

KKT (Karush-Kuhn-Tucker) Conditions

1. Primal, Lagrangian, and Dual

$$\begin{aligned} \min_x f_o(x) \quad & L(x, \lambda, v) \\ f_i \leq 0 \quad & \\ h_i = 0 \quad & \end{aligned} = f_o(x) + \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i f_i(x) + \sum_{i=1}^p v_i h_i(x), \lambda_i \geq 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \max_{\lambda, v} \min_x (x, \lambda, v) \\ = \max_{\lambda, v} g(\lambda, v) \end{aligned}$$

$$\min_x \max_{\lambda, v} \quad \max_{\lambda, v} \min_x \text{ (dual)}$$

1. Feasibility (x, λ, v)

$$2. L(x, \lambda, v) = f_o(x) \begin{cases} \lambda_i > 0 \text{ if } f_i = 0 \\ \lambda_i = 0 \text{ if } f_i < 0 \end{cases}$$

$$3. g(\lambda, v) = \min_x L(x, \lambda, v) = f_o(x)$$

Necessary condition for local optimality

Sufficient when the problem is convex & satisfy regularity conditions (Slater condition)

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Sensitivity

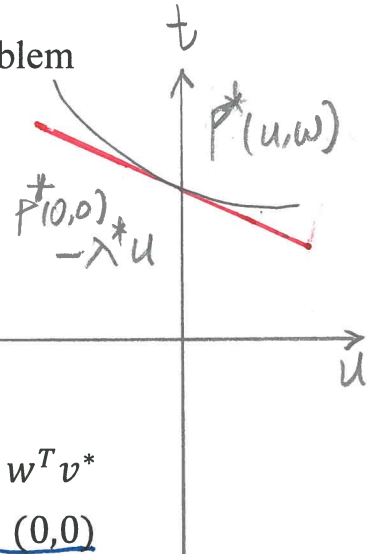
Perturbed Problem

$$\begin{aligned} \min f_o(x) \\ \text{s.t. } f_i \leq u_i \\ h_i(x) = w_i \end{aligned} \quad \left. \begin{aligned} L(x, \lambda, v) &= f_o(x) - \sum \lambda_i f_i \\ &= \lambda_i u_i + \sum v_i h_i = \sum \lambda_i u_i + \sum v_i w_i \end{aligned} \right\}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \max \tilde{g} &= g(\lambda, v) - u^T \lambda - w^T v \\ \text{s.t. } \lambda &\geq 0 \\ p^*(u, w) &= \max_{\lambda, v} g(\lambda, v) - u^T \lambda - w^T v \end{aligned}$$

Unperturbed Problem

$$\begin{aligned} u_i = w_i = 0 \\ \max g(\lambda, v) \\ \text{s.t. } \lambda \geq 0 \\ p^*(0, 0), \lambda^*, v^* \end{aligned}$$



$$p^*(u, w) \geq g(\lambda^*, v^*) - u^T \lambda^* - w^T v^* = p^*(0, 0) - u^T \lambda^* - w^T v^*$$

$$\lambda_i^* = - \frac{\partial p^*(u, w)}{\partial u_i} \Big|_{(u, w) = (0, 0)}, \quad v_i^* = - \frac{\partial p^*(u, w)}{\partial w_i} \Big|_{(u, w) = (0, 0)}$$

$$\text{Proof: } \frac{\partial p^*(0, 0)}{\partial u_i} = \lim_{t \searrow 0} \frac{p^*(te_i, 0) - p^*(0, 0)}{t} \geq -\lambda_i^*$$

$$\frac{\partial p^*(0, 0)}{\partial u_i} = \lim_{t \nearrow 0} \frac{p^*(te_i, 0) - p^*(0, 0)}{t} \leq -\lambda_i^*$$

hence, equality

$$\frac{\partial p^*(0, 0)}{\partial u_i} = -\lambda_i^*$$

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Shadow Price Interpretation: Spring Energy & Force

$$\min f_o(x_1, x_2) = \frac{1}{2}k_1x_1^2 + \frac{1}{2}k_2(x_2 - x_1)^2 + \frac{1}{2}k_3(l - x_2)^2$$

f_o : potential energy $k_i > 0$: stiffness constant of spring i

$$w/2 - x_1 \leq 0$$

$$w + x_1 - x_2 \leq 0$$

$$w/2 - l + x_2 \leq 0$$

$$\min \frac{1}{2}(k_1x_1^2 + k_2(x_2 - x_1)^2 + k_3(l - x_2)^2)$$

$$\lambda_1 \quad w/2 - x_1 \leq 0$$

$$\lambda_2 \quad w + x_1 - x_2 \leq 0$$

$$\lambda_3 \quad w/2 - l + x_2 \leq 0$$

$$\lambda_1(w/2 - x_1) = 0, \lambda_2(w + x_1 - x_2) = 0, \lambda_3(w/2 - l + x_2) = 0$$

zero gradient condition

$$\begin{bmatrix} k_1x_1 - k_2(x_2 - x_1) \\ k_2(x_2 - x_1) - k_3(l - x_2) \end{bmatrix} + \lambda_1 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \lambda_2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} + \lambda_3 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

λ_i : contact forces between the walls & blocks

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2. $f_i(x), i = 1, \dots, m, h_i(x), i = 1, \dots, p$ are differentiable

1. Primal constraints : $f_i(x) \leq 0, i = 1, \dots, m.$

$$h_i(x) = 0, i = 1, \dots, p.$$

2. Dual constraints : $\lambda \geq 0$

$$L(x, \lambda, \nu) = f_o(x) + \sum_i \lambda_i f_i(x) + \sum_i \nu_i h_i(x)$$

3. Complementary slackness : $\lambda_i f_i(x) = 0, i = 1, \dots, m.$

4. Gradient of Lagrangian with respect to x variables

$$\nabla_x f_o(x) + \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i \nabla_x f_i(x) + \sum_{i=1}^p \nu_i \nabla_x h_i(x) = 0$$

$$\textcircled{1} f_i(x) = 0, \lambda_i \geq 0.$$

$$\textcircled{2} f_i(x) < 0, \lambda_i = 0.$$

Generalized Inequalities: SOCP

Primal $\min f^T x$
 $\|A_i x + b_i\|_2 \leq c_i^T x + d_i, i = 1, \dots, m$
 i.e. $(A_i x + b_i, c_i^T x + d_i) \in K_i, i = 1, \dots, m$

Lagrangian

$$L(x, \lambda, v) = f^T x - \sum (z_i^T (A_i x + b_i) + w_i (c_i^T x + d_i))$$

$$(z_i, w_i) \in K_i^*, i = 1, \dots, m$$

Lagrange Dual

$$\max - \sum_i (b_i^T z_i + d_i w_i)$$

$$\|z_i\|_2 \leq w_i, \quad i = 1, \dots, k$$

$$\sum_i A_i^T z_i + c_i w_i = f$$

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Generalized Inequalities: Semidefinite Program

Primal $\min c^T x$
 $x_1 F_1 + \dots + x_n F_n + G \preceq 0$, where $F_1, \dots, F_n, G \in S^k$

Lagrangian

$$L(x, \lambda, v) = \inf_x (c^T x + \text{tr}((x_1 F_1 + \dots + x_n F_n + G)Z)),$$

$$Z \in S_+^k$$

Lagrange Dual $g(\lambda, v) = \inf_x L(x, \lambda, v)$

$$\text{tr}(W \times Z)$$

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Dual $\max_Z \text{tr}(GZ)$

$$= \sum_{i,j} w_{ij} z_{ij}$$

$$\text{tr}(F_i Z) + c_i = 0, i = 1, \dots, n$$

$$Z \succeq 0$$

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Generalized Inequalities

Primal

$$\begin{aligned} \min f_0(x) \\ f_i(x) \preceq_{K_i} 0, i = 1, \dots, m \\ h_i(x) = 0, i = 1, \dots, p \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f_i(x) \in R^{K_i} \\ \Rightarrow 0 - f_i(x) \in K_i \end{aligned}$$

Lagrangian

$$L(x, \lambda, v) = f_0(x) + \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i^T f_i(x) + \sum_{i=1}^p v_i h_i(x),$$

$$\lambda_i \succeq_{K_i^*} 0, i = 1, \dots, m, \lambda_i \in R^{K_i}$$

Lagrange Dual

$$g(\lambda, v) = \inf_x L(x, \lambda, v)$$

$$\lambda_i \in K_i^*$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda_i^T f_i(x) \leq 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{if } -f_i(x) \in K_i \\ \& \forall \lambda_i \in K_i^* \end{aligned}$$

$$(\|x\|_2 \leq c^T x + b)$$

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Generalized Inequality: KKT Conditions

$$\begin{aligned} \min f_0(x) \\ \text{s.t. } f_i \preceq_{K_i} 0, i = 1, \dots, m \\ h_i = 0, i = 1, \dots, p \end{aligned}$$

$f_i(x), i = 1, \dots, m, h_i(x), i = 1, \dots, p$ are differentiable

1. Primal constraints : $f_i(x) \preceq_{K_i} 0, i = 1, \dots, m.$
 $h_i(x) = 0, i = 1, \dots, p.$
2. Dual constraints : $\lambda \succeq_{K_i^*} 0$
3. Complementary slackness : $\lambda_i^T f_i(x) = 0, i = 1, \dots, m.$
4. Gradient of Lagrangian with respect to x variables
 $\nabla_x f_0(x) + \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i^T \nabla_x f_i(x) + \sum_{i=1}^p v_i \nabla_x h_i(x) = 0$

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Chapter 5 Summary

- Primal and Dual Problem
 - Primal Problem
 - Lagrangian Function
 - Lagrange Dual Problem
- Examples (Primal Dual Conversion Procedure)
 - Linear Programming
 - Quadratic Programming
 - Conjugate Functions (Duality)
 - Entropy Maximization
- Interpretation (Duality)
 - Saddle-Point Interpretation
 - Geometric Interpretation
 - Slater's Condition
 - Shadow-Price Interpretation
- KKT Conditions (Optimality Conditions)
- Sensitivity (Shadow-Price)
- Generalized Inequalities

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Chapter 5 Summary

- Duality provides a lower bound of the problem even the primal may not be convex.
- KKT conditions convert the minimization problem into equations.
- Lagrange multipliers provide the sensitivity of the constraints.
- Generalized inequality broadens the scope of convex optimization.

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