# Exercitation 7

Numerical Methods for Dynamical Systems and Control

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## 1 Exercise 1

Solve the following constrained minimization

$$f(x,y) = x(y-1)$$

subject to

$$x^2 + y^2 \le 1 \qquad \qquad x + \frac{1}{2} \le y.$$

#### 1.1 Solution with KKT

First put the constraints in the form of the theorem, i.e.  $g_i(x, y) \ge 0$ , this gives

$$g_1(x,y) = 1 - x^2 - y^2 \ge 0$$
  $g_2(x,y) = y - x - \frac{1}{2} \ge 0.$ 

The next step is to build the Lagrangian,

$$\mathcal{L}(x, y, \mu_1, \mu_2) = f(x, y) - \mu_1 g_1(x, y) - \mu_2 g_2(x, y)$$
$$= x(y-1) - \mu_1 (1 - x^2 - y^2) - \mu_2 \left(y - x - \frac{1}{2}\right)$$

So using the (first order) KKT conditions, the associated non linear system is

$$\nabla_{(x,y)} \mathcal{L}(x, y, \mu_1, \mu_2)^T = \mathbf{0}$$
$$\mu_1 g_1(x, y) = 0$$
$$\mu_2 g_2(x, y) = 0$$

with the conditions

$$\mu_1 \ge 0$$
  $\mu_2 \ge 0$   $g_1 \ge 0$   $g_2 \ge 0.$ 

The gradient of the Lagrangian is

$$\nabla_{(x,y)}\mathcal{L}(x,y,\mu_1,\mu_2) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial x} \\ \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial y} \end{pmatrix}^T = \begin{pmatrix} y - 1 + 2\mu_1 x + \mu_2 \\ x + 2\mu_1 y - \mu_2 \end{pmatrix}^T.$$

In other words one has to solve the following non linear system

$$y - 1 + 2\mu_1 x + \mu_2 = 0$$
  

$$x + 2\mu_1 y - \mu_2 = 0$$
  

$$\mu_1 (1 - x^2 - y^2) = 0$$
  

$$\mu_2 \left( y - x - \frac{1}{2} \right) = 0$$

This system is quite complex, so it is better to split it and solve it in several steps. First put  $\mu_1 = 0$  and solve the simplified system, then put  $\mu_2 = 0$  and solve, and so on.

•  $\mu_1 = 0$ . Setting  $\mu_1 = 0$  yields to the simpler system

$$y - 1 + \mu_2 = 0$$
  
 $x - \mu_2 = 0$   
 $\mu_2 \left( y - x - \frac{1}{2} \right) = 0.$ 

From the second equation one has  $x = \mu_2$ , thus it remains a system of two equations in two unknown.

$$\begin{cases} y+x-1 &= 0\\ x\left(y-x-\frac{1}{2}\right) &= 0 \end{cases} \implies \begin{cases} y=1-x\\ x\left(\frac{1}{2}-2x\right) = 0 \end{cases}$$

hence x = 0 or  $x = \frac{1}{4}$ . From x one can obtain y = 1 or  $y = \frac{3}{4}$  and  $\mu_2 = 0$  or  $\mu_2 = \frac{1}{4}$ . In conclusion there are two solutions in this case, namely

$$P_1 = \{x = 0, y = 1, \mu_1 = 0, \mu_2 = 0\}$$
$$P_2 = \left\{x = \frac{1}{4}, y = \frac{3}{4}, \mu_1 = 0, \mu_2 = \frac{1}{4}\right\}$$

•  $\mu_2 = 0$ . Setting  $\mu_2 = 0$  leads to the simpler system

$$y - 1 + 2\mu_1 x = 0$$
  

$$x + 2\mu_1 y = 0$$
  

$$\mu_1 \left( 1 - x^2 - y^2 \right) = 0.$$

From the second equation one has  $x = -2\mu_1 y$ , thus it remains a system of two equations in two unknown.

$$\begin{cases} y - 1 - 4\mu_1^2 y &= 0\\ \mu_1 \left(1 - 4\mu_1^2 y^2 - y^2\right) &= 0 \end{cases} \implies y = \frac{1}{1 - 4\mu_1^2}.$$

It remains a single expression for  $\mu_1$ 

$$0 = \mu_1 \left( 1 - 4\mu_1^2 \frac{1}{(1 - 4\mu_1^2)^2} - \frac{1}{(1 - 4\mu_1^2)^2} \right)$$
$$= \frac{\mu_1 (1 - 4\mu_1^2)^2 - 4\mu_1^3 - \mu_1}{(1 - 4\mu_1^2)^2} = 0 \iff$$
$$0 = 16\mu_1^5 - 4\mu_1^3 - 8\mu_1^3$$
$$= 16\mu_1^5 - 12\mu_1^3$$

This expression is zero if  $\mu_1 = 0$  or if  $16\mu_1^2 - 12 = 0$ , that is if  $\mu_1 = \pm \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$ . The negative solution has to be dropped because the multiplier has to be positive. The positive solution is not valid because it does not satisfy the constrain  $g_2 \ge 0$ . Therefore there are only one solution in this case,

$$P_1 = \{x = 0, y = 1, \mu_1 = 0, \mu_2 = 0\}$$

- $\mu_1 = \mu_2 = 0$ . In this case one retrieves easily solution  $P_1$ .
- $\mu_1 \neq 0$  and  $1 x^2 y^2 = 0$ . From the equation of the constraint one has  $y = \pm \sqrt{1 x^2}$ , so it is better to split the two cases.

-  $\mu_1 \neq 0$  and  $y = +\sqrt{1-x^2}$ . From the equation of the second multiplier one has

$$\mu_2\left(\sqrt{1-x^2}-x-\frac{1}{2}\right) = 0 \iff \mu_2 = 0 \text{ or } \sqrt{1-x^2}-x-\frac{1}{2} = 0$$

\*  $\mu_2 = 0$ , then  $x = -2\mu_1\sqrt{1-x^2}$  hence

$$x^{2} = 4\mu_{1}^{2}(1-x^{2}) \implies x^{2}(1+4\mu_{1}^{2}) = 4\mu_{1}^{2} \implies x^{2} = \frac{4\mu_{1}^{2}}{1+4\mu_{1}^{2}}.$$

Thus there are other two cases, i.e. the two square roots for x.

• When  $x = +\sqrt{\frac{4\mu_1^2}{1+4\mu_1^2}}$ . This gives a single equation for  $\mu_1$  which is derived

from the equation  $\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial x}$ ,

$$\begin{split} 0 &= \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial x} = \sqrt{1 - \frac{4\mu_1^2}{1 + 4\mu_1^2}} - 1 + 2\mu_1 \sqrt{\frac{4\mu_1^2}{1 + 4\mu_1^2}} \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{1 + 4\mu_1^2 - 4\mu_1^2}{1 + 4\mu_1^2}} - 1 + 2\mu_1 \sqrt{\frac{4\mu_1^2}{1 + 4\mu_1^2}} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + 4\mu_1^2}} - 1 + 2\mu_1 \frac{2\mu_1}{\sqrt{1 + 4\mu_1^2}} = 0 \iff \\ &1 - \sqrt{1 + 4\mu_1^2} + 4\mu_1^2 = 0 \iff \\ &1 + 4\mu_1^2 = 1 + 8\mu_1^2 + 16\mu_1^4. \end{split}$$

That is when  $16\mu_1^4 + 4\mu_1^2 = 0$ :  $\mu_1 = 0$  is absurd, for hypothesis is  $\mu_1 \neq 0$ ; it remains  $16\mu_1^2 = -4$  which has no real solution. So in this case there is no solution.

• When  $x = -\sqrt{\frac{4\mu_1^2}{1+4\mu_1^2}}$ . This gives a single equation for  $\mu_1$  which is derived from the equation  $\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial x}$ ,

$$\begin{split} 0 &= \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial x} = \sqrt{1 - \frac{4\mu_1^2}{1 + 4\mu_1^2}} - 1 - 2\mu_1 \sqrt{\frac{4\mu_1^2}{1 + 4\mu_1^2}} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + 4\mu_1^2}} - 1 - 2\mu_1 \frac{2\mu_1}{\sqrt{1 + 4\mu_1^2}} = 0 \iff \\ 1 - \sqrt{1 + 4\mu_1^2} - 4\mu_1^2 = 0 \iff \\ 1 + 4\mu_1^2 = 1 - 8\mu_1^2 + 16\mu_1^4. \end{split}$$

That is when  $16\mu_1^4 - 12\mu_1^2 = 0$ :  $\mu_1 = 0$  is absurd, for hypothesis is  $\mu_1 \neq 0$ ; it remains  $16\mu_1^2 = 12$  which has solution  $\mu_1 = \pm \sqrt{\frac{12}{16}} = \pm \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$ . The negative solution is not acceptable because the multiplier has to be positive; the solution  $\mu_1 = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$  implies  $x = -\sqrt{\frac{4\cdot3/4}{1+4\cdot3/4}} = -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$ , and  $y = +\sqrt{1-x^2} = \frac{1}{2}$ . But this solution does not satisfy the first equation of the non linear system, namely

$$0 = \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial x} = y - 1 + 2\mu_1 x + \mu_2 = \frac{1}{2} - 1 + 2\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\left(-\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right) \neq 0.$$

So this case has no solution.

\*  $\mu_2 \neq 0$  but  $\sqrt{1-x^2} - x - \frac{1}{2} = 0$ . There is a single expression for x that gives

$$0 = \sqrt{1 - x^2} - x - \frac{1}{2} \implies \sqrt{1 - x^2} = x + \frac{1}{2}$$

and removing the square root it remains  $2x^2 + x - \frac{3}{4} = 0$  which has solution  $x = -\frac{1}{4} \pm \frac{1}{4}\sqrt{7}$ . Therefore one obtains y in the two cases:

$$y = +\sqrt{1-x^2} \implies y = \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4}\sqrt{7} \text{ and } y = -\frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4}\sqrt{7}.$$

Substituting these values in the non linear system gives a reduced system

$$x + 2\mu_1 y - \mu_2 = 0$$
  
$$y - 1 + 2\mu_1 x + \mu_2 = 0.$$

Summing the two equation and substituting  $x = -\frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4}\sqrt{7}$  and the corresponding  $y = \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4}\sqrt{7}$  yields

$$\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{7} - 1 + \frac{1}{2}\mu_1 + \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{7}\mu_1 - \frac{1}{2}\mu_1 + \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{7}\mu_1 = 0 \iff \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{7} - 1 + \sqrt{7}\mu_1 = 0 \implies \mu_1 = \frac{\sqrt{7}}{7} - \frac{1}{2} \approx -0.12 < 0$$

Thus this solution in not acceptable. Checking the second solution for x and y, i.e summing the two equation and substituting  $x = -\frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{4}\sqrt{7}$  and the corresponding  $y = -\frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4}\sqrt{7}$  yields

$$\begin{aligned} &-\frac{1}{2} - 1 - \frac{1}{2}\mu_1 + \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{7}\mu_1 - \frac{1}{2}\mu_1 - \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{7}\mu_1 = 0 \iff \\ &\mu_1 = -\frac{3}{2} < 0. \end{aligned}$$

So even this solution is not valid.

-  $\mu_1 \neq 0$  and  $y = -\sqrt{1-x^2}$ . From the equation  $\mu_2 g_2 = 0$ 

$$\mu_2\left(-\sqrt{1-x^2}-x-\frac{1}{2}\right)=0\iff \mu_2=0 \text{ or } -\sqrt{1-x^2}-x-\frac{1}{2}=0.$$

This leads to the two following different cases.

\*  $\mu_2 = 0$ . In this case the first equation of the non linear system becomes

$$x - 2\mu_1\sqrt{1 - x^2} = 0 \implies x^2 = \frac{4\mu_1^2}{1 + 4\mu_1^2} \implies x = \pm \frac{2\mu_1}{\sqrt{1 + 4\mu_1^2}}$$

$$x = +\frac{2\mu_1}{\sqrt{1+4\mu_1^2}}$$
. In this case the second equation of the system becomes

$$-\sqrt{1 - \frac{4\mu_1^2}{1 + 4\mu_1^2} - 1 + 2\mu_1 \frac{2\mu_1}{\sqrt{1 + 4\mu_1^2}}} = 0 \iff$$
  
$$-1 - \sqrt{1 + 4\mu_1^2} + 4\mu_1^2 = 0 \iff 1 - 8\mu_1^2 + 16\mu_1^4 = 1 + 4\mu_1^2$$
  
$$\implies 16\mu_1^4 - 4\mu_1^2 = 0 \iff \mu_1 = 0, \pm \frac{1}{2}.$$

The solution  $\mu_1 = 0$  is absurd by hypothesis,  $\mu_1 = -\frac{1}{2}$  is not valid because it is negative, it remains to check if  $\mu_1 = \frac{1}{2}$  is acceptable. This implies  $\mu_2 = 0$  and

$$x = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \implies y = -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

but these values do not satisfy the first equation of the system, in facts

$$-\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} - 1 + 2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \neq 0.$$

So no one of these solutions is valid. Now check the case for the negative values of the root for x.

•  $x = -\frac{2\mu_1}{\sqrt{1+4\mu_1^2}}$ . In this case the second equation of the system becomes

$$-\sqrt{1 - \frac{4\mu_1^2}{1 + 4\mu_1^2}} - 1 - 2\mu_1 \frac{2\mu_1}{\sqrt{1 + 4\mu_1^2}} = 0 \iff$$
  
$$-1 - \sqrt{1 + 4\mu_1^2} - 4\mu_1^2 = 0 \iff 1 + 8\mu_1^2 + 16\mu_1^4 = 1 + 4\mu_1^2$$
  
$$\implies 16\mu_1^4 + 4\mu_1^2 = 0 \iff \mu_1 = 0, \pm i\frac{1}{2}.$$

So no solution is acceptable.

\*  $\mu_2 \neq 0$  and  $-\sqrt{1-x^2} - x - \frac{1}{2} = 0$ . This is single equation for x that can be solved squaring the root:

$$-\sqrt{1-x^2} - x - \frac{1}{2} = 0 \iff x^2 + x + \frac{1}{4} = 1 - x^2 \implies 2x^2 + x - \frac{3}{4}$$

This case is the same of the case  $\mu_2 \neq 0$ ,  $y = +\sqrt{1-x^2}$  and  $\sqrt{1-x^2}-x-\frac{1}{2}=0$ , so the same conclusion holds: there is no solution.

•  $\mu_2 \neq 0$  and  $y - x - \frac{1}{2} = 0$ . One obtains  $y = x + \frac{1}{2}$  and from the equation  $\mu_1 g_1 = 0$ 

$$\mu_1\left(1 - x^2 - \left(x + \frac{1}{2}\right)^2\right) = \mu_1\left(2x^2 + x - \frac{3}{4}\right) = 0$$

There are two cases,  $\mu_1 = 0$  and  $2x^2 + x - \frac{3}{4} = 0$ .

-  $\mu_1 = 0$ . From the second equation of the system one has  $\mu_2 = x$ , and from the first equation of the system

$$y - 1 + \mu_2 = x + \frac{1}{2} - 1 + \mu_2 = 0 \implies \mu_2 = \frac{1}{4}.$$

From that values one has  $x = \frac{1}{4}$  and  $y = \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{3}{4}$ . Further more one can check that this solution satisfy the non linear system and is therefore a valid candidate,

$$P_2 = \left\{ x = \frac{1}{4}, y = \frac{3}{4}, \mu_1 = 0, \mu_2 = \frac{1}{4} \right\}.$$

-  $2x^2 + x - \frac{3}{4} = 0$ . The solution of this quadratic are  $x = -\frac{1}{4} \pm \frac{1}{4}\sqrt{7}$  and so  $y = \pm \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4}\sqrt{7}$  and  $\mu_2 = x$ . But these solution do not satisfy the first equation of the system, giving respectively

$$\frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4}\sqrt{7} - 1 - \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4}\sqrt{7} \neq 0$$
$$\frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{4}\sqrt{7} - 1 - \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{4}\sqrt{7} \neq 0.$$

In conclusion there are only two candidates to be minima,

$$P_1 = \{x = 0, y = 1, \mu_1 = 0, \mu_2 = 0\}$$
$$P_2 = \left\{x = \frac{1}{4}, y = \frac{3}{4}, \mu_1 = 0, \mu_2 = \frac{1}{4}\right\}$$

To check if they are maxima, minima or saddle points one has to see if the projected Hessian of the Lagrangian is SPD etc. The Hessian of  $\mathcal{L}$  with respect to x, y is

$$\nabla_{(x,y)}^2 \mathcal{L} = \nabla_{(x,y)}^2 \mathcal{L}(P_1) = \nabla_{(x,y)}^2 \mathcal{L}(P_2) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

The gradient of the constraints is

$$\nabla G(x,y) = \begin{pmatrix} -2x & -2y \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

With KKT conditions one has to project the Hessian of  $\mathcal{L}$  only with respect to the active constraints, i.e. those for which  $g_i(P_j) = 0$ , in this case,  $g_1(P_1) = 1 - 0 - 1 = 0$ ,  $g_2(P_1) = 0$ 

 $1 - 0 - 1/2 \neq 0$  and  $g_1(P_2) = 1 - 1/16 - 9/16 \neq 0$ ,  $g_2(P_2) = 3/4 - 1/4 - 1/2 = 0$ , so for  $P_1$  is active  $g_1$ , for  $P_2$  is active  $g_2$ .

$$\nabla g_1(P_1) = \begin{pmatrix} -2x & -2y \end{pmatrix} \Big|_{P_1} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$$
  $\nabla g_2(P_2) = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \Big|_{P_2} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ 

A vector in the kernel of  $\nabla g_1(P_1)$  is  $w_1 = (1,0)^T$ , a vector in the kernel of  $\nabla g_2(P_2)$  is  $w_2 = (1,1)^T$ . Hence the projection of the Hessian becomes in the two cases

$$w_1^T \nabla_{(x,y)}^2 \mathcal{L}(P_1) w_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = 0,$$
  
$$w_2^T \nabla_{(x,y)}^2 \mathcal{L}(P_2) w_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = 2.$$

So  $P_2$  is a minimum point, but nothing can be concluded for  $P_1$ .

### 2 Exercise 2

Solve the following constrained minimization

$$f(x, y, z) = z + xy$$

subject to

$$x^2 + y^2 \le 1 \qquad \qquad x \le y + z.$$

#### 2.1 Solution with KKT

First put the constraints in the form of the theorem, i.e.  $g_i(x, y, z) \ge 0$ , this gives

$$g_1(x, y, z) = 1 - x^2 - y^2 \ge 0$$
  $g_2(x, y, z) = y + z - x \ge 0.$ 

The next step is to build the Lagrangian,

$$\mathcal{L}(x, y, \mu_1, \mu_2) = f(x, y, z) - \mu_1 g_1(x, y, z) - \mu_2 g_2(x, y, z)$$
  
=  $z + xy - \mu_1 (1 - x^2 - y^2) - \mu_2 (y + z - x).$ 

So using the (first order) KKT conditions, the associated non linear system is

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial x} = y + 2\mu_1 x + \mu_2 = 0$$
$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial y} = x + 2\mu_1 y - \mu_2 = 0$$
$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial z} = 1 - \mu_2$$
$$\mu_1 g_1 = \mu_1 \left(1 - x^2 - y^2\right) = 0$$
$$\mu_2 g_2 = \mu_2 \left(y + z - x\right) = 0$$

with the conditions

 $\mu_1 \ge 0$   $\mu_2 \ge 0$   $g_1 \ge 0$   $g_2 \ge 0.$ 

To solve the non linear system, it is convenient to divide it in the various cases.

•  $\mu_1 = 0$ . From  $\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial z}$  one has  $\mu_2 = 1$ . In this way the general system simplifies to

$$y + z - x = 0$$
$$x - 1 = 0$$
$$y + 1 = 0.$$

The solution is trivially x = 1, y = -1, and from the first equation  $-1 + z - 1 = 0 \implies z = 2$ . One can check that this is not a valid candidate, because it does not satisfy the constraint  $g_1 \ge 0$ .

- $\mu_2 = 0$ . From  $\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial z} = 1 \neq 0$ , this is absurd, so there is no solution.
- $\mu_1 = \mu_2 = 0$ . From  $\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial z} = 1 \neq 0$ , this is absurd, so there is no solution.
- $\mu_1 \neq 0$  and  $1 x^2 y^2 = 0$ . Here there are two subcases:
  - y = +√1 x<sup>2</sup>. From the equation μ<sub>2</sub>g<sub>2</sub> = 0 there are two cases,
    μ<sub>2</sub> = 0. This implies as before ∂L/∂z = 1 ≠ 0, so no solution.
    y + z x = 0. The resulting system becomes

$$y + z - x = 0$$
  

$$y = \sqrt{1 - x^2}$$
  

$$x + 2\mu_1 \sqrt{1 - x^2} - 1 = 0$$
  

$$\sqrt{1 - x^2} + 2\mu_1 x + 1 = 0.$$

From the last equation one has

$$2\mu_1 x = -1 - \sqrt{1 - x^2} \implies \mu_1 = \frac{-1 - \sqrt{1 - x^2}}{2x}$$
 for  $x \neq 0$ .

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Putting this expression in the third equation gives,

$$0 = x + \frac{-1 - \sqrt{1 - x^2}}{x} \sqrt{1 - x^2} - \frac{1 - x^2}{x} - \frac{1 - x^2}{x} - 1$$
$$= \frac{x^2 - \sqrt{1 - x^2} - 1 + x^2 - x}{x}$$
$$= \frac{2x^2 - x - 1 - \sqrt{1 - x^2}}{x}$$

Removing the square root yields

$$4x^{4} + x^{2} + 1 - 4x^{3} - 4x^{2} + 2x - 1 + x^{2} = 0$$
  
$$4x^{4} - 4x^{3} - 2x^{2} + 2x = 0$$

This equation has two trivial roots, x = 0 and x = 1, the other two can be obtained from the reduction of the quartic to a quadratic, and are  $x = \pm \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$ . Now the solution x = 0 has to be discarded because of the discussion for  $\mu_1$ , the solution x = 1 gives  $\mu_1 = -\frac{1}{2}$  which is not valid, the solution  $x = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$  gives  $\mu_1 = \frac{-1-\sqrt{1/2}}{\sqrt{2}} = -\frac{1}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} < 0$  and is not valid, finally  $x = -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$  gives  $\mu_1 = \frac{-1-\sqrt{1/2}}{-\sqrt{2}} = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$ . This  $y = y = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$ ,  $z = x - y = -\sqrt{2}$ . One can verify that this solution satisfy the two constraints. In conclusion there is only one valid candidate in this case,

$$P = \left\{ x = -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}, y = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}, z = -\sqrt{2}, \mu_1 = \frac{1+\sqrt{2}}{2}, \mu_2 = 1 \right\}.$$

-  $y = -\sqrt{1-x^2}$ . As in the previous case there are two possibilities:

\*  $\mu_2 = 0$ . In this case the choose  $\mu_2 = 0$  produces the same absurd as before. \* y + z - x = 0. The simplified system becomes

$$y + z - x = 0$$
  

$$y = -\sqrt{1 - x^2}$$
  

$$x + 2\mu_1\sqrt{1 - x^2} - 1 = 0$$
  

$$-\sqrt{1 - x^2} + 2\mu_1x + 1 = 0.$$

From the last equation one has

$$2\mu_1 y = 1 - x \implies \mu_1 = -\frac{1 - x}{2\sqrt{1 - x^2}}$$
 for  $x \neq \pm 1$ .

Putting this expression in the third equation gives,

$$0 = -\sqrt{1 - x^2} - \frac{1 - x}{\sqrt{1 - x^2}}x + 1$$
  
=  $-(1 - x^2) - x + x^2 + \sqrt{1 - x^2}$   
=  $4x^4 + x^2 + 1 - 4x^3 - 4x^2 + 2x - 1 + x^2$   
=  $4x^4 - 4x^3 - 2x^2 + 2x$ 

This is the quartic of the previous case, this time x = 1 is not a valid solution,  $x = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$  gives  $\mu_1 = -\frac{1-\sqrt{2}/2}{2\sqrt{1/2}} = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} < 0$  and is not valid,  $x = -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$  gives  $\mu_1 = -\frac{1}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} < 0$  is not valid. So in this case there are no solutions.

- $\mu_2 \neq 0$  and y + z x = 0. Here there are two subcases
  - $\mu_1 = 0$ . The simplified system becomes

$$y + z - x = 0$$
$$y + 1 = 0$$
$$x - 1 = 0$$

so there is the trivial solution x = 1, y = -1, z = 2 but does not satisfy the constraints.

-  $1 - x^2 - y^2 = 0$ . There the two subcases  $y = \pm \sqrt{1 - x^2}$ , but are identical as those done before, so they give the same result.

In conclusion there is only one valid candidate, namely

$$P = \left\{ x = -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}, y = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}, z = -\sqrt{2}, \mu_1 = \frac{1+\sqrt{2}}{2}, \mu_2 = 1 \right\}.$$

The Hessian of the Lagrangian is

$$\nabla_{(x,y,z)}^2 \mathcal{L} = \begin{pmatrix} 2\mu_1 & 1 & 0\\ 1 & 2\mu_1 & 0\\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

The gradient of the constraints is

$$\nabla G = \begin{pmatrix} -2x & -2y & 0\\ -1 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Now it is necessary to check if the constraints are active, i.e. if  $g_1(P) = 0$  or  $g_2(P) = 0$ . Thus

$$g_1(P) = 1 - \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} = 0$$
$$g_2(P) = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} - \sqrt{2} + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} = 0$$

So both constraints are active and the whole gradient has to be considered

$$\nabla G(P) = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{2} & -\sqrt{2} & 0\\ -1 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

To find a vector  $w = (\alpha, \beta, \gamma)^T$  in the kernel of  $\nabla G(P)$  one can solve this linear system

$$0 = \nabla G(P)w = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{2} & -\sqrt{2} & 0\\ -1 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \alpha\\ \beta\\ \gamma \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{2}\alpha - \sqrt{2}\beta\\ -\alpha + \beta + \gamma \end{pmatrix}$$

A possible solution is  $w = (1, 1, 0)^T$ . The projection of the Hessian in this kernel is thus

$$w^{T} \nabla_{(x,y,z)}^{2} \mathcal{L}(P) w = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 + \sqrt{2} & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 + \sqrt{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 + \sqrt{2} + 1 \\ 1 + \sqrt{2} + 1 \\ 1 + \sqrt{2} + 1 \end{pmatrix} = 1 + \sqrt{2} + 1 + 1 + \sqrt{2} + 1 = 4 + 2\sqrt{2} > 0.$$

Hence P is a minimum point.