

Midterm #2

March 30, (Wednesday)

1. Minimize

$$f = \frac{1}{2}(x_1^2 + 2x_2^2) - x_1 + x_2 + 7$$

using the **rank two correction (DFP)** method. The starting point is $\mathbf{x}^{(0)} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}^T$.

2. Find the ellipse

$$\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1,$$

that comes as close as possible to the three data points:

$$(x_1^2, y_1^2) = (2, 1), \quad (x_2^2, y_2^2) = (4, 2), \quad (x_3^2, y_3^2) = (6, 3).$$

3. Consider a series *RLC* circuit consisting of a resistance R , an inductance L , and a capacitance C . Applying Kirchhoff's voltage law, we obtain the following differential equation modeling the circuit,

$$L \frac{di}{dt} + Ri + V_{out} = V_{in},$$

Our objective is to estimate L and R using available measurements of i , $\frac{di}{dt}$, the

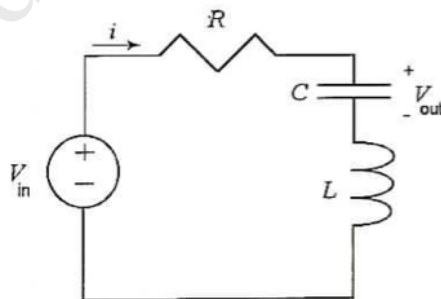


Figure 1: *RLC* circuit.

output voltage V_{out} , and the input voltage V_{in} at three different instances of the circuit operation. The results of measurement experiments are given in the table below. Obtain the least squares estimate of the circuit parameters L and R .

Table 1: Measurement data of the RLC circuit.

Experiment #	$\frac{di}{dt}$	i	V_{out}	V_{in}
1	1	0	-1	0
2	0	1	0	2
3	0	-1	0	1

4.

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{minimize} \quad \|x\|_2 \\ &\text{subject to} \quad \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ a & b \\ a & b \end{bmatrix} x = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \end{aligned}$$

where a and b are non-zero real parameters.

5. Let

$$A_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad b^{(0)} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix},$$

and

$$a_1^T = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad b^{(1)} = 1.$$

Use the recursive least squares to obtain the least squares solution of the combined system of equations.

6. For the system of linear equations, $Ax = b$, where

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad b = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Find the minimum length vector x^* that minimizes $\|Ax - b\|_2^2$.

7. Use the Fundamental Theorem of Linear Programming to solve the problem,

$$\begin{array}{ll}\text{minimize} & 3x_1 + x_2 + x_3 \\ \text{subject to} & x_1 + x_3 = 4 \\ & x_2 - x_3 = 2 \\ & x_1 \geq 0, x_2 \geq 0, x_3 \geq 0.\end{array}$$

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