

Homework 1. Matrix differentiation

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Hereinafter we use the following notation:

- $\langle x, y \rangle$ – Euclidean inner product;
- $\|x\| = \langle x, x \rangle^{1/2} = (x^T x)^{1/2}$ – Euclidean vector norm;
- $\|A\|_F = \langle A, A \rangle^{1/2} = \text{tr}(A^T A)^{1/2}$ – Frobenius matrix norm;
- $\mathbb{R}_+^n = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid x_i \geq 0 \ \forall i\}$, $\mathbb{R}_{++}^n = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid x_i > 0 \ \forall i\}$;
- $\mathbb{S}^n = \{A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n} \mid A = A^T\}$;
- $\mathbb{S}_+^n = \{A \in \mathbb{S}^n \mid A \text{ is non-negative definite}\}$, $\mathbb{S}_{++}^n = \{A \in \mathbb{S}^n \mid A \text{ is positive definite}\}$.

1. For each of the following functions f find first and second derivatives:

- $f : E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $f(t) = \det(A - tI_n)$, where $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$, $E = \{t \in \mathbb{R} : \det(A - tI) \neq 0\}$.
- $f : \mathbb{R}_{++}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $f(t) = \|(A + tI_n)^{-1}b\|$, where $A \in \mathbb{S}_+^n$, $b \in \mathbb{R}^n$.

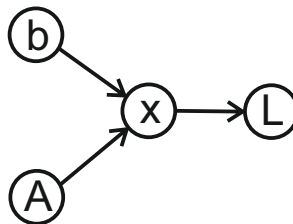
2. For each of the following functions f find gradient ∇f and Hessian $\nabla^2 f$:

- $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $f(x) = \frac{1}{2}\|xx^T - A\|_F^2$, where $A \in \mathbb{S}^n$;
- $f : \mathbb{R}^n \setminus \{0\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $f(x) = \langle x, x \rangle^{\langle x, x \rangle}$;
- $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $f(x) = \|Ax - b\|^p$, where $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$, $b \in \mathbb{R}^m$, $p \geq 2$.

3. For each of the following functions f find all stationary points and indicate possible parameter values when they exist:

- $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $f(x) = \langle c, x \rangle + \frac{\sigma}{3}\|x\|^3$, where $c \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $c \neq 0$, $\sigma > 0$;
- $f : E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $f(x) = \langle a, x \rangle - \ln(1 - \langle b, x \rangle)$, where $a, b \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $a, b \neq 0$, $E = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid \langle b, x \rangle < 1\}$;
- $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $f(x) = \langle c, x \rangle \exp(-\langle Ax, x \rangle)$, where $c \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $c \neq 0$, $A \in \mathbb{S}_{++}^n$;
- $f : \mathbb{S}_{++}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $f(X) = \langle X^{-1}, I_n \rangle - \langle A, X \rangle$, where $A \in \mathbb{S}^n$.

4. Suppose we have the following calculation graph:



Here $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ is some non-degenerate matrix, $b \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and x is a unique solution of the linear system $Ax = b$. L is some scalar loss function that somehow depends on x . The task is to backpropagate the gradient through this calculation graph, i.e. given $\nabla_x L$ find $\nabla_b L$ and $\nabla_A L$.