

Last Time

- Newton-Euler Dynamics
- SE(3)
- Quadrotors
- Airplanes

Today:

- HW 1 Q+A
- Optimization Review

HW 1 Notes:

* Exponentials:

$$\exp : \mathbb{R}^{n \times n} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{n \times n} / \mathbb{H} \rightarrow \mathbb{H}$$

- We also commonly define:

$$\text{Exp} : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \text{SO}(3) / \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{H}$$

(basically composing hat map w/ exp)

* Lie Midpoint

- For 2nd order, we need $\dot{Q}(t+h)$ to match Taylor expansion to 2nd order:

$$Q(t+h) \approx Q(t) + h \dot{Q}(t) + \frac{1}{2} h^2 \ddot{Q}(t)$$

$$\approx Q(t) + h Q_n \hat{\omega}_n + \frac{1}{2} h^2 [Q_n \hat{\omega}_n^2 + Q \hat{\omega}_n] \\ (+ \text{H.O.T.})$$

- Now look at RK-MK step:

$$\begin{aligned} Q_{n+1} &= Q_n \exp(h \hat{\omega}_n) \\ &= Q_n \exp(h(\hat{\omega}_n + \frac{1}{2} h \hat{\omega}'_n)) \end{aligned}$$

- Now Taylor expand exp:

$$\exp(x) \approx I + x + \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \dots$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow Q_{n+1} &\approx Q_n [I + h(\hat{\omega}_n + \frac{1}{2} h \hat{\omega}'_n) + \frac{1}{2} h^2 \hat{\omega}'_n^2 + H.O.T.] \\ &\approx Q_n + h Q_n \hat{\omega}_n + \frac{1}{2} h^2 Q_n [\hat{\omega}'_n^2 + \hat{\omega}'_n] \end{aligned}$$

Optimization Review Pt. 1:

* Notation:

- Given $f(x) : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$\underbrace{\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}}$ is a row vector
"gradient"

- This is because $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}$ maps $\Delta x \rightarrow \Delta f$:

$$f(x + \Delta x) \approx f(x) + \underbrace{\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}}_{\text{row}} \Delta x \quad \underbrace{\Delta f}_{\text{col}}$$

- Similarly, given $g(y) : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$

$$\frac{\partial g}{\partial y} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m} \text{ because } g(y + \Delta y) \approx g(y) + \frac{\partial g}{\partial y} \Delta y$$

"Jacobian"

- These conventions are important because they make the chain rule work!

$$f(g(y + \Delta y)) \approx f(g(y)) + \left. \frac{\partial f}{\partial g} \right|_{g(y)} \frac{\partial g}{\partial y} \Delta y$$

- For convenience, we also define:

$$\nabla f(x) = \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right)^T \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times 1} \quad \text{column vector}$$

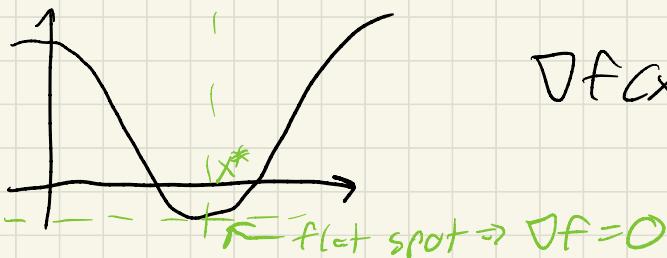
$$\nabla^2 f(x) = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (\nabla f(x)) \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$$

"Hessian"

* Minimization

$$\min_x f(x), \quad f(x) : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

- First-order necessary conditions:



- Flat spot could be a min, max, or a saddle.
- Second-Order Sufficient Conditions

$$\nabla f(x^*) = 0, \quad \nabla^2 f(x) > 0$$

\nearrow \nwarrow Positive definite

Positive curvature
(function is increasing locally
in all directions)

- "weakly" $\nabla^2 f(x) \geq 0 \forall x$
- Convex functions have $\nabla^2 f(x) \geq 0 \forall x$
- Strongly convex functions have $\nabla^2 f(x) > 0$
- Strongly convex functions have a single unique global minimizer x^*
- Weakly convex functions have a global minimum value of f but can have set-valued minima (e.g. valley with a flat bottom).
- We will assume functions are at least C^2 smooth (2^{nd} derivatives are continuous). Not strictly necessary, but makes math easier.

♦ Minimization with Equality Constraints

$$\min_x f(x)$$

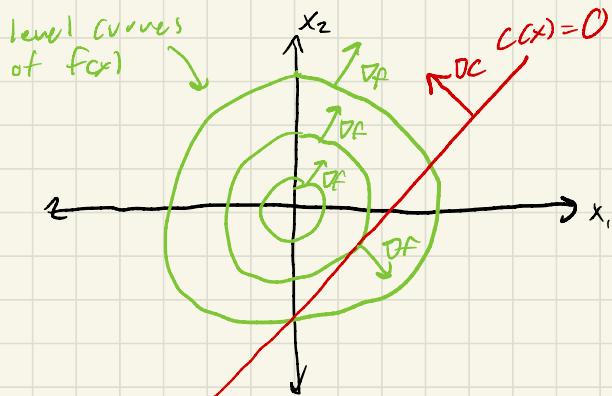
$$\text{s.t. } C(x) = 0$$

$f(x) : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$C(x) : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$

- First-order necessary conditions:

- 1) Need $\nabla f(x) = 0$ in free directions
- 2) Need $C(x) = 0$



λC = normal vector
to $C(x) = 0$

- Any non-zero component of ∇f must be normal to the constraint surface/manifold

$$\Rightarrow \nabla f + \lambda \nabla C = 0, \lambda \in \mathbb{R}$$

λ scalar "Lagrange Multiplier" / "Dual Variable"

- In general:

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial x} + \lambda^\top \frac{\partial C}{\partial x} = 0$$

- Based on this condition, we define the "Lagrangian"

$$L(x, \lambda) = f(x) + \lambda^T c(x)$$

such that :

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla_x L(x, \lambda) &= \nabla f + \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial c}\right)^T \lambda = 0 \\ \nabla_{\lambda} L(x, \lambda) &= c(x) = 0 \end{aligned} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{"KKT"} \\ \text{conditions"} \end{array} \right\}$$

- Second-Order Sufficiency Conditions:

$\nabla^2 f(x) > 0$ in free directions

* Solving Optimization Problems

- KKT conditions define a root-finding problem:

$$\nabla L(x, \lambda) = 0$$

- Classic solution technique: Newton's Method

1) Start with a guess for x^*, λ^*

2) Linearize ∇L about guess:

$$\nabla_x L(x + \Delta x, \lambda + \Delta \lambda) \approx \nabla_x L(x, \lambda) + \frac{\partial^2 L}{\partial x^2} \Delta x + \frac{\partial^2 L}{\partial x \partial \lambda} \Delta \lambda$$

$$\nabla_x L(x + \Delta x, \lambda + \Delta \lambda) \approx c(x) + \frac{\partial c}{\partial x} \Delta x$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial c}{\partial x} \right)^T$$

3) Set linearization = 0 and solve for Δx , $\Delta \lambda$

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} J^2 L & \frac{\partial c}{\partial x}^T \\ \frac{\partial c}{\partial x} & 0 \end{bmatrix}}_{\text{"KKT System"}} \begin{bmatrix} \Delta x \\ \Delta \lambda \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -J_x L \\ -c(x) \end{bmatrix}$$

"KKT System"

4) Update $x \leftarrow x + \Delta x$, $\lambda \leftarrow \lambda + \Delta \lambda$ and go to 2) until convergence.

- Some additional tricks are typically added to ensure convergence on difficult problems. But we won't need them.

* Gauss - Newton Method:

$$\frac{\partial^2 L}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial F} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left[\left(\frac{\partial c}{\partial x} \right)^T \lambda \right] \leftarrow \text{"constraint curvature"}$$

3rd-rank tensor

- 3rd-rank tensor is expensive / annoying to compute

- We often drop 2nd term. Called "Gauss - Newton".

- Still does almost as well as full Newton