

**AMATH 515 Homework #4 - Vinsensius**  
**Due: Wednesday, March 15th, by 11:59 pm**

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## Number 1

Prove the following identity for  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ :

$$\|\alpha x + (1 - \alpha)y\|^2 + \alpha(1 - \alpha)\|x - y\|^2 = \alpha\|x\|^2 + (1 - \alpha)\|y\|^2.$$

We will start from the LHS of the identity

$$\begin{aligned} LHS &= \|\alpha x + (1 - \alpha)y\|^2 + \alpha(1 - \alpha)\|x - y\|^2 \\ &= \alpha^2\|x\|^2 + 2\alpha(1 - \alpha)\langle x, y \rangle + (1 - \alpha)^2\|y\|^2 + \alpha(1 - \alpha)(\|x\|^2 - 2\langle x, y \rangle + \|y\|^2) \\ &= \alpha^2\|x\|^2 + (1 - \alpha)^2\|y\|^2 + \alpha(1 - \alpha)\|x\|^2 + \alpha(1 - \alpha)\|y\|^2 \\ &= \alpha\|x\|^2 + (1 - \alpha)\|y\|^2 = RHS \end{aligned}$$

## Number 2

An operator  $T$  is *nonexpansive* if  $\|Tx - Ty\| \leq \|x - y\|$  for all  $(x, y)$ . For any such nonexpansive operator  $T$ , define

$$T_\lambda = (1 - \lambda)I + \lambda T.$$

1. Show that  $T_\lambda$  and  $T$  have the same fixed points.
2. Use problem 1 to show

$$\|T_\lambda z - \bar{z}\|^2 \leq \|z - \bar{z}\|^2 - \lambda(1 - \lambda)\|z - Tz\|^2.$$

where  $\bar{z}$  is any fixed point of  $T$ , i.e.  $T\bar{z} = \bar{z}$ .

- (a) Let  $\bar{x}$  be fixed point of  $T$  such that  $T\bar{x} = \bar{x}$ .

We can prove that  $\bar{x}$  is also fixed point of  $T_\lambda$ , i.e.  $T_\lambda \bar{x} = \bar{x}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} T_\lambda \bar{x} &= (1 - \lambda)I\bar{x} + \lambda T\bar{x} \\ &= (1 - \lambda)\bar{x} + \lambda \bar{x} \quad (\text{Def. of f.p. of } T) \\ &= \bar{x} \end{aligned}$$

- (b) We start from the LHS of the inequality

$$\begin{aligned} LHS &= \|T_\lambda z - \bar{z}\|^2 \\ &= \|(1 - \lambda)z + \lambda Tz - T_\lambda \bar{z}\|^2 \quad (\text{From (a) and Def. of f.p.}) \\ &= \|(1 - \lambda)z + \lambda Tz - (1 - \lambda)\bar{z} - \lambda T\bar{z}\|^2 \\ &= \|\lambda(Tz - T\bar{z}) + (1 - \lambda)(z - \bar{z})\|^2 \quad (T \text{ is not necessarily linear operator}) \end{aligned}$$

From problem 1, we can see that  $\alpha = \lambda$ ,  $x = Tz - T\bar{z}$ , and  $y = z - \bar{z}$ , so the equation becomes

$$\begin{aligned} LHS &= \|\lambda(Tz - T\bar{z}) + (1 - \lambda)(z - \bar{z})\|^2 = \lambda\|Tz - T\bar{z}\|^2 + (1 - \lambda)\|z - \bar{z}\|^2 \\ &\quad - \lambda(1 - \lambda)\|Tz - T\bar{z} - (z - \bar{z})\|^2 \\ &\leq \lambda\|z - \bar{z}\|^2 + (1 - \lambda)\|z \\ &\quad - \bar{z}\|^2 - \lambda(1 - \lambda)\|Tz - z\|^2 = RHS \\ &\quad (\text{Def. of nonexpansive of } T \text{ and f.p.}) \end{aligned}$$

## Number 3

An operator  $T$  is *firmly nonexpansive* when it satisfies

$$\|Tx - Ty\|^2 + \|(I - T)x - (I - T)y\|^2 \leq \|x - y\|^2.$$

1. Show  $T$  is firmly nonexpansive if and only if

$$\langle x - y, Tx - Ty \rangle \geq \|Tx - Ty\|^2.$$

2. Show  $T$  is firmly nonexpansive if and only if

$$\langle Tx - Ty, (I - T)x - (I - T)y \rangle \geq 0.$$

3. Suppose that  $S = 2T - I$ . Let

$$\mu = \|Tx - Ty\|^2 + \|(I - T)x - (I - T)y\|^2 - \|x - y\|^2$$

and let

$$\nu = \|Sx - Sy\|^2 - \|x - y\|^2.$$

Show that  $2\mu = \nu$  (you may find it helpful to use problem (1)). Conclude that  $T$  is firmly nonexpansive exactly when  $S$  is nonexpansive.

- (a) Start by the firmly nonexpansive definition,

$$\begin{aligned} & \|Tx - Ty\|^2 + \|(I - T)x - (I - T)y\|^2 \leq \|x - y\|^2 \\ & \|Tx - Ty\|^2 \leq \|x - y\|^2 - \|(I - T)x - (I - T)y\|^2 \\ & \|Tx - Ty\|^2 \leq \|x - y\|^2 - \|(x - y) - (Tx - Ty)\|^2 \\ & \|Tx - Ty\|^2 \leq \|x - y\|^2 - (\|x - y\|^2 - 2\langle x - y, Tx - Ty \rangle + \|Tx - Ty\|^2) \\ & \|Tx - Ty\|^2 \leq \langle x - y, Tx - Ty \rangle \end{aligned}$$

- (b) Start by the firmly nonexpansive definition,

$$\begin{aligned} & \|Tx - Ty\|^2 + \|(I - T)x - (I - T)y\|^2 \leq \|x - y\|^2 \\ & \|Tx - Ty\|^2 + 2\langle Tx - Ty, (I - T)x - (I - T)y \rangle + \|(I - T)x - (I - T)y\|^2 \\ & \leq \|x - y\|^2 + 2\langle Tx - Ty, (I - T)x - (I - T)y \rangle \text{ (Completing the square)} \\ & \|Tx - Ty + (I - T)x - (I - T)y\| \leq \|x - y\| \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\|x - y\|^2 &\leq \|x - y\|^2 + 2\langle Tx - Ty, (I - T)x - (I - T)y \rangle \\ 0 &\leq \langle Tx - Ty, (I - T)x - (I - T)y \rangle\end{aligned}$$

(c) (a) Show that  $2\mu - \nu$ . We will begin from expression of  $\nu$

$$\begin{aligned}\|Sx - Sy\|^2 - \|x - y\|^2 &= \|(2T - I)x - (2T - I)y\|^2 - \|x - y\|^2 \\ &= \|(2Tx - 2Ty) - (x - y)\|^2 - \|x - y\|^2 \\ &= 4\|Tx - Ty\|^2 - 4\langle Tx - Ty, x - y \rangle + \|x - y\|^2 - \|x - y\|^2 \\ &= 2\|Tx - Ty\|^2 + 2(\|Tx - Ty\|^2 - 2\langle Tx - Ty, x - y \rangle + \|x - y\|^2) \\ &\quad - 2\|x - y\|^2 \quad (\text{By completing square}) \\ &= 2\|Tx - Ty\|^2 + 2\|-(Tx - Ty) + (x - y)\|^2 - 2\|x - y\|^2 \\ &= 2\|Tx - Ty\|^2 + 2\|(I - T)x - (I - T)y\|^2 - 2\|x - y\|^2 \\ &= 2\mu\end{aligned}$$

(b) Based on the definition of nonexpansiveness of S

$$\begin{aligned}\|Sx - Sy\|^2 &\leq \|x - y\|^2 \\ \|(2T - I)x - (2T - I)y\|^2 &\leq \|x - y\|^2 \\ 4\|Tx - Ty\|^2 - 4\langle Tx - Ty, x - y \rangle + \|x - y\|^2 &\leq \|x - y\|^2 \\ \|Tx - Ty\|^2 &\leq \langle Tx - Ty, x - y \rangle\end{aligned}$$

Thus, T is firmly nonexpansive from part(a).

## Number 4

### Coding Assignment

Please download `515Hw4.Coding.ipynb` and `solvers.py` to complete problem (4)

Implement an interior point method to solve the problem

$$\min_x \frac{1}{2} \|Ax - b\|^2 \quad \text{s.t.} \quad Cx \leq d.$$

Let the user input  $A$ ,  $b$ ,  $C$ , and  $d$ . Test your algorithm using a box constrained problem (where you can apply the prox-gradient method).

Similar to IPdemo, just follow them, and try to read the notes on the IP.