

Conditional extrema

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Def. $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, M \subset X, x_0 \in M$ — conditional local minimum iff $\exists \varepsilon > 0 : f(x_0) \leq f(x) \forall x \in B_\varepsilon(x_0) \cap M$

Usually M is defined by some condition, e.g. level set of a function, i.e.

$$\Phi : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, M = \{x \in X \mid \Phi(x) = 0\}$$

Also x_0 should be an inner point, otherwise there are no differentials.

\mathbb{R}^m case

$$f : \mathbb{R}^{m+n} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \Phi : \mathbb{R}^{m+n} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$M = \{z \in X \mid \Phi(z) = 0\}, z \in M \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} \Phi_1(z) = 0 \\ \dots \\ \Phi_m(z) = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$d\Phi(z) = \left(\frac{\partial \Phi_i}{\partial z_j} \right)$$

Def. M is nondegenerate in z if $\text{rank } d\Phi(z) = m$.

In that case let's choose m independent columns and put them in the end. First n coordinates now are called x and last m — y .

$$d\Phi(z) = \left(\partial_x \Phi(x, y) \partial_y \Phi(x, y) \right)$$

By implicit function theorem [OG6Z] in a neighborhood $y = \varphi(x)$. Now $z = (x_0, y_0)$ is a conditional minimum iff x is a minimum of $\tilde{f}(x) = f(x, \varphi(x)) \Rightarrow d\tilde{f}(x_0) = 0$.

$$\partial_x f(x_0, \varphi(x_0)) + \partial_y f(x_0, \varphi(x_0)) d\varphi(x_0) = 0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

So it has a chance of giving a solution (because it removes n degrees of freedom).

$$\forall x \in B(x_0, \varepsilon) : \Phi(x, \varphi(x)) = 0 \Rightarrow \partial_x \Phi(x_0, \varphi(x_0)) + \partial_y \Phi(x_0, \varphi(x_0)) d\varphi(x_0) = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} d\varphi(x_0) &= (\partial_y \Phi(x_0, \varphi(x_0)))^{-1} \partial_x \Phi(x_0, \varphi(x_0)) \\ \partial_x f(x_0, y_0) + \partial_y f(x_0, y_0) (\partial_y \Phi(x_0, \varphi(x_0)))^{-1} \partial_x \Phi(x_0, \varphi(x_0)) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\lambda = \partial_y f(x_0, y_0) (\partial_y \Phi(x_0, \varphi(x_0)))^{-1} \in (\mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R})$$

$$\begin{cases} \partial_x f(x_0, y_0) + \lambda \partial_x \Phi(x_0, \varphi(x_0)) = 0 \\ \partial_y f(x_0, y_0) + \lambda \partial_y \Phi(x_0, \varphi(x_0)) := 0 \end{cases}$$

Lagrange test:

$$\begin{cases} df(z_0) - \lambda d\Phi(z_0) = 0 \\ \Phi(z_0) = 0 \end{cases}$$

There are $m + n$ indeterminates in z and m in λ . But also there are $2m + n$ equations, so they might be enough to find z, λ .

Th. 1. If z_0 is a local conditional extremum of f when $\Phi = 0$ and Φ is nondegenerate in z then $\exists \lambda \in \mathbb{R}^m : d(f - \lambda \Phi)(z_0) = 0$.

Geometric meaning

If z_0 is a local conditional minimum then value should increase along every direction in the surface. $df(z_0)h = 0$ when h is tangent to the surface.

$$\forall h \perp L = \langle \nabla \Phi_1, \dots, \nabla \Phi_m \rangle : \nabla f \perp h$$

Because $(L^\perp)^\perp = L$ (in finite dimensional case, to prove do something with bases):

$$\nabla f \in L \Rightarrow \exists \nabla_1 \dots \nabla_m : \nabla f(z_0) = \lambda_1 \nabla \Phi_1(z_0) + \dots + \lambda_m \nabla \Phi_m(z_0)$$

Example: quadratic form on a sphere

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{R}^m, f(x) &= \langle Ax, x \rangle, A = A^T, \Phi(x) = \|x\|^2 - 1 = \langle x, x \rangle - 1 \\ df(x) &= 2\langle A dx, x \rangle, d\Phi(x) = 2\langle x, dx \rangle \\ df - \lambda d\Phi &= 0 \Rightarrow Ax = \lambda x\end{aligned}$$

Suppose we found λ_1, v_1 :

$$x \perp v_1 \Rightarrow \lambda_1 \langle x, v_1 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle x, Av_1 \rangle \Rightarrow \langle Ax, v_1 \rangle$$

So consider $A_1 = A|_{\langle v_1 \rangle^\perp}, f_1 = f|_{\langle v_1 \rangle^\perp}$ and solve it with more restraints.

Didona's task

$$f(0) = f(1) = 0, J[f] = \int_0^1 f(x) dx \rightarrow \max, \Phi[f] = \int_0^1 \sqrt{1 + (f')^2} dx - l = 0$$

Let's use Lagrange multipliers with partial derivatives:

$$\exists \lambda \forall h, h(0) = h(1) = 0 : \partial_h (J - \lambda \Phi)(f) = 0$$

Proof. Suppose $\exists h_0 : \partial_{h_0} \Phi(f) \neq 0$. Choose h :

$$g(t, s) = \Phi[f + th + sh_0]$$

Why $\exists s : g(t, s) = 0$? If $\partial_s g(0, 0) \neq 0$ we have it from implicit function theorem.

$$\partial_s \Phi[f + th + sh_0] = d\Phi[f + th + sh_0] h_0 = \partial_{h_0} (f + th + sh_0)$$

$$\partial_{h_0} \Phi(f) \neq 0$$

so there is some $s(t)$ in a neighborhood.

$$\varphi(t) = J(f + th + s(t)h_0) \Rightarrow 0 \text{ — maximum point.}$$

$$\varphi'(0) = 0$$

$$\partial_{h+s'(0)+h_0} J(f) = 0$$

$$\partial_h J(f) + s'(0) \partial_{h_0} J(f) = 0$$

And from $\Phi[f + th + s(t)h_0] = 0$:

$$\partial_h \Phi(f) + s'(0) \partial_{h_0} \Phi(f) = 0$$

As in Lagrange method:

$$\partial_h J(f) - \lambda \partial_h \Phi(f) = 0, \lambda = \frac{\partial_{h_0} J(f)}{\partial_{h_0} \Phi(f)}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
\partial_h(J - \lambda\Phi)(f) &= 0 \\
\partial_h(\int_0^1 (f - \lambda\sqrt{1 + (f')^2})dx) &= 0 \\
\partial_2 F(...) - \frac{d}{dx}\partial_3 F(...) &= 0 \\
1 - \frac{d}{dx}(-\lambda\frac{f'}{\sqrt{1 + (f')^2}}) &= 0 \\
-\lambda\frac{f'}{\sqrt{1 + (f')^2}} &= x + C \\
\frac{(f')^2}{1 + (f')^2} &= \frac{x + C^2}{\lambda} \\
\frac{1}{(f')^2} &= \frac{\lambda^2}{(x + C)^2} - 1 \\
f'(x) &= \sqrt{\frac{(x + C)^2}{\lambda^2 - (x + C)^2}} \\
f(x) &= \int \frac{x + c}{\sqrt{\lambda^2 - (x + c)^2}}
\end{aligned}$$

With $t = x + c$ we get:

$$f(x) = \sqrt{\lambda^2 - (x + C)^2} + C_1$$

So it's a part of a circle with center in $(-\frac{1}{2}, \dots)$ and radius λ .