

A5.1 (a) Since  $f(x) = \frac{1}{2} \|x-b\|^2 + \frac{\beta}{2} (\sum_{i=1}^n x_i)^2$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$   
 $= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - b_i)^2 + \frac{\beta}{2} (\sum_{i=1}^n x_i)^2$ ,  $i=1, \dots, n$

Then  $\nabla f(x) = \begin{bmatrix} (x_1 - b_1) + \beta(x_1 + \dots + x_n) \\ (x_2 - b_2) + \beta(x_1 + \dots + x_n) \\ \vdots \\ (x_n - b_n) + \beta(x_1 + \dots + x_n) \end{bmatrix}$

$\nabla^2 f(x) = \begin{bmatrix} \beta+1 & \beta & \dots & \beta \\ \beta & \beta+1 & \dots & \beta \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \beta & \beta & \dots & \beta+1 \end{bmatrix}$

(b) Let  $\nabla f(x) = 0$ , and suppose  $m = x_1 + \dots + x_n$

Then we have  $x_1 - b_1 + \beta m = 0$   
 $x_2 - b_2 + \beta m = 0$   
 $\vdots$   
 $x_n - b_n + \beta m = 0$

Thus we can get  $\begin{cases} x_1 = b_1 - \beta m \\ x_2 = b_2 - \beta m \\ \vdots \\ x_n = b_n - \beta m \end{cases} \quad (*)$

Since  $x_1 + \dots + x_n = (b_1 + \dots + b_n) - n\beta m$

$m = (b_1 + \dots + b_n) - n\beta m$

$(n\beta + 1)m = b_1 + \dots + b_n$

$m = \frac{b_1 + \dots + b_n}{n\beta + 1}$

We can substitute  $m$  in equations  $(*)$ .

Thus we know that solution  $x_1, \dots, x_n$  are unique.

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So  $f$  has a unique stationary point  $x_\beta^*$ ,

which is

$x_\beta^* = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 - \frac{\beta(b_1 + \dots + b_n)}{n\beta + 1} \\ b_2 - \frac{\beta(b_1 + \dots + b_n)}{n\beta + 1} \\ \vdots \\ b_n - \frac{\beta(b_1 + \dots + b_n)}{n\beta + 1} \end{bmatrix}$

Consider Hessian matrix  $\nabla^2 f(x)$ , since  $\beta > 0$ .

After applying elementary matrix to  $\nabla^2 f(x)$ ,

we can get final matrix

Since  $\det(A) > 0$ ,  $A = \begin{bmatrix} n\beta+1 & \beta & \dots & \beta \\ 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 1 \end{bmatrix}$   
 and  $\det(\nabla^2 f(x)) = \det(A)$   
 then  $\det(\nabla^2 f(x)) > 0$ .

Change  $n=1, \dots, n$ , we can get all the determinants of

leading sub-matrix are positive, thus  $\nabla^2 f(x)$  is

positive definite, and  $x_\beta^*$  is a local minimizer

(c) When  $\beta \rightarrow \infty$ , then  $x^* = \lim_{\beta \rightarrow \infty} x_\beta^*$

Since  $\frac{\beta(b_1 + \dots + b_n)}{n\beta + 1} = \frac{\beta(b_1 + \dots + b_n) + \frac{b_1 + \dots + b_n}{n} - \frac{b_1 + \dots + b_n}{n}}{n\beta + 1}$

$= \frac{b_1 + \dots + b_n}{n} - \frac{b_1 + \dots + b_n}{n\beta + 1}$

Then  $\lim_{\beta \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\beta(b_1 + \dots + b_n)}{n\beta + 1} = \frac{b_1 + \dots + b_n}{n}$

Thus,  $x^* = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 - \frac{b_1 + \dots + b_n}{n} \\ b_2 - \frac{b_1 + \dots + b_n}{n} \\ \vdots \\ b_n - \frac{b_1 + \dots + b_n}{n} \end{bmatrix}$

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Since  $\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^* = (b_1 + \dots + b_n) - n \cdot \frac{b_1 + \dots + b_n}{n} = 0$ .

Then  $x^*$  satisfies the constraint  $\nabla^T x^* = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^* = 0$

(d) Consider the constrained nonlinear program:

$\min_x \frac{1}{2} \|x-b\|^2$

s.t.  $\nabla^T x = 0$

Define the feasible points  $S = \{x: \nabla^T x = 0\}$

Since here  $h(x) = x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$

Then

$\nabla h(x) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , and it is the only gradient

Thus, LIC is generally satisfied at feasible points

Consider the KKT-conditions for  $x^*$ .

① Main Condition:  $\nabla f(x^*) + u \nabla h(x^*) = 0$ .

That is  $\begin{bmatrix} x_1^* - b_1 \\ x_2^* - b_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n^* - b_n \end{bmatrix} + u \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = 0$

We can get  $u = \frac{b_1 + \dots + b_n}{n}$

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also need to check.

④ Primal Feasibility:  $h(x^*) = 0$

Since  $\nabla^T x^* = 0$ , then it is satisfied.

then consider the second order conditions.

$\nabla_{xx}^2 L(x^*, u) = \nabla^2 f(x^*) + u \nabla^2 h(x^*)$

and

$\nabla^2 f(x^*) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\nabla^2 h(x^*) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

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And  $C(x^*) = \{d \in \mathbb{R}^n: \nabla f(x^*)^T d = 0, \nabla h(x^*)^T d = 0\}$

which is equivalent to the feasible points set

That is  $C(x^*) = \{d \in \mathbb{R}^n: \nabla^T d = 0\}$

Then we can check for  $\forall d \in C(x^*) \setminus \{0\}$ ,  $d = \begin{bmatrix} d_1 \\ d_2 \\ \vdots \\ d_n \end{bmatrix}$

$d^T \nabla_{xx}^2 L(x^*, u) d = d_1^2 + d_2^2 + \dots + d_n^2 > 0$

Then  $\nabla_{xx}^2 L(x^*, u)$  is positive definite on  $C(x^*) \setminus \{0\}$ .

Thus,  $x^*$  is the unique local solution of this problem.

A5.2. Consider the constrained nonlinear program:

$\min f(x) = x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_3^2 + x_1 x_2 + x_2 x_3 - 2x_1 - 5x_2 - 6x_3$

s.t.  $x_1 + x_2 + x_3 \leq 1$ ,  $x_1 - x_2 \leq 0$

(a) Derive the KKT-conditions.

① Main Condition:  $\nabla f(x^*) + \lambda \nabla g(x^*) + u \nabla h(x^*) = 0$

$\nabla f(x) = \begin{bmatrix} 2x_1 + x_2 - 2 \\ 2x_2 + x_1 + x_3 - 5 \\ 2x_3 + x_2 - 6 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\nabla g(x) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\nabla h(x) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2x_2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

② Dual Feasibility:  $\lambda \geq 0$ .

③ Complementarity:  $\lambda g(x^*) = 0$ .

④ Primal Feasibility:  $g(x^*) \leq 0$ ,  $h(x^*) = 0$ .

(b) Let  $x^* = [0 \ 0 \ 1]^T$ .

Consider the KKT-conditions.

① Main Condition:  $\nabla f(x^*) + \lambda \nabla g(x^*) + u \nabla h(x^*) = 0$

which is

$\begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -4 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix} + \lambda \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + u \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

We can get  $\lambda = 4$ ,  $u = -2$ .

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② Dual Feasibility:  $\lambda = 4 \geq 0$ .

③ Complementarity:  $\lambda g(x^*) = 4 \cdot (0+0+1) = 0$ .

④ Primal Feasibility:  $g(x^*) \leq 0$ ,  $h(x^*) = 0$ .

Then consider the second order conditions.

$\nabla_{xx}^2 L(x^*, \lambda, u) = \nabla^2 f(x^*) + \lambda \nabla^2 g(x^*) + u \nabla^2 h(x^*)$

and  $\nabla^2 f(x^*) = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\nabla^2 g(x^*) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\nabla^2 h(x^*) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

Then  $C(x^*) = \{d \in \mathbb{R}^3: \nabla f(x^*)^T d = 0, \nabla g(x^*)^T d \leq 0, \nabla h(x^*)^T d = 0\}$

Suppose  $d = [d_1 \ d_2 \ d_3]^T$ , then we get

$2d_1 + d_2 = 0$ ,  $d_1 + d_2 + d_3 = 0$ ,  $d_1 = 0$

Thus we can assume  $d = [0 \ t \ -t]^T$ .

We can check for  $\forall d \in C(x^*) \setminus \{0\}$

$d^T \nabla_{xx}^2 L(x^*, \lambda, u) d = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ t \\ -t \end{bmatrix} d = 4t^2 > 0$

Then  $\nabla_{xx}^2 L(x^*, \lambda, u)$  is positive definite on  $C(x^*) \setminus \{0\}$ .

Thus  $x^* = [0 \ 0 \ 1]^T$  is a strict local minimum

of this problem.

A5.3. Consider the constrained nonlinear program:

$\min_x x_2 - 2x_1$

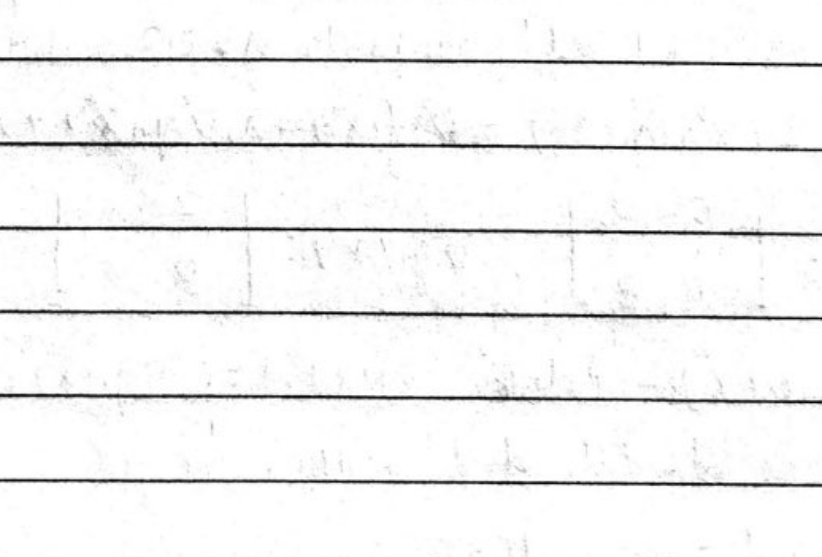
s.t.  $x_1^2 + x_2^2 - 1 \leq 0$ ,  $(x_1 - 1)^2 - x_2^2 \leq 0$

And  $\bar{x} = [0 \ 1]^T$

(a) Since  $\Omega = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^2: g_1(x) \leq 0, g_2(x) \leq 0\}$ .

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We can derive the feasible set  $\Omega$  by graph:



(b) Since  $\mathcal{A}(\bar{x}) = \{i: g_i(\bar{x}) = 0\}$ , then we check  $g_1(\bar{x})$  and  $g_2(\bar{x})$ .

$g_1(\bar{x}) = 0^2 + 1^2 - 1 = 0$ ,  $g_2(\bar{x}) = (0-1)^2 - 1^2 = 0$ . Then  $\mathcal{A}(\bar{x}) = \{1, 2\}$ .

Since  $\nabla^T \bar{x} = [d: \nabla g_i(\bar{x})^T d \leq 0, \forall i \in \mathcal{A}(\bar{x})]$ .

and  $\nabla g_1(x) = \begin{bmatrix} 2x_1 \\ 2x_2 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\nabla g_2(x) = \begin{bmatrix} 2x_1 - 2 \\ -2x_2 \end{bmatrix}$

and  $\nabla g_1(\bar{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\nabla g_2(\bar{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$

Suppose  $d = [d_1 \ d_2]^T$ , then we can get

$d_2 \leq 0$ ,  $-2d_1 - 2d_2 \leq 0$

Thus we can assume  $d = [d_1 \ d_1]^T$ ,  $d_1 \leq 0$ ,  $d_2 = -d_1 \geq 0$

(c) Since  $f = x_2 - 2x_1$  is a continuous function on  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

and the feasible set  $\Omega$  is a bounded, closed and nonempty set. Then by Weierstraß Theorem

$f$  attains a global maximum and global minimum on the set  $\Omega$ .

Thus, this problem has an optimal solution.

(d) Assume the LIC holds at all feasible points other than the KKT-points.

Consider the KKT-conditions.

① Main Condition:  $\nabla f(x^*) + \lambda_1 \nabla g_1(x^*) + \lambda_2 \nabla g_2(x^*) = 0$

We can get  $\nabla f(x) = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\nabla g_1(x) = \begin{bmatrix} 2x_1 \\ 2x_2 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\nabla g_2(x) = \begin{bmatrix} 2x_1 - 2 \\ -2x_2 \end{bmatrix}$

then  $\begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + \lambda_1 \begin{bmatrix} 2x_1 \\ 2x_2 \end{bmatrix} + \lambda_2 \begin{bmatrix} 2x_1 - 2 \\ -2x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

Case 1:  $\lambda_1 = 0$ ,  $\lambda_2 = 0$ , impossible case

Case 2:  $\lambda_1 = 0$ ,  $\lambda_2 > 0$ , then  $(x_1 - 1)^2 - x_2^2 = 0$

Solve the equation set, impossible case

Case 3:  $\lambda_1 > 0$ ,  $\lambda_2 = 0$ , then  $x_1^2 + x_2^2 - 1 = 0$

Solve the equation set, get  $x_1 = 1$ ,  $x_2 = 0$ ,  $\lambda_1 = 1$ ,  $\lambda_2 = 0$

Case 4:  $\lambda_1 > 0$ ,  $\lambda_2 > 0$ , then  $(x_1 - 1)^2 - x_2^2 = 0$  and  $x_1^2 + x_2^2 - 1 = 0$

get  $x_1 = 0$ ,  $x_2 = 1$ , impossible

$x_1 = 0$ ,  $x_2 = 1$ , impossible

$x_1 = 1$ ,  $x_2 = 0$ , LIC not holds.

So we have only case 2, and we can check

LIC both holds in these two cases.

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all holds for points in case 2.

Thus we get KKT points:  $x_1 = 1$ ,  $x_2 = 0$ .

with  $\lambda_1 = 1$ ,  $\lambda_2 = 0$ .

Then we consider second order conditions.

Let  $x^* = [1 \ 0]^T$ ,  $\lambda_1 = 0$ ,  $\lambda_2 = 1$ .

$\nabla_{xx}^2 L(x^*, \lambda_1, \lambda_2) = \nabla^2 f(x^*) + \lambda_1 \nabla^2 g_1(x^*) + \lambda_2 \nabla^2 g_2(x^*)$

$\nabla^2 f(x^*) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\nabla^2 g_2(x^*) = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$

Then  $C(x^*) = \{d \in \mathbb{R}^2: \nabla f(x^*)^T d = 0, \nabla g_2(x^*)^T d \leq 0\}$

Suppose  $d = [d_1 \ d_2]^T$ , then we get

$-2d_2 = 0$ ,  $-2d_1 + 2d_2 \leq 0$

then we assume  $d = [t \ t]^T$ ,  $t \geq 0$ .

We can check for  $\forall d \in C(x^*) \setminus \{0\}$ ,

$d^T \nabla_{xx}^2 L(x^*, \lambda_1, \lambda_2) d = d^T \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} d = 2t^2 > 0$

then  $\nabla_{xx}^2 L(x^*, \lambda_1, \lambda_2)$  is positive definite on  $C(x^*) \setminus \{0\}$ .

Thus  $x^* = [1 \ 0]^T$  is a strict local minimizer

we also check  $f$  value for other endpoints.

when  $x_1 = 0$ ,  $x_2 = 1$ ,  $f = 1$

$x_1 = 0$ ,  $x_2 = -1$ ,  $f = -1$

thus,  $x^* = [1 \ 0]^T$  is also a strict global minimizer

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