

• Standard form

$$\min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} f(x) \quad \text{s.t.} \quad g_i(x) \leq 0 \quad (i=1, 2, \dots, m)$$

$$h_j(x) = 0 \quad (j=1, 2, \dots, p)$$

$$\Omega = \left( \bigcap_{i=1}^m \{x | g_i(x) \leq 0\} \right) \cap \left( \bigcap_{j=1}^p \{x | h_j(x) = 0\} \right)$$

proof: ①  $x \in \Omega \Rightarrow g_i(x) \leq 0 (\forall i) \quad h_j(x) = 0 (\forall j) \Rightarrow x$  belongs to every set in the intersections.

②  $x$  belongs to the intersection  $\Rightarrow$  it satisfies all inequalities and equalities simultaneously.  $\Rightarrow x \in \Omega$

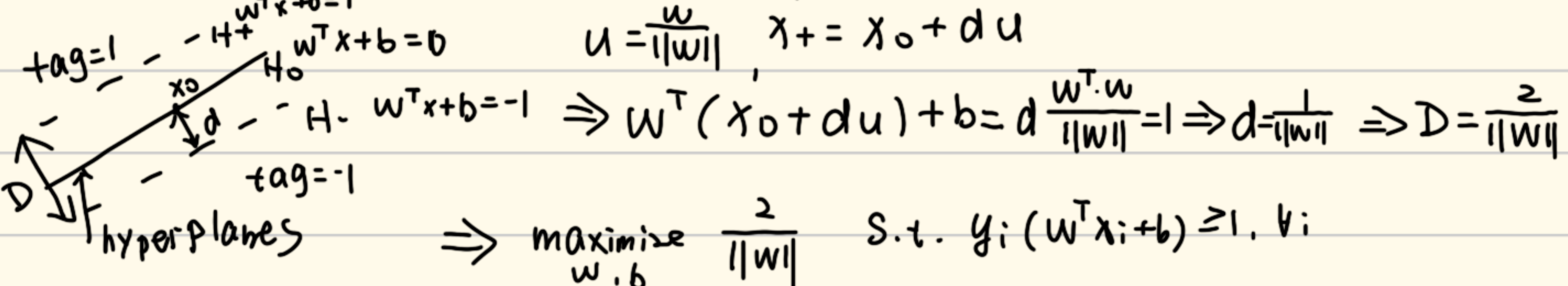
• Optimization Modeling of Support Vector Machine

$y_i \in \{-1, 1\}$   
correctly classified

linear function  $u(x) = w^T x + b$  Find  $w, b$  s.t.  $y_i(w^T x_i + b) \geq 1 \quad \forall i = 1, 2, \dots, n$

$w \perp$  boundary Changing  $w$  rotates/tilts the boundary  
 $b$  shifts the boundary without changing its orientation

[  $y_i(w^T x_i + b) \geq 1$  存在自由度, 有无穷解  $(w_i, b_i)$  works,  $(cw_i, cb_i)$  also works ]



$\Rightarrow$  maximize  $\frac{2}{\|w\|}$  s.t.  $y_i(w^T x_i + b) \geq 1, \forall i$

[所有点分类正确, 且距超平面边界有一定距离]

$\Rightarrow$  minimize  $\|w\| \Rightarrow$  minimize  $\frac{1}{2} \|w\|^2$  ( $\|w\|$  is not differentiable at 0)  
 $\hookrightarrow \nabla f(w) = w$

$\Rightarrow$  Soft-margin SVM  $\min_{w, b} \frac{\lambda}{2} \|w\|^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n \max\{0, 1 - y_i(w^T x_i + b)\}$

# Linear Programming

## 1. transformation

\* standard form (in course)  $\min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} C^T x$  s.t.  $Ax = b$   $x \geq 0$

①  $\max \leftrightarrow \min$   $\max C^T x \Leftrightarrow \min \min (-C)^T x$

② inequality  $\leftrightarrow$  equality slack variable  $a^T x \leq b \Leftrightarrow a^T x + s = b, s \geq 0$  /  $a^T x \geq b \Leftrightarrow a^T x - s = b, s \geq 0$

③ sign restriction  $x_i \leq 0 \Rightarrow x_i = -y_i \Rightarrow y_i \geq 0$

④ free variable  $x_i = x_i^+ - x_i^-$ ,  $x_i^+ \geq 0, x_i^- \geq 0$

## ⑤ auxiliary variable

minimize  $\sum_{i=1}^m f_i(x)$  s.t.  $x \in \Omega \Leftrightarrow$  minimize  $\sum_{i=1}^m t_i$  s.t.  $x \in \Omega, f_i(x) \leq t_i \forall i$

Proof: 1° let  $t_i^* = f_i(x^*)$   
 $\Rightarrow \begin{cases} \sum_{i=1}^m t_i^* = \sum_{i=1}^m f_i(x^*) \leq \sum_{i=1}^m f_i(x) \leq \sum_{i=1}^m t_i & \text{optimality} \\ f_i(x^*) = t_i^* \leq t_i^* & \text{feasibility} \end{cases}$

2° let  $x \in \Omega$ , then  $(x, f_1(x), \dots, f_m(x))$  is feasible

if  $(x^*, t^*)$  is optimal,  $x^* \in \Omega, f_i(x^*) \leq t_i^*$

$\Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^m f_i(x^*) \leq \sum_{i=1}^m t_i^*$  since  $(x, f_1(x), \dots, f_m(x))$  is feasible

$\Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^m t_i^* \leq \sum_{i=1}^m f_i(x) \Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^m f_i(x^*) \leq \sum_{i=1}^m f_i(x)$

## ⑥ Linear fractional Programming

minimize  $\frac{c^T x + d}{e^T x + a}$  s.t.  $Ax \leq b$  assume  $e^T x + a > 0$

let  $z = \frac{1}{e^T x + a}$ ,  $y = \frac{x}{e^T x + a}$  minimize  $C^T y + dz$  s.t.  $Ay - bz \leq 0 \Leftrightarrow Ax \leq b$   
 $e^T y + az = 1 \Leftrightarrow \text{relationship}(y, z)$   
 $z \geq 0 \Leftrightarrow e^T x + a > 0$

## 2. polyhedron $\{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : Ax \geq b\}$

$Ax = b \Leftrightarrow Ax \geq b$  and  $Ax \leq b$  |  $x \geq 0 \Leftrightarrow Ix \geq 0$

\* standard form feasible set is the intersection of finitely many half-spaces, hence a polyhedron.

3. convex set  $S \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  is convex if for any  $x, y \in S$  and  $\lambda \in [0, 1]$   $\lambda x + (1-\lambda)y \in S$

if  $\lambda_1 + \dots + \lambda_k = 1$  ( $\lambda_i \geq 0$ )  $\sum_{i=1}^k \lambda_i x_i$  is a convex combination of  $x_1, \dots, x_k$

$x \in P$  is an extreme point if we cannot find  $y, z \in P$  ( $y \neq x, z \neq x$ ),  $\lambda \in [0, 1]$ , s.t.  $x = \lambda y + (1-\lambda)z$

## 4. Basic Solution for $Ax = b$ ( $x \geq 0$ )

① choose any  $m$  linearly independent columns of  $A$   $[A_{B(1)} \ A_{B(2)} \ \dots \ A_{B(m)}]$  \*  $m$  是  $Ax=b$  约束个数  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$

② set  $x_i = 0$  for all  $i \neq B(1), \dots, B(m)$

③ solve  $Ax = b$  for the remaining variables  $x_{B(1)} \dots x_{B(m)}$

$x_B = A_B^{-1} b$  [ $A$  linearly independent]

5. Basic Feasible Solution (BFS)  $x \geq 0$

\* Simplex method swap one basic and one nonbasic variable to find the optimal BFS

for standard LP feasible set  $P = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : Ax = b, x \geq 0\}$

$x$  is an extreme point of  $P$  (a corner)  $\Leftrightarrow x$  is a basic feasible solution

proof:

① extreme  $\Rightarrow$  BFS

let  $x$  be an extreme point of  $P$ , then  $Ax = b$  ( $x \geq 0$ )

let  $B = \{i : x_i > 0\}$ . Assume  $x$  is not BFS,  $\{A_i : i \in B\}$  linearly dependent

$\Rightarrow \exists \alpha_i, i \in B \neq 0$  s.t.  $\sum_{i \in B} \alpha_i A_i = 0 \Rightarrow Ax = 0$  ( $i \notin B, \alpha_i = 0$ )

$\Rightarrow \forall \epsilon \in A(x \pm \epsilon \alpha) = Ax \pm \epsilon A\alpha = b \pm 0 = b$

Since  $i \in B, x_i > 0, \exists \epsilon > 0, x \pm \epsilon \alpha > 0$  then  $x = \frac{1}{2}(x + \epsilon \alpha) + \frac{1}{2}(x - \epsilon \alpha)$  is a convex combination of two different feasible points  $\Rightarrow$  contradiction

② BFS  $\Rightarrow$  extreme Assume  $x$  is not an extreme point of  $P$

let  $B = \{B_1, \dots, B_m\} \Rightarrow [A_{B_1} \dots A_{B_m}]$  is linearly independent,  $i \notin B, x_i = 0$

an extreme point  $x \Rightarrow x = \lambda y + (1-\lambda)z$  ( $\lambda \in [0, 1], y_j \neq x_j, z_j \neq x_j$ )

$x_j = 0 = \lambda y_j + (1-\lambda)z_j, y_j \geq 0, z_j \geq 0 \Rightarrow y_j = z_j = 0$  for  $j \notin B$

and  $j \in B$   $Ax = b$  is invertible  $\Rightarrow y_j = z_j = x_j$

$\Rightarrow y = z = x \Rightarrow$  contradiction

6. Fundamental Theorem of Linear Programming

$P = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : Ax = b, x \geq 0\}$  ( $\text{row}(A) = m$ )

①  $P \neq \emptyset, P$  has a BFS

② Opt. solution exists  $\Rightarrow$  an optimal BFS

proof ①

Similar to 6.①  $A(x - \epsilon \alpha) = Ax - \epsilon A\alpha = b$

consider  $\alpha_i > 0$ . define  $\epsilon^* = \min_{i \in B, \alpha_i > 0} \frac{x_i}{\alpha_i} \Rightarrow x' = x - \epsilon^* \alpha \geq 0$  and at least one component becomes 0

proof ② let  $x$  be an optimal feasible solution, but not basic.

Similar to 6.①  $A\alpha = 0$ . for small  $\epsilon, x \pm \epsilon \alpha$  still holds  $Ax = b$

for a coefficient  $c, c^T \alpha = 0$  ( $c^T \alpha < 0, x + \epsilon \alpha$  has smaller objective value;  $c^T \alpha > 0, x - \epsilon \alpha$  has smaller objective value  $\Rightarrow$  contradict with  $x$  is optimal)

$\Rightarrow$  walk along  $\pm x$  direction to find the optimal BFS

[e.g.] whether it is a polyhedron

$$S = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid x \geq 0, x^T y \leq 1, \text{ for all } y \text{ with } \|y\|_2 = 1\}$$

$$S' = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid x \geq 0, \|x\|_2 \leq 1\}$$

①  $S \subset S'$  for  $x \neq 0$ , choose  $y = \frac{x}{\|x\|_2}$  satisfying  $\|y\|_2 = 1$

$$x^T y = \frac{x^T x}{\|x\|_2} = \|x\|_2 \leq 1$$

$$② S' \subset S \quad x^T y \leq \|x\|_2 \|y\|_2 \leq 1$$

$\Rightarrow S' = S$  the answer is no

$$②) S = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid x \geq 0, x^T y \leq 1, \text{ for all } y \text{ with } \|y\|_1 = 1\}$$

$$① \|x\|_1 \leq 1 \Rightarrow \|x^T y\| = \sum \|x_i\| \|y_i\| \leq \sum \|y_i\| = 1$$

$$② \text{ Let } k \text{ be an index which } |x_k| = \max_i |x_i|$$

$$y_k = 1 \text{ if } x_k > 0; y_k = -1 \text{ if } x_k < 0, \text{ and } y_i = 0 \text{ for } i \neq k$$

$$\Rightarrow x^T y = y_k x_k = |x_k| = \max_i |x_i| \leq 1$$

$\Rightarrow 0 \leq x_i \leq 1 \Rightarrow$  the answer is yes

## 7. Simplex Method [单纯形法]

① two basic solutions are neighboring if their bases differ by exactly one index

② Method:  $\circ$  Start from a BFS

$\circ$  move to a neighbor BFS (pick one non-basic variable  $x_j$ , increase it [enter the basis])

adjust basic variable to hold  $Ax = b$ , Stop when some basic variable hits 0 [leave the basis]

$$\text{Original LP: } \min C^T x \quad x(\theta) = x + \theta d \Rightarrow \underline{C^T x(\theta) - C^T x} = \theta C^T d = \theta (C_B^T d_B + C_N^T d_N)$$

the reduced cost

$$\Rightarrow \bar{c}_j = C^T d = \boxed{C_j - C_B^T A_B^{-1} A_j} \quad \text{[the slope of objective]}$$

$$= \theta (C_B^T d_B + C_j \cdot 1)$$

$$= \theta [C_B^T (-A_B^{-1} A_j) + C_j]$$

$$\begin{cases} \bar{c}_j < 0 & \text{the objective decrease} \Rightarrow \text{promising direction} \\ \bar{c}_j > 0 & \text{not chosen} \\ \bar{c}_j = 0 & x_j \text{ doesn't change} \end{cases}$$

reduced costs matter only for nonbasic variables

$$\bar{c}_B(i) = C_B(i) - C_B^T A_B^{-1} A_B(i) = C_B(i) - C_B^T A_B^{-1} (A_B e_i) = C_B(i) - C_B(i) = 0$$

$$\text{let } y^T = C_B^T A_B^{-1}, \quad \bar{c}_j = C_j - y^T A_j \quad \star (A_B^T y = C_B)$$

Pick any  $j$  ( $\bar{c}_j < 0$ )

consider a line  $x(\theta) = x + \theta d$  ( $\theta \geq 0$ ) choose  $j \in N$  to enter the basis  $d_j = 1, d_{j'} = 0$

$$A x(\theta) = b \Leftrightarrow A d = 0 \quad \text{[移动方向不会破坏约束]} \quad \star \forall \theta$$

$$d = [d_B; d_N] \quad A d = 0 \Leftrightarrow A_B d_B + A_j = 0 \quad \boxed{d_B = -A_B^{-1} A_j}$$

$$x_j \leftarrow x_j + \theta \Rightarrow \begin{cases} x_B(\theta) = x_B + \theta d_B \\ x_j(\theta) = 0 + \theta \cdot 1 = \theta \end{cases}$$

$$\theta^* = \min_{i \in B: d_i < 0} \frac{x_i}{-d_i}$$

The index attaining the minimum is the leaving variable  
 [  $d_i < 0$ , we need to choose  $\theta^*$  to keep  $x_i + \theta d_i \geq 0$  ] no  $d_i < 0 \Rightarrow$  unbounded  $\Rightarrow$  stop  
 Set  $y = x + \theta^* d$ .  $B \leftarrow (B \setminus \{i^*\}) \cup \{j\}$

3° Stop when all reduced costs are nonnegative

Proof Assume  $x$  is a BFS with basis  $B$  and reduced cost  $\bar{c} \geq 0$ .  $Az = b$  ( $z \geq 0$ )

$$u = z - x \Rightarrow Au = 0 = A_B u_B + A_N u_N \quad u_B = -A_B^{-1} A_N u_N$$

$$C^T(z - x) = C_B^T(-A_B^{-1} A_N u_N) + C_N^T u_N = \sum_{j \in N} (C_j - C_B^T A_B^{-1} A_j) u_j = \sum_{j \in N} \bar{c}_j u_j$$

$$x \text{ is a BFS} \Rightarrow x_N = 0 \Rightarrow u_j = z_j - 0 \geq 0$$

$$\bar{c}_j \geq 0, u_j \geq 0 \Rightarrow C^T(z - x) \geq 0 \Rightarrow C^T z \geq C^T x \Rightarrow x \text{ is optimal}$$

8. degeneracy A BFS is degeneracy if at least one basic variable equals to 0

i.e.  $\exists i \in B$  s.t.  $x_i = 0$  [extra constraints are tight / ratio Test Tie]

• Pivoting rules

① Bland's rule <sup>(smallest index rule)</sup>  
 Entering Choose the smallest index  $j$  with  $\bar{c}_j < 0$   
 Leaving If the ratio test has multiple minimizers, choose the smallest index among them.

② Most Negative Rule Choose the smallest  $\bar{c}_j$

③ Most Descent Rule Choose  $j$  with the smallest  $\theta^* \bar{c}_j$

9. Feasibility Theorem

Phase I auxiliary LP:  $\min_{x, y} 1^T y$  s.t.  $Ax + y = b$   $x \geq 0, y \geq 0$

The original problem is feasible iff the optimal value of phase I is 0

Proof  
 ①  $\Rightarrow$  feasible  $\rightarrow \exists \hat{x} \geq 0$  s.t.  $A\hat{x} = b$  set  $\hat{y} = 0$   $1^T \hat{y} = 0$ .

$A\hat{x} + \hat{y} = b$  ( $\hat{x} \geq 0, \hat{y} \geq 0$ ) is feasible

②  $\Leftarrow$  Phase I opt. value = 0 ( $x^*, y^*$ )  $y^* \geq 0, 1^T y^* = 0 \Rightarrow y^* = 0$

$Ax^* = b, x^* \geq 0 \Rightarrow x^*$  is feasible for original LP

10. Two-phase method

Phase I Find feasibility ① ensure  $b \geq 0$  ②  $\min 1^T y$  s.t.  $Ax + y = b, x, y \geq 0$

③ minimum  $> 0$ , LP is infeasible / = 0 proceed to phase II

Phase II Optimize the original objective ① Start from phase I where  $y^* = 0$

② some  $y$  is still basic (degenerate case)  $\Rightarrow$  pivot it out (or drop a redundant row) to form

a full basis in  $x$  ③ run simplex on  $\min C^T x$

(2) Big M Method  $\min_{x, y} C^T x + M 1^T y$  s.t.  $Ax + y = b, x, y \geq 0$

$y^* = 0 \Rightarrow$  feasible

# 11. Simplex Tableau

$C^T - C_B^T A_B^{-1} A$	$-C_B^T A_B^{-1} b$ $x_B$ $[x_N=0]$	目标行
$A_B^{-1} A$	$A_B^{-1} b$	约束行

$Ax=b \Rightarrow A_B^{-1} Ax = A_B^{-1} b$   $A = [A_B \ A_N]$   $A_B^{-1} A = [A_B^{-1} A_B \ A_B^{-1} A_N] = [I \ A_B^{-1} A_N]$   
 $\Rightarrow A_B^{-1} A \cdot \begin{bmatrix} x_B \\ x_N \end{bmatrix} = x_B + (A_B^{-1} A_N) x_N = A_B^{-1} b$   $x_N=0 \Rightarrow x_B = A_B^{-1} b$  (BFS)

$$\begin{cases} z = C_B^T x_B + C_N^T x_N \\ A_B x_B + A_N x_N = b \end{cases} \Rightarrow z = C_B^T (A_B^{-1} b - A_B^{-1} A_N x_N) + C_N^T x_N$$

$$= (C_B^T A_B^{-1} b) + (C_N^T - C_B^T A_B^{-1} A_N) x_N$$

$$= C_B^T x_B + \bar{C}_N^T x_N$$

$\Rightarrow -z + \bar{C}_N^T x_N = -C_B^T x_B$

## \* Canonical Tableau Form $[B; N]$

$0^T$	$C_N^T - C_B^T A_B^{-1} A_N$	$-C_B^T x_B$
$I_m (A_B^{-1} A_B)$	$A_B^{-1} A_N$	$A_B^{-1} b = x_B$

$1. x_B + (A_B^{-1} A_N) x_N = A_B^{-1} b$   $z = C_B^T x_B + \sum_{j \in N} \bar{c}_j \cdot x_j$

entering variable  $x_j$   $d_B = -(A_B^{-1} A_j)$

12. Dual
 

- Primal unique solution  $\Leftrightarrow$  dual nondegenerate
- Primal nondegenerate  $\Leftrightarrow$  dual unique solution

minimize  $c^T x$  subject to  $Ax=b, x \geq 0$   $\Leftrightarrow$  maximize  $b^T y$  subject to  $A^T y \leq c$

$[x \in \mathbb{R}^n]$

$[y \in \mathbb{R}^m]$

$\min_{x \geq 0} \max_y [c^T x + y^T (b - Ax)] \Leftrightarrow \max_y \min_{x \geq 0} [b^T y + x^T (c - A^T y)]$

If  $b \neq Ax$ , then  $\exists y^T$  s.t.  $y^T (b - Ax) \rightarrow \infty$  if  $c - A^T y < 0$ ,  $\exists x^T$  s.t.  $x^T (c - A^T y) \rightarrow -\infty$ , otherwise choose  $x^T = 0$

$* g(y) = \min_{x \geq 0} c^T x + y^T (b - Ax) \leq c^T x^* + y^T (b - Ax^*) = c^T x^*$  [dual max  $g(y)$  no constraints]

$= y^T b + \min_{x \geq 0} (c^T - y^T A) x$ 

- $y^T b + 0$  if  $c^T - y^T A \geq 0$
- $y^T b + (-\infty)$  otherwise

$\Rightarrow \max y^T b$  s.t.  $A^T y \leq c$

$Ax \leq b, x \geq 0$

$\max_{y \geq 0} -b^T y + \min_{x \geq 0} x^T (c + A^T y) \Rightarrow \max_y b^T y$  s.t.  $A^T y \leq c, y \leq 0$

Primal	minimize	maximize	Dual
constraints	$\geq b_i$ $\leq b_i$ $= b_i$	$\geq 0$ $\leq 0$ free	Variables
variables	$\geq 0$ $\leq 0$ free	$\leq c_j$ $\geq c_j$ $= c_j$	Constraints

①

若  $\max \Leftrightarrow \min$ , 则需要变号

②

①  $Ax \geq b \Rightarrow y^T(b - Ax) \leq 0 \Rightarrow y^T \geq 0$

②  $\min_{x \geq 0} (C - A^T y) \cdot x \Rightarrow C - A^T y \geq 0$  (avoid going to  $-\infty$ )  $\Rightarrow A^T y \leq C$

• Weak Duality Theorem

Let  $x$  be any feasible solution to the Primal,  $y$  be any feasible solution to the Dual, then  $b^T y \leq C^T x$

proof:

$$b^T y = (Ax)^T y = x^T (A^T y) \leq x^T C = C^T x \quad \begin{cases} Ax = b, x \geq 0 \text{ (Primal feasibility)} \\ A^T y \leq C \text{ (Dual feasibility)} \end{cases}$$

$\begin{cases} \text{If Primal is unbounded } (-\infty) \rightarrow \text{Dual infeasible} \\ \text{If Dual is unbounded } (+\infty) \rightarrow \text{Primal infeasible} \end{cases}$

• Strong Duality Theorem

If a linear program (Primal) has an optimal solution, then its dual also has an optimal solution, and  $C^T x^* = b^T y^*$

proof: Assume the primal has an optimal solution  $x^*$  that is a BFS with optimal basis  $B$ . The reduced cost  $C_j - C_B^T A_B^{-1} A_j \geq 0$

define  $y^T = C_B^T A_B^{-1} \Rightarrow C_j \geq A_j^T y \Rightarrow A^T y \leq C$  [ $y$  is dual feasible]

$$b^T y = b^T (A_B^{-1} C_B) = C_B^T A_B^{-1} b = C_B^T x_B = C^T x^*$$

	$\begin{matrix} D \\ \swarrow \\ P \end{matrix}$	Finite Optimum	Unbounded	Infeasible
Finite Optimum		✓	✗	✗
Unbound		✗	<span style="border: 1px solid red; padding: 2px;">✗</span>	✓
Infeasible		✗	✓	✓

for  $\min C^T x \Leftrightarrow \max b^T y$   $b^T y \leq C^T x$  ①  $C^T x \rightarrow -\infty$ ,  $b^T y$  不可能有解  
②  $C^T x$  有 min,  $b^T y$  有上界

## Complementarity Conditions

Let  $x, y$  be feasible points of the primal and dual problems respectively.

Then  $x$  and  $y$  are optimal solutions iff.  $\begin{cases} x_j (c_j - A_j^T y) = 0 & \forall j \\ y_i (a_i^T x - b_i) = 0 & \forall i \end{cases}$

$$\textcircled{1} \quad c^T x = b^T y \Rightarrow c^T x - b^T y = c^T x - y^T A x = \sum_{i=1}^n (c_i - A_i^T y) x_i$$

$$x, y \text{ feasible} \Rightarrow c_i - A_i^T y \geq 0, x_i \geq 0 \Rightarrow (c_i - A_i^T y) x_i = 0 \quad (i=1, \dots, n)$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad c^T x - b^T y = y^T A x - b^T y = y^T (A x - b) = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \min c^T x && \max b^T y \\ & \text{s.t. } Ax = b \quad (x \geq 0) && \text{s.t. } A^T y + s = c \quad (s \geq 0) \end{aligned} \Rightarrow x_i \cdot s_i = 0$$

[e.g.] minimize  $\sum_{i=1}^m t_i$   
 Subject to  $y_i (x_i^T w + b) + t_i \geq 1 \quad \forall i=1, \dots, m$   
 $t_i \geq 0 \Rightarrow u_i \geq 0$

$$\begin{pmatrix} x & \text{diag}(y) \\ y^T & \text{free} \\ I & \end{pmatrix} u \geq 1 \Rightarrow \begin{aligned} & \text{maximize } \sum_{i=1}^m u_i \\ & \text{subject to } x \text{diag}(y) u = 0 \\ & y^T u = 0 \\ & 0 \leq u_i \leq 1 \quad \forall i=1, \dots, m \end{aligned}$$

## Theorem of Alternatives

If we can find a vector  $x$  s.t.  $Ax = 0, x \geq 0, C^T x < 0$ , then  $A^T y \leq c$  cannot have a solution.

$$\text{Assume } \exists y \text{ s.t. } A^T y \leq c \quad x^T A^T y \leq x^T c \quad (Ax)^T y \leq C^T x$$

$$Ax = 0 \quad \text{LHS} = 0 \leq \text{RHS} < 0 \Rightarrow \text{contradiction}$$

## Sensitive Analysis

(1) local sensitivity (linear approximations)

[Unique solution  $x^*/y^*$  otherwise not differentiable]

$$\textcircled{1} \quad V(b) = \max \{ c^T x \mid Ax = b, x \geq 0 \} \Rightarrow \nabla_b V(b) = y^*$$

dual problem  $\begin{aligned} & \text{maximize } b^T y \\ & \text{s.t. } A^T y \leq c \end{aligned} \quad V(b) = b^T y^* \Rightarrow \Delta V = \sum_i (\Delta b_i) y_i^*$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad V(c) = \max \{ c^T x \mid Ax = b, x \geq 0 \} \quad V(c) = C^T x^* \Rightarrow \nabla_c V(c) = x^*$$

(2) global sensitivity

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \tilde{b} = b + \Delta b \quad \tilde{x}_B = A_B^{-1} \tilde{b} = x_B^* + A_B^{-1} \Delta b \quad [\text{feasibility}]$$

Assume  $\tilde{x}_B \geq 0$ ,  $B$  was optimal before change

proof:  $A \tilde{x} = A_B \tilde{x}_B + A_N \tilde{x}_N = A_B (A_B^{-1} \tilde{b}) = \tilde{b}$ ,  $\tilde{x} \geq 0$  because  $\tilde{x}_B \geq 0, \tilde{x}_N = 0$

Reduced cost:  $c^T - c_B^T A_B^{-1} A \geq 0 \Rightarrow B$  is still optimal

•  $V(\tilde{b}) = \tilde{b}^T y^* = V^* + (y^*)^T \Delta b$

• let  $\Delta b = \lambda e_i$        $\tilde{x}_B = x_B^* + \lambda A_B^{-1} e_i$

let  $d = A_B^{-1} e_i$        $\Rightarrow x_B^* + \lambda d \geq 0$     i.e.  $(x_B^*)_k + \lambda d_k \geq 0$

if  $d_k > 0$ ,  $\lambda \geq -\frac{(x_B^*)_k}{d_k}$ ; if  $d_k < 0$      $\lambda \leq -\frac{(x_B^*)_k}{d_k}$ ; if  $d_k = 0$  no constraints

$\Rightarrow \lambda \in [\max\{\text{lower bounds}\}, \min\{\text{upper bounds}\}]$

$A_B^{-1}$  原基变量对应内容  $A_B^{-1} \cdot I = A_B^{-1}$   
 $A_B^{-1} A_N$  终基变量对应内容  $x_B = A_B^{-1} b - A_B^{-1} A_N x_N$   
 $A_B x_B + A_N x_N = b$

②  $\tilde{c} = c + \Delta c$        $\Delta c = \lambda e_j$        $C_B = 0$     only consider  $C_N = C_N^T - C_B^T A_B^{-1} A_N$

1°  $j \in B$        $C_N^T - (C_B^T + \lambda e_j^T) A_B^{-1} A_N = r_N^T - \lambda e_j^T A_B^{-1} A_N \geq 0$

2°  $j \in N$        $(C_N^T + \lambda e_j^T) - C_B^T A_B^{-1} A_N = r_N^T + \lambda e_j^T \geq 0$      $\Rightarrow$  maintain the optimality

③ change A    recompute  $\bar{C}_j$     if  $\bar{C}_j < 0$      $\rightarrow$  simplex method  
 for maximum,  $e_j^T$   
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### 14. The Interior Point Method

$Ax = b, x \geq 0$   
 $A^T y + s = c, s \geq 0$   
 $x_i s_i = 0, \forall i$

$x_i = 0 / s_i = 0$     The central path  $\rightarrow$

$Ax = b, x \geq 0$        $\mu > 0$   
 $A^T y + s = c, s \geq 0$     the complementarity gap  
 $x_i \cdot s_i = \mu$

start from a certain  $\mu$ .  
 decrease  $\mu$  until find a solution of LP

The Interior Point Method will always find the optimal solution with the maximum possible number of non-zeros. [high-rank]

# Integer Optimization

1. thoughts of relaxation  $v^{\text{rounding}} \leq v^{\text{IP}} \leq v^{\text{LP}}$  (for maximization)

## 2. Total Unimodularity (TU)

A is total unimodularity if the determinant of every square submatrix of A is either 1, 0, -1.

• If A is TU, b is integer  $\Rightarrow$  all BFS are integers  $\Rightarrow$  Simplex Method

• Matrix A is TU if all these are true:

The "Row Partition" Test

Matrix A is TU if all these are true:

1. **Values:** Every entry is 0, +1, or -1.
2. **Counts:** Every column has at most **two** non-zero entries.
3. **Partition:** You can split the rows into two teams (Sets B and C) such that for every column:
  - 3.1 **Same Sign Case:** If the two non-zeros have the **same sign** (e.g., both +1), their rows must be in **different teams** (one in B, one in C).
  - 3.2 **Diff Sign Case:** If the two non-zeros have **opposite signs** (+1, -1), their rows must be in the **same team** (both B or both C).

## 3. Divide and Conquer

① Pruning rule If the LP relaxation of a branch is less than or equal to current incumbent 全局下界 we prune this branch entirely.

② If the solution is an integer, then it is optimal to the IP

- ① Initialize the Incumbent =  $-\infty$
- ② Subproblem 1° infeasible [prune] 2° LP value  $\leq$  Incumbent [prune by bound]
- 3° solution is integer ( $>$  Incumbent, update), stop 4° branch
- ③ add constraints  $x_i \leq \lfloor x_i^* \rfloor, x_i \geq \lceil x_i^* \rceil$

# Nonlinear Optimization

## 1. First order Necessary Conditions (FONC)

If  $x^*$  is a local minimizer of the unconstrained problem  $\min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} f(x)$ , then  $\nabla f(x^*) = 0$

## 2. Second Order Necessary Conditions (SONC)

$$f(x+td) = f(x) + t \nabla f(x)^T d + \frac{1}{2} t^2 d^T \nabla^2 f(x) d + o(t^2)$$

If  $x^*$  is a local minimizer of  $f$ , then it holds that  $\begin{cases} \nabla f(x^*) = 0 \\ \forall d \in \mathbb{R}^n, d^T \nabla^2 f(x^*) d \geq 0 \end{cases}$  ( $\nabla^2 f(x^*) \succeq 0$ )

[PSD matrices:  $A^T A$   $x^T A x = \frac{1}{2} x^T (A + A^T) x$  if A is not symmetric]

3. Second Order Sufficient Conditions (SOSC)  $\begin{cases} \nabla f(x^*) = 0 \\ \forall d \in \mathbb{R}^n \setminus \{0\}, d^T \nabla^2 f(x^*) d > 0 \end{cases}$  (PD)

Proof: Lemma:  $\lambda_{\min}(A)\|x\|^2 \leq x^T A x \leq \lambda_{\max}(A)\|x\|^2$   $\lambda$  eigenvalues ( $A$  is symmetric)

$$f(x^*+d) = f(x^*) + \frac{1}{2}d^T \nabla^2 f(x^*) d + o(\|d\|^2) \quad \|d\| \geq 0$$

when  $\nabla^2 f(x^*)$  is PD  $d^T \nabla^2 f(x^*) d \geq \mu \|d\|^2$  ( $\mu > 0$ , the smallest eigenvalue of  $\nabla^2 f(x^*)$ )

$$f(x^*+d) \geq f(x^*) + \frac{\mu}{2}\|d\|^2 + o(\|d\|^2) = f(x^*) + \|d\|^2 \left( \frac{\mu}{2} + \frac{o(\|d\|^2)}{\|d\|^2} \right)$$

Since  $\|d\| \rightarrow 0$   $\frac{o(\|d\|^2)}{\|d\|^2} \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow f(x^*+d) > f(x^*)$

4.  $\nabla f(x) = 0$  critical point/stationary point

$\nabla f(x^*) = 0$  and  $\nabla^2 f(x^*)$  is indefinite  $\Rightarrow$  saddle point (indefinite 有正有负)

5. FONC for constrained problem

① Feasible direction  $x \in \Omega$   $d$  is a feasible direction at  $x$  if  $\exists \bar{t} > 0$  s.t.  $x + td \in \Omega \quad \forall 0 \leq t \leq \bar{t}$

•  $\Omega = \{x : Ax \geq b\}$

for  $a_i^T x > b$ , already have some slack; for  $a_i^T x = b$   $a_i^T(x+td) = a_i^T x + a_i^T t d \geq 0$

$$\Rightarrow a_i^T d \geq 0$$

② tangent cone  $T_\Omega(x) = \{d \in \mathbb{R}^n : \exists t_k \downarrow 0, \exists d^k \rightarrow d, \text{ s.t. } x + t_k d^k \in \Omega \forall k\}$

( $t_k$  趋近于0,  $d^k$  趋近于  $d$ ) 切锥

• if  $\Omega = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : Ax = b\}$  then for any  $x \in \Omega$ ,  $T_\Omega(x) = \{d \in \mathbb{R}^n : Ad = 0\}$   $b + tAd = b \Rightarrow Ad = 0$

•  $\Omega = \{Ax \geq b\}$   $T_\Omega(x) = \{d \in \mathbb{R}^n : a_i^T d \geq 0 \text{ for active } i\}$  active  $A(x) = \{i : a_i^T x = b_i\}$

③ Normal Cone Let  $\Omega \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and let  $x \in \Omega$   $N_\Omega(x) = \{v \in \mathbb{R}^n : v^T d \leq 0 \text{ for all } d \in T_\Omega(x)\}$

if  $\Omega = \{Ax \geq b\}$   $N_\Omega(x) = \left\{ -\sum_{i \in A(x)} \lambda_i a_i : \lambda_i \geq 0 \right\} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} N_\Omega(x) = \{0\} & \text{if } a_i^T x > b \\ N_\Omega(x) = -\lambda a \ (\lambda \geq 0) & \text{if } a_i^T x = b \end{cases}$    
(纯靠非法移动)  $-\lambda(a^T d) \leq 0$   
active constraints

\*  $x^*$  is a local minimum of  $\min_{x \in \Omega} f(x)$ ,  $f(x)$  is continuously differentiable, then for any feasible direction  $d$  at  $x^*$ ,  $\nabla f(x^*)^T d \geq 0$

(for unconstrained problem  $\nabla f(x^*)^T d \geq 0$  and  $\nabla f(x^*)^T (-d) \geq 0 \Rightarrow \nabla f(x^*) = 0$ )

proof Since  $d$  is a feasible direction at  $x^*$   $\exists \bar{t} > 0$  s.t.  $x^* + td \in \Omega \quad \forall 0 \leq t \leq \bar{t}$

$$\Rightarrow f(x^* + td) \geq f(x^*)$$

$$f(x^* + td) = f(x^*) + t \nabla f(x^*)^T d + o(t) \quad (t \rightarrow 0) \quad f(x^* + td) - f(x^*) = t \nabla f(x^*)^T d + o(t) \geq 0$$

•  $\nabla f(x^*)^T d \geq 0$  for all  $d \in T_\Omega(x^*)$   $-\nabla f(x^*)^T d \leq 0 \Rightarrow -\nabla f(x^*) \in N_\Omega(x^*)$

### 6. FONC for Linearly Constrained Problems

minimize  $f(x)$  s.t.  $Ax \geq b \Rightarrow$  If  $x^*$  is a local minimum,  $\exists y \in \mathbb{R}^m$   $\begin{cases} \nabla f(x^*) - A^T y = 0 \\ y_i (a_i^T x^* - b_i) = 0 \end{cases}$

proof:  $\nabla f(x^*)^T d \geq 0 \quad \forall d \in S_\Omega(x^*)$

$\Leftrightarrow [\min_{d \in \mathbb{R}^n} \nabla f(x^*)^T d \text{ s.t. } d \in S_\Omega(x^*)] \geq 0 \Leftrightarrow [\min_{d \in \mathbb{R}^n} \nabla f(x^*)^T d \text{ s.t. } a_i^T d \geq 0 \quad \forall i \in A(x^*)] \geq 0$

define  $C = \begin{bmatrix} c_1^T \\ \vdots \\ c_m^T \end{bmatrix}$   $c_i^T = a_i^T$  if  $i \in A(x^*)$ ;  $c_i^T = 0$  if  $i \in I(x^*)$

$\Leftrightarrow [\min_{d \in \mathbb{R}^n} \nabla f(x^*)^T d \text{ s.t. } Cd \geq 0] \geq 0$

the dual of the problem is  $\max_y 0$  s.t.  $y \geq 0, C^T y = \nabla f(x^*)$

$\nabla f(x^*) = \sum_{i \in A(x^*)} c_i y_i + \sum_{i \in I(x^*)} c_i y_i \Rightarrow y \geq 0, \nabla f(x^*) = A^T y, y_i (a_i^T x^* - b_i) = 0$

minimize  $f(x)$  s.t.  $Ax = b \Rightarrow \nabla f(x^*) = A^T y$

define  $\begin{cases} A(x^*) : \{i : g_i(x^*) = 0\} \\ I(x^*) : \{i : g_i(x^*) < 0\} \end{cases}$

### 7. Linearized Tangent Cone

$\mathcal{L}_\Omega(x^*) = \{d \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid \nabla g_i(x^*)^T d \leq 0, \forall i \in A(x^*)\}$

① for the feasible set  $\Omega = \{x : g_i(x) \leq 0 \forall i\}$ . always have  $T_\Omega(x^*) \subseteq \mathcal{L}_\Omega(x^*)$

$\forall i \in A(x^*), g_i(x^*) = 0 \geq g_i(x^* + t d^k)$  [let  $d \in T_\Omega(x^*)$ ]

$\frac{g_i(x^* + t d^k) - g_i(x^*)}{t k} = \frac{\nabla g_i(x^*)^T (t d^k) + o(t k)}{t k} \leq 0 \quad (k \rightarrow \infty, d^k \rightarrow d, \frac{o(t k)}{t k} \rightarrow 0)$

$\Rightarrow \nabla g_i(x^*)^T d^k \leq 0 \Rightarrow d \in \mathcal{L}_\Omega(x^*)$

② If  $x^*$  is a local minimizer, there does not exist a vector  $d \in \mathbb{R}^n$  s.t.

$\nabla f(x^*)^T d < 0$  and  $\nabla g_i(x^*)^T d < 0 \quad \forall i \in A(x^*)$ .

Assume  $d$  exists. By Taylor expansion,  $f(x^* + t d) < f(x^*)$

for each  $i \in A(x^*), g_i(x^* + t d) = g_i(x^*) + t \nabla g_i(x^*)^T d + o(t) < 0$  for small  $t > 0$

for each  $i \in I(x^*) g_i(x^*) < 0$

$\Rightarrow$  contradict with  $x^*$  is a local minimizer

### 8. Linearized Normal Cone

$N_\Omega^{lin}(x^*) = \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i \nabla g_i(x^*) : \lambda_i \geq 0, \lambda_i g_i(x^*) = 0 \right\}$

$\uparrow = \left\{ v \in \mathbb{R}^n : v^T d \leq 0, \forall d \in \mathcal{L}_\Omega(x^*) \right\} = \left\{ \sum_{i \in A(x^*)} \lambda_i \nabla g_i(x^*) + \sum_{j=1}^p \mu_j \nabla h_j(x^*) : \lambda_i \geq 0, \mu_j \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$

$\nabla g_i(x^*)^T d \leq 0 \quad [\forall i \in A(x^*)]$

for any  $v = \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i \nabla g_i(x^*)$  with  $\lambda_i \geq 0, \lambda_i g_i(x^*) = 0$ , for any  $d \in \mathcal{L}_\Omega(x^*) \quad v^T d = \sum_{i \in A(x^*)} \lambda_i \nabla g_i(x^*)^T d \leq 0$

### 9. Fritz-John Conditions

If  $x^*$  is a local minimizer,  $\exists \lambda_0 \geq 0, \lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_m \geq 0$  (not all zero) s.t.

$\lambda_0 \nabla f(x^*) + \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i \nabla g_i(x^*) = 0$  and  $\lambda_i g_i(x^*) = 0 \quad i=1, \dots, m$

$\Rightarrow -\lambda_0 \nabla f(x^*) = -\sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i \nabla g_i(x^*) \Rightarrow -\lambda_0 \nabla f(x^*) \in N_\Omega^{lin}(x^*)$

10. KKT [When  $T_{\Omega}(x^*) = \mathcal{L}(x^*) \Rightarrow$  CQ holds.  $\forall$  KKT]  $\{ \nabla g_i(x^*) : i \in A(x^*) \}$  are linearly independent?

$\min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} f(x)$  s.t.  $g_i(x) \leq 0$   $x^*$  is a local minimizer and LICQ holds at  $x^*$ .

there exist  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_m \geq 0$  s.t.  $\nabla f(x^*) + \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i \nabla g_i(x^*) = 0$ ,  $\lambda_i \nabla g_i(x^*) = 0$

claim in 9.  $\lambda_0 \neq 0$  Assume the opposite  $\lambda_0 = 0$ ,  $\sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i \nabla g_i(x^*) = 0 \Rightarrow \sum_{i \in A(x^*)} \lambda_i \nabla g_i(x^*) = 0$

since LICQ holds at  $x^*$ ,  $\lambda_1 = \dots = \lambda_m = 0$

$\Rightarrow \lambda_0 > 0$ .  $\bar{\lambda}_i = \frac{\lambda_i}{\lambda_0} \Rightarrow \nabla f(x^*) + \sum_{i=1}^m \bar{\lambda}_i \nabla g_i(x^*) = 0$ ,  $\bar{\lambda}_i \nabla g_i(x^*) = 0$

$\Rightarrow \min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} f(x)$  s.t.  $g_i(x) \leq 0$ ,  $h_j(x) = 0$

$N_{\Omega}^{\text{lin}}(x^*) = \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i \nabla g_i(x^*) + \sum_{j=1}^p \mu_j \nabla h_j(x^*) : \lambda_i \geq 0, \lambda_i g_i(x^*) = 0, \mu_j \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$

• Lagrangian:  $L(x, \lambda, \mu) = f(x) + \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i g_i(x) + \sum_{j=1}^p \mu_j h_j(x)$

• KKT in Lagrangian form:  $x^*$  local minimum, there exist  $\lambda_i \geq 0, \mu_j \in \mathbb{R}$  s.t.

$\nabla_x L(x^*, \lambda, \mu) = 0$ ,  $g_i(x^*) \leq 0$ ,  $h_j(x^*) = 0$ ,  $\lambda_i g_i(x^*) = 0$

$\hookrightarrow -\nabla f(x^*) \in N_{\Omega}^{\text{lin}}(x^*)$

\* if a point satisfy the constraint qualification (CQ), then KKT condition is a necessary condition for it to be a minimizer. [for convex problem, KKT is sufficient for a global minimizer]

• Convexity

1. linear restriction viewpoint

$f$  is convex  $\Leftrightarrow$  every line segment contained in  $\Omega$ , the one variable function

$\phi(t) = f(x + td)$  is convex in  $t$ .

2.  $f: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be differentiable on a convex set  $\Omega$ .  $f$  is convex iff  $f(y) \geq f(x) + \nabla f(x)^T (y-x)$   $\forall x, y \in \Omega$

•  $\nabla f(x^*) = 0 \Rightarrow f(y) \geq f(x^*) \forall y \in \Omega$   $x^*$  is a global minimizer

proof:

①  $f$  is convex  $\Rightarrow f(y) \geq f(x) + \nabla f(x)^T (y-x)$

$g(t) = f(x + t(y-x))$   $t \in [0, 1]$

$f$  is convex  $\Rightarrow g(t)$  is convex  $g((1-t) \cdot 0 + t \cdot 1) \leq (1-t)g(0) + tg(1)$

$\Rightarrow \frac{g(t) - g(0)}{t - 0} \leq g(1) - g(0)$   $g'(0) = g(1) - g(0)$

$\nabla f(x)^T (y-x) \leq f(y) - f(x)$

②  $f(y) \geq f(x) + \nabla f(x)^T (y-x) \Rightarrow f$  is convex

let  $z = \lambda x + (1-\lambda)y$   $\lambda \in [0,1]$   $(x,y,z \in \Omega)$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} f(x) \geq f(z) + \nabla f(z)^T (x-z) & \textcircled{1} \\ f(y) \geq f(z) + \nabla f(z)^T (y-z) & \textcircled{2} \end{cases}$$

$$\textcircled{1} \times \lambda + \textcircled{2} \times (1-\lambda) \Rightarrow \lambda f(x) + (1-\lambda)f(y) \geq f(z) + \nabla f(z)^T [(\lambda x + (1-\lambda)y) - z] = f(z)$$

i.e.  $\lambda f(x) + (1-\lambda)f(y) \geq f(\lambda x + (1-\lambda)y)$

3.  $f$  is convex on  $\Omega \Leftrightarrow \nabla^2 f(x) \succeq 0, \forall x \in \Omega$

$\phi(t) = f(x+td), \phi''(t) = d^T \nabla^2 f(x+td) d$   $\nabla^2 f(\cdot) \succeq 0 \Rightarrow \phi''(t) \geq 0 \Rightarrow f$  is convex

$\textcircled{2} f$  is convex  $\Rightarrow \phi''(0) \geq 0 \Rightarrow d^T \nabla^2 f(x) d \geq 0 \Rightarrow \nabla^2 f(x) \succeq 0$

$\nabla^2 f(x) > 0 \Rightarrow$  strictly convex  $\Rightarrow$  minimizer is unique

### Convex optimization

- 1. minimization form : minimize a convex function over a convex feasible region
- maximization form : maximize a concave function over a convex feasible region

\*  $\begin{cases} xy \geq \text{not concave} \rightarrow \log(xy) \text{ concave} \\ x^2 \leq 1 \text{ not concave} \rightarrow x \leq 1 \text{ concave} \end{cases}$

2. KKT minimize  $f(x)$  .  $\Omega = \{x : g_i(x) \leq 0, h_j(x) = 0\}$  where  $f$  and  $g_i$  are convex and  $h_j$  are affine, then KKT

points is a global minimizer.  
Let  $(\bar{x}, \bar{\lambda}, \bar{\mu})$  be a KKT

$L(x) = f(x) + \sum_i \bar{\lambda}_i g_i(x) + \sum_j \bar{\mu}_j h_j(x)$  is convex  
[convex] [convex] [affine]

$L(\bar{x}, \bar{\lambda}, \bar{\mu}) = \min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} L(x, \bar{\lambda}, \bar{\mu}) \leq L(\bar{x}, \bar{\lambda}, \bar{\mu}) \leq f(\bar{x})$   
feasible  $\rightarrow \bar{\lambda}_i g_i(\bar{x}) \leq 0$

### Unconstrained problems

1. basic algorithm minimize  $f(x)$   $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$   $x^{k+1} = x^k + \alpha_k d^k$   $\alpha_k = \underset{\alpha=0}{\text{argmin}} f(x^k + \alpha d^k)$

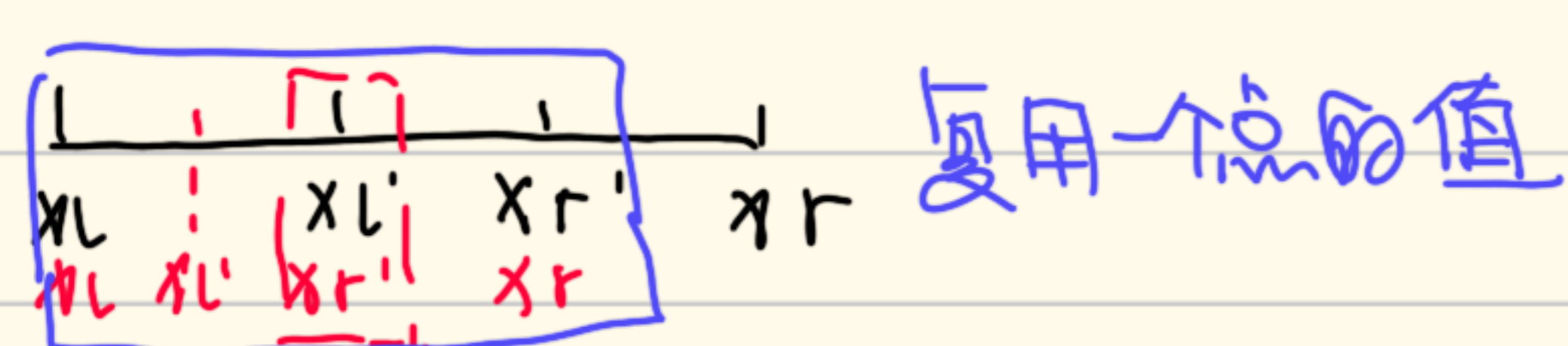
2. bisection Method [ $g(x)=0$ ] find an  $\epsilon$ -approximation of  $x^*$ , we need at most  $\lceil \log_2 \frac{x_r - x_l}{\epsilon} \rceil$  iterations.

- ①  $x_m = \frac{x_l + x_r}{2}$  ( $x_l < 0 < x_r$ )
- ② if  $|g(x_m)| < \epsilon$ , stops. otherwise  $g(x_m) > 0 \rightarrow x_r \rightarrow x_m$  /  $g(x_m) < 0 \rightarrow x_l \rightarrow x_m$
- ③  $|x_r - x_l| < \epsilon$ . Stop and output  $\frac{x_l + x_r}{2}$ , otherwise go to step 1.

### 3. golden section Method [可解决单峰]

$[x_l, x_r]$  contains a unique minimizer,  $0 < \phi < \frac{1}{2}$   $x_l' = x_l + \phi(x_r - x_l), x_r' = x_l + (1-\phi)(x_r - x_l)$

s.t.  $x_l < x_l' < x_r' < x_r$   $\begin{cases} f(x_l') < f(x_r') & x_r \leftarrow x_r' \\ f(x_l') \geq f(x_r') & x_l \leftarrow x_l' \end{cases}$   $|x_r - x_l| < \epsilon$ . Stop and output  $\frac{x_l + x_r}{2}$ , otherwise go to step 1.



$$\begin{aligned} x_{r'} &= x_L + (1-\phi)L \\ &= x_L + (1-\phi)(1-\phi)L \\ &= x_L' = x_L + \phi L \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow (1-\phi)^2 = \phi \quad \phi = \frac{3-\sqrt{5}}{2}$$

#### 4. Gradient Descent Method $\rightarrow d^k = -\nabla f(x^k)$

- ①  $x^0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$     ② pick a descent  $d^k$  at  $x^k$ , find a step size  $\alpha_k > 0$  s.t.  $f(x^k + \alpha_k d^k) < f(x^k)$
- $x^{k+1} = x^k + \alpha_k d^k$     ③ stop (e.g.  $\|\nabla f(x^{k+1})\| \leq \epsilon$ ,  $|f(x^{k+1}) - f(x^k)| \leq \epsilon$ ,  $|x^{k+1} - x^k| \leq \epsilon \dots$ ) and output  $x^{k+1}$

• backtracking / Armijo Line Search  $[f'(x^k) \neq 0 \quad f(x^{k+1}) < f(x^k)]$

$\sigma, \tau \in (0, 1)$  be given. Choose  $\alpha_k$  as the largest element in  $\{1, \sigma, \sigma^2, \dots\}$  s.t.

$$f(x^k + \alpha_k d^k) \leq f(x^k) + \tau \alpha_k \cdot \nabla f(x^k)^T d^k \quad [d=1 \Rightarrow \alpha_k = \alpha, \alpha = \sigma \alpha]$$

$$f(x^k + \alpha_k d^k) \approx f(x^k) + \alpha_k \nabla f(x^k)^T d^k < f(x^k) + \tau \alpha_k \nabla f(x^k)^T d^k$$

$$\text{let } \phi_k(\alpha) = f(x^k + \alpha d^k) - f(x^k) \quad \phi_k'(\alpha) = \nabla f(x^k + \alpha d^k)^T d^k$$

$$\phi_k'(0) = \nabla f(x^k)^T d^k < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow f(x^k + \alpha_k d^k) \leq f(x^k) + \tau \alpha_k \phi_k'(0)$$

Gradient with line search:

$$\phi(\alpha) = f(x^k - \alpha \nabla f(x^k)) - f(x^k) \leq \tau \alpha \phi_k'(0) \quad (\text{let } d^k = -\nabla f(x^k))$$

then set  $x^{k+1} = x^k - \alpha_k \nabla f(x^k)$ , if  $\|\nabla f(x^{k+1})\| \leq \epsilon$  stop

#### • convergence

##### (1) Accumulation Point

$x$  is an accumulation point of  $\{x^k\}_k$  if for every  $\epsilon > 0$ , there are infinitely many numbers  $k$  with  $x^k \in B_\epsilon(x)$ . 以  $x$  为中心,  $\epsilon$  为半径的球

[A bounded sequence always has at least one accumulation point.]

##### (2) Global Convergence

Let  $f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be continuously differentiable use exact line search / Armijo line search to get  $\{x^k\}_k$ , then  $\{f(x^k)\}_k$  is nonincreasing and every accumulation point of  $\{x^k\}_k$  is a stationary point of  $f$ .

- ① If  $\forall k \nabla f(x^k) \neq 0 \Rightarrow$  the accumulation points can only be local/global minima or saddle points
- ②  $f$  is a polynomial function.  $\{x^k\}_k$  is bounded  $\Rightarrow \{x^k\}_k$  converges to a stationary point  $x^*$
- ③  $x^*$  be an accumulation point of  $\{x^k\}_k$  and  $\nabla f(x^*) = 0$ ,  $\nabla^2 f(x^*)$  is PD  $\Rightarrow \{x^k\}_k$  converges to the strict local minimizer  $x^*$ .

β) Local convergence  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Lipschitz continuous} \\ \text{Strict convex} \end{array} \right.$

[C<sub>L</sub><sup>1,1</sup>]

•  $\nabla f$  is Lipschitz continuous over  $\mathbb{R}^n$  :  $\|\nabla f(x) - \nabla f(y)\| \leq L\|x - y\|$  ( $L > 0$  is a constant)

$\|A\|_{op} = \sqrt{\lambda_{\max}(A^T A)} = \max_{\|d\|=1} \|Ad\|$  operator / spectral form

• If  $f$  twice continuously differentiable, then  $\nabla f$  is Lipschitz continuous with  $L$

$\Leftrightarrow \|\nabla^2 f(x)\|_{op} \leq L$  for any  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$

• Descent Lemma Suppose  $\nabla f$  is Lipschitz continuous with parameter  $L$ , then

$f(y) \leq f(x) + \nabla f(x)^T (y - x) + \frac{L}{2} \|y - x\|^2 \quad \forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$

\*  $f; x = x'$   $f(y) \leq q(y) := f(x') + \nabla f(x')^T (y - x') + \frac{L}{2} \|y - x'\|^2 \quad \forall y \in \mathbb{R}^n$

for gradient descent:  $x^{k+1} = x^k - \bar{\alpha} \nabla f(x^k) \Rightarrow x^{k+1} - x^k = -\bar{\alpha} \nabla f(x^k)$

$f(x^{k+1}) < f(x^k) \Leftarrow \begin{aligned} f(x^{k+1}) &\leq f(x^k) + \nabla f(x^k)^T (-\bar{\alpha} \nabla f(x^k)) + \frac{L}{2} \|-\bar{\alpha} \nabla f(x^k)\|^2 \\ &= f(x^k) - \bar{\alpha} \left(1 - \frac{L\bar{\alpha}}{2}\right) \|\nabla f(x^k)\|^2 < 0 \quad 0 < \bar{\alpha} < \frac{2}{L} \end{aligned}$

• Linear Convergence

$\{x^k\}_k$  converges linearly with rate  $\eta \in (0, 1)$  to  $x^* \in \mathbb{R}^n$  if there is  $l \geq 0$  s.t.

$\|x^{k+1} - x^*\| \leq \eta \cdot \|x^k - x^*\|, \quad \forall k \geq l$

\* Strong convexity  $d^T \nabla^2 f(x) d \geq M \|d\|^2$  for all  $d, x$  ( $M > 0$ )

$M \|d\|^2 \leq d^T \nabla^2 f(x) d \leq L \|d\|^2$  [有 = 次上T界]

$\Rightarrow \{x^k\}_k$  converges linearly to  $x^*$  and  $f(x^{k+1}) - f(x^k) \leq \eta (f(x^k) - f(x^*)) \quad \forall k$ ,

$\eta = 1 - 2\mu M \in (0, 1)$

$M = \begin{cases} \bar{\alpha} \left(1 - \frac{L\bar{\alpha}}{2}\right) & \text{constant step size } \bar{\alpha} \in \left(0, \frac{2}{L}\right) \\ \frac{1}{2L} & \text{exact line search} \\ \gamma \min\left\{1, \frac{2\delta(1+\gamma)}{L}\right\} & \text{Armijo line search} \end{cases}$   $f(x^{k+1}) \leq f(x^k) - \mu \|\nabla f(x^k)\|^2$

• Exact Line Search Property  $(d^{k+1})^T d^k = 0$

$\phi(\alpha) = f(x^k + \alpha d^k) \quad \phi'(\alpha_k) = \nabla f(x^k + \alpha d^k)^T d^k = \nabla f(x^{k+1})^T d^k = 0$

$d^{k+1} = -\nabla f(x^{k+1}) \Rightarrow (d^{k+1})^T d^k = 0$

• Newton's Method [local] **Sensitive to the initial point**  $\frac{\nabla f(x^k) d^k}{A x} = \frac{O(n^2)}{= B}$

1. consider the equation  $g(x) = 0 \Leftrightarrow \nabla f(x) = 0$

$$g(x) = g(x^k) + g'(x^k)(x - x^k) = 0 \Rightarrow x^{k+1} = x^k - \frac{g(x^k)}{g'(x^k)} \quad [\text{Stop when } |g(x^k)| \text{ is sufficiently small}]$$

$$x^{k+1} = x^k - (\nabla^2 f(x^k))^{-1} \nabla f(x^k)$$

Newton direction  $d^k$ :  $\nabla^2 f(x^k) d^k = -\nabla f(x^k) \Rightarrow d^k = -(\nabla^2 f(x^k))^{-1} \nabla f(x^k)$

$\nabla f(x)^T d = -\nabla f(x^k)^T (\nabla^2 f(x^k))^{-1} \nabla f(x^k) < 0$  only  $\nabla^2 f(x^k) \succ 0$

2. convergence of Newton's Method

$g$  is twice continuously differentiable and  $x^*$  is a root of  $g$  ( $g'(x^*) \neq 0$ )  
 provided that  $|x^0 - x^*|$  is sufficiently small, then  $x^{k+1} = x^k - \frac{g(x^k)}{g'(x^k)}$  will satisfy  
 $|x^{k+1} - x^k| \leq C |x^k - x^*|^2$  with  $C = \sup_{x \in \mathbb{I}} |g''(x)| \cdot \sup_{x \in \mathbb{I}} \left(\frac{1}{|g'(x)|}\right)$   $\mathbb{I} = \{x : |x - x^*| \leq |x^0 - x^*|\}$

3. (Damped) Newton's Method

$\nabla^2 f(x^k) d^k = -\nabla f(x^k) \Rightarrow$  Choose  $\alpha_k$  via backtracking line search  $x^{k+1} = x^k + \alpha_k d^k$

4. Local Quadratic Convergence ( $x^*$  is a local minimum)

$\|x^{k+1} - x^*\| \leq \frac{L}{2\mu} \|x^k - x^*\|^2$  Assume for some  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $\nabla^2 f(x) \succeq \mu I$ .

$\|\nabla^2 f(x) - \nabla^2 f(y)\| \leq L \|x - y\|$  for all  $x, y \in \mathcal{B}_\epsilon(x^*)$

if  $\|x^0 - x^*\| \leq \frac{\mu \min\{\epsilon\}}{L}$ , then  $\|x^k - x^*\| \leq \frac{2\mu}{L} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{2k}$ ,  $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$

• Project Gradient Method

1. Euclidean/Orthogonal Projection  $\min_x \frac{1}{2} \|x - y\|^2$  s.t.  $x \in \Omega$   $y^* = P_\Omega(y)$

[e.g.1]  $\Omega = \{x : Ax = b\}$

$P_\Omega(y) \Leftrightarrow \min_x \frac{1}{2} \|x - y\|^2$  s.t.  $Ax = b$

KKT:  $\frac{1}{2} \|x - y\|^2 + \mu(Ax - b) = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial x} = x - y + A^T \mu = 0 \Rightarrow Ax - Ay + AA^T \mu = 0$

$\Rightarrow AA^T \mu = Ay - b$   $\mu = (AA^T)^{-1}(Ay - b) \Rightarrow P_\Omega(y) = x = y - A^T (AA^T)^{-1}(Ay - b)$

[e.g.2]  $\Omega = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : \|x - m\| \leq r\}$

$P_\Omega(y) = \begin{cases} y & \text{if } \|y - m\| \leq r \\ m + \frac{r}{\|y - m\|} (y - m) & \text{if } \|y - m\| \geq r \end{cases}$



2. Projection Theorem

Let  $\Omega$  be a nonempty, closed, and convex set. Then a point  $y^*$  is the projection of  $y$  onto  $\Omega$ , i.e.,  $y^* = P_\Omega(y)$  iff.  $(y^* - y)^T (x - y^*) \geq 0 \quad \forall x \in \Omega$  ( $P_\Omega: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  is Lipschitz

continuous with  $L=1$ )

prove  $\Rightarrow P_\Omega(y) = \arg \min_{x \in \Omega} \frac{1}{2} \|x - y\|^2 \quad \nabla \left(\frac{1}{2} \|x - y\|^2\right) = x - y$

$\nabla f(y^*)^T (x - y^*) = (y^* - y)^T (x - y^*) \geq 0$  By FOC

$$\textcircled{2} \Leftarrow \text{Choose } z = P_{\Omega}(x) \quad \int (P_{\Omega}(y) - y)^T (z - P_{\Omega}(y)) \geq 0 \quad \textcircled{1}$$

$$\text{Choose } z = P_{\Omega}(y) \quad \int (P_{\Omega}(y) - x)^T (z - P_{\Omega}(x)) \geq 0 \quad \textcircled{2}$$

$$\textcircled{1} + \textcircled{2}. (P_{\Omega}(x) - P_{\Omega}(y))^T (P_{\Omega}(y) - P_{\Omega}(x) + x - y) = -\|P_{\Omega}(x) - P_{\Omega}(y)\|^2 + (P_{\Omega}(x) - P_{\Omega}(y))^T (x - y) \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \|P_{\Omega}(x) - P_{\Omega}(y)\|^2 \leq (P_{\Omega}(x) - P_{\Omega}(y))^T (x - y) \leq \|P_{\Omega}(x) - P_{\Omega}(y)\| \cdot \|x - y\|$$

3. f.o.n.c for  $\min_x f(x)$  s.t.  $x \in \Omega$

$$\forall \lambda > 0 \quad x^* \text{ is a stationary point iff. } x^* - P_{\Omega}(x^* - \lambda \nabla f(x^*)) = 0$$

$$\text{Proof: } x^* = P_{\Omega}(x^* - \lambda \nabla f(x^*)) \Leftrightarrow [x^* - (x^* - \lambda \nabla f(x^*))][x - x^*] \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda \nabla f(x^*)^T (x - x^*) \geq 0 \quad \lambda > 0 \Rightarrow \nabla f(x^*)^T (x - x^*) \geq 0$$

4. Project Gradient Method

$$x^{k+1} = P_{\Omega}(x^k - \lambda \nabla f(x^k))$$

$$x^{k+1} = x^k + \alpha_k [P_{\Omega}(x^k - \lambda \nabla f(x^k)) - x^k] = (1 - \alpha_k)x^k + \alpha_k P_{\Omega}(x^k - \lambda \nabla f(x^k))$$

is feasible if  $x^k \in \Omega$

$$d := P_{\Omega}(x - \lambda \nabla f(x)) - x \quad \nabla f(x)^T d \leq -\frac{1}{\lambda} \|d\|^2 < 0$$

$$\text{proof } \nabla f(x)^T d = \nabla f(x)^T [P_{\Omega}(x - \lambda \nabla f(x)) - P_{\Omega}(x)] = -\frac{1}{\lambda} [(x - \lambda \nabla f(x)) - x]^T [P_{\Omega}(x - \lambda \nabla f(x)) - P_{\Omega}(x)]$$

$$\leq -\frac{1}{\lambda} \|P_{\Omega}(x - \lambda \nabla f(x)) - P_{\Omega}(x)\|^2 \leq -\frac{1}{\lambda} \|P_{\Omega}(x - \lambda \nabla f(x)) - x\|^2 = -\frac{1}{\lambda} \|d\|^2$$

5. Project Gradient Method with Line Search

$$d^k = P_{\Omega}(x^k - \lambda_k \nabla f(x^k)) - x^k$$

$$f(x^k + \alpha_k d^k) - f(x^k) \leq \alpha_k \nabla f(x^k)^T d^k \quad \alpha_k = \{1, \sigma, \sigma^2, \dots\}$$

$$x^{k+1} = x^k + \alpha d^k$$