

Worksheet 2-1: Q2

Find the stationary points of $f(x, y) = 6x^2y - 3x^3 + 2y^3 - 150y$

Worksheet 2-1: Q3 On a quiz, Dr. Munch asks about a function $f : U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined on $U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ where all partial derivatives of f exist.

- Kylo Ren writes the following on his quiz.

At a local optimum, the gradient is zero, so $\nabla f(x^*) = 0$.

Mark his answer correct or explain why his answer is wrong.

- Rey Skywalker writes the following on her quiz.

Since $\nabla f(\mathbf{x}^*) = 0$, f has a local optimum.

Mark her answer correct or explain why her answer is wrong.

- Poe Dameron writes the following on his quiz.

Since f has a local optimum at \mathbf{x}^* and \mathbf{x}^* is in the interior of U , the gradient is zero, meaning $\nabla f(\mathbf{x}^*) = 0$.

Mark his answer correct or explain why his answer is wrong.

Worksheet 2-1: Q4

Let for $f(x, y) = 2x + 3y : S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and $S = B[0, 1] = \{(x, y) : x^2 + y^2 \leq 1\} = \{(x, y) : \|(x, y)\|_2 \leq 1\}$. Answer the following questions.

a) We call f a linear map if there is a matrix A such that $f(x, y) = A\mathbf{x}$, where $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$. Find the matrix A to show that f is a linear map.

b) Note that because A is just a vector, $A\mathbf{x}$ is the same as the dot product. Use this and the Cauchy-Schwartz inequality to find $\arg \min_{x \in S} f(x)$ and $\arg \max_{x \in S} f(x)$

c) What do the points you found in part (b) represent?