

## Optimization Algorithms :

Mathematical method to find the best solution (max. or min) for a given objective function within the set of constraints.

- Improve performance
  - minimizes loss
  - maximizes efficiency
- } by adjusting parameters within a system

## Gradient Descent Algorithms for Optimization :

### 1st order Optimization Algorithm

Gradient  $\nabla f$  for function  $f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$  is vector of partial derivatives of  $f$  w.r.t to all the variables

$$\nabla f = \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_2}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_2}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_3}, \dots, \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_n} \right)$$

Gradient  $\rightarrow$

how steep the line is  
less steep  
 $\nabla = 0$   
stopping downward  
-ve gradient

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1st order  
Gradient Descent  $\rightarrow$  iterative optimisation algorithm  
to find a local/global minima of a differentiable function.

In Linear R:  
we have to find a line that gives us least cost  
 $\rightarrow$  using GA

Gradient Descent moves in direction of the steepest descent i.e. negative gradient  $(-\nabla f(x))$

update rule

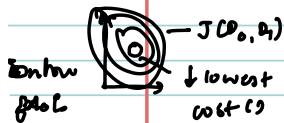
$$x_{\text{new}} = x_{\text{old}} - \alpha \nabla f(x)_{\text{old}}$$

Step size)  $\alpha \rightarrow$  Too small  $\rightarrow$  slow convergence  
 $\alpha \rightarrow$  Too big  $\rightarrow$  overshooting the minima

Local v/s Global Minima: GD may get stuck at local minima



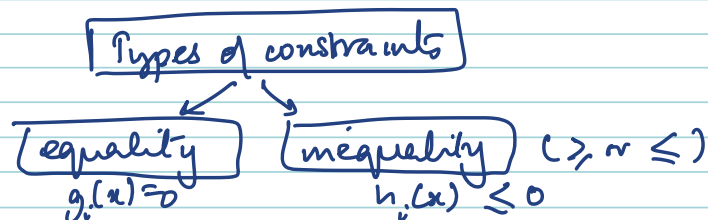
Variants: SGD  
 Mini batch Gradient Descent



Constrained Optimization:

Optimizing (max/min) an objective function <sup>where</sup> subject to constraints on variables are involved.

Goal: Find solution that satisfies both obj (J) and constraint



example:

Find values of  $x$  that minimize or max the objective function  $f(x)$  subject to given constraints

$$\min_x f(x) \text{ subject to } g_i(x) = 0 \quad h_i(x) \leq 0$$

## Method for solving constrained optimisation problem

### Lagrange Multipliers

- For equality constraints
- Lagrange multipliers are used to solve constrained optimisation problems
- basically → idea is to convert constrained problem into a form that the derivative test can be applied (similar to unconstrained one)

Lagrangian Multipliers:

$$\mathcal{L}(x, \lambda) = f(x) + \lambda^T g(x)$$

Example of Lagrange multiplier:

Find maximum & min values of

$$f(x, y) = 81x^2 + y^2 \text{ subject to constraint}$$

$$g(x, y) = 4x^2 + y^2 = 9$$

when  $y = 0$

$$x^2 = \frac{9}{4} \quad \therefore -\frac{3}{2} < x < \frac{3}{2}$$

when  $x = 0$

$$y^2 = 9 \quad \therefore -3 < y < 3$$

Solve the following equation:-

$$\nabla f(x, y) = \lambda \nabla g(x, y)$$

$$g(x, y) = C$$

Direction of  $\nabla f$  is || to  $\nabla g$

$$g(x, y) = 4x^2 + y^2 \text{ & } C = 9$$

$$\nabla f(x, y) = \begin{bmatrix} 162x \\ 2y \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{with } x \text{ & } y$$
$$\nabla g(x, y) = \begin{bmatrix} 8x \\ 2y \end{bmatrix}$$

We need to satisfy the system of equations:

$$162x = 8x\lambda \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$2y = \lambda 2y \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

$$4x^2 + y^2 = 9 \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

$$(2y - 2y\lambda) = 0$$

$$2y(1-\lambda) = 0$$

$$\text{either } y=0 \text{ or } \lambda=1$$

subst.  $y=0$  in (3) we get

$$4x^2 + 0 = 9$$

$$4x^2 = 9$$

$$x^2 = \frac{9}{4} \Rightarrow x = \pm \frac{3}{2}$$

2 values  
extrema

$$P_1 = \left(-\frac{3}{2}, 0\right) \quad P_2 = \left(\frac{3}{2}, 0\right)$$

put  $\lambda = 1$

$$162x = 8x\lambda$$

$$162x = 8x$$

$$162x - 8x = 0$$

$$x = 0$$

put  $x=0$  in (3)

2 potential  
extrema

$$y^2 = 9$$

$$P_3 = (0, -3)$$

$$y = \pm 3$$

$$P_4 = (0, 3)$$

evaluate  $f(x, y)$

put  $P_1, P_2, P_3, P_4$  in  $f(x, y)$

$$g(x, y) \Rightarrow x^2 + y^2 = 136$$

$$f(x, y) = 5x - 3y$$

Q:

$$\nabla f(x, y) = \lambda \nabla g(x, y)$$

$$\nabla f(x, y) = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\nabla g(x, y) = \begin{bmatrix} 2x & 2y \end{bmatrix}$$

$$5 = 2x\lambda \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$-3 = 2y\lambda \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

$$g(x, y) \quad x^2 + y^2 = 136 \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

$\lambda \neq 0$   
as then (1)  
will not be true

$$x = \frac{5}{2\lambda}, \quad y = \frac{-3}{2\lambda}$$

Plug these values to constraint (3)

$$\frac{25}{4\lambda^2} + \frac{9}{4\lambda^2} = 136$$

$$25 + 9 = 136 (4\lambda^2)$$

$$\lambda^2 = \frac{1}{16}$$

$$\lambda = \pm \frac{1}{4}$$

We can find potential max & mins

$$\lambda = -\frac{1}{4}$$

$$x = -10$$

$$y = 6$$

$$\lambda = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$x = 10$$

$$y = -6$$

Put values in  $f(x, y)$

$$f(-10, 6) = -68$$

$$f(10, -6) = 68$$