

1. (i)  $f(x) = x^T A x + 2b^T x + c$ ,  $\nabla f(x) = A^T x + A x + 2b^T = 2Ax + 2b^T$  for  $A^T = A$ .

$$\begin{aligned}\|\nabla f(x) - \nabla f(y)\| &= \|2Ax + 2b^T - (2Ay + 2b^T)\| \\ &= \|2A(x - y)\| \\ &= 2\|A\|\|x - y\|\end{aligned}$$

(ii)  $g(x) = f(Ax + b)$ ,  $\nabla g(x) = \nabla f(Ax + b) \cdot A$

$$\begin{aligned}\|\nabla g(x) - \nabla g(y)\| &\leq \|A\| \|\nabla f(Ax + b) - \nabla f(Ay + b)\| \\ &\leq \|A\| L \|Ax + b - Ay - b\| \text{ since } f \in C^1_L(\mathbb{R}^n) \\ &\leq \|A\|^2 L \|x - y\|\end{aligned}$$

so  $g \in C^1_L(\mathbb{R}^n)$  with  $\tilde{L} = \|A\|^2 L$ .

2. Assume  $Q = \begin{bmatrix} Q_{11} & Q_{12} \\ Q_{21} & Q_{22} \end{bmatrix}$ , since multiplying a matrix by a constant doesn't affect

its condition number, we can turn  $Q$  into  $Q = \begin{bmatrix} a & 1 \\ 1 & b \end{bmatrix}$ , so  $D^{\frac{1}{2}} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{a}} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{b}} \end{bmatrix}$

$$\text{Then } D^{\frac{1}{2}} Q D^{\frac{1}{2}} = A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{ab}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{ab}} & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

let  $\alpha_1 \geq \alpha_2$  be eigenvalues of  $Q$  and  $\gamma_1 \geq \gamma_2$  eigenvalues of  $A$ .

$\det(D^{\frac{1}{2}}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{ab}} < 1$  since  $A \succeq 0$  &  $Q \succ 0$ , which gives  $ab > 1$  or  $\frac{1}{ab} < 1$ .

Also,  $K(Q) = \frac{\alpha_1}{\alpha_2}$  &  $\det(Q) = \alpha_1 \alpha_2$ , then  $\det(Q) K(Q) = \alpha_1^2$  and  $\det(Q) \det(D^{\frac{1}{2}}) \det(D^{\frac{1}{2}}) = \gamma_1^2$

We want  $K(A) \leq K(Q)$ , or  $\det(Q) K(A) \leq \det(Q) K(Q)$

since  $\det(Q) > 0$ ,  $\gamma_1^2 / (\det(D^{\frac{1}{2}}) \det(D^{\frac{1}{2}})) \leq \alpha_1^2$ , or  $\gamma_1 \leq \det(D^{\frac{1}{2}}) \alpha_1$ , which is equivalent to  $K(A) \leq K(Q)$ , all terms positive.

Using characteristic polynomial  $(t - \alpha_1)(t - \alpha_2) \dots$  of  $Q$  &  $A$ , get

$$\alpha_1 = \frac{a+b}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{(a-b)^2 + 4}}{2}, \quad \gamma_1 = 1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{ab}}$$

$$\det(D^{\frac{1}{2}}) \alpha_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{ab}} \left( \frac{a+b}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{(a-b)^2 + 4}}{2} \right) = \frac{a+b}{2\sqrt{ab}} + \sqrt{\frac{(a-b)^2 + 4}{4ab}} \geq 1 + \sqrt{\frac{(a-b)^2 + 4}{4ab}} \geq 1 + \sqrt{\frac{4}{4ab}} = 1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{ab}} = \gamma_1$$

so  $\det(D^{\frac{1}{2}}) \alpha_1 \geq \gamma_1$ , therefore  $K(A) = K(D^{\frac{1}{2}} Q D^{\frac{1}{2}}) \leq K(Q)$ .

4, b)  $\frac{d}{dx_1} f_1(x) = 1$ ,  $\frac{d}{dx_2} f_1(x) = 10x_2 - 3x_2^2 - 2$

$\frac{d}{dx_1} f_2(x) = 1$ ,  $\frac{d}{dx_2} f_2(x) = 3x_2^2 + 2x_2 - 14$

$\frac{d}{dx_1} f = 2f_1(x) \frac{d}{dx_1} f_1(x) + 2f_2(x) \frac{d}{dx_1} f_2(x) = 2f_1(x)(10x_2 - 3x_2^2 - 2) + 2f_2(x)(3x_2^2 + 2x_2 - 14)$

$\frac{d}{dx_1} f = 0$ ,  $f_1(x) = -f_2(x)$

$\frac{d}{dx_2} f = 0$ ,  $f_1(x)(10x_2 - 3x_2^2 - 2 - 3x_2^2 - 2x_2 + 14) = 0$ ,  $f_1(x)(8x_2 - 6x_2^2 + 12) = 0$

$\frac{d}{dx_1} f = 0$ ,  $x_1 = 21 - 3x_2^2 + 8x_2$

$f_1 = -13 + 21 - 3x_2^2 + 8x_2 + 5x_2^2 - x_2^3 - 2x_2 = 8 + 2x_2^2 - x_2^3 + 6x_2 = (x_2 - 4)(-x_2^2 - 2x_2 - 2)$

By  $\frac{d}{dx_2} f = 0$ ,  $x_2 = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{22}}{3}$ ,  $x_2 = 4$ , or  $x_2 \approx 2.23, -0.98, 4$ .

plug these back into the equations get stationary points

$(11.41, -0.89), (23.92, 2.23), (5, 4)$ .

For  $(11.41, -0.89)$ ,  $\nabla^2 f \approx \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -53.36 \\ -53.36 & 281.18 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $(4 - \lambda)(281.18 - \lambda) - (-53.36)^2$  gives  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 > 0$ .

so  $\nabla^2 f(11.41, -0.89) > 0$ ,  $(11.41, -0.89)$  local min.

For  $(23.92, 2.23)$ ,  $\nabla^2 f \approx \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 21.52 \\ 21.52 & -643.52 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $(4 - \lambda)(-643.52 - \lambda) - (21.52)^2$  gives  $\lambda_1 < 0$ ,  $\lambda_2 > 0$

so  $\nabla^2 f(23.92, 2.23)$  indefinite,  $(23.92, 2.23)$  saddle point

For  $(5, 4)$ ,  $\nabla^2 f = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 64 \\ 64 & 3728 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $(3728 - \lambda)(4 - \lambda) - 64^2$  gives  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 > 0$

so  $\nabla^2 f(5, 4) > 0$ ,  $(5, 4)$  local min

but,  $f(4, 5) = 0^2 + 0^2 = 0 = \min(f_1^2 + f_2^2)$

$(4, 5)$  global min.

5. Multiscale analysis of accelerated gradient methods.

6. Dec-14, 4:00 pm  $\Rightarrow$  4:25 pm  
Dec-16, 4:00 pm  $\Rightarrow$  4:25 pm  
Dec-17, 4:00 pm  $\Rightarrow$  4:25 pm

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