

$$\min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} F(x)$$

$F(x)$ is twice continuously differentiable; —

The necessary conditions for x^* to be a local min are

1. $\nabla F(x^*) = 0$ [Stationary point]
2. $H(x^*) = G(x^*) = \left[\frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} \right]_{x=x^*}$ is positive semidefinite [non-negative curvature]

Taylor series:

$$F(x^* + \underbrace{\varepsilon p}_{\substack{\text{small } \varepsilon > 0 \\ \text{in an arbitrary direction}}}) \geq F(x^*) \implies \xrightarrow{\text{iff}} x^* \text{ is a local min}$$

$0 < \varepsilon \leq \bar{\varepsilon}$

If $F(x^* + \varepsilon p) < F(x^*)$ how can this local min x^*

$$F(x^* + \varepsilon p) = F(x^*) + \varepsilon \underbrace{\nabla F(x^*)^T}_{(1)} p + \frac{\varepsilon^2}{2} \underbrace{p^T H(x^* + \theta \varepsilon p) p}_{(2)}$$

(3) $O(\varepsilon^3)$

$$\nabla F(x^*) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial F}{\partial x_1} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\partial F}{\partial x_n} \end{pmatrix}_{x=x^*}$$

$n \times 1$

$$p \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

$\nabla F(x^*)^T p$

if don't this a challenge
 $0 \leq \dots \leq$
 $n \times 1$ vech
scalar.

$$\frac{\epsilon^2}{2} (\text{scalar}) \quad P^T H(x^* + \theta \epsilon P) P$$

$$\begin{array}{c} x^* + \theta \epsilon P \\ \downarrow \quad \downarrow \quad \downarrow \\ \mathbb{R}^n \quad \mathbb{R}^n \quad \mathbb{R}^n \\ \text{scalar} \quad \text{scalar} \quad \text{scalar} \end{array}$$

scalar $0 \leq \theta \leq 1$

$$\frac{\epsilon^2}{2} P^T H(x^* + \epsilon \theta P) P$$

scalar

$$= \frac{\epsilon^2}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} (x^* + \epsilon \theta P) P_i P_j$$

n^2 -terms

each of these n^2 terms are continuous functions \Rightarrow continuous function.

$$\frac{\epsilon^2}{2} P^T H(x^* + \theta \epsilon P) P \leq M \epsilon^2$$

Weierstrass

$O(\epsilon^2)$

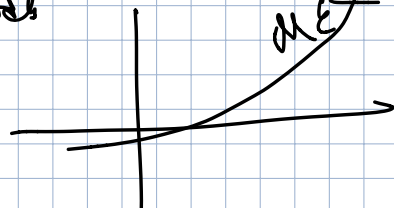
has
g.v.h.

$$= \max_{0 \leq \theta \leq 1}$$

closed & bounded set

$$P^T H(x^* + \theta \epsilon P) P$$

continuous function



Proof is by contradiction

Assume first $\nabla F(x^*) \neq 0$

$$\Rightarrow \nabla F(x^*)^T p_- < 0$$

descent direction

$$p = -\nabla F(x^*)$$

steepest descent

$$-\nabla F(x^*)^T \nabla F(x^*)$$

$$-\|\nabla F(x^*)\|_2^2 < 0$$

∇

$\neq 0$

$\varepsilon > 0$

(2)

$$F(x^* + \varepsilon p) = F(x^*) + \varepsilon \nabla F(x^*)^T p$$

descent direction

$$+ \frac{\varepsilon^2}{2} p^T H(x^* + \varepsilon p) p$$

(3)

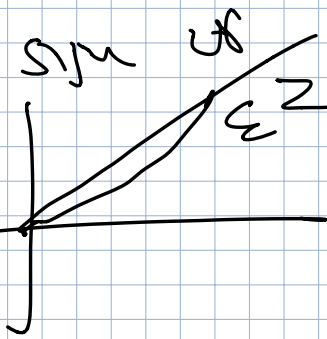
sign of (2)+(3)

$$\varepsilon \nabla F(x^*)^T p$$

$$0 < \varepsilon < \bar{\varepsilon}$$

$$x - x^2$$

$$x - 1/6 x^2$$



$$F(x^* + \epsilon p) < F(x^*) \quad 0 < \epsilon < \bar{\epsilon}$$

↗ appropriate descent direction.

which is a contradiction!

Given x^* is a local min

$$\nabla F(x^*) = 0$$

x^* must be a stationary point.

$$F(x^* + \epsilon p) = F(x^*) + \frac{1}{2} \epsilon^2 p^T H(x^* + \epsilon p) p$$

$$F(x^* + \epsilon p) < F(x^*) \quad \text{which is a contradiction!}$$

$$p^T \frac{d^2 F}{dx^2}(x^*) p$$

$$\geq 0 \quad \forall p \neq 0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

To the contrary assume
that \exists some p

quadratic term

$$\underline{P^T H(x^*) P < 0}$$

$$H = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \\ & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ A-gena-} \\ \text{wachsen} \\ \text{direkt}$$

$$\underline{P^T H P = -1} \Leftrightarrow$$

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$P^T H P > 0 \quad (=1)$$

$$P^T H P \geq 0$$

$$H = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$H = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = 1$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 & x_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = x_1^2 \geq 0$$

$$\nabla^T H(x) p = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n p_i p_j \frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial x_i \partial x_j}$$

n^2 entries times
constant.

$\nabla^T H(x) p < 0$
 \Rightarrow in a small enough
 neighborhood.

$$\nabla^T H(x + \alpha p) p < 0$$

$$\nabla F(x^*) = 0$$

$$\nabla^T H(x^*) p \geq 0 \quad \forall p \neq 0$$

Hessian matrix
 should be at least
 pos. i.e. semidefinite

what happens if

$H(x^*)$ is positive definite
 $\rho^T H(x^*) \rho > 0$

$$F(x^* + \epsilon \rho) = F(x^*) + \frac{\epsilon^2}{2} \rho^T H(x^* + \theta \epsilon \rho) \rho$$

For $0 < \epsilon < \bar{\epsilon}$

$$\frac{\epsilon^2}{2} \rho^T H(x^* + \theta \epsilon \rho) \rho > 0$$

$$\frac{\epsilon^2}{2} \rho^T H(x^*) \rho > 0$$

$$F(x^* + \theta \epsilon \rho) > F(x^*)$$

→ strict local min.

Sufficient conditions

$$\nabla F(x^*) = 0$$

$H(x^*)$ positive
definite