

$Q$  : A person is swimming across several rivers. Speeds of those rivers are different:  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$ . To simplify this problem, we only consider the speed in vertical direction. The person's speed is  $v$ . It's a constant, no way to change that. And the angle of the person's velocity to horizontal line is  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n$ . The total time for swimming is  $T$ . And, the person must pass those rivers.

Your task is: Find out an equation to determine by choosing what angles ( $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n$ ) the person can get maximum distance in vertical direction (That is to say, please maximize  $dh$  by determining  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n$ ) under the total time  $T$ . 【You are not required to give out concrete angle numbers, a “cost function” that can be derived from is enough】

Tips: For this question, a mathematical tool you may need is called “Lagrangian Multiplier”. Which means, when you provide a formula, say  $E$ , which still need to satisfy some more conditions, say  $a > 1$ , for the convenience of calculating, we can write those 2 parts (formula  $E$  and condition  $a > 1$ ) together as one new formula. Here the new formula will be:  $E - \lambda(a - 1)$ .

已知:  $S = (s_1, s_2, \dots, s_n)$

$V = (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n)$

$v_p$  : speed of person

$T$

求:  $\alpha = (\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n)$  使得垂直方向的距离最大

垂直方向的距离如下

$$\begin{cases} dH = \sum_{i=1}^n (v_p \times \sin(\alpha_i) + v_i) \times (\frac{s_i}{v_p \times \cos(\alpha_i)}) \\ s. b. \quad \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{s_i}{v_p \times \cos(\alpha_i)} \end{cases}$$

1. 求 $dH$ 的最大值即求 $(-dH)$ 的最小值，根据拉格朗日乘子法，可以构造如下的拉格朗日函数

$$L(\alpha, \lambda) = - \sum_{i=1}^n \left\{ (v_p \times \sin(\alpha_i) + v_i) \times (\frac{s_i}{v_p \times \cos(\alpha_i)}) \right\} + \lambda * \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{s_i}{v_p \times \cos(\alpha_i)}$$

2. 将上述公式转为矩阵表达如下

$$\begin{aligned}
L(\alpha, \lambda) &= - \sum_{i=1}^n \left\{ (v_p \times \sin(\alpha_i) + v_i) \times \left( \frac{s_i}{v_p \times \cos(\alpha_i)} \right) \right\} + \lambda \times \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{s_i}{v_p \times \cos(\alpha_i)} \\
&= - \sum_{i=1}^n \left\{ s_i \times \tan(\alpha_i) + \frac{v_i \times s_i}{v_p \times \cos(\alpha_i)} \right\} + \frac{\lambda}{v_p} \times \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{s_i}{\cos(\alpha_i)} \\
&= - \left\{ S * \tan(\alpha)^T + \frac{V \cdot S}{v_p} * \left[ \frac{1}{\cos(\alpha)} \right]^T \right\} + \frac{\lambda}{v_p} \times S * \left[ \frac{1}{\cos(\alpha)} \right]^T
\end{aligned}$$

3. 对变量  $\alpha, \lambda$  分别求导，可求  $L(\alpha, \lambda)$  的最小值

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial L(\alpha, \lambda)}{\partial \alpha} = 0 \\ \frac{\partial L(\alpha, \lambda)}{\partial \lambda} = 0 \end{cases}$$

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