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**No calculators, cell phones, computers, notes, etc.**

Circle your answer. Make your work correct, complete and coherent.

The quiz is worth 5 points. The solutions will be posted on my website later today.

### Quiz 8, Monday, April 5, 2021

Find the absolute maximum and the absolute minimum values of

$$f(x,y) = 3xy - 6x - 3y + 7$$

on the triangular region with vertices  $(0,0)$ ,  $(3,0)$ , and  $(0,5)$ .

**Answer:** We compute  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = 3y - 6$  and  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = 3x - 3$ . Both partial derivatives are zero at the point  $(x,y) = (1,2)$ . This interior critical point might be an absolute extreme point.

We look at the restriction of  $f$  to the line  $y = 0$  with  $0 \leq x \leq 3$ .

$$f|_{y=0}(x) = -6x + 7$$

and the derivative is  $-6$  which is never zero. So the absolute extreme points of the restriction of  $f$  to the line  $y = 0$  with  $0 \leq x \leq 3$  occur at the end points.

We look at the restriction of  $f$  to the line  $x = 0$  with  $0 \leq y \leq 5$ .

$$f|_{x=0}(y) = -3y + 7$$

and the derivative is  $-3$  which is never zero. So the absolute extreme points of the restriction of  $f$  to the line  $x = 0$  with  $0 \leq y \leq 5$  occur at the end points.

The line which connects  $(3,0)$  to  $(0,5)$  is  $y = -\frac{5}{3}x + 5$ . We look at the restriction of  $f$  to the line  $y = -\frac{5}{3}x + 5$  with  $0 \leq x \leq 3$ .

$$f|_{\text{top boundary}}(x) = 3x\left(-\frac{5}{3}x + 5\right) - 6x - 3\left(-\frac{5}{3}x + 5\right) + 7 = -5x^2 + 15x - 6x + 5x - 15 + 7$$

The derivative is  $-10x + 15 - 6 + 5$ . The derivative is zero when  $-10x + 14 = 0$ ; that is when  $x = 7/5$  and  $y = 8/3$ .

The extreme points of  $f$  on our domain occur at  $(0,0)$ ,  $(3,0)$ ,  $(0,5)$ , or  $(7/5, 8/3)$ . We plug these points into  $f$ :

$$f(0,0) = 7,$$

absolute maximum

$$f(3,0) = -18 + 7 = -11$$

absolute minimum

$$f(0,5) = -15 + 7 = -8$$

$$f(7/5, 8/3) = 56/5 - 42/5 - 8 + 7 = 9/5$$

$$f(1,2) = 6 - 6 - 6 + 7 = 1$$

The absolute minimum of  $f$  on our domain occurs at  $(3, 0, -11)$ .  
The absolute maximum of  $f$  on our domain occurs at  $(0, 0, 7)$ .