



# Lectures 9 and 10: Penalty and Augmented Lagrangian (Multiplier) Methods

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## Outline of Lectures 9 & 10

- Constrained Optimization Methods
- Penalty Methods
- Multiplier (Augmented Lagrangian) Methods
- Duality and Convergence Issues
- Extensions to Inequality Constraints
- Illustrative Examples



# Constrained Optimization Methods

- Three classes of Methods

1. Convert into a sequence of unconstrained minimization problems

- Penalty functions
- Barrier functions ... we will discuss in the context of LP in Lecture 12
- Method of multipliers..... Best available (also called augmented Lagrangian methods)

Here we satisfy constraints approximately

2. Feasible direction (or) primal methods

- Work on the original problem by moving in the feasible region
- Nonlinear function with linearized equality and inequality constraints
- Manifold sub-optimization Methods
  - Rosen's Gradient projection method
  - Reduced Gradient method
  - Newton type Gradient projection method

3. Successive quadratic programming (SQP) methods... Best available



# Basic Idea of Penalty and Multiplier Methods

- Penalty and multiplier methods convert a constrained minimization problem into a **series of unconstrained minimization problems**. We consider the equality constrained problem first:

$$\min f(\underline{x}) + \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i h_i(\underline{x}) + \frac{c}{2} \sum_{i=1}^m h_i^2(\underline{x})$$

(or)

$$\min f(\underline{x}) + \underline{\lambda}^T h(\underline{x}) + \frac{c}{2} h(\underline{x})^T h(\underline{x}) = L_c(\underline{x}, \underline{\lambda})$$

Multiplier vector

Penalty parameter and  
quadratic penalty function

- Penalty method:  $\underline{\lambda} = 0$ ,  $c$  is changed. Convergence to  $\underline{x}^*$  occurs as  $c \rightarrow \infty$
- Multiplier method:  $\underline{\lambda}$  is updated and  $c$  is changed. Convergence to  $\underline{x}^*$  occurs at a finite value of  $c$

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# Penalty Methods

## □ Penalty methods

$$L_{c_k}(\underline{x}) = f(\underline{x}) + \frac{c_k}{2} \sum_{i=1}^m h_i^2(\underline{x}) = f(\underline{x}) + \frac{c_k}{2} \underline{h}^T(\underline{x}) \underline{h}(\underline{x}) = f(\underline{x}) + \frac{c_k}{2} p(\underline{x})$$

For nonlinear inequality constraints  $\underline{g}(\underline{x}) \leq 0$

$$L_{c_k}(\underline{x}) = f(\underline{x}) + \frac{c_k}{2} \underline{h}^T(\underline{x}) \underline{h}(\underline{x}) + \frac{c_k}{2} \underline{g}^{+T}(\underline{x}) \underline{g}^+(\underline{x})$$

$$\Rightarrow p(\underline{x}) = \underline{h}^T(\underline{x}) \underline{h}(\underline{x}) + \underline{g}^{+T}(\underline{x}) \underline{g}^+(\underline{x})$$

where

$$\underline{g}_j^+(\underline{x}) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } \underline{g}_j(\underline{x}) \leq 0 \\ \underline{g}_j(\underline{x}) & \text{if } \underline{g}_j(\underline{x}) > 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \underline{g}^+(\underline{x}) = \max(0, \underline{g}_j(\underline{x})); j = 1, 2, \dots, r$$

Suppose we select  $\{c_k\}$  s.t.  $c_{k+1} > c_k$  and  $c_k \geq 0 \forall k$  and  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} c_k \rightarrow \infty$  and

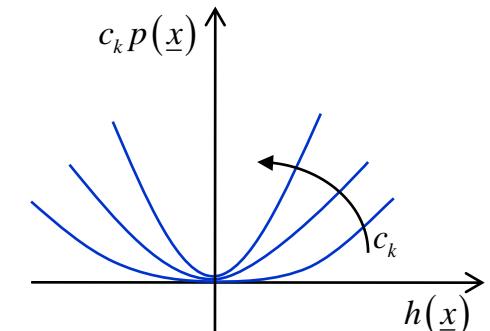
perform unconstrained minimization of the form:

$$L_{c_k}(\underline{x}) = f(\underline{x}) + c_k p(\underline{x}) \rightarrow \underline{x}_k^*; L_{c_{k+1}}(\underline{x}) = f(\underline{x}) + c_{k+1} p(\underline{x}) \rightarrow \underline{x}_{k+1}^*$$

Typically,  $c_{k+1} = \beta c_k$ ;  $\beta \in [4, 10]$ ;  $c_0 = 1$

Does  $\underline{x}_k^* \rightarrow \underline{x}^*$  and  $L_{c_k}(\underline{x}_k^*) \rightarrow f(\underline{x}^*)$  as  $k \rightarrow \infty$

We will consider the equality constrained case, since we will not use this method as is.





# Proof of Convergence -1

## □ Proof of convergence:

Results: (1)  $L_{c_k}(\underline{x}_k^*) \leq L_{c_{k+1}}(\underline{x}_{k+1}^*)$

(2)  $p(\underline{x}_k^*) = \frac{1}{2} \underline{h}^T(\underline{x}_k^*) \underline{h}(\underline{x}_k^*) \geq \frac{1}{2} \underline{h}^T(\underline{x}_{k+1}^*) \underline{h}(\underline{x}_{k+1}^*) = p(\underline{x}_{k+1}^*)$

(3)  $f(\underline{x}_k^*) \leq f(\underline{x}_{k+1}^*)$

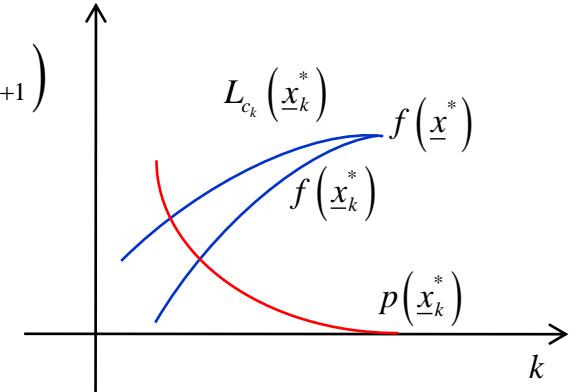
Proof: (1)  $L_{c_{k+1}}(\underline{x}_{k+1}^*) \triangleq f(\underline{x}_{k+1}^*) + \frac{1}{2} c_{k+1} \underline{h}^T(\underline{x}_{k+1}^*) \underline{h}(\underline{x}_{k+1}^*)$

$$\geq f(\underline{x}_{k+1}^*) + \frac{1}{2} c_k \underline{h}^T(\underline{x}_{k+1}^*) \underline{h}(\underline{x}_{k+1}^*)$$

since  $c_k < c_{k+1}$

$$\geq f(\underline{x}_k^*) + \frac{1}{2} c_k \underline{h}^T(\underline{x}_k^*) \underline{h}(\underline{x}_k^*)$$

$$= L_{c_k}(\underline{x}_k^*)$$



$L_{c_{k+1}}(\underline{x}_{k+1}^*) \geq L_{c_k}(\underline{x}_k^*) \Rightarrow$  We construct a progressively more constrained version of the original problem

Also, note that  $L_{c_k}(\underline{x}_k^*) \geq f(\underline{x}_k^*) \forall k$  since  $c_k p_k(\underline{x}_k^*) \geq 0$



## Proof of Convergence - 2

### □ Proof of convergence:

(2) Since  $\underline{x}_k^*$  optimizes  $L_{c_k}(\underline{x})$  and  $\underline{x}_{k+1}^*$  optimizes  $L_{c_{k+1}}(\underline{x})$

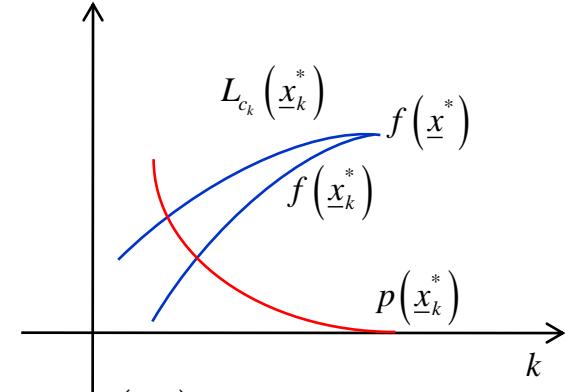
$f(\underline{x}_k^*) + c_k p(\underline{x}_k^*) \leq f(\underline{x}_{k+1}^*) + c_k p(\underline{x}_{k+1}^*)$  because  $\underline{x}_{k+1}^*$  is suboptimal for  $L_{c_k}(\underline{x})$

$f(\underline{x}_{k+1}^*) + c_{k+1} p(\underline{x}_{k+1}^*) \leq f(\underline{x}_k^*) + c_{k+1} p(\underline{x}_k^*)$  because  $\underline{x}_k^*$  is suboptimal for  $L_{c_{k+1}}(\underline{x})$

$c_k p(\underline{x}_k^*) + c_{k+1} p(\underline{x}_{k+1}^*) \leq c_k p(\underline{x}_{k+1}^*) + c_{k+1} p(\underline{x}_k^*)$

$(c_{k+1} - c_k) p(\underline{x}_{k+1}^*) \leq (c_{k+1} - c_k) p(\underline{x}_k^*)$

$$\Rightarrow p(\underline{x}_{k+1}^*) \leq p(\underline{x}_k^*)$$



(3) Since  $f(\underline{x}_{k+1}^*) + c_k p(\underline{x}_{k+1}^*) \geq f(\underline{x}_k^*) + c_k p(\underline{x}_k^*) = L_{c_k}(\underline{x}_k^*)$

we have

$$f(\underline{x}_{k+1}^*) - f(\underline{x}_k^*) \geq c_k [p(\underline{x}_k^*) - p(\underline{x}_{k+1}^*)] \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow f(\underline{x}_{k+1}^*) \geq f(\underline{x}_k^*)$$

approach optimal solution  
from below



## Properties of Penalty Methods

- Property 1:  $f(\underline{x}^*) \geq L_{c_k}(\underline{x}_k^*) \geq f(\underline{x}_k^*)$  since  
$$f(\underline{x}^*) = f(\underline{x}^*) + c_k p(\underline{x}^*) \geq f(\underline{x}_k^*) + c_k p(\underline{x}_k^*) = L_{c_k}(\underline{x}_k^*) \geq f(\underline{x}_k^*)$$
- Property 2:  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \underline{x}_k \rightarrow \underline{x}^*$

Recall "every bounded monotonic sequence has a limit"

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} f(\underline{x}_k) \rightarrow f(\bar{x})$$

$\bar{x}$  = limit point and  $f(\underline{x})$  is a continuous function of  $\underline{x}$

Also,  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} L_{c_k}(\underline{x}_k^*) \rightarrow L^* \leq f(\underline{x}^*)$  where  $L^* = f(\underline{x}^*) + \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} c_k p(\underline{x}_k^*)$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} c_k p(\underline{x}_k^*) = L^* - f(\underline{x}^*)$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} p(\underline{x}_k) \rightarrow 0 \text{ since } 0 \leq p(\underline{x}_{k+1}) \leq p(\underline{x}_k) \forall k$$

$$\Rightarrow \bar{x} \text{ is feasible since } h(\bar{x}) = 0$$

To show optimality, recall that

$$f(\bar{x}) = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} f(\underline{x}_k) \leq f(\underline{x}^*); \text{ since } \bar{x} \text{ is feasible,}$$

$$f(\bar{x}) \geq f(\underline{x}^*) \Rightarrow f(\bar{x}) = f(\underline{x}^*) \text{ and } \bar{x} \rightarrow \underline{x}^*$$

In practice, convergence at large values of  $c_k = c_k^*$



# Ill-conditioning of Hessian in Penalty Methods -1

## □ Problem of Ill-Conditioning of Hessian

Consider  $L_{c_k}(\underline{x}) = f(\underline{x}) + \frac{c_k}{2} \underline{h}^T(\underline{x}) \underline{h}(\underline{x})$ ; at optimum  $c_k, \underline{x}_k^*$

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla \underline{L}_{c_k}(\underline{x}_k^*) &= \nabla \underline{f}(\underline{x}_k^*) + \nabla \underline{h}(\underline{x}_k^*) \left[ c_k \underline{h}(\underline{x}_k^*) \right] \\ &= \nabla \underline{f}(\underline{x}_k^*) + c_k \sum_{i=1}^m h_i(\underline{x}_k^*) \nabla h_i(\underline{x}_k^*)\end{aligned}$$

As  $\underline{x}_k^* \rightarrow \underline{x}^*$ , i.e.,  $c_k$  large

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla \underline{L}_{c_k}(\underline{x}_k^*) &\approx \nabla \underline{L}(\underline{x}^*) = \nabla \underline{f}(\underline{x}^*) + \nabla \underline{h}(\underline{x}^*) \underline{\lambda}^* \\ \Rightarrow \underline{\lambda}^* &\approx c_k \underline{h}(\underline{x}_k^*)\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla^2 L_{c_k}(\underline{x}_k^*) &= \underbrace{\nabla^2 f(\underline{x}_k^*) + c_k \sum_{i=1}^m h_i(\underline{x}_k^*) \nabla^2 h_i(\underline{x}_k^*)}_{\nabla^2 L_o(\underline{x}_k^*)} + c_k \nabla \underline{h}(\underline{x}_k^*) \nabla \underline{h}^T(\underline{x}_k^*) \\ &= \nabla^2 L_o(\underline{x}_k^*) + c_k \nabla \underline{h}(\underline{x}_k^*) \nabla \underline{h}^T(\underline{x}_k^*)\end{aligned}$$

$$\nabla^2 L_o(\underline{x}_k^*) \rightarrow \nabla^2 L(\underline{x}^*) \text{ as } k \rightarrow \infty$$

$\nabla^2 L(\underline{x}^*)$  must be PD in the subspace  $\nabla \underline{h}_i^T(\underline{x}^*) y = 0; \forall i = 1, 2, \dots, m$

The convergence rate of the penalty method depends on

$$\kappa \left[ \nabla^2 L_{c_k}(\underline{x}_k^*) \right] = \lambda_{\max} \left( \nabla^2 L_{c_k}(\underline{x}_k^*) \right) / \lambda_{\min} \left( \nabla^2 L_{c_k}(\underline{x}_k^*) \right)$$



## Ill-conditioning of Hessian in Penalty Methods -2

### □ A basic perturbation of Eigen values result for symmetric matrices

If  $A$  and  $E$  are symmetric matrices  $\exists \lambda_1 \geq \lambda_2 \geq \dots \geq \lambda_n$

Then

$$\lambda_k(A) + \lambda_n(E) \leq \lambda_k(A + E) \leq \lambda_k(A) + \lambda_1(E)$$

$$\text{or } \lambda_k(A) + \lambda_{\min}(E) \leq \lambda_k(A + E) \leq \lambda_k(A) + \lambda_{\max}(E)$$

$$A = \underbrace{c_k \nabla h(\underline{x}_k^*) \nabla h^T(\underline{x}_k^*)}_{PSD} \dots m \text{ non-zero Eigen values, } n - m \text{ zero eigenvalues}$$

$$E = \nabla^2 L_o(\underline{x}_k^*) \dots \text{assume } n \text{ positive eigen values} \Rightarrow \text{finite}$$

$$\text{so, } \lambda_{\min}(\nabla^2 L_{c_k}(\underline{x}_k^*)) \leq \lambda_{\max}(\nabla^2 L_o(\underline{x}_k^*))$$

$$\kappa(\nabla^2 L_{c_k}(\underline{x}_k^*)) = \frac{\lambda_{\max}(\nabla^2 L_{c_k}(\underline{x}_k^*))}{\lambda_{\min}(\nabla^2 L_{c_k}(\underline{x}_k^*))}$$

Use lower bound in numerator  
and upper bound in denominator

$$\geq \frac{\lambda_{\max}(c_k \nabla h(\underline{x}_k^*) \nabla h^T(\underline{x}_k^*)) + \lambda_{\min}(\nabla^2 L_o(\underline{x}_k^*))}{\lambda_{\max}(\nabla^2 L_o(\underline{x}_k^*))} \rightarrow \infty \text{ as } c_k \rightarrow \infty$$

Condition number of Hessian  $\rightarrow \infty$



## Ill-conditioning of Hessian in Penalty Methods -3

- For high  $c_k$ , the unconstrained minimization problem becomes ill-conditioned  
⇒ SD out of the question.
  - Since rank  $\left[ \nabla \underline{h}(\underline{x}^*) \nabla \underline{h}^T(\underline{x}^*) \right] = m$ ,  $m$  of the eigen values  $\rightarrow \infty$  as  $c_k \rightarrow \infty$   
 $(n-m)$  are eigen values of  $\nabla^2 L_0(\underline{x}_k^*)$  constrained to subspace  $\nabla h^T(\underline{x}_k^*) \underline{y} = \underline{0}$
  - For inequality constraints,  $\left[ m + |A(\underline{x}_k^*)| \right]$  eigenvalues  $\rightarrow \infty$  as  $c_k \rightarrow \infty$ .  
*Here,  $|A(\underline{x}_k^*)|$  = Cardinality of active (binding) constraints*
  - Ideal set up for  $(m+1)$  (or)  $\left[ m+1 + |A(\underline{x}_k^*)| \right]$  PCG algorithm
    - $a \ x \ x \ x \ x \ b$        $x \ x \ x \ x \ x \ x \ m$  large
  - $L_{C_k}(\underline{x}_{k+m}) \leq \left( \frac{b-a}{b+a} \right)^2 L_{C_k}(\underline{x}_k) = \left( \frac{\kappa_e - 1}{\kappa_e + 1} \right)^2 L_{C_k}(\underline{x}_k); \kappa_e = \frac{b}{a}$
- Typically, use  $\underline{x}_k^*$  as the starting point for minimization of  $L_{c_{k+1}}(\underline{x})$



# Augmented Lagrangian Methods - 1

- Method of multipliers (augmented Lagrangian methods)

$$\text{Min } f(\underline{x})$$

$$\text{s.t. } \underline{h}(\underline{x}) = \underline{0}$$

Augmented Lagrangian function:

$$L_c(\underline{x}, \underline{\lambda}) = f(\underline{x}) + \underbrace{\underline{\lambda}^T \underline{h}(\underline{x})}_{\text{Multiplier vector}} + \underbrace{\frac{c}{2} \underline{h}^T(\underline{x}) \underline{h}(\underline{x})}_{\text{Penalty term}}$$

At the optimum: with  $c = 0$

$$\nabla^2 L_o(\underline{x}^*, \underline{\lambda}^*) = \nabla^2 f(\underline{x}^*) + \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i^* \nabla^2 h_i(\underline{x}^*)$$

Assume  $\nabla^2 L_o(\underline{x}^*, \underline{\lambda}^*)$  PD on the subspace

$$\nabla h^T(\underline{x}^*) \underline{y} = \underline{0} \Rightarrow \mathbb{N}(\nabla h^T(\underline{x}^*))$$



## Augmented Lagrangian Methods - 2

- Method: Given Lagrange multiplier vector  $\underline{\lambda}_k$  and a penalty parameter  $c_k$ 
  1. Minimize  $L_{c_k}(\underline{x}, \underline{\lambda}_k)$  wrt  $\underline{x}$  to obtain  $\underline{x}_k$  via CG or NM or QN
  2. Update  $\underline{\lambda}_{k+1} = \underline{\lambda}_k + c_k \underline{h}(\underline{x}_k)$   $\exists$  other updates
  3. Select  $c_{k+1} \geq c_k$   
Go to step 1

- Geometric Interpretation

$$\begin{aligned}\min L_c(\underline{x}, \underline{\lambda}_k) &= \min_{\underline{x}} \left\{ f(\underline{x}) + \underline{\lambda}_k^T \underline{h}(\underline{x}) + \frac{c}{2} \underline{h}^T(\underline{x}) \underline{h}(\underline{x}) \right\} \\ &= \min_{\underline{x}, \underline{u}} \left\{ f(\underline{x}) + \underline{\lambda}_k^T \underline{h}(\underline{x}) + \frac{c}{2} \underline{h}^T(\underline{x}) \underline{h}(\underline{x}): \underline{h}(\underline{x}) = \underline{u} \right\} \\ &= \min_{\underline{u}} \min_{\underline{h}(\underline{x})=\underline{u}} \left\{ f(\underline{x}) + \underline{\lambda}_k^T \underline{h}(\underline{x}) + \frac{c}{2} \underline{h}^T(\underline{x}) \underline{h}(\underline{x}) \right\}\end{aligned}$$

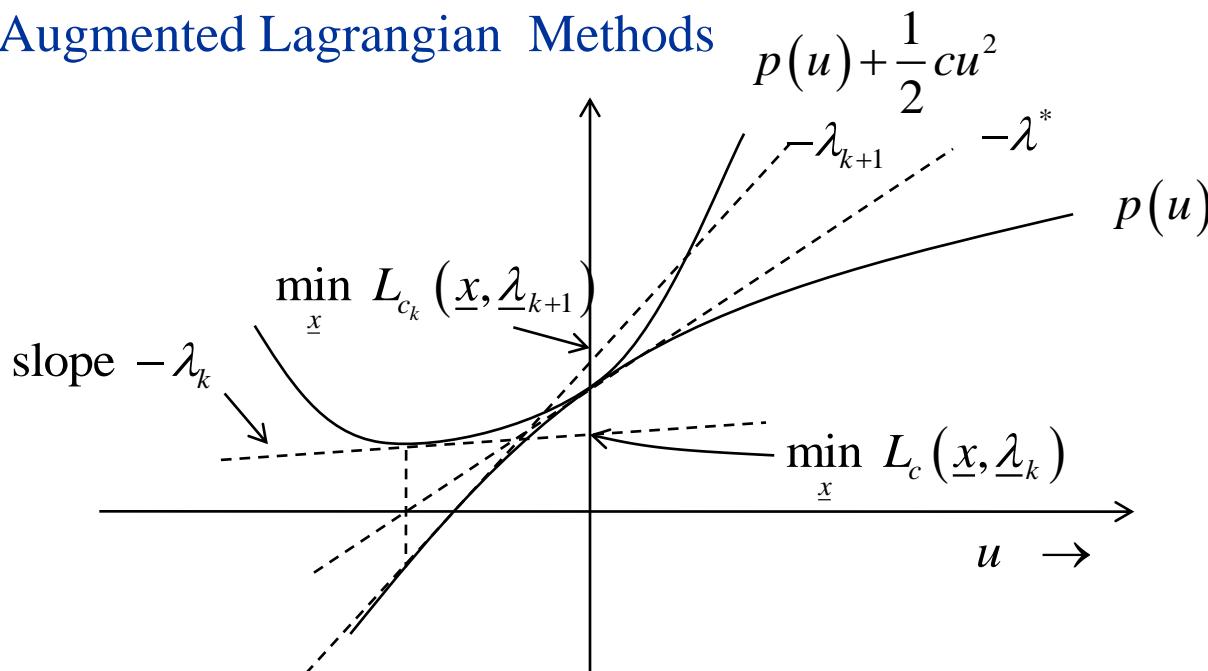
$$\text{Let } p(\underline{u}) = \min_{\underline{h}(\underline{x})=\underline{u}} f(\underline{x})$$

$$\Rightarrow \min L_c(\underline{x}, \underline{\lambda}_k) = \min_{\underline{u}} \left[ p(\underline{u}) + \underline{\lambda}_k^T \underline{u} + \frac{c}{2} \underline{u}^T \underline{u} \right]$$



## Geometric Interpretation - 1

### □ Augmented Lagrangian Methods



$$\text{At optimum } \frac{\partial p(u)}{\partial u} + c_k u + \lambda_k = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda_k = -\left[ \frac{\partial p(u)}{\partial u} + c_k u \right]_{u=u_k}$$

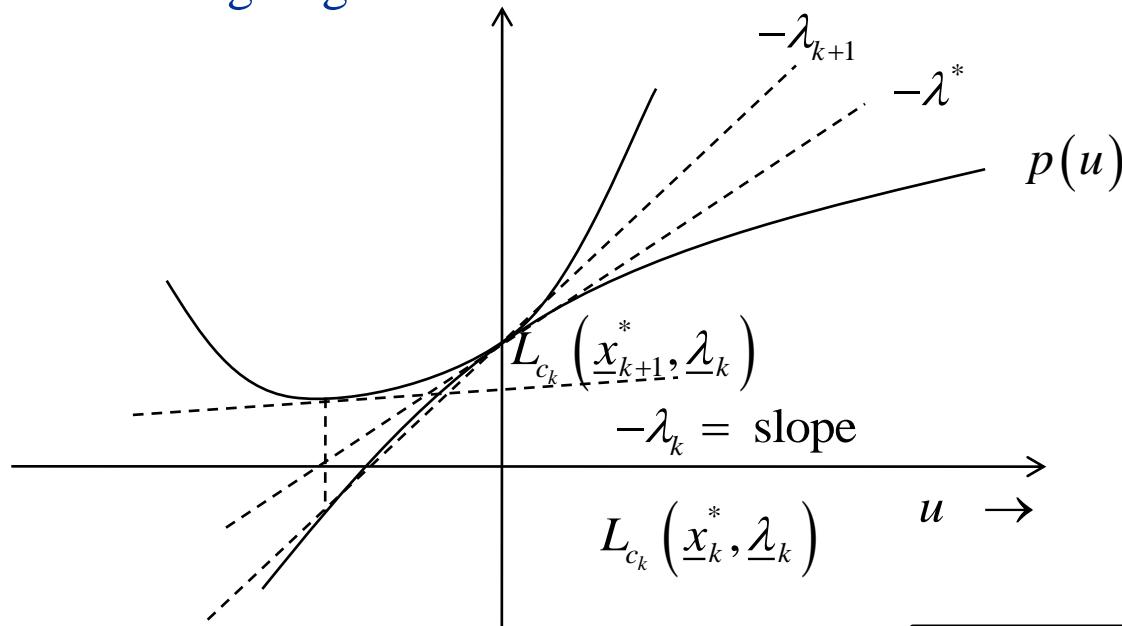
$$\lambda_{k+1} = \lambda_k + c_k u = -\frac{\partial p(u)}{\partial u} \Big|_{u=u_k}$$

Note:  $\lambda^* = \frac{-\partial p(u)}{\partial u} \Big|_{u=0}$



## Geometric Interpretation - 2

### □ Augmented Lagrangian Methods



If  $\lambda_k$  is close to  $\lambda^*$   
or  $c_k$  is sufficiently large  $\Rightarrow \lambda_{k+1} \rightarrow \lambda^*$

$p(u)$  linear  $\Rightarrow$  convergence in one iteration

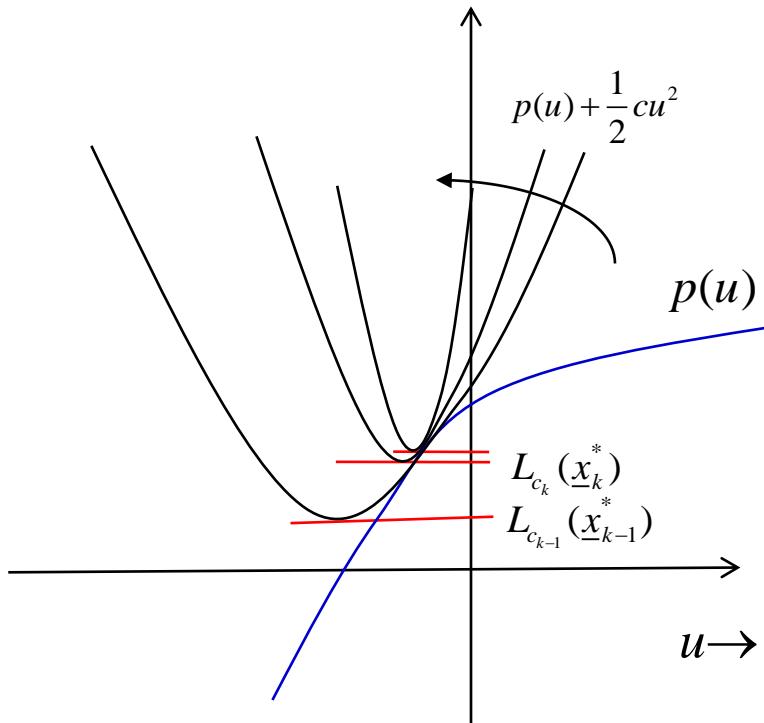
**Key:**  $c$  need not be large for convergence. All we need is  $c > \bar{c}$ .

Augmented Lagrangian  
Methods Convexify  
Functions



## Geometric Interpretation - 3

- In contrast, notice the ill-conditioning in Penalty Methods



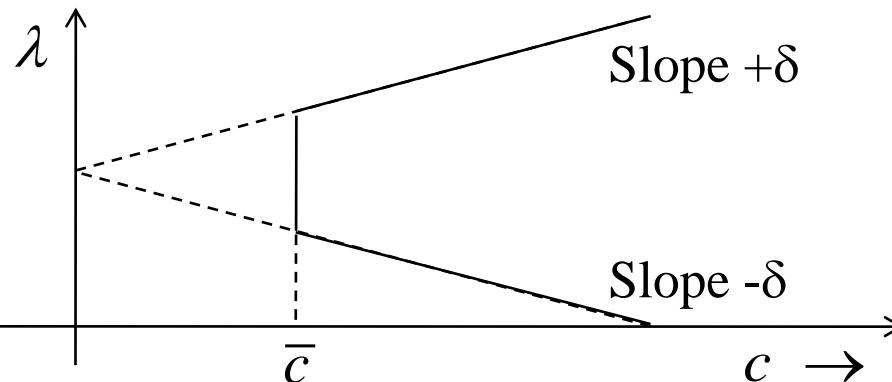
$$\begin{aligned}\min_{\underline{x}} \{ f(\underline{x}) + \frac{1}{2} c \underline{h}^T(\underline{x}) \underline{h}(\underline{x}) \} \\ = \min_{\underline{x}, \underline{u}} \{ f(\underline{x}) + \frac{1}{2} c \underline{h}^T(\underline{x}) \underline{h}(\underline{x}) : h(\underline{x}) = 0 \} \\ = \min_{\underline{u}} \{ p(\underline{u}) + \frac{1}{2} c \underline{u}^T \underline{u} \} \\ p(\underline{u}) = \min_{\underline{x}} f(\underline{x})\end{aligned}$$



## Geometric Interpretation - 4

Multiplier methods, in some sense, balance the condition numbers of dual ( $\lambda$  update) and primal ( $x$  update) problems.

- In general  $\exists$  a threshold  $c = \bar{c}$  and a slope  $\delta$   $\ni$  for all  $\underline{\lambda}, c$  in the set  $D \subset R^{m+1}$  defined by the picture below, the method converges



$\bar{c}$  is related to the eigen values of

$$\left[ \nabla \underline{h}^T(\underline{x}^*) \left[ \nabla_{xx}^2 L_0 + c_k \nabla \underline{h}(\underline{x}^*) \nabla \underline{h}^T(\underline{x}^*) \right]^{-1} \nabla \underline{h}(\underline{x}^*) \right]^{-1}$$

For convergence, need  $\bar{c} > \max(0, -2\lambda_1, -2\lambda_2, \dots, -2\lambda_m)$

If  $\nabla_{xx}^2 L_0$  is invertible, use it to compute  $\lambda_i$



# How to Select $c_k$ ?

## □ How to select $c_k$

- $c_{k+1} = \beta c_k, \quad \beta \in [4, 10]$
- $c_0$  from eigen value analysis of

$$\nabla \underline{h}^T (\underline{x}^*) [\nabla_{xx}^2 L_0]^{-1} \nabla \underline{h}^T (\underline{x}^*). \text{ If not, set } c_0 = 1.$$

- Increase  $c_k$  only if constraint violation is not decreased by a factor  $\gamma < 1$  over the previous minimization.

$$c_{k+1} = \begin{cases} \beta c_k & \text{if } |h(\underline{x}_k^*, c_k, \underline{\lambda}_k)| > \gamma |h(\underline{x}_{k+1}^*, c_{k+1}, \underline{\lambda}_{k+1})| \\ c_k & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$\gamma = 0.25$  typically, and  $\beta = 4$



# Implementation of AL Methods

- Given  $\underline{\lambda}_0, c_0 = 1, \beta \in (4,10) \quad \gamma \approx \frac{1}{4}, k = 0$

Method of multipliers

Step 1: Solve for optimal  $\underline{x}_k^*$  of  $L_c(\underline{x}, \underline{\lambda}_k)$  ...  $\underline{x}_k^* = \text{function of}(c_k, \underline{\lambda}_k)$

Step 2: Update  $\underline{\lambda}_{k+1} = \underline{\lambda}_k + c_k h(\underline{x}_k^*)$   
If  $|h(\underline{x}_k^*)| < \gamma |h(\underline{x}_{k-1}^*)|$   
 $c_{k+1} = c_k$   
else  
 $c_{k+1} = \beta c_k$   
endif

Step 3: Check for convergence of  $\underline{x}_k^*$ . If not converged, go to step 1



## Illustrative Examples - 1

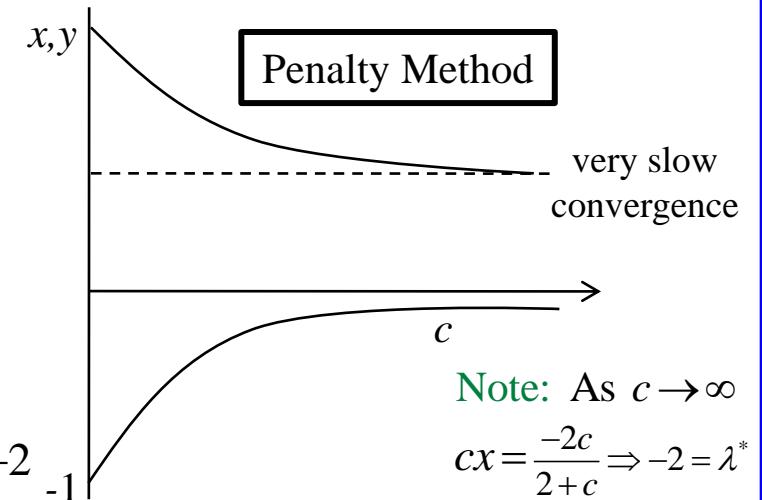
### □ Example 1: Convex function

$$\min 2x^2 + 2xy + y^2 - 2y$$

$$\text{s.t. } x=0$$

$$L(x, y, \lambda) = 2x^2 + 2xy + y^2 - 2y + \lambda x$$

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla_x L = 0 &\Rightarrow 4x + 2y + \lambda = 0 \\ \nabla_y L = 0 &\Rightarrow 2x + 2y - 2 = 0 \\ \nabla_\lambda L = 0 &\Rightarrow x = 0 \end{aligned} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} x^* = 0 \\ y^* = 1 \\ \lambda^* = -2 \end{array} \right\}$$



#### • Penalty :

$$L_c(x, y) = 2x^2 + 2xy + y^2 - 2y + \frac{1}{2}cx^2$$

$$\nabla_x L_c \quad 4x + 2y + cx = 0 \quad \Rightarrow 4x + 2 - 2x + cx = 0 \Rightarrow x = \frac{-2}{2+c}$$

$$\nabla_y L_c \quad 2x + 2y - 2 = 0 \quad \Rightarrow y = 1 - x = 1 + \frac{2}{2+c} = \frac{4+c}{2+c}$$



## Illustrative Examples - 2

- Primal-dual method :

– for a given  $\lambda$ ,  $\min_{\underline{x}} L(\underline{x}, \lambda) = q(\lambda)$       **primal**

–  $\max_{\lambda} q(\lambda)$       **dual**

$$L(\underline{x}, \lambda) = 2x^2 + 2xy + y^2 - 2y + \lambda x$$

$$\nabla_{\underline{x}} L = 0 \Rightarrow 4x + 2y + \lambda = 0 \Rightarrow x = -\left(1 + \frac{\lambda}{2}\right) \text{ from } y = 1 - x$$

$$\nabla_{\underline{y}} L = 0 \Rightarrow 2x + 2y - 2 = 0 \Rightarrow y = 1 - x \Rightarrow y = 2 + \frac{\lambda}{2} \text{ from } x = -\left(1 + \frac{\lambda}{2}\right)$$

$$q(\lambda) = (x + y)^2 + x^2 - 2y + \lambda x$$

$$= 1 + \left(\frac{\lambda}{2} + 1\right)^2 - 2\left(2 + \frac{\lambda}{2}\right) - \lambda\left(1 + \frac{\lambda}{2}\right)$$

$$= \frac{-\lambda^2}{4} - \lambda - 2$$

$$q'(\lambda) = \frac{-2\lambda}{4} - 1 = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = -2, x = 0, y = 1. \text{ But, we will use an iterative update for } \lambda$$



## Illustrative Examples - 3

- Steepest Ascent Iteration :

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla q(\lambda) \\ \lambda_{k+1} &= \lambda_k + \alpha \left( \frac{-2\lambda_k}{4} - 1 \right) \\ &= \lambda_k + \alpha \left( \frac{-\lambda_k}{2} - 1 \right) \\ &= \lambda_k + \alpha x_1^*(\lambda) = \lambda_k + \alpha h(\underline{x}^*(\lambda_k))\end{aligned}$$

- Newton's Method:

$$\lambda_{k+1} = \lambda_k + 2 \left( \frac{-\lambda_k}{2} - 1 \right) = -2$$

$$\lambda_{k+1} = \lambda_k - [\nabla^2 q(\underline{\lambda})]^{-1} \nabla \underline{q}(\lambda); \nabla^2 q(\underline{\lambda}) = -\frac{1}{2}; \nabla \underline{q}(\lambda) = -\frac{\lambda}{2} - 1$$

Use damped Newton's method, etc.



## Illustrative Examples - 4

- Augmented Lagrangian Method:

$$L_C(x, \lambda) = 2x^2 + 2xy + y^2 - 2y + \lambda_k x + \frac{1}{2}cx^2$$

$$\text{min at : } 4x + 2y + \lambda_k + cx = 0 \quad (1)$$

$$2x + 2y - 2 = 0 \quad (2)$$

$$\text{Using (2): } 2 + 2x + \lambda_k + cx = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{-(\lambda_k + 2)}{(c + 2)}$$

$$y = \frac{4 + \lambda_k + c}{c + 2}$$

$$\lambda_{k+1} = \lambda_k - c \frac{\lambda_k + 2}{c + 2} = \left( \frac{2}{2+c} \right) \lambda_k - \left( \frac{2c}{2+c} \right)$$

Note that for small enough  $c$ ,  $\lambda_k \rightarrow -2$  as  $k \rightarrow \infty$

$$c=2: \lambda_0 = 0 \Rightarrow x_0 = -\frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow \lambda_1 = -1 \Rightarrow x = -\frac{1}{3} \Rightarrow \lambda_2 = -1.5 \Rightarrow x = -\frac{1}{8} \text{ etc.}$$

$$y = 1.5$$

$$y = \frac{5}{4}$$

$$y = 1.125$$



## Illustrative Examples - 5

- Can also use Newton's method

$$\nabla^2 q = -\nabla h^T(\underline{x}_k^*) [\nabla_{xx}^2 L_c(\underline{x}_k^*, \underline{\lambda}_k)]^{-1} \nabla h(\underline{x}_k^*); \quad \nabla q = \underline{h}(\underline{x}_k^*)$$

$$\nabla h = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \nabla_{xx}^2 L_c = \nabla^2 f + c_k \nabla h \nabla h^T$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} + c_k \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 4+c_k & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\nabla^2 q = -[1 \ 0] \begin{bmatrix} \cancel{1/4+c_k} & 0 \\ 0 & \cancel{1/2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = -\frac{1}{4+c_k}$$

$$\lambda_{k+1} = \lambda_k - \left( \frac{1}{4+c_k} \right)^{-1} \cdot \frac{(\lambda_k + 2)}{(c_k + 2)}$$

$$= \frac{-2}{2+c_k} \lambda_k - 2 \left[ 1 + \frac{2}{2+c_k} \right]$$

$$= -2 - \frac{2}{2+c_k} (\lambda_k + 2)$$

$$c_k = 2 \Rightarrow \lambda_{k+1} = -2 - \frac{1}{2} \cdot 2 = -3, x = \frac{1}{4}, y = \frac{3}{4} \Rightarrow \lambda = -\frac{3}{2}, x = -\frac{1}{8}, y = 1.125, \text{etc.}$$



## Illustrative Examples - 6

### □ Example 2: Non-convex function

$$\min f(x) = \frac{1}{2}(x_1^2 - x_2^2) - x_2$$

$$\text{s.t. } x_2 = 0$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \frac{1}{2}(x_1^2 - x_2^2) - x_2 + \lambda x_2 \\ \nabla_{\underline{x}} L = \underline{0} \Rightarrow x_1 = 0 \\ -x_2 - 1 + \lambda = 0 \Rightarrow x_2 = \lambda - 1 \end{array} \right\}$$

$$\nabla_{\lambda} L = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = 1$$

$$x_2 = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = 1$$

$$L_c(\underline{x}) = \frac{1}{2}(x_1^2 - x_2^2) - x_2 + \frac{1}{2}cx_2^2$$

$$x_1 = 0$$

$$-x_2 - 1 + cx_2 = 0 \Rightarrow x_2 = \frac{1}{c-1} \quad c > 1$$

$$\text{as } c \rightarrow \infty \quad x_2 \rightarrow 0$$

$$\text{Also as } c \rightarrow \infty \quad cx_2 = \frac{c}{c-1} \rightarrow 1 = \lambda^*$$



## Illustrative Examples - 7

- Primal-Dual:

$$L(\underline{x}, \lambda) = \frac{1}{2}(x_1^2 - x_2^2) - x_2 + \lambda x_2$$

$$\nabla_{\underline{x}} L = \underline{0} \Rightarrow x_1 = 0$$

$$-x_2 - 1 + \lambda = 0 \Rightarrow x_2 = \lambda - 1 \quad \text{It is not minimum}$$

$$q(\lambda) = -\frac{1}{2}(\lambda - 1)^2 - 1 + \lambda + \lambda(\lambda - 1)$$

$$= \frac{-\lambda^2}{2} + \lambda - \frac{1}{2} - 1 + \lambda + \lambda^2 - \lambda$$

$$= \frac{\lambda^2}{2} + \lambda - \frac{3}{2}$$

No maximum       $\lambda \rightarrow \infty$

Primal-dual methods do not work for non convex functions !!



## Illustrative Examples - 8

- Augmented Lagrangian Methods:
  - Convexifies of the function

$$L_c(\underline{x}, \lambda) = \frac{1}{2}(x_1^2 - x_2^2) - x_2 + \lambda_k x_2 + \frac{1}{2}cx_2^2$$

$$\nabla_{\underline{x}} L = \underline{0} \Rightarrow x_1 = 0$$

$$-x_2 - 1 + \lambda_k + cx_2 = 0 \Rightarrow x_2 = \frac{1 - \lambda_k}{c - 1}$$

$$\lambda_{k+1} = \lambda_k + \frac{c}{c-1}(1 - \lambda_k)$$

$$= -\frac{1}{c-1}\lambda_k + \frac{c}{c-1}$$

All we need is  $c > 1$ . In fact, need  $c > 2$  to make  $\frac{1}{c-1} < 1$

- The threshold is due to non-convexity of  $f$

$$\bar{c} > \max(-2\lambda_i)$$

$$\lambda_i = \text{eigen values of } \nabla h^T [\nabla_{xx}^2 L]^{-1} \nabla h$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = -1$$



## Primal-Dual Viewpoint

- Primal-Dual viewpoint of multiplier (augmented Lagrangian) methods:  
Consider the problem

$$\min f(\underline{x}) + \frac{1}{2} c \underline{h}^T(\underline{x}) \underline{h}(\underline{x})$$

$$\text{s.t. } \underline{h}(\underline{x}) = \underline{0}$$

$$\text{Dual: } q(\underline{\lambda}) = \min_{\underline{x}} \left[ f(\underline{x}) + \frac{1}{2} c \underline{h}^T(\underline{x}) \underline{h}(\underline{x}) + \underline{\lambda}^T \underline{h}(\underline{x}) \right] = \min_{\underline{x}} L_c(\underline{x}, \underline{\lambda})$$

Shown earlier that

$$\min f(\underline{x}) + \frac{c}{2} \underline{h}^T(\underline{x}) \underline{h}(\underline{x}) \Leftrightarrow \max_{\underline{\lambda}} q(\underline{\lambda})$$

$$\text{s.t. } \underline{h}(\underline{x}) = \underline{0}$$



# Steepest Ascent Iteration - 1

- ## □ Steepest ascent iteration for $\lambda$ :

$$\underline{\lambda}_{k+1} = \underline{\lambda}_k + \alpha \nabla q(\underline{\lambda})$$

$$\nabla^2 q(\underline{\lambda}) = -\nabla \underline{h}^T \left( \begin{array}{c} \downarrow \\ \underline{x}^*(\underline{\lambda}) \end{array} \right) \left[ \nabla_{xx}^2 L_c \left( \begin{array}{c} \downarrow \\ \underline{x}^*(\underline{\lambda}), \underline{\lambda} \end{array} \right) \right]^{-1} \nabla \underline{h} \left( \begin{array}{c} \downarrow \\ \underline{x}^*(\underline{\lambda}) \end{array} \right) \quad (2)$$

full rank                      PD

$$\Rightarrow \nabla^2 q(\underline{\lambda}) < 0$$

- ## Proof of (1)

$$q(\underline{\lambda}) = f\left(\underline{x}^*(\underline{\lambda})\right) + \frac{1}{2} c \underline{h}^T\left(\underline{x}^*(\underline{\lambda})\right) \underline{h}\left(\underline{x}^*(\underline{\lambda})\right) + \underline{\lambda}^T \underline{h}\left(\underline{x}^*(\underline{\lambda})\right)$$

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla \underline{q}(\underline{\lambda}) &= \nabla_{\underline{\lambda}} \underline{x}^*(\underline{\lambda}) \left[ \nabla \underline{f}(\underline{x}^*(\underline{\lambda})) + \nabla \underline{h}(\underline{x}^*(\underline{\lambda})) \underline{\lambda} + c \nabla \underline{h}(\underline{x}^*(\underline{\lambda})) \underline{h}(\underline{x}^*(\underline{\lambda})) \right] \\ &\quad + \underline{h}(\underline{x}^*(\underline{\lambda}))\end{aligned}$$



## Steepest Ascent Iteration - 2

since by definition of  $q(\underline{\lambda})$ , the first term is zero

$$\nabla \underline{q}(\underline{\lambda}) = \underline{h}(x^*(\underline{\lambda}))$$

$\Rightarrow \underline{\lambda}_{k+1} = \underline{\lambda}_k + \alpha \underline{h}(x^*(\underline{\lambda}))$  is the steepest ascent method

When  $\alpha = c \Rightarrow$  same as penalty viewpoint.

So,  $\underline{\lambda}$  iteration can be viewed as steepest ascent iteration for maximizing the dual functional

- Convergence rate depends on eigen values of  $\nabla^2 q(\lambda)$  : [Proof of \(2\)](#)

$$\text{Know } \nabla \underline{f}(x^*(\underline{\lambda})) + \nabla \underline{h}(x^*(\underline{\lambda})) \underline{\lambda} + c \nabla \underline{h}(x^*(\underline{\lambda})) \underline{h}(x^*(\underline{\lambda})) = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla_{\underline{\lambda}}(x^*(\underline{\lambda})) & \left[ \underbrace{\nabla^2 f(x^*(\underline{\lambda})) + \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i \nabla^2 h_i(x^*(\underline{\lambda})) + c \sum_{i=1}^m h_i \nabla^2 h_i(x^*(\underline{\lambda}))}_{\nabla_{xx}^2 L_0} + \right. \\ & \left. c \nabla \underline{h}(x^*(\underline{\lambda})) \nabla \underline{h}^T(x^*(\underline{\lambda})) \right] + \nabla \underline{h}^T(x^*(\underline{\lambda})) = 0 \end{aligned}$$



## Steepest Ascent Iteration - 3

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla_{\underline{\lambda}} \left( \underline{x}^*(\underline{\lambda}) \right) &= -\nabla \underline{h}^T(\underline{x}^*(\underline{\lambda})) \left[ \nabla_{xx}^2 L_0 \left( \underline{x}^*(\underline{\lambda}), \underline{\lambda} \right) + c \nabla \underline{h}(\underline{x}^*(\underline{\lambda})) \nabla \underline{h}^T(\underline{x}^*(\underline{\lambda})) \right]^{-1} \\ &= -\nabla \underline{h}^T(\underline{x}^*(\underline{\lambda})) \left[ \nabla_{xx}^2 L_c \left( \underline{x}^*(\underline{\lambda}), \underline{\lambda} \right) \right]^{-1}\end{aligned}$$

Know  $\nabla \underline{q}(\underline{\lambda}) = \underline{h}(\underline{x}^*(\underline{\lambda}))$

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla^2 \underline{q}(\underline{\lambda}) &= \nabla_{\underline{\lambda}} \left( \underline{x}^*(\underline{\lambda}) \right) \nabla \underline{h}(\underline{x}^*(\underline{\lambda})) \\ &= -\nabla \underline{h}^T(\underline{x}^*(\underline{\lambda})) \left[ \nabla_{xx}^2 L_c \left( \underline{x}^*(\underline{\lambda}), \underline{\lambda} \right) \right]^{-1} \nabla \underline{h}(\underline{x}^*(\underline{\lambda}))\end{aligned}$$

For large values of  $c$

$$\nabla^2 \underline{q}(\underline{\lambda}) \approx \frac{1}{c} I \Rightarrow \underline{\lambda}_{k+1} = \underline{\lambda}_k + c \underline{h}(\underline{x}^*(\underline{\lambda}_k)) \Rightarrow \text{Newton's method for large } c$$

- Can use Newton's method to update  $\underline{\lambda}_k^s$

$$\underline{\lambda}_{k+1} = \underline{\lambda}_k - [\nabla^2 \underline{q}(\underline{\lambda})]^{-1} \underline{h}(\underline{x}^*(\underline{\lambda}))$$

Plus All the tricks of unconstrained minimization!!



# AL = Primal-dual on a Penalty function

- Augmented Lagrangian = Primal-dual on a penalty function

Primal

$$\min \{ f(\underline{x}) + \frac{1}{2} c \underline{h}^T(\underline{x}) \underline{h}(\underline{x}) \}$$

$$\text{s.t. } \underline{h}(\underline{x}) = 0$$

Dual

$$\max_{\underline{\lambda}} q(\underline{\lambda}), \text{ where } q(\underline{\lambda}) = \min_{\underline{x}} \{ f(\underline{x}) + (1/2) c \underline{h}^T(\underline{x}) \underline{h}(\underline{x}) + \underline{\lambda}^T \underline{h}(\underline{x}) \}$$

∴ Steepest ascent iteration for the dual:

$$\underline{\lambda}_{k+1} = \underline{\lambda}_k + \alpha \nabla q(\underline{\lambda}_k) = \underline{\lambda}_k + \alpha_k \underline{h}(\underline{x}_k^*)$$

If  $\alpha_k = c_k$ , the previous iteration is the steepest ascent iteration for the dual.

So, multiplier (augmented Lagrangian) method is a primal-dual method:

Do until  
convergence

Solve for  $\underline{x}_k^*$  by  $\min L_{c_k}(\underline{x}, \underline{\lambda}_k)$

Primal

Update  $\underline{\lambda}_k$ :  $\underline{\lambda}_{k+1} = \underline{\lambda}_k + c_k \underline{h}(\underline{x}_k)$ ; Update  $c_k$

Dual



# Why Steepest Ascent Iteration ?

- The convergence rate of the primal-dual method depends on the primal and dual Hessians

For primal method, Hessian is

$$\nabla_{xx}^2 L_{c_k}(\underline{x}_k^*, \underline{\lambda}_k^*) = \nabla_{xx}^2 L_0(\underline{x}_k^*, \underline{\lambda}_k^*) + c_k \nabla \underline{h}(\underline{x}_k^*) \nabla \underline{h}^T(\underline{x}_k^*)$$

$$\nabla_{xx}^2 L_0(\underline{x}_k^*, \underline{\lambda}_k^*) = \nabla^2 f(\underline{x}_k^*) + \sum_{i=1}^m \underbrace{\left[ \lambda_k + c_k h_i(\underline{x}_k^*) \right]_i}_{\lambda_{k+1,i}} \nabla^2 h_i(\underline{x}_k^*) \rightarrow \nabla_{xx}^2 L_0(\underline{x}^*, \underline{\lambda}^*)$$

$i^{\text{th}}$  component of next  $\underline{\lambda}$

As  $c_k \rightarrow \infty$ , primal is ill-conditioned

On the other hand, the convergence of dual depends on

$$\nabla^2 q(\underline{\lambda}_k) = -\nabla \underline{h}^T(\underline{x}_k^*) \left[ \nabla_{xx}^2 L_c(\underline{x}_k^*, \underline{\lambda}_k^*) \right]^{-1} \nabla \underline{h}(\underline{x}_k^*) \quad m \times m \text{ matrix}$$

As  $c_k \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $\nabla^2 q(\underline{\lambda}_k) \rightarrow -\frac{1}{c} I \Rightarrow \kappa[\nabla^2 q(\underline{\lambda}_k)] = 1 \Rightarrow$  well-conditioned

Multiplier methods ensure convergence at reasonable values of  $c_k$

AL balances primal and dual condition numbers



## Choices for $c_k$ - 1

- What are the reasonable values of  $c_k$ ?

$$\text{Recall that } \nabla_{xx}^2 L_{c_k}(\underline{x}^*, \underline{\lambda}^*) = \nabla_{xx}^2 L_0(\underline{x}^*, \underline{\lambda}^*) + c_k \nabla \underline{h}(\underline{x}^*) \nabla \underline{h}^T(\underline{x}^*)$$

Assume second order Kuhn-Tucker Condition is valid:

$$\underline{y}^T \nabla_{xx}^2 L_0(\underline{x}^*, \underline{\lambda}^*) \underline{y} > 0 \quad \forall \underline{y} \ni \nabla \underline{h}^T(\underline{x}^*) \underline{y} = \underline{0}$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{y}^T \nabla_{xx}^2 L_0(\underline{x}^*, \underline{\lambda}^*) \underline{y} > 0 \quad \forall \underline{y} \ni \underline{y}^T \nabla \underline{h}(\underline{x}^*) \nabla \underline{h}^T(\underline{x}^*) \underline{y} = 0$$

Any vector  $\underline{w} \ni \|\underline{w}\| = 1$  can be written as

$$\underline{w} = \underline{y} + \underline{z} \quad \underline{y} = N(\nabla \underline{h}^T); \quad \underline{z} \perp \underline{y}$$

$$\underline{w}^T \nabla_{xx}^2 L_{c_k}(\underline{x}^*, \underline{\lambda}^*) \underline{w} = \underline{w}^T \nabla_{xx}^2 L_0 \underline{w} + c \underline{z}^T \nabla \underline{h}(\underline{x}^*) \nabla \underline{h}^T(\underline{x}^*) \underline{z}$$

since  $\|\underline{w}\| = 1$ ,  $\exists$  a scalar  $\bar{c}$   $\ni$  the sum  $\nabla_{xx}^2 L_0 + c \nabla \underline{h}(\underline{x}^*) \nabla \underline{h}^T(\underline{x}^*) > 0$

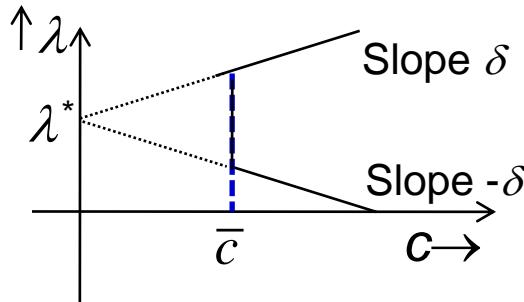
$\Rightarrow$  For  $c > \bar{c}$ , the primal has a local minimum

$$c > \max(-2\lambda_i)$$

$$\lambda_i \text{ of } \{-\nabla \underline{h}^T [\nabla_{xx}^2 L]^{-1} \nabla \underline{h}\} = \nabla^2 q$$

## Choices for $c_k$ -2

- In fact,  $(\lambda, c)$  pair should be in a region for convergence to occur



Proof is technical  
 See Bertsekas

- Example:  $\min -x^4;$       s.t.     $x=0$

$$\nabla_x L_c(x, \lambda) = -4x^3 + \lambda + cx = 0$$

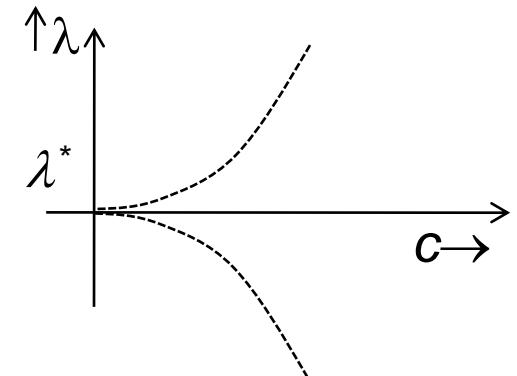
$$\nabla_{xx}^2 L_c(x, \lambda) = -12x^2 + c \Rightarrow \nabla_{xx}^2 L_c(x, \lambda) > 0 \quad \forall |x| < \sqrt{c/12}$$

$$\nabla_x L_c(x, \lambda) = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = x[4x^2 - c]$$

$$so, |\lambda| < \frac{2}{3} \frac{1}{\sqrt{12}} c^{3/2} = \frac{1}{3\sqrt{3}} c^{3/2}$$

In general for  $\min -x^p;$       s.t.     $x=0$

$$\{(\lambda, c) \mid |\lambda| < \frac{p-2}{p-1} \left[ \frac{1}{p(p-1)} \right]^{\frac{1}{p-2}} c^{(p-1)/(p-2)}, c > 0\} \Rightarrow |\lambda| < \delta c \text{ as } p \rightarrow \infty$$





## Why $\alpha = c$ Works? - 1

### □ Step-size Analysis for Gradient Methods (or ) Why $\alpha = c$ works

Consider a quadratic function  $\frac{1}{2} \underline{x}^T Q \underline{x}$ ;  $Q$  need not be PD

Want to minimize this function subject to  $A\underline{x} = \underline{b}$

$$\min_{\underline{x}} \frac{1}{2} \underline{x}^T Q \underline{x} + \frac{1}{2} c(A\underline{x} - \underline{b})^T (A\underline{x} - \underline{b})$$

$$\text{s.t. } A\underline{x} = \underline{b}$$

Assume  $Q$  is PD in  $N(A)$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{y}^T Q \underline{y} > 0 \quad \forall \underline{y} \in A \underline{y} = \underline{0}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Dual Problem: } q(\underline{\lambda}) &= \min_{\underline{x}} \left[ \frac{1}{2} \underline{x}^T Q \underline{x} + \underline{\lambda}^T (A\underline{x} - \underline{b}) + \frac{c}{2} (A\underline{x} - \underline{b})^T (A\underline{x} - \underline{b}) \right] \\ &= \min_{\underline{x}} [L_c(\underline{x}, \underline{\lambda})] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla_{\underline{x}} L_c(\underline{x}, \underline{\lambda}) &= 0 \Rightarrow Q \underline{x}_\lambda^* + A^T \underline{\lambda} + c A^T (A \underline{x}_\lambda^* - \underline{b}) \\ \underline{x}_\lambda^* &= -(Q + c A^T A)^{-1} A^T [\underline{\lambda} - c \underline{b}] \end{aligned}$$



## Why $\underline{\alpha} = \underline{c}$ Works? - 2

The dual function is

$$\begin{aligned} q(\underline{\lambda}) &= \frac{1}{2} \underline{x}_{\lambda}^{*T} Q \underline{x}_{\lambda}^* + \underline{\lambda}^T A \underline{x}_{\lambda}^* + \frac{c}{2} (\underline{A} \underline{x}_{\lambda}^* - \underline{b})^T (\underline{A} \underline{x}_{\lambda}^* - \underline{b}) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \underbrace{\left[ \underline{x}_{\lambda}^{*T} Q + \underline{\lambda}^T A + c (\underline{A} \underline{x}_{\lambda}^* - \underline{b})^T A \right]}_{=0} \underline{x}_{\lambda}^* + \frac{\underline{\lambda}^T A \underline{x}_{\lambda}^*}{2} - \frac{c}{2} (\underline{A} \underline{x}_{\lambda}^* - \underline{b})^T \underline{b} \\ &= \frac{\underline{\lambda}^T A \underline{x}_{\lambda}^*}{2} - \frac{c}{2} (\underline{A} \underline{x}_{\lambda}^* - \underline{b})^T \underline{b} = \frac{c}{2} \underline{b}^T \underline{b} + \frac{1}{2} (\underline{\lambda} - \underline{c} \underline{b})^T A \underline{x}_{\lambda}^* \\ &= \frac{c}{2} \underline{b}^T \underline{b} - \frac{1}{2} (\underline{\lambda} - \underline{c} \underline{b})^T A (Q + c A^T A)^{-1} A^T [\underline{\lambda} - \underline{c} \underline{b}] \end{aligned}$$

Note that  $c \underline{b} = c A \underline{x}^* = \underline{\lambda}^*$  and optimal solution to  $\min \frac{1}{2} \underline{x}^T Q \underline{x}$  s.t.  $A \underline{x} = \underline{b}$

is  $\frac{1}{2} \underline{\lambda}^{*T} \underline{b} = \frac{c}{2} \underline{b}^T \underline{b} \Rightarrow q(\underline{\lambda}) = \frac{1}{2} (\underline{\lambda} - \underline{\lambda}^*)^T \overbrace{A(Q + c A^T A)^{-1} A^T}^{-\nabla^2 q} (\underline{\lambda} - \underline{\lambda}^*) \leq f(\underline{x}^*)$

Also, note that  $q(\underline{\lambda}^*) = f(\underline{x}^*)$  as it must.



## Why $\alpha = c$ Works? - 3

Now consider steepest ascent iteration:

$$\underline{\lambda}_{k+1} = \underline{\lambda}_k + \alpha \nabla \underline{q}(\underline{\lambda}_k) = \underline{\lambda}_k + \alpha \underline{h}(\underline{x}_k^*); \quad \underline{x}_k^* \text{ opt. for } \underline{\lambda}_k$$

For steepest ascent iteration

$$\begin{aligned} (\underline{\lambda}_{k+1} - \underline{\lambda}^*)^T (\underline{\lambda}_{k+1} - \underline{\lambda}^*) &= \left[ \underline{\lambda}_k - \underline{\lambda}^* + \alpha \nabla \underline{q}(\underline{\lambda}_k) \right]^T \left[ \underline{\lambda}_k - \underline{\lambda}^* + \alpha \nabla \underline{q}(\underline{\lambda}_k) \right] \\ &= (\underline{\lambda}_k - \underline{\lambda}^*)^T [I + \alpha \nabla^2 q]^2 (\underline{\lambda}_k - \underline{\lambda}^*) \end{aligned}$$

Recall  $\nabla \underline{q}(\underline{\lambda}_k) = \nabla^2 q(\underline{\lambda}_k - \underline{\lambda}^*)$  to get the above equation

$$\|\underline{\lambda}_{k+1} - \underline{\lambda}^*\|^2 \leq \lambda_{\max} [(I + \alpha \nabla^2 q)^2] \|\underline{\lambda}_k - \underline{\lambda}^*\|^2$$

Let  $\{\omega_i\}$  be the eigen values of  $-\nabla^2 q = A(Q + cA^T A)^{-1}$ . The eigen values of  $(I + \alpha \nabla^2 q)$  are  $\{(1 - \alpha \omega_i)\} \Rightarrow \lambda_{\max}(I + \alpha \nabla^2 q) = \max [|1 - \alpha \omega_{\min}|, |1 - \alpha \omega_{\max}|]$

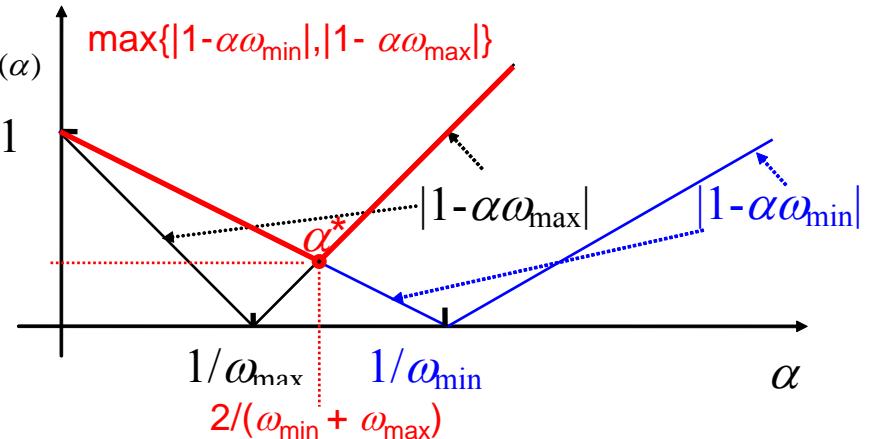
$$\Rightarrow \frac{\|\underline{\lambda}_{k+1} - \underline{\lambda}^*\|}{\|\underline{\lambda}_k - \underline{\lambda}^*\|} \leq \max [|1 - \alpha \omega_{\min}|, |1 - \alpha \omega_{\max}|] = r(\alpha)$$



## Why $\alpha = c$ Works? - 4

Clearly, need  $0 < \alpha < 1 / 2\omega_{\max}$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{optimal } \alpha^* &\Rightarrow |1 - \alpha^* \omega_{\min}| = |1 - \alpha^* \omega_{\max}| \\ &\Rightarrow 1 - \alpha^* \omega_{\min} = \alpha^* \omega_{\max} - 1 \\ &\Rightarrow \alpha^* = \frac{2}{(\omega_{\min} + \omega_{\max})} \end{aligned}$$



The eigen values  $\omega_{\min}$  and  $\omega_{\max}$  are related to eigen values  $\lambda_{\min}$  and  $\lambda_{\max}$  of  $(AQ^{-1}A^T)^{-1}$  since  $(I + cAQ^{-1}A^T)^{-1} = I - cA(Q + cA^TA)^{-1}A^T$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{1 + c/\lambda_i} = 1 - c\omega_i \Rightarrow \omega_i = \frac{1}{c + \lambda_i} \Rightarrow \text{Note that } AQ^{-1}A^T \leftrightarrow \nabla h^T \left[ \nabla_{xx}^2 L_0 \right]^{-1} \nabla h$$

So, convergence occurs for  $0 < \alpha < 2[c + \lambda_{\min}]$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{optimal } \alpha^* &= \frac{2}{(\omega_{\min} + \omega_{\max})} = \frac{2(c + \lambda_{\min})(c + \lambda_{\max})}{(2c + \lambda_{\min} + \lambda_{\max})} \\ &= 2c \left[ 1 - \frac{c}{(2c + \lambda_{\min} + \lambda_{\max})} + \frac{\lambda_{\min}\lambda_{\max}}{c(c + \lambda_{\min} + \lambda_{\max})} \right] \geq 2c \left[ 1 - \frac{c}{(2c + \lambda_{\min} + \lambda_{\max})} \right] \end{aligned}$$

As  $c \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $\alpha^* \rightarrow c$



## When is $\alpha \neq c$ Better?

### □ When is $\alpha \neq c$ better?

- Case 1:  $\lambda_{\min} \left[ (AQ^{-1}A^T)^{-1} \right] < 0 < \lambda_{\max} \left[ (AQ^{-1}A^T)^{-1} \right]$

$$\alpha = c \Rightarrow r(c) = \max \left[ \left| 1 - \frac{c}{\lambda_{\min} + c} \right|, \left| 1 - \frac{c}{\lambda_{\max} + c} \right| \right] = \max \left[ \left| \frac{\lambda_{\min}}{\lambda_{\min} + c} \right|, \left| \frac{\lambda_{\max}}{\lambda_{\max} + c} \right| \right]$$

$$\alpha = \alpha^* \Rightarrow r(\alpha^*) = \left[ \frac{\lambda_{\max} - \lambda_{\min}}{\lambda_{\min} + \lambda_{\max} + 2c} \right]$$

$$\lim_{c \rightarrow \infty} \frac{r(c)}{r(\alpha^*)} = \max \left[ \frac{2|\lambda_{\min}|}{\lambda_{\max} - \lambda_{\min}}, \frac{2|\lambda_{\max}|}{\lambda_{\max} - \lambda_{\min}} \right] < 2$$

The value of  $\alpha = c$  is probably OK.

- Case 2:  $\lambda_{\min} \leq \lambda_{\max} \leq 0$  or  $0 \leq \lambda_{\min} \leq \lambda_{\max}$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{c \rightarrow \infty} \frac{r(c)}{r(\alpha^*)} = \max \left[ \frac{2|\lambda_{\min}|}{\lambda_{\max} - \lambda_{\min}}, \frac{2|\lambda_{\max}|}{\lambda_{\max} - \lambda_{\min}} \right] \geq 2$$

$\Rightarrow$  It is worth using optimal step size. Greater improvement as  $\lambda_{\max} \rightarrow \lambda_{\min}$ .

- For convex problems with  $0 \leq \lambda_{\min} \leq \lambda_{\max}$ , we have

$$\alpha^* \geq 2c \left[ 1 - \frac{c}{\lambda_{\min} + \lambda_{\max} + 2c} \right] \Rightarrow c \leq \alpha \leq 2c$$



# Newton Iteration for Dual Updates - 1

## □ Second Order Iteration

$$\underline{\lambda}_{k+1} = \underline{\lambda}_k + [\nabla^2 q(\underline{\lambda}_k)]^{-1} \underline{h}(\underline{x}_k^*)$$

$$\nabla^2 q(\underline{\lambda}_k) = -\nabla \underline{h}^T(\underline{x}_k^*) [\nabla_{xx}^2 L_c(\underline{x}_k^*, \underline{\lambda}_k)]^{-1} \nabla \underline{h}^T(\underline{x}_k^*)$$

$$\text{so, } \underline{\lambda}_{k+1} = \underline{\lambda}_k + B_k^{-1} \underline{h}(\underline{x}_k^*),$$

$$\text{where } B_k = -\nabla^2 q(\underline{\lambda}_k)$$

$$\text{Recall that } \nabla_{xx}^2 L_c(\underline{x}_k^*, \underline{\lambda}_k) = \nabla_{xx}^2 L_0(\underline{x}_k^*, \underline{\lambda}_k + c_k \underline{h}(\underline{x}_k^*)) + c_k \nabla \underline{h}(\underline{x}_k^*) \nabla \underline{h}^T(\underline{x}_k^*)$$

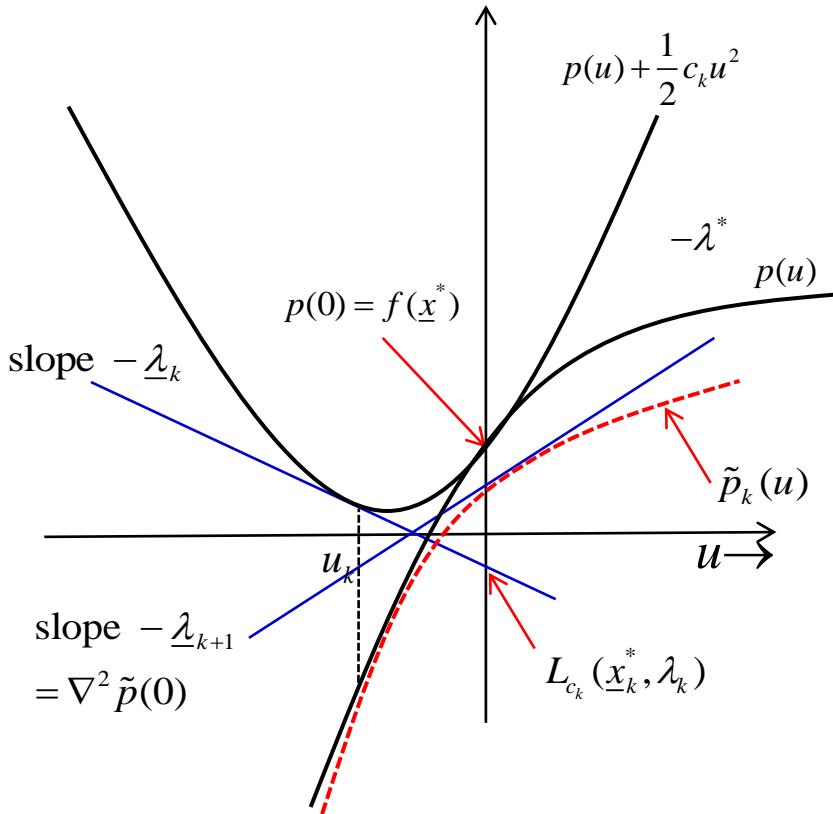
It is easy to see that

$$B_k^{-1} = \underbrace{[\nabla \underline{h}^T(\underline{x}_k^*) [\nabla_{xx}^2 L_0(\underline{x}_k^*, \underline{\lambda}_k)]^{-1} \nabla \underline{h}(\underline{x}_k^*)]^{-1}}_{\nabla^2 p(\underline{u}_k) \text{ of the primal}} + c_k I$$



# Newton Iteration for Dual Updates - 2

## □ Geometric Interpretation



$$\begin{aligned}\underline{\lambda}_{k+1} &= \underline{\lambda}_k + [\nabla^2 p(\underline{u}_k) + c_k I] \underline{u}_k \\ &= \underline{\lambda}_k + c_k u + \nabla^2 p(\underline{u}_k) \underline{u}_k \\ &= \tilde{\lambda}_k + \nabla^2 p(\underline{u}_k) \underline{u}_k \\ \tilde{p}_k(\underline{u}) &= p(\underline{u}_k) + \nabla p^T(\underline{u}_k)(\underline{u} - \underline{u}_k) \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2} (\underline{u} - \underline{u}_k)^T \nabla^2 p(\underline{u}_k) (\underline{u} - \underline{u}_k) \\ \Rightarrow \nabla \tilde{p}_k(0) &= \nabla p(\underline{u}_k) - \nabla^2 p(\underline{u}_k) \underline{u}_k \\ \text{since } \tilde{\lambda}_k &= -\nabla p(\underline{u}_k) \\ \Rightarrow \underline{\lambda}_{k+1} &= -\nabla \tilde{p}_k(0)\end{aligned}$$

- For Quasi-Newton version, see Bertsekas' book



## Extension to Inequality Constraints - 1

$$\min f(\underline{x})$$

$$\text{s.t. } \underline{h}(\underline{x}) = \underline{0}, \quad \underline{h} \in R^m \quad \text{I}$$

$$\underline{g}(\underline{x}) \leq \underline{0}, \quad \underline{g} \in R^r$$

Convert the problem into an equality constrained problem:

$$\min f(\underline{x})$$

$$\text{s.t. } h_1(\underline{x}) = h_2(\underline{x}) = \dots h_m(\underline{x}) = 0 \quad \text{II}$$

$$g_1(\underline{x}) + z_1^2 = g_2(\underline{x}) + z_2^2 = \dots g_r(\underline{x}) + z_r^2 = 0$$

$\underline{x}^*$  is a minimum of "I" if and only if

$\underline{x}^*$  and  $z_j^* = \left[ -g_j(\underline{x}^*) \right]^{1/2}$ ,  $j = 1, 2, \dots, r$  is a minimum of "II".

Primal

$$\min f(\underline{x}) + \frac{1}{2} c \underline{h}^T(\underline{x}) \underline{h}(\underline{x})$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} c \sum_{j=1}^r [g_j(\underline{x}) + z_j^2]^2$$

$$\text{s.t. } \underline{h}(\underline{x}) = \underline{0}, \quad \underline{h} \in R^m$$

$$\underline{g}(\underline{x}) \leq \underline{0}, \quad \underline{g} \in R^r$$

Dual

$$\max_{\underline{\lambda}, \underline{\mu} \geq 0} q(\underline{\mu}, \underline{\lambda})$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{where } q(\underline{\mu}, \underline{\lambda}) &= \min_{\underline{z}, \underline{x}} \left\{ f(\underline{x}) + \sum_{j=1}^r \mu_j [g_j(\underline{x}) + z_j^2] \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{c}{2} (g_j(\underline{x}) + z_j^2)^2 + \underline{\lambda}^T \underline{h}(\underline{x}) + \frac{c}{2} \underline{h}^T(\underline{x}) \underline{h}(\underline{x}) \right\} \\ &= \min_{\underline{z}, \underline{x}} L_c(\underline{x}, \underline{z}, \underline{\mu}, \underline{\lambda}) \end{aligned}$$



## Extension to Inequality Constraints - 2

Define  $v_j = z_j^2$ , then

$$q(\underline{\mu}, \underline{\lambda}) = \min_{v \geq 0, x} \{ f(x) + \underline{\mu}^T (\underline{g}(x) + \underline{v}) + \frac{c}{2} (\underline{g}(x) + \underline{v})^T (\underline{g}(x) + \underline{v}) \\ + \underline{\lambda}^T h(x) + \frac{c}{2} h^T(x) h(x) \}$$

Key: For each fixed  $\underline{x}$ , can find  $\underline{v}^*$  explicitly.

since  $\underline{v}$  enters through only  $\underline{\mu}^T (\underline{g}(\underline{x}) + \underline{v}) + \frac{c}{2} (\underline{g}(\underline{x}) + \underline{v})^T (\underline{g}(\underline{x}) + \underline{v})$

in  $L_c(\underline{x}, \underline{z}, \underline{\mu}, \underline{\lambda})$ , we have

$$\min_{v \geq 0} \underline{\mu}^T (\underline{g}(\underline{x}) + \underline{v}) + \frac{c}{2} (\underline{g}(\underline{x}) + \underline{v})^T (\underline{g}(\underline{x}) + \underline{v}) \\ = \sum_{j=1}^r \mu_j [g_j(\underline{x}) + v_j] + \frac{c}{2} (g_j(\underline{x}) + v_j)^2 = \sum_{j=1}^r P_j$$

$\Rightarrow$  separable

$$\Rightarrow v_j^* > 0 \Rightarrow \frac{dP_j}{dv_j} = 0$$

$$v_j^* = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{dP_j}{dv_j} \geq 0$$



## Extension to Inequality Constraints - 3

The unconstrained minimum =  $\hat{v}_j = -\left[ \frac{\mu_j}{c} + g_j(\underline{x}) \right]$

$$\Rightarrow v_j^* = \max(0, -\frac{\mu_j}{c} - g_j(\underline{x}))$$

$$g_j(\underline{x}) + v_j^* = \max(g_j(\underline{x}), -\frac{\mu_j}{c})$$

If we define

$$g_j^+(\underline{x}, \underline{\mu}_j, c) = g_j(\underline{x}) + v_j^* = \max(g_j(\underline{x}), -\frac{\mu_j}{c})$$

and  $\underline{g}^+(\underline{x}, \underline{\mu}, c) = \begin{bmatrix} g_1^+(\underline{x}, \mu_1, c) \\ g_2^+(\underline{x}, \mu_2, c) \\ \vdots \\ g_r^+(\underline{x}, \mu_r, c) \end{bmatrix}$

$$\begin{aligned} L_c(\underline{x}, \underline{\mu}, \underline{\lambda}) &= \min_z L_c(\underline{x}, z, \underline{\mu}, \underline{\lambda}) = f(\underline{x}) + \underline{\lambda}^T \underline{h}(\underline{x}) + \frac{c}{2} \underline{h}^T(\underline{x}) \underline{h}(\underline{x}) \\ &\quad + \underline{\mu}^T g^+(\underline{x}, \underline{\mu}, c) + \frac{c}{2} \underline{g}^{+T}(\underline{x}, \underline{\mu}, c) \underline{g}^+(\underline{x}, \underline{\mu}, c) \end{aligned}$$



## Extension to Inequality Constraints - 4

- Alternative form for  $L_c(\underline{x}, \underline{\mu}, \underline{\lambda})$

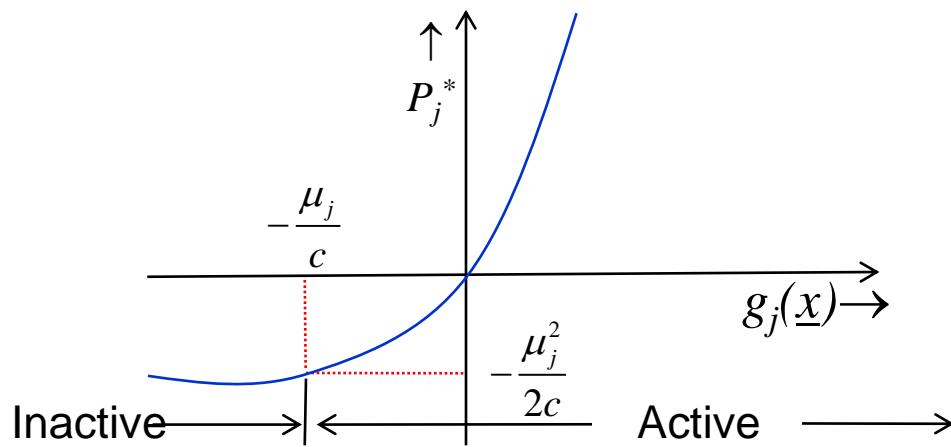
$$\left. \begin{aligned} \text{Suppose } v_j^* = 0 \Rightarrow P_j^* &= \mu_j g_j(\underline{x}) + \frac{c}{2} g_j^2(\underline{x}) \\ &= \frac{1}{2c} \left[ 2\mu_j c g_j(\underline{x}) + c^2 g_j^2(\underline{x}) \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2c} \left[ (\mu_j + c g_j(\underline{x}))^2 - \mu_j^2 \right] \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow \text{Active constraints}$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \text{Suppose } v_j^* > 0 \Rightarrow g_j(\underline{x}) + v_j^* &= -\frac{\mu_j}{c} \\ \Rightarrow P_j^* &= \mu_j \left[ g_j(\underline{x}) + v_j^* \right]^2 + \frac{c}{2} \left[ g_j(\underline{x}) + v_j^* \right]^2 \\ &= -\frac{\mu_j^2}{c} + \frac{\mu_j^2}{2c} = -\frac{\mu_j^2}{2c} \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow \text{Inactive constraints}$$



## Extension to Inequality Constraints - 5

Combining the terms  $P_j^* = \frac{1}{2c} \left[ \{\max(0, \mu_j + cg_j(\underline{x}))\}^2 - \mu_j^2 \right]$



$$\text{Result: } L_c(\underline{x}, \underline{\mu}, \underline{\lambda}) = f(\underline{x}) + \underline{\lambda}^T \underline{h}(\underline{x}) + \frac{c}{2} \underline{h}^T(\underline{x}) \underline{h}(\underline{x})$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2c} \sum_{j=1}^r \left( [\max(0, \mu_j + cg_j(\underline{x}))]^2 - \mu_j^2 \right)$$

$$q(\underline{\mu}, \underline{\lambda}) = \min_{\underline{x}} L_c(\underline{x}, \underline{\mu}, \underline{\lambda}) = L_c(\underline{x}^*, \underline{\mu}, \underline{\lambda})$$

- Similar to equality constrained problem
- $\mu_j \geq 0$  and penalty function depends on  $\underline{\mu}$



## Extension to Inequality Constraints - 6

### □ Steepest Ascent Iteration

$$\underline{\lambda}_{k+1} = \underline{\lambda}_k + c_k \underline{h}(\underline{x}_k^*)$$

$$\underline{\mu}_{k+1} = \underline{\mu}_k + c_k \underline{g}^+(\underline{x}_k^*, \underline{\mu}_k, c)$$

$$\text{or } (\underline{\mu}_{k+1})_j = (\underline{\mu}_k)_j + c_k \max \left[ g_j(\underline{x}_k^*, \underline{\mu}_k, c), -\frac{(\underline{\mu}_k)_j}{c} \right]$$

$$= \max(0, (\underline{\mu}_k)_j + c_k g_j(\underline{x}_k^*, \mu_j, c))$$

⇒ Note that any inequality constraint such that  $g_j(\underline{x}_k^*, \mu_j, c) < -\frac{\mu_j}{c}$

is automatically inactive; else, it is active.



# Extension to Inequality Constraints - 7

## □ Newton Iteration

$$\nabla^2 q(\underline{\lambda}, \underline{\mu}) = \begin{bmatrix} -B & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{1}{c} I \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{Active + equality} \\ \text{Inactive} \end{array}$$

$$B = N^T \left[ \nabla_{xx} L_c(\underline{x}_k^*, \underline{\lambda}, \underline{\mu}) \right]^{-1} N$$

$$N = \begin{bmatrix} \underbrace{\nabla \underline{h}_1 \nabla \underline{h}_2 \dots \nabla \underline{h}_m}_{\text{Equality}} & \underbrace{\nabla \underline{g}_1 \nabla \underline{g}_2 \dots \nabla \underline{g}_p}_{\text{Active Inequality}} \end{bmatrix}$$

Newton Iteration

$$\begin{bmatrix} \underline{\lambda}_{active} \\ \underline{\mu}_{inactive} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \underline{\lambda}_{active} \\ \underline{\mu}_{inactive} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} B^{-1} & 0 \\ 0 & c \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \underline{h}_{active} \\ \underline{g}_{inactive} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \underline{\lambda}_{active} + B^{-1} \underline{h}_{active} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

⇒ set multipliers of inactive constraints to 0

⇒ Treat active constraints as if they are equality constraints.

$$\underline{g}^+ = \begin{bmatrix} \underline{g}_{active} \\ \underline{g}_{inactive} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\underline{g}_{inactive} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{\underline{\mu}_{p+1}}{c_k} \\ \vdots \\ -\frac{\underline{\mu}_r}{c_k} \end{bmatrix};$$

$$\underline{h}_{active} = \begin{bmatrix} \underline{h} \\ \underline{g}_{active} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\underline{\mu} = \begin{bmatrix} \underline{\mu}_{active} \\ \underline{\mu}_{inactive} \end{bmatrix}; \underline{\lambda}_{active} = \begin{bmatrix} \underline{\lambda} \\ \underline{\mu}_{active} \end{bmatrix}$$



# Saddle Point Theorem - 1

## □ Saddle Point Theorem for Inequality Constrained NLP Problem

$$\begin{aligned} & \min f(\underline{x}) \\ \text{s.t. } & g_j(\underline{x}) \leq 0 \quad j = 1, 2, \dots, r \quad \underline{x} \in \Omega \end{aligned} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{Same for equality constraints} \\ \text{except } \lambda^s \text{ have unrestricted sign} \end{array} \right\}$$

- Lagrangian:  $L(\underline{x}, \underline{\mu}) = f(\underline{x}) + \sum_{j=1}^r \mu_j g_j(\underline{x})$

$$\text{Also, } \min_{\underline{x} \in \Omega} L(\underline{x}, \underline{\mu}^*) = f(\underline{x}^*) \quad \text{since } \mu_j^* g_j(\underline{x}^*) = 0$$

- Saddle Point Theorem:

$$L(\underline{x}^*, \underline{\mu}) \leq L(\underline{x}^*, \underline{\mu}^*) \leq L(\underline{x}, \underline{\mu}^*) \quad \forall \underline{x} \in \Omega \text{ and } \underline{\mu} \geq 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} L(\underline{x}^*, \underline{\mu}^*) &= f(\underline{x}^*) = \min_{\underline{x} \in \Omega} L(\underline{x}, \underline{\mu}^*) \leq L(\underline{x}, \underline{\mu}^*) \\ &= f(\underline{x}) + \sum_{j=1}^r \mu_j^* g_j(\underline{x}) \leq f(\underline{x}) \text{ since } g_j(\underline{x}) \leq 0 \end{aligned}$$

Also,

$$L(\underline{x}^*, \underline{\mu}) = f(\underline{x}^*) + \sum_{j=1}^r \mu_j g_j(\underline{x}^*) \leq f(\underline{x}^*) = L(\underline{x}^*, \underline{\mu}^*) \text{ since } \mu_j \geq 0$$

$$f(\underline{x}^*) = \min_{\underline{x} \in \Omega} \max_{\underline{\mu} \geq 0} L(\underline{x}, \underline{\mu})$$

Minimax theorem



## Saddle Point Theorem - 2

$$\text{since } \max_{\underline{\mu} \geq \underline{0}} L(\underline{x}, \underline{\mu}) = \max_{\underline{\mu} \geq \underline{0}} \left\{ f(\underline{x}) + \sum_{j=1}^r \mu_j g_j(\underline{x}) \right\} = \begin{cases} f(\underline{x}) & \text{if } g_j(\underline{x}) \leq 0 \\ \infty & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases} \quad j = 1, 2, \dots, r$$

- If we let

$$q^* = \max_{\underline{\mu} \geq \underline{0}} \min_{\underline{x} \in \Omega} L(\underline{x}, \underline{\mu}) \leq \max_{\underline{\mu}} L(\underline{z}, \underline{\mu}) = L(\underline{z}, \underline{\mu}^*) ; \quad \underline{z} \in \Omega$$

Taking min over  $\underline{z}$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} q^* \leq f^* \\ \text{Also, } f^* = \min_{\underline{x} \in \Omega} L(\underline{x}, \underline{\mu}^*) \leq q^* \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow f^* = q^*$$



# Summary

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