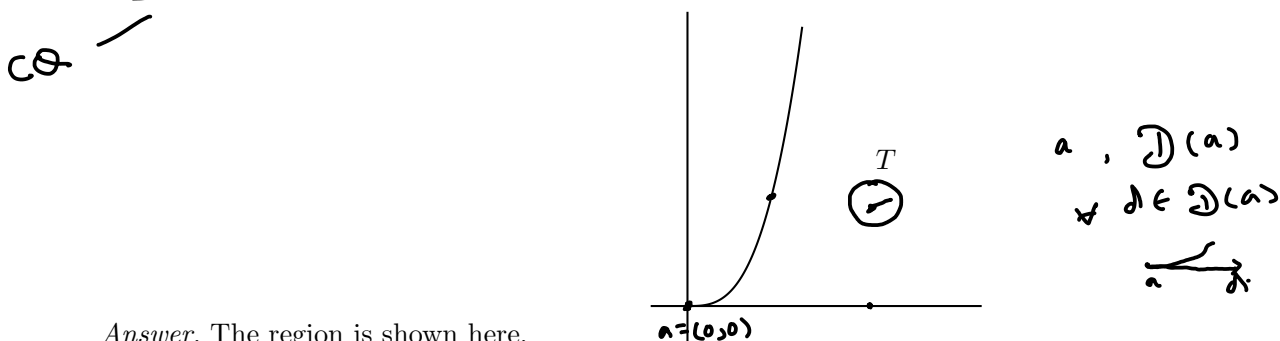


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[34.1] **Example** Consider $T = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid \underbrace{g_1(x) = x_1^3 - x_2 \geq 0}_{\text{curve}}, \underbrace{g_2(x) = x_1 \geq 0}_{\text{axis}}, \underbrace{g_3(x) = x_2 \geq 0}_{\text{axis}}\}$. Show that ktcq1 holds at all points in T .



Answer. The region is shown here.

a) There are four types of points here: interior points, point only on x -axis, point only on the curve, and $(0,0)$ which is common.

b) Do we know that ktcq1 holds at each interior point? Yes.

c) Let $a = (0,0)$. Find $\mathcal{D}(a)$ and check whether all those directions are tangents of some \mathcal{C}^1 -curves.

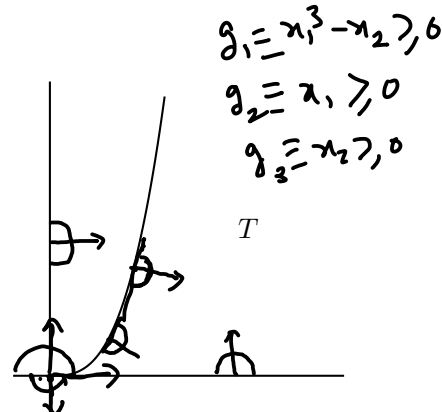
Before that try to draw the normals and guess $\mathcal{D}(a)$. It is important.

Guessing $\mathcal{D}(a) = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} \geq 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

$$\mathcal{D}(a) = \left\{ d = \begin{bmatrix} d_1 \\ d_2 \end{bmatrix} \mid \begin{matrix} [0 \ -1] \begin{bmatrix} d_1 \\ d_2 \end{bmatrix} \geq 0, \\ d_1 \geq 0, d_2 \geq 0 \end{matrix} \right\}$$

" $d_2 \leq 0$

$$= \left\{ d = \begin{bmatrix} d_1 \\ d_2 \end{bmatrix} \mid d_1 \geq 0, d_2 = 0 \right\}$$



Let $d = \begin{bmatrix} d_1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, d_1 > 0$.

$$\alpha(t) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} d_1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad t \in [0, 1]$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} t d_1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\alpha(t) - \alpha(0)}{t} = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{t \begin{bmatrix} d_1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}}{t} = \begin{bmatrix} d_1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = d. \quad \text{So ktcq1 holds}$$

Here $A(a) = \{1, 2, 3\}$. So

$$\mathcal{D}(a) = \{d \mid \nabla g_i^t(a)d \geq 0, i \in A(a)\} = \left\{d \mid \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} d \geq 0\right\} = \{d \mid d_1 \geq 0, d_2 = 0\}.$$

Let $d = \begin{bmatrix} d_1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathcal{D}(a)$. We take $\alpha(t) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} d_1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, t \in [0, 1]$. Then the curve is in T and

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 0+} \frac{\alpha(t) - \alpha(0)}{t} = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0+} \frac{t \begin{bmatrix} d_1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}}{t} = \begin{bmatrix} d_1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = d.$$

So we see that kctq1 holds at a .

d) Let $a = (a_1, 0), a_1 > 0$. Find $\mathcal{D}(a)$ and check whether all those directions are tangents of some \mathcal{C}^1 -curves.

$g_3 = x_2 > 0$ $A(a) = \{3\}$
 $\mathcal{D}(a) = \{d \mid \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} d_1 \\ d_2 \end{bmatrix} \geq 0\} = \{ \begin{bmatrix} * \\ d_2 \end{bmatrix} \mid d_2 \geq 0 \}$
 $\hookrightarrow d = \begin{bmatrix} d_1 \\ d_2 \geq 0 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathcal{D}(a)$
 $\alpha(t) = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} d_1 \\ d_2 \end{bmatrix} \in B_\delta(a) \subseteq T$
 $t \in [0, \varepsilon]$, where $\varepsilon = \frac{\delta}{2 \|d\|}$
 Let $O_1 = \{x \mid g_1(x) > 0\} \rightarrow$ open set
 $O_2 = \{x \mid g_2(x) > 0\} \rightarrow$ open set
 $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0+} \frac{\alpha(t) - \alpha(0)}{t} = \begin{bmatrix} d_1 \\ d_2 \end{bmatrix} = d$. so kctq1 holds here too.

Here $A(a) = \{3\}$ and $\mathcal{D}(a) = \{d \mid d_2 \geq 0\}$. Draw picture to understand. Let $d = \begin{bmatrix} d_1 \\ d_2 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathcal{D}(a)$.

(A new style of argument. Every time we do not have to give ϵ . We can use existence.)
 Note that the set $O_1 := \{x \mid g_1(x) > 0\}$ is an open set (as g_1 is continuous) and a is in this set. So $\exists \epsilon_1 > 0$ such that $B_{\epsilon_1}(a) \subseteq O_1$. Similarly, considering $g_2(x)$, we get that $\exists \epsilon_2 > 0$ such that $B_{\epsilon_2}(a) \subseteq O_2$. Taking minimum, we get an $\epsilon > 0$ such that $B_\epsilon(a) \subseteq O_1 \cap O_2$. Now take

$$\alpha(t) = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} d_1 \\ d_2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad t \in [0, \frac{\epsilon}{2\|d\|}].$$

It is routine to see (write them once on your notes) that ktcq1 holds.

$$g_1 \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} = x_1^3 - x_2$$

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$f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$
 1) f is cts
 2) $f^{-1}(0)$ is open for each open O

$$\mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$$

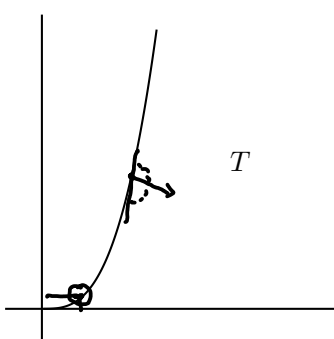
$$(0, \infty)$$

3) $f'(K)$ is closed for each closed K

e) Let $a = (x > 0, x^3)$. Find $\mathcal{D}(a)$ and check whether all those directions are tangents of some \mathcal{C}^1 -curves.

$$a = (x, x^3) \quad A(a) = \{g_1\} \quad g_1 = x_1^3 - x_2$$

$$\mathcal{D}(a) = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} d_1 \\ d_2 \end{bmatrix} \mid [3x^2 \ -1]_1 a \cdot d \geq 0 \right\}$$

$$= \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} d_1 \\ d_2 \end{bmatrix} \mid 3x^2 d_1 - d_2 \geq 0 \right\}$$


$$\alpha(t) = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} d_1 \\ d_2 \end{bmatrix} \quad t \in [0, \infty) \quad t < \frac{3x}{\|d\|}, x, x^3$$

$$\alpha(t) = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha(t)_1 \\ \alpha(t)_2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \alpha(t)_1^3 - \alpha(t)_2 \geq 0 \quad \alpha$$

$$(x + t d_1)^3 - x^3 - t d_2 \geq 0$$

$$x^3 + t^3 d_1^3 + 3x t^2 d_1^2 + 3x^2 t d_1 - x^3 - t d_2 \geq 0$$

$$t^2 d_1^2 (t d_1 + 3x) + t (3x^2 d_1 - d_2) \geq 0$$

for all sufficiently small t , we have

Here $A(a) = \{1\}$ and

$$\mathcal{D}(a) = \left\{ d \mid \begin{bmatrix} 3a_1^2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} d \geq 0 \right\} = \{d \mid 3a_1^2 d_1 \geq d_2\}.$$

Taking $\alpha(t) = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} d_1 \\ d_2 \end{bmatrix}$.

Is $\alpha(t)$ in T ? (Picture wise it appears that this is on the right side of tangent line at a . So $\alpha(t) \in T$ for small t . But this has to be proved.)

As both coordinates of a are positive, for t small, both the coordinates of $\alpha(t)$ will also be positive. To see whether $\alpha(t)$ satisfies g_1 , observe that

$$\begin{aligned} g_1(\alpha(t)) &= (a_1 + t d_1)^3 - (a_2 + t d_2) \\ &= a_1^3 - a_2 + t(3a_1^2 d_1 - d_2) + 3a_1 t^2 d_1^2 + t^3 d_1^3 \\ &= 0 + t(\geq 0) + (3a_1 + t d_1) t^2 d_1^2 \geq 0, \end{aligned}$$

if $3a_1 + t d_1 \geq 0$, which holds for all small $t \geq 0$, as $a_1 > 0$. So $\alpha(t) \in T$ for all small t .

As $\alpha(t) = a + t d$, we have $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0+} \frac{\alpha(t) - \alpha(0)}{t} = d$, as required. \square

[34.2] Important example Consider the previous example removing g_2 from the constraints. We have

$$T = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid g_1(x) = x_1^3 - x_2 \geq 0, g_3(x) = x_2 \geq 0\}.$$

Notice that the feasible set is actually the same, only a superfluous constraint is removed.

$$g_2 = x_1 > 0$$

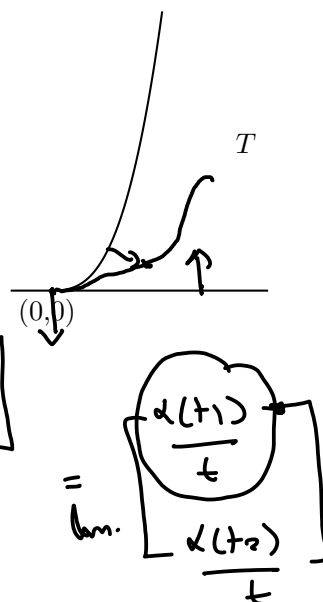
$$\alpha(t)_1^3 > \alpha(t)_2$$

a) But now, at the feasible point $a = (0, 0)$, KTCQ1 does not hold. How?

$$\mathcal{D}(a) = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} d_1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

$$d = \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\alpha(t) = \frac{\begin{bmatrix} \alpha(t)_1 \\ \alpha(t)_2 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}}{t}$$



Notice that $\mathcal{D}(a) = \{d \mid d_2 = 0\}$ is a proper superset of the previous $\mathcal{D}(a)$. Take the direction $-e_1 \in \mathcal{D}(a)$. (Who stopped it earlier?) Do we have a continuously differentiable $\alpha(t) \in T$ such that $\alpha'(t) = -e_1$? No. How?

For, any $\alpha(t) = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha(t)_1 \\ \alpha(t)_2 \end{bmatrix} \in T$, we always have $\alpha(t)_1 \geq 0$. Hence, the first coordinate of

$$\alpha'(t) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\alpha(t)_1 - 0}{t}$$

must be ≥ 0 .

b) This has happened, as we have removed an active constraint. This constraint was stopping many directions from entering $\mathcal{D}(a)$. But the removal of this constraint has resulted in inclusion of those directions in the linearizing cone. └

To check whether ktcq1 holds at a point a , do we have to do it by the definition or is there a sufficient condition?

[34.3] Lemma (A sufficient condition for ktcq1) Let a be a feasible point for (P2) with $D(a) = \mathcal{D}(a)$. Then ktcq1 holds at a . In particular, if all the constraints in (P2) are linear, then ktcq1 holds at all feasible points.

$$\mathcal{D}(a) = \mathcal{D}(a) \quad \checkmark$$

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$$a \rightarrow d$$

$$d \in \mathcal{D}(a) = \mathcal{D}(a)$$

$$t \in [0, \theta]$$

Proof. Let $d \in \mathcal{D}(a)$, $d \neq 0$. So $\exists \delta$ such that $a + td \in T$, for $0 \leq t \leq \delta$. Define $\alpha(t) = a + td$. So ktcq1 holds at a . The next assertion follows from [31.5]. ■

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[34.4] **Lemma** (licq : another sufficient condition for ktcq1 to hold) Let a be a feasible point for (P2) with $f, g_i, h_j \in \mathcal{C}^2(T)$. If the set

$$F = \left\{ \nabla g_i(a), i \in A(a), \quad \nabla h_j(a), j = 1, \dots, p \right\}$$

$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \nabla g_i(a) \text{ } \forall \text{ active } i \\ \nabla h_j(a) \text{ } \forall j \end{array} \right\}$

is linearly independent, then ktcq1 holds at a .

The proof is omitted. Interested reader may refer to 'Algorithmic principle of mathematical programming' by Faigle, Kern and Still, or to the book 'Mathematical programming techniques' by N S Kambo.

[34.5] **Example** Consider

$$F = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \rightarrow \text{not lin ind}$$

$$\mathcal{D}(a) = \mathcal{D}(a)$$

$$\begin{array}{ll} \min & f(x) = x_1 + x_2 \\ \text{s.t.} & g_1(x) = x_1^3 - x_2 \geq 0, g_2(x) = x_1 \geq 0, g_3(x) = x_2 \geq 0. \end{array}$$

At which points ktcq1 holds?

Answer.

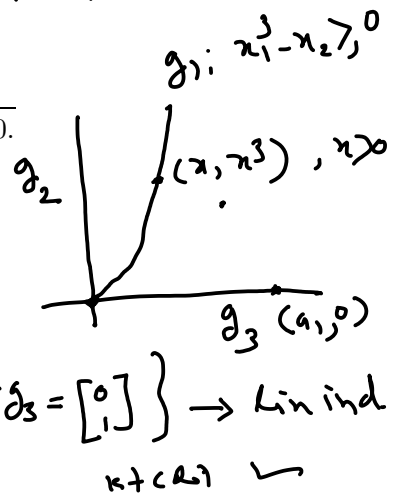
$$F = \{ \} \quad \text{yes lin ind}$$

so ktcq1 ✓

$$g_1 = x_1^3 - x_2$$

$$\left\{ \nabla g_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 3x_1^2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \rightarrow \text{yes lin ind.}$$

so ktcq1 ✓



a) At $a = (0, 0)$ we have $A(a) = \{1, 2, 3\}$ and $F = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$, not linearly independent. We cannot conclude anything using licq. However $\mathcal{D}(a) = \mathcal{D}(a)$. So ktcq1 holds here.

b) At $a = (a_1 > 0, 0)$ we have $A(a) = \{3\}$ and $F = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ is linearly independent. By licq, ktcq1 holds.

c) At $a = (t > 0, t^3)$ we have $A(a) = \{1\}$ and $F = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 3t^2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ is linearly independent. By licq, ktcq1 holds.

d) At points of interior, we have $A(a) = \emptyset$ and $F = \emptyset$ is linearly independent. By licq, ktcq1 holds.

Have you noticed? The constraint qualification is actually a qualification (property) of the constraints and it has nothing to do with the objective function. However, the KT points depend on the objective function, as ∇f is used.

[34.6] **Exercise(E)** (ktcq1 holds at a point of relative interior) Let a be a feasible point for (P2) with $g_i(a) > 0$ for all i and with linear equality constraints. Then ktcq1 holds at a .