



Optimization with Partial Differential Equations

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Exercise Sheet 7

Exercise 7.1 (Obstacle problem):

Given an open, bounded Lipschitz domain $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ ($n \in \{2, 3\}$), consider for $k \in \{1, 2, 3\}$ the elliptic obstacle problem

$$\min_{y \in Y_k} J(y) := \frac{1}{2} (\nabla y, \nabla y)_{L^2(\Omega)^n} - (f, y)_{L^2(\Omega)} \quad \text{s. t.} \quad l_k \leq y \leq r_k \quad \text{a. e. in } \Omega \quad (1)$$

with Banach spaces $Y_k \subset H_0^1(\Omega)$, $f \in L^2(\Omega)$, $l_k, r_k \in Y_k$, $l_k < r_k$ everywhere in Ω .

- Determine a variational inequality which constitutes a first-order necessary optimality condition for problem (1) with $k = 1$, $Y_1 := H_0^1(\Omega)$.
- Transform the box constraint $l_2 \leq y \leq r_2$ into a cone constraint and determine the KKT conditions for problem (1) with $k = 2$, $Y_2 := H_0^1(\Omega) \cap \mathcal{C}(\overline{\Omega})$.
- Having $k = 3$, $Y_3 := H_0^1(\Omega) \cap H^2(\Omega)$, show that an optimal solution $\bar{y} \in Y_3$ of problem (1) fulfills the following optimality system: There exist $\lambda, \rho \in L^2(\Omega)$ with

$$\begin{aligned} (\nabla \bar{y}, \nabla v)_{L^2(\Omega)^n} - (f, v)_{L^2(\Omega)} + (\rho, v)_{L^2(\Omega)} - (\lambda, v)_{L^2(\Omega)} &= 0 \quad \forall v \in Y_3 \\ \bar{y} &\geq l_3, \quad \lambda \geq 0, \quad \lambda(\bar{y} - l_3) = 0 \quad \text{a. e. in } \Omega \\ \bar{y} &\leq r_3, \quad \rho \geq 0, \quad \rho(r_3 - \bar{y}) = 0 \quad \text{a. e. in } \Omega. \end{aligned}$$

Exercise 7.2 (The classical Newton's method):

Let X and Y be Banach spaces and let $G : X \rightarrow Y$ be a continuously F-differentiable operator. By $x^* \in X$ we denote a solution of the nonlinear equation $G(x) = 0$. Furthermore, let $G'(x^*)$ be continuously invertible.

Starting at $x^0 \in X$ close to x^* , the generalized Newton's method (Algorithm 6.1 from the lecture) with the special choice $M_k = G'(x^k)$ is applied, i. e. in each iteration the step s^k is obtained by solving $G'(x^k)s = -G(x^k)$ and the next iterate $x^{k+1} := x^k + s^k$ is computed.

- For $d^k := x^k - x^*$ prove the approximation condition

$$\|G(x^* + d^k) - G(x^*) - M_k d^k\|_Y = o(\|d^k\|_X) \quad \text{for } \|d^k\|_X \rightarrow 0.$$

- Now, let G' be Hölder continuous of order $\alpha \in (0, 1]$ near x^* : It holds $\|G'(x) - G'(\tilde{x})\|_{\mathcal{L}(X, Y)} \leq L \|x - \tilde{x}\|_X^\alpha$ for some constant $L \geq 0$ and all $x, \tilde{x} \in X$ close enough to x^* . Prove the sharper estimate

$$\|G(x^* + d^k) - G(x^*) - M_k d^k\|_Y \leq \frac{L}{1 + \alpha} \|d^k\|_X^{1+\alpha} = \mathcal{O}(\|d^k\|_X^{1+\alpha}) \quad \text{for } \|d^k\|_X \rightarrow 0.$$

Hint: Use the fundamental theorem of calculus.

- What can you deduce about the local convergence order of the *classical Newton's method*?

Exercise 7.3 (A semilinear optimal control problem):

Let $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ be an open, bounded Lipschitz domain. Consider the optimal control problem

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{(y,u) \in Y \times U} J(y,u) &:= \frac{1}{2} \|y - y_d\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2 + \frac{1}{2} \|y - y_b\|_{L^2(\partial\Omega)}^2 + \frac{\alpha}{2} \|u\|_U^2 \\ \text{s. t. } \begin{cases} -\Delta y + y + y^3 &= 0 & (\text{in } \Omega), \\ \frac{\partial y}{\partial \nu} + y &= u & (\text{on } \partial\Omega), \end{cases} & u \in U_{\text{ad}} := \{u \in U : l \leq u \leq r \text{ a. e.}\} \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

with $Y := H^1(\Omega)$, $U := L^2(\partial\Omega)$, and given $y_d \in L^2(\Omega)$, $y_b \in L^2(\partial\Omega)$, $\alpha > 0$, and $l, r \in L^2(\partial\Omega)$ with $l \leq r$ a. e.

You can use without a proof that for every $u \in U$ there exists a unique state $y(u) \in Y$ solving the weak form of the state equation.

- Give the weak formulation $e(y, u) = 0$ of the state equation.
- Compute the first partial derivatives of J and e . You can use without a proof that $F : L^6(\Omega) \rightarrow L^2(\Omega)$, $y \mapsto y^3$ is continuously Fréchet-differentiable with the derivative $F'(y)v = 3y^2v$.
- Let $y \in H^1(\Omega)$ be given. Show that the bilinear form $a : Y \times Y \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$,

$$a(v, w) := (v, w)_{H^1(\Omega)} + (3y^2v, w)_{L^2(\Omega)} + (v, w)_{L^2(\partial\Omega)} \quad \forall v, w \in Y$$

is continuous. Give a short justification for all involved estimates.

- Derive the adjoint equation in weak and strong form. You can use without a proof that $e_y(y, u)$ has a bounded inverse for all $u \in U$.
- Compute the adjoint based representation of the gradient of the reduced objective function $\hat{J}(u) := J(y(u), u)$.
- State a necessary optimality condition for problem (2).