

AOE/ESM 4084 “Engineering Design Optimization”

CONSTRAINED PROBLEMS

- Standard Mathematical Statement

- **Minimize**

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$$

- **subject to**

$$\begin{array}{ll} h_k(\mathbf{x}) = 0 & k = 1, \dots, n_e \\ g_j(\mathbf{x}) \leq 0 & j = 1, \dots, n_g \end{array}$$

- Necessary Conditions: Equality Constrained Problems

- One equality with two design variables

$$\text{Minimize } f(\mathbf{x}) = f(x_1, x_2) \quad \text{subject to } h(x_1, x_2) = 0$$

- Necessary Conditions for Functions with Equality Constraints:

- Form a Lagrange function defined as

$$L(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v}) = f(\mathbf{x}) + \sum_{k=1}^{n_e} v_k h_k(\mathbf{x}) = f(\mathbf{x}) + \mathbf{v}^T \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{x})$$

- Necessary conditions for candidate minimum point $\mathbf{x}^*$

$$\nabla L(\mathbf{x}^*, \mathbf{v}^*) = \mathbf{0} \quad \begin{aligned} \frac{\partial L(\mathbf{x}^*, \mathbf{v}^*)}{\partial x_i} &= 0 & i &= 1, \dots, n \\ \frac{\partial L(\mathbf{x}^*, \mathbf{v}^*)}{\partial v_k} &\equiv h_k(\mathbf{x}^*) = 0 & k &= 1, \dots, n_e \end{aligned}$$

- The first of the necessary conditions can be rearranged

$$\frac{\partial f(\mathbf{x}^*)}{\partial x_i} = - \sum_{k=1}^{n_e} v_k^* \frac{\partial h_k(\mathbf{x}^*)}{\partial x_i} \quad i = 1, \dots, n$$
$$\nabla f(\mathbf{x}^*) = v_1 \nabla h_1(\mathbf{x}^*) + v_2 \nabla h_2(\mathbf{x}^*) + \dots + v_{n_e} \nabla h_{n_e}(\mathbf{x}^*)$$

- Necessary Conditions for General Constrained Problems:
 - For inequality constraints introduce slack variables s

$$g_j(\mathbf{x}) \leq 0 \quad g_j(\mathbf{x}) + s_j^2 = 0 \quad j = 1, \dots, n_g$$

- Lagrange function for eq. and ineq. constraints

$$L(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{s}) = f(\mathbf{x}) + \sum_{k=1}^{n_e} v_k h_k(\mathbf{x}) + \sum_{j=1}^{n_g} u_j (g_j(\mathbf{x}) + s_j^2) = f(\mathbf{x}) + \mathbf{v}^T \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{x}) + \mathbf{u}^T (\mathbf{g}(\mathbf{x}) + \mathbf{s}^2)$$

- Kuhn-Tucker necessary conditions for eq. and ineq. constraint

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial x_i} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i} + \sum_{k=1}^{n_e} v_k^* \frac{\partial h_k}{\partial x_i} + \sum_{j=1}^{n_g} u_j^* \frac{\partial g_j}{\partial x_i} = 0$$

$$i = 1, \dots, n$$

$$j = 1, \dots, n_g$$

$$h_k(\mathbf{x}^*) = 0$$

$$k = 1, \dots, n_e$$

$$g_j(\mathbf{x}) + s_j^2 = 0 \quad u_j^* s_j = 0 \quad u_j^* \geq 0$$

- Post Optimality Analysis:

- Assume that minimization problem is solved with $h_i(\mathbf{x}^*)=0$ and $g_j(\mathbf{x}^*) \leq 0$.
- Consider the modified problem where b_i and e_j are small variations

$$\begin{aligned} h_i(\mathbf{x}) &= b_i & i &= 1, \dots, n_e \\ g_j(\mathbf{x}) &\leq e_j & j &= 1, \dots, n_g \end{aligned}$$

- The optimum for the perturbed problem $\mathbf{x}^* = \mathbf{x}^*(\mathbf{b}, \mathbf{e})$ and we want $f^*(\mathbf{b}, \mathbf{e})$
- Derivatives of the cost function w.r.t. the right hand side parameters

$$\frac{\partial f(\mathbf{x}^*(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{0}))}{\partial b_i} = -v_i^* \quad i = 1, \dots, n_e \quad \frac{\partial f(\mathbf{x}^*(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{0}))}{\partial e_j} = -u_j^* \quad j = 1, \dots, n_g$$

- The perturbed value of the cost function

$$\Delta f = - \sum_i v_i^* b_i - \sum_j u_j^* e_j$$