

## Question 1

$$f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$f(x) = -x^3 + 6x^2 + 10$$

a) The function is unimodal in  $[-1, 1]$

the minimum of the function occurs when  $f'(x) = -3x^2 + 12x = 0$

$$\Rightarrow 3x(-x + 4) = 0$$

$$\begin{array}{cc} \swarrow & \searrow \\ x=0 & x=4 \end{array}$$

therefore, there's only one minimum in  $[-1, 1] \Rightarrow$

the function is unimodal.

• the derivative is increasing in  $[-1, 1]$

$$f'(x) = -3x^2 + 12x$$

$f'' = 12 - 6x \geq 0$  in  $[-1, 1] \Rightarrow f'$  is increasing in the interval.

b)

$$\frac{2}{F_n} < 2\epsilon$$

$$F_n > \frac{1}{\epsilon}$$

$$F_n > 20$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{array}{cccccccc} 1 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 5 & 8 & 13 & 21 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 \end{array}$$

$$n = 7$$

c) To find the minimum of  $f$  we look for the zero of  $f'$ . We saw in a) that  $f'$  is increasing in  $[-1, 1]$ , and we also saw that it crosses the  $x$ -axis. Therefore, it is possible to find the minimum of  $f$  using the method of the false position in  $f'$ .

$k=1$	$f'(-1) = -15$ $f'(1) = 9$	$p = -1 + \frac{2 \cdot (-15)}{-15 - 9} = 1/4$	$g(p) = 2.81$ New interval $[-1, 1/4]$
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d) In the first iteration we will need  $f'$  and  $f''$ , and  $f''$  must be  $\neq 0$ , which is not the case. So it is not possible to start the Newton method with  $x_0 = 2$

Q2

$$f: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$f(x_1, x_2) = x_1^3 + 6x_1^2 + 2x_2^3 - 6x_2^2 + 30$$

a) first order conditions :

$$\nabla f(x_1, x_2) = 0 = \begin{bmatrix} 3x_1^2 + 12x_1 \\ 6x_2^2 - 12x_2 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{aligned} x_1 &= 0 \text{ or } -4 \\ x_2 &= 0 \text{ or } 2 \end{aligned}$$

stationary points

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} -4 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \begin{pmatrix} -4 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$P_1 \quad P_2 \quad P_3 \quad P_4$

b)

$$\nabla^2 f = \begin{bmatrix} 6x_1 + 12 & 0 \\ 0 & 12x_2 - 12 \end{bmatrix}$$

for  $P_1$   $\nabla^2 f = \begin{bmatrix} 12 & 0 \\ 0 & -12 \end{bmatrix}$   $P_1$  saddle

for  $P_2$   $\nabla^2 f = \begin{bmatrix} 12 & 0 \\ 0 & 12 \end{bmatrix} > 0$   $P_2$  is min

for  $P_3$   $\nabla^2 f = \begin{bmatrix} -12 & 0 \\ 0 & -12 \end{bmatrix} < 0$   $P_3$  is max

for  $P_4$   $\nabla^2 f = \begin{bmatrix} -12 & 0 \\ 0 & 12 \end{bmatrix}$   $P_4$  is saddle

e)

$$\textcircled{p_1} \quad f(x - (0,0)) \approx 30 + \frac{1}{2}(x)^T \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 12 & 0 \\ 0 & -12 \end{bmatrix} x$$

$$\textcircled{p_4} \quad f(x - (-4,2)) \approx 54 + \frac{1}{2}(x - (-4,2))^T \begin{bmatrix} -12 & 0 \\ 0 & 12 \end{bmatrix} (x - (-4,2))$$

d)

for  $p_1(p_2)$   $d = (1,0)$  (decreases)  
increases the value

for  $p_2(p_1)$   $d = (0,1)$  (decreases)  
increases the value

Q3

$$f(x) = 2x_1^2 + 2x_2^2 + 2x_1x_2 - 6x_1 + 2x_3^2$$

2)

$$\nabla f(x) = \begin{bmatrix} 4x_1 + 2x_2 - 6 \\ 4x_2 + 2x_1 \\ 4x_3^2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{at } x_0 = (1, 1, 0) \quad \nabla f(x_0) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 6 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x_1 = x_0 - t \cdot \nabla f(x_0)$$

$$x_1 = (1 \ 1 \ 0) + (0 \ -6t \ 0)$$

$$x_1 = (1 \quad 1-6t \quad 0)$$

$$f(x_1) = 4 + 2(1-6t)^2 + 2(1-6t) - 6$$

it's a single variable function on  $t$

$$f(t) = 2(1-6t)^2 + 2(1-6t) - 2$$

it's stationary point(s) are given when  $f'(t) = 0$

$$f'(t) = -4 \cdot 6 \cdot (1-6t) - 12(1-6t)$$

$$\Rightarrow t = 1/4$$

$$x_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \frac{1}{4} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -6 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1/2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\nabla f(x_1) = \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

b)  $90^\circ$ .

$$c) \nabla^2 f(x) = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 8x_3^2 \end{bmatrix} \text{ at } x_0 = (1, 1, 0)$$

$$\nabla f(x_0) = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

the matrix is definite positive, so we can compute the Newton direction.

$$d = -\left(\nabla^2 f(x_1)\right)^{-1} \nabla f(x_1) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

d) i) same as in a)

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -6 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

ii) same as in b)

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 0 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

4/

$$f(x_1, x_2) = -x_1 - x_2$$

$$\text{s.t. } x_1^2 + x_2^2 \leq 4$$

$$x_2 \leq 1$$

$$a/ \quad \mathcal{L}(x, \lambda) = -x_1 - x_2 + \lambda_1 (x_1^2 + x_2^2 - 4) + \lambda_2 (x_2 - 1)$$

b/

KKTa:

$$\nabla \mathcal{L}_x(x, \lambda) = 0 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 + 2x_1 \lambda_1 \\ -1 + 2x_2 \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

KKTb

$$\lambda_1, \lambda_2 \geq 0$$

$$x_1^2 + x_2^2 - 4 \leq 0$$

$$x_2 - 1 \leq 0$$

$$\lambda_1 (x_1^2 + x_2^2 - 4) = 0$$

$$\lambda_2 (x_2 - 1) = 0$$

#### 4 cases

)  $\lambda_1 = 0, \lambda_2 = 0 \Rightarrow$  KKTa fails  $-1 = 0$

)  $\lambda_1 = 0, \lambda_2 > 0 \Rightarrow$  KKTa fails

)  $\lambda_1 > 0, \lambda_2 = 0$

↓

from KKTa  $\rightarrow x_2 = 1/2\lambda_1$

$\Rightarrow x_2 = x_1$

from KKTb  $x_1 = 1/2\lambda_1$

from KKTb

$x_1^2 + x_2^2 - 4 = 0$

$2x_1^2 = 4$

$x_1 = \pm\sqrt{2} = x_2$

two candidates

$\begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{2} \\ \sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix}$

↓

violates KKTb  
 $x_2 < 1$   
 $\sqrt{2} < 1$  violation

$\begin{pmatrix} -\sqrt{2} \\ -\sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix}$

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contradiction with hypothesis that  $\lambda_1 > 0$

$-1 - 2\sqrt{2}\lambda_1 = 0$

$\lambda_1 = -1/2\sqrt{2}$

④  $\lambda_1 > 0, \lambda_2 > 0$

KKTb:  
 $x_2 = 1$   
 $x_1^2 + 1 = 4$   
 $x_1 = \pm\sqrt{3}$

$\Rightarrow$

candidates

$\begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{3} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$

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$\begin{pmatrix} -\sqrt{3} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$

↓ from KKTa violates hypothesis that  $\lambda_1 > 0$

KKTa  $-1 + 2\sqrt{3}\lambda_1 = 0$

$\Rightarrow \lambda_1 = 1/2\sqrt{3}$

KKTb  $\lambda_2 = 1 - 2 \cdot 1 \cdot \frac{1}{2\sqrt{3}} = 1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{3-\sqrt{3}}{3}$

$x_1 = \sqrt{3}$   
 $x_2 = 1$   
 $\lambda_1 = 1/2\sqrt{3}$   
 $\lambda_2 = 3-\sqrt{3}/3$



c) The set of all active gradients are active

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2x_1 \\ 2x_2 \end{bmatrix} \text{ for } \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{3} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} / \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \checkmark$$

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we can find  $d = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$  for which

$$\nabla g_1(x^*)^T \cdot d < 0$$

$$\nabla g_2(x^*)^T \cdot d < 0$$

d)

Critical cone

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2\sqrt{3} & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} d_1 \\ d_2 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} d_1 \\ d_2 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow d_2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow d_1 = 0$$

the critical cone is  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow$  the hessian is definite positive in the critical cone -  $\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \} = \text{empty}$

moreover, the hessian is always  $> 0$  for  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 > 0$

Q5

a) 
$$P_{\alpha}(x) = x_1^2 - x_2 + \frac{\alpha}{2} \left( (1-x_1)_+^2 + (x_2-3)_+^2 \right)$$

b)

$$\nabla_x P_{\alpha}(x) = 0 = \begin{bmatrix} 2x_1 - \alpha \cdot (1-x_1)_+ \\ -1 + \alpha \cdot (x_2-3)_+ \end{bmatrix}$$

c)

we can treat  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  independently in this

case:

\* if  $x_1 \geq 1 \Rightarrow (1-x_1)_+ = 0 \Rightarrow 2x_1 = 0$  (contradiction)

$x_1 < 1 \Rightarrow (1-x_1)_+ = (1-x_1) \Rightarrow 2x_1 - \alpha(1-x_1) = 0$

$$(2+\alpha)x_1 = \alpha$$

$$\boxed{x_1 = \frac{\alpha}{2+\alpha}}$$

$< 1 \checkmark$

\* if  $x_2 \leq 3 \Rightarrow (x_2-3)_+ = 0 \Rightarrow -1 = 0$  (contradiction)

$x_2 > 3 \Rightarrow (x_2-3)_+ = (x_2-3) \Rightarrow \alpha(x_2-3) = 1$

$$\boxed{x_2 = \frac{1+3\alpha}{\alpha}}$$

$> 3 \checkmark$

d)

$$x_1^* = \lim_{\alpha \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\alpha}{2+\alpha} = \boxed{1 = x_1^*}$$

$$x_2^* = \lim_{\alpha \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1+3\alpha}{\alpha} = \boxed{3 = x_2^*}$$

$$\lambda_1^* = \lim_{\alpha \rightarrow \infty} \alpha \left( 1 - \frac{\alpha}{2+\alpha} \right)$$

$$= \lim_{\alpha \rightarrow \infty} \alpha \left( \frac{2}{2+\alpha} \right)$$

$$= \lim_{\alpha \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{2\alpha}{2+\alpha} \right) = \boxed{2 = \lambda_1^*}$$

$$\lambda_2^* = \lim_{\alpha \rightarrow \infty} \alpha \left( \frac{1+3\alpha}{\alpha} - 3 \right)$$

$$= \lim_{\alpha \rightarrow \infty} \alpha \left( \frac{1+3\alpha-3\alpha}{\alpha} \right) = \boxed{1 = \lambda_2^*}$$

Q6

$$f(x) = x_1^2 + x_2^2 + 2x_2 - 3$$

s.t.

$$x_1^2 + x_2^2 \leq 1$$

$$x_1 + x_2 = 1$$

a)

the objective function is convex:

$$\nabla f(x) = \begin{bmatrix} 2x_1 \\ 2x_2 + 2 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \nabla^2 f = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} > 0$$

the inequality constraint is convex:

$$\nabla g(x) = \begin{bmatrix} 2x_1 \\ 2x_2 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \nabla^2 g = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} > 0$$

the equality constraint is clearly affine.

b)

$$L(x, \lambda) = x_1^2 + x_2^2 + 2x_2 - 3 + \lambda \cdot (x_1^2 + x_2^2 - 1) + \eta(x_1 + x_2 - 1)$$

c) Saddle inequalities:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} L(x^*, \lambda, \eta) & \leq & L(x^*, \lambda^*, \eta^*) & \leq & L(x, \lambda^*, \eta^*) \\ (1) & & (2) & & (3) \end{array}$$

$$(1) \quad L(x^*, \lambda, \eta) = 1 - 3 + \lambda(0) + \eta(0)$$

$$L(x^*, \lambda, \eta) = -2$$

which is independent of  $\eta$  and  $\lambda$ , thus

$$L(x^*, \lambda, \eta) = -2 = L(x^*, \lambda^*, \eta^*) \text{ and}$$

$$\text{therefore } \boxed{L(x^*, \lambda, \eta) \leq L(x^*, \lambda^*, \eta^*)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (2) \quad L(x, \lambda^*, \eta^*) &= x_1^2 + x_2^2 + 2x_2 - 3 - 2(x_1 + x_2 - 1) \\ &= x_1^2 + x_2^2 - 2x_1 - 1 \end{aligned}$$

which is minimised at:

$$\nabla f(x) = \begin{bmatrix} 2x_1 - 2 \\ 2x_2 \end{bmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow \begin{array}{l} x_1^* = 1 \\ x_2^* = 0 \end{array}$$

thus

$$L(x^*, \lambda^*, \eta^*) \leq L(x, \lambda^*, \eta^*)$$

d) the problem is convex

e)

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{Max} & x_1^2 + x_2^2 + 2x_2 - 3 + \lambda(x_1^2 + x_2^2 - 1) + \gamma(x_1 + x_2 - 1) \\ & x_1, \lambda, \gamma \end{array}$$

s.t.

$$\lambda \geq 0$$

$$2x_1 + 2x_1\lambda + \gamma = 0$$

$$2x_2 + 2 + 2x_2\lambda + \gamma = 0$$