbrace{f(h,0) - f(0,0)}$$

mean value
thm.

$$= f_y(h,k^*) (k-0) + f_x'(h^*,0) (h-0)$$

$$= [f_y(h,k^*) k + f_x(h^*,0) h.]$$

$$= f(h,k) - f(0,k) + f(0,k) - f(0,0)$$

$$= [f_x(h^**,k) h + f_y(0,k^**) k.]$$

$$\Rightarrow f_x(h^**,k) h - f_x(h^*,0) h = f_y(h,k^*) k - f_y(0,k^**) k$$

⋮
⇒

$$f_{xy}(h',k') h k = f_{yx}(h'',k'') h k$$

Since f_{xy}, f_{yx} cts \Rightarrow when $h,k \rightarrow 0$, all $(h',k') \approx (h'',k'') \rightarrow (0,0)$

$$f_{xy}(0,0) = f_{yx}(0,0)$$

Ex. $f(x,y) = e^x \sin y$ (in C^2)

Calculate all 2nd order partial derivatives.

Sol: $f_x = e^x \sin y$

$f_{xx} = e^x \sin y$

$f_y = e^x \cos y$

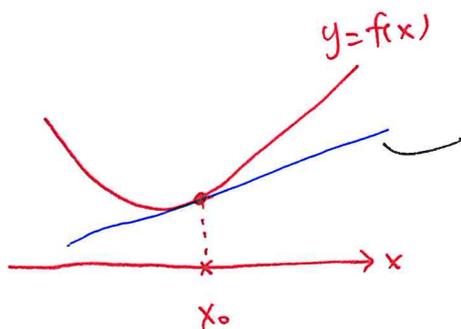
$f_{xy} = f_{yx} = e^x \cos y$

$f_{yy} = -e^x \sin y$

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Generalizations: $f_{xyx} = f_{xxy} = f_{yxx}$ if $f \in C^3$

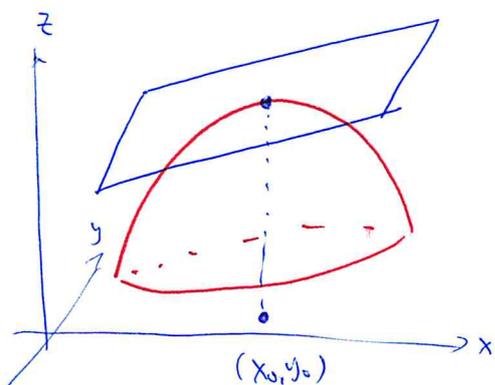
Recall: Tangent line to $y=f(x)$ at $x=x_0$



$y = f(x_0) + \underbrace{f'(x_0)}_{\text{slope of tangent line}} (x - x_0)$

slope of tangent line.

Tangent plane to ~~y~~ $z = f(x,y)$ at (x_0, y_0)



$z = f(x_0, y_0) + \underbrace{f_x(x_0, y_0)}_{\text{"slope" of tangent plane}} (x - x_0) + \underbrace{f_y(x_0, y_0)}_{\text{"slope" of tangent plane}} (y - y_0)$

"slope" of tangent plane

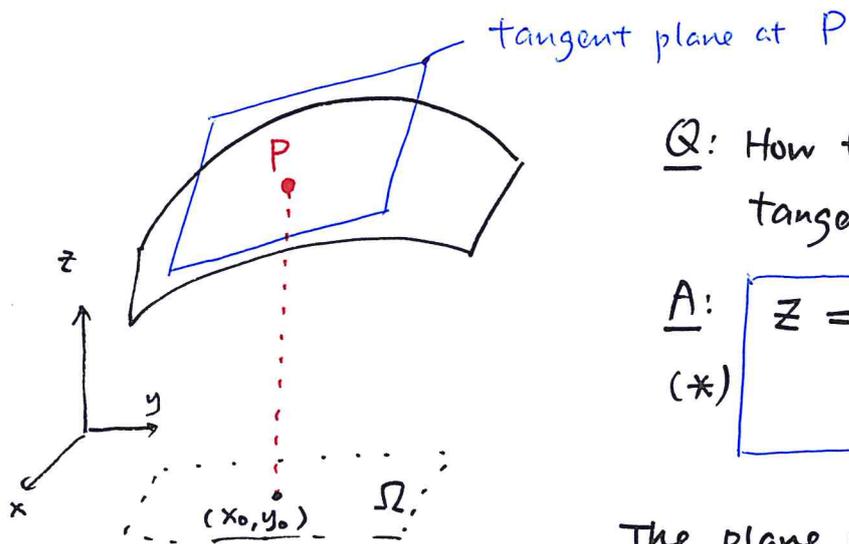
Last time ... $f_{xy} = f_{yx}$ if $f \in C^2$

tangent plane equation.

Tangent Plane of a graphical surface $z = f(x, y)$

Setup: $f: \Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is in C^1

fix $(x_0, y_0) \in \Omega$.



Q: How to the equation of this tangent plane?

A:
$$z = f(x_0, y_0) + f_x(x_0, y_0)(x - x_0) + f_y(x_0, y_0)(y - y_0)$$

(*)

The plane (*) agrees with the $z = f(x, y)$ up to 1st order at (x_0, y_0) .

Plane: $z = g(x, y)$

Surface: $z = f(x, y)$

then
$$\begin{cases} g(x_0, y_0) = f(x_0, y_0) \\ g_x(x_0, y_0) = f_x(x_0, y_0) \\ g_y(x_0, y_0) = f_y(x_0, y_0) \end{cases}$$

Q: How to derive (*)?

\mathbb{P} contains P and
parallel to \vec{V}_x , and \vec{V}_y .

Now: $P = (x_0, y_0, f(x_0, y_0))$

red curve: $\gamma_1(t) = (x_0 + t, y_0, f(x_0 + t, y_0))$

$\gamma_1(0) = P$; $\gamma_1'(0) = \vec{V}_x = (1, 0, f_x(x_0, y_0))$

blue curve: $\gamma_2(t) = (x_0, y_0 + t, f(x_0, y_0 + t))$

$\gamma_2(0) = P$; $\gamma_2'(0) = \vec{V}_y = (0, 1, f_y(x_0, y_0))$

Get a normal vector at P ,

$$\vec{n} = \vec{V}_x \times \vec{V}_y$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ 1 & 0 & f_x \\ 0 & 1 & f_y \end{vmatrix} = (-f_x, -f_y, 1)$$

Tangent plane equation:

$$(\vec{x} - P) \cdot \vec{n} = 0$$

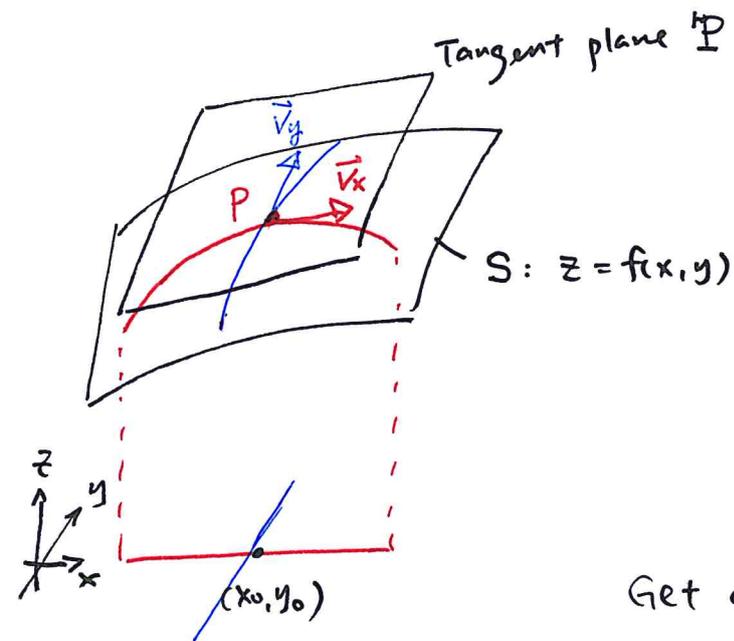
i.e. $(x - x_0, y - y_0, z - f(x_0, y_0)) \cdot$

$$(-f_x(x_0, y_0), -f_y(x_0, y_0), 1) = 0$$

$$-f_x(x_0, y_0)(x - x_0) - f_y(x_0, y_0)(y - y_0) + z - f(x_0, y_0) = 0$$

$$(*) \quad \boxed{z = f(x_0, y_0) + f_x(x_0, y_0)(x - x_0) + f_y(x_0, y_0)(y - y_0)}$$

tangent plane at P .



Example: Find the equation of the tangent plane for

$$z = x^2 + y^2 \quad \text{at } (1, 0, 1).$$

Solution: Check: ① $z = x^2 + y^2 =: f(x, y)$ graphical surface of f

② $P = (1, 0, 1)$ lies on the surface

$$(\text{ie } 1 = 1^2 + 0^2 \quad \checkmark)$$

Now, $(x_0, y_0) = (1, 0)$ and we know

Eqn: $z = \underline{f(x_0, y_0)} + \underline{f_x(x_0, y_0)}(x - x_0) + \underline{f_y(x_0, y_0)}(y - y_0)$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} f(x, y) = x^2 + y^2 \\ f_x = 2x \\ f_y = 2y \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \begin{array}{l} \underline{f(1, 0)} = 1 \\ \underline{f_x(1, 0)} = 2 \\ \underline{f_y(1, 0)} = 0. \end{array}$$

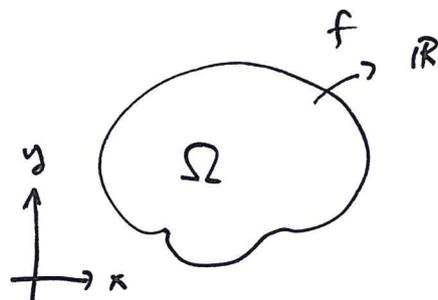
$$\Rightarrow z = 1 + 2 \cdot (x - 1) + 0 \cdot (y - 0)$$

ie. $z = 1 + 2(x - 1)$

ie. $\boxed{2x - z = 1}$

Applications (Min/Max Problems)

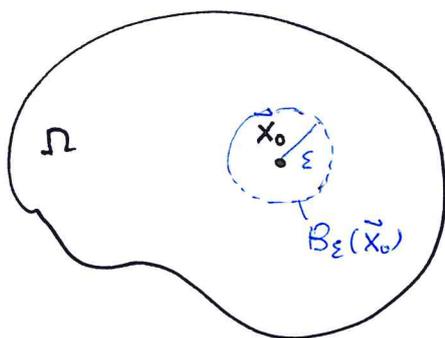
Q: Given $f: \Omega \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, how do we find the "maximum" & "minimum" (extremum) of f ?



$$\boxed{\begin{array}{l} \text{max/min } f(x, y) \\ \Omega \end{array}}$$

Defⁿ: A point $\vec{x}_0 \in \Omega$ is said to be

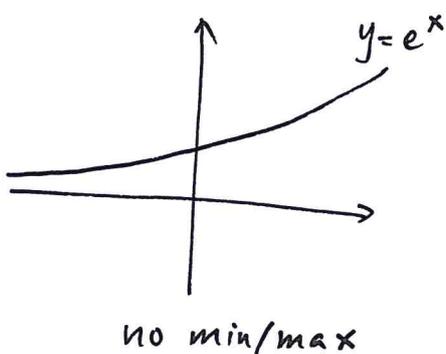
- a local maximum of f if $f(\vec{x}_0) \geq f(\vec{x})$
 $\forall \vec{x} \in \Omega \cap B_\varepsilon(\vec{x}_0)$ for some $\varepsilon > 0$



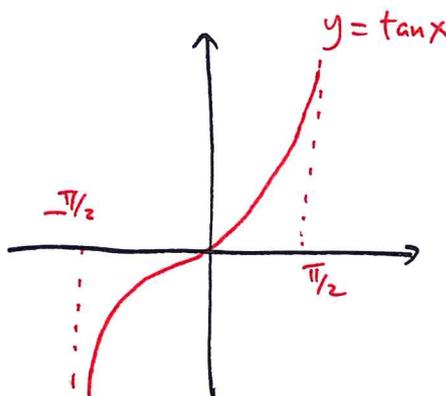
- a global maximum of f if $f(\vec{x}_0) \geq f(\vec{x}) \forall \vec{x} \in \Omega$

Note: In some cases, min/max f do not exist.

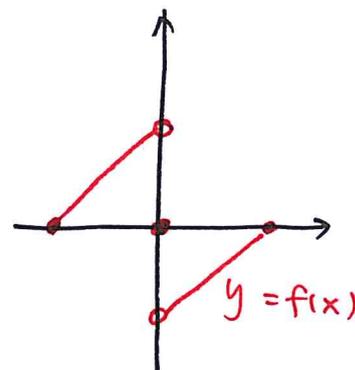
(ID): bad examples.



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 interval is infinite



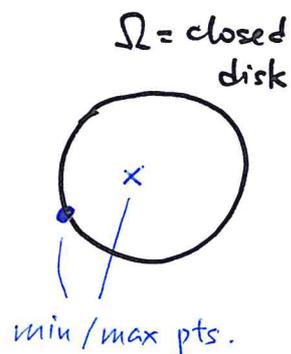
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 $(-\pi/2, \pi/2)$ is open



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 f is not cts

Extreme Value Theorem:

If $f: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a ^① continuous function on
 a ^② bounded and ^③ closed $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$,
 then the ₁ min/max of f exist.
 global



First Derivative Test $f = f(x, y)$

If (1) $\vec{x}_0 \in \Omega$ is an interior point

(ie. $\exists \varepsilon > 0$, st $B_\varepsilon(\vec{x}_0) \subset \Omega$)

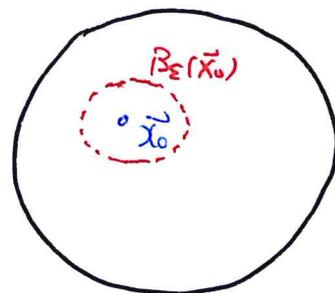
(2) \vec{x}_0 is a local min/max for f

where $f: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is in C^1 .

then

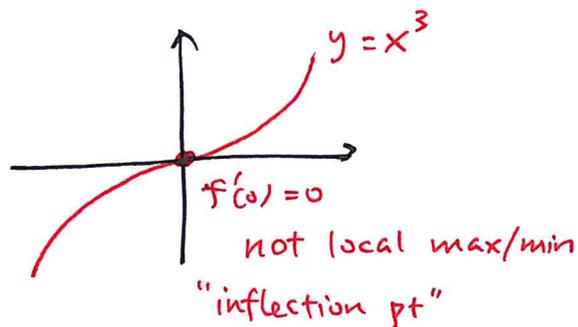
$$\cancel{f_x(x_0, y_0)} \quad \boxed{f_x(\vec{x}_0) = 0 = f_y(\vec{x}_0)}$$

all the 1st order partial derivatives vanish at \vec{x}_0 .



Note: \Leftarrow is false!

1D - example: $y = f(x) = x^3$, $x_0 = 0$



Defⁿ: An interior pt $\vec{x}_0 \in \Omega$ is a critical point of f

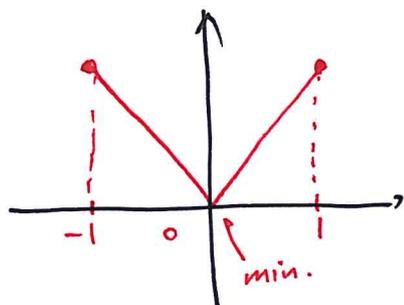
if either (i) f does not have first partial derivative at \vec{x}_0

(ie. either $f_x(x_0, y_0)$ or $f_y(x_0, y_0)$ does not exist)

or (ii) $\boxed{f_x(x_0, y_0) = 0 = f_y(x_0, y_0)}$

e.g.: (why need (i))

1D - example: $y = f(x) = |x|$.



f is
 0 is a min but ∇ not differentiable.
at 0 .

Observe: Goal: $\min_{\Omega} f(x,y)$

the $\min/\max \vec{x}_0 \in \Omega$ $\begin{cases} \vec{x}_0 \in \partial\Omega \\ \vec{x}_0 \notin \partial\Omega \text{ and is a critical pt.} \end{cases}$

Example A: Find the minimum of $f(x,y) = x^2 + y^2 - 4y + 9$ on $\Omega = \mathbb{R}^2$

$$\min_{\mathbb{R}^2} f(x,y)$$

Observations: (1) f is C^1 on \mathbb{R}^2

(2) $\partial\Omega = \emptyset \Rightarrow$ every pt is interior.

\Rightarrow The min. (if it exists) must be a critical point

Q: Where are the critical points?

$$\text{ie } (x_0, y_0) \in \Omega \text{ st. } \begin{cases} f_x(x_0, y_0) = 0 \\ f_y(x_0, y_0) = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$f = x^2 + y^2 - 4y + 9$$

$$\begin{cases} f_x = 2x = 0 \\ f_y = 2y - 4 = 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{matrix} x = 0 \\ y = 2 \end{matrix} \text{ is the only solution}$$

\Rightarrow 1 critical point $(x_0, y_0) = (0, 2)$

Q: Is $(x_0, y_0) = (0, 2)$ a local min/max?

$$f = x^2 + y^2 - 4y + 9, \quad (x,y) \rightarrow \infty \Rightarrow f \rightarrow +\infty$$

\uparrow
 $\mathbb{R}^2 \text{ as } x^2 + y^2 \rightarrow \infty$

$\Rightarrow (0, 2)$ is a ~~min~~ minimum

$$\text{with } f(0, 2) = 4 - 8 + 9 = 5_*$$

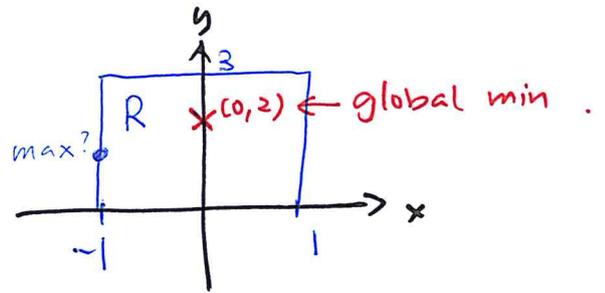
$$[\text{See: } f = x^2 + (y-2)^2 + 5 \geq 5]$$

Example B :

$$\boxed{\max/\min f_R}$$

where R is a rectangle (closed)

Note: R closed + bdd \Rightarrow max/min f exist.



$$\min_R f = 5 \text{ at } (0, 2)$$

since it is a global minimum on $\mathbb{R}^2 \supset R$

Q: What about the maximum?

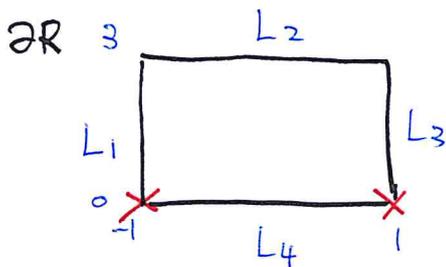
- only 1 critical pt. $(0, 2)$ in the interior, which is a min.

$$\Rightarrow \vec{x}_0 \text{ max pt} \in \partial R$$

\Rightarrow reduce the problem to

$$\max_{\partial R} f$$

1D - problem !!



$$\text{On } L_1: f(-1, y) = y^2 - 4y + 10$$

$$\max_{y \in [0, 3]} (y^2 - 4y + 10) \stackrel{\text{Ex:}}{=} \textcircled{10}$$

$$\text{On } L_2: f(x, 3) = x^2 + 6$$

$$\max_{x \in [-1, 1]} (x^2 + 6) \stackrel{\text{Ex:}}{=} \textcircled{7}$$

$$\text{On } L_3: f(1, y) = y^2 - 4y + 10$$

$$\text{Same as } L_1 \quad \max = \textcircled{10}$$

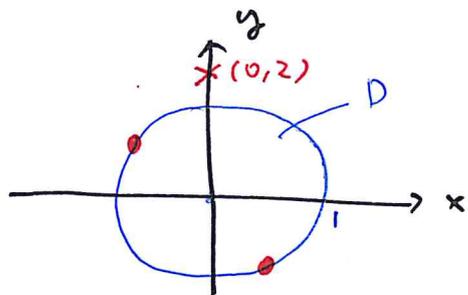
$$\text{On } L_4: f(x, 0) = x^2 + 9$$

$$\max_{x \in [-1, 1]} (x^2 + 9) = \textcircled{10}$$

max = 10 achieved at $(-1, 0)$ and $(1, 0)$.

Example C: $\max/\min f$ where $D =$ closed unit disk
 D

Sol: There is no critical pts in the interior of D .



So, $\min/\max \vec{x}_0 \in \partial D$.

Use polar coordinates: $\partial D = \{(r, \theta) \mid r=1\}$

$$f = x^2 + y^2 - 4y + 9$$

$$= (r \cos \theta)^2 + (r \sin \theta)^2 - 4(r \sin \theta) + 9$$

$$f(r, \theta) = r^2 - 4r \sin \theta + 9 \quad (\text{in polar coord.})$$

On ∂D , $r=1$.

$$f(1, \theta) = 1 - 4 \sin \theta + 9 = 10 - 4 \sin \theta.$$

$$\boxed{\min/\max_{\theta} (10 - 4 \sin \theta)} \quad \stackrel{\text{VS}}{=} \quad \min/\max_{x^2+y^2=1} x^2+y^2-4y+9$$

since $|\sin \theta| \leq 1$

min happens when $\sin \theta = 1$, $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$

max happens when $\sin \theta = -1$, $\theta = \frac{3\pi}{2}$.

$$\boxed{\min_D f = 6 \quad \text{at } (0, 1)}$$

$$\boxed{\max_D f = 14 \quad \text{at } (0, -1)}$$

