

# Solve Constrained minimization using Lagrange Multiplier

Minimize

```
> f := x*y ;
```

$$f := xy \quad (1)$$

Constraints

```
> g1 := x^2+y^2 <= 1 ;
```

$$g1 := x^2 + y^2 \leq 1 \quad (2)$$

```
> g2 := x^2 <= y ;
```

$$g2 := x^2 \leq y \quad (3)$$

Trick: use slack variables to transform inequality into equality constraints.

Drawback: Problem increase in dimension!

Add variable `a` for constraint g1

```
> h1 := rhs(g1) - lhs(g1) - a^2 ;
```

$$h1 := -a^2 - x^2 - y^2 + 1 \quad (4)$$

Add variable `b` for constraint g2

```
> h2 := rhs(g2) - lhs(g2) - b^2 ;
```

$$h2 := -b^2 - x^2 + y \quad (5)$$

Now the problem is 4 dimensional, the original one was 2 dimensional

## Step 1, build Lagrangian and non linear system

```
> L := f-lambda1*h1-lambda2*h2 ;
```

$$L := -(-a^2 - x^2 - y^2 + 1) \lambda 1 - (-b^2 - x^2 + y) \lambda 2 + xy \quad (1.1)$$

Nonlinear system is the gradient of the Lagrangian

```
> EQ1 := diff(L,x) ;
```

```
EQ2 := diff(L,y) ;
```

```
EQ3 := diff(L,a) ;
```

```
EQ4 := diff(L,b) ;
```

```
EQ5 := diff(L,lambda1) ;
```

```
EQ6 := diff(L,lambda2) ;
```

$$EQ1 := 2 \lambda 1 x + 2 \lambda 2 x + y$$

$$EQ2 := 2 \lambda 1 y - \lambda 2 + x$$

$$EQ3 := 2 a \lambda 1$$

$$EQ4 := 2 b \lambda 2$$

$$EQ5 := a^2 + x^2 + y^2 - 1$$

$$EQ6 := b^2 + x^2 - y \quad (1.2)$$

## Step 2: solve the nonlinear system

Case a=b=0, i.e. we are on the border of the constraints

```
> EQRED1 := subs( a=0, b=0, [EQ|| (1..6)]): <%> ;
```

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2\lambda_1 x + 2\lambda_2 x + y \\ 2\lambda_1 y - \lambda_2 + x \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ x^2 + y^2 - 1 \\ x^2 - y \end{bmatrix} \quad (2.1)$$

```
> SOL112 := solve( EQRED1[1..2], {lambda1, lambda2} );
```

$$SOL112 := \left\{ \lambda_1 = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{2x^2 + y}{x(2y + 1)}, \lambda_2 = \frac{x^2 - y^2}{x(2y + 1)} \right\} \quad (2.2)$$

Non linear system for x,y

```
> subs( SOL112, EQRED1[5..6] );
```

$$[x^2 + y^2 - 1, x^2 - y] \quad (2.3)$$

```
> EQONLYY := EQRED1[5]-EQRED1[6];
```

$$EQONLYY := y^2 + y - 1 \quad (2.4)$$

```
> SOLY := solve( EQONLYY, [y] ); evalf(%);
```

$$SOLY := \left[ \left[ y = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{5} - \frac{1}{2} \right], \left[ y = -\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{5} \right] \right]$$

$$[[y = 0.6180339880], [y = -1.618033988]] \quad (2.5)$$

Discard second solution...

Now build all the solutions

Solution 1:

```
> a_soll, b_soll := 0, 0;
```

$$a\_soll, b\_soll := 0, 0 \quad (2.6)$$

```
> y_soll := subs(SOLY[1], y);
```

$$y\_soll := \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{5} - \frac{1}{2} \quad (2.7)$$

```
> x_soll := sqrt(y_soll); evalf(%);
```

$$x\_soll := \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{-2 + 2\sqrt{5}}$$

$$0.7861513775 \quad (2.8)$$

```
> lambda1_soll := simplify(subs(x=x_soll, y=y_soll, subs(SOL112, lambda1)));
```

$$\lambda_{1\_soll} := -\frac{3}{10} \frac{(\sqrt{5} - 1)\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{-2 + 2\sqrt{5}}} \quad (2.9)$$

```
> lambda2_soll := simplify(subs(x=x_soll, y=y_soll, subs(SOL112, lambda2)));
```

$$\lambda_{2\_soll} := \frac{2}{5} \frac{(-2 + \sqrt{5})\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{-2 + 2\sqrt{5}}} \quad (2.10)$$

Solution 2:

$$\begin{aligned} > \text{a\_sol2, b\_sol2} := 0, 0 ; \\ & \qquad \qquad \qquad \text{a\_sol2, b\_sol2} := 0, 0 \end{aligned} \tag{2.11}$$

$$\begin{aligned} > \text{y\_sol2} := \text{subs}(\text{SOLY}[1], \text{y}); \\ & \qquad \qquad \qquad \text{y\_sol2} := \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{5} - \frac{1}{2} \end{aligned} \tag{2.12}$$

$$\begin{aligned} > \text{x\_sol2} := -\text{sqrt}(\text{y\_sol2}) ; \\ & \qquad \qquad \qquad \text{x\_sol2} := -\frac{1}{2} \sqrt{-2 + 2\sqrt{5}} \end{aligned} \tag{2.13}$$

$$\begin{aligned} > \text{lambda1\_sol2} := \text{simplify}(\text{subs}(\text{x}=\text{x\_sol2}, \text{y}=\text{y\_sol2}, \text{subs}(\text{SOL112}, \\ & \text{lambda1}))) ; \\ & \qquad \qquad \qquad \text{lambda1\_sol2} := \frac{3}{10} \frac{(\sqrt{5} - 1)\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{-2 + 2\sqrt{5}}} \end{aligned} \tag{2.14}$$

$$\begin{aligned} > \text{lambda2\_sol2} := \text{simplify}(\text{subs}(\text{x}=\text{x\_sol2}, \text{y}=\text{y\_sol2}, \text{subs}(\text{SOL112}, \\ & \text{lambda2}))) ; \\ & \qquad \qquad \qquad \text{lambda2\_sol2} := -\frac{2}{5} \frac{(-2 + \sqrt{5})\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{-2 + 2\sqrt{5}}} \end{aligned} \tag{2.15}$$

Case  $a < 0$  and  $b < 0 \rightarrow \text{lambda1} = \text{lambda2} = 0$ , i.e. we are INSIDE of BOTH the constraints

$$\begin{aligned} > \text{EQRED2} := \text{subs}(\text{lambda1}=0, \text{lambda2}=0, [\text{EQ} | (1..6)]): <\%> ; \\ & \qquad \qquad \qquad \begin{bmatrix} y \\ x \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ a^2 + x^2 + y^2 - 1 \\ b^2 + x^2 - y \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned} \tag{2.16}$$

The solution is easy... (consider only non negative solution for slack variables)

$$\begin{aligned} > \text{lambda1\_sol3, lambda2\_sol3} := 0, 0 ; \\ & \qquad \qquad \qquad \text{lambda1\_sol3, lambda2\_sol3} := 0, 0 \end{aligned} \tag{2.17}$$

$$\begin{aligned} > \text{x\_sol3} := 0 ; \\ & \text{y\_sol3} := 0 ; \\ & \qquad \qquad \qquad \text{x\_sol3} := 0 \\ & \qquad \qquad \qquad \text{y\_sol3} := 0 \end{aligned} \tag{2.18}$$

$$\begin{aligned} > \text{subs}(\text{x}=0, \text{y}=0, \text{EQRED2}) ; \\ & \qquad \qquad \qquad [0, 0, 0, 0, a^2 - 1, b^2] \end{aligned} \tag{2.19}$$

$$\begin{aligned} > \text{a\_sol3, b\_sol3} := 1, 0 ; \\ & \qquad \qquad \qquad \text{a\_sol3, b\_sol3} := 1, 0 \end{aligned} \tag{2.20}$$

Case  $a < 0$  and  $b = 0 \rightarrow \text{lambda1} = 0$ , i.e. we are INSIDE only of the first constraint

$$> \text{EQRED3} := \text{subs}(\text{lambda1}=0, \text{b}=0, [\text{EQ} | (1..6)]): <\%> ;$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2\lambda^2 x + y \\ -\lambda^2 + x \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ a^2 + x^2 + y^2 - 1 \\ x^2 - y \end{bmatrix} \quad (2.21)$$

```
> solve( EQRED3[2], {lambda2} );
EQRED3bis := subs( %, EQRED3 ) : <%> ;
{lambda2=x}
```

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2x^2 + y \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ a^2 + x^2 + y^2 - 1 \\ x^2 - y \end{bmatrix} \quad (2.22)$$

```
> solve( { EQRED3bis[1],EQRED3bis[6]}, {x,y} ) ;
{x=0,y=0} \quad (2.23)
```

Solution already considered...

Case a=0 and b<>0 --> lambda2=0, i.e. we are INSIDE only of the second constraint

```
> EQRED4 := subs( lambda2=0, a=0, [EQ|(1..6)]): <%> ;
```

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2\lambda x + y \\ 2\lambda y + x \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ x^2 + y^2 - 1 \\ b^2 + x^2 - y \end{bmatrix} \quad (2.24)$$

```
> SOLX := solve( EQRED4[2], {x} ) ;
SOLX := {x = -2\lambda y} \quad (2.25)
```

```
> EQRED4bis := subs( SOLX, EQRED4 ) : <%> ;
```

(2.26)

$$\begin{bmatrix} -4\lambda I^2 y + y \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 4\lambda I^2 y^2 + y^2 - 1 \\ 4\lambda I^2 y^2 + b^2 - y \end{bmatrix} \quad (2.26)$$

```
> subs(y=1, EQRED4bis[1]) ; LAMBDA1 := solve(%, {lambda1}) ;
      -4λI2 + 1
      LAMBDA1 := {λI = -1/2}, {λI = 1/2} (2.27)
```

```
> subs(LAMBDA1[1], EQRED4bis[5]) ; YSOL := solve(%, {y}) ;
      2y2 - 1
      YSOL := {y = 1/2 √2}, {y = -1/2 √2} (2.28)
```

```
> subs(LAMBDA1[1], YSOL[1], EQRED4bis[6]) ;
      BSOL := solve(%, {b}) ;
      b2 + 1/2 - 1/2 √2
      BSOL := {b = 1/2 √(-2 + 2√2)}, {b = -1/2 √(-2 + 2√2)} (2.29)
```

Build the solution

```
> b_sol4 := subs(BSOL[1], b) ;
   lambda1_sol4 := subs(LAMBDA1[1], lambda1) ;
   y_sol4 := subs(YSOL[1], y) ;
      b_sol4 := 1/2 √(-2 + 2√2)
      lambda1_sol4 := -1/2
      y_sol4 := 1/2 √2 (2.30)
```

to be or not to be

## Check first solution for second order condition

Compute the gradient of the constraints

```
> gradH1 := <diff(h1,x) | diff(h1,y) | diff(h1,a) | diff(h1,b)>;
   gradH2 := <diff(h2,x) | diff(h2,y) | diff(h2,a) | diff(h2,b)>;
      gradH1 := [ -2x -2y -2a 0 ]
```

$$\text{grad}H2 := \begin{bmatrix} -2x & 1 & 0 & -2b \end{bmatrix} \quad (3.1)$$

```
> H := < gradH1, gradH2 > ;
H1 := subs( x=x_soll1, y=y_soll1, a=a_soll1, b=b_soll1, H ) ;
```

$$H := \begin{bmatrix} -2x & -2y & -2a & 0 \\ -2x & 1 & 0 & -2b \end{bmatrix}$$

$$H1 := \begin{bmatrix} -\sqrt{-2+2\sqrt{5}} & -\sqrt{5}+1 & 0 & 0 \\ -\sqrt{-2+2\sqrt{5}} & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (3.2)$$

```
> NS := op(LinearAlgebra[NullSpace](H1)) ;
```

$$NS := \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (3.3)$$

```
> Z := alpha*NS[1]+beta*NS[2] ;
```

$$Z := \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \beta \\ \alpha \end{bmatrix} \quad (3.4)$$

```
> H1.Z ;
```

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (3.5)$$

Compute the Hessian of the Lagrangian

```
> HessL := <<diff(L,x,x),
diff(L,x,y),
diff(L,x,a),
diff(L,x,b)>|
<diff(L,y,x),
diff(L,y,y),
diff(L,y,a),
diff(L,y,b)>|
<diff(L,a,x),
diff(L,a,y),
diff(L,a,a),
diff(L,a,b)>|
<diff(L,b,x),
diff(L,b,y),
diff(L,b,a),
diff(L,b,b)>>;
```

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$$HessL := \begin{bmatrix} 2\lambda_1 + 2\lambda_2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 2\lambda_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2\lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2\lambda_2 \end{bmatrix} \quad (3.6)$$

```
> HessL0 := subs( x=x_sol1, y=y_sol1,
                  a=a_sol1, b=b_sol1,
                  lambda1=0, lambda2=0, HessL ) ;
```

$$HessL0 := \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (3.7)$$

```
> LinearAlgebra[Transpose](Z).HessL0.Z ;
      0
```

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## Check second solution for second order condition

Compute the gradient of the constraints

```
> H2 := subs( x=x_sol2, y=y_sol2, a=a_sol2, b=b_sol2, H ) ;
```

$$H2 := \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{-2 + 2\sqrt{5}} & -\sqrt{5} + 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \sqrt{-2 + 2\sqrt{5}} & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (4.1)$$

```
> NS := op(LinearAlgebra[NullSpace](H2)) ;
```

$$NS := \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (4.2)$$

```
> Z := alpha*NS[1]+beta*NS[2] ;
```

$$Z := \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \beta \\ \alpha \end{bmatrix} \quad (4.3)$$

```
> H2.Z ;
```

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (4.4)$$

Compute the Hessian of the Lagrangian

```
> HessL2 := subs( x=x_sol2, y=y_sol2,
                  a=a_sol2, b=b_sol2,
```

$$\begin{aligned}
& \text{lambda1=lambda1\_sol2,} \\
& \text{lambda2=lambda2\_sol2,HessL ) ;} \\
\text{HessL2} := & \left[ \left[ \frac{3}{5} \frac{(\sqrt{5}-1)\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{-2+2\sqrt{5}}} - \frac{4}{5} \frac{(-2+\sqrt{5})\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{-2+2\sqrt{5}}}, 1, 0, 0 \right], \right.
\end{aligned} \tag{4.5}$$

$$\left[ 1, \frac{3}{5} \frac{(\sqrt{5}-1)\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{-2+2\sqrt{5}}}, 0, 0 \right],$$

$$\left[ 0, 0, \frac{3}{5} \frac{(\sqrt{5}-1)\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{-2+2\sqrt{5}}}, 0 \right],$$

$$\left[ 0, 0, 0, -\frac{4}{5} \frac{(-2+\sqrt{5})\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{-2+2\sqrt{5}}} \right] \Big]$$

> LinearAlgebra[Transpose](Z).HessL2.Z ; evalf(%) ;

$$\frac{3}{5} \frac{\beta^2 (\sqrt{5}-1)\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{-2+2\sqrt{5}}} - \frac{4}{5} \frac{\alpha^2 (-2+\sqrt{5})\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{-2+2\sqrt{5}}}$$

$$1.054732753 \beta^2 - 0.2685813745 \alpha^2$$

(4.6)