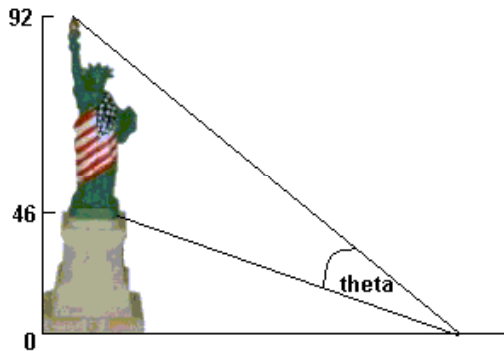


1. The Statue of Liberty stands 92 meters high, including the pedestal which is 46 meters high. How far from the base should you stand so that your viewing angle, θ , is as large as possible? See the figure below.



2. Find the global minimum of the function

$$f(x,y,z)=2x^2+xy+y^2+yz+z^2-6x-7y-8z+9$$

and prove that it is the global minimum.

3. A consumer produces certain goods and services Y at home, part of which he consumes. He also works outside the home for an additional wage. Let y =units of Y which he consumes, T =total hours worked, t =hours producing Y , M =money income, w =wage earned outside home, p =unit price of Y . His ability to turn out Y is governed by the production function $Y=f(t)$. His total income is then

$$M = p [f(t)-y] + w (T-t)$$

If his utility depends on T , M and y , that is, $u=u(T,M,y)$, derive the conditions that u be maximum. Show that at optimal t ,

$$w = p \frac{df}{dt} = - \frac{\frac{\partial u}{\partial T}}{\frac{\partial u}{\partial M}}$$

and

$$p = \frac{\frac{\partial u}{\partial y}}{\frac{\partial u}{\partial M}}. \quad \text{INTERPRET.}$$

4. A system chooses its state so as to maximize

$$f(x,y) = 5x+y \text{ subject to } x^2 + y^2 \leq R.$$

If at time t_0 , $R=1$ and $dR/dt=2$, what is df_{\max}/dt at time t_0 ?

5. Consider the function $f(x,y)=xy$ in the region $x^2+y^2 \leq 1$.

(a) Exhibit all points where the Kuhn–Tucker conditions for f to have a minimum are satisfied.

(b) Exhibit all points where the Kuhn–Tucker conditions for f to have a maximum are satisfied.

(c) Find (with proof) the global minimum and the global maximum.

6. Consider the problem of minimizing the function

$$f(x) = \max \{C_1x, C_2x\} \text{ where } x \in \mathbb{R}^n, x \geq 0.$$

Transform this to a standard LP of the form $\min f=Cy, Ay=B, y \geq 0$.