

From (i) and (ii),
or

$$4 - 2x_1 = 8 - 2x_2$$

and from (iii), $x_2 + x_1 = 2$,
which give $x_1 = 0, x_2 = 2$ and $\lambda = 4$.

The sufficient conditions for determining whether the above solution results in maximization

EXAMPLE

Solve the following NLPP :

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{Maximize} & Z = 4x_1 + 6x_2 - 2x_1^2 - 2x_1x_2 - 2x_2^2, \\ \text{subject to} & x_1 + 2x_2 = 2, \\ & x_1, x_2 \geq 0. \end{array}$$

Solution

The objective function as well as the constraint are differentiable w.r.t. x_1 and x_2 .
The constraint can be replaced by another differentiable function such as,

$$x_1 + 2x_2 - 2 = 0.$$

The Lagrangean function can be written as

$$L(x_1, x_2, \lambda) = 4x_1 + 6x_2 - 2x_1^2 - 2x_1x_2 - 2x_2^2 - \lambda(x_1 + 2x_2 - 2).$$

The necessary conditions for a maxima or minima of the objective function are

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial x_1} = 0,$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial x_2} = 0,$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \lambda} = 0,$$

or

$$4 - 4x_1 - 2x_2 - \lambda = 0,$$

$$6 - 2x_1 - 4x_2 - 2\lambda = 0,$$

$$\text{and } -(x_1 + 2x_2 - 2) = 0.$$

and

Solving (i) and (ii), we get $x_1 = 1/3$ which when substituted in (iii) gives $x_2 = 5/6$ and for this solution $\lambda = 1$.

EXAMPLE

Solve the following N.L.P.P.:

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{Maximize } Z & = 5x_1 + x_2 - (x_1 - x_2)^2, \\ \text{subject to } x_1 + x_2 & = 4, \\ x_1, x_2 & \geq 0. \end{array}$$

Solution

The Lagrangean function for the above problem can be formed as

$$L(X, \lambda) = 5x_1 + x_2 - (x_1 - x_2)^2 - \lambda(x_1 + x_2 - 4)$$

The necessary conditions for the objective function to be maximum or minimum are

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial x_1} = 5 - 2(x_1 - x_2) - \lambda = 0,$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial x_2} = 1 + 2(x_1 - x_2) - \lambda = 0,$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \lambda} = -(x_1 + x_2 - 4) = 0.$$