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Defn Let  $A$  be an  $n \times n$  symmetric matrix in  $\mathbb{R}$

$A$  is called positive definite if  $\forall v \in \mathbb{R}^n \setminus \{0\} \quad v^T A v > 0$

$A$  is called negative definite if  $\forall v \in \mathbb{R}^n \setminus \{0\} \quad v^T A v < 0$

$A$  is called indefinite if

- $\det A \neq 0$

and

- $\exists v, w \in \mathbb{R}^n \setminus \{0\}, \quad w^T A v < 0 < v^T A v$ .

$A$  is degenerate if  $\det A = 0$ .

Thm: Let  $f: \bar{\mathcal{X}} \xrightarrow{\text{open}} \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^1$ ,  $a \in \bar{\mathcal{X}}$

$f$  be twice continuously diff'ble on  $\bar{\mathcal{X}}$   
(at least around  $a$ )

Let  $a$  be a critical pt;  $\nabla f(a) = 0$ .

Then:

If  $H_f(a)$  is + definite then  $f$  has a local min at  $a$

If  $H_f(a)$  is - definite " " " a local max at  $a$

If  $\begin{cases} H_f(a) \text{ is indefinite} \\ (\det H_f(a) \neq 0) \end{cases}$  " " " a saddle at  $a$

If  $\det H_f(a) = 0$ , then the test is inconclusive

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$$f(x,y) = e^{-x}(x^2 + 3y^2) : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$0 \leq e^{-x}(x^2 + 3y^2) \text{ unbounded above}$$

$$f(0,y) = 3y^2 \nearrow \infty \text{ as } y \rightarrow \pm\infty$$

Find all c.p. & classify.

$$\nabla f = (-e^{-x}(x^2 + 3y^2) + e^{-x} \cdot 2x, 6y e^{-x})$$

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{1} \quad & + e^{-x}(-x^2 - 3y^2 + 2x) = 0 \\ \textcircled{2} \quad & 6y \cdot e^{-x} = 0. \end{aligned} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{since} \\ \text{solve} \end{array} \right\}$$

$$\textcircled{2} \Rightarrow 6y = 0 \text{ since } e^{-x} > 0.$$

$$y = 0$$

$$\textcircled{1} \quad -x^2 - 3y^2 + 2x = 0 \text{ since } e^{-x} > 0$$

$$-x^2 + 2x = 0$$

$$-x(x-2) = 0$$

$$x = 0$$

$$\text{or} \\ x = +2$$

$$\text{List c.p.} \quad \{(0,0), (2,0)\}$$

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$$f_x = e^{-x} (-x^2 - 3y^2 + 2x)$$

$$f_y = 6y e^{-x}$$

$$f_{xx} = -e^{-x} (-x^2 - 3y^2 + 2x) + e^{-x} (-2x + 2)$$

$$H_f = \begin{bmatrix} e^{-x}(x^2 + 3y^2 - 2x - 2x + 2) & -e^{-x} 6y \\ -e^{-x} 6y & 6e^{-x} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$H_f(0,0) = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \quad + \text{ definite } (0,0) \text{ is a local min}$$

$$H_f(2,0) = \begin{bmatrix} e^{-2}(-2) & 0 \\ 0 & 6e^{-2} \end{bmatrix} = e^{-2} \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

Indefinite, Saddle at (2,0)

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Ex

$$f(x, y, z) = 2x^2 + 3y^2 + 4z^2 + 2xy + 2xz - 4x - 2y - 2z$$

Find all c.p. & classify

$$\begin{aligned} f_x &= 4x + 2y + 2z - 4 \\ f_y &= 6y + 2x - 2 \\ f_z &= 8z + 2x - 2 \end{aligned} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Solve} \\ \hline \end{array} \right. \Rightarrow \begin{cases} x = 1 \\ y = 0 \\ z = 0 \end{cases}$$

Only One c.p.:  $(1, 0, 0)$ .

$$H_f = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 6 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 8 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{Is it +, -, indefinite?}$$

$$\Delta_1 = 4 > 0$$

$$\Delta_2 = \begin{vmatrix} 4 & 2 \\ 2 & 6 \end{vmatrix} = 20 > 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_3 &= \begin{vmatrix} 4 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 6 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 8 \end{vmatrix} = (24 \cdot 8 + 0 + 0) - (24 + 0 + 32) \\ &= 192 - 56 = 136 > 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Delta_1, \Delta_2, \Delta_3 > 0 \implies + \text{ definite}$$

(P.T.O.)

$(1, 0, 0)$  local min.

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Then: Let  $A$  be an  $n \times n$  symmetric matrix  
 $\det A \neq 0$  (in  $\mathbb{R}$ )

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & & & & \\ a_{n1} & a_{n2} & & & a_{nn} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Delta_1 = a_{11}$$

$$\Delta_2 = \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\Delta_3 = \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix}$$

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$$1 \leq k \leq n \quad \Delta_k = \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & \cdots & a_{1k} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{kk} & \cdots & a_{kk} \end{vmatrix}$$

Then

+++++ - If all  $\Delta_i \geq 0$ , then  $A$  is + definite

-+-+-+ - If all  $\Delta_{odd} < 0$ , then  $A$  is - definite  
 all  $\Delta_{even} \geq 0$

- Otherwise  $A$  is indefinite

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**Ex**  $f = x^3 + xz^2 - 3x^2 + y^2 + 2z^2$   
 Find all c.p. & classify

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} f_x = 3x^2 + z^2 - 6x \\ f_y = 2y \\ f_z = 2xz + 4z \end{array} \right\} \nabla f = 0 \quad \text{solve}$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} ① 3x^2 + z^2 - 6x = 0 \\ ② 2y = 0 \\ ③ 2xz + 4z = 0 \end{array} \right\} \text{solve. How? Not linear}$$

$$② \Rightarrow y = 0$$

$$③ 2xz + 4z = 0 = 2z(x+2)$$

$$\left| \begin{array}{c} z=0 \\ \text{or} \\ x=-2 \\ \text{or} \\ x=2 \end{array} \right.$$

$$\begin{array}{l} ① \Rightarrow 3x^2 - 6x = 0 \\ 3x(x-2) = 0 \\ x=0 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} ① \Rightarrow 12 + z^2 + 12 = 0 \\ z^2 = -24 \\ \text{No real solution.} \end{array}$$

List c.p.  $(0, 0, 0)$   
 $(2, 0, 0)$

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$$H_f = \begin{bmatrix} 6x-6 & 0 & 2z \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 2z & 0 & 2x+4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$H_f(0,0,0) = \begin{bmatrix} -6 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\Delta_1 = -6$   
 $\Delta_2 = -12$  indefinite  
 $\Delta_3 = -48$   
 $(0,0,0)$  is a saddle

$$H_f(2,0,0) = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\Delta_1 = 6$   
 $\Delta_2 = 12$  + definite  
 $\Delta_3 = 96$  local min