

## Exercise 1

N & W, Chapter 2: Either {2.1 & 2.10 } or {2.2 & 2.3}.

I choose to make the exercise {2.2 & 2.3}.

1. {2.2} Show that the function  $f(x) = 8x_1 + 12x_2 + x_1^2 - 2x_2^2$  has only one stationary point, and that it is neither a maximum or minimum, but a saddle point. Sketch the contour lines of  $f$ .

### Svar:

The definition of a stationary point say *let  $f : V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  be differentiable. Then a point  $a \in V$  is a stationary point when  $\nabla f(a) = 0$ .*

$\nabla f(x)$  is defined as:

$$\nabla f(x) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1}(x) \\ \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_2}(x) \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_n}(x) \end{bmatrix}$$

then the  $\nabla f(x)$  for  $f(x) = 8x_1 + 12x_2 + x_1^2 - 2x_2^2$  is;

$$\nabla f(x) = \begin{bmatrix} 8 + 2x_1 \\ 12 - 4x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

then the stationary point will be;

$$\nabla f(x) = \begin{bmatrix} 8 + 2x_1 \\ 12 - 4x_2 \end{bmatrix} = 0,$$

$x_1 = -4, x_2 = 3$  is the only solution, so the stationary point is  $(-4, 3)$ .

To show this is a saddle point we look at the definition for a saddle point, it says that if the functions Hessian Matrix is indefinite, which indicates that the matrix is neither positive nor negative definite, so the eigenvalues are both positive and negative.

The Hessian Matrix is defined as;

$$\nabla^2 f(a) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_1^2}(a) & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_1 \partial x_2}(a) & \cdots & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_1 \partial x_n}(a) \\ \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_2 \partial x_1}(a) & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_2^2}(a) & \cdots & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_2 \partial x_n}(a) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_n \partial x_1}(a) & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_n \partial x_2}(a) & \cdots & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_n^2}(a) \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then the Hessian Matrix for  $f(x) = 8x_1 + 12x_2 + x_1^2 - 2x_2^2$  is;

$$\nabla^2 f(x) = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & -4 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Which give the eigenvalues  $\lambda_1 = -4$  and  $\lambda_2 = 2$ , so the Hessian Matrix is indefinite and the point is only a saddle point.

Sketch the contour lines of  $f$ , unfortunate I can't sketch the contour lines in R, so this may be made later before the examination.

2. {2.3} Let  $a$  be a given  $n$ -vector, and  $A$  be a given  $n \times n$  symmetric matrix. Compute the gradient  $\nabla f(x)$  and Hessian  $\nabla^2 f(x)$  of  $f_1(x) = a^T x$  and  $f_2(x) = x^T A x$

**Svar:**

$f_1(x)$  can be defined as;

$$f_1(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = a^T x = a_1 x_1 + a_2 x_2 + \dots + a_n x_n = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i x_i$$

Therefore the gradient will be;

$$\nabla f_1(x) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_1} \\ \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_2} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_n} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_n \end{bmatrix} = a$$

The Hessian is;

$$\nabla^2 f_1(x) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial^2 f_1}{\partial x_1^2} & \frac{\partial^2 f_1}{\partial x_1 \partial x_2} & \dots & \frac{\partial^2 f_1}{\partial x_1 \partial x_n} \\ \frac{\partial^2 f_1}{\partial x_2 \partial x_1} & \frac{\partial^2 f_1}{\partial x_2^2} & \dots & \frac{\partial^2 f_1}{\partial x_2 \partial x_n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial^2 f_1}{\partial x_n \partial x_1} & \frac{\partial^2 f_1}{\partial x_n \partial x_2} & \dots & \frac{\partial^2 f_1}{\partial x_n^2} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$f_2(x)$  can be defined as;

$$f_2(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = x^T A x = x_1 A_{11} x_1 + x_1 A_{12} x_2 + \dots + x_n A_{nn} x_n = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n x_i A_{ij} x_j$$

Then the gradient will be;

$$\nabla f_2(x) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_1} \\ \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_2} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_s} \end{bmatrix}_{s=1 \dots n} = \begin{bmatrix} \sum_j^n A_{1j} x_j + \sum_i^n A_{i1} x_i \\ \sum_j^n A_{2j} x_j + \sum_i^n A_{i2} x_i \\ \vdots \\ \sum_j^n A_{sj} x_j + \sum_i^n A_{is} x_i \end{bmatrix}_{s=1 \dots n}.$$

Since  $A$  is Symmetric this can be defined as;

$$\begin{bmatrix} \sum_j^n A_{1j}x_j + \sum_i^n A_{i1}x_i \\ \sum_j^n A_{2j}x_j + \sum_i^n A_{i2}x_i \\ \vdots \\ \sum_j^n A_{sj}x_j + \sum_i^n A_{is}x_i \end{bmatrix}_{s=1 \dots n} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \sum_j^n A_{1j}x_j \\ 2 \sum_j^n A_{2j}x_j \\ \vdots \\ 2 \sum_j^n A_{sj}x_j \end{bmatrix}_{s=1 \dots n} = 2Ax$$

The Hessian is;

$$\nabla^2 f_2(x) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial^2 f_2}{\partial x_1^2} & \frac{\partial^2 f_2}{\partial x_1 \partial x_2} & \dots & \frac{\partial^2 f_2}{\partial x_1 \partial x_t} \\ \frac{\partial^2 f_2}{\partial x_2 \partial x_1} & \frac{\partial^2 f_2}{\partial x_2^2} & \dots & \frac{\partial^2 f_2}{\partial x_2 \partial x_t} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial^2 f_1}{\partial x_s \partial x_1} & \frac{\partial^2 f_1}{\partial x_s \partial x_2} & \dots & \frac{\partial^2 f_1}{\partial x_s \partial x_t} \end{bmatrix}_{s=1 \dots n, t=1 \dots n} = \left[ \frac{\partial^2 \sum_i \sum_j A_{ij}x_i x_j}{\partial x_s \partial x_t} \right] = [A_{st} + A_{ts}] = 2A$$

## Exercise 2

N & W, Chapter 2: one of the following {2.4}, {2.5}, {2.7}, {2.9}, {2.11}.

I have chosen the exercise {2.4}

### 1. {2.4}

Write the second-order Taylor expansion (2.6) for the function  $\cos(1/x)$  around a nonzero point  $x$ , and the third-order Taylor expansion of  $\cos(x)$  around any point  $x$ . Evaluate the second expansion for the specific case of  $x = 1$

$$(2.6) \quad f(x+p) = f(x) + \nabla f(x)^T p + \frac{1}{2} p^T \nabla^2 f(x+tp) p, \quad \text{for some } t \in (0, 1).$$

**Svar:**

To use (2.6) we know that for any function  $f(x)$  with only one variable the Second order Taylor expansion is;

$$f(x + \nabla x) = f(x) + f^{(1)}(x) \nabla x + \frac{1}{2} f^{(2)}(x + t \nabla x) \nabla x^2,$$

and the Third order Taylor expansion is;

$$f(x + \nabla x) = f(x) + f^{(1)}(x) \nabla x + \frac{1}{2} f^{(2)}(x) \nabla x^2 + \frac{1}{6} f^{(3)}(x + t \nabla x) \nabla x^3$$

where  $t \in (0, 1)$ , and  $\nabla x = (x - x_0)$  where  $x_0 < x$ .

For the function  $f_1(x) = \cos(1/x)$  and any nonzero point  $x$ , we know that

$$f_1^{(1)} = \frac{1}{x^2} \sin\left(\frac{1}{x}\right), \quad f_1^{(2)} = -\frac{1}{x^4} \left( 2x \sin\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) + \cos\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) \right).$$

So the Second order Taylor expansion for  $f_1(x)$  is;

$$\cos\left(\frac{1}{x + \nabla x}\right) = \cos\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) + \frac{1}{x^2} \sin\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) \nabla x - \frac{1}{2(x + \nabla x)^4} \left( \cos\left(\frac{1}{x + \nabla x}\right) - 2(x + \nabla x) \sin\left(\frac{1}{x + \nabla x}\right) \right) \nabla x^2,$$

where  $t \in (0, 1)$ .

similary, for  $f_2(x) = \cos(x)$ , we have;

$$f^{(1)}(x) = -\sin(x), \quad f^{(2)}(x) = -\cos(x), \quad f^{(3)}(x) = \sin(x)$$

So the Third order Taylor expansion for  $f_2(x)$  is;

$$f(x + \nabla x) = \cos(x) - (\sin(x))\nabla x - \frac{1}{2}(\cos(x))\nabla x^2 + \frac{1}{6}(\sin(x + t\nabla x))\nabla x^3,$$

where  $t \in (0, 1)$ .

the specific case  $x = 1$ ;

### Exercise 3

N & W, Chapter 3: 3.1

1. a. Steepest Descent

**Svar:**

Is written in R

2. b. Newton

**Svar:**

Is written in R

### Exercise 5

N & W, Chapter 3: One of the following: {3.3, 3.5, 3.6, 3.13, 3.15, 3.15, 3.SD}.

I have choosen exercise {3.3}

1. {3.3}

Show that the one-dimensional minimizer of a strongly convex quadratic function is given by (3.55).

$$(3.55) \quad \alpha_k = -\frac{\nabla f_k^T p_k}{p_k^T Q p_k}$$

**Svar:**

From Side 56

Suppose that  $p$  is a decent direction define a one-dimensional function

$$\phi(\alpha) = f(x + \alpha p)$$

Any minimizer  $\alpha^*$  of the function  $\phi(\alpha)$  satisfies

$$\phi'(\alpha^*) = f(x + \alpha^* p)^T p = 0$$

From the book we have a strongly convex quadratic function  $f(x) = \frac{1}{2}x^T Qx + b^T x$ , where  $Q > 0$ , symmetric and positive definite. The gradient is given by  $\nabla f(x) = Qx + b$  (side 42). The one-dimensional minimizer is unique, and it can be expressed as satisfying

$$[Q(x + \alpha^* p) + b]^T p = 0$$

$$(Qx + b)^T + \alpha^* p^T Qp = 0$$

By isolate  $\alpha^*$  we get;

$$\alpha^* = -\frac{(Qx + b)^T}{p^T Qp}$$

Since  $\nabla f(x) = Qx + b$  we get the result.

$$\alpha^* = -\frac{\nabla f^T p}{p^T Qp}$$