

Nonlinear Optimization Lecture 11

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KKT Necessary Conditions

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & f(x) \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & g_i(x) \leq 0 \quad i = 1, \dots, m \end{aligned}$$

\bar{x} feasible with constrain qualifications – $\nabla g_i(\bar{x})$, $i \in I$ are linearly independent.

If \bar{x} is a local minimum, then KKT conditions state that $\exists u$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla f(\bar{x}) + \sum_{i=1}^m u_i \nabla g_i(\bar{x}) &= 0 \\ u_i g_i(\bar{x}) &= 0 \quad \forall i = 1, \dots, m \\ u_i &\geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

or in vector notation

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla f(\bar{x}) + \nabla g(\bar{x})^T u &= 0 \\ g(\bar{x})^T u &= 0 \\ u &\geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

where u is a vector of each u_i .

Definition. u_i is called a *Lagrangian Multiplier* or a *dual variable*.

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{x} \text{ feasible} &\rightarrow \text{Primal Feasibility} \\ \left. \begin{aligned} \nabla f(\bar{x}) + \nabla g(\bar{x})^T u &= 0 \\ u &\geq 0 \end{aligned} \right\} &\rightarrow \text{Dual Feasibility} \\ g(\bar{x})^T u = 0 &\rightarrow \text{Complimentary Slackness} \end{aligned}$$

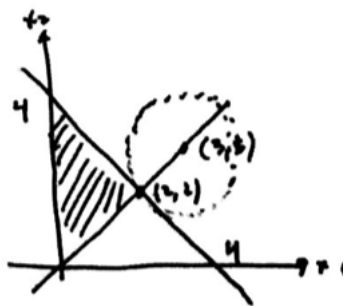


Figure 1: Example 1

Example 1

$$\begin{aligned}
 \min \quad & (x_1 - 3)^2 + (x_2 - 3)^2 \\
 \text{s.t} \quad & x_1^2 - x_2^2 \leq 0(u_1) \\
 & x_1 + x_2 - 4 \leq 0(u_2) \\
 & -x_1 \leq 0(u_3) \\
 & -x_2 \leq 0(u_4)
 \end{aligned}$$

Fritz-John points: $\bar{x} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ and $I = \{1, 2\}$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 u_0 + \nabla f(\bar{x}) + u_1 \nabla g_1(\bar{x}) + u_2 \nabla g_2(\bar{x}) &= 0 \\
 \nabla f(x) &= \begin{bmatrix} 2(x_1 - 3) \\ 2(x_2 - 3) \end{bmatrix} \\
 \nabla g_1(\bar{x}) &= \begin{bmatrix} 2x_1 \\ -2x_2 \end{bmatrix} \\
 \nabla g_2(\bar{x}) &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \\
 u_0 \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} + u_1 \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix} + u_2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \\
 u_0, u_1, u_2 &\geq 0 \\
 (u_0, u_1, u_2) &\neq 0 \\
 u_0 &= 1 \\
 u_1 &= 0 \\
 u_2 &= 2 \\
 u_3 &= 0 \\
 u_4 &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

Then \bar{x} is a Fritz-John point.

What about $\bar{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}^T$? This is not a local minimum, but is it a Fritz-John point? In this case, $I = \{1, 3, 4\}$, then

$$\begin{aligned} u_0 \begin{bmatrix} -6 \\ -6 \end{bmatrix} + u_1 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + u_3 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + u_4 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ u_0 = u_3 = u_4 &= 0 \\ u_1 &= 1 \\ u_2 &\in \mathbb{R} \end{aligned}$$

\bar{x} is Fritz-John point, but it is not a local minimum (but still satisfies Fritz-John)

Example 2

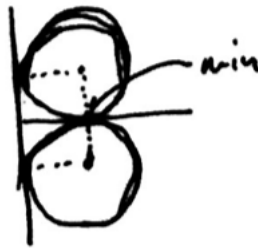


Figure 2: Example 2

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & x_1 \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & (x_1 - 1)^2 + (x_2 - 1)^2 - 1 \leq 0 \quad (u_1) \\ & (x_1 - 1)^2 + (x_2 + 1)^2 - 1 \leq 0 \quad (u_2) \end{aligned}$$

This is a convex function and a convex set.

$$\bar{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

\bar{x} local min $\Rightarrow \bar{x}$ F-J point

$$\nabla f(x) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\nabla g_1(x) = \begin{bmatrix} 2(x_1 - 1) \\ x(x_2 - 1) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\nabla g_2(x) = \begin{bmatrix} 2(x_1 - 1) \\ 2(x_2 + 1) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$u_0 \nabla f(\bar{x}) + u_1 \nabla g_1(\bar{x}) + u_2 \nabla g_2(\bar{x}) = 0$$

$$u_0 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + u_1 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} + u_2 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$u_0 = 0, u_1 = u_2 = 1$$

Compare with KKT Conditions

$$\nabla f(\bar{x}) + u_1 \nabla g_1(\bar{x}) + u_2 \nabla g_2(\bar{x}) = 0$$

$$u_1 g_1(\bar{x}) = 0$$

$$u_2 g_2(\bar{x}) = 0$$

$$u_1, u_2 \geq 0$$

We know that $g_1(\bar{x}) = 0$, $g_2(\bar{x}) = 0$.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + u_1 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} + u_2 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Where there is no solution. So \bar{x} is a Fritz-John point, but *not* a KKT point. What's wrong is that $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}^T$ and $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}^T$ are not linearly independent, meaning that the constraint qualifications are not satisfied.

In this case, $S = \{(1, 0)\}$ and $\text{Int}(S) = \emptyset$.

Some constraint qualifications

1. $\nabla g_i(\bar{x})$, $i \in I$ are linearly independent
2. Slater's CQ for convex optimization problems: $\text{Int}(S) \neq \emptyset$
3. Abadie's CQ: constraints are all linear.

Inequality and Equality

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & f(x) \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & g_i(x) \leq 0 \quad i = 1, \dots, m \\ & h_j(x) = 0 \quad j = 1, \dots, l \end{aligned}$$

CQ: $\nabla g_i(\bar{x})$, $\forall i \in I$ and $\nabla h_j(\bar{x})$, $\forall j = 1, \dots, l$ are linearly independent.

If \bar{x} is a local minimum, then $\exists u, v$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla f(\bar{x}) + \nabla g(\bar{x})^T u + \nabla h(\bar{x})^T v &= 0 \\ g(\bar{x})^T u &= 0 \\ u &\geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

Necessary Conditions. \bar{x} a local min \Rightarrow_{CQ} KKT conditions.

Sufficient Conditions. \bar{x} local min $\Leftarrow?$ KKT conditions (under some conditions). So we are interested in:
under what conditions do the KKT conditions prove local minimum?

- f is pseudoconvex at \bar{x}
- g_i is quasiconvex at \bar{x} , $\forall i \in I$ and $g_i(\bar{x}) = 0$
- h_j is quasiconvex at \bar{x} , $\forall j$ such that $v_j > 0$
- h_j is quasiconcave at \bar{x} , $\forall j$ such that $v_j < 0$

Sufficient conditions are satisfied when the above hold – these are the minimum requirements.