

# Review of Homework-1 (Group-2)

Group 1

## **1 problem1**

### **1.1**

To prove equivalence, both necessity and sufficiently should be proved. In the solution, only the necessity is proved.

### **1.2**

Same as the previous one.

### **1.3**

The answer seems correct and clear.

### **1.4**

The answer is correct and comprehensive.

### **1.5**

Interesting and clear proof.

### **1.6**

The solution should be correct.

## **2 problem2**

### **2.1**

Interesting and clear proof.

### **2.2**

The answer seems correct.

### 2.3

We are a bit confused that the authors have already got the inequality result of (1) and (2) in problem 1.2.b:

$$f(x_2) \geq f(x_1) + \nabla f(x_1)^T(x_2 - x_1) + \frac{1}{2L} \|\nabla f(x_2) - \nabla f(x_1)\|_2^2 \quad (1)$$

$$f(x_1) \geq f(x_2) + \nabla f(x_2)^T(x_1 - x_2) + \frac{1}{2L} \|\nabla f(x_1) - \nabla f(x_2)\|_2^2 \quad (2)$$

But the authors prove these inequality again by using another method different from their previous answer.

## 3 problem3

The authors give definition of different convergence rate without giving examples. There is a bit ambiguous in the inequality (31).

## 4 problem4

### 4.1 a

The answer seems to be correct.

### 4.2 b

The answer seems to be correct.

### 4.3 c

The matrix to compute Newton step should be like:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \nabla^2 f(\mathbf{x}) & \mathbf{A}^T \\ \mathbf{A} & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \Delta \mathbf{x}_{nt} \\ w \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -\nabla f(\mathbf{x}) \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (3)$$

instead of

$$\begin{bmatrix} \nabla^2 f(\mathbf{x})^2 & \mathbf{A}^T \\ \mathbf{A} & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \Delta \mathbf{x}_{nt} \\ w \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -\nabla f(\mathbf{x}) \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (4)$$

And the authors also claim that it is computational infeasible to compute the inverse of  $\begin{bmatrix} \nabla^2 f(\mathbf{x}) & \mathbf{A}^T \\ \mathbf{A} & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ . But I would argue since the Hessian matrix  $\nabla^2 f(\mathbf{x})$  is diagonal matrix, we may still be able to compute the inverse of  $\begin{bmatrix} \nabla^2 f(\mathbf{x}) & \mathbf{A}^T \\ \mathbf{A} & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

### 4.4 d

I believe the convexity of  $r(x)$  should be discussed.

## 5 problem5

The same as our solution.