

hw2

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1 Week 2 Homework

1.1 Question 1

- (a) $\sum_{i=1}^3 x_i = x_1 + x_2 + x_3$
- (b) $\sum_{t=1}^3 2^t w_{2t} = 2w_2 + 4w_4 + 8w_6$
- (c) $\sum_{i=1}^3 \sum_{j=1}^i x_{ij} = x_{11} + x_{21} + x_{22} + x_{31} + x_{32} + x_{33}$
- (d) $\sum_{i=1}^3 \sum_{j=2}^4 (x_i + y_{ij}) = 3x_1 + y_{12} + y_{13} + y_{14} + 3x_2 + y_{22} + y_{23} + y_{24} + 3x_3 + y_{32} + y_{33} + y_{34}$
- (e) $\sum_{k=1}^3 (2k+1)x_{k+1} = 3x_2 + 5x_3 + 7x_4$
- (f) $\sum_{n=3}^5 \sum_{m=n+1}^{n+3} x_n y_m = x_3 y_4 + x_3 y_5 + x_3 y_6 + x_4 y_5 + x_4 y_6 + x_4 y_7 + x_5 y_6 + x_5 y_7 + x_5 y_8$

1.2 Question 2

- (a) The dimension of each vector is 3.
- (b) $\mathbf{x} + 2\mathbf{y} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} + 2 \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 3 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix}$
- (c) $\|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}\| = \left\| \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \right\| = \left\| \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \right\| = \sqrt{(-1)^2 + 0^2 + 2^2} = \sqrt{5}$
- (d) $\mathbf{x}^T(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y}) = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \left(\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 2 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} = 36$
- (e) $x_2 y_1 = 1 \times 3 = 3$

1.3 Question 3

To determine if each set is convex, we'll use the provided definition: A set $X \in \mathbf{R}^n$ is convex if $\forall x, y \in X$ and $\lambda \in [0, 1]$ it holds $\lambda x + (1 - \lambda)y \in X$.

- (a) The set $\{(x_1, x_2) \mid x_1^2 + x_2^2 \geq 0\}$ is **convex**.

Applying the definition, we have a tuple of the form $(\lambda x_1 + (1 - \lambda)y_1, \lambda x_2 + (1 - \lambda)y_2)$. The square of each term is ≥ 0 therefore the sum is ≥ 0 . Therefore the result is a member of X .

(b) The set $\{x \mid 3 - x^2 = 0\}$ is **convex**.

This set has 2 members: $\sqrt{3}$ and $-\sqrt{3}$. Applying the definition we have $\lambda\sqrt{3} + (1 - \lambda)(-\sqrt{3})$. This result is a member of the set when $\lambda = \frac{1}{2}$.

(c) The set $\{(x_1, x_2) \mid \frac{x_1}{x_2+2} \leq 3, x_2 \geq -1\}$ is **convex**.

This can be rewritten as the set $\{(x_1, x_2) \mid x_1 - 3x_2 \leq 6, x_2 \geq -1\}$. Applying the definition when get the following:

$\lambda(x_1 - 3x_2) + (1 - \lambda)(y_1 - 3y_2)$. This is ≤ 6 given the definition of the set.

1.4 Question 4

A program is convex if its objective function is convex and the constraints are convex.

(a) The problem $\min x_1^2 + x_2^2$ s.t. $(x_1, x_2) \in \mathbf{R}^2$ is a **convex program**.

The objective was shown to be convex in Q3. There are no constraints to consider since all of \mathbf{R}^2 is considered.

(b) The problem $\max 3x_1 + 2x_2$ s.t. $x_1^2 + x_2^2 \leq 10$ is a **convex program**.

The objective is a line and therefore is convex. The constraint is a filled circle and therefore is convex.

(c) The problem $\min \sum_{i=1}^n 2^i (x_i)^{2i}$ s.t. $\sum_{i=1}^n x_i \geq 10$ is **not a convex program**.

The objective is a polynomial of order $2n$ and is not convex.

1.5 Question 5

A quantity y is known to depend upon another quantity x . A set of n data pairs $\{y_i, x_i\}$ where $i = 1..n$ has been collected.

(a) The optimization model is $\min \sum_{i=1}^n |y_i - (ax_i + b)|$. This is a non-linear optimization program since the absolute function is not linear. All variables (a, b) are continuous. It is a convex program since each measurement is evaluated with a linear function that is convex.

(b) The optimization model is $\min \max(y_i - (ax_i + b))$. This is a non-linear optimization program since the max function is not linear. All variables (a, b) are continuous. It is a convex program since each measurement is evaluated with a function that is convex.

(c) The optimization model is $\min \max(y_i - (ax_i^2 + bx_i + c))$. This is a non-linear optimization program since the max function is not linear. All variables (a, b, c) are continuous. It is not a convex program since each measurement is evaluated with a function that is not convex.