

(Cont'd) Idea (of the reduction to unconstrained problem)

$$F(\vec{x}, \lambda) = F(x_1, \dots, x_n, \lambda) \text{ is of } n+1 \text{ variables}$$

$$= f(\vec{x}) - \lambda(g(\vec{x}) - c)$$

critical pts :

$$\vec{0} = \vec{\nabla} F = \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial x_1}, \dots, \frac{\partial F}{\partial x_n}, \frac{\partial F}{\partial \lambda} \right)$$

\uparrow
 \mathbb{R}^{n+1} $(n+1)$ -variables

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 0 = \frac{\partial F}{\partial x_i} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i} - \lambda \frac{\partial g}{\partial x_i} \quad \forall i=1, \dots, n \\ 0 = \frac{\partial F}{\partial \lambda} = -(g - c) \end{array} \right.$$

$$\Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i} = \lambda \frac{\partial g}{\partial x_i} \quad \forall i=1, \dots, n \quad (\Leftrightarrow \vec{\nabla} f = \lambda \vec{\nabla} g) \\ g = c \end{array} \right.$$

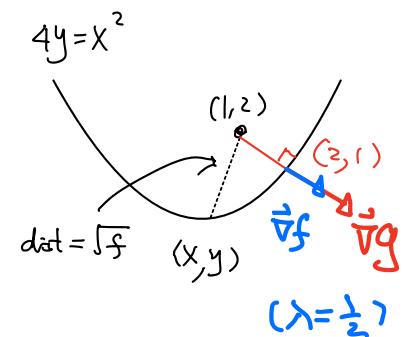
n -variables

\Rightarrow extreme of f under the constraint $g=c$
by Lagrange multipliers Thm. \star

Eg 2 (cont'd) minimize $f(x, y) = (x-1)^2 + (y-2)^2$

under constraint $g(x, y) = x^2 - 4y = 0$

Solu: Consider



$$F(x, y, \lambda) = f(x, y) - \lambda(g(x, y) - 0)$$

$$= (x-1)^2 + (y-2)^2 - \lambda(x^2 - 4y)$$

$$\begin{cases} 0 = \frac{\partial F}{\partial x} = 2(x-1) - 2\lambda x & \text{--- (1)} \\ 0 = \frac{\partial F}{\partial y} = 2(y-2) + 4\lambda & \text{--- (2)} \\ 0 = \frac{\partial F}{\partial \lambda} = -(x^2 - 4y) & \text{--- (3)} \end{cases}$$

$$(2) \Rightarrow 2\lambda = 2-y$$

$$\text{Put into (1)} \Rightarrow 0 = 2(x-1) - (2-y)x$$

$$\Rightarrow y = \frac{2}{x}$$

$$\text{Put into (3)} \Rightarrow x^2 - \frac{8}{x} = 0 \Rightarrow x^3 = 8 \Rightarrow x = 2$$

$$\text{hence } y = 1$$

$\therefore (2, 1)$ is the only critical point.

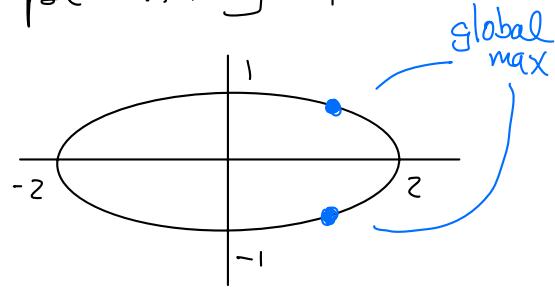
$\Rightarrow f$ has a minimum at $(2, 1) \in g^{-1}(0)$

with value $f(2, 1) = (2-1)^2 + (1-2)^2 = 2$



Q3 Maximize $f(x,y) = xy^2$ on the ellipse $x^2 + 4y^2 = 4$

Solu : $\begin{cases} f(x,y) = xy^2 \\ g(x,y) = x^2 + 4y^2 \end{cases}$



∴ hence consider

$$F(x,y,\lambda) = xy^2 - \lambda(x^2 + 4y^2 - 4)$$

$$\begin{cases} 0 = \frac{\partial F}{\partial x} = y^2 - 2\lambda x \\ 0 = \frac{\partial F}{\partial y} = 2xy - 8\lambda y \\ 0 = \frac{\partial F}{\partial \lambda} = 4 - x^2 - 4y^2 \end{cases}$$

(Ex!) By "simple" calculation, we have

$$(x,y) = (\pm 2, 0) \text{ or } \left(\pm \sqrt{\frac{4}{3}}, \pm \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \right)$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc} = (2,0) & & \left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}, \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \right) & \left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}, -\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \right) \\ (-2,0) & & \left(-\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}, \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \right) & \left(-\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}, -\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \right) \end{array} \right)$$

are all critical points of the problem.

Comparing values of f at all these 6 critical pts:

$$f(\pm 2, 0) = 0$$

$$f\left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}, \pm \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\right) = \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} \cdot \frac{2}{3} = \frac{4}{3\sqrt{3}} \leftarrow \text{max}$$

$$f\left(-\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}, \pm \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\right) = -\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} \cdot \frac{2}{3} = -\frac{4}{3\sqrt{3}} \leftarrow \text{min}$$

\therefore For $f(x,y)$ on $g(x,y) = 4$, the
global max value $= \frac{4}{3\sqrt{3}}$ at $(\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}, \pm \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}})$

(global min value $= -\frac{4}{3\sqrt{3}}$ at $(-\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}, \pm \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}})$) ~~***~~

Eg 1 (cont'd) Using Lagrange multiplier, find global max/min of

$$f(x,y) = x^2 + 2y^2 - x + 3 \text{ on } x^2 + y^2 = 1$$

(Step 2 of the original global max/min problem on $x^2 + y^2 \leq 1$)

Solu: Let $\begin{cases} f(x,y) = x^2 + 2y^2 - x + 3 \\ g(x,y) = x^2 + y^2 \end{cases}$

$$\& F(x,y,\lambda) = x^2 + 2y^2 - x + 3 - \lambda(x^2 + y^2 - 1)$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 0 = \frac{\partial F}{\partial x} = 2x - 1 - 2\lambda x \quad \text{--- (1)} \\ 0 = \frac{\partial F}{\partial y} = 4y - 2\lambda y \quad \text{--- (2)} \\ 0 = \frac{\partial F}{\partial \lambda} = -(x^2 + y^2 - 1) \quad \text{--- (3)} \end{array} \right.$$

$$(2) \Rightarrow (2 - \lambda)y = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y = 0 \text{ or } \lambda = 2$$

$$\text{If } y = 0, \text{ then (3)} \Rightarrow x^2 = 1 \Rightarrow x = \pm 1$$

Hence $(x,y) = (\pm 1, 0)$ are critical pts.

If $y \neq 0$, then $\lambda = 2$

$$\therefore (1) \Rightarrow 2x - 1 - 2(2)x = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = -\frac{1}{2}$$

Put into (3) $(\frac{1}{2})^2 + y^2 = 1 \Rightarrow y^2 = \frac{3}{4} \Rightarrow y = \pm \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$

$\therefore (x, y) = (-\frac{1}{2}, \pm \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2})$ are critical pts.

All together, the critical pts. are

$$(x, y) = (\pm 1, 0), (-\frac{1}{2}, \pm \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2})$$

Comparing values $f(-\frac{1}{2}, \pm \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}) = \frac{21}{4} \leftarrow \max \text{ (on } x^2 + y^2 = 1\text{)}$

$$f(1, 0) = 3 \leftarrow \min \text{ (on } x^2 + y^2 = 1\text{)}$$

$$f(-1, 0) = 5$$

\therefore Global max. of f on $\{x^2 + y^2 = 1\} = \frac{21}{4}$ at $(-\frac{1}{2}, \pm \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2})$

Global min. of f on $\{x^2 + y^2 = 1\} = 3$ at $(1, 0)$

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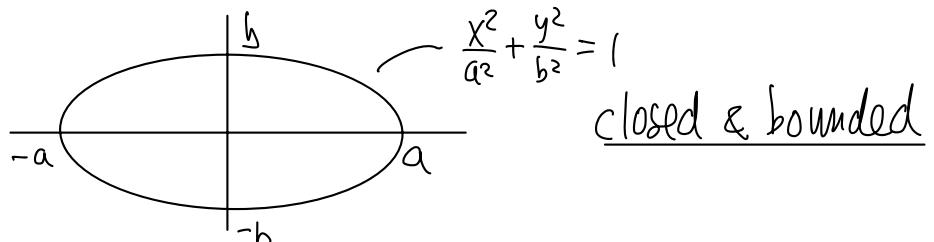
Classification of Quadratic Constraints

2-variables : $g(x,y) = Ax^2 + 2Bxy + Cy^2 + Dx + Ey + F$

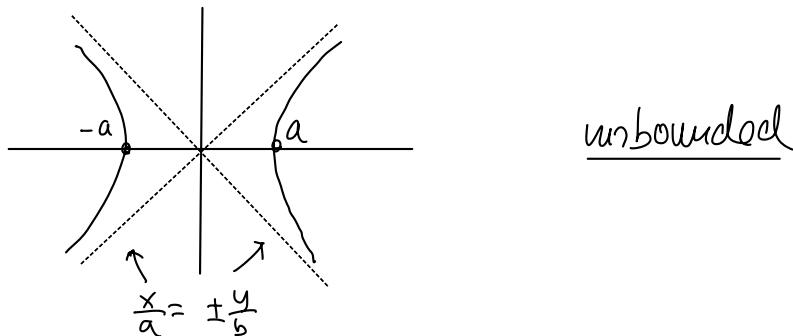
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Typical examples for level curve $g(x,y) = c$

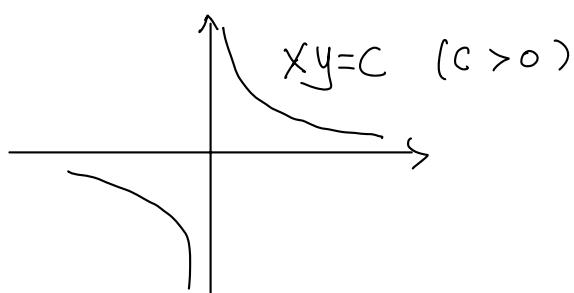
(i) $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1, a, b > 0$ Ellipse (circle if $a=b$)



(ii) $\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1, a, b > 0$ Hyperbola



($xy=c, c \neq 0$, is also a hyperbola)

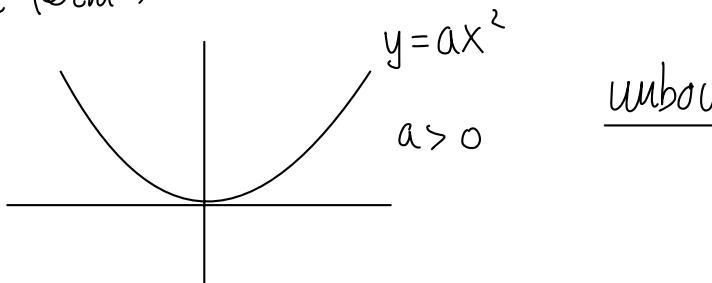


$$\left(x = \pm a \sqrt{1 + \frac{y^2}{b^2}} = \pm \frac{a}{b} y \sqrt{1 + \frac{b^2}{y^2}} \sim \pm \frac{a}{b} y \text{ as } |y| \rightarrow +\infty \right)$$

(iii) $y = ax^2$, $a \neq 0$

Parabola

(only 1 quadratic term)



unbounded

(iv) Degenerate Cases ($a>0, b>0$)

- $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 0 \rightarrow$ a point $(0,0)$

- $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = -1 \rightarrow$ empty set

- $\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 0 \rightarrow \frac{x}{a} = \pm \frac{y}{b}$ a pair of intersecting lines
 $(xy = 0)$

- $x^2 = c \rightarrow x = \pm\sqrt{c}$ $\begin{cases} \bullet \text{a pair of parallel lines if } c > 0 \\ \bullet \text{a "double" line if } c = 0 \\ \bullet \text{empty set if } c < 0 \end{cases}$

Fact : By a change of coordinates, any quadratic constraint $g(x,y)=c$ can be transformed to one of the form above.

(Proof = Omitted)

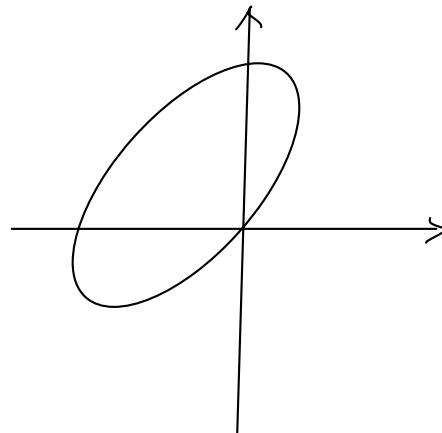
Hence level sets of quadratic constraints are ellipse,
hyperbola, parabola, & degenerated cases

e.g. $17x^2 - 12xy + 8y^2 + 16\sqrt{5}x - 8\sqrt{5}y = 0$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{u^2}{1^2} + \frac{v^2}{2^2} = 1$$

where $\begin{cases} u = \frac{2x-y}{\sqrt{5}} + 1 \\ v = \frac{x+2y}{\sqrt{5}} \end{cases}$,

(check!)



Remark: Ellipse is closed and bounded \Rightarrow Any continuous $f(x,y)$ restricted to an ellipse has global max & min.

Not the case for hyperbola & parabola.