

## FJ conditions and Karush Kuhn Tucker (KKT ) conditions:

- Consider the following nonlinear programming problem (P) of the form,
- Minimize  $f(\mathbf{x})$
- subject to  $g_i(\mathbf{x}) \leq 0$ , for  $i = 1, \dots, m$ ,  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .
- All  $f, g_i : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ .
- $f$  and the constraint functions  $g_i$  may not be linear functions.
- $S = \text{Fea}(P) = \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n : g_i(\mathbf{x}) \leq 0, \text{ for } i = 1, \dots, m\}$ .

- The set **D** of **feasible directions** at  $\mathbf{x}^* \in \text{Fea}(P)$  is given by,  

$$\mathbf{D}_{\mathbf{x}^*} = \{\mathbf{d} \in \mathbb{R}^n : \exists c > 0 \text{ such that } g_i(\mathbf{x}^* + t\mathbf{d}) \leq 0, \text{ for all } i = 1, \dots, m, \text{ and for all } 0 \leq t \leq c\}.$$
- Let  $I = \{i \in \{1, \dots, m\} : g_i(\mathbf{x}^*) = 0\}$ .
- Let  $I^* = \{1, \dots, m\} \setminus I = \{i \in \{1, \dots, m\} : g_i(\mathbf{x}^*) < 0\}$ .
- For all  $i \in I^*$ , we assume that  $g_i$  is **continuous** at  $\mathbf{x}^*$ .
- For each  $i \in I^*$  there exists  $c_i > 0$  such that  
 $g_i(\mathbf{x}^* + t\mathbf{d}) < 0$  for all  $0 \leq t \leq c_i$ ,
- If  $c = \min_{i \in I^*} \{c_i\}$ , then  
 $g_i(\mathbf{x}^* + t\mathbf{d}) < 0$  for all  $0 \leq t \leq c$  and for all  $i \in I^*$ .

- For  $i \in I$ ,  $g_i$ 's are assumed to be **continuously differentiable** at  $\mathbf{x}^*$ .
- If  $\mathbf{d}$  satisfies the condition,  $\nabla g_i(\mathbf{x}^*)\mathbf{d} < 0$  for all  $i \in I$ , then for each  $i \in I$  there exists an  $a_i > 0$  such that  $g_i(\mathbf{x}^* + t\mathbf{d}) < 0$  for all  $0 \leq t \leq a_i$ .
- If  $a = \min_{i \in I} \{a_i\} > 0$ , we get that  $g_i(\mathbf{x}^* + t\mathbf{d}) < 0$  for all  $0 \leq t \leq a$  and for all  $i \in I$ .
- If for all  $i \in I^*$ ,  $g_i$ 's are assumed to be **continuous** at  $\mathbf{x}^*$  and for all  $i \in I$ ,  $g_i$ 's are assumed to be **continuously differentiable** at  $\mathbf{x}^*$  then  
 $\mathbf{G}_0 \subseteq \mathbf{D}_{\mathbf{x}^*}$ ,  
 where  $\mathbf{G}_0 = \{\mathbf{d} \in \mathbb{R}^n : \nabla g_i(\mathbf{x}^*)\mathbf{d} < 0 \text{ for all } i \in I\}$ .

- If  $\mathbf{x}^*$  is a local **minimum**, then  $\mathbf{F}_0 \cap \mathbf{D}_{\mathbf{x}^*} = \phi$ , where  $\mathbf{D}_{\mathbf{x}^*}$  is the set of feasible directions at  $\mathbf{x}^*$  and  $\mathbf{F}_0 = \{\mathbf{d} \in \mathbb{R}^n : \nabla f(\mathbf{x}^*)\mathbf{d} < 0\}$ .
- Since  $\mathbf{G}_0 \subseteq \mathbf{D}_{\mathbf{x}^*}$  if  $\mathbf{x}^*$  is a **local minimum** implies  $\mathbf{F}_0 \cap \mathbf{G}_0 = \phi$ .
- **Theorem 7: (FJ necessary conditions)** Let  $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a **continuously differentiable** function.  
Consider the problem **P** of minimizing  $f$  subject to the conditions  $g_i(\mathbf{x}) \leq 0, i = 1, \dots, m$ , where  $g_i : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  for all  $i$ .  
Let  $S = \text{Fea}(P) = \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n : g_i(\mathbf{x}) \leq 0, i = 1, \dots, m\}$  and  $\mathbf{x}^* \in S$ .  
For all  $i \in I^*$ ,  $g_i$ 's are **continuous** at  $\mathbf{x}^*$   
and for all  $i \in I$ ,  $g_i$ 's are **continuously differentiable** at  $\mathbf{x}^*$ .  
If  $\mathbf{x}^*$  is a **local minimum** of  $f$  over  $S$   
there exists **non negative** constants,  $u_0, u_i, i \in I$ , **not** all zeros such that  
$$u_0 \nabla f(\mathbf{x}^*) + \sum_{i \in I} u_i \nabla g_i(\mathbf{x}^*) = \mathbf{0}. \quad (*)$$

- If all the  $g_i$ 's for  $i = 1, \dots, m$ , are **continuously differentiable** at  $\mathbf{x}^*$  then the above condition reduces to
- $u_0 \nabla f(\mathbf{x}^*) + \sum_{i=1}^m u_i \nabla g_i(\mathbf{x}^*) = \mathbf{0}$   
and  $u_i g_i(\mathbf{x}^*) = 0$ , for all  $i = 1, \dots, m$ . (\*\*)
- $\mathbf{x}^* \in S$  is called the **primal feasibility condition**,
- (\*) together with nonnegativity of the  $u_i$ 's, is called the **dual feasibility condition**.
- $u_i g_i(\mathbf{x}^*) = 0$ , for all  $i = 1, \dots, m$ , is called the **complementary slackness condition**.
- The above conditions are called the **FJ (Fritz John)** conditions and the point  $(\mathbf{x}^*, \mathbf{u})$  ( or  $\mathbf{x}^*$ ) is called a **Fritz John**, or an **FJ**, point.
- $\mathbf{x}^*$  is said to satisfy **KKT** condition if there exists non negative constants  $u_i$ ,  $i \in I$ , such that  
$$\nabla f(\mathbf{x}^*) + \sum_{i \in I} u_i \nabla g_i(\mathbf{x}^*) = \mathbf{0}. \quad (***)$$

- The above conditions given by (\*\*\*) are called **KKT (Karush, Kuhn, Tucker )** conditions.  
Any  $(\mathbf{x}^*, \mathbf{u})$  (or  $\mathbf{x}^*$ ) which satisfies the **Karush Kuhn Tucker (KKT)** conditions is called a **KKT** point.
- **Theorem 8: (KKT necessary conditions)** If in addition to the conditions assumed for  $f$  and  $g_i$ 's, as in the previous theorem, if  $\nabla g_i(\mathbf{x}^*)$ 's for  $i \in I$  are **LI** and  $\mathbf{x}^*$  is a local minimum of  $f$  then there exists nonnegative constants  $u_i, i \in I$ , such that  

$$\nabla f(\mathbf{x}^*) + \sum_{i \in I} u_i \nabla g_i(\mathbf{x}^*) = \mathbf{0}. \quad (****)$$
- **Remark:** Hence from **Theorem 8** it is clear that if  $(\mathbf{x}^*, \mathbf{u})$  (or  $\mathbf{x}^*$ ) is an **FJ** point and if  $\nabla g_i(\mathbf{x}^*)$ 's for  $i \in I$  are **LI** then  $(\mathbf{x}^*, \mathbf{u})$  ( or  $\mathbf{x}^*$ ) is a **KKT** point.

- **Remark:** If  $\mathbf{x}^*$  is a **Karush Kuhn Tucker (KKT)** point then it is also an **FJ** point.
- **Remark:** KKT conditions says that under the assumptions of the above theorem, if  $\mathbf{x}^*$  is a **local minimum**, then  $-\nabla f(\mathbf{x}^*)$  lies in the **cone generated** by the  $\nabla g_i(\mathbf{x}^*)$ 's,  $i \in I$ .
- **Gordon's Theorem:** Exactly one of the following two systems has a solution:
 
$$\mathbf{u} \neq \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{u} \geq \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{0} \quad (1)$$

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{y} > \mathbf{0} \quad (2)$$

- Example 1:**  $f(x_1, x_2) = (x_1 - 3)^2 + (x_2 - 2)^2$   
 subject to  
 $x_1^2 + x_2^2 \leq 5$ .  
 $x_1 + 2x_2 \leq 4$ .  
 $-x_1 \leq 0$   
 $-x_2 \leq 0$ .
- $f$  takes its minimum value at  $[2, 1]^T$ .
- $g_1(\mathbf{x}) = x_1^2 + x_2^2 - 5$ ,  
 $g_2(\mathbf{x}) = x_1 + 2x_2 - 4$ ,  $g_3(\mathbf{x}) = -x_1$  and  $g_4(\mathbf{x}) = -x_2$ .
- At  $\mathbf{x}^* = [2, 1]^T$  the binding constraints are  $g_1$  and  $g_2$ .
- $\nabla g_1(\mathbf{x}^*) = [4, 2]$ ,  $\nabla g_2(\mathbf{x}^*) = [1, 2]$ ,  $\nabla f(\mathbf{x}^*) = [-2, -2]$ .  
 $\nabla g_1(\mathbf{x}^*)$  and  $\nabla g_2(\mathbf{x}^*)$  are LI.
- Take  $u_1 = \frac{2}{6}$ ,  $u_2 = \frac{2}{3}$ , then
- $\nabla f(\mathbf{x}^*) + \sum_{i=1}^2 u_i \nabla g_i(\mathbf{x}^*) = \mathbf{0}$ .  
 Hence  $[2, 1]^T$  satisfies the KKT condition.



- **Example 2:**  $f(x_1, x_2) = -x_1$ .  
subject to  
 $x_2 - (1 - x_1)^3 \leq 0$   
 $-x_2 \leq 0$
- $\mathbf{x}^* = [1, 0]^T$  is a **local minimum**.
- At  $[1, 0]^T$  both the constraints are binding.
- $\nabla f(\mathbf{x}^*) = [-1, 0]$ ,  $\nabla g_1(\mathbf{x}^*) = [0, 1]$   
and  $\nabla g_2(\mathbf{x}^*) = [0, -1]$ .
- Take  $u_0 = 0$ ,  $u_1 = 1$ ,  $u_2 = 1$ , then  
 $u_0 \nabla f(\mathbf{x}^*) + \sum_{i=1}^2 u_i \nabla g_i(\mathbf{x}^*) = \mathbf{0}$ .
- Since  $-\nabla f(\mathbf{x}^*)$  does not lie in the cone generated by the  $\nabla g_i(\mathbf{x}^*)$ 's,  $i = 1, 2$ ,  
 $[1, 0]^T$  is an **FJ point** but **not a KKT point**.
- So **KKT** condition is **not** a necessary condition for a **local minimum**, although FJ conditions are **necessary conditions** for a **local minimum**.

- Theorem 8: (KKT necessary conditions)** If in addition to the conditions assumed for  $f$  and  $g_i$ 's, as in the previous theorem, if  $G_0 \neq \phi$  and  $\mathbf{x}^*$  is a local minimum of  $f$  then there exists nonnegative constants  $u_i, i \in I$ , such that

$$\nabla f(\mathbf{x}^*) + \sum_{i \in I} u_i \nabla g_i(\mathbf{x}^*) = \mathbf{0}. \quad (**)$$
- Example 2:** Minimize  $-x_1$ .  
subject to

$$\begin{aligned} -x_2 - x_1 &\leq 0 \\ -x_2 &\leq 0 \\ -x_1 &\leq 0 \end{aligned}$$
- $\nabla g_i(\mathbf{x}^*)$ 's,  $i \in I$  are **LD** at  $\mathbf{x}^* = [0, 0]^T$  but  $G_0 \neq \phi$ .
- Remark:** If  $\nabla g_i(\mathbf{x}^*)$ 's,  $i \in I$  are **LI** then  $G_0 \neq \phi$  but the converse is **not** true.

- **Theorem 9:(KKT sufficient conditions)** Let  $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be **convex** and **continuously differentiable**.

Consider the problem of **minimizing**  $f$  subject to the conditions  $g_i(\mathbf{x}) \leq 0, i = 1, \dots, m$ , where  $g_i : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  for all  $i$ .

Let  $S = \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n : g_i(\mathbf{x}) \leq 0, i = 1, \dots, m\}$  and  $\mathbf{x}^* \in S$ . For all  $i \in I^*$ , assume that  $g_i$  is **continuous** at  $\mathbf{x}^*$  and for all  $i \in I$ ,  $g_i$ 's are assumed to be **continuously differentiable** at  $\mathbf{x}^*$ .

Let all the  $g_i$ 's be **convex functions**, so that  $S = \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n : g_i(\mathbf{x}) \leq 0, i = 1, 2, \dots, m\}$  is **convex**. Then  $\mathbf{x}^*$  is a **global minimum** of  $f$  over  $S$  if there exists non negative constants,  $u_i, i \in I$  such that

$$\nabla f(\mathbf{x}^*) + \sum_{i \in I} u_i \nabla g_i(\mathbf{x}^*) = \mathbf{0}. \quad (*)$$

- **Example 1 revisited:**  $f(x_1, x_2) = (x_1 - 3)^2 + (x_2 - 2)^2$   
subject to  
 $x_1^2 + x_2^2 \leq 5.$   
 $x_1 + 2x_2 \leq 4.$   
 $-x_1 \leq 0$   
 $-x_2 \leq 0.$
- Check that  $f, g_i$  for all  $i$  are convex functions.
- $\mathbf{x}^* = [2, 1]^T$  is a KKT point.
- $\mathbf{x}^* = [2, 1]^T$  is the global minimum of  $f$ .

- **Example 3:**  $f(x) = -x^2$  for  $x \leq 0$   
 $= x^2$  for  $x \geq 0$ .
- For  $x^* = 0$ ,  $\nabla f(x^*) = 0$ , hence  $x^* = 0$  satisfies the **KKT** conditions but  $x^*$  not be a local minimum point.
- $f$  is clearly **not** convex.
- Any  $x^*$  for which  $\nabla f(x^*) = 0$  is a KKT point but  $x^*$  may not be a point of local minimum.
- $f(x_1, x_2) = x_1$   
subject to  
 $(x_1 - 1)^2 + (x_2 - 1)^2 \leq 1$   
 $(x_1 - 1)^2 + (x_2 + 1)^2 \leq 1$   
 $x^* = [1, 0]^T$  is the **global minimum** of  $f$  but not a KKT point.

- **Exercise:** The KKT conditions for the linear programming problem (LPP):

$$\text{Min } \mathbf{c}^T \mathbf{x}$$

subject to,  $A_{m \times n} \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{x} \geq \mathbf{0}$  are given by:

- $\mathbf{c}^T - \mathbf{y}^T A - \mathbf{v}^T = \mathbf{0}$ , or  $\mathbf{c}^T - \mathbf{y}^T A = \mathbf{v}^T$   
and  $v_i x_i = 0$  for all  $i = 1, \dots, n$ .  
where  $\mathbf{v} = [v_1, \dots, v_n]^T$  is a non negative vector,  
and  $\mathbf{y} = [y_1, \dots, y_m]^T$  is unrestricted in sign.
- The above conditions are equivalent to the **dual feasibility** and the **complementary slackness** conditions for the above LPP.
- **Conclusion:**  $\mathbf{x}^* \in \text{Fea}(P)$  is **optimal** for (P) if and only if  $\mathbf{x}^*$  is a **KKT point** of (P).
- **Exercise:** What are the FJ points of the above problem?
- **Exercise:** What are the KKT conditions for the following linear programming problem  
$$\text{Min } \mathbf{c}^T \mathbf{x}$$
  
subject to,  $A\mathbf{x} \geq \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{x} \geq \mathbf{0}$ .

- **Theorem 10: (FJ necessary conditions)** Let  $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a **continuously differentiable** function.

Consider the problem **P** of minimizing  $f$  subject to the conditions

$g_i(\mathbf{x}) \leq 0, i = 1, \dots, m$ , where  $g_i : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  for all  $i$ ,

$h_j(\mathbf{x}) = 0, j = 1, \dots, l$ , where  $h_j : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  for all  $j$ .

Let  $S = \text{Fea}(P)$  and  $\mathbf{x}^* \in S$ .

For all  $i \in I^*$ ,  $g_i$ 's are **continuous** at  $\mathbf{x}^*$ ,

for all  $i \in I$ ,  $g_i$ 's are **continuously differentiable** at  $\mathbf{x}^*$ ,

and for all  $j$ ,  $h_j$ 's are **continuously differentiable** at  $\mathbf{x}^*$ .

Then if  $\mathbf{x}^*$  is a **local minimum** of  $f$  over  $S$

there exists  $u_0, u_i, i \in I$ , **non negative** constants, and  $v_j$  constants (**unrestricted in sign**), not all zeros, such that

$$u_0 \nabla f(\mathbf{x}^*) + \sum_{i \in I} u_i \nabla g_i(\mathbf{x}^*) + \sum_{j=1}^l v_j \nabla h_j(\mathbf{x}^*) = \mathbf{0}. \quad (*)$$

- **Example 5:** Minimize  $x_1 + x_2$   
subject to  
 $x_2 - x_1 = 0$ .
- Check that no point of the above problem satisfies the **FJ** conditions (as in Theorem 10).
- **Example 6:** Minimize  $(x_1 - 1)^2 + x_2$   
subject to  
 $x_2 - x_1 = 1$   
 $x_1 + x_2 \leq 2$ .
- Check that  $\mathbf{x}^* = [\frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{2}]^T$  is a **KKT** point with  $u = 0, v = -1$  (as in Theorem 10).



- Theorem 11: (KKT necessary conditions)** Let  $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a **continuously differentiable** function. Consider the problem **P** of minimizing  $f$  subject to the conditions
 
$$g_i(\mathbf{x}) \leq 0, i = 1, \dots, m, \text{ where } g_i : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ for all } i,$$

$$h_j(\mathbf{x}) = 0, j = 1, \dots, l, \text{ where } h_j : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ for all } j.$$
 Let  $S = \text{Fea}(P)$  and  $\mathbf{x}^* \in S$ .  
 For all  $i \in I^*$ ,  $g_i$ 's are **continuous** at  $\mathbf{x}^*$ ,  
 for all  $i \in I$ ,  $g_i$ 's are **continuously differentiable** at  $\mathbf{x}^*$ ,  
 and for all  $j$ ,  $h_j$ 's are **continuously differentiable** at  $\mathbf{x}^*$ .  
 Let  $\nabla g_i(\mathbf{x}^*)$ 's,  $\nabla h_j(\mathbf{x}^*)$  for  $i \in I, j \in \{1, \dots, l\}$  be **LI**. Then if  $\mathbf{x}^*$  is a **local minimum** of  $f$  over  $S$   
 there exists  $u_i, i \in I$ , **non negative** constants, and  $v_j$  constants (**unrestricted in sign**) such that
 
$$\nabla f(\mathbf{x}^*) + \sum_{i \in I} u_i \nabla g_i(\mathbf{x}^*) + \sum_{j=1}^l v_j \nabla h_j(\mathbf{x}^*) = \mathbf{0}. \quad (*)$$

- **Example 7:** Minimize  $f(x_1, x_2) = x_1^3 - x_1 + x_2$ ,  
subject to  
 $(x_1 - 1)^2 + 2x_2 \leq 1$ ,  
 $x_1 - x_2 = 0$ .
- Check that at  $\mathbf{x}^* = [0, 0]^T$ , the first constraint is binding.
- But  $\nabla g_1(\mathbf{x}^*) = 2[-1, 1]^T$ , and  $\nabla h_1(\mathbf{x}^*) = [1, -1]^T$ .
- Since  $\{\nabla g_1(\mathbf{x}^*), \nabla h_1(\mathbf{x}^*)\}$  is **LD**, Theorem 11 is not applicable.
- Check that  $[0, 0]^T$  satisfies the KKT conditions as given in **(3)**, immediately after Theorem 7.
- Since  $f, g_1, g_2, g_3$  is convex, where  $g_2(x_1, x_2) = x_1 - x_2$  and  $g_3(x_1, x_2) = -x_1 + x_2$ ,
- $[0, 0]^T$  is the global minimum of  $f$  in the given feasible region.