Key Problems

Problem 1.

Use the SOC to show that the given point is a solution of the constrained optimization problem:

a)
$$(x^*,y^*) = (1,1)$$
 is a minimum for: $\min f(x,y) = x^2 + y^2$ when $xy = 1$

b)
$$(x^*,y^*,z^*)=(2,0,0)$$
 is a minimum for: $\min f(x,y,z)=x^2+y^2+z^2$ when $3x^2+2y^2+2z^2\geq 12$

Problem 2.

Determine if there are any admissible points such that the NDCQ fails when the constraints are given by:

a)
$$xyz = 1$$

b)
$$3x^2 + 3y^2 + 8z^2 > 1$$

c)
$$x^3 + y^3 + z^3 = 0$$

d)
$$xy - zw = 1$$
 and $x + y + z + w = 4$

Problem 3.

Solve the constrained optimization problems:

a)
$$\max f(x,y,z) = 2 - x^2 + 4xy - 5y^2 + 2yz - 2z^2$$
 when $3x - 2y + z = 10$

b)
$$\max f(x,y,z,w) = xz + yw \text{ when } x^2 + y^2 \le 1 \text{ and } 4z^2 + 9w^2 \le 36$$

Problems from the Workbook

Workbook [W] 8.1 - 8.13 (full solutions in the workbook) Final exams 11/2017 Question 3-4, 11/2018 Question 3-4

Answers to Key Problems

Problem 2.

a) None

b) None

- c) (x,y,z) = (0,0,0)
- d) None

Problem 3.

- a) $f_{\text{max}} = 0$
- b) $f_{\text{max}} = 3$