

Project: 04

1) Consider the problem

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{minimize } x_2 - (x_1 - 2)^3 + 3 \\ &\text{subject to } x_2 \geq 1. \end{aligned}$$

- (i) Write down the KKT conditions and find all points that satisfy the condition. Check whether or not each point is regular.
- (ii) Determine whether or not the point(s) in part (i) satisfy the second order necessary conditions.
- (iii) Determine whether or not the point(s) in part (ii) satisfy the second order sufficient conditions.

2) Solve the following optimization problem using the second order sufficient conditions:

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{Minimize } x_1^2 + x_2^2 \\ &\text{subject to } x_1^2 - x_2 - 4 \leq 0 \\ &\quad \quad \quad x_2 - x_1 - 2 \leq 0. \end{aligned}$$

3) Consider the following problem:

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{Minimize } (x_1 - \frac{9}{4})^2 + (x_2 - 2)^2 \\ &\text{subject to } x_2 - x_1^2 \geq 0 \\ &\quad \quad \quad x_2 + x_1 \leq 6 \\ &\quad \quad \quad x_1, x_2 \geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

- (i) Write the KKT optimality conditions and verify that these conditions hold true at the point $\bar{x} = (\frac{3}{2}, \frac{9}{4})$.
- (ii) Interpret the KKT conditions at \bar{x} graphically.
- (iii) Show that \bar{x} is indeed the unique global optimal solution.