

The 2nd order Taylor's theorem was

$$f(a+h) = f(a) + h \cdot \nabla f(a) + \frac{1}{2} h \cdot H h + R_2(h)$$

where $H \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ with entries $H_{ij} = \partial_i \partial_j f(a)$

Since differentiability of f implies $H = H^T$, then by the spectral theorem $H = Q D Q^T$ where $Q^T = Q^{-1}$ and

$$D = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & & 0 \\ & \lambda_2 & \\ 0 & \vdots & \\ & & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix} \text{ is the diagonal matrix of eigenvalues.}$$

Suppose we're at a critical point. Then $\nabla f(a) = 0$.

To show $f(a)$ is a minimum, we need to show

$$\frac{1}{2} h \cdot H h + R_2(h) \geq 0$$

for h small enough. To estimate from below

$$\frac{1}{2} h \cdot H h = \frac{1}{2} h \cdot Q D Q^T h = \frac{1}{2} \underbrace{Q^T h}_c \cdot D Q^T h = \frac{1}{2} c \cdot D c$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ \vdots \\ c_n \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 c_1 \\ \lambda_2 c_2 \\ \vdots \\ \lambda_n c_n \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i c_i^2 \geq \frac{1}{2} \underbrace{(\min \lambda_i)}_l \sum c_i^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} l c \cdot c = \frac{1}{2} l \underbrace{Q^T h}_c \cdot Q^T h = \frac{1}{2} l h \cdot Q Q^T h = \frac{1}{2} l h \cdot h = \frac{1}{2} l \|h\|^2$$

In order to guarantee the bound from below is positive we require $l > 0$.

Now, by the estimate on the remainder for every $\varepsilon > 0$ there exists $\delta > 0$ such that

$$|h| < \delta \text{ implies } |R_2(h)| \leq n^2 |h|^2 \varepsilon,$$

$$\text{or that } -|R_2(h)| \geq -n^2 |h|^2 \varepsilon.$$

Thus, for $|h| < \delta$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} f(a+h) &= f(a) + \frac{1}{2} h^T H h + R_2(h) \geq f(a) + \frac{1}{2} l |h|^2 - |R_2(h)| \\ &\geq f(a) + \frac{1}{2} l |h|^2 - n^2 |h|^2 \varepsilon = f(a) + \left(\frac{1}{2} l - n^2 \varepsilon\right) |h|^2 \end{aligned}$$

Choosing $\varepsilon = \frac{l}{4n^2}$ then yields $\delta > 0$ such that

$$f(a+h) \geq f(a) + \left(\frac{1}{2} l - n^2 \frac{l}{4n^2}\right) |h|^2 = f(a) + \frac{1}{4} l |h|^2$$

for all $|h| < \delta$ where $l = \min(\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n)$.

We have proved the local minimum part of ...

2.81 Theorem. Suppose f is of class C^2 at \mathbf{a} and that $\nabla f(\mathbf{a}) = 0$, and let H be the Hessian matrix (2.79). For f to have a local minimum at \mathbf{a} , is it necessary for the eigenvalues of H all to be nonnegative and sufficient for them all to be strictly positive. For f to have a local maximum at \mathbf{a} , it is necessary for the eigenvalues of H all to be nonpositive and sufficient for them all to be strictly negative.

The local maximum part is similar.

In the case $H \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$ then $H = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & \beta \\ \beta & \gamma \end{bmatrix}$

$$\det H = \alpha\gamma - \beta^2 = \lambda_1\lambda_2$$

If $\lambda_1 > 0$ and $\lambda_2 > 0$ then $\det H > 0$.

If $\det H > 0$ then either $\lambda_1 > 0$ and $\lambda_2 > 0$
or $\lambda_1 < 0$ and $\lambda_2 < 0$.

$$\max(\lambda_1, \lambda_2) |u|^2 \geq u \cdot Hu \geq \min(\lambda_1, \lambda_2) |u|^2$$

part not proved for max.

Take $u = e_1$ and suppose $\lambda_1 > 0$ and $\lambda_2 > 0$. Then

$$e_1 \cdot H e_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & \beta \\ \beta & \gamma \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{bmatrix} = \alpha$$

$$\geq \min(\lambda_1, \lambda_2) |e_1|^2 = \min(\lambda_1, \lambda_2) > 0$$

which implies $\alpha > 0$. Similarly $\lambda_1 < 0$ and $\lambda_2 < 0$
and $\alpha < \max(\lambda_1, \lambda_2)$ implies $\alpha < 0$. Taking the
contrapositive then implies ...

2.82 Theorem. Suppose f is of class C^2 on an open set in \mathbb{R}^2 containing the point \mathbf{a} , and suppose $\nabla f(\mathbf{a}) = \mathbf{0}$. Let $\alpha = \partial_1^2 f(\mathbf{a})$, $\beta = \partial_1 \partial_2 f(\mathbf{a})$, $\gamma = \partial_2^2 f(\mathbf{a})$.

Then: det

- If $\alpha\gamma - \beta^2 < 0$, f has a saddle point at \mathbf{a} .
- If $\alpha\gamma - \beta^2 > 0$ and $\alpha > 0$, f has a local minimum at \mathbf{a} .
- If $\alpha\gamma - \beta^2 > 0$ and $\alpha < 0$, f has a local maximum at \mathbf{a} .
- If $\alpha\gamma - \beta^2 = 0$, no conclusion can be drawn.

Recall: If $S \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ and S is compact and
 $f: S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ continuous, then f attains its
min and max on S .

$$\inf\{f(x) : x \in S\} = f(\mathbf{a}) \text{ for some } \mathbf{a} \in S$$

$\sup \{f(x) : x \in S\} = f(b)$ for some $b \in S$.

Suppose $S = \bar{U}$ where $U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ is open.

$\partial S = \{x : G(x) = 0\}$
for some $G \in C^1(\partial S)$ and $\nabla G(x) \neq 0$ for $x \in \partial S$.
called a smooth boundary...

also have piecewise smooth

$$\partial S = \bigcup_{i=1}^N \{x : G_i(x) = 0\}$$

save this complication for later.

Recall thing about level sets ... I know that (lecture 10)
 $\nabla G(x)$ is perpendicular to any
tangent to ∂S at x .

$\nabla G(x)$ is normal to ∂S .

This is an application of the chain rule...

Suppose $a \in \partial S$ that is a minimum for f .

let $g: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \partial S$ be such that $g(0) = a$
and $g \in C^1(\partial S)$ and $g'(0) \neq 0$.

Then $\varphi(t) = f(g(t))$ has a relative minimum at $t=0$.
 $\varphi: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.

This means $\varphi'(0) = 0$.

$$\varphi'(t) = \nabla f(g(t)) \cdot g'(t)$$

$$0 = \varphi'(0) = \nabla f(g(0)) \cdot g'(0) = \nabla f(a) \cdot g'(0)$$

So again we see $\nabla f(a)$ is perpendicular to any vector tangent to ∂S .

Since $\nabla G(a)$ and $\nabla f(a)$ are both normal to ∂S .

then $\nabla G(a) = \lambda \nabla f(a)$ for some ratio λ .

Thus

$$\text{also } \begin{cases} \partial_i G(a) = \lambda \partial_i f(a) & \text{for } i=1, \dots, n \\ G(a) = 0 \end{cases}$$

This is a system of $n+1$ equations and λ and a represent $n+1$ unknowns...

In summary if $a \in S$ is a relative extrema for f then either

① $a \in U$ is an interior point and $\nabla f(a) = 0$

② $a \in \partial S$ then $G(a) = 0$ and there is λ such that $\nabla G(a) = \lambda \nabla f(a)$

For next time read 2.10...