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**Homework 1 – Due by 11:59 PM on Sunday Feb 9**

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(1) Compute  $\nabla f(x)$  and  $\nabla^2 f(x)$  for  $f$  where  $f$  is defined as one of the following.

(a)  $f(x_1, x_2, x_3) = x_2^2$

(b)  $f(x_1, x_2, x_3) = x_1^2 + x_3^2 + 2x_1x_2 + 2x_1x_3 + 2x_2x_3.$

(2) Consider the function

$$f(x) = (a^\top x)(b^\top x),$$

where  $a, b$ , and  $x$  are  $n$ -dimensional vectors. Find  $\nabla_x f(x)$  (*Hint: use product rule*)

(3) Are the following vectors linearly independent or dependent? Why?

$$a_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.2 \\ -7 \\ 8.6 \end{bmatrix}, \quad a_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -0.1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad a_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 2.2 \end{bmatrix}$$

(4) Let  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$  be the eigenvalues of  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ . Show that the eigenvalues of the matrix  $I_n - A$  are  $(1 - \lambda_1), \dots, (1 - \lambda_n)$ .

(5) Show that for any  $x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $\|x - z\| \leq \|x - y\| + \|y - z\|$ .

(6) Show that  $\|\cdot\|_{1/2}$  is not a norm. (*Hint: Show that it may not satisfy the triangle inequality*)

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Students enrolled in SIE 549 must solve the following problems.

Students in SIE 449 will get extra credit by solving them.

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(7) Show that  $\|x\|_\infty \leq \|x\|_2 \leq \|x\|_1$ .

(8) Consider matrix  $A$ , from the definition of matrix norms, we know that  $\|A\|_2 = \sigma_1$  where  $\sigma_1$  is the largest singular value of  $A$ , and  $\|A\|_\infty = \|A^T\|_1$ . Show that  $\|A\|_2^2 \leq \|A\|_1 \|A\|_\infty$ .

(*Hint: Consider first singular vector  $v$  of  $A$ , we know that  $A^T A v = \sigma_1^2 v$ )*

(1)

$$(a) \nabla f(x_1, x_2, x_3) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2x_2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \nabla^2 f(x_1, x_2, x_3) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(b) \nabla f(x_1, x_2, x_3) = \begin{bmatrix} 2x_1 + 2x_2 + 2x_3 \\ 2x_1 + 2x_3 \\ 2x_3 + 2x_1 + 2x_2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \nabla^2 f(x_1, x_2, x_3) = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 0 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(2) \nabla_x f(x) = b^T(a^T x) + a^T(b^T x) \\ = b^T x a^T + a^T x b^T \\ = x(b^T a^T + a^T b^T)$$

$$(3) a_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.2 \\ -7 \\ 8.6 \end{bmatrix} \quad a_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -0.1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad a_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 2.2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$c_1 a_1 + c_2 a_2 + c_3 a_3 = 0$$

$$\begin{cases} c_1 = \frac{1}{2}c_2, c_2 = 2c_1 \\ c_2 = \frac{7}{2}c_1 + \frac{1}{4}c_3 = c_2 = \frac{7}{4}c_2 + \frac{1}{2}c_3 \\ 2.2c_3 = -8.6c_1 + c_2 = c_2 = -4.3c_2 + 2.2c_3 \end{cases}$$

$$-4.3c_2 + 2.2c_3 = \frac{7}{4}c_2 + \frac{1}{2}c_3$$

$$0.7c_3 = (1.75 + 4.3)c_2$$

$$= 6.05c_2$$

$$\boxed{c_3 = 8.64}$$

$$2c_1 = \frac{7}{2}c_1 + \frac{1}{2}(8.64)$$

$$\frac{1}{2}c_1 = 4.32$$

$$\boxed{c_1 = 2.16}$$

$$\boxed{c_2 = 4.32}$$

Linearly independent  
b/c all constants  
are unique.

$$(4) Av = \lambda v$$

$$(A - \lambda I)v = 0$$

$$Av = \lambda v$$

$$-Av = -\lambda v \quad \text{divide by } -1$$

$$v - Av = v - \lambda v \quad \text{add } v$$

$$(I - A)v = (1 - \lambda)v \quad \text{distribute}$$

$$(5) \|x-z\| \leq \|x-y\| + \|y-z\|$$

$$A = (x-y)$$

$$B = (y-z)$$

$$\begin{aligned} A+B &= x-y+y-z \\ &= x-z \end{aligned}$$

$$\|A+B\| \leq \|A\| + \|B\|$$

$$\|x-z\| \leq \|x-y\| + \|y-z\| \quad \blacksquare$$

$$(6) \|\cdot\|_{1/2} = \left( \sum_{i,j} | \cdot |_{ij}^{1/2} \right)^2$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A+B = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 8 \\ 10 & 12 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \|A\|_{1/2} &= (\sqrt{1} + \sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3} + \sqrt{4})^2 \\ &= (6.15)^2 = 37.82 \end{aligned}$$

$$\|A\| + \|B\| = 141.05$$

$$\begin{aligned} \|B\|_{1/2} &= (\sqrt{5} + \sqrt{6} + \sqrt{7} + \sqrt{8})^2 \\ &= (10.16)^2 = 103.23 \end{aligned}$$

$$\|A+B\| = 141.71$$

$$\|A+B\| > \|A\| + \|B\| \quad \blacksquare$$

$$\begin{aligned} \|A+B\|_{1/2} &= (\sqrt{6} + \sqrt{8} + \sqrt{10} + \sqrt{12})^2 \\ &= (11.90)^2 = 141.71 \end{aligned}$$