# REGULARITY AND SUFFICIENT OPTIMALITY CONDITIONS FOR SOME CLASSES OF MATHEMATICAL PROGAMMING PROBLEMS

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#### § 1. INTRODUCTION

Let f be a functional defined on a real Banach space X, C a non-empty closed convex subset of X, F a map from X into a real Banach space Y and K a closed convex cone in Y with vertex at the origin. Let us consider the mathematical programming problem

(I) 
$$\begin{cases} \min \mathbf{m} \text{ ize } f(x), \\ \text{ subject to } F(x) \in K, x \in C. \end{cases}$$

Necessary optimality condition for Problem (I) is well-known (see [1]). Sufficient optimality conditions for Problem (I) have been given in [2], [3] [4], [5], [6]. In [2], the problem is solved under the assumption that C = X and  $K = \{0\}$ . The papers [3 - 6] deal with the case where C = X or K is the non-positive orthant of a finite-dimensional space.

In this paper we shall be concerned with sufficient optimality conditions for Problem (I). The paper is organized as follows. In Section 2, using the generalized open mapping theorem in [1], we shall show that under the regularity assumption, introduced by Zowe and Kurcyusz [1], the feasible set of Problem (I) can be approximated by the linearizing cone. In Section 3, some first and second-order sufficient optimality conditions for Problem (I) will be obtained. Section 4 is devoted to the discussion of a case which was studied in [3], [4].

## § 2. AN APPROXIMATION PROPERTY FOR THE FEASIBLE SET OF PROBLEM (I)

The set of all feasible points for Problem (I) is denoted by M, i. e.,

$$M = C \wedge F^{-1}(K)$$

For fixed  $x \in X$  and  $y \in Y$  let C(x) and K(y) denote the conical hull of  $C-\{x\}$  and  $K-\{y\}$ , respectively, i. e.,

$$C(x) = \{ \lambda(c - x) \mid c \in C, \lambda \geqslant 0 \},$$
  

$$K(y) = \{ k - \lambda y \mid k \in K, \lambda \geqslant 0 \}.$$

Throughout this paper we assume that the maps f, F are continuously Fréchet differentiable at  $\overline{x} \in M$ .

We recall the regularity concept of Zowe and Kurcyusz [1]:

The feasible point  $\overline{x}$  is called regular for Problem (I) if

$$F(\overline{x})C(\overline{x}) - K(F(\overline{x})) = Y. \tag{2.1}$$

It was pointed out in [1] that (2.1) is equivalent to either of the following conditions:

$$0 \in \operatorname{int} (F(\overline{x}) + F'(\overline{x})C(\overline{x}) - K), \tag{2.2}$$

$$0 \in \operatorname{int} (F'(\overline{x})C(\overline{x}) - K(F(\overline{x}))). \tag{2.3}$$

It is worth noticing [1] that either of the following two conditions implies the regularity of  $\overline{x}$ ;

- (1)  $\overline{x} \in \text{int } C \text{ and } F'(\overline{x}) \text{ is surjective };$
- (!!) There is some  $\widehat{x} \in C(\overline{x})$  such that

$$F'(\overline{x})\widehat{x} \in \text{int } K(F(\overline{x})).$$

We recall the generalized open mapping theorem in [1] which is needed later.

THEOREM 2. 1 ([1]). Let  $\overline{x} \in C$ ,  $\overline{y} \in K$  and T be a continuous linear operator between the Banach spaces X and Y. Then, the following statements are equivalent:

(i)  $Y = TC(\overline{x}) - K(\overline{y})$ ,

(ii)  $B_{\mathbf{y}}(0, \rho) \subset T(C - \overline{x})_1 - (K - \overline{y})_1$ , for some  $\rho > 0$ , where:

$$(C - \overline{x})_1 = (C - \{\overline{x}\}) \wedge B_X(0, 1),$$
  
 $(K - \overline{y})_1 = (K - \{\overline{y}\}) \wedge B_Y(0, 1),$ 

and  $B_{y}(0, \rho)$  stands for the closed norm ball around zero with radius  $\rho > 0$  in Y.

Denote by L the linearizing cone of M at  $\overline{x}$ , i. e.,

$$L = \{x \in X \mid x \in C(\overline{x}) \text{ and } F'(\overline{x}) x \in K(F(\overline{x})) \}. \tag{2.4}$$

DEFINITION 2. 1. The feasible set M is said to be approximated at  $x \in M$  by L, if there exists a map  $h: M \to L$  such that

$$||h(x) - (x - \bar{x})|| = \theta(||x - \bar{x}||) \text{ for } x \in M,$$
 (2.5)

where

$$\theta(\|x-\overline{x}\|)/\|x-\overline{x}\| \to 0$$
 (when  $\|x-\overline{x}\| \to 0$ ).

THEOREM 2. 2 Let  $\overline{x}$  be a regular point of Problem (1). Then the feasible set M is approximated at  $\overline{x}$  by L.

*Proof.* Let  $x \in M$ . Since F is differentiable at  $\overline{x}$ , we get

$$E(x) - F(\overline{x}) = F'(\overline{x})(x - \overline{x}) + r(x, \overline{x}), \qquad (2.6)$$

where

$$|| r(x, \overline{x}) || = \theta(||x - \overline{x}||).$$

Noting that  $r(x, \overline{x}) \in || r(x, \overline{x}) || B_{\gamma}(0, 1)$ , and applying Theorem 2.1 to the map  $F(\overline{x})$  we can find a number  $\rho > 0$  such that

$$\rho r(x, \overline{x}) \in F(\overline{x}) (\parallel r(x, \overline{x}) \parallel (C - \{\overline{x}\}) \wedge B_{X}(0, 1)) - \dots$$

$$- \parallel r(x, \overline{x}) \parallel (K - \{F(\overline{x}\}) \wedge B_{Y}(0, 1).$$

$$(2.7)$$

From this it follows that there exist  $\xi \in (C - \{\overline{x}\}) \cap B_X(0, 1)$  and  $\eta \in (K - \{F(\overline{x})\}) \cap B_Y(0, 1)$  such that

$$\rho r(x, \overline{x}) = F(\overline{x}) \left( \| r(x, \overline{x}) \| \xi \right) - \| r(x, \overline{x}) \| \eta_{\bullet}$$
 (2.8)

For each  $x \in M$  we put

$$h(x) = x - \overline{x} + \frac{\| r(x, \overline{x}) \|}{\rho} \xi.$$
 (2.9)

Then, because  $\|\xi\| \leqslant 1$  we have

$$||h(x)-(x-\overline{x})||\leqslant \frac{||r(x,\overline{x})||}{\rho},$$

which implies that

$$||h(x) - (x - \overline{x})|| = 0 (||x - \overline{x}||).$$

Now we show that h is a map from M into L, in other words, that for every  $x \in M$ ,  $h(x) \in L$ , i. e.,  $h(x) \in C'(\overline{x})$  and  $F'(\overline{x})h(x) \in K(F(\overline{x}))$ .

In view of (2.9), there is  $x \in C$  such that

$$h(x) = x - \overline{x} + \frac{\| r(x, \overline{x}) \|}{\rho} (\widetilde{x} - \overline{x})$$

$$= x + \frac{\| r(x, \overline{x}) \|}{\rho} \widetilde{x} - \left(1 + \frac{\| r(x, \overline{x}) \|}{\rho}\right) \overline{x}$$

$$= \frac{\rho + \| r(x, \overline{x}) \|}{\rho} \left(\frac{\rho}{\rho + \| r(x, \overline{x}) \|} x + \frac{\| r(x, \overline{x}) \|}{\rho + \| r(x, \overline{x}) \|} \widetilde{x} - \overline{x}\right)$$

Since C is a convex set, it follows that  $\frac{\rho}{\rho + \| r(x, \overline{x}) \|} x + \frac{\| r(x, \overline{x}) \|}{\rho + \| r(x, \overline{x}) \|} \overset{\sim}{x} \in C$ , hence  $h(x) \in C(\overline{x})$ .

Combining (2.6), (2.8) and (2.9) we get

$$F'(\overline{x}) h(x) = F'(\overline{x}) (x - \overline{x}) + F'(\overline{x}) \left( \frac{\| \hat{r}(x, \overline{x}) \|}{\rho} \right)$$

$$= F'(\overline{x})(x - \overline{x}) + r(x, \overline{x}) + \frac{\| r(x, \overline{x}) \|}{\rho} \eta$$

$$= F(x) - F(\overline{x}) + \frac{\| r(x, \overline{x}) \|}{\rho} \eta. \tag{2.10}$$

But, noting that 
$$\frac{\| F(x,\overline{x}) \|}{\rho}$$
  $\eta \in (K - \{F(\overline{x})\})$  we can write  $\frac{\| F(x,\overline{x}) \|}{\rho}$   $\eta = \eta_{1} - F(\overline{x})$  for some  $\eta_{2} \in K$ . (2.11)

Since  $F(x) \in K$ , substituting (2.11) into (2.10) yields:

$$F'(\bar{x})h(x) = F(x) + \eta_1 - 2F(\bar{x}) \in K - 2F(x\bar{y}).$$

Therefore,  $F'(x)h(x) \in K(F(x))$ , which completes the proof.

## § 3. FIRST AND SECOND-ORDER SUFFICIENT OPTIMALITY CONDITION FOR PROBLEM (I)

The Lagrangian of Problem (I) is defined to be:

$$\mathcal{L}(x, \Lambda) = f(x) - \langle \Lambda, F(x) \rangle$$

A second-order sufficient optimality condition for Problem (I) can then be stated as follows

THEOREM 3.1. Let  $\overline{x}$  be a regular point of Problem (1). Suppose that the maps f, F are twice continuously Fréchet differentiable at  $\overline{x}$  and

a) There exists a Lagrange multiplier  $h \in K^*$  such that

$$\mathcal{L}'_{x}(\overline{x}, \Lambda) = f'(\overline{x}) - \Lambda^{*} F'(\overline{x}) \in (C(\overline{x}))^{*}, \tag{3.1}$$

$$\langle \Lambda, F(\overline{x}) \rangle = 0, \tag{3.2}$$

b) There is a number 6 > 0 such that

$$\mathcal{L}_{xx}^{"}(\overline{x}, \Lambda) (\xi, \xi) \geqslant 6 \|\xi\|^2 \text{ for all } \xi \in L.$$
(3.3)

Then x is a local solution of Problem (I).

Remark 3. 1. Theorem 3. 1 is more general than Theorem 2. 2 in [5] not only by the presence of the constraint  $x \in C$ , but also because the uniform positivity of the Lagrange multiplier  $\Lambda$  is not assumed.

Proof of Theorem 3. 1. Let x be an arbitrary feasible point of Problem (I), i. e.  $x \in C$  and  $F(x) \in K$  ( $x \in M$ ).

We first observe that  $x - \overline{x} \in C(\overline{x})$  and  $\langle A, F(\overline{x}) \rangle > 0$ . The twice differentiability of f and F yields

$$f(x) \geqslant f(x) - \langle \Lambda, F(x) \rangle = f(\overline{x}) - \langle \Lambda, F(\overline{x}) \rangle + + \mathcal{L}_{x}'(\overline{x}, \Lambda) (x - \overline{x}) + \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{L}_{xx}'(\overline{x}, \Lambda) (x - \overline{x}, x - \overline{x}) + r_{1} (x, \overline{x}),$$
 (3.4)

where  $|r_1(x - \overline{x})| = 0(||x - \overline{x}||^2)$ .

It follows from Assumption a) and (3. 4) that

$$f(x) \geqslant f(\bar{x}) + \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{L}''_{xx}(\bar{x}, \lambda) (x - \bar{x}, x - \bar{x}) + r_1(x, \bar{x}).$$
 (3.5)

Moreover, according to Theorem 2. 2, for  $x \in M$ ,  $x - \overline{x}$  can be represented as a sum of two elements:  $x - \overline{x} = x_1 + x_2$ , where  $x_1 \in L$ ,  $||x_2|| = 0(||x - \overline{x}||)$ .

Since  $\mathcal{L}_{xx}^{"}(\overline{x}, \lambda)$  (y, y) is a bilinear form, (3.5) implies the existence of a number  $\delta_1 > 0$  for  $\epsilon > 0$  such that for every  $x \in M \cap B_{\mathbf{x}}(x, \delta_1)$ ,

$$f(x) \ge f(\bar{x}) + \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{L}_{xx}^{"}(\bar{x}, h) (x_1, x_1) + \mathcal{L}_{xx}^{"}(\bar{x}, h) (x_1, x_2) + \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{L}_{xx}^{"}(\bar{x}, h) (x_2, x_2) - \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \|x - \bar{x}\|^2.$$
(3.6)

We observe that for  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists  $\delta > 0$  ( $\delta \leqslant \delta_I$ ) such that for every  $x \in M \wedge B_X(\overline{x}, \delta)$ ,

$$\parallel x_2 \parallel \leqslant \varepsilon \parallel x - \bar{x} \parallel, \tag{3.7}$$

hence,

$$||x_1|| = ||x - \overline{x} - x_2|| \geqslant ||x - \overline{x}| - ||x_2|| \geqslant (1 - \varepsilon) ||x - \overline{x}||$$
 (3.8)

Combining (3.7) and (3.8) we get

$$\|x_2\| \leqslant \frac{\varepsilon}{1-\varepsilon} \|x_1\| \tag{3.9}$$

It follows from (3.6) and Assumption b) that

$$\begin{split} f(x) \geqslant f(\bar{x}) + \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \sigma \| x_I \|^2 - 2 \| \mathcal{L}_{xx}^{"}(\bar{x}, \Lambda) \| \| x_I \| \| x_2 \| - \| \mathcal{L}_{xx}^{"}(\bar{x}, \Lambda) \| \| x_2 \|^2 - \varepsilon \| x - \bar{x} \|^2 \right\}. \end{split} \tag{3.10}$$

From (3.8), (3.9) and (3.10) we see that for every  $x \in M \cap B_{x}(x, \delta)$ ,

$$f(x) \geqslant f(\overline{x}) + \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \sigma + \frac{2\varepsilon}{1 - \varepsilon} \parallel \mathcal{L}_{xx}^{"}(\overline{x}, \Lambda) \parallel - \left(\frac{\varepsilon}{1 - \varepsilon}\right)^{2} \parallel \mathcal{L}_{xx}^{"}(\overline{x}, \Lambda) \parallel \right\} \parallel x_{1} \parallel^{2} - \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \parallel x - \overline{x} \parallel^{2}$$

$$\geqslant f(\overline{x}) + \frac{(1 - \varepsilon)^{2}}{2} \left\{ \sigma - \frac{2\varepsilon}{1 - \varepsilon} \parallel \mathcal{L}_{xx}^{"}(\overline{x}, \Lambda) \parallel - \left(\frac{\varepsilon}{1 - \varepsilon}\right)^{2} \right\} \parallel x - \overline{x} \parallel^{2}$$

$$- \left(\frac{\varepsilon}{1 - \varepsilon}\right)^{2} \parallel \mathcal{L}_{xx}^{"}(\overline{x}, \Lambda) \parallel - \frac{\varepsilon}{(1 - \varepsilon)^{2}} \right\} \parallel x - \overline{x} \parallel^{2}$$

$$(3.11)$$

If we choose  $\varepsilon > 0$  so small that

$$\sigma - \frac{2\varepsilon}{1-\varepsilon} \parallel \mathcal{L}_{xx}^{"}(\overline{x}, \Lambda) \parallel - \left(\frac{\varepsilon}{1-\varepsilon}\right)^2 = \mathcal{L}_{xx}^{"}(\overline{x}, \Lambda) \parallel - \frac{\varepsilon}{(1-\varepsilon)^2} > 0,$$

then, it follows from (3.11) that for every  $x \in M \cap B_X(\overline{x}, \delta)$ ,  $f(x) \geqslant f(\overline{x})$ . The proof is thus complete.

Remak 3.2. From Theorem 3.1 we can derive a corollary which is stronger than Theorem 2.2 in [5] because it does not assume the uniform positivity of the Lagrange multiplier.

Now we establish some first-order sufficient optimality condition for Problem (I).

THEOREM 3.2. Let  $\overline{x}$  be a regular point of Problem (I). Assume, in addition, that there is a number  $\beta > 0$  such that

$$\langle f'(\overline{x}), x \rangle \geqslant \beta \| x \| \text{ for all } x \in L,$$
 (3.12)

Then, there are  $\alpha \in (0, \beta)$  and  $\rho > 0$  such that for all  $x \in M$  with  $||x - \overline{x}|| \le \rho$ :  $f(x) \geqslant f(\overline{x}) + \alpha ||x - \overline{x}||,$ 

That is,  $\bar{x}$  is a strictly local solution of Problem (I).

*Proof.* According to Theorem 2.2, any  $x \in M$  can be represented as a sum  $x = \overline{x} + x_1 + x_2$ , where  $x_1 \in L$  and  $||x_2|| = 0$  ( $||x - \overline{x}||$ ).

Because f is differentiable, we get

$$f(x) = f(\overline{x}) + \langle f'(\overline{x}), x - \overline{x} \rangle + r_2(x, \overline{x}), \tag{3.13}$$

where

$$|r_{2}(x,\overline{x})| = 0 (||x-\overline{x}||).$$

It follows from (3.12) that for  $\varepsilon > 0$  there exists  $\delta_1 > 0$  such that for every  $x \in M \cap B_{\gamma}(\bar{x}, \delta_1)$ ,

$$f(x) = f(\overline{x}) + \langle f'(\overline{x}), x_1 \rangle + \langle f'(\overline{x}), x_2 \rangle + r_2(x, \overline{x})$$

$$\geqslant f(\overline{x}) + \beta \|x_1\| - \varepsilon \|f'(\overline{x})\| \|x - \overline{x}\| - \varepsilon \|x - \overline{x}\|. \tag{3.14}$$

On the other hand, arguing as in the proof of Theorem 3.1, we can find  $\delta_2 > 0$  such that

$$||x_1|| \geqslant (1-\varepsilon) ||x-\overline{x}|| \text{ for all } x \in M \cap B_X(\overline{x}, \delta_2).$$
 (3.15)

Denote  $\delta=\min\left\{\delta_1,\delta_2\right\}$ . Then the inequalities (3.14) and (3.15) imply that for every  $x\in M\cap B_X(\bar x,\delta)$ ,

$$f(x) \geqslant f(\overline{x}) + (\beta - \varepsilon (1 + \beta + || f'(\overline{x}) ||)) || x - \overline{x} ||.$$
 (3.16)

Given any  $\alpha \in (0, \beta)$ , we can choose  $\varepsilon < \frac{\beta - \alpha}{1 - \beta + \|f'(\overline{x})\|}$  so that  $\beta - \varepsilon(1 + \beta + \|f'(\overline{x})\|) > \alpha$ . Then, it follows from (3.16) that for every  $x \in M \cap B_X(\overline{x}, \delta)$ ,  $f(x) \geqslant f(\overline{x}) + \alpha \|x - \overline{x}\|$ . The proof is thus complete.

# § 4. FIRST-ORDER SUFFICIENT OPTIMALITY CONDITIONS FOR MATHEMATICAL PROGRAMMING

This section deals with the approximation property and first-order sufficient optimality conditions for the mathematical programming sproblem. A second-order sufficient condition for this problem can be found in [3]. It should be emphasized that in this section no regularity condition is assumed.

We shall use the Hoffman lemma (see [3]), as the main tool for deriving our result.

LEMMA 4.1 ([3]). Let X,Y be Banach spaces,  $\Lambda$  a linear operator from X onto Y, i.e.,  $\Lambda X = Y$ ,  $x_1^*$ ,...,  $x_m^*$  elements of the conjugate space  $X^*$  and

$$L_3 = \{ x \in X \mid < x_i^*, \ x > \leqslant \theta, \ i = 1, \ldots, \ m, \ \Lambda \ x = \theta \}.$$

Then

$$\rho\left(x,\,L_{3}\right)\leqslant C\left\{\begin{smallmatrix} m\\ \sum\limits_{i=1}^{m}< x_{i}^{*}\text{ , }x>_{+}+\parallel\wedge\,x\parallel\right\},$$

where  $\rho$  (.) stands for the distance function, the constant C is independent of x and

$$< x_i^*, x>_+ = \begin{cases} < x_i^*, x>, & \text{if } < x_i^*, x> > 0 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Note that if  $L_3$  is of the following form:

 $L_3'=\{\,x{\in}X\mid <\,x_{i}^*,\,x>\leqslant 0,\,i\neq i_0,<\,x_{i_0}^*,\,x>0,\,\Lambda\,\,x=0\}\text{ , }(1\leqslant i_0\leqslant m),\text{ then, we have }$ 

$$\rho \ (x, \ L_3') \leqslant C \ \{ \underset{i \neq i_0}{\Sigma} < x_i^*, \ x > . + | < x_{i_0}, \ x > | + | \land x \, | | \}.$$

Consider the problem

(II) 
$$\begin{cases} \text{minimize } f_0(x), \\ \text{subject to } F(x) = 0, \\ \text{and } f_i(x) \leqslant 0 \ (i = 1, ..., m), \end{cases}$$

where  $f_0,...,f_m$  are functionals defined on  $X, F: X \to Y, X$  and Y are Banach spaces.

As in Section 3, denote by  $M_1$  the feasible set of Problem (II). We consider a point  $\overline{x} \in M_1$  such that  $f_i(\overline{x}) = 0$  (i = 1,..., m). The linearizing cone of  $M_1$  at x is denoted by  $L_2$ :

$$L_2 = \{ x \in X \mid \langle f_t^*(\overline{x}), x \rangle \leqslant 0 \ (i = 1, ..., m), F^*(\overline{x}) \ x = 0 \}.$$

Before stating the first-order sufficient conditions we shall study an approximation property for the feasible set of Problem (II). It is known that  $M_1$  can be approximated by  $L_2$  at  $\bar{x}$  if dim  $X < + \infty$  (see [6]). Here, we shall show how this fact can be extended to the infinite-dimensional case.

THEOREM 4.1. Suppose that the maps  $F, f_1, ..., f_m$  are Fréchet differentiable at  $\overline{x}$  and  $F'(\overline{x})$  X = Y. Then, the feasible set  $M_1$  can be approximated at  $\overline{x}$  by  $L_2$ .

*Proof.* By virtue of Hoffman's lemma any feasible point x  $(x \in M_1)$  can be represented as the sum of  $x_1 \in L_2$  and  $x_2$  such that

$$\|x_2\| \leqslant C \{ \sum_{i=1}^m \langle f_i(\overline{x}), x \geqslant_+ + \|F'(\overline{x})(x-\overline{x})\| \}.$$
 (4.1)

By setting then  $h(x) = x_1$ , we defined a map h from  $M_1$  into  $L_2$ . We shall prove that (2.5) is also satisfied.

In view of the differentiability of F and  $f_i$  (i=1,...,m) at  $\overline{x}$ , we get

$$F(x) = F(\overline{x}) + F'(\overline{x})(x - \overline{x}) + r(x, \overline{x}), \qquad (4.2)$$

$$f_{i}(x) = f_{i}(x) + \langle f'_{i}(x), x - \overline{x} \rangle + r_{i}(x, \overline{x}),$$
 (4.3)

where  $|| r(x, \overline{x}) || = 0 (|| x - \overline{x} ||), || r_i(x, \overline{x}) || = 0 (|| x - \overline{x} ||)$ :

Since  $x \in M_1$ ,  $F(\overline{x}) = 0$  and  $f_i(\overline{x}) = 0$  (i = 1, ..., m), it follows from (4. 2), (4. 3) that

$$||F'(\overline{x})(x-\overline{x})|| = 0(||x-\overline{x}||),$$
 (4.4)

$$\langle f_i(\overline{x}), x - \overline{x} \rangle \leqslant | r_i(x, \overline{x}) | .$$
 (4.5)

Consequently, substituting (4. 4) and (4. 5) into (4. 1) we get the relation  $\|x_9\| = 0 \ (\|x - \overline{x}\|),$ 

from which (2.5) follows. Therefore,  $M_g$  is approximated at  $\overline{x}$  by  $L_2$ .

A first-order sufficient condition for Problem (II) can be stated as follows

THEOREM 4.2. Assume that the map F and the functionals  $f_i$  (i = 0, 1,..., m) are Fréchet differentiable at x and F'(x) X = Y. Suppose, furthermore, that there is a number  $\beta > 0$  such that

$$\langle f_0(\overline{x}), x \rangle \geqslant \beta \parallel x \parallel \text{ for all } x \in L_0.$$
 (4.6)

Then, there  $\alpha > 0$  and  $\rho \geqslant 0$  such that for all  $x \in M_1$  with  $||x - \overline{x}|| \leqslant \rho$ ,

$$f_{\mathbf{o}}(x) \geqslant f_{\mathbf{o}}(\overline{x}) + \alpha \|x - \overline{x}\|,$$

i. e.,  $\overline{x}$  is a strictly local minimum of Problem (II).

This theorem can be derived by using the same argument as that used in the proof of Theorem 3.2.

We now try to mitigate Condition (4.6) of Theorem 4.2 by replacing the cone  $L_2$  by the following one:

$$L_{2}^{\bullet} = \ker F'(\overline{x}) \wedge \bigwedge_{\substack{i=1\\i \neq i_{0}}}^{m} \ker f'_{i}(\overline{x}) \wedge \{x \mid < f'_{i}(\overline{x}), x > \leqslant 0\}, (1 \leqslant i_{0} \leqslant m)$$

A modified first-order sufficient condition for Problem (II) can be formulated as follows.

THEOREM 3.4. Assume that the map F and the functionals  $f_0$ ,  $f_1$ ,...,  $f_m$  are Fréchet differentiable at  $\overline{x}$ , and  $F'(\overline{x})$  X = Y. Suppose, furthermore, that there exist Lagrange multipliers  $y^* \in Y^*$ ,  $\lambda_i > 0$  ( $i = 1, ..., i_o - 1, i_o + 1$ ,..., m),  $\lambda_{i_o} > 0$  ( $1 \le i_o \le m$ ) and a number  $\beta > 0$  such that

a) 
$$L_x^{\bullet}$$
 ( $\overline{x}$ ,  $\lambda_1$ ,...,  $\lambda_m$ ,  $y^*$ ) =  $\theta$ , where

$$L(x, \lambda_1, ..., \lambda_m, y^*) = f_o(x) + \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i f_i(x) + \langle y^*, F(x) \rangle$$

b) 
$$< f_0'(\overline{x}), x > \geqslant \beta \parallel x \parallel \text{ for all } x \in L_2'$$
.

Then,  $\overline{x}$  is a local minimum of Problem (II).

*Proof.* Let x be an arbitrary feasible point of Problem (II)  $(x \in M_1)$ . In view of Theorem 4.1, there exists a map  $h: M_1 \to L_2$  satisfying (2.5). Thus, x can be represented as  $x = \overline{x} + x_1 + x_2$ , where  $x_1 = h(x) \in L_2$ , and  $x_2$  satisfies the following relation:

$$||x_2|| = ||h(x) - (x - \overline{x})|| = 0(||x - \overline{x}||).$$
 (4.7)

This means that for  $\varepsilon > 0$  there exists  $\rho_1 > 0$  such that for every  $x \in M_1 \cap B(\overline{x})$ ,  $\rho_1$ ),

$$||x_0|| \leqslant \varepsilon ||x - \bar{x}||. \tag{4.8}$$

Moreover, applying Lemma 4.1 to the cone  $L_2$ , one can rewrite  $x_1$  as  $x_1 = x_1^2 + x_1^2$  where  $x_1' \in L_2'$  and  $x_1''$  such that

$$\|x_{1}^{i}\| \leqslant C \left\{ \sum_{\substack{i=1\\i\neq i_{0}}}^{m} |< f_{i}^{i}(\overline{x}), x_{1} > |+ < f_{i_{0}}^{i}(\overline{x}), x_{1} > + \right\}, (C > 0)$$

$$(4.9)$$

Since  $x_1 \in L_2$ , it follows from (4.9) that

$$||x_1''|| \leqslant C \left\{ -\sum_{i \neq i_0} < \Gamma_i'(\vec{x}), x_1'' > \right\}.$$
 (4. 10)

We can choose a number A > 0 such that

$$\frac{A}{C} \min_{i \neq i_0} \lambda_i - \max_{1 \leqslant i \leqslant m} (\lambda_i \| f_i(\overline{x}) \|) - 1 \geqslant 0.$$
(4.11)

Consider the following two cases:

a)  $\|x_1\| \leqslant A\varepsilon \|x - \overline{x}\|$ .

For  $x \in M_1$ , we have  $x - \overline{x} = x_1^2 + x_1^2 + x_2$ . Hence,

$$f_{0}(x) = f_{0}(\overline{x}) + \langle f_{0}^{*}(\overline{x}), x_{1}^{*} \rangle + \langle f_{0}^{*}(\overline{x}), x_{1}^{*} \rangle + \langle f_{0}^{*}(\overline{x}), x_{2} \rangle + 0_{1}(\|x - \overline{x}\|),$$

$$(4.12)$$

where  $0_1(\|x-\overline{x}\|)/\|x-\overline{x}\| \rightarrow 0$  (as  $\|x-\overline{x}\| \rightarrow 0$ ) or  $x \rightarrow 0$ 

By virtue of (4.7), one gets

$$\langle f_0^{\bullet}(\bar{x}), x_2 \rangle = 0_2 (\parallel x - \bar{x} \parallel),$$

where  $0_2(\|x-\bar{x}\|)_{\|x-\bar{x}\|} \to 0$  (when  $\|x-\bar{x}\| \to 0$ )

Hence, there is a number  $\rho_2 > 0$  such that for all  $x \in M_1 \cap B(\bar{x}, \rho_2)$ ,

$$\|x_{2}\| \leqslant \frac{1}{2} \|x - \overline{x}\|,$$

$$|\langle f_{o}(\overline{x}), x_{2} \rangle + 0_{1}(\|x - \overline{x}\|) | \leqslant \frac{\beta}{4} \|x - \overline{x}\|,$$

$$(4.13)$$

from which we get

$$\|x_1' + x_1'', \| = \|x - \overline{x} - x_2\| \geqslant \frac{1}{2} \|x - \overline{x}\|.$$

Therefore,

re,
$$\|x_1'\| > \|x_1' + x_1''\| - \|x_1''\| > \frac{1}{2} \|x - \overline{x}\| - A\varepsilon \|x - \overline{x}\|. \tag{4.14}$$

Moreover,

$$|\langle f_o, \overline{(x)}, x_1^{"}\rangle| \leqslant A\varepsilon \|f_o, \overline{(x)}\| \|x - \overline{x}\|.$$
 (4.15)

Taking account of Assumption b), one can see from (4.12) – (4.15) that  $f_{o}(x) - f_{o}(\overline{x}) \geqslant \beta \|x_{1}^{*}\| + \langle f_{o}^{*}(\overline{x}), x_{1}^{*} \rangle + \langle f_{o}^{*}(\overline{x}), x_{2} \rangle + 0_{1}(\|x - \overline{x}\|)$   $\geqslant \frac{\beta}{2} \|x - \overline{x}\| - A\beta \varepsilon \|x - \overline{x}\| - A\varepsilon \|f_{o}^{*}(\overline{x})\| \|x - \overline{x}\| - \frac{\beta}{4} \|x - \overline{x}\|$   $= \left(\frac{\beta}{4} - \varepsilon \beta A - \varepsilon A \|f_{o}^{*}(\overline{x})\| \right) \|x - \overline{x}\|.$ (4.16)

We can choose  $\varepsilon > 0$   $\left(\varepsilon \leqslant \frac{1}{2}\right)$  so small that

$$\frac{\beta}{4} - \varepsilon \beta A - \varepsilon A \parallel f_0^{\bullet}(\overline{x}) \parallel > 0.$$

Consequently, taking  $\rho = \min \{\rho_1, \rho_2\}$ , we have

$$f_0(x) - f_0(\overline{x}) \geqslant 0$$
 for every  $x \in M_1 \cap B(\overline{x}, \rho)$ .

**b**)  $||x_1''|| > A \varepsilon ||x - \overline{x}||$ .

By (4, 10) we get

$$A\varepsilon \|x - \overline{x}\| < \|x_1^n\| \leqslant C \left\{ -\sum_{i \neq i_0} < f_i(\overline{x}), x_1^n > \right\}. \tag{4.17}$$

It follows from (4.11), (4.17) that there is a number  $\rho_3 > 0$  ( $\rho_3 \leqslant \rho_1$ ) such that for every  $x \in M_1 \cap B(\overline{x}, \rho_3)$ ,

$$\begin{split} &f(x) = \mathcal{L}(x,\,\lambda_1,\,\ldots,\,\lambda_m,\,\,y^*) - \sum\limits_{i=1}^m \,\lambda_i\,f_i\,(x) = \mathcal{L}(\overline{x}\,,\,.) + <\mathcal{L}_x^*\,(\overline{x}\,,\,.),\,x - \overline{x} > \\ &- \sum\limits_{i=1}^m \,\lambda_i\,f_i\,(\overline{x}) - \sum\limits_{i=1}^m \,\lambda_i < f_i^*(\overline{x}),\,x - \overline{x} > + \,\,0_3\,(\|x - \overline{x}\|) \\ &= f_o(\overline{x}) - \sum\limits_{i=1}^m \,\lambda_i < f_i^*(\overline{x}),\,x - \overline{x} > + \,\,0_3(\|x - \overline{x}\|) \\ &> f_o(\overline{x}) - \sum\limits_{i \neq i_0} \,\lambda_i < f_i^*(\overline{x}),\,x_1 > - \sum\limits_{i=1}^m \,\lambda_i < f_i^*(\overline{x}),\,x_2 > + \,\,0_3(\|x - \overline{x}\|) \\ &> f_o(\overline{x}) + \frac{A\varepsilon}{C} \min_{i \neq i_0} \,\lambda_i \,\|\,x - \overline{x}\| - \varepsilon \max_i \,(\lambda_i \,\|\,f_i^*(\overline{x})\,\|\,) \|x - \overline{x}\| - \varepsilon \|x - \overline{x}\,\| \end{split}$$

$$=f_{o}(\overline{x})+\varepsilon \|x-\overline{x}\|\left(\frac{A}{C}\min_{i\neq i}\lambda_{i}-\max_{i}(\lambda_{i}\|f_{i}'(\overline{x})\|)-1)\geqslant f_{o}(\overline{x}).$$

The proof is thus complete.

By the same argument as that used in the proof of Theorem 4.3, we obtain

THEOREM 4.4. Assume that  $F, f_0, f_1, ..., f_m$  are Fréchet differentiable at  $\overline{x}$  and  $F'(\overline{x}) X = Y$ . Suppose, furthermore, that there exists Lagrange multipliers  $y^* \in Y^*, \lambda_i > 0, \lambda_j > 0$   $(i = l, ..., m_l; j = m_l + 1, ..., m)$  and a number  $\beta > 0$  such that

a) 
$$\mathcal{L}'_{x}(\overline{x}, \lambda_{l}, ..., \lambda_{m}, y^{*}) = 0$$
,

b) 
$$< f'_{\alpha}(\overline{x}), x > > \beta \parallel x \parallel for all x \in L$$
, where

$$L = \{ x \in X \mid < f_i^*(\overline{x}), x > \leqslant \theta, < f_j^*(\overline{x}), x > = \theta, F^*(\overline{x}) | x = \theta, i = l, \dots, m_l; j = m_l + l, \dots, m \}, (l \leqslant m_l \leqslant m).$$

Then,  $\overline{x}$  is a local minimum of Problem (II).

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