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- Chapter 5 Penalty and Augmented Lagrangian Methods for Constrained Optimization (quadratic penalty method, augmented Lagrangian method, first-order method)
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