Quadratic Programming

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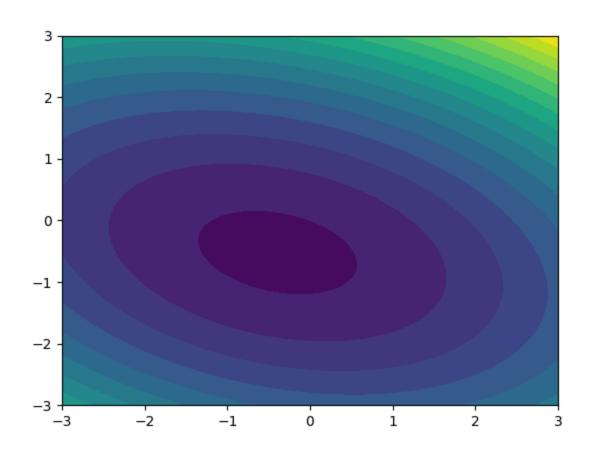
Quadratic programming

 Quadratic programming (QP) is the process of solving certain mathematical optimization problems involving quadratic functions subject to linear constraints on the variables.

$$\min_{x} \ rac{1}{2} x^T P x + q^T x$$
 $\mathrm{subject\ to}\ A x = b$ $G x \leq h$

Unconstrained QP

 $ullet ext{min}_x ext{ } rac{1}{2} x^T P x + q^T x$



Unconstrained QP

- ullet if $x_* = rg \min_x \; rac{1}{2} x^T P x + q^T x$, then $rac{\partial}{\partial x} (rac{1}{2} x_*^T P x_* + q^T x_*) = 0$
- Using $\frac{\partial}{\partial x}(\frac{1}{2}x^TPx+q^Tx)=Px+q$:

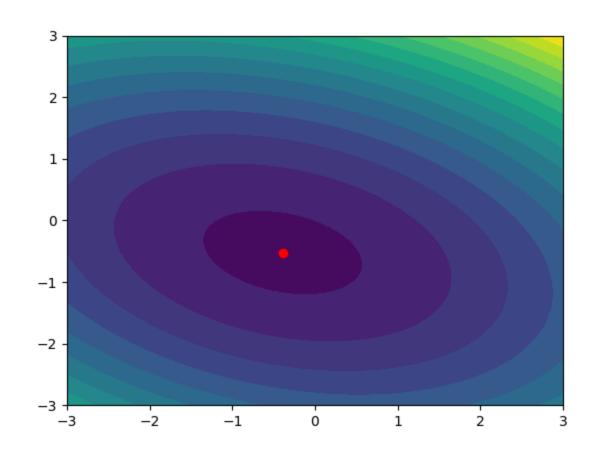
$$Px_* + q = 0$$

$$Px_* = -q$$

$$x_* = -P^{-1}q$$

Unconstrained QP

$$\bullet \ \ x_* = -P^{-1}q$$



Lagrangian multiplier

Consider the optimization problem:

$$\min_{x} f(x)$$
 s. t. $Ax = b; Gx \leq h$

• Lagrangian multiplier \mathcal{L} :

$$\mathcal{L}(x,u,v) = f(x) + u^T(Ax-b) + v^T(Gx-h)$$

• The optimization problem avove can be rewritten as follows:

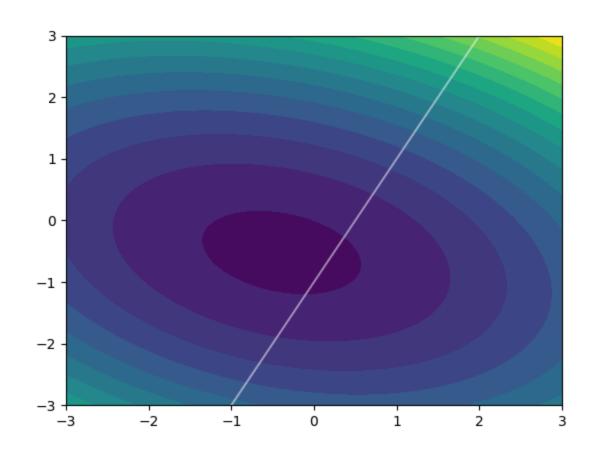
$$\max_{u,v} \min_x \mathcal{L}(x,u,v) \quad ext{s. t. } v \geq 0$$

• We call $g(u,v) = \min_x \mathcal{L}(x,u,v)$ as a dual function, and Lagrangian dual problem is:

$$\max_{u,v} g(u,v) \quad ext{s. t. } v \geq 0$$

Equality constrained QP

 $ullet ext{min}_x ext{ } rac{1}{2} x^T P x + q^T x ext{ } ext{s. t. } A x = b$



Equality constrained QP

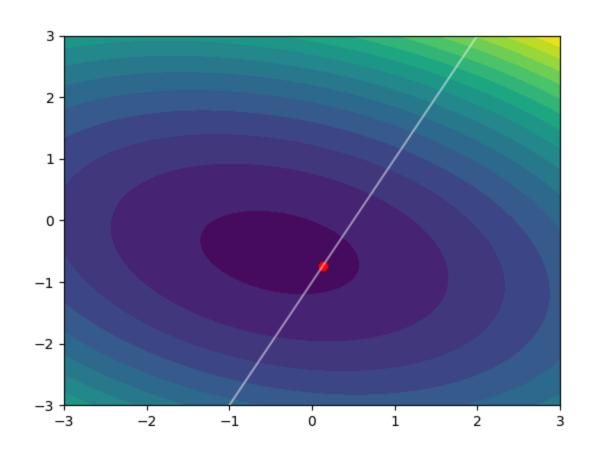
- Dual function: $g(u) = \min_x \mathcal{L}(x,u) = \frac{1}{2}x^TPx + q^Tx + u^T(Ax b)$
- Using $\frac{\partial}{\partial x}\mathcal{L}(x,u)=Px+q+A^Tu$, $rg \min_x \mathcal{L}(x,u)=-P^{-1}(A^Tu+q)$. then:

$$egin{aligned} g(u) &= rac{1}{2}(A^Tu + q)^TP^{-1}(A^Tu + q) - q^TP^{-1}(A^Tu + q) - u^T(AP^{-1}(A^Tu + q) + b) \ &= -rac{1}{2}(u^TA^TP^{-1}A^Tu + q^TP^{-1}q) - (AP^{-1}q + b)^Tu \end{aligned}$$

$$ullet$$
 Using $rac{\partial g(u)}{\partial u}=-(A^TP^{-1}A)u-(AP^{-1}q+b)$: $u_*=-(A^TP^{-1}A)^{-1}(AP^{-1}q+b)$ $x_*=-P^{-1}(A^Tu_*+q)$ $=P^{-1}(A^T(A^TP^{-1}A)^{-1}(AP^{-1}q+b)-q)$

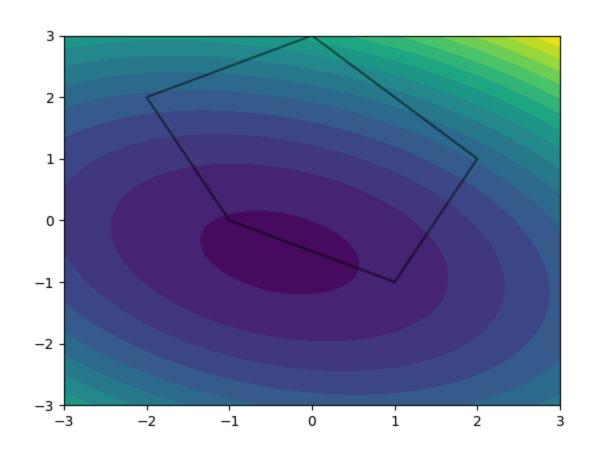
Equality constrained QP

$$ullet x_* = P^{-1}(A^T(A^TP^{-1}A)^{-1}(AP^{-1}q+b)-q)$$



Inequality constrained QP

 $ullet ext{min}_x \; frac{1}{2} x^T P x + q^T x \quad ext{s. t. } G x \leq h,$



Inequality constrained QP

Penalty method

$$\min_{x} \ rac{1}{2} x^T P x + q^T x + \sum_{i=0}^n \max(0, g_i^T x - h)^2$$

Barrier method

$$\min_{x} \ rac{1}{2} x^T P x + q^T x + rac{1}{t} \phi(x), ext{ where } \phi(x) := egin{cases} \sum_{i=0}^n -\log(h-g_i^T x) & ext{for } Gx < h \ \infty & ext{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- Primal-dual interior point method
- Active-set method

$$\min_{x} \ rac{1}{2} x^T P x + q^T x \quad ext{s. t. } g_i^T x = h_i, orall i \in \{i | g_i^T x > h_i, i = 1, \ldots, n\}$$

Inequality constrained QP (Active-set method)

ullet Find unconstrained problem solution $x_{
m unc} = rg \min_x \; rac{1}{2} x^T P x + q^T x$

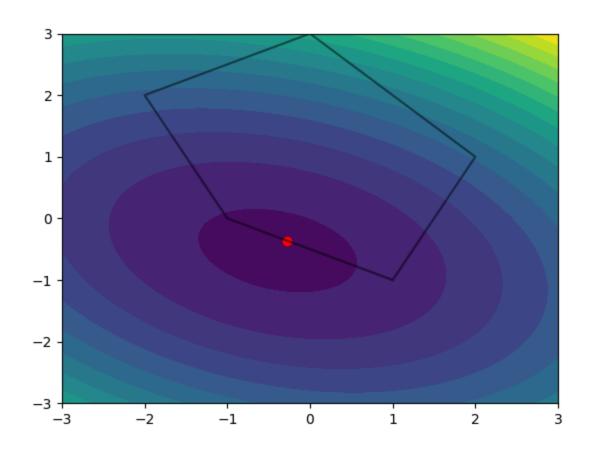
• Using
$$G = \begin{bmatrix} \vdots \\ g_i^T \end{bmatrix}$$
 , $h = \begin{bmatrix} \vdots \\ h_i \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix}$ and x_{unc} , find active inequality constiraints:

$$G_a = egin{bmatrix} dots \ g_i^T \ dots \end{bmatrix}, h_a = egin{bmatrix} dots \ h_i \ dots \end{bmatrix}, orall i \in \{i | g_i^T x_{ ext{unc}} > h_i, i = 1, \dots, n\} \ dots \ dots \end{bmatrix}$$

• Solve equality constrained problem $\min_x \ \frac{1}{2} x^T P x + q^T x$ s. t. $G_a x = h_a$

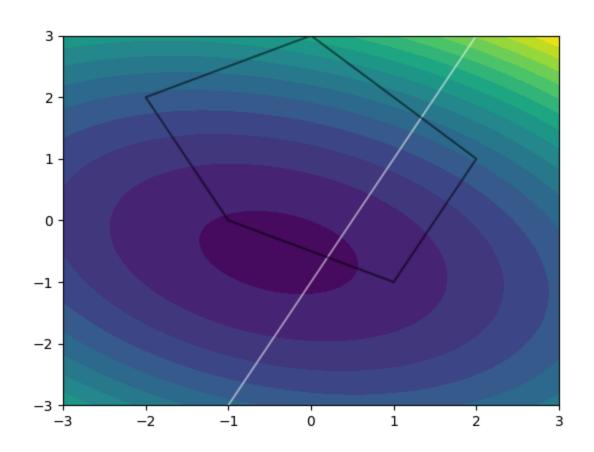
Inequality constrained QP (Active-set method)

 $ullet x_* = rg \min_x \; rac{1}{2} x^T P x + q^T x \quad ext{s. t. } G_a x = h_a$



General QP

 $ullet \min_x \ rac{1}{2} x^T P x + q^T x \quad ext{s. t. } Ax = b; \ Gx \leq h$



General QP

Penalty method

$$\min_{x} \ rac{1}{2} x^T P x + q^T x + \sum_{i=0}^n \max(0, g_i^T x - h)^2$$
 s. t. $Ax = b$

Barrier method

$$\min_x \ frac{1}{2} x^T P x + q^T x + frac{1}{t} \phi(x)$$
 s. t. $Ax = b$

- Primal-dual interior point method
- Active-set method

$$\min_{x} \ rac{1}{2} x^T P x + q^T x \quad ext{s. t.} \ egin{bmatrix} A \ G_a \end{bmatrix} x = egin{bmatrix} b \ h_a \end{bmatrix}$$

General QP
$$\bullet \ x_* = \begin{bmatrix} A \\ G_a \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} b \\ h_a \end{bmatrix} \text{ (active-set method)}$$

