

# KKT Conditions

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Used for constrained optimization of the form

Minimize  $f(x)$ , where  $x \in \mathbb{R}^k$   
such that

$$h_i(x) = 0, \forall i = 1, \dots, m \text{ (m equalities)}$$
$$g_j(x) \leq 0, \forall j = 1, \dots, n \text{ (n inequalities)}$$

## Step 1

- Create a new function for minimization,

$$L(x, \lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_m, \mu_1, \dots, \mu_n) = f(x) + \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i h_i(x) + \sum_{j=1}^n \mu_j g_j(x)$$

where,

$\lambda_1 - \lambda_m$  are multipliers for the  $m$  equalities

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- Minimize  $L(x, \lambda, \mu)$  w.r.t.  $x \implies \nabla_x L(x, \lambda, \mu) = 0$   
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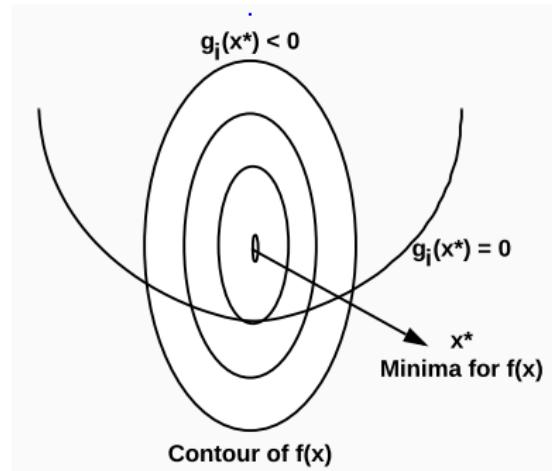
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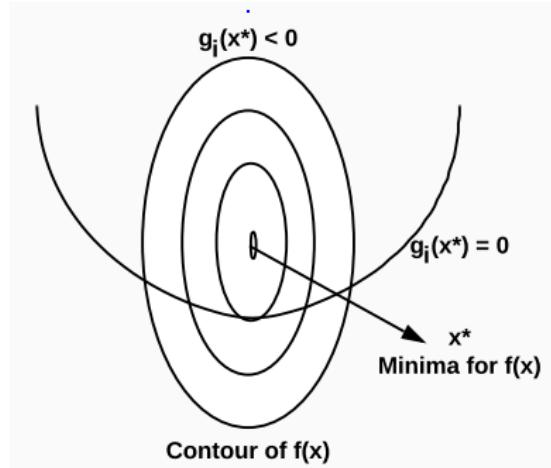
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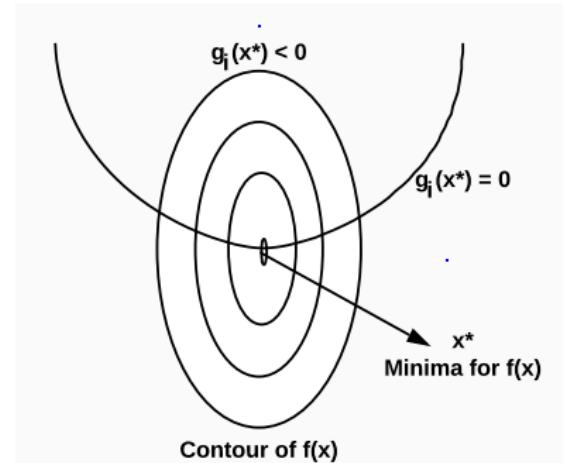
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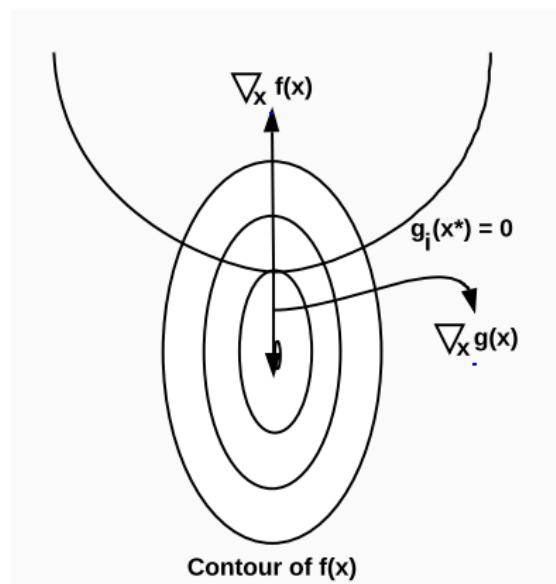
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## Constraint on $\mu_i$ 's



$$\min_x L(x, \lambda, \mu) \implies \nabla_x f(x) + \nabla_x \mu_i g_i(x) = 0$$

$$\mu_i = \frac{\nabla_x f(x)}{\nabla_x \mu_i g_i(x)} = +ve$$

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## Inequality Constraints (Complementary Slackness)

$$\mu_i g_i(x) = 0 \quad \forall i = 1, \dots, n$$

$$\mu_i \geq 0$$

## Example

Minimize  $x^2 + y^2$  such that,

$$x^2 + y^2 \leq 5$$

$$x + 2y = 4$$

$$x, y \geq 0$$

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$$L(x, y, \lambda, \mu_1, \mu_2, \mu_3) =$$

$$x^2 + y^2 + \lambda(x + 2y - 4) + \mu_1(x^2 + y^2 - 5) + \mu_2(-x) + \mu_3(-y)$$

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## Slackness

$$\mu_1(x^2 + y^2 - 5) = 0 \dots \dots \dots \quad (4)$$

$$\mu_2 x = 0 \dots \dots \dots \quad (5)$$

$$\mu_3 y = 0 \dots \dots \dots \quad (6)$$

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On further solving we get,

$$x = 0.8$$

$$y = 1.6$$