

Non-linear Programming

constraints

optimal conditions need not be linear

let f be real-valued function defined on $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^n$

minimize or maximize $f(x)$ subject to

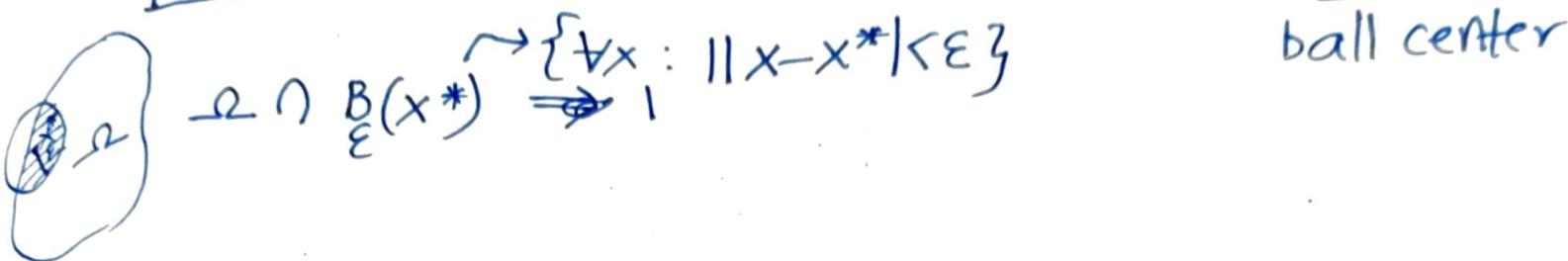
$x \in \Omega$ (f is not linear)

↳ (defined need not be by linear)

Def: A point $x^* \in \Omega$ is called a local minimum (maximum) of f , if $\exists \varepsilon > 0$ s.t.

$$\forall x \in \Omega \text{ and } \|x - x^*\| < \varepsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow f(x^*) \leq f(x) \text{ (or } f(x^*) \geq f(x))$$



Def: A point $x^* \in \Omega$ is called global minimum of f , if $f(x^*) \leq f(x) \quad \forall x \in \Omega$

Def: A vector $d \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $d \neq 0$ is said to be feasible direction at $x^* \in \Omega$, if $\exists c > 0$ s.t.

$$\forall t, 0 \leq t \leq c,$$

$$x^* + td \in \Omega$$



Ex: $\Omega = \{[x_1, x_2]^T : x_1 \geq 0, x_2 \geq 0\}$

at $[0, 0]$, $d = [d_1, d_2]^T$ is a feasible direction, then $d_1 \geq 0$ and $d_2 \geq 0$

at $[0, \frac{1}{2}]$, $d_1 \geq 0$ and $d_2 \leq 0$ $d_2 \in \mathbb{R}$

at $[\frac{1}{2}, 0]$, $d_1 \in \mathbb{R}$ and $d_2 \geq 0$.

at $[k_1, k_2]$ $k_1, k_2 > 0 \rightarrow d_1, d_2 \in \mathbb{R}$ $d \in \mathbb{R}^2$

First order necessary conditions for a local minimum

Remark 1:

(linear approx)

If x^* is interior point of Ω , then any $d \in \mathbb{R}^n$ is feasible direction.

Theorem 1: Let $f: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be continuously differentiable function.

$$f(x_1, x_2) = x_1^2 - 3x_1x_2 + 2x_2^2$$

↓
(partial derivatives
are continuous)

$$= x_1^2 - 2x_1x_2 - x_1x_2 + 2x_2^2$$

$$= x_1(x_1 - 2x_2) - x_2(x_1 - 2x_2)$$

$$= (x_1 - x_2)(x_1 - 2x_2)$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1} = 2x_1 - 3x_2$$

continuous functions
over Ω , so, f is
continuously differentiable

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_2} = -3x_1 + 4x_2$$

⇒ If x^* is local minimum point, then for any feasible direction d at x^* (converse need not be true)

$$\nabla f(x^*) d \geq 0$$

$$\nabla f(x) = [2x_1 - 3x_2, -3x_1 + 4x_2]$$

$$(\nabla f(x^*))_i = \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i} \right) (x^*)$$

Theorem 2: $f: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be continuously differentiable function. Let x^* be interior point of Ω . x^* is local minimum then

$$\nabla f(x^*) = 0 \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} \nabla f(x^*) d \geq 0 \\ \nabla f(x^*) (-d) \geq 0 \\ \Rightarrow \nabla f(x^*) d \leq 0 \\ \Rightarrow \nabla f(x^*) = 0 \end{array} \right)$$

as $d \neq 0$, feasible
all $d \in \mathbb{R}^n$ are directions
for interior points.

Ex: $f(x_1, x_2) = x_1^3 - x_1^2 x_2 + 2x_2^2$

$$\Omega = \{[x_1, x_2]^T : x_2 \geq 0, x_1 \geq 0\}$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1} = 3x_1^2 - 2x_1 x_2$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_2} = -x_1^2 + 4x_2$$

$$\nabla f(x) = [0, 0]$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} x_1 = 0 \\ x_2 = 0 \\ x_1 = 6 \\ x_2 = 9 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x_1^2 &= 4x_2 \\ 6^2 &= 2x_1 x_2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 &= 6 \\ x_2 &= 9 \end{aligned}$$

⇒ both these satisfy ~~nece~~ first order necessary conditions for local minimum.

$\left[\begin{array}{c} 0 \\ 0 \end{array}\right]$ is local minimum of f

$$f(x_1, x_2) = x_1^2(x_1 - x_2) + 2x_2^2$$

$$f(0, 0) = 0$$

$$f(x_1, x_2) < 0 \Rightarrow x_2 = 0 \text{ and } x_1 < 0 \quad \text{outside feasible region}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 < x_2 &\Rightarrow x_2 \neq 0, \quad 8x_2^2 \geq 4x_1^2 \\ x_1 < 2x_2 & \end{aligned} \quad \left. \begin{aligned} f(x_1, x_2) \\ \text{can be} \\ < 0. \end{aligned} \right\}$$

small say $x_1, x_2 < 1$

$$x_1^2(x_1 - x_2) + 2x_2^2 > 0$$

$$x_1^2 < x_2^2 < 1$$

$\Rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{c} 0 \\ 0 \end{array}\right]$ is local minimum (when ϵ chosen < 1)

\Rightarrow If $\Omega = \mathbb{R}^2 \Rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{c} 0 \\ 0 \end{array}\right]$ is not local minimum, left points (no matter how close) give $f < 0$.

ex: minimize $f(x_1, x_2) = x_1^2 - x_1 + x_2 + x_1 x_2$

$$\Omega = \{(x_1, x_2)^T, x_1 \geq 0, x_2 \geq 0\}$$

f is continuously differentiable

$\left[\frac{1}{2}, 0\right]$ satisfies first order necessary conditions

for local minimum.

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1} = 2x_1 - 1 + x_2$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_2} = 1 + x_1$$

$$\nabla f(x) = [2x_1 - 1 + x_2, 1 + x_1]$$

$$\nabla f(x^*) = [0, \frac{3}{2}]$$

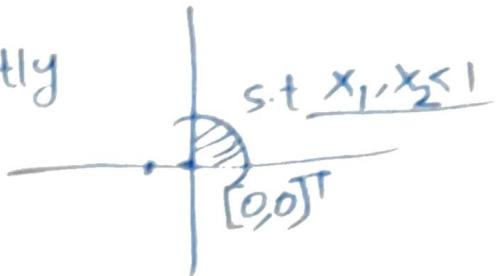
$$x^* = \left[\frac{1}{2}, 0\right]$$

$\nabla f(x^*) d$ \forall feasible directions

$$\Rightarrow \left[0, \frac{3}{2}\right] \begin{bmatrix} d_1 \\ d_2 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{3}{2}d_2 \geq 0, \quad \forall d \in D_{x^*}$$

$$D_{x^*} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} d_1 \\ d_2 \end{bmatrix} : d_1 \in \mathbb{R}, d_2 \geq 0 \right\}$$

\hookrightarrow set of all feasible directions at x^*



$$f\left(\frac{1}{2}, 0\right) = \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{2} = -\frac{1}{4}$$

$$= \frac{x_1^2 - x_1}{2} + \frac{x_2 + x_1 x_2}{2}$$

min at $\frac{1}{2}$ positive at best 0.

$$\begin{cases} 2x_1 - 1 = 0 \\ \rightarrow x_1 = \frac{1}{2} \\ 2 > 0 (\text{min}) \end{cases}$$

Global Minimum
 $\begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

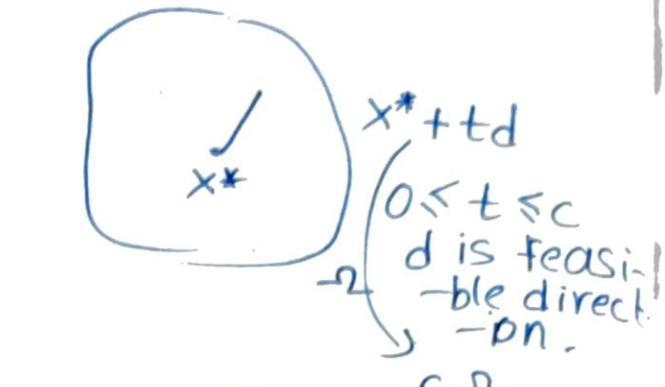
Theorem 1 proof:

$$g(0) = f(x^*)$$

(compare $g(0), g(t)$ for small t)

$$g(t) = g(0) + t g'(0) + o(t)$$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{o(t)}{t} = 0.$$



$$g(t) = f(x^* + td)$$

(Taylor's expansion)

d and x^* are fixed

$$\left\{ \because \frac{o(t)}{t} = \frac{t^2 + t^3}{t} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } t \rightarrow 0 \right\}$$

$$f(x^* + td) = f(x^*) + t g'(0) + o(t).$$

$$= f(x^*) + t \nabla f(x^*) d + o(t)$$

$$= f(x^*) + t \left[\nabla f(x^*) d + \frac{o(t)}{t} \right]$$

for t small,
sign is determined by $\nabla f(x^*) d$.

for minimum local,

$$\nabla f(x^*) d \geq 0.$$

if $\nabla f(x^*) d < 0$,
then we can choose t small \Rightarrow contradicts x^* being local minimum

$$g'(0) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{g(h) - g(0)}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x^* + hd) - f(x^*)}{h}$$

= \checkmark directional derivative of f along d .
at x^*

$$= \nabla f(x^*) d$$

$d = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$
along one of the coordinates

Second-order necessary conditions for local minimum

Theorem 3:

$f: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a twice continuously differentiable (second-order partial derivatives exist and are continuous) $\left(\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} \right)$

If x^* is a local minimum of f , then for any feasible direction d at x^*

1. $\nabla f(x^*) d \geq 0$.

2. If $\nabla f(x^*) d = 0$, then $d^T \nabla^2 f(x^*) d \geq 0$

$\nabla^2 f$ Hessian matrix of f

$$(\nabla^2 f)_{ij} = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_i \partial x_j}$$

Theorem 4:

If x^* is interior point. If it's local minimum then

1. $\nabla f(x^*) d = 0$

2. $d^T \nabla^2 f(x^*) d \geq 0, \forall d \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ($\nabla^2 f(x^*)$ is positive semidefinite)

ex

$$f(x_1, x_2) = x_1^3 - x_1^2 x_2 + 2x_2^2$$

$$\Omega = \{[x_1, x_2]^T : x_1 > 0, x_2 \geq 0\}$$

$$\nabla f(x) = [3x_1^2 - 2x_1 x_2, -x_1^2 + 4x_2] \quad \{= [0, 0] \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 0, 0 \\ 6, 9 \end{bmatrix}^T \}$$

$$\nabla^2 f(x) = \begin{bmatrix} 6x_1 - 2x_2 & -2x_1 \\ -2x_1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{may be more}$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$d^T \nabla^2 f(x^*) d \geq 0 \quad \forall d \text{ for interior } x^*$$

$$x^* = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix} \text{ is interior.}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} d_1 & d_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 18 & -12 \\ -12 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} d_1 \\ d_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$d = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow d^T \nabla^2 f(x^*) d \geq 0 \quad \forall d \in \mathbb{R}^2 \quad (= -2) \quad (\text{not satisfied})$$

\Rightarrow Not a candidate for local minimum

first-order necessary conditions are necessary
but not sufficient to be local minimum

$$x^* = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow d_1 \geq 0 \\ d_2 \geq 0$$

$$\nabla^2 f(x^*) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \quad d_i \neq 0 \quad d_i d_j \neq 0$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} d_1 & d_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} d_1 \\ d_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 4d_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} d_1 \\ d_2 \end{bmatrix} = 4d_2^2 \geq 0.$$

\Rightarrow So, It satisfies second-order necessary conditions.
so, $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ is local minimum.

$\Omega = \mathbb{R}^2 \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ satisfies both first-order necessary
& second-order necessary, but
 $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ is not local minimum.

ex :

$$f(x_1, x_2) = x_1^2 - x_1 + x_2 + x_1 x_2 \\ x_1 \geq 0 \quad x_2 \geq 0$$

f is twice continuously differentiable.

$$x^* = \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\nabla f(x_1, x_2) = \begin{bmatrix} 2x_1 - 1 + x_2, & 1 + x_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\nabla^2 f(x_1, x_2) = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\nabla f(x^*) = \begin{bmatrix} 0, 3/2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\nabla f(x^*) = \frac{3}{2} d_2 \\ d_2 \geq 0$$

first-order satisfied

$$d_1 \in \mathbb{R}, d_2 \geq 0.$$

$$\Rightarrow d^T \nabla^2 f(x^*) d = \begin{bmatrix} d_1 & d_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} d_1 \\ d_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 2d_1 + d_2, & d_1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} d_1 \\ d_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= 2d_1^2 + d_1 d_2 + d_1 d_2$$

$$= 2d_1^2 + 2d_1 d_2$$

$$= 2d_1(d_1 + d_2)$$

$$= 2d_1^2 \geq 0.$$

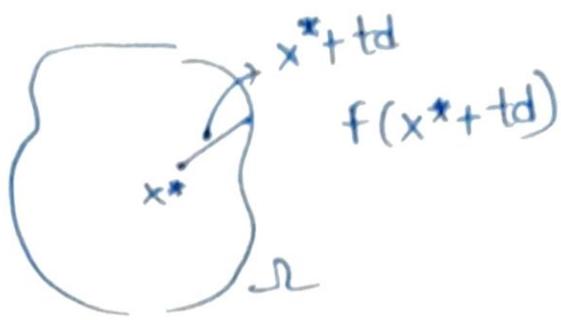
\Rightarrow Second order also satisfied.

If $\nabla f(x^*) d = 0$.

$$\Rightarrow d_2 = 0.$$



$x^* + td$,
 $0 \leq t \leq c$, $c > 0$
 feasible



$$f(x^* + td) = g(t)$$

$$\Rightarrow g(t) = g(0) + tg'(0) + \frac{t^2}{2}g''(0) + O(t^2)$$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{O(t^2)}{t^2} = 0$$

$$g'(0) = \nabla f(x^*) d$$

$$g''(t) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{g''(t+h) - g''(t)}{h}$$

$$= \nabla f(x^* + td) d$$

$$g'(t) = \sum_{i=1}^n d_i \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i} \right) (x^* + td)$$

$$g'(t) = \sum_{i=1}^n d_i h_i(t)$$

$$g''(t) = \sum_{i=1}^n d_i h'_i(t)$$

$$h'_i(t) = \lim_{k \rightarrow 0} \frac{h_i(t+k) - h_i(t)}{k}$$

$$= \nabla \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i} \right) (x^* + td) d$$

$$\Rightarrow \cancel{g''(t)} = \sum_{j=1}^n d_j \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i} \right) (x^* + td).$$

$$g''(t) = \sum_{i=1}^n d_i \left[\sum_{j=1}^n d_j \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_j \partial x_i} (x^* + td) \right]$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\frac{\partial^2 f(x^* + td)}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} d_j d_i}{a_{ij}}$$

$$g''(t) = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} (x^*) d_j d_i$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij} d_i d_j$$

$$= d^T A d$$

$$= d^T \nabla^2 f(x^*) d$$

(Hessian matrix is symmetric, as f is twice continuously differentiable)

$$g(t) = g(0) + t g'(0) + \frac{t^2}{2} g''(0) + O(t^2)$$

$$\Rightarrow f(x^* + td) = f(x^*) + t \nabla f(x^*) d + \frac{t^2}{2} d^T \nabla^2 f(x^*) d + O(t^2).$$

If $\nabla f(x^*) d = 0$.

$$\Rightarrow f(x^* + td) = f(x^*) + \frac{t^2}{2} d^T \nabla^2 f(x^*) d + O(t^2)$$

$$= f(x^*) + \frac{t^2}{2} \left[d^T \nabla^2 f(x^*) d + \frac{2O(t^2)}{t^2} \right]$$

as $t \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow \frac{O(t^2)}{t^2} \rightarrow 0$.

\Rightarrow sufficient small t , sign is decided by $d^T \nabla^2 f(x^*) d$, so

if $d^T \nabla^2 f(x^*) d \geq 0 \Rightarrow x^*$ may be local minimum
 (If < 0 , t can be chosen sufficiently small to contradict x^* being local minimum)

$$\text{So, } d^T \nabla^2 f(x^*) d \geq 0$$

$\nabla^2 f(x^*) \rightarrow$ positive semidefinite.

Def : Real symmetric matrix A is said to be positive semidefinite if $x^T A x \geq 0 \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n$

Def : positive definite if $x^T A x > 0 \forall x \neq 0$.

eigen values non-neg $\leftarrow H = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ $d^T H d = 4d_2^2 \geq 0$
 $d = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \neq 0 \Rightarrow 0$

Theorem:

$\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ is eigen value of $n \times n$ A , if $\exists x \in \mathbb{C}^n, x \neq 0$ such that $Ax = \lambda x$

$|\lambda I - A|$ upper triangular

$$\Rightarrow (\lambda - a_{11})(\lambda - a_{22})(\lambda - a_{33}) = 0$$

$a_{11}, a_{22}, a_{33} \rightarrow$ eigen values

1. A is positive semidefinite
 2. All eigen values are non-negative.
 3. All principal minors are non-negative.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\alpha \subseteq \{1, 2, 3\}$$

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$$\alpha = \{1, 2\} \quad \beta = \{3\}$$

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$$A_{\alpha\beta} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} \\ a_{21} \end{bmatrix}$$

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When $\alpha = \beta$, $A_{\alpha\alpha}$ is principal submatrix of A .

$$\alpha = \{1\} \quad A_{\alpha\alpha} = [a_{11}] \quad |A_{\alpha\alpha}| = a_{11} \rightarrow \text{principal minor} \uparrow$$

$$\alpha = \{1, 2\} \quad A_{\alpha\alpha} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix} \quad |A_{\alpha\alpha}| = a_{11}a_{22} - a_{12}a_{21}$$

$$\alpha = \{1, 3\} = A_{\alpha\alpha} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{13} \\ a_{31} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

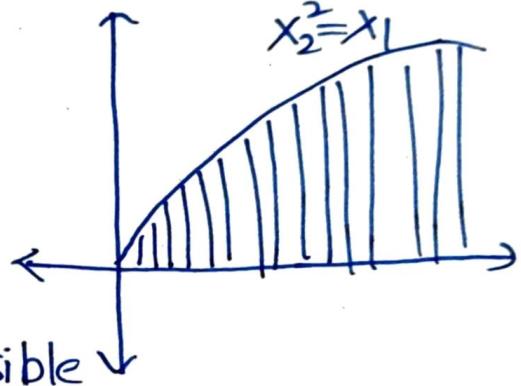
$$f(x^* + td) = f(x^*) + t \nabla f(x^*) d + \leftarrow \text{1st order approx} \\ > 0 \times O(t)$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{ex: } f(x_1, x_2) = x_1 - 2x_2^2 \quad \mathcal{R} = \{[x_1, x_2]^T : x_1 \geq 0, x_2^2 \leq x_1\}$$

$$\nabla f(x_1, x_2) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -4x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x^* = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \nabla f(x^*) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} d \\ = d_1$$

$d_1 > 0$ at $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ (for any feasible direction)



more

Sufficient conditions for local minimum:

Theorem: let $f: \mathcal{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a twice continuously differentiable.

let x^* be interior point

$$1. \nabla f(x^*) = 0$$

$$2. \nabla^2 f(x^*) \text{ is positive definite}$$

\Rightarrow then x^* is a local minimum of f .

$$f(x^* + td) = f(x^*) + t \nabla f(x^*) d + \frac{t^2}{2} d^T \nabla^2 f(x^*) d + O(t^2)$$

Theorem:

If A is symmetric,

1. A is positive definite
2. All eigenvalues are positive.
3. All principal minors are positive.

⇒ non-singular (non-zero determinant) positive semidefinite — positive definite.

Def: A real valued function f defined on a convex set $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ is said to be convex function on Ω , if $\forall x, y \in \Omega$ and all $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$

$$f(\alpha x + (1-\alpha)y) \leq \alpha f(x) + (1-\alpha)f(y) \quad (\text{line joining } x, y \text{ is above } f \text{ graph})$$

Def: function is concave, if $-f$ is convex function.

Theorem: If f is a convex function on Ω (convex set).

Then the set $S = \{x \in \Omega : f(x) \leq c\}$ is a convex set [\forall real c].

↳ $[z_1, z_2]$ is convex set above.

⇒ Proof: (empty set is also convex)

$$\Rightarrow S = \{x \in \Omega : f(x) \leq c\} \quad c \in \mathbb{R}$$

let $S \neq \emptyset$, let $x_1, x_2 \in S \quad f(x_1) \leq c$
 $f(x_2) \leq c$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha f(x_1) + (1-\alpha) f(x_2) \leq c \quad 0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$$

$$f(\alpha x_1 + (1-\alpha)x_2) \leq$$

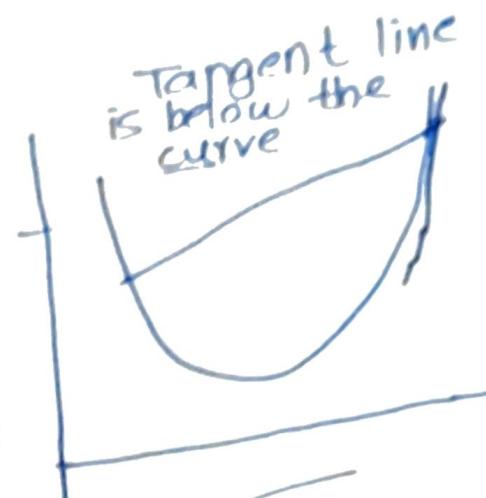
$$\Rightarrow \alpha x_1 + (1-\alpha)x_2 \in S \quad \forall \alpha$$

⇒ S is convex set.

Theorem 2: Let f be a continuously differentiable function defined on convex set, $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$, then f is convex iff

$$f(y) \geq f(x) + \nabla f(x)(y-x) \quad \forall x, y \in \Omega$$

Tangent plane at x .
 \Rightarrow approximation from this of value of function (first order)



Proof:

" \Rightarrow " f is a convex on Ω

$$f(\alpha y + (1-\alpha)x) \leq \alpha f(y) + (1-\alpha)f(x)$$

$$\forall x, y \in \Omega \\ \forall \alpha \in [0, 1]$$

Convex may be discontinuous, shoot up on boundary

$$\Rightarrow f(x + \alpha(y-x)) - f(x) \leq \alpha(f(y) - f(x))$$

for $\alpha > 0$.

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{\alpha \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x + \alpha(y-x)) - f(x)}{\alpha} \leq f(y) - f(x).$$

\Rightarrow (directional derivative at x along direction $y-x$)

$$\Rightarrow \nabla f(x)(y-x) + f(x) \leq f(y).$$

$$\alpha=0 \quad y=x \quad \checkmark$$

" \Leftarrow " Let f satisfy $f(y) \geq f(x) + \nabla f(x)(y-x) \quad \forall x, y \in \Omega$
fix some $x, y \in \Omega$

$$z = \alpha x + (1-\alpha)y \quad 0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$$

$$\alpha f(x) \geq \alpha f(z) + \alpha \nabla f(z)(x-z)$$

$$f(y) \geq f(z) + \nabla f(z)(y-z)$$

$$\Rightarrow (1-\alpha)f(y) \geq (1-\alpha)f(z) + (1-\alpha)\nabla f(z)(y-z)$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha f(x) + (1-\alpha)f(y) \geq f(z) + \nabla f(z)(\alpha x + (1-\alpha)y - z)$$

$$\Rightarrow f(z) \leq \alpha f(x) + (1-\alpha)f(y) - \nabla f(z)z$$

$$f(\alpha x + (1-\alpha)y) \leq \alpha f(x) + (1-\alpha)f(y)$$

f is convex

Theorem 3: Let f be twice continuously differentiable, on convex set Ω (Ω has at least one interior point). If f convex $\Leftrightarrow \forall x \in \Omega \quad \nabla^2 f(x)$ is positive semidefinite.

ex: $f(x_1, x_2) = x_1^3 - x_1^2 x_2 + 2x_2^2$

$$\Omega = \{[x_1, x_2]^T : x_1 \geq 0, x_2 \geq 0\}$$

$$\Rightarrow \nabla^2 f(x_1, x_2) = \begin{bmatrix} 6x_1 - 2x_2 & -2x_1 \\ -2x_1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x_1=1 \quad x_2=3 \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -2 \\ -2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\det = -4 \Rightarrow$ so not positive semidefinite
 $\Rightarrow f$ is not convex.

Theorem 4: $f: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is continuously differentiable. If f is convex on Ω , then x^* is a global minimum of $f \Leftrightarrow$ \forall feasible directions d at $x^* \quad \nabla f(x^*)d \geq 0$

Corollary: x^* is interior, f convex, global minimum $\Leftrightarrow \nabla f(x^*) = 0$.

Proof: " \Leftarrow " $\nabla f(x^*)d \geq 0 \quad \forall$ feasible directions d at x^* .

To show x^* is global minimum.

$$x^* + \lambda(y - x^*) \quad \forall y \text{ in } \Omega$$

$\Rightarrow y - x^*$ is a feasible direction at x^* .

$$\Rightarrow \nabla f(x^*)(y - x^*) \geq 0. \quad \forall y \in \Omega$$

$$f(y) \geq f(x^*) + \underline{\nabla f(x^*)(y - x^*)} \quad (\text{f is convex})$$

$$\geq 0. \quad \forall y$$

\Rightarrow So, x^* is local global minimum

" \Leftarrow " Any local minimum satisfies $\nabla f(x^*)d \geq 0$.

\Rightarrow So, local minimum is global minimum, for continuously differentiable convex function.

\Rightarrow linear is both convex & concave

minimizing convex is like maximizing concave

(necessary
become suffic-
ient+)

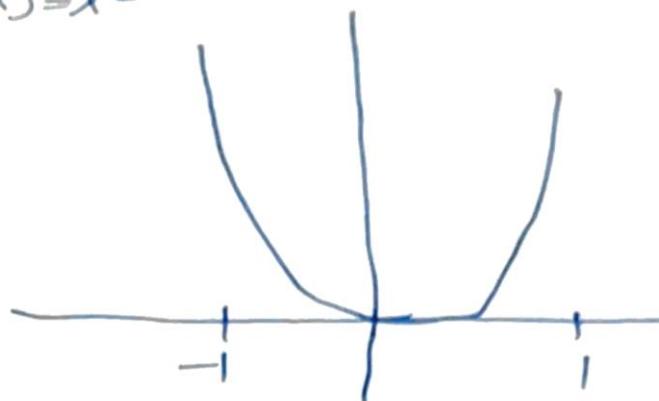
Theorem 5: f is convex function.

1. Set of minimums is convex set.

2. x^* is local minimum \Rightarrow it is global minimum

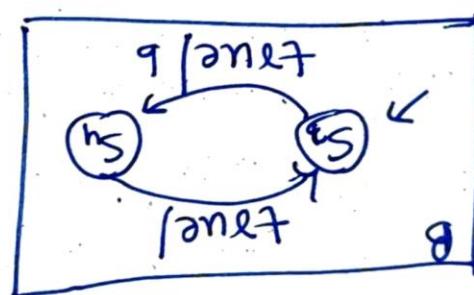
Remark: Theorem 5 does not hold when maximizing a convex function.

ex: $f(x) = x^2$



$$\begin{aligned} \max f(x) &= x^2 \\ -1 < x &\leq 1 \\ \text{Set of all optimal solutions} &= \{-1, 1\} \end{aligned}$$

$-1 < x \leq 2$
not convex set.
 \Rightarrow local maximum is not global maximum (-1).



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