Descent Function

- Property
 - Its value at the optimum point for the optimization problem must be the same as that for the original cost function
 - If it is required to reduce, progress will be made towards the minimum point for the original problem
- Pshenichny's descent function (exact penalty function)

$$\Phi(\mathbf{x}^{(k)}) = f(\mathbf{x}^{(k)}) + RV(\mathbf{x}^{(k)})$$

$$R \ge \left[r_k = \sum_{i=1}^p \left|v_i^{(k)}\right| + \sum_{i=1}^m u_i^{(k)}\right] > 0: \text{ penalty parameter}$$

$$R \ge r_k: \text{ necessary condition for convergence of the algorithm}$$

$$V(\mathbf{x}^{(k)}) = \max\left\{0; |h_1|, \dots, |h_p|; g_1, \dots, g_m\right\} \ge 0: \text{ maximum constraint violation}$$
$$\mathbf{x}^{(k+1)} = \mathbf{x}^{(k)} + \alpha_k \mathbf{d}^{(k)} \rightarrow \text{step size: } \Phi(\alpha_k) = \Phi(\mathbf{x}^{(k)} + \alpha_k \mathbf{d}^{(k)})$$

Example 12.7+8

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{Minimize } f(\mathbf{x}) = x_1^2 + 320x_1x_2\\ \text{subject to } g_1(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{100}(x_1 - 60x_2) \le 0\\ g_2(\mathbf{x}) = 1 - \frac{x_1(x_1 - x_2)}{3600} \le 0\\ g_3(\mathbf{x}) = -x_1 \le 0\\ g_4(\mathbf{x}) = -x_2 \le 0 \end{array} \right\} \rightarrow \begin{cases} \text{starting point } \mathbf{x}^{(0)} = (40, 0.5)\\ \text{search dirction: QP subproblem}\\ \text{initial bracketing of the step size: golden section search using } \delta = 0.1\\ \text{descent function values at these two points } : R_0 = 1 \end{cases}$$

Constrained Steepest Descent (CSD) Method



CSD Algorithm: Some Observations

- search direction
 - modification of the steepest-descent direction to satisfy constraints
 - direction obtained by projecting the steepest-descent direction on to the constraint tangent hyperplane
- observations
 - *first-order* method that can treat equality and inequality constraints
 - converges to a local minimum point starting from an arbitrary point, which is feasible or infeasible
 - potential constraint strategy in not introduced
 - Golden section search (inefficient) \rightarrow Inexact line search
 - rate of convergence: improved by including second-order information in the QP subproblem
 - starting point can affect performance of the algorithm

Practical Applications

- potential constraint strategy to define the QP subproblem
- inexact line search
- constrained quasi-Newton methods

Potential Constraint Strategy

- numerical algorithms that use gradients of only a subset of the constraints in the definition of this subproblem
 - only a subset of the inequality constraints is active at the minimum point
 - this subset of active constraints is not known a priori and must be determined as part of the solution to the problem
 - efficiency of the entire iterative process: number of gradient evaluations, dimension of the subproblem
- potential constraint index

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

Example 13.2

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{Minimize } f(\mathbf{x}) = x_1^2 - 3x_1x_2 + 4.5x_2^2 - 10x_1 - 6x_2\\ \text{subject to } g_1(\mathbf{x}) = x_1 - x_2 \leq 3\\ g_2(\mathbf{x}) = x_1 + 2x_2 \leq 12\\ g_3(\mathbf{x}) = -x_1 \leq 0\\ g_4(\mathbf{x}) = -x_2 \leq 0 \end{array}\right\}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} \text{starting point } \mathbf{x}^{(0)} = (4, 4)\\ \varepsilon = 0.1\\ \text{calculate the search directions with and without the potential set strategy} \end{cases}$$

Inexact Step Size Calculation

- Step size determination
 - Inaccurate line search (Armijo's rule)
 - Trial step size
 - Parameter γ

$$\Phi_{k} = f_{k} + RV_{k}$$

$$V_{k} = \max \left\{ 0; |h_{1}|, \dots, |h_{p}|; g_{1}, \dots, g_{m} \right\}$$

$$\mathbf{x}^{(k+1,j)} = \mathbf{x}^{(k)} + t_{j} \mathbf{d}^{(k)} \text{ where } t_{j} = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{j} j = 0, 1, \dots$$

[descent condition]

$$\Phi_{k+1,j} \le \Phi_k - t_j \beta_k \text{ where } \beta_k = \gamma \left\| \mathbf{d}^{(k)} \right\|^2, \ 0 \le \gamma \le 1$$



Optimization Techniques

Example 13.3 ← 12.8

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{Minimize } f(\mathbf{x}) = x_1^2 + 320x_1x_2 \\ \text{subject to } g_1(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{100}(x_1 - 60x_2) \le 0 \\ g_2(\mathbf{x}) = 1 - \frac{x_1(x_1 - x_2)}{3600} \le 0 \\ g_3(\mathbf{x}) = -x_1 \le 0 \\ g_4(\mathbf{x}) = -x_2 \le 0 \end{array} \right\} \xrightarrow{\text{starting point: } \mathbf{x}^{(0)} = (40, 0.5) \\ \text{search dirction: } \mathbf{d}^{(0)} = (25.6, 0.45) \\ \text{Lagrange multipliers: } \mathbf{u} = [16300 \ 19400 \ 0 \ 0]^T \\ \gamma = 0.5 \\ \text{calculate the step size using the inexact line search} \end{array}$$

Example 13.4 ← 12.4 ← 4.31

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{Minimize } f(\mathbf{x}) = x_1^2 + x_2^2 - 3x_1x_2\\ \text{subject to } g_1(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{6}x_1^2 + \frac{1}{6}x_2^2 - 1 \le 0\\ g_2(\mathbf{x}) = -x_1 \le 0\\ g_3(\mathbf{x}) = -x_2 \le 0 \end{array} \right\} \rightarrow \begin{cases} x^{(0)} = (1,1)\\ R_0 = 10\\ \gamma = 0.5\\ \varepsilon_1 = \varepsilon_2 = 0.001\\ \text{Perform only two iterations of CSD method} \end{cases}$$



Sequential Quadratic Programming (SQP)

- QP subproblem ← curvature information of Lagrange function into the quadratic cost function
 - Constrained Quasi-Newton Methods
 - Constrained Variable Metric(CVM)
 - Recursive Quadratic Programming(RQP)
- Gradient of the Lagrange function at the two points \rightarrow Approximate Hessian of the Lagrange function
- quite simple and straightforward, but very effective

Derivation of QP subproblem

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{minimize } f(\mathbf{x}) \\ \text{subject to } h_i(\mathbf{x}) = 0; \quad i = 1, \dots, p \\ \end{array} \rightarrow L(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v}) = f(\mathbf{x}) + \sum_{i=1}^p v_i h_i(\mathbf{x}) = f(\mathbf{x}) + \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{x}) \\ \text{(KKT necessary conditions)} \\ \nabla L(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v}) = \nabla f(\mathbf{x}) + \mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{x}) = 0 \\ h_i(\mathbf{x}) = 0; \quad i = 1, \dots, p \\ \end{array} \rightarrow F(\mathbf{y}) = 0 \quad \text{where} \quad F = \begin{bmatrix} \nabla L \\ \mathbf{h} \end{bmatrix}_{(n+p) \times 1}^{(n+p) \times 1}, \quad \mathbf{y} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x} \\ \mathbf{v} \end{bmatrix}_{(n+p) \times 1}^{(n+p) \times 1} \\ \mathbf{y}^{(k)} \rightarrow \Delta \mathbf{y}^{(k)} ?: \text{ linear Taylor's expansion} \rightarrow \nabla F^T(\mathbf{y}^{(k)}) \Delta \mathbf{y}^{(k)} = -F(\mathbf{y}^{(k)}) \\ \begin{bmatrix} \nabla^2 L & \mathbf{N} \\ \mathbf{N}^T & \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix}^{(k)} \begin{bmatrix} \Delta \mathbf{x} \\ \Delta \mathbf{v} \end{bmatrix}^{(k)} = -\begin{bmatrix} \nabla L \\ \mathbf{h} \end{bmatrix}^{(k)} \rightarrow \begin{cases} \nabla^2 L^{(k)} \Delta \mathbf{x}^{(k)} + \mathbf{N}^{(k)} \frac{\Delta \mathbf{v}^{(k)}}{\mathbf{v}^{(k+1)} - \mathbf{v}^{(k)}} = -\nabla f(\mathbf{x}^{(k)}) \\ \rightarrow \nabla^2 L^{(k)} \Delta \mathbf{x}^{(k)} + \mathbf{N}^{(k)} \mathbf{v}^{(k+1)} = -\nabla f(\mathbf{x}^{(k)}) \end{cases} \\ \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \nabla^2 L & \mathbf{N} \\ \mathbf{N}^T & \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix}^{(k)} \begin{bmatrix} \Delta \mathbf{x}^{(k)} \\ \mathbf{v}^{(k+1)} \end{bmatrix} = -\begin{bmatrix} \nabla f \\ \mathbf{h} \end{bmatrix}^{(k)} \\ \text{subject to } h_i(\mathbf{x}^{(k)}) + n_i(\mathbf{x}^{(k)})^T \Delta \mathbf{x}^{(k)} = 0; \quad i = 1, \dots, p \end{cases}$$

Quasi-Newton Hessian Approximation

$$\begin{split} \mathbf{s}^{(k)} &= \alpha_{k} \mathbf{d}^{(k)} \\ \mathbf{z}^{(k)} &= \mathbf{H}^{(k)} \mathbf{s}^{(k)} \\ \mathbf{y}^{(k)} &= \nabla L \left(\mathbf{x}^{(k+1)}, \mathbf{u}^{(k)}, \mathbf{v}^{(k)} \right) - \nabla L \left(\mathbf{x}^{(k)}, \mathbf{u}^{(k)}, \mathbf{v}^{(k)} \right) \\ \xi_{1} &= \mathbf{s}^{(k)} \cdot \mathbf{y}^{(k)} \\ \xi_{2} &= \mathbf{s}^{(k)} \cdot \mathbf{x}^{(k)} \\ \theta &= \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \xi_{1} \ge 0.2 \xi_{2} \\ \frac{0.8 \xi_{2}}{\xi_{2} - \xi_{1}} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \\ \mathbf{w}^{(k)} &= \theta \mathbf{y}^{(k)} + (1 - \theta) \mathbf{z}^{(k)} \\ \xi_{3} &= \mathbf{s}^{(k)} \cdot \mathbf{w}^{(k)} \end{cases} \\ \end{split}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{H}^{(k+1)} &= H^{(k)} + \frac{\mathbf{y}^{(k)} \mathbf{y}^{(k)T}}{\mathbf{y}^{(k)T} \mathbf{s}^{(k)}} - \frac{H^{(k)} \mathbf{s}^{(k)} \mathbf{s}^{(k)T} H^{(k)}}{\mathbf{s}^{(k)T} H^{(k)} \mathbf{s}^{(k)}} \xrightarrow{\overset{s^{(k)} = \mathbf{x}^{(k+1)} - \mathbf{x}^{(k)} = \mathbf{a}^{(k)}}{\mathbf{s}^{(k)} - \mathbf{a}^{(k)} \mathbf{s}^{(k)}} + H^{(k+1)} = H^{(k)} + \frac{\mathbf{y}^{(k)} \mathbf{y}^{(k)T}}{\mathbf{y}^{(k)T} \mathbf{s}^{(k)}} + \frac{\mathbf{c}^{(k)} \mathbf{c}^{(k)T}}{\mathbf{c}^{(k)T} \mathbf{d}^{(k)}} \end{aligned}$$

Optimization Techniques

SQP Algorithm



Optimization Techniques

Examples

Minimize
$$f(\mathbf{x}) = x_1^2 + x_2^2 - 3x_1x_2$$

subject to $g_1(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{6}x_1^2 + \frac{1}{6}x_2^2 - 1 \le 0$
 $g_2(\mathbf{x}) = -x_1 \le 0$
 $g_3(\mathbf{x}) = -x_2 \le 0$

- Example 4.31: KKT conditions
- Example 12.4: SLP
- Example 13.4: CSD
- Example 13.9: SQP

Descent Functions in SQP

- play an important role in QP methods
- Nondifferentiable vs. differentiable

$$\begin{split} \Phi_{p} &= f\left(\mathbf{x}^{(k)}\right) + R\left[\max\left\{0; |h_{1}|, \dots, |h_{p}|; g_{1}, \dots, g_{m}\right\}\right] \\ \Phi_{H} &= f\left(\mathbf{x}^{(k)}\right) + \sum_{i=1}^{p} r_{i}^{(k)} \left|h_{i}^{(k)}\right| + \sum_{i=1}^{m} \mu_{i}^{(k)} \max\left\{0, g_{i}\right\} \\ \Phi_{A} &= f\left(\mathbf{x}\right) + P_{1}\left(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{h}\right) + P_{2}\left(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{h}\right) \quad \text{where} \quad \begin{cases} P_{1}\left(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{h}\right) = \sum_{i=1}^{p} \left(v_{i}h_{i} + \frac{1}{2}r_{i}h_{i}^{2}\right) \\ P_{2}\left(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{h}\right) = \sum_{i=1}^{m} \left\{\left(u_{i}g_{i} + \frac{1}{2}\mu_{i}g_{i}^{2}\right) \right\} \text{ if } \left(g_{i} + \frac{u_{i}}{\mu_{i}}\right) \ge 0 \\ -\frac{1}{2}\frac{u_{i}^{2}}{\mu_{i}} \text{ otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Other Numerical Optimization Methods

- Method of Feasible Directions
- Gradient Projection Method
- Generalized Reduced Gradient Method

Method of Feasible Directions

- Zoutendijk(1960)
- Inequality constrained problem
 - Feasible region has an 'interior'
 - Equality constraints? penalty function

 $\begin{cases} Minimize \quad f(\mathbf{x}) \\ subject \ to \quad g_i(\mathbf{x}) \le 0 \quad i = 1, \dots, m \\ I = \left\{ j : g_j(\mathbf{x}^{(k)}) + \varepsilon \ge 0, \ j = 1, \dots, m \right\} \\ \alpha = \max \left\{ \nabla f^T \mathbf{d}, \nabla g_j^T \mathbf{d} \text{ for each } j \in I \right\} \end{cases}$

- Direction
 - Define a linearized subproblem @ the current feasible point
- Step size
 - Reduce the cost function as well as maintain feasibility

Usable-Feasible Direction



FDM: Direction-finding

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$$\begin{array}{c} \text{Minimize } \alpha \\ \text{subject to } \nabla f^{T} \mathbf{d} \leq \alpha \\ \nabla g_{j}^{T} \mathbf{d} \leq \alpha \text{ for each } j \in I \\ \hline push-off \text{ factor} \\ -1 \leq d_{i} \leq 1 \quad i = 1, \dots, n \\ \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} s_{i}=d_{i}+1,\beta=-\alpha \\ \hline \\ \mathbf{x}_{i}=d_{i}+1,\beta=-\alpha \\ \hline \\ \mathbf{x}_{i$$

Optimization Techniques

Push-off factor

- Nonlinear and convex constraints
 - Small move \rightarrow constraints violation

$$\nabla g(\boldsymbol{x}^{(k)})^T \boldsymbol{d} \leq \boldsymbol{\theta} \boldsymbol{\alpha}$$

(θ : nonnegative constant)

$$\theta_{j} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for linear constraints} \\ \left[1 - \frac{g_{j}(\boldsymbol{x})}{\varepsilon}\right]^{2} \theta_{0} & \text{(usually } \theta_{0} = 1.0) \end{cases}$$

pushing harder

as the constraint becomes more critical $\theta_j = 0(g_j(\mathbf{x}) = \varepsilon) \rightarrow \theta_j = 1(g_j(\mathbf{x}) = 0)$



FDM: Line Search



Optimization Techniques

Major Shortcomings

- For general problems, there may not exist any feasible direction.
 - Relax definition of feasibility or allow points to deviate
 - Introduce concept of moving along curves rather than straight lines
- Feasible direction methods can be subject to jamming/zigzagging, that is, it does not converge to a constrained local minimum.
 - In Zoutendijk's method, the method for finding a feasible direction changes is another constraint

Gradient Projection Methods

- Rosen(1960)
 - Does not require the solution of an auxiliary optimization problem to find the usable feasible direction
 - Effective for linear constraints
- Determine the direction by projecting the steepest descent direction onto the tangent plane
- Major task is to calculate projection matrix *P* and subsequent feasible direction vector *d*.

minimize
$$f(\mathbf{x})$$

subject to $g_j(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^n a_{ij} x_i - b_j \le 0, \quad j = 1, \dots, m$
 $\underbrace{N}_{n \times J} = [\nabla g_1 \quad \dots \quad \nabla g_J]$



Gradient Projection: Direction

P projects the vector –∇*f*(*x*) onto the intersection of all the hyperplanes perpendicular to the vectors
 ∇*g_j*(*x*), *j*∈*J*



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Direction-finding

$$\begin{cases} \text{minimize } \left[-\nabla f(\mathbf{x}) - d \right]^T \left[-\nabla f(\mathbf{x}) - d \right] \\ \text{subject to } \mathbf{N}^T \mathbf{d} = 0 \\ \rightarrow L(\mathbf{d}, \beta) = \left[\nabla f(\mathbf{x}) + d \right]^T \left[\nabla f(\mathbf{x}) + d \right] + \beta^T \mathbf{N}^T \mathbf{d} \\ \left\{ \frac{\partial L}{\partial \mathbf{d}} = \nabla f(\mathbf{x}) + \mathbf{d} + \mathbf{N}\beta = \mathbf{0} \rightarrow \mathbf{d} = -\nabla f(\mathbf{x}) - \mathbf{N}\beta \\ \frac{\partial L}{\partial \beta} = \mathbf{N}^T \mathbf{d} = \mathbf{0} \rightarrow - \left(\mathbf{N}^T \nabla f(\mathbf{x}) + \mathbf{N}^T \mathbf{N}\beta \right) = \mathbf{0} \rightarrow \beta = - \left(\mathbf{N}^T \mathbf{N} \right)^{-1} \mathbf{N}^T \nabla f(\mathbf{x}) \\ \mathbf{d} = -\nabla f(\mathbf{x}) + \mathbf{N} \left(\mathbf{N}^T \mathbf{N} \right)^{-1} \mathbf{N}^T \nabla f(\mathbf{x}) = \left[I - \mathbf{N} \left(\mathbf{N}^T \mathbf{N} \right)^{-1} \mathbf{N}^T \right] - \nabla f(\mathbf{x}) \right] = \mathbf{P} [-\nabla f(\mathbf{x})] \\ \mathbf{P} = I - \mathbf{N} \left(\mathbf{N}^T \mathbf{N} \right)^{-1} \mathbf{N}^T : \text{projection matrix} \\ \mathbf{d}^{(k)} = - \frac{\mathbf{P}^{(k)} \nabla f(\mathbf{x}^{(k)})}{\left\| \mathbf{P}^{(k)} \nabla f(\mathbf{x}^{(k)}) \right\|} \\ \mathbf{d}^{(k)} = \mathbf{0} \rightarrow -\nabla f\left(\mathbf{x}^{(k)} \right) = \mathbf{N}\lambda = \sum_{j=1}^J \lambda_j \nabla g_j (\mathbf{K} - \mathbf{T} \text{ condition}) \end{cases}$$

Gradient Projection: Line Search

$$g_{j}(\alpha) = g_{j}(\mathbf{x}^{(k)} + \alpha \mathbf{d}^{(k)}) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} a_{ij}(x_{i} + \alpha d_{i}) - b_{j}$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} a_{ij}x_{i} - b_{j} + \alpha \sum_{i=1}^{n} a_{ij}d_{i} = g_{j}(\mathbf{x}^{(k)}) + \alpha \sum_{i=1}^{n} a_{ij}d_{i}, \quad j = 1, ..., m$$

$$\alpha_{j} = -\frac{g_{j}(\mathbf{x}^{(k)})}{\sum_{i=1}^{n} a_{ij}d_{i}} \rightarrow \alpha_{M} = \min_{\alpha_{j}>0}(\alpha_{j}) \quad (j \text{ is any integer among } 1 \text{ to } m \text{ other than } 1, ..., J)$$

 $f(\alpha)$ may have its minimum along the line d_i between $\alpha = 0$ and $\alpha = \alpha_M$.





Generalized Reduced Gradient Method

- Elimination of variables using the equality constraints
 - One variable can be reduced from the set x_i for each of the m+p equality constraints

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{minimize} & f(\mathbf{x}) \\ \text{subject to} & g_i(\mathbf{x}) \le 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, m \\ & h_j(\mathbf{x}) = 0, \quad j = 1, \dots, l \\ & x_k^L \le x_k \le x_k^U, \quad k = 1, \dots, n \end{array} \right\} \rightarrow \begin{cases} \text{minimize} & f(\mathbf{x}) \\ \text{subject to} & g_i(\mathbf{x}) + x_{n+i} = 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, m \\ & h_j(\mathbf{x}) = 0, \quad j = 1, \dots, l \\ & x_k^L \le x_k \le x_k^U, \quad k = 1, \dots, n \\ & x_{n+i} \ge 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, m \end{cases}$$

$$\rightarrow \begin{cases} \text{minimize} \quad f(\mathbf{x}) \\ \text{subject to} \quad \overline{h}_{j}(\mathbf{x}) = 0, \quad j = 1, \dots, m + l \\ x_{i}^{L} \leq x_{i} \leq x_{i}^{U}, \quad i = 1, \dots, n + m \end{cases} \quad \mathbf{x} = \begin{cases} \mathbf{y} \\ \mathbf{z} \end{cases}, \quad \mathbf{y} = \begin{cases} y_{1} \\ \vdots \\ y_{m+l} \end{cases}, \quad \mathbf{z} = \begin{cases} z_{1} \\ \vdots \\ z_{n-l} \end{cases} \end{cases}$$

state or dependent variables design or independent variables

Reduced Gradient

$$df(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^{m+l} \frac{\partial f}{\partial y_i} dy_i + \sum_{i=1}^{n-l} \frac{\partial f}{\partial z_i} dz_i = \nabla_y^T f d\mathbf{y} + \nabla_z^T f d\mathbf{z}$$

$$d\overline{h}_i(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{j=1}^{m+l} \frac{\partial \overline{h}_i}{\partial y_j} dy_j + \sum_{j=1}^{n-l} \frac{\partial \overline{h}_i}{\partial z_j} dz_j \rightarrow d\overline{\mathbf{h}} = \mathbf{B} d\mathbf{y} + \mathbf{C} d\mathbf{z}$$

$$\nabla_y^T f = \begin{cases} \frac{\partial f}{\partial y_1} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\partial f}{\partial y_{m+l}} \end{cases}, \nabla_z^T f = \begin{cases} \frac{\partial f}{\partial z_1} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\partial f}{\partial z_{n-l}} \end{cases}, d\mathbf{y} = \begin{cases} dy_1 \\ \vdots \\ dy_{m+l} \end{cases}, d\mathbf{z} = \begin{cases} dz_1 \\ \vdots \\ dz_{n-l} \end{cases}$$

$$\mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial \overline{h}_1}{\partial y_1} & \cdots & \frac{\partial \overline{h}_1}{\partial y_{m+l}} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial \overline{h}_{m+l}}{\partial y_1} & \cdots & \frac{\partial \overline{h}_{m+l}}{\partial y_{m+l}} \end{cases}, \mathbf{C} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial \overline{h}_1}{\partial z_1} & \cdots & \frac{\partial \overline{h}_1}{\partial z_{n-l}} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial \overline{h}_{m+l}}{\partial z_1} & \cdots & \frac{\partial \overline{h}_{m+l}}{\partial y_{n-l}} \end{bmatrix}$$

GRG: Direction

$$d\overline{h} = Bdy + Cdz = 0 \ \left(\overline{h}(x) = 0\right) \rightarrow dy = -B^{-1}Cdz$$

$$df(x) = \left(-\nabla_y^T f B^{-1}C + \nabla_z^T f\right) dz \rightarrow \frac{df(x)}{dz} = G_R$$

$$G_R = \nabla_z f - \left(B^{-1}C\right)^T \nabla_y f : \text{ generalized reduced gradient}$$

$$\rightarrow \text{ projection of the original } n \text{ - dimensional gradient onto}$$

the $(n - m)$ dimensional feasible region described

by the design variables

$$\boldsymbol{d} = \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{d}_{y} \\ \boldsymbol{d}_{z} \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{cases} \boldsymbol{d}_{y} = -\boldsymbol{B}^{-1}\boldsymbol{C}\boldsymbol{d}_{z} \\ \begin{pmatrix} \boldsymbol{d}_{z} \end{pmatrix}_{i} = \begin{cases} -(\boldsymbol{G}_{R})_{i} \\ 0 \quad \text{if } z_{i} = z_{i}^{L} \text{ and } (\boldsymbol{G}_{R})_{i} > 0 \\ 0 \quad \text{if } z_{i} = z_{i}^{U} \text{ and } (\boldsymbol{G}_{R})_{i} < 0 \end{cases}$$



GRG: Line Search

$$\boldsymbol{x}^{L} \leq \boldsymbol{x}_{k} + \alpha \boldsymbol{d} \leq \boldsymbol{x}^{U}$$

$$\alpha_{z} = \begin{cases} \frac{z_{i}^{U} - z_{i}^{old}}{d_{i}} & \text{if } d_{i} > 0 \\ \frac{z_{i}^{L} - z_{i}^{old}}{d_{i}} & \text{if } d_{i} < 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\boldsymbol{dy} = -\boldsymbol{B}^{-1}\boldsymbol{C}\boldsymbol{dz} \xrightarrow{dz=\alpha d} \boldsymbol{e} = -\boldsymbol{B}^{-1}\boldsymbol{C}\boldsymbol{d}$$

$$\boldsymbol{\alpha}_{y} = \begin{cases} \frac{y_{i}^{U} - y_{i}^{old}}{e_{i}} & \text{if } e_{i} > 0 \\ \frac{y_{i}^{L} - y_{i}^{old}}{e_{i}} & \text{if } e_{i} < 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\boldsymbol{\alpha} = \min(\boldsymbol{\alpha}_{y}, \boldsymbol{\alpha}_{z})$$

$$\boldsymbol{x}^{new} = \begin{cases} \boldsymbol{y}^{old} + d\boldsymbol{y} \\ \boldsymbol{z}^{old} + d\boldsymbol{z} \end{cases} = \begin{cases} \boldsymbol{y}^{old} + \alpha \boldsymbol{e} \\ \boldsymbol{z}^{old} + \alpha \boldsymbol{d} \end{cases}$$

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GRG: Correction

$$\overline{h}(x) + d\overline{h}(x) = 0 \rightarrow dy = B^{-1} \left[-\overline{h}(x) - C dz \right] \rightarrow y^{new} = y^{old} + dy$$



GRG: Algorithm

- Start with an initial trial vector x₀. Specify the design and state variables.
 - State variable: avoid singularity of the matrix, B / slack variable
 - Design variable: lower and upper bound
- Compute the generalized reduced gradient
- Test for convergence
- Determine the search direction
- Find the minimum along the search direction
 - Find an estimate for $\boldsymbol{\alpha}$ as the distance to the nearest side constraint
 - If the vector \mathbf{x}_{new} corresponding to α is found infeasible, \mathbf{z}_{new} is held constant and \mathbf{y}_{new} is modified

Remarks

- Closely related to simplex LP method because variables are split into basic and non-basic groups.
- From a theoretical viewpoint, the method behaves very much like the gradient projection method.
- Like gradient projection method, it can be regarded as a steepest descent method applied on the surface defined by the active constraints.
- Reduced gradient method seems to be better than gradient projection methods.

Advantages of Primal Methods

- If the process is terminated before reaching the solution (practically for nonlinear problems), the terminating point is feasible and probably near optimal.
- Guaranteed that if they generate a convergent sequence, then the limit point of that sequence must be at least a local constrained minimum.
- Do not rely on a special problem structure, such as convexity, hence applicable to general NLP.
- Competitive convergence rates, particularly for linear constraints

Disadvantages of Primal Methods

- They require a Phase I procedure to obtain an initial feasible point.
- They are all plagued, particularly for problems with nonlinear constraints, with computational difficulties arising from the necessity to remain within the feasible region as the method progresses.
- Some methods can fail to converge for problems with inequality constraints unless elaborate precautions are taken.