

$$1. f(x, y) = 12x^2 - 4x^3 + by^2 + 12xy$$

$$f_x(x, y) = 24x - 12x^2 + 12y$$

$$f_y(x, y) = 12y + 12x$$

$$f_{xx}(x, y) = 24 - 24x$$

$$f_{xy}(x, y) = 12$$

$$f_{yy}(x, y) = 12$$

$$24x - 12x^2 + 12y = 0, \quad 12y + 12x = 0$$

$$12(2x - x^2 + y) = 0, \quad 12(x + y) = 0$$

$$2x - x^2 - x = 0, \quad x = -y$$

$$x - x^2 = 0$$

$$x(x-1) = 0$$

$$x=0 \text{ or } x=1 \Rightarrow f_x(0, y) = 0, \quad y=0$$

$$f_x(1, y) = 24 - 12 + 12y = 0, \quad y = -1$$

Critical points are $(0, 0)$ and $(1, -1)$

when $(x, y) = (0, 0)$

$$f_{xx}(x, y) = 24$$

$$f_{xy}(x, y) = 12$$

$$f_{yy}(x, y) = 12$$

$$D_1 = 24 \cdot 12 - 12^2 = 144$$

$$D_1 > 0 \text{ and } f_{xx}(0, 0) > 0$$

$f(0, 0)$ is a local minimum.

when $(x, y) = (1, -1)$

$$f_{xx}(x, y) = 0$$

$$f_{xy}(x, y) = 12$$

$$f_{yy}(x, y) = 12$$

$$D_2 = 0 \cdot 12 - 12^2 = -144$$

$$D_2 < 0$$

$f(1, -1)$ is saddle point.

