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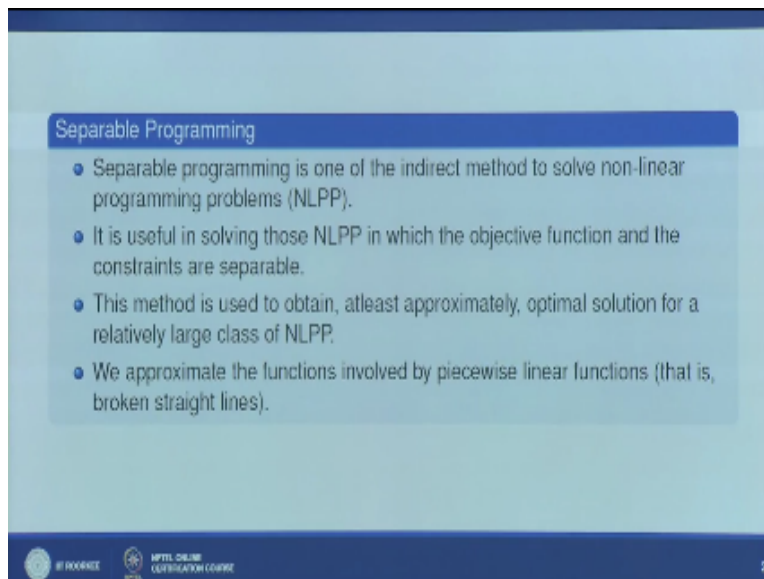
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Hello friends welcome lecture series on non linear programming, now next topic is survival programming so in this we will see what the specula programming is and how can we solve separable programming programmers, so what separable programmed coming is let us see so separable programmed is one of the intact method.

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**Separable Programming**

- Separable programming is one of the indirect method to solve non-linear programming problems (NLPP).
- It is useful in solving those NLPP in which the objective function and the constraints are separable.
- This method is used to obtain, atleast approximately, optimal solution for a relatively large class of NLPP.
- We approximate the functions involved by piecewise linear functions (that is, broken straight lines).

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To solve nonlinear programming programme you see solving we do not have any unique method top solve a nonlinear programming problem okay, but if we have aseprable problems objective function as well as consaints of the seperable what do you mean by seperable in we will discuss in this lecture so we can solve it using the seperable programming okay.

It is useful in solving those nonlinear programming in which the objective function and the constraints are separable this method separable programming is used to obtain atleast approximately optimal solution for a relatively large class of the non linear programming problem in this we are actually not finding the exact solution but we are finding atleast the approximate optimal solution of a given nonlinear programming problem we approximate that function involved by the piece wise linear function that is a broken estate lines what ever function we are given in the objective function as well as in the constraint.

The approximate the function by number of linear function by the number of the broken a straight lines okay. now there is no particular method .

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- There is no particular method to determine the number of piece-wise linear functions.
- Error in approximation can be reduced by having large number of linear segments. However, this will increase computational time to obtain the optimal solution.

Separable function

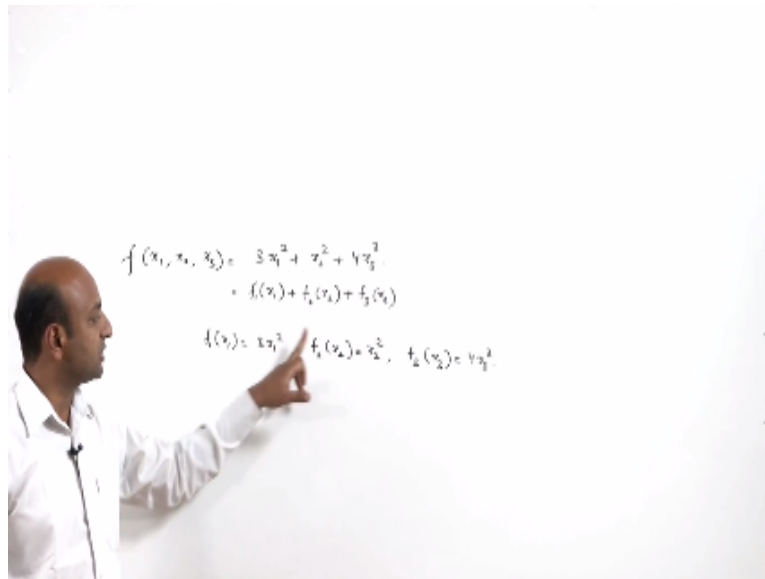
A function  $f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$  is said to be separable if it can be expressed as  $f_1(x_1) + f_2(x_2) + \dots + f_n(x_n)$ , each  $f_i$  is a function of only one variable.

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To determine the number of the piece wise in the linear function okay, we approximate the given function by a piece wise linear functions but we do not have any method find the number of piece wise in the linear functions error in the approximation can be reduced by having the large number of the linear segments however this will increase computational time to obtain the optimal solution ofcourse if we have larger number linear function then the error will be lesser .

but however this will computational time to obtain the optimal solution now let us start when the function is said to be separable now function involving and the variables  $X_1, X_2, X_3$  up to  $X_N$  is separate to be a separable if it can be expressed as that is each  $f_i$  is a function of only one variable suppose you have the type of the function .

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Suppose you have  $F(x_1, x_2, x_3)$  are the three variable function and suppose it is like this and the  $F$  is the  $3x_1^2 + x_2^2 + 4x_3^3$  okay this function it is the subtle it is because we can write this function as  $F_1(x_1) + F_2(x_2) + F_3(x_3)$  we are the FEMALE\_1  $x_1$  is some thing but the  $3x_1^2$  and the  $2x_2$  is nothing but the  $2^2$  and the  $f_3 x_3$  is nothing but  $4x_3^3$  okay sense each function is a function of only one variable it is the  $x_1, x_2, x_3$  only so we said that it is function of the  $F$  is separable okay now in this consider non linear type of the problem and the in the special case of the nonlinear programming problem of course so what we have the objective function involved in the problem .

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Consider the problem:

$$(SP) \text{ Max/Min } f(x) = f_1(x_1) + f_2(x_2) + \dots + f_n(x_n)$$

$$\text{subject to: } g_1^1(x_1) + g_2^1(x_2) + \dots + g_n^1(x_n) \leq b_1,$$

$$g_1^2(x_1) + g_2^2(x_2) + \dots + g_n^2(x_n) \leq b_2,$$

$$\vdots$$

$$g_1^m(x_1) + g_2^m(x_2) + \dots + g_n^m(x_n) \leq b_m.$$

The problem (SP) is called separable programming, since the objective function as well as all the constraints are separable. For example:

$$\text{Max } f(x) = 3x_1^2 + 2x_2^3$$

$$\text{subject to: } x_1^2 + x_2^2 \leq 4,$$

$$2x_1 + x_2 \leq 3, \quad x_1, x_2 \geq 0.$$

is a separable programming problem.

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And the problem is separable okay and all the construction is the separable the first constraint is also the separable second constraint in the constraints and it is separable in the such problem were the objective function is as well as the constraints as the upreble are called separable programming problems.

Now the first example we have this problem we have the maximize and the  $X = to$  and there is the  $31X^2$  and the  $2X2^3$  subject to the first one of the first constraint as the  $1^2 2X^2$  and that is = to 4 the second constraint is  $2 x 1 + 2x 2$  and the 3 and  $x_1 x_2$  negative so here you can easily see that the objective function is separable because it is we can write this easily request to  $F 1 X_1 = F 2 X_2$  we are the  $F 1 X_1$  is the  $3X_1^2$  and the  $F 2 vx_2$  is  $2 x 2^3$ .

Now the first constraint is also separable by because it is written as and the  $F 1 X_1 + G 2 X 2$  lesson = to 4 here the  $G 1 X 1$  is and the  $X 1^2$  and  $G 2 X 2$  is  $X 2^2$  the next constraint is also separable and the  $H 1 X_1 H 2 X 2$  lesson = to 3 were the  $H 1 X 1$  is  $2 X 1$  and the  $2 X 2$  is and these constraints are obviously separable so we can say that this problem is a separable programming problem okay, now what is the separable convex programming.

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**Separable Convex Programming**

It is the special case of separable programming in which the separable objective function (in minimizing form) and all separable constraints ( $\leq$  type) are convex.

For example:

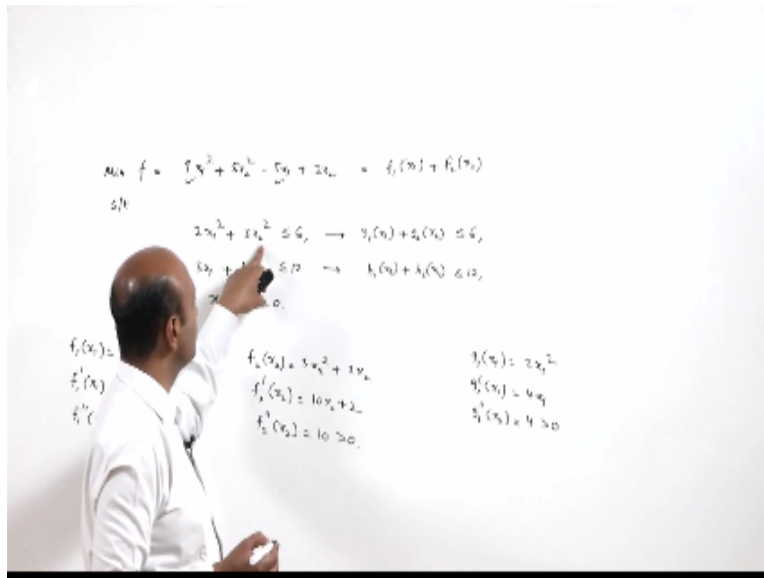
$$\begin{aligned} \text{Min } f(x) &= 9x_1^2 + 5x_2^2 - 5x_1 + 2x_2 \\ \text{subject to: } &2x_1^2 + 3x_2^2 \leq 6, \\ &3x_1 + 4x_2 \leq 12, \\ &x_1, x_2 \geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

is a separable convex programming.

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So if it is a special case of the separable programming in which the separable objective which is the minimizing form and all separate constraint of the problem is of the  $\leq$  type or convex so if the involutive objective function which are the separable type and all constraint less than or equal to type are all the convex then we say that it is a convex separable programming problem it is minimizing as.

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And the  $9x^2 + 5x^2 - 5y + 2z = 2x^2$  and the subjected to the condition are the  $2 \times 1$  and the  $3 \times 1 + 4 \times 2$  and  $x_1 \times x_2$  if you take this problem so you can explain  $F_1$  as and  $F_2 \times 2$  you can explain this as  $g_1 \times 1 + g_2 \times 2$  and the lesson  $=$  to 6 you can explain this constraint as and  $H_1 \times 1 + H_2 \times 2$  that is  $=$  to 12 okay now what is  $F_1$   $F_1$  is the function of the  $x_1$  and it will be  $(9 \times x_1^2 + 5 \times x_1^2)$  these are the function of the  $x_1$ , so this will come in the  $x_1$  okay and what will be  $F_2$   $F_2$  is the function of the  $y$  and it will be  $5y^2 + 2z$  and the  $F_2 \times 2$   $5 \times 2^2$  and  $+2 \times 1$  now if you take the first derivative of this  $F_1$  and the  $18 \times x_1 - 5$  if the second derivative of this is 18 which is positive.

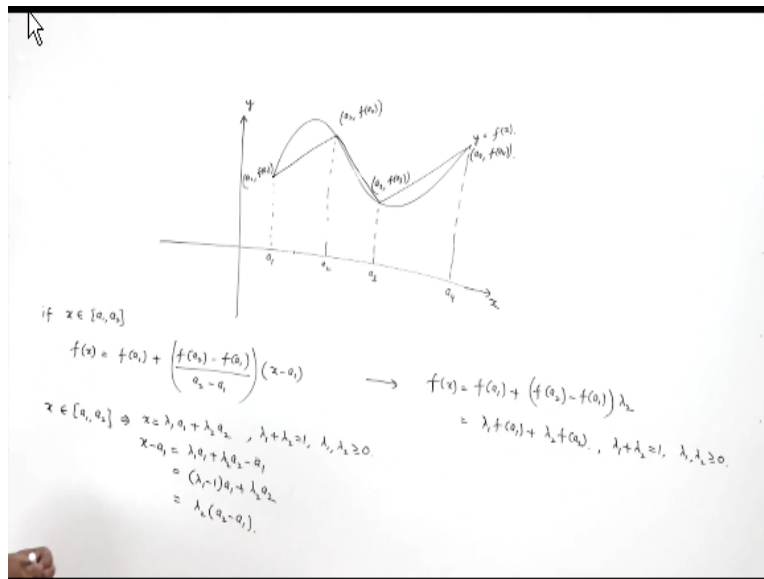
So this is convex this function is convex because it is the second derivative is technically is the 0 and the greater than the 0, now if it is if you take first derivative of this and the  $10 \times x_2 + 2$  and the second derivative of this is 10 which is greater than the 0 again this convex okay the  $F_1$   $F_2$  both are the convex and the sum of the 2 convex also the convex this is convex. are you can take the matrix of the  $F$  and it can out to be positive and the next in the positive then we can see the function is and the convex function and the now if you take  $G_1$  as 1 so the  $G_1$  as the  $G_1$  okay.

And the second derivative of this is 4 and it is positive again it is convex and similarly  $G_2 \times 2$  is  $3 \times 2^2$  and take the derivative and the second derivative of this is simply 6 with the again positive and  $G_2$  is also convex okay so this constraint is a convex constraint and it is the convex function and similarly it is the linear function and these two are also linear so it is also convex so you say that that problem is separable as well as convex so it is called as separable convex programming programme okay so if the nonlinear programme if it is the convex programming problem as well

as the satisfied as the seprable ability of the function so we can easily say that they are seprable convex programming programme.

Now come to our seprebale rogramme let usto understand seprable programme and function of the seprable programing okay now suppose we have the function we have the cdommon variable here as given in the diagram here okay .

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You for this curve you make this linear approximation of this function okay now for this curve you make this linear approximation suppose up to here and then up to here how many grid points are here we have the four grid points assume it is the linear process, so this is A 1 and this is A 2 and this A 3 and this is A 4 and this is the rise to the effects basically what we have done we have given function of the variable to the effects we are trying to find out the linear approximation of the now this function .

So we have is splitted the curves in to the 5 8 number of in to the finite number of broken lines this are the linear function okay this curve is the process and this straight line and this curve is approximately by this straight line and this curve is approximately by this straight line okay Offcourse if we increase the number of we can make the two straight line of the straight line also here if we approximate this given cut okay.

If we increase more straight lines so a complexity to find the optimizer solution increase okay here for the simplicity I am taking only three linear approximation of this curve now this A 1 A 2 A

3 A 4 these are called grid points .now how to finear linear approximation of the F let us see now thispoint nothing but it is A 1 F 1 and F of A 1 okay,thispoint is A 2 and F of A 2 thispoint is A 3 F A 3 this point is A 4 F A 4 okay nowif X belong to A 1 to A 2 this is the x okay andthisisF X or Y okay nowthw X belongs to X in thisinterval given to the A2 ,so how to find Y in this interval thisis like equation of straight line of passing through two points passing through F A 1 and A 2 F A 2 F A 2 ,so what will be the value of the function that we can see it the F X =to F A1 +FA 2 -F A 1 .

So what is the value of the function that will see that  $f(x) = f(a_1) + (f(a_2) - f(a_1))/(a_2 - a_1) (x-a_1)$ . That will be the may equation of straight line passing though two points. Afa1 and a2fa2 okay? So in this way we can find the value of f at the point in between this line segment okay? Now this x in is in between a1 and a2 okay.

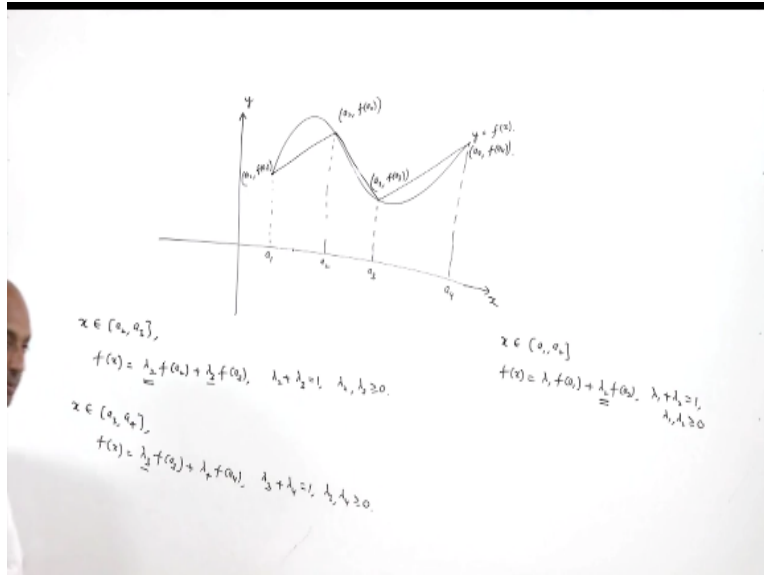
So  $x \in$  this means x is a convex in a combination of these two points, because x is in between a1 and a2. So f will be something  $\lambda_1 a_1 + \lambda_2 a_2$  so here  $\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 = 1$  and  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2$  are non negative okay? Because x is in between a1 and a2 okay? Now what is  $x-a_1$  from here this implies  $\lambda_1 a_2 + \lambda_2 a_2 - a_1$ , so this will give  $(\lambda_1 - 1)a_1 + \lambda_2 a_2$  and  $\lambda_1 - 1$  from here is  $-\lambda_2$ , so this will give  $\lambda_2(a_2 - a_1)$  okay? Now when you substitute this over here.

Why  $x-a_1$  is this quantity when you substituted over here in this equation  $a_2 = a_1$  will cancel from the denominator  $\lambda_2$  will come here. So what you obtain you obtain  $f(x) = f(a_1) + (f(a_2) - f(a_1)) \lambda_2$ . Because this is a cancelling both the sides okay? From the denominator this will cancel so this will give—now this is  $1 - \lambda_2$ ,  $1 - \lambda_2$  is  $\lambda_1$ . So it is  $\lambda_1 f(a_1) + \lambda_2 f(a_2)$ . So were  $\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 = 1$   $\lambda_1, \lambda_2$  are non negative, so that means if x is an convex in a combination of a1 and a2.

The similarly  $f(x)$  will be the convex in a combination of  $f(a_1)$  and  $f(a_2)$ . If we are talking in between a1 and a2, now similarly if we talk x in between a2 and a3 then  $f(x)$  will be similarly  $f(\lambda_2) f(a_2) + \lambda_3 f(a_3)$  where  $\lambda_2 + \lambda_3 = 1$  and  $\lambda_2, \lambda_3$  are non negative okay.

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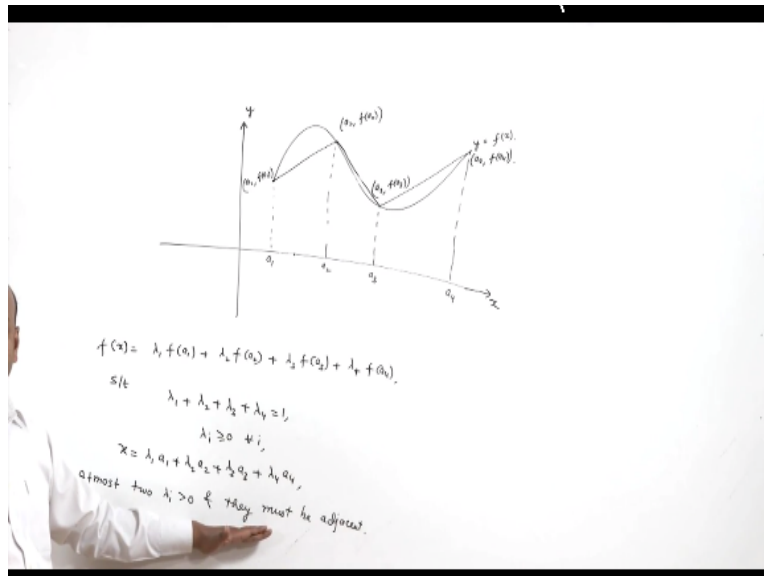




On the same lines we can obtain if  $x$  line between  $a_2$  and  $a_3$  so corresponding  $f(x)$  which is in the straight line will be the convex in a combination of  $f(a_2)$  and  $f(a_3)$ . Now here it to be noted that  $\lambda_2$  is same, what you see when  $x$  is in between  $a_1$  and  $a_2$ ? So  $f(x)$  be obtain as  $\lambda_1 f(a_1) + \lambda_2 f(a_2)$ . Where  $\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 = 1$  and  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2$  are non negative. So whatever  $\lambda_2$  is here, the same  $\lambda_2$  is here. This is the important condition here okay.

Now similarly if  $f$  is in between  $a_3$  and  $a_4$  so what will be  $f(x)$ ? if it is in between  $a_3$  and  $a_4$  so  $f(x)$  will be nothing but now it is in  $\lambda_3 f(a_3) + \lambda_4 f(a_4)$ , such that  $\lambda_3 + \lambda_4 = 1$  and  $\lambda_3, \lambda_4 \geq 0$ . And  $\lambda_3$  is here whatever here same here okay? So what is with the linear approximation of these steps? Now if you combine all the three terms.

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So the linear approximation of this  $f$  will be  $\lambda_1 f(a_1) + \lambda_2 f(a_2) + \lambda_3 f(a_3) + \lambda_4 f(a_4)$  subject to  $\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \lambda_3 + \lambda_4 = 1$ . And all  $\lambda_i$  are non negative. And what will be  $x$ ?  $x = \lambda_1 a_1 + \lambda_2 a_2 + \lambda_3 a_3 + \lambda_4 a_4$ , and now the important condition is at most 2  $\lambda_i > 0$  and they must be adjacent. Why that is the same. You see either we have to minimize all we have to maximize the given objective function okay, Okay.

Now for this particular function if you say for this for the particular function. It will again suppose we are taking a minimization problem okay? It will again minimization on one of the line segment okay? We have—we have this approximate this even knows by a finite number of pieces wise linear functions okay. If it is a minimization problem so it will again minimum at one of the linear function okay.

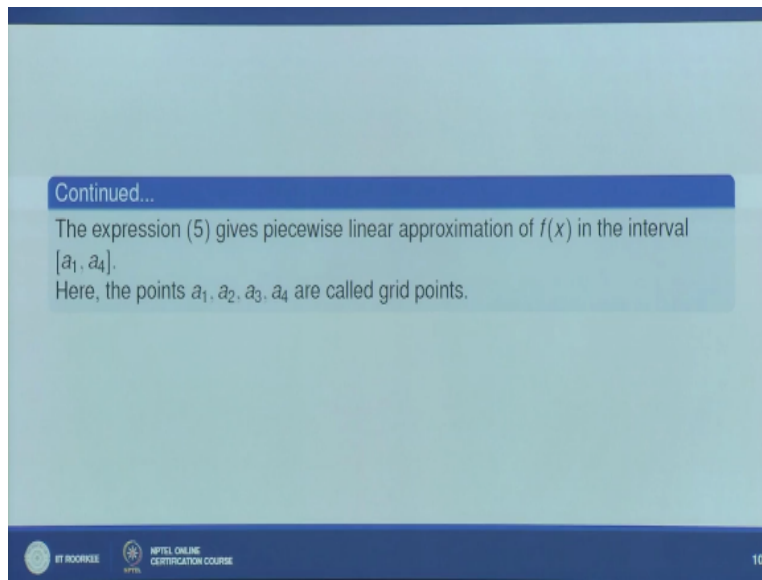
Suppose here it is minimum suppose for this function here it is minimum. So it will again minimum if it is again in any minimum over here so this linear straight line will approximate this optimal solution okay? Not the entire straight lines, only that the straight line is important. Which where obtain the minima okay. Now if this is a straight line which is giving an approximate optimal solution for this particular problem then only  $\lambda_3$  and  $\lambda_4$  are important, I mean greater than 0.

Thought the conjugative and all other the 0, that is why at most two  $\lambda_i$  are must greater than 0 they must be adjacent okay. Either these two or these two if it is optimal over here only  $\lambda_3$  and  $\lambda_4$  are important. They are adjacent  $\lambda_3$  and  $\lambda_4$  and must be positive, and all other must be 0 in

that case okay? So whenever we have a separate programming problem and we are taking respect to the reverse  $x_1$ .

Among the reveal function we are approximating functions by number of linear functions okay Piece wise linear functions. So in that with respect to that variable, only two  $\lambda$  must be greater 0 and they must be adjacent okay. So in this way we can find out linear approximation of a given function  $f$ . So all these description over here in the slides okay.

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So the expression (5) gives piecewise this is expression (5). So this gives piecewise linear approximation of  $f(x)$  in the interval  $a_1$  to  $a_4$ . Here the points  $a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4$  are called grid points okay.

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**Illustration**

Consider  $f(x) = x_1^3 - 3x_1^2 + 4x_1 + 2$ ,  $0 \leq x_1 \leq 3$ .  
 Let the grid points be  $a_0 = 0$ ,  $a_1 = 1$ ,  $a_2 = 2$  and  $a_3 = 3$ . Then,  $f(a_0) = 2$ ,  
 $f(a_1) = 4$ ,  $f(a_2) = 6$  and  $f(a_3) = 14$ .  
 So, the linear approximation of  $f$  is given by:

$$f(x) = 2\lambda_1 + 4\lambda_2 + 6\lambda_3 + 14\lambda_4$$

subject to:  $\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \lambda_3 + \lambda_4 = 1$ ,  
 $\lambda_i \geq 0 \quad \forall i$   
 $x = \lambda_1 + 2\lambda_2 + 3\lambda_3$ .

with at most two  $\lambda_i > 0$  and they must be adjacent.

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Suppose so this functions okay now this function is also of only of one variable, so  $f(x) = x_1^3 - 3x_1^2 + 4x_1 + 2$  and subject 2 conditions are  $0 \leq x_1 \leq 3$ . Now suppose this function is a function in only one variable and we want to find out linear approximation of this function how to find. So the bound of  $x_1$  should must be be greater than 0 or less than equal to 3. So first we find out the grid points.

Finding find points is in our hand okay? So we take grid points like this. This is 0 and it is 3, you see  $x_1$  is between 0 and 3, it is 0 and it is 3 okay? So we can divide grid points as 1 and 2, it is one grid point 0, 1, 2, 3. These are the grid points; we can take grid pointers half also  $3/2$  also but it will make the calculation difficult okay for convenience we take grid points as 0, 1, 2, 3 okay we can increase the grid points also.

No problem okay? So for convince we are taking only these grid points 0, 1, 2, 3 okay? Now first grid point  $a_0$  is 0  $a_1$  is 1  $a_2$  2 and  $a_3$  is 3. So what is  $f(a_0)$  then  $f(a_0)$  is substitute over here. So it will be 2. What is  $f(a_1)$  is here you can simply see the  $6+1=7$ ,  $7-3=4$  and what is  $f(a_2)$ ?  $f(a_2)$  substitute a  $a_2$   $x_1=2$ . So when you substitute  $x_1 = 2$  it is  $8 + 2=10$   $10+8$  ia  $18$   $18-12$  is 6 and  $f(a_3)$  ) is 14. So these are the values you obtain okay?

So what will a linear approximation of this  $f(x)$  nothing but it is suppose it is  $\lambda_0$  over here  $\lambda_1$  here  $\lambda_2$  here  $\lambda_3$  here so it is  $2\lambda_0 + 4\lambda_1 + 6\lambda_2 + 14\lambda_3$  it is  $\lambda_0 f(a_0) + \lambda_1 f(a_1) + \lambda_2 f(a_2) + \lambda_3 f(a_3)$  so  $2(f(a_0)) \lambda_0 + 4\lambda_1 + 6\lambda_2 + 14\lambda_3$ , subject to  $\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \lambda_3$  must be one. All  $\lambda_i$  is must be  $\geq 0$ . And at most  $2\lambda_i \geq 0$  and they must be adjacent. Okay. And what will be  $x$  the  $x_1$  the optimal solution the

action will be  $0\lambda_0 + 1\lambda_1 + 2\lambda_2 + 3\lambda_3$ . So that will be the optimal solution.  $0\lambda_0 + 1\lambda_1 + 2\lambda_2 + 3\lambda_3$ . So this is how we can find out linear approximation of a given function okay so thank you.

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