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## Classification

Find 
$$\mathbf{x} = (x_1, ..., x_n)$$
 which minimizes  $f(\mathbf{x}) = f(x_1, ..., x_n)$   
subject to  $\begin{cases} h_i(\mathbf{x}) = h_i(x_1, ..., x_n) = 0; & i = 1, ..., p \\ g_j(\mathbf{x}) = g_j(x_1, ..., x_n) \le 0; & i = 1, ..., m \\ x_{kl} \le x_k \le x_{ku}; & k = 1, ..., n \end{cases}$ 

- Primal Method (direct method)
  - Search method that works on the original problem directly by searching through the feasible region for the optimal solution
- Transformation Method (indirect method): Ch.11.7
  - Convert a constrained optimization problem to a sequence of unconstrained optimization problems
  - Barrier and penalty function methods

# **Constrained Optimization Methods**

Direct (Primal) Methods	Indirect Methods
<ul> <li>Objective and constraint approximation methods</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Sequential unconstrained minimization technique</li> </ul>
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# Characteristics of a Constrained Problem (1)

- The constraints may have no effect on the optimum point.
  - In most practical problems, it is difficult to identify whether the constraints have an influence on the minimum point.
- The optimum (unique) solution occurs on a constraint boundary.
  - The negative of the gradient must be expressible as a positive linear combination of the gradients of the active constraints.



## Characteristics of a Constrained Problem (2)

- If the objective function has two or more unconstrained local minima, the constrained problem may have multiple minima.
- Even if the objective function has a single unconstrained minimum, the constraints may introduce multiple local minima.



# Basic Concepts (1)

- From feasible starting point (inside the feasible region)
  - $\nabla f = 0$ : Unconstrained stationary point->check sufficient condition
  - $-\nabla f \neq 0$ : Moving along a descent direction
    - (Assume the optimum is on the boundary of the constraint set)
    - Travel along a tangent to the boundary  $\rightarrow$ correct to a feasible point
    - Deflect the tangential direction, toward the feasible region  $\rightarrow$  line search



Basic Concepts (2)

- From infeasible starting point
  - Correct constraints to reach the constraint boundary →same as previous steps
  - Iterate through the infeasible region to the optimum point



# Basic Concepts (3)

- Numerical algorithm
  - Linearization of cost and constraint functions about the current design point
  - Definition of a search direction determination subproblem using the linearized functions
  - Solution of the subproblem that gives a search direction in the design space.
  - Calculation of a step size to minimize a descent function in the search direction
- Constraint status @ a design point
  - Active / Inactive / Violated /  $\varepsilon$ –Active



# Basic Concepts (4)

- Constraint normalization
  - Same tolerance( $\varepsilon$ ) can be applied
  - Exception: divided by zero, undesirable situation(linear $\rightarrow$ nonlinear)
- Descent (merit) function
  - A function used to monitor progress toward the minimum
  - Cost function + ?
- Convergent algorithm
  - Descent function, proper direction, closed and bound feasible set
  - Robust method
- Potential constraint strategy (Ch.13.1)
  - Numerical algorithms that use gradients of only a subset of the constraints

$$I_k = [\{j | j = 1 \text{ to } p \text{ for equalities}\} \text{ and } \{i | g_i(\mathbf{x}^{(k)}) + \varepsilon \ge 0, i = 1 \text{ to } m\}]$$

# Sequential Linear Programming

- Basic idea
  - Use linear approximation of the nonlinear functions and apply standard linear programming techniques
  - Repeated process successively as the optimization process
  - Major concern: How far from the point of interest are these approximations valid? move limits: depend on degree of nonlinearity)

$$-\Delta_{il}^{(k)} \le d_i \le \Delta_{iu}^{(k)}, \quad i = 1, \dots, n$$

- Some fraction of the current design variables (1~100%)
- Quite powerful and efficient for engineering design



#### Linearization

min 
$$f(\mathbf{x}^{(k)} + \Delta \mathbf{x}^{(k)}) \cong f(\mathbf{x}^{(k)}) + \nabla f^T(\mathbf{x}^{(k)}) \Delta \mathbf{x}^{(k)}$$
  
subject to  $h_j(\mathbf{x}^{(k)} + \Delta \mathbf{x}^{(k)}) \cong h_j(\mathbf{x}^{(k)}) + \nabla h_j^T(\mathbf{x}^{(k)}) \Delta \mathbf{x}^{(k)} = 0, \quad j = 1, ..., p$   
 $g_j(\mathbf{x}^{(k)} + \Delta \mathbf{x}^{(k)}) \cong g_j(\mathbf{x}^{(k)}) + \nabla g_j^T(\mathbf{x}^{(k)}) \Delta \mathbf{x}^{(k)} \le 0, \quad j = 1, ..., m$ 

#### LP subproblem

$$\min \quad \bar{f} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{\partial f(\mathbf{x}^{(k)})}{\partial x_{i}} \Delta \mathbf{x}^{(k)} \\ \text{s. t. } \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{\partial h_{j}(\mathbf{x}^{(k)})}{\partial x_{i}} \Delta \mathbf{x}^{(k)} = -h_{j}(\mathbf{x}^{(k)}) \\ \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{\partial g_{j}(\mathbf{x}^{(k)})}{\partial x_{i}} \Delta \mathbf{x}^{(k)} \leq -g_{j}(\mathbf{x}^{(k)}) \\ \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{cases} \min \quad \bar{f} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} c_{i}d_{i} \\ \text{s. t. } \sum_{i=1}^{n} n_{ij}d_{i} = e_{j} \\ \sum_{i=1}^{n} a_{ij}d_{i} \leq b_{j} \\ \end{cases} \rightarrow \begin{cases} \min \quad \bar{f} = \mathbf{c}^{T}d \\ \text{s. t. } \sum_{i=1}^{n} n_{ij}d_{i} = e_{j} \\ \sum_{i=1}^{n} a_{ij}d_{i} \leq b_{j} \end{cases} \rightarrow \begin{cases} \min \quad \bar{f} = \mathbf{c}^{T}d \\ \text{s. t. } \sum_{i=1}^{n} a_{ij}d_{i} \leq b_{j} \end{cases} \rightarrow \begin{cases} \min \quad \bar{f} = \mathbf{c}^{T}d \\ \text{s. t. } \sum_{i=1}^{n} a_{ij}d_{i} \leq b_{j} \end{cases} \end{cases}$$

**Optimization Techniques** 

# SLP Algorithm



#### Example 12.1+12.4 ← 4.31



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### Example 12.3

Minimize 
$$f(\mathbf{x}) = x_1^2 + x_2^2 - 3x_1x_2$$
  
subject to  $g_1(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{6}x_1^2 + \frac{1}{6}x_2^2 - 1 \le 0$   
 $g_2(\mathbf{x}) = -x_1 \le 0$   
 $g_3(\mathbf{x}) = -x_2 \le 0$   
@  $\underbrace{\mathbf{x}^{(0)} = (3,3)}_{\text{infeasible}}$  proper move limit?



#### Observations

- Cannot be used as a black box approach for engineering design problems
  - Trial and error process for the selection of move limits
- May not convergent since no descent function is defined and line search is not performed along the search direction
- Rate of convergence and performance depend (to a large extent) on the selection of the move limits
  - Lack of robustness and uncertainty
- Simple conceptually as well as numerically
  - Improved designs in practice rather than the precise optimum

#### Quadratic Programming Subproblem

- Quadratic cost function + linear constraints
- SLP: linear move limits  $\rightarrow$  quadratic step size constraint  $\bullet$



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# Example 12.5 (1)

Minimize 
$$f(x) = 2x_1^3 + 15x_2^2 - 8x_1x_2 - 4x_1$$
  
subject to  $h(x) = x_1^2 + x_1x_2 + 1.0 = 0$   
 $g(x) = x_1 - \frac{1}{4}x_2^2 - 1.0 \le 0$ 



$$\nabla f = (6x_1^2 - 8x_2 - 4, 30x_2 - 8x_1)$$
  

$$\nabla h = (2x_1 + x_2, x_1)$$
  

$$\nabla g = (1, -x_2/2)$$
  

$$\rightarrow \text{ linearize } @(1, 1)$$
  

$$f(1, 1) = 5$$
  

$$h(1, 1) = 3 \neq 0 \text{ (violation)}$$
  

$$g(1, 1) = -0.25 < 0 \text{ (inactive)}$$
  

$$c = \nabla f = (-6, 22)$$
  

$$\nabla h = (3, 1)$$
  

$$\nabla g = (1, -0.5)$$

point A: 
$$\mathbf{x}^* = (1, -2), f(\mathbf{x}^*) = 74$$
  
point B:  $\mathbf{x}^* = (-1, 2), f(\mathbf{x}^*) = 78$ 

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## Example 12.5 (2)

< QP subproblem > Minimize  $\bar{f} = -6d_1 + 22d_2 + 0.5(d_1^2 + d_2^2)$ subject to  $3d_1 + d_2 = -3$  $d_1 - 0.5d_2 \le 0.25$ 

$$\rightarrow d_1 = -0.5, d_2 = -1.5, \bar{f} = -28.75$$



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# Solution of QP problems

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Minimize} \quad q(\mathbf{x}) &= \mathbf{c}^T \mathbf{x} + 0.5 \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{H} \mathbf{x} \\ \text{subject to} \quad \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{x} \leq \mathbf{b} \to \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{s} = \mathbf{b} \\ \mathbf{N}^T \mathbf{x} &= \mathbf{e} \\ \mathbf{x} \geq \mathbf{0} \to -\mathbf{x} \leq \mathbf{0} \\ L &= \mathbf{c}^T \mathbf{x} + 0.5 \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{H} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{u}^T \left( \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{s} - \mathbf{b} \right) + \mathbf{v}^T \left( \mathbf{N}^T \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{e} \right) - \zeta^T \mathbf{x} \\ \partial L / \partial \mathbf{x} &= \mathbf{c} + \mathbf{H} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{A} \mathbf{u} + \mathbf{N} \mathbf{v} - \zeta = 0 \\ \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{s} - \mathbf{b} &= \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{N}^T \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{e} &= \mathbf{0} \\ u_i s_i &= 0; \quad i = 1, \dots, m \\ \zeta_i x_i &= 0; \quad i = 1, \dots, m \\ \varsigma_i, u_i \geq 0; \quad i = 1, \dots, m \\ \zeta_i \geq 0; \quad i = 1, \dots, m \end{aligned}$$

**Optimization Techniques** 

#### Solution for QP problem

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial x} = c + Hx + Au + Nv - \zeta = 0 \\ A^{T}x + s - b = 0 \\ N^{T}x - e = 0 \end{cases} \xrightarrow{v=y-z} B_{[(m+n+p)\times 2(m+n+p)]}X = D \\ (m+n+p) \underbrace{ \begin{bmatrix} H_{(n\times n)} & A_{(n\times m)} & -I_{(n\times n)} & 0_{(n\times m)} & N_{(n\times p)} & -N_{(n\times p)} \\ A^{T}_{(m\times n)} & 0 & 0 & I & 0 & 0 \\ N^{T}_{(p\times n)} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ N^{T}_{(p\times n)} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 2(m+n+p) & 2(m+n+p) & 2(m+n+p) \\ \zeta_{i}x_{i} = 0; \quad i = 1, \dots, m \\ \zeta_{i}x_{i} = 0; \quad i = 1, \dots, m \\ \zeta_{i} \ge 0; \quad i = 1, \dots, m \\ \zeta_{i} \ge 0; \quad i = 1, \dots, n \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \underbrace{ \begin{bmatrix} X_{i}X_{n+m+i} = 0; & i = 1, \dots, n+m \\ X_{i} \ge 0; & i = 1, \dots, n \\ X_{i} \ge 0; \quad i = 1, \dots, n \end{bmatrix}}_{\zeta_{i} \ge 0; \quad i = 1, \dots, n \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \underbrace{ \begin{bmatrix} X_{i}X_{n+m+i} = 0; & i = 1, \dots, n+m \\ X_{i} \ge 0; & i = 1, \dots, n \end{bmatrix}}_{\zeta_{i} \ge 0; \quad i = 1, \dots, n \end{pmatrix}$$

**Optimization Techniques** 

## Simplex method for solving QP problem

- Wolfe(1959) $\rightarrow$ Hadley(1964)
  - Solve as a linear program using the Phase I simplex method
  - Fail to converge when H is positive semidefinite if  $c \neq 0$
- Lemke(1965)
  - Complementary pivot method
- Phase I:

$$BX + \underbrace{Y}_{artificial} = \underbrace{D}_{nonnegative}$$

$$w = \sum_{i=1}^{m+n+p} Y_i = \sum_{i=1}^{m+n+p} D_i - \sum_{j=1}^{2(m+n+p)} \sum_{i=1}^{m+n+p} B_{ij} X_j = w_0 + \sum_{j=1}^{2(m+n+p)} C_j X_j$$

$$\left( \text{where} \quad w_0 = \sum_{i=1}^{m+n+p} D_i, \ C_j = -\sum_{i=1}^{m+n+p} B_{ij} \right)$$