

Problem 1 : Classification of Quadratic Form

Firstly use completing the square to classify the following quadratic forms;
then use $4AC - B^2$ method to do it again;
finally determine the zero sets for each of them:

zero sets on last page:

1. $f(x, y) = x^2 + 2y^2$ positive definite
2. $f(x, y) = x^2 - y^2$ indefinite
3. $f(x, y) = -x^2 - y^2$ negative definite
4. $f(x, y) = xy$ indefinite
5. $f(x, y) = x^2$ semi-definite
6. $f(x, y) = x^2 - 4xy + 3y^2 = x^2 + 2 \cdot x \cdot (-2y) + (-2y)^2 - (-2y)^2 + 3y^2 = [x + (-2y)]^2 - y^2$
7. $f(x, y) = 9x^2 - 36xy + 81y^2 = 9[x^2 - 4xy + 9y^2]$ indefinite
8. $f(x, y) = xy + y^2 = 9[x^2 + 2 \cdot x \cdot (-2y) + (-2y)^2 - (-2y)^2 + 9y^2]$
9. $f(x, y) = x^2 + 2xy = 9[(x-2y)^2 + 5y^2] = 9(x-2y)^2 + 45y^2$ positive definite
10. $f(x, y) = \frac{1}{2}x^2 - xy + y^2$

- The first 5 is in good form so no need to complete the square
- $4AC - B^2 < 0$ indefinite
- $4AC - B^2 = 0$ semi-definite
- $4AC - B^2 > 0$
 - $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} A > 0 \text{ positive definite} \\ A < 0 \text{ negative definite} \end{array} \right.$

Problem 2: Domain

Find the largest domain where the functions can be defined:

1. $f(x, y) = \sqrt{9 - x^2} + \sqrt{y^2 - 4}$
2. $f(x, y) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{16 - x^2 - 4y^2}}$

$$1. \begin{cases} 9 - x^2 \geq 0 \\ y^2 - 4 \geq 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} |x| \leq 3 \\ |y| \geq 2 \end{cases}$$

$$2. 16 - x^2 - 4y^2 > 0$$

$$8. \begin{aligned} xy + y^2 &= y^2 + 2 \cdot y \cdot \frac{x}{2} + \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^2 - \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^2 \\ &= \left(y + \frac{x}{2}\right)^2 - \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^2 \text{ indefinite} \end{aligned}$$

$$9. \begin{aligned} x^2 + 2xy &= x^2 + 2 \cdot x \cdot y + y^2 - y^2 \\ &= (x + y)^2 - y^2 \text{ indefinite} \end{aligned}$$

$$10. \begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2}x^2 - xy + y^2 &= \frac{1}{2} [x^2 - 2xy + 2y^2] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} [x^2 + 2 \cdot x \cdot (-y) + (-y)^2 - (-y)^2 + 2y^2] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} [(x - y)^2 + y^2] \text{ positive} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (x - y)^2 + \frac{1}{2} y^2 \text{ definite} \end{aligned}$$

Problem 3: Limit for Two Variable Function

Determine if the following functions have a limit as (x, y) approaches $(0, 0)$:

1. $f(x, y) = \frac{xy}{x^2+y^2}$ No

2. $f(x, y) = \frac{x^2}{x^2+y^2}$ No

3. $f(x, y) = \frac{x^2}{\sqrt{x^2+y^2}}$ Yes

1. Restrict the function to $y=kx$

$$f(x, y) = \frac{x \cdot kx}{x^2 + k^2x^2} = \frac{k}{1+k^2}$$

$$\text{so } \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x, kx) = \frac{k}{1+k^2}$$

Choosing different k gives different limit.

So there is no limit for $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{xy}{x^2+y^2}$

3. $f(x, y) = \frac{r^2 \cos^2 \theta}{r} = r \cos^2 \theta \leq r$

$$\text{so } \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} f(x, y) = \lim_{r \rightarrow 0} r \cos^2 \theta = 0$$

2. Restrict the f to $y=kx$

$$\text{so } f(x, y) = \frac{1}{1+k^2}$$

Choosing different k gives different limit. So no

limit.

Problem 4: Partial Derivative

Find $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}$ and $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}$ for each of the following functions:

Before you start, please remind yourself of Product Rule, Quotient Rule, Chain Rule and derivatives for x^n , e^x , $\ln x$, $\sin x$, $\cos x$.

1. $f(x, y) = x^2y^3 - x^3y^2$

2. $f(x, y) = \cos(xy) + y^3$

3. $f(x, y) = \frac{xy}{x^2+y}$

4. $f(x, y) = e^{x^2+y^2}$

5. $f(x, y) = xy \ln xy$

6. $f(x, y, z) = \sqrt{x^2+y^2+z^2}$

7. $f(x, y) = x \tan y$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = \frac{x \cdot (x^2+y) - xy}{(x^2+y)^2}$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial z} = \frac{z}{\sqrt{x^2+y^2+z^2}}$$

$$= \frac{x^3}{(x^2+y)^2}$$

7. $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = \tan y$

4. $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = e^{x^2+y^2} \cdot 2x$

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1. $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = 2x \cdot y^3 - 3x^2 \cdot y^2$

5. $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = y \cdot \ln xy + xy \cdot \frac{1}{xy} \cdot y$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = x^2 \cdot 3y^2 - x^3 \cdot 2y$$

$$= y \ln xy + y$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = x \ln xy + x$$

2. $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = -\sin(x^y) \cdot y x^{y-1}$

6. $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = \frac{2x}{2\sqrt{x^2+y^2+z^2}}$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = -\sin(x^y) \cdot x^y \ln x$$

$$= \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2+y^2+z^2}}$$

3. $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = \frac{y \cdot (x^2+y) - xy \cdot 2x}{(x^2+y)^2}$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = \frac{y}{\sqrt{x^2+y^2+z^2}}$$

$$= \frac{y^2 - x^2 \cdot y}{(x^2+y)^2}$$

Problem 1:

zero set :

1. $x^2 + 2y^2 = 0 \Rightarrow x=0 \quad y=0$
2. $x^2 - y^2 = 0 = (x+y)(x-y) \Rightarrow x+y=0 \text{ or } x-y=0$
3. $-x^2 - y^2 = 0 \Rightarrow x=0 \quad y=0$
4. $xy = 0 \Rightarrow x=0 \text{ or } y=0$
5. $x^2 = 0 \Rightarrow x=0$
6. $[x+(-2y)]^2 - y^2 = (x-3y)(x-y) \Rightarrow x-3y=0 \text{ or } x-y=0$
7. $9(x-2y)^2 + 45y^2 = 0 \Rightarrow x-2y=0 \text{ and } y=0 \Rightarrow x=0 \quad y=0$
8. $(y + \frac{x}{2})^2 - (\frac{x}{2})^2 = y \cdot (x+y) \Rightarrow y=0 \text{ or } x+y=0$
9. $x^2 + 2xy = x \cdot (x+2y) = 0 \Rightarrow x=0 \text{ or } x+2y=0$
10. $\frac{1}{2}(x-y)^2 + \frac{1}{2}y^2 = 0 \Rightarrow x-y=0 \text{ and } y=0 \Rightarrow x=0 \quad y=0$

Summary:

Type	General Form	$4AC - B^2$	Zero Set	Function Value
Indefinite	$+(\quad)^2 - (\quad)^2$	-	2 lines	Positive and Negative
Semi-definite	$(\quad)^2$ or $-(\quad)^2$	0	1 line	Positive or Negative
Positive-definite	$+(\quad)^2 + (\quad)^2$	+ ($A > 0$)	(0, 0)	Positive
Negative-definite	$-(\quad)^2 - (\quad)^2$	+ ($A < 0$)	(0, 0)	Negative

*: To tell between Positive-definite and Negative-definite, you look at sign of A