

OR/MA/ST 706 Homework #4

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1. (20 points)

Use the KKT conditions to find the local optimum solutions of the following problem:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Minimize} \quad & f(x) = x_1^2 - x_2 + 1 \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & h(x) = x_1^2 + x_2^2 = 1 \\ & x \in \Omega = E^2 \end{aligned}$$

2. (20 points)

Use the KKT conditions to find the local optimum solutions of the following problem:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Minimize} \quad & f(x) = x_1^2 - x_2 + 1 \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & g(x) = x_1^2 + x_2^2 \leq 1 \\ & x \in \Omega = E^2 \end{aligned}$$

3. (20 points)

Use the KKT conditions to find the local optimum solutions of the following problem:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Minimize} \quad & f(x) = x_1^2 - x_2 + 1 \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & h(x) = x_2 - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} = 0 \\ & g(x) = x_1^2 + x_2^2 \leq 1 \\ & x \in \Omega = E^2 \end{aligned}$$

4. (10 points)

Let $h(\cdot): E^n \rightarrow E^1$ be a real-valued function and $d \in E^n$ be a vector of moving direction. We know that $h(x) = 0$ represents an $(n - 1)$ – dimensional surface S in E^n .

Is the following statement true or false? Why?

“At a point $\bar{x} \in E^n$ lying on the surface S , i.e., $h(\bar{x}) = 0$, d is a feasible direction for \bar{x} to move **if and only if** $\nabla h(\bar{x}) d = 0$.”

5. (10 points)

Let $g(\cdot): E^n \rightarrow E^1$ be a real-valued function and $d \in E^n$ be a vector of moving direction. We know that $g(x) \leq 0$ represents an n – dimensional “half space” in E^n .

Is the following statement true or false? Why?

“Assume that $g(\cdot)$ is an active constraint at a point $\bar{x} \in E^n$, i.e., $g(\bar{x}) = 0$, d is a feasible direction for \bar{x} to move if and only if $\nabla g(\bar{x}) d \leq 0$.”

6. (20 points)

(a) For the KKT Theorem stated in Lecture 6 (Slide #11), interpret the meaning of the first requirement in English, i.e.,

$$\nabla f(x^*) + \lambda^T \nabla h(x^*) + \mu^T \nabla g(x^*) = 0 \quad \text{with } \lambda \in E^m \text{ and } \mu \in E_+^p \text{ }.$$

Remember that $h(x) = (h_1(x), \dots, h_m(x))^T$ and $g(x) = (g_1(x), \dots, g_p(x))^T$.

(b) For the KKT Theorem stated in Lecture 6 (Slide #11), interpret the meaning of the second requirement in English, i.e.,

$$\mu^T g(x^*) = 0 \quad \text{with } g(x^*) \leq 0 \text{ and } \mu \in E_+^p \text{ }.$$

(c) Putting (a) and (b) together, what is the role of the Lagrange multipliers λ and μ playing in the KKT conditions?