

# Constraints

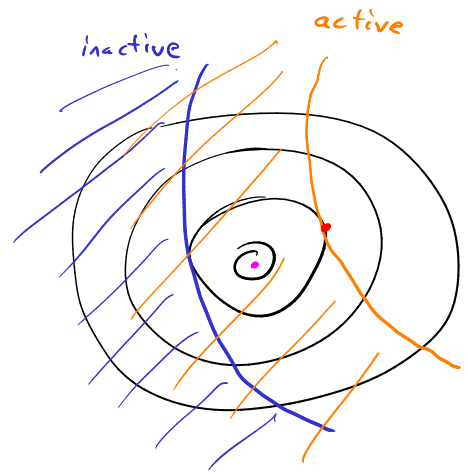
$$\underset{\vec{x}}{\text{minimize}} \quad f(\vec{x})$$

$$\text{subject to} \quad \vec{x} \in X$$

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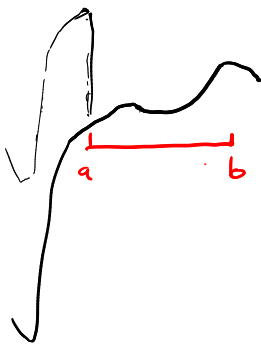
$$\text{subject to} \quad \vec{h}(\vec{x}) = 0 \quad \text{equality}$$

$$\vec{g}(\vec{x}) \leq 0 \quad \text{inequality}$$



$g_i(\vec{x})$  is active if  $g_i(\vec{x}^*) = 0$

General strategy: Convert constrained to unconstrained



$$\begin{aligned} \min & f(x) \\ \text{s.t.} & x \in [a, b] \end{aligned}$$

how to convert to unconstrained?

$$\min f(x) + \begin{cases} 9001 & \text{if } x \notin [a, b] \\ 0 & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$$

## Penalty

increase objective where constraints violated

$$(1) \quad \underset{\vec{x}}{\text{minimize}} \quad f(\vec{x}) + \rho p(\vec{x})$$

$$p_{\text{count}}(\vec{x}) = \sum_i (g_i(\vec{x}) > 0)$$

$$p_{\text{quad}}(\vec{x}) = \sum_i \max(g_i(\vec{x}), 0)^2$$

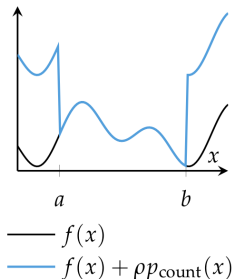


Figure 10.8. The original and count-penalized objective functions for minimizing  $f$  subject to  $x \in [a, b]$ .

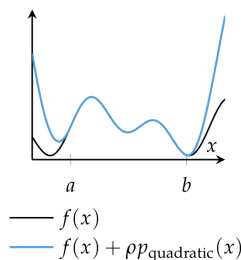


Figure 10.9. Using a quadratic penalty function for minimizing  $f$  subject to  $x \in [a, b]$ .

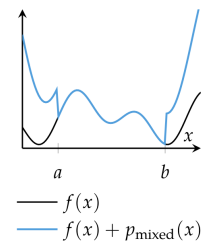


Figure 10.10. Using both a quadratic and discrete penalty function for minimizing  $f$  subject to  $x \in [a, b]$ .

raise  $\rho$  until solution feasible

loop

solve (1)

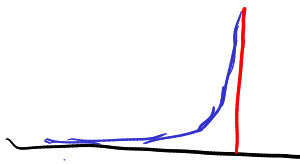
if solution not feasible

$$\rho \leftarrow 2\rho$$

## Barrier (Interior Point)

increase objective near constraint

$$\text{minimize } f(x) + \frac{1}{\rho} p(\bar{x})$$

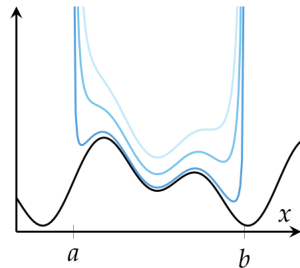


continuous  
non-negative  
approaches infinity  
at constraint

inverse

$$-\sum_i \frac{1}{g_i(\bar{x})}$$

$$\log \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \log(g_i(\bar{x})) & \text{if } g_i(\bar{x}) > 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{array} \right.$$



—  $f(x)$   
—  $f(x) + p_{\text{barrier}}(x)$   
—  $f(x) + \frac{1}{2} p_{\text{barrier}}(x)$   
—  $f(x) + \frac{1}{10} p_{\text{barrier}}(x)$

Figure 10.12. Applying the interior point method with an inverse barrier for minimizing  $f$  subject to  $x \in [a, b]$ .

## Lagrange Multiplier

all possible optima  $\rightarrow$  unconstrained critical pts

$$\text{minimize}_x \text{ maximum}_{\mu \geq 0} \mathcal{L}(\bar{x}, \bar{\mu})$$

$$\mathcal{L}(\bar{x}, \bar{\mu}) = f(\bar{x}) + \bar{\mu}^T \bar{g}(\bar{x})$$

