

# CP: Solution algorithms



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# What

1. Penalty
2. Multipliers

# Penalty

# Penalty

We use a generic equality- and inequality-constrained nonlinear optimization problem of the form:

# Penalty

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} & f(x) \\ \text{s.t.} & h_1(x) = 0 \\ & h_2(x) = 0 \\ & \vdots \\ & h_m(x) = 0 \\ & g_1(x) \leq 0 \\ & g_2(x) \leq 0 \\ & \vdots \\ & g_r(x) \leq 0 \end{aligned}$$

# Penalty

The first step to applying the penalty-based method is to convert the inequality constraints to equalities.

This is done by adding or subtracting non-negative slack or surplus variables from the left-hand side of the constraints.

If we introduce slack variables,  $z_1, z_2, \dots, z_r$  (i.e., one for each inequality constraint, our problem becomes:

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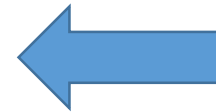
$$\begin{aligned} \min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n, z \in \mathbb{R}^r, z \geq 0} \quad & f(x) \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & h_1(x) = 0 \\ & h_2(x) = 0 \\ & \vdots \\ & h_m(x) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$g_1(x) + z_1 = 0$$

$$g_2(x) + z_2 = 0$$

$$\vdots$$

$$g_r(x) + z_r = 0$$



# Penalty

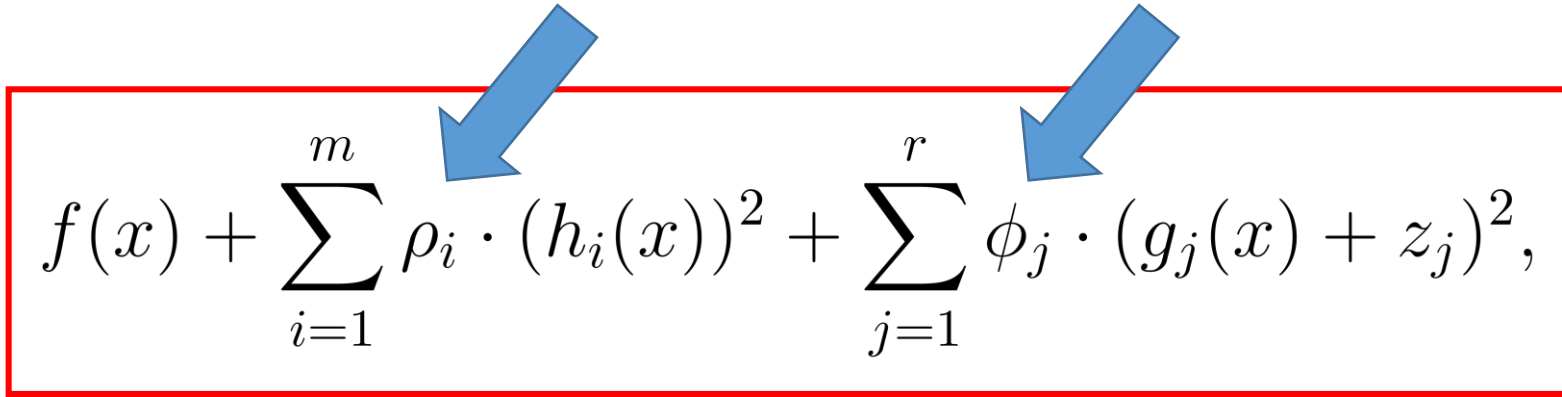
We next add terms to the objective function to penalize constraint violations.

Because we have equal-to-zero constraints, we want to penalize having the left-hand sides of any of the constraints be negative or positive.

Thus, we add terms to the objective with the left-hand side of each constraint squared:



# Penalty


$$f(x) + \sum_{i=1}^m \rho_i \cdot (h_i(x))^2 + \sum_{j=1}^r \phi_j \cdot (g_j(x) + z_j)^2,$$

where  $\rho_1, \rho_2, \dots, \rho_m, \phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_r > 0$  are fixed coefficients that determine how much weight is placed on violating a particular constraint.

# Penalty

Instead of solving the original constrained problem, we solve the problem:

$$\min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n, z \in \mathbb{R}^r, z \geq 0} f(x) + \sum_{i=1}^m \rho_i \cdot (h_i(x))^2 + \sum_{j=1}^r \phi_j \cdot (g_j(x) + z_j)^2,$$

where we drop the original equality and inequality constraints.

# Penalty

We solve this problem in two steps:

# Penalty

$$\begin{aligned} & \min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n, z \in \mathbb{R}^r, z \geq 0} f(x) + \sum_{i=1}^m \rho_i \cdot (h_i(x))^2 + \sum_{j=1}^r \phi_j \cdot (g_j(x) + z_j)^2 \\ &= \min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} \left\{ \min_{z \in \mathbb{R}^r, z \geq 0} \left\{ f(x) + \sum_{i=1}^m \rho_i \cdot (h_i(x))^2 + \sum_{j=1}^r \phi_j \cdot (g_j(x) + z_j)^2 \right\} \right\} \\ &= \min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} \left\{ f(x) + \sum_{i=1}^m \rho_i \cdot (h_i(x))^2 + \min_{z \in \mathbb{R}^r, z \geq 0} \left\{ \sum_{j=1}^r \phi_j \cdot (g_j(x) + z_j)^2 \right\} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

# Penalty

We solve this!

$$\min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} \left\{ f(x) + \sum_{i=1}^m \rho_i \cdot (h_i(x))^2 + \min_{z \in \mathbb{R}^r, z \geq 0} \left\{ \sum_{j=1}^r \phi_j \cdot (g_j(x) + z_j)^2 \right\} \right\}$$

# Penalty

If we examine the third term:

$$\min_{z \in \mathbb{R}^r, z \geq 0} \sum_{j=1}^r \phi_j \cdot (g_j(x) + z_j)^2,$$

we note that this is a quadratic function of  $z$  and can minimize it with respect to  $z$  using the KKT condition, which is:

# Penalty

$$2\phi_1 \cdot (g_1(x) + z_1) - \mu_1 = 0$$

$$\vdots$$

$$2\phi_r \cdot (g_r(x) + z_r) - \mu_r = 0$$

$$0 \leq z_1 \perp \mu_1 \geq 0$$

$$\vdots$$

$$0 \leq z_r \perp \mu_r \geq 0,$$

where  $\mu_j$  is the Lagrange multiplier on the  $j$ th non-negativity constraint ( $z_j \geq 0$ ).

Solving the KKT conditions:

1.  $\mu_i = 0 \Rightarrow z_i > 0 \quad \& \quad g_i(x) < 0$

$$\mu_i = 0 \Rightarrow g_i(x) + z_i = 0, \text{ thus } z_i = -g_i(x)$$

thus

$$z_i = -g_i(x) \text{ if } g_i(x) < 0$$

2.  $\mu_i > 0 \Rightarrow z_i = 0$

$$\mu_i > 0 \Rightarrow 2\phi_i g_i(x) - \mu_i = 0, \text{ thus, } \mu_i = 2\phi_i g_i(x)$$

thus

$$z_i = 0, \text{ otherwise}$$

Penalty



# Penalty

Thus

$$z_j^* = \begin{cases} -g_j(x), & \text{if } g_j(x) < 0; \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

We can write this more compactly as:

$$z_j^* = \max\{0, -g_j(x)\}.$$

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We further know that  $z \geq 0$  defines a convex feasible region for the problem,

and its objective function has a Hessian that is positive definite:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2\phi_1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 2\phi_2 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 2\phi_r \end{bmatrix}$$

# Penalty

Thus, this third-term problem is convex and

$$z_j^* = \max\{0, -g_j(x)\}$$

is its **global minimum**.

The objective function:

$$\left. \sum_{j=1}^r \phi_j \cdot (g_j(x) + z_j)^2 \right]_{z_j = z_j^* = \max\{0, -g_j(x)\}, \forall j} =$$

Penalty

$$\sum_{j=1}^r \phi_j \cdot (g_j(x) + \max\{0, -g_j(x)\})^2 =$$

$$\sum_{j=1}^r \phi_j \cdot (\max\{g_j(x), 0\})^2$$

# Penalty

Because we have an explicit closed-form value for  $z$ , we can substitute this into the original problem and instead solve the following unconstrained minimization problem:

$$\min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} \mathcal{F}_{\rho, \phi}(x) = f(x) + \sum_{i=1}^m \rho_i \cdot (h_i(x))^2 + \sum_{j=1}^r \phi_j \cdot (\max\{0, g_j(x)\})^2,$$

using any of the methods for UPs.

# Penalty

We solve this!

$$\min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} \mathcal{F}_{\rho, \phi}(x) = f(x) + \sum_{i=1}^m \rho_i \cdot (h_i(x))^2 + \sum_{j=1}^r \phi_j \cdot (\max\{0, g_j(x)\})^2$$

# Penalty

The penalized objective function, including the max term in it, is continuously differentiable. However, the Hessian is discontinuous at any  $x$  where  $g_j(x) = 0$ .

Thus, the steepest descent direction can be used to solve the penalized objective function without any problem.

Moreover, Newton's method can be used, except at these points of discontinuity.

# Penalty

A question at this point is **what values to set the  $\rho$ 's and  $\phi$ 's equal to**. A naïve answer is to set them to arbitrarily large values. By doing so, we ensure that we have enough weight on constraint violations to find a feasible solution.

The problem with setting the  $\rho$ 's and  $\phi$ 's to very high values is that doing so can introduce scaling problems. Poorly scaled problems can be difficult to solve using our iterative algorithms.



# Penalty

Thus, in practice, we begin with small values for the  $\rho$ 's and  $\phi$ 's (setting them equal to one is a reasonable starting point) and begin using an iterative algorithm for UPs. As we conduct iterations, we test to see if the constraint violations are getting smaller or not.

# Penalty

The  $\rho$ 's and  $\phi$ 's associated with constraints that are having their violations reduced are kept the same. The  $\rho$ 's and  $\phi$ 's associated with constraints that are not seeing an improvement in their violations are increased.

This is continued iteratively until all of the constraints are satisfied and the algorithm finds a stationary point of  $\mathcal{F}(x)$ , or another termination criteria (such as a limit on the number of iterations) is met.

We don't need to solve it to optimality. One iteration is fine.

Penalty: Solve:  $\min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} \mathcal{F}_{\rho^k, \phi^k}(x)$ , and get  $x^{k+1}$ .

1. Set  $k = 0$  and initialize  $x^k$ ,  $\rho^k$  and  $\phi^k$ .

2. Solve:  $\min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} \mathcal{F}_{\rho^k, \phi^k}(x)$ , and get  $x^{k+1}$ .

3. If

$$|x^{k+1} - x^k| \leq \epsilon_1 \text{ and}$$

$$|h(x^{k+1})| \leq \epsilon_2 \text{ and}$$

$$g(x^{k+1}) \leq \epsilon_3, \text{ stop.}$$

4. Otherwise update  $\rho$  and  $\phi$  as appropriate and continue in 2.

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1: procedure PENALTY-BASED ALGORITHM
2:    $k \leftarrow 0$  ▷ Set iteration counter to 0
3:   Fix  $\rho_1, \rho_2, \dots, \rho_m, \phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_r$  to positive values ▷ Initialize penalty weights
4:   Fix  $x^0$  ▷ Fix a starting point
5:   while Termination criteria are not met do
6:     Find direction,  $d^k$ , to move in
7:     Determine step size,  $\alpha^k$ 
8:      $x^{k+1} \leftarrow x^k + \alpha^k d^k$  ▷ Update point
9:     for  $i \leftarrow 1, \dots, m$  do
10:      if  $|h_i(x^{k+1})| \geq |h_i(x^k)|$  and  $h_i(x^{k+1}) \neq 0$  then
11:        Increase  $\rho_i$  ▷ Increase penalty weight if constraint does not improve
12:      end if
13:    end for
14:    for  $j \leftarrow 1, \dots, r$  do
15:      if  $\max\{0, g_j(x^{k+1})\} \geq \max\{0, g_j(x^k)\}$  and  $\max\{0, g_j(x^{k+1})\} \neq 0$  then
16:        Increase  $\phi_j$  ▷ Increase penalty weight if constraint does not improve
17:      end if
18:    end for
19:     $k \leftarrow k + 1$  ▷ Update iteration counter
20:  end while
21: end procedure

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Consider the problem:

$$\begin{aligned} \min_x f(x) &= (x_1 + 2)^2 + (x_2 - 3)^2 \\ \text{s.t. } h_1(x) &= x_1 + 2x_2 - 4 = 0 \\ g_1(x) &= -x_1 \leq 0. \end{aligned}$$

# Penalty: Example

We derive the penalized objective function:

$$\mathcal{F}_{1,1}(x) = (x_1 + 2)^2 + (x_2 - 3)^2 + (x_1 + 2x_2 - 4)^2 + (\max\{0, -x_1\})^2,$$

with weights of one on both constraints.

# Penalty: Example

Starting from the point  $x^0 = (-1, -1)^\top$ , we conduct one iteration of steepest descent using an approximate line search.



# Penalty: Example

To conduct the iteration, we must compute the gradient of the objective function. To do so, we note that at  $x^0 = (-1, -1)^\top$  the objective is equal to:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{F}_{1,1}(x) &= (x_1 + 2)^2 + (x_2 - 3)^2 + (x_1 + 2x_2 - 4)^2 + (\max\{0, -x_1\})^2 \\ &= (x_1 + 2)^2 + (x_2 - 3)^2 + (x_1 + 2x_2 - 4)^2 + (-x_1)^2.\end{aligned}$$

# Penalty: Example

This step of determining whether:

$$\max\{0, -x_1\},$$

is equal to 0 or  $-x_1$  is **vitaly** important, as the gradient that we compute depends on what we substitute for this term.

# Penalty: Example

The gradient is equal to:

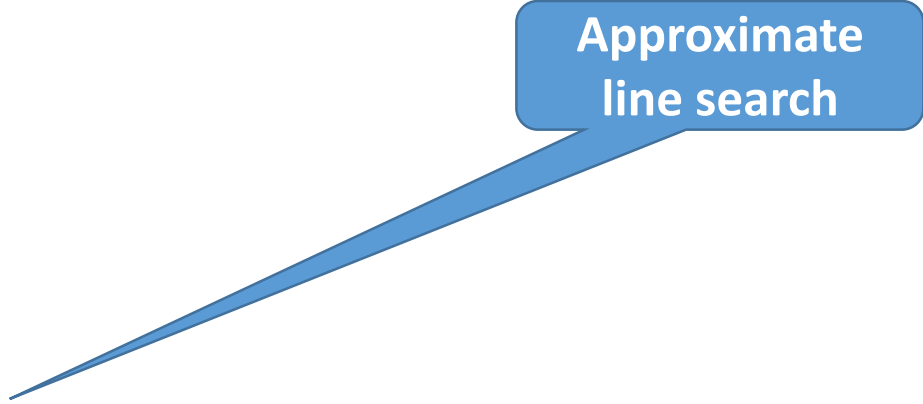
$$\nabla \mathcal{F}_{1,1}(x) = \begin{pmatrix} 2(x_1 + 2) + 2(x_1 + 2x_2 - 4) + 2x_1 \\ 2(x_2 - 3) + 4(x_1 + 2x_2 - 4) \end{pmatrix},$$

and the search direction is:

$$d^0 = -\nabla \mathcal{F}_{1,1}(x^0) = \begin{pmatrix} 14 \\ 36 \end{pmatrix}.$$

# Penalty: Example

Approximate  
line search



If we set  $\alpha^0 = 1/10$ , our new point is  $x^1 = (0.4, 2.6)^\top$ .

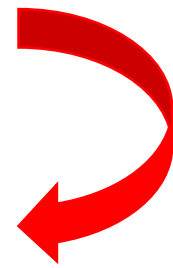
# Penalty: Example

We already know that the value of the penalized objective function improves from this one iteration. We further have that:

$$f(x^0) = 17,$$

and:

$$f(x^1) = 5.92,$$



meaning that the objective of the original problem improved in this one iteration.

# Penalty: Example

We further have that:

$$h_1(x^0) = -7,$$

and:

$$h_1(x^1) = 1.6,$$

and:

$$g_1(x^0) = 1,$$

and:

$$g_1(x^1) = -0.4.$$

# Penalty: Example

This means that we have reduced the extent to which the two constraints are violated in this one iteration.

The  $h_1(\cdot)$  constraint is still violated, but by less than before. The  $g_1(\cdot)$  constraint is satisfied by the new point that we have found.

# Penalty: Example

We keep going...



# Multipliers

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Just equalities for simplicity

Extension do inequalities is straightforward

# Multipliers

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} \quad & f(x) && (1) \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & h_1(x) = 0 \\ & h_2(x) = 0 \\ & \vdots \\ & h_m(x) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

# Multipliers

$$\min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} f(x) + \sum_{i=1}^m \rho_i \cdot (h_i(x))^2 \quad (2)$$

# Multipliers

$$\min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} f(x) + \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i^* \cdot h_i(x) \quad (3)$$

$$\text{s.t. } h_1(x) = 0$$

$$h_2(x) = 0$$

$$\vdots$$

$$h_m(x) = 0$$

# Multipliers

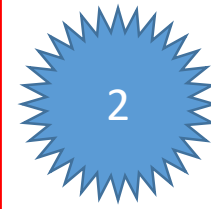
$$\min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} f(x) + \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i^* \cdot h_i(x) + \sum_{i=1}^m \rho_i \cdot (h_i(x))^2 \quad (4)$$

# Multipliers

(1), (2), (3) and (4) are equivalent!

# Multipliers

$$\min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} f(x) + \sum_{i=1}^m \rho_i \cdot (h_i(x))^2$$



$$\begin{aligned} \min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} f(x) \\ \text{s.t. } h_1(x) = 0 \\ h_2(x) = 0 \\ \vdots \\ h_m(x) = 0 \end{aligned}$$



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$$\min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} f(x) + \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i^* \cdot h_i(x) + \sum_{i=1}^m \rho_i \cdot (h_i(x))^2$$





# Multipliers

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} & f(x) \\ \text{s.t.} & h_1(x) = 0 \\ & h_2(x) = 0 \\ & \vdots \\ & h_m(x) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

KKTs of (1) are:

$$\nabla f(x) + \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i^* \cdot \nabla h_i(x) = 0 \quad (5)$$

# Multipliers

Considering approximate multiplier values  $\lambda_1^k, \dots, \lambda_m^k$ ,  
problem (3) becomes:

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} \quad & f(x) + \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i^k \cdot h_i(x) \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & h_1(x) = 0 \\ & h_2(x) = 0 \\ & \vdots \\ & h_m(x) = 0 \end{aligned} \tag{6}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} \quad & f(x) + \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i^* \cdot h_i(x) \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & h_1(x) = 0 \\ & h_2(x) = 0 \\ & \vdots \\ & h_m(x) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

# Multipliers

KKTs of (6) are:

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} \quad & f(x) + \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i^k \cdot h_i(x) \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & h_1(x) = 0 \\ & h_2(x) = 0 \\ & \vdots \\ & h_m(x) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\nabla f(x) + \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i^k \cdot \nabla h_i(x) + \sum_{i=1}^m \hat{\lambda}_i \cdot \nabla h_i(x) = 0 \quad (7)$$

# Multipliers

Considering (5) and (7):

$$\nabla f(x) + \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i^* \cdot \nabla h_i(x) = 0$$

$$\nabla f(x) + \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i^k \cdot \nabla h_i(x) + \sum_{i=1}^m \hat{\lambda}_i \cdot \nabla h_i(x) = 0$$

# Multipliers

We conclude:

$$\lambda_i^* = \lambda_i^k + \hat{\lambda}_i, \quad i = 1, \dots, m$$

or

$$\hat{\lambda}_i = \lambda_i^* - \lambda_i^k, \quad i = 1, \dots, m$$

# Multipliers

$$\min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} f(x) + \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i^* \cdot h_i(x) + \sum_{i=1}^m \rho_i \cdot (h_i(x))^2$$

Considering approximate multiplier values  $\lambda_1^k, \dots, \lambda_m^k$ ,  
problem (4) becomes:

$$\min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} f(x) + \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i^k \cdot h_i(x) + \sum_{i=1}^m \rho_i \cdot (h_i(x))^2 \quad (8)$$

# Multipliers

$$\min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} f(x) + \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i^k \cdot h_i(x) + \sum_{i=1}^m \rho_i \cdot (h_i(x))^2$$

KKTs of (8) are:

$$\nabla f(x) + \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i^k \cdot \nabla h_i(x) + \sum_{i=1}^m 2\rho_i h_i(x) \cdot \nabla h_i(x) = 0 \quad (9)$$

# Multipliers

Considering (7) and (9):

$$\nabla f(x) + \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i^k \cdot \nabla h_i(x) + \sum_{i=1}^m \hat{\lambda}_i \cdot \nabla h_i(x) = 0$$

$$\nabla f(x) + \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i^k \cdot \nabla h_i(x) + \sum_{i=1}^m 2\rho_i h_i(x) \cdot \nabla h_i(x) = 0$$



# Multipliers

We conclude:

$$\hat{\lambda}_i = 2\rho_i h_i(x) \quad i = 1, \dots, m$$

or

$$\hat{\lambda}_i = 2\rho_i h_i(x^k) \quad i = 1, \dots, m$$

# Multipliers

Considering:

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{\lambda}_i &= \lambda_i^* - \lambda_i^k, & i &= 1, \dots, m \\ \hat{\lambda}_i &= 2\rho_i \cdot h_i(x^k) & i &= 1, \dots, m\end{aligned}$$

# Multipliers

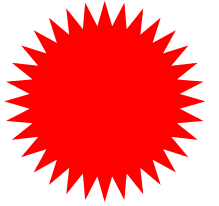
We conclude:

$$\lambda_i^* - \lambda_i^k = 2\rho_i \cdot h_i(x^k) \quad i = 1, \dots, m$$

and:

$$\lambda_i^{k+1} \leftarrow \lambda_i^k + 2\rho_i \cdot h_i(x^k) \quad i = 1, \dots, m$$

# Multipliers



$$\lambda_i^{k+1} \leftarrow \lambda_i^k + 2\rho_i \cdot h_i(x^k) \quad i = 1, \dots, m$$

# Multipliers

1. Set  $k = 0$ , choose  $\rho_1, \dots, \rho_m$  large enough, and initialize  $\lambda^k$ .

2. Solve:

$$\min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} f(x) + \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i^k \cdot h_i(x) + \sum_{i=1}^m \rho_i \cdot (h_i(x))^2$$

and get  $x^k$ .

3. Update  $\lambda$ :  $\lambda_i^{k+1} \leftarrow \lambda_i^k + 2\rho_i \cdot h_i(x^k) \quad i = 1, \dots, m$

4. Repeat 1-3 until  $|\lambda_i^{k+1} - \lambda_i^k| \leq \epsilon \quad i = 1, \dots, m$

We don't need to solve it to optimality. One iteration is fine.

# Multipliers

1. No need to solve the problem in step 2 to optimality.
2. Penalty terms can be dynamically updated.

See algorithm below:

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1: procedure MULTIPLIER-BASED ALGORITHM
2:    $k \leftarrow 0$  ▷ Set iteration counter to 0
3:   Fix  $\rho_1, \rho_2, \dots, \rho_m$  to positive values ▷ Initialize penalty weights
4:   Fix  $\lambda^0$  ▷ Initialize Lagrange multipliers
5:   Fix  $x^0$  ▷ Fix a starting point
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9:      $x^{k+1} \leftarrow x^k + \alpha^k d^k$  ▷ Update point
10:    for  $i \leftarrow 1, \dots, m$  do
11:       $\lambda_i^{k+1} \leftarrow \lambda_i^k + 2\rho_i h_i(x^{k+1})$  ▷ Update multiplier
12:      if  $|h_i(x^{k+1})| \geq |h_i(x^k)|$  and  $h_i(x^{k+1}) \neq 0$  then
13:        Increase  $\rho_i$  ▷ Increase penalty weight if constraint does not improve
14:      end if
15:    end for
16:     $k \leftarrow k + 1$  ▷ Update iteration counter
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# Example



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# Example

To solve this problem using the multiplier method, we first convert it to the equality-constrained problem:

$$\begin{aligned} \min_x f(x) &= (x_1 + 2)^2 + (x_2 - 3)^2 \\ \text{s.t. } h_1(x) &= x_1 + 2x_2 - 4 = 0 \\ h_2(x) &= -x_1 + x_3^2 = 0. \end{aligned}$$

# Example

We next derive the augmented Lagrangian function:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{A}_{\lambda,\rho}(x) = & (x_1 + 2)^2 + (x_2 - 3)^2 + \lambda_1 \cdot (x_1 + 2x_2 - 4) \\ & + \lambda_2 \cdot (x_3^2 - x_1) + \rho_1 \cdot (x_1 + 2x_2 - 4)^2 + \rho_2 \cdot (x_3^2 - x_1)^2, \end{aligned}$$

# Example

which becomes:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{A}_{(1,1)^\top, (1,1)^\top}(x) &= (x_1 + 2)^2 + (x_2 - 3)^2 + (x_1 + 2x_2 - 4) \\ &\quad + (x_3^2 - x_1) + (x_1 + 2x_2 - 4)^2 + (x_3^2 - x_1)^2, \end{aligned}$$

if we assume starting Lagrange-multiplier and penalty-weight values of one.

# Example

Starting from the point  $x^0 = (-1, -1, -1)^\top$ , we conduct one iteration of steepest descent. The gradient of the augmented Lagrangian function is:

$$\nabla \mathcal{A}_{(1,1)^\top, (1,1)^\top}(x) = \begin{pmatrix} 2(x_1 + 2) + 2(x_1 + 2x_2 - 4) - 2(x_3^2 - x_1) \\ 2(x_2 - 3) + 2 + 4(x_1 + 2x_2 - 4) \\ 2x_3 + 4x_3 \cdot (x_3^2 - x_1) \end{pmatrix},$$

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which gives us a search direction of:

$$d^0 = -\nabla \mathcal{A}_{(1,1)^\top, (1,1)^\top}(x^0) = \begin{pmatrix} 16 \\ 34 \\ 10 \end{pmatrix}.$$

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Applying a line search we get  $\alpha^0 = 1/10$ , meaning that our new point is  $x^1 = (0.6, 2.4, 0)^\top$ .

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We can now examine the changes in the objective- and constraint-function values of our original problem.

We have that:

$$f(x^0) = 17,$$

$$h_1(x^0) = -7,$$

$$g_1(x^0) = 1,$$



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and:

$$f(x^1) = 7.12,$$

$$h_1(x^1) = 1.4,$$

$$g_1(x^1) = -0.6.$$

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Thus we see that in this one iteration the objective-function value of the original problem has improved and that the second constraint is no longer violated.

Although the first constraint is violated, the amount by which it is violated has come down.

We do not increase either penalty weight (i.e., neither of  $\rho_1$  nor  $\rho_2$ ) to conduct the next iteration.

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$$\lambda_1^1 \leftarrow \lambda_1^0 + 2\rho_1 h_1(x^1) = 3.8,$$

and:

$$\lambda_2^1 \leftarrow \lambda_2^0 + 2\rho_2 h_2(x^1) = -0.2.$$

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and... we keep going...

This is it!