

Local Duality Theorem

问题

$$\min f(x)$$

$$\text{s.t. } h(x) = 0$$

有局部解 x^* , 拉格朗日乘子为 λ^* ,

假设 x^* 是一个正则点, 关于约束的并且相应的 Hessian 为 $L^* = L(x^*, \lambda^*)$ 是正定的, 则对偶问题是

$$\max W(\lambda)$$

$$w(\lambda) = L(x(\lambda), \lambda), \quad x(\lambda) = \arg\min_x L(x, \lambda)$$

Example • primal problem.

$$\min x_1^2 + x_2^2$$

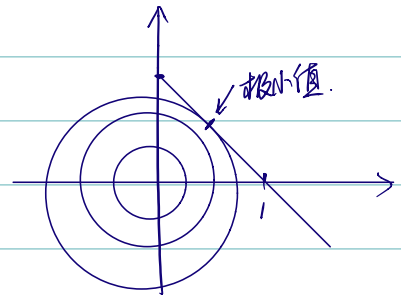
$$\text{s.t. } x_1 + x_2 = 1$$

Dual problem

$$\max W(\lambda)$$

where

$$W(\lambda) = \min_{x_1, x_2} (x_1^2 + x_2^2) + \lambda(x_1 + x_2 - 1)$$



解: $L(x_1, x_2, \lambda) = (x_1^2 + x_2^2) + \lambda(x_1 + x_2 - 1)$

$$W(\lambda) = \min_{x_1, x_2} L(x_1, x_2, \lambda)$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial x_1} = 2x_1 + \lambda \Rightarrow x_1 = -\frac{1}{2}\lambda$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial x_2} = 2x_2 + \lambda \Rightarrow x_2 = -\frac{1}{2}\lambda$$

$$\text{此时 } W(\lambda) = -\frac{1}{2}\lambda^2 - \lambda$$

$$\frac{\partial W}{\partial \lambda} = -\lambda - 1 = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = -1$$

$$\text{得到 } x_1^* = x_2^* = \frac{1}{2}, \quad \lambda^* = -1.$$



