

Lecture 7

Midterm : 6:10 - 8 pm

Same room

Briefly: will cover through conjugate direction method, conjugate gradient method

Hessian, convex: local \Rightarrow global

Global avg thm

Steepest descent

$$E(X_{n+1}) \leq \left(\frac{r-1}{r+1}\right)^2 E(X_n)$$

$$E(x) = f(x) - f(x^*), f \text{ quadratic}$$

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Main topic for now

$$\text{minimize } f \text{ with constraints } h_1(x) = \dots = h_m(x) = 0 \\ g_1, \dots, g_r \leq 0$$

We will write

$$h(x) = 0 \text{ for } h = (h_1, \dots, h_m)$$

$$g(x) \leq 0 \text{ for } g = (g_1, \dots, g_r)$$

Last week: equality constraint.

- defined tangent space (plane)

- defined a regular pt. of the surface S defined by constrain

X is a regular point if $\nabla h_i(x)$, $i=1, \dots, m$ are linearly independent.

Remark: for well-formulated problem, most of all pts are regular.

Thm: if $x \in S$ is a regular point, then the tangent space at $x \in S$ is

$$\{y \in \mathbb{R}^n : \nabla h(x)y = 0\}$$

i.e. $\nabla h_i(x)y = 0$, for $i=1, 2, \dots, m$

$$h = \begin{pmatrix} h_1 \\ \vdots \\ h_m \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{so} \quad \nabla h = \begin{pmatrix} \nabla h_1 \\ \vdots \\ \nabla h_m \end{pmatrix}$$

Thm: If x^* is a local min of f with constraint $h(x)=0$, then there is some $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}^m$ st.

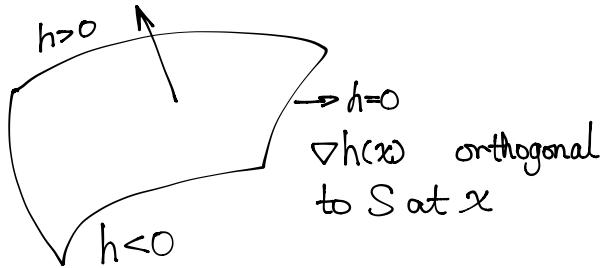
$$\nabla f(x^*) + \lambda \nabla h(x^*) = 0$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \uparrow \\ \text{reg'tn} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \uparrow \\ h(x^*) = 0 \\ \text{on eq'tn} \end{array}$$

Note: $(m+n)$ eq'tn, $(m+n)$ unknown, $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}^m$

λ is called "Lagrange multiplier"

If only 1 constraint easy to ...



$\nabla f(x) + \lambda \nabla h(x) = 0$
says $\nabla f(x^*)$ is multiple of $\nabla h(x)$

2nd order conditions

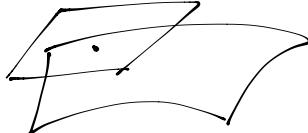
Necessary conditions

Suppose x^* is a local min pt of f , (also regular point), s.t. constraint $h(x)=0$, $f, h \in C^2$

$\nabla f(x^*) + \lambda^T \nabla h(x^*) = 0$ for some $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}^m$

Let $L = \nabla^2 f + \lambda^T \nabla^2 h$ (same λ)

Then $y^T L y \geq 0$ for $\forall y \in M = \{y : \nabla h(x^*) y = 0\}$



Proof: For $y \in M$, know from last week that \exists a curve $x(t)$, $a < t < b$, $a < 0, b > 0$ s.t. $x(t) \in S$ for all t , $x(0) = x^*$ & $x'(0) = y$

Let $g(t) = f(x(t)) + \lambda^T h(x(t)) = f(x(t))$

Since $h(x(t)) = 0$ for all $x \in S$. $g(t)$ has local min. at $t=0$, since f has local min at $x(t) = x^*$

so $g'(0) = 0$, $g''(0) \geq 0$

compute: $g'(t) = \nabla f(x(t)) \cdot x'(t) + \lambda^T \nabla h(x(t)) \cdot x'(t)$
 $g''(t) = x'(t)^T \nabla^2 f(x(t)) \cdot x'(t) + \nabla f(x(t)) \cdot x''(t) + \text{some for } \lambda^T h$?

so when $t=0$, $x(0) = x^*$, $x'(0) = y$ and so

$$g''(0) = y^T (\nabla^2 f(x^*) + \lambda^T \nabla^2 h(x^*)) y + \underbrace{(\nabla f(x^*) + \lambda^T \nabla h(x^*)) x''(0)}_{=0 \text{ by F.O.C.}}$$

$g''(0) \geq 0 \Rightarrow y^T L y \geq 0$

Sufficient condition:

Same set-up as above,

$y^T L y > 0, \forall y \neq 0$ in \mathbb{R}^n , \Rightarrow strict local min
 $(\nabla f(x^*) + \lambda^T \nabla h(x^*) = 0, x^*: \text{regular point})$.

Ex: $\min f(x_1, \dots, x_4) \equiv (x_1 x_2 x_3 + x_1 x_2 x_4 + x_1 x_3 x_4 + x_2 x_3 x_4)$ s.t. $x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4 = 4$

Procedure:

① Identify "candidates" by Lagrange multiplier problem: ② investigate, have I found (local) minimizer?

① Lagrange multiplier problem:

$$\begin{cases} \nabla f(x^*) + \lambda \nabla h(x^*) = 0 \\ h(x^*) = 0 \end{cases}$$

1st constraint:

$$\begin{aligned} Lx_1: & -(x_2 x_3 + x_2 x_4 + x_3 x_4) + \lambda(1) = 0 \\ Lx_2: & -(x_1 x_4 + x_1 x_3 + x_3 + x_4) + \lambda = 0 \\ Lx_3: & -(x_1 x_2 + x_1 x_4 + x_2 x_4) + \lambda = 0 \\ Lx_4: & -(x_1 x_2 + x_1 x_3 + x_2 x_3) + \lambda = 0 \\ & x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4 = 4 \end{aligned}$$

1 soln: $x = (1, 1, 1, 1)$, $\lambda = 3$ (only soln)

$$\begin{aligned} L &= \nabla^2 f(x^*) \\ &= -\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 0 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & 0 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Q: is it true that

$$y^T L y > 0$$

if $\nabla h(x^*) \cdot y = 0$ i.e. $y_1 + y_2 + y_3 + y_4 = 0$

Note: a basis for M is $\{(1, -1, 0, 0), (1, 0, 1, 0), (1, 0, 0, -1)\}$ enough to check $y_j^T L y_j \geq 0$
 $j = 1, 2, 3$

$$\text{For } y_1, y_1^T L y_1 = (1, -1, 0, 0) \begin{pmatrix} & & & -1 \\ & & & 1 \\ & & & 0 \\ & & & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

y_2, y_3 basically the same so $y = \text{basis}$ should be orthogonal, so "encouraging"

In this case, note that

$$\begin{aligned} L &= 2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} - 2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = 2I - 2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= 2I - 2\nabla h^T \cdot \nabla h \end{aligned}$$

So if $y \in M$, $\nabla h(x^*) y = 0$.

$$y^T L y = y^T (2I) y - 2y^T \underbrace{\nabla h^T \nabla h}_{0} y = 2y^T y \geq 0 \text{ if } y \neq 0$$

Last example:

① found x^*, λ

② computed $L = \nabla^2 f(x^*) + \lambda \nabla^2 h(x^*) \leftrightarrow$
 0 , because h linear

③ Is $y^T L y > 0$ for non-zero $y \in M$

For ③, give 2 answers

- ▷ choose basis for M and do some computations
- ▷ a trick: usually not available
- ▷ is incomplete, will post online

Inequality constraints

minimize f with $h(x) \leq 0, g(x) \leq 0$

Idea: reduce to the case of equality constraints

Def'n: Sps x satisfied

$$h(x)=0, g(x) \leq 0$$

$$g_j(x) \leq 0, j=1, 2, \dots, r$$

Def'n: j th constraint is active if $g_j(x)=0$

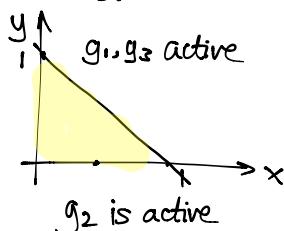
$T = \{j : g_j(x)=0\}$ = set of active constraints

Say we minimize $f(x, y)$ with constraint

$$g_1: -x \leq 0$$

$$g_2: -y \leq 0$$

$$g_3: x+y-1 \leq 0$$



Idea: relate problem to minimization with equality constraints $h(x)=0, g_j(x)=0, j$ active and mostly forget about inactive constraints

Def'n: Sps x satisfies $h(x)=0, g(x) \leq 0$, x is regular if $\nabla h_i(x), \nabla g_j(x), i=1, 2, \dots, m$ j active are L.I.

Like before, most or all pts are regular for well-formulated problems

F.O.C.

(Karush-Kuhn-Tucker conditions)

Let x^* be local min of f , s.t. $h(x)=0, g(x) \leq 0$. Then $\exists \lambda \in \mathbb{R}^m, \mu \in \mathbb{R}^r$ s.t.

$$\nabla f(x^*) + \lambda^T \nabla h(x^*) + \mu^T \nabla g(x^*) = 0$$

$$\mu^T g(x^*) = 0$$

$$\mu \geq 0, \text{i.e. } \mu_j \geq 0 \text{ for } \forall j, h(x^*) = 0$$

Note: $\mu^T g = 0$
says $\mu_j = 0$ if j th constraint is not active

Partial proof:

x^* minimizes f with constraints $h(x)=0, g(x) \leq 0$

The def'n of active says x^* minimizes (is a local min) of f with constraints $h(x)=0, g_j(x)=0, j$ active

So previous theorem (Lagrange multipliers) applies with h replace by (h_i, g_j) .
 $i=1, \dots, m$ - j active

So I get a Lagrange multiplier, which I call (λ_i, μ_j) $i=1, \dots, n$, $j \in J$

If j inactive, set $\mu_j = 0$

Then

$$\nabla f(x^*) + \lambda^T \nabla h(x^*) + \mu^T \nabla g(x^*) = 0$$

$$\rightarrow \mu^T \nabla g(x) = 0$$

because of choice of μ_j for inactive & definition of active.

This finishes the proof except for $\mu > 0$

Let's give the idea without a complete proof

For simplicity, first consider only 1 inequality constraint.
i.e. minimizes $f(x)$ with constraint $g(x) \leq 0$

\uparrow scalar

know that at x^*

$$\nabla f(x^*) + \mu \cdot \nabla g(x^*) = 0$$

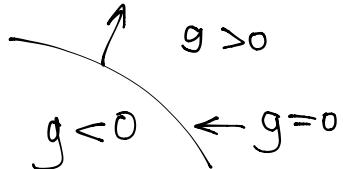
$$\mu \cdot g(x^*) = 0$$

i.e. $\mu = 0$ if inactive

Claim: $\mu \geq 0$

True if constraint is inactive, so consider active constraint

$$\nabla f(x^*) = -\mu \nabla g(x^*)$$



If $\mu < 0$, then $\nabla f(x^*)$ and $\nabla g(x^*)$ point in the same direction away from the set where $g(x) \leq 0$

If this was true, can decrease f by moving in $-\nabla f(x^*)$ direction (into constraint set)
impossible.

In general case,

$$h(x)=0, g(x) \leq 0$$

\nearrow vectors

$\mu \geq 0$ for some reason (but slightly more complicated)

$$\text{Ex: } f = x_1 + x_2 + x_3$$

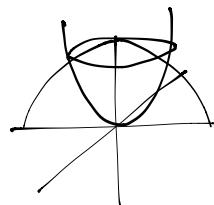
$$h = x_1^2 + x_2^2 - x_3$$

$$g = x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_3^2 - 6$$

$$\min f \text{ with } h=0, g \leq 0$$

$$h=0 \text{ if } x_3 = x_1^2 + x_2^2 \text{ parabola}$$

$$g=0 \text{ if } x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_3^2 \leq 6$$



Unfortunately, don't know if g is active, consider different cases.

Case 1: g inactive
 $\nabla f(x^*) + \lambda \nabla h(x^*) = 0$ since $\mu = 0$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} 1 + \lambda \cdot 2x_1 = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x_2} 1 + \lambda \cdot 2x_2 = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x_3} 1 + \lambda (-1) = 0$$

$$\lambda = 1, \quad x_2 = x_1 = -\frac{1}{2}, \quad x_3 = x_1^2 + x_2^2 = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$x^* = (\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}), \quad f(x^*) = -\frac{1}{2}$$

Case 2: g active

$$\nabla f + \lambda \nabla h + \mu \nabla g = 0$$

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

$$h(x^*) = 0$$

$$1 + 2\lambda x_1 + 2\mu x_2 = 0$$

$$1 + 2\lambda x_2 + 2\mu x_1 = 0$$

$$1 - \lambda + 2\mu x_3 = 0$$

$$x_1 = x_2 = \frac{1}{2(\mu + \lambda)}$$

$$\text{Also, } h = g = 0$$

$$x_1^2 + x_2^2 - x_3^2 = 0$$

$$x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_3^2 = 6$$

$$\Rightarrow x_3^2 + x_3 - 6 = 0$$

$$(x_3 - 2)(x_3 + 3) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x_3 = 2$$

$$\text{So } x_1 = x_2, \quad x_3 = 2$$

$$x^* = (1, 1, 2), \quad \lambda = -\frac{2}{10}, \quad \mu = -\frac{3}{10}$$

$$\downarrow f = 4$$

$$x^* = (-1, -1, 2) \rightarrow f = 0, \quad \lambda = \frac{6}{10}, \quad \mu = -\frac{1}{10}$$

not minimizer since $\mu < 0$.