

Take any $x \in K$ ($x \neq x_0$) and let $V := x_0 - x \neq 0$.

We will check that either $g_i(x) < 0$ or $\langle v, \nabla g_i(x) \rangle < 0, \forall i=1, \dots, m$

Indeed, as $g_i(x)$ is convex, if $g_i(x) = 0$

then $g_i(x_0) - g_i(x) \geq \langle \nabla g_i(x), x_0 - x \rangle$ (convexity of g_i)

$\Leftrightarrow g_i(x_0) \geq \langle \nabla g_i(x), v \rangle$

$\Rightarrow \langle \nabla g_i(x), v \rangle < 0$

Thus the Qualif. Cond. holds. #

$g_i(x) = 0$



Corollary: Let x^* be a solution to (Pc) and x^* satisfies the qualification condition at x^* . Then, there exist $\lambda^* \in \mathbb{R}_+^m$ s.t. the constraints $g_i(x) \leq 0, i=1, \dots, m$.

① $\sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i^* g_i(x^*) = 0 \Leftrightarrow \lambda_i^* g_i(x^*) = 0, \forall i=1, \dots, m$

② $\nabla_x L(x^*, \lambda^*) = 0$ where $L(x, \lambda) := f(x) + \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i g_i(x)$

3.2 Necessary and Sufficient condition.

Lemma: Let $f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and $g_i: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, i=1, \dots, m$ be convex functions. Let $x^* \in K$ be a local minimum of f subject to $g_i(x) \leq 0, i=1, \dots, m$. Assume that the qualification condition holds at x^* . Then, there exist $\lambda^* \in \mathbb{R}_+^m$ such that $\nabla_x L(x^*, \lambda^*) = 0$ and $\lambda_i^* g_i(x^*) = 0, i=1, \dots, m$.

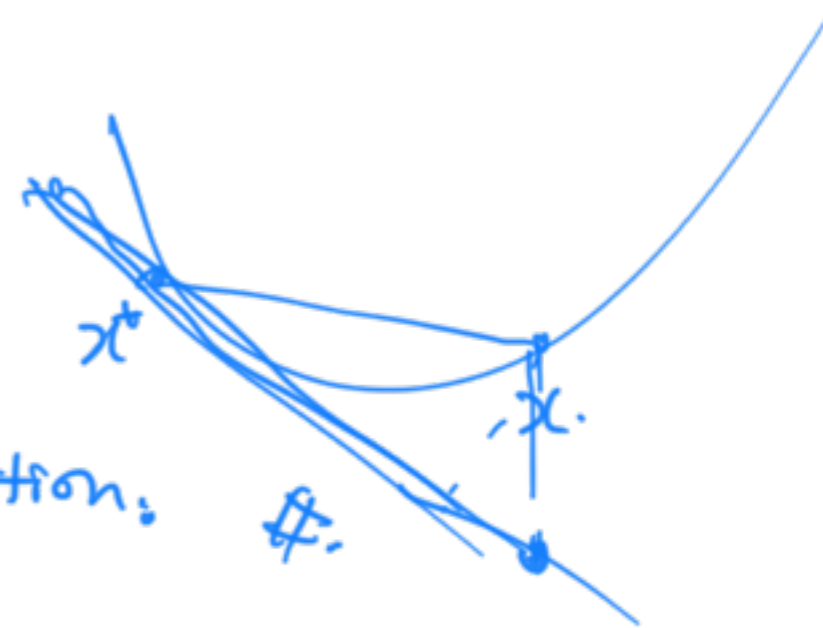
Lemma: Let $F: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a convex function, of class C^1 .

Then x^* be a solution to $\min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} F(x)$ iff $\nabla F(x^*) = 0$.

Proof: ① First, $\nabla F(x^*) = 0$ is a first order Necessary condition.

② - Next, if x^* satisfies $\nabla F(x^*) = 0$.

$$\text{then } F(x) \geq F(x^*) + \underbrace{\nabla F(x^*) \cdot (x - x^*)}_{= F(x^*)}, \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n$$



Then, $\nabla F(x^*) = 0$ is also a sufficient condition. ~~#~~

Theorem: Assume that the constraints in (P_c) satisfy the qualification condition at each point $x \in K$. Then, $x^* \in K$ is a solution to (P_c) .

$$\text{iff } \underbrace{\exists \lambda^* \in \mathbb{R}_+^m}_{\text{s.t.}} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i^* \cdot g_i(x^*) = 0 \\ \nabla_x L(x^*, \lambda^*) = 0 \end{array} \right. \quad (*)$$

Proof: We only need to prove that $(*)$ is also a sufficient condition, to ensure that x^* is a solution to (P_c) .

Assume that x^* satisfies $(*)$, notice that $x \mapsto L(x, \lambda) = f(x) + \sum \lambda_i g_i(x)$ is convex

Then, $\nabla L(x^*, \lambda^*) = 0$

implies that x^* is a solution to ~~the opt~~ $\min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} L(x, \lambda^*)$

$$\Rightarrow \underbrace{L(x^*, \lambda^*)}_{=} \leq \underbrace{L(y, \lambda^*)}_{=}, \quad \forall y \in \cancel{\mathbb{R}^n} K.$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \parallel \\ & f(x^*) + \underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i^* g_i(x^*)}_{=0 \text{ by } (*)} = 0 \parallel \\ & \parallel \\ & f(x^*) \parallel \\ & \parallel \\ & = f(y) + \underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i^* g_i(y)}_{\geq 0} \underbrace{g_i(y)}_{\leq 0} \\ & \parallel \\ & \leq f(y), \quad \forall y \in K. \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{f(x^*)} = L(x^*, \lambda^*) \leq L(y, \lambda^*) \leq \underline{f(y)}, \quad \forall y \in K.$$

$\Rightarrow x^*$ is a solution to (P_c) .

3.3. Duality:

$$\underbrace{(D_c)}_{=} \sup_{\lambda \in \mathbb{R}_+^m} d(\lambda), \quad \text{where } d(\lambda) = \inf_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} L(x, \lambda)$$

$$L(x, \lambda) := f(x) + \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i g_i(x).$$

Theorem: Assume that \underline{K} satisfy the qualification condition at each $x \in K$, and that (P_c) has a solution. $x^* \in K$.

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \leftarrow \text{Then: } \min_{x \in K} f(x) &= \inf_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} \sup_{\lambda \in \mathbb{R}_+^m} L(x, \lambda). \end{aligned} \right\} (P_c)$$

$$= \sup_{\lambda \in \mathbb{R}_+^m} \inf_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} L(x, \lambda) \quad (D_c)$$

$$\Rightarrow \sup_{\lambda \in \mathbb{R}_+^m} d(\lambda) \Rightarrow x^*$$

Moreover, the dual problem (D_c) has a solution $\lambda^* \in \mathbb{R}_+^m$.

and x^* is also a solution to $\inf_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} L(x, \lambda^*) \Rightarrow d(\lambda^*)$.

Proof: ① - $\sup_{\lambda \in \mathbb{R}_+^m} L(x, \lambda) = \sup_{\lambda \in \mathbb{R}_+^m} (f(x) + \sum \lambda_i g_i(x)) = \begin{cases} f(x) & \text{if } g_i(x) \leq 0 \forall i=1, \dots, m \\ +\infty & \text{if } x \notin K. \end{cases}$

$\Leftrightarrow x \in K.$

$$\Rightarrow \min_{x \in K} f(x) = \min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} \sup_{\lambda \in \mathbb{R}_+^m} L(x, \lambda)$$

↳ penalization on the constraints

② weak duality: $\inf_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} \sup_{\lambda \in \mathbb{R}_+^m} L(x, \lambda) \geq \sup_{\lambda \in \mathbb{R}_+^m} \inf_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} L(x, \lambda)$

Indeed, $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $\left(\sup_{\lambda \in \mathbb{R}_+^m} L(x, \lambda) \right) \geq (L(x, \mu))$, $\forall \mu \in \mathbb{R}_+^m$.

$$\Rightarrow \inf_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} \left(\sup_{\lambda \in \mathbb{R}_+^m} L(x, \lambda) \right) \geq \inf_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} (L(x, \mu)) \quad \forall \mu \in \mathbb{R}_+^m.$$

$$\underbrace{\inf_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} \sup_{\lambda \in \mathbb{R}_+^m} L(x, \lambda)}_{\lambda \in \mathbb{R}_+^m} \geq \sup_{\mu \in \mathbb{R}_+^m} \left(\underbrace{\inf_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} L(x, \mu)}_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \inf_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} \sup_{\lambda \in \mathbb{R}_+^m} L(x, \lambda) \geq \sup_{\lambda \in \mathbb{R}_+^m} \inf_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} L(x, \lambda)$$

③ Let x^* be a solution to (P).

Then, the constraints satisfy the qualification condition at x^*

$$\Rightarrow \exists \lambda^* \in \mathbb{R}_+^m \text{ st. } \begin{cases} \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i^* g_i(x^*) = 0 \\ \nabla_x L(x^*, \lambda^*) = 0. \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sup_{\lambda \in \mathbb{R}_+^m} \left(\inf_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} L(x, \lambda) \right) \geq \inf_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} L(x, \lambda^*)$$

by $\nabla_x L(x^*, \lambda^*) = 0$

$$= L(x^*, \lambda^*) = f(x^*) + \underbrace{\sum \lambda_i^* g_i(x^*)}_{=0}$$

$$= f(x^*)$$

$$= \inf_{x \in K} f(x)$$

$$\stackrel{!}{=} \inf_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} \sup_{\lambda \in \mathbb{R}_+^m} L(x, \lambda).$$

In particular, one has: $\sup_{\lambda \in \mathbb{R}_+^m} \left(\inf_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} L(x, \lambda) \right) = \inf_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} L(x, \lambda^*)$

$$\Leftrightarrow \underbrace{\sup_{\lambda \in \mathbb{R}_+^m} d(\lambda)} = d(\lambda^*),$$

In other words, λ^* is a solution to the dual problem $\sup_{\lambda \in \mathbb{R}_+^m} d(\lambda)$ (Dc)

Moreover, x^* is a solution to $\inf_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} L(x, \lambda^*)$

$$\text{since } \nabla_x L(x^*, \lambda^*) = 0 \quad \#$$

Exercise: $\min_{\substack{x^2 + y^2 \leq 1 \\ y + z \leq 0}} \frac{1}{2} \left[(x-2)^2 + y^2 + z^2 \right]$ (Pc)

Solution: $f(x, y, z) = \frac{1}{2} \left[(x-2)^2 + y^2 + z^2 \right]$

$$\begin{cases} g_1(x, y, z) := \underline{x^2 + y^2 - 1} \\ g_2(x, y, z) = y + z \end{cases}$$

① $f(x, y, z)$ is coercive, so that (P_c) has a solution.

and $K := \{(x, y, z) : g_1(x, y, z) < 0, g_2(x, y, z) < 0\} \neq \emptyset$. (x^*, y^*, z^*) the opt. cond. holds.

By duality: $(P_c) = \min_{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3} \sup_{\lambda \in \mathbb{R}_+^2} f(x, y, z) + \lambda_1 g_1(x, y, z) + \lambda_2 g_2(x, y, z)$

$$= \sup_{\lambda \in \mathbb{R}_+^2} \underbrace{\inf_{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3} f(x, y, z) + \lambda_1 g_1(x, y, z) + \lambda_2 g_2(x, y, z)}_{d(\lambda_1, \lambda_2)}$$

② $d(\lambda_1, \lambda_2) = \inf_{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3} \cancel{L(x, y, z, \lambda_1, \lambda_2)} \frac{1}{2} [(x-2)^2 + y^2 + z^2] + \lambda_1 (x^2 + y^2 - 1) + \lambda_2 (y + z)$

$$= \inf_{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3} \left(\left(\frac{1}{2} + \lambda_1\right) x^2 - 2x + \left(\frac{1}{2} + \lambda_1\right) y^2 + \lambda_2 y + z \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \left(-\frac{4}{4(\frac{1}{2} + \lambda_1)} - \frac{\lambda_2^2}{4(\frac{1}{2} + \lambda_1)} - \frac{1}{2}\lambda_2^2 + 2 - \lambda_1 \right) \\
 &= \left(-\frac{4 + \lambda_2^2}{2 + 4\lambda_1} - \frac{1}{2}(\lambda_2^2 + 4) - \lambda_1 \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{cases}
 x^* = \frac{2}{1+2\lambda_1} = \frac{2}{1+2\lambda_1} \\
 y^* = -\frac{\lambda_2}{1+2\lambda_1} \\
 z^* = -\lambda_2
 \end{cases}$$

$\max_{\lambda_1 \geq 0, \lambda_2 \geq 0}$

$$d(\lambda_1, \lambda_2) = \max_{\lambda_1 \geq 0} \left(-\frac{4}{2+4\lambda_1} - 2 - \lambda_1 \right), \quad \lambda_2^* = 0$$

$$= \max_{\lambda_1 \geq 0} \left(-\frac{2}{1+2\lambda_1} - \frac{1+2\lambda_1}{2} - \frac{3}{2} \right), \quad \lambda_1^* = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= -2 - \frac{3}{2} \\
 &= \frac{7}{2} \implies \begin{cases} x^* = 1 \\ y^* = 0 \\ z^* = 0 \end{cases}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$(P_c): \min_{x \in K} f(x) = \sup_{\lambda \in \mathbb{R}_+^m} \underbrace{\max_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} L(x, \lambda)}_{d(\lambda)}$$

Step 1: Compute $d(\lambda)$.

Step 2: Solve (Dc). Find λ^* .

Step 3: Find x^* as it is a solution to $d(\lambda^*)$.

Exercise 2:

$$\min_{Ax=b} \frac{1}{2} \|x\|^2$$

A is $m \times n$ matrix.

$$b \in \mathbb{R}^m.$$

$$x \in \mathbb{R}^n.$$

$$\text{Rank}(A) = m < n.$$

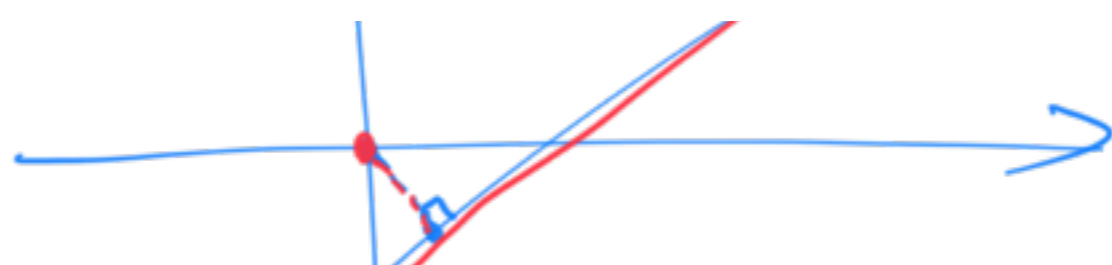
① Remark: $m=1, n=2.$

$$A_1 x_1 + A_2 x_2 = b$$



$$Ax=b.$$

Projection of 0 to the



space. $\{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : Ax = b\}$

(2) Existence: $f(x)$ is coercive \Rightarrow a solution x^* exists.

(3) Duality: $L(x, \lambda) = f(x) + \langle \lambda, Ax - b \rangle$, $f(x) = \frac{1}{2} \|x\|^2$.

(3.1) $\min_{Ax=b} f(x) = \underbrace{\inf}_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} \underbrace{\sup}_{\lambda \in \mathbb{R}^m} L(x, \lambda)$

\hookrightarrow penalization on the constraints
 $Ax = b = 0$

$\geq \sup_{\lambda \in \mathbb{R}^m} \inf_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} L(x, \lambda)$

(3.2) Since $x^* \in \mathbb{R}^n$ exists, and Qubf. Cond. holds

$\Rightarrow \exists \lambda^* \in \mathbb{R}^m$ s.t. $\nabla_x L(x^*, \lambda^*) = 0$

$x \mapsto L(x, \lambda)$ is convex.

$\Rightarrow \sup_{\lambda \in \mathbb{R}^m} \inf_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} L(x, \lambda) \geq \inf_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} L(x, \lambda^*)$

$= L(x^*, \lambda^*) = f(x^*) + \underbrace{\lambda^* (Ax^* - b)}_{Ax^* = b}$
 $= f(x^*)$

$$= \inf_{x \in K} f(x)$$

$$= \inf_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} \sup_{\lambda \in \mathbb{R}^m} L(x, \lambda)$$

$$\Rightarrow \sup_{\lambda \in \mathbb{R}^m} \inf_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} L(x, \lambda) = \inf_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} \sup_{\lambda \in \mathbb{R}^m} L(x, \lambda)$$

In particular: λ^* is solution to $\sup_{\lambda \in \mathbb{R}^m} d(\lambda)$

$$\text{with } d(\lambda) = \inf_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} L(x, \lambda)$$

and x^* is solution to $\inf_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} L(x, \lambda^*)$.

Solution. to $\inf_{Ax=b} \frac{1}{2} \|x\|^2$

$$\frac{1}{2} \|x - A^T \lambda\|^2 - \frac{1}{2} \|A \lambda\|^2$$

Step 1: Compute $d(\lambda) = \inf_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} \left(\frac{1}{2} \|x\|^2 + \langle \lambda, Ax - b \rangle \right)$

$$= \inf_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} \left(\frac{1}{2} \|x\|^2 + \langle A^T \lambda, x \rangle - \langle \lambda, b \rangle \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \|A^T \lambda\|^2 - \langle \lambda, b \rangle$$

$$-\frac{1}{2} \|A\lambda\|^2 - \langle \lambda, b \rangle$$

$$x = A\lambda$$

Step 2: Solve the dual pb: $\sup_{\lambda \in \mathbb{R}^m} d(\lambda)$.

$$\Leftrightarrow \sup_{\lambda \in \mathbb{R}^m} \left(-\frac{1}{2} \lambda^T A A^T \lambda - b^T \lambda \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda^* = \underbrace{(A A^T)^{-1}} b$$



$$A A^T \lambda^* \neq b = 0$$

$$\underline{d(\lambda^*) = -\frac{1}{2} \lambda^{*T} \dots}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Rank}(A) = m \\ \Rightarrow \text{Rank}(A A^T) = m \end{aligned}$$

Step 3:

$$\underline{x^* = A^T \lambda^* = A (A A^T)^{-1} b}$$

$$\underline{L(x, \lambda) = f(x) + \lambda(Ax - b)}$$

Convex in x .

$$f(x^*) = \frac{1}{2} \|x^*\|^2 = \frac{1}{2} \|A (A A^T)^{-1} b\|^2$$

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Ex 3: min. $\langle C, x \rangle$
 $x^T A x \leq 1$

A is symmetric, strictly positive, $n \times n$ matrix.
 $C \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$.

$K = \{x : \underline{x^T A x - 1} \leq 0\}$ is compact.

$\Rightarrow x^*$ exists.

$$K^c := \{x : \underline{x^T A x - 1} < 0\} \neq \emptyset$$

\Rightarrow The constraints are qualified.

$$d(\lambda) = \min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} \left(\langle c, x \rangle + \lambda (x^T A x - 1) \right) \quad (\lambda \geq 0)$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2\lambda} c^T A^{-1} c - \lambda$$

$$\underline{c + 2\lambda A x^* = 0}$$

$$x^* = -\frac{1}{2\lambda} A^{-1} c$$

⊙ sup $\lambda \geq 0$ $d(\lambda) \Rightarrow \lambda^* = \sqrt{\frac{c^T A^{-1} c}{2}}$

$$\Rightarrow x^* = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2c^T A^{-1} c}} A^{-1} c$$

$$\Rightarrow f(x^*) = c^T x^* = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2c^T A^{-1} c}} c^T A^{-1} c$$

$$= -\sqrt{\frac{c^T A^{-1} c}{2}}$$

