ANALYSIS AND OPTIMIZATION: HOMEWORK 8

SPRING 2016

Due date: Wednesday, April 20.

(1) Find the maximum value of

$$1 - (x - 1)^2 - e^{y^2}$$

subject to the constraint

$$x^2 + y^2 \le 1.$$

Be sure to check constraint qualification. Explain why your solution is a global maximum.

(2) Given real numbers $\alpha > 0$ and $\beta > 0$ with $\alpha + \beta \le 1$, find the maximum value of $x^{\alpha}y^{\beta}$ subject to

$$x+y \le 2, \quad x \ge 0, \quad y \ge 0.$$

Verify that your answer satisfies the envelope theorem.

(3) Minimize $x^2 + y^2$ subject to

$$y^2 \le (x-1)^3.$$

Does a Lagrange multiplier exist? Explain what happened.

(4) A manufacturer produces three types of plastic fixtures. The time required for molding, trimming, and packaging are given in the following table (in hours per fixture).

Process	Type A	Туре В	Туре С	Total time available
Molding	1	2	3/2	120
Trimming	2/3	2/3	1	46
Packaging	1/2	1/3	1/2	24
Profit	\$11	\$16	\$15	-

Consider the solution (A = 6, B = 51, C = 8). Show that the KKT conditions are satisfied at this point, and find the Lagrange multipliers. Show that this point is a global maximum. How much would the profit increase if (a) the trimming time for type A was decreased by ϵ , (b) the packaging time for type C was decreased by ϵ ?

(5) For a given real number *c*, find the maximum value of f(x, y) = cx + y on the set defined by

$$x^2 + 2y^2 = 2, \quad x \ge 0 \quad y \ge 0.$$

Sketch the value function $f^*(c)$.