

Math 5365

Data Mining 1

Homework 11

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Do p. 105(1, 9, 15) from *Advanced Calculus* by Folland.

1 Find the extreme values of  $f(x, y) = 2x^2 + y^2 + 2x$  on the set  $\{(x, y) : x^2 + y^2 \leq 1\}$ .

The gradient of the function is

$$\nabla f(x, y) = \begin{bmatrix} 4x + 2 \\ 2y \end{bmatrix}$$

- On the boundary  $G(x, y) = x^2 + y^2 - 1 = 0$ , the critical values are found as follows:

$$L(\mathbf{x}, \lambda) = f - \lambda G, \mathbf{x} = (x, y)$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}} L = \begin{bmatrix} 4x + 2 - \lambda 2x \\ 2y - \lambda 2y \end{bmatrix}$$

From the second row in the equation,  $2y - \lambda 2y = 0$ , there are two possible choices:

$\lambda = 1$ , and  $y = 0$ .

- If  $\lambda = 1$ , then

$$4x + 2 - 2x = 0 \implies x = -1$$

And from the boundary constraint,  $x = -1 \implies y = 0$ . Since this does not create a contradiction with the second equation, there is a value at  $(-1, 0)$ . At this point, the function has a value of  $f(-1, 0) = 2 + 0 - 2 = 0$ .

- The second option is for  $y = 0$ . From the boundary constraint, there are two possible x-values:  $x = \pm 1$ .

The point  $(-1, 0)$  has already been evaluated, so check  $(1, 0)$ . From the first equa-

tion,  $4 + 2 - \lambda 2 = 0$  which is true whenever  $\lambda = 3$ . Thus the second critical point is  $(1, 0)$ , where the function is evaluated as  $f(1, 0) = 2 + 0 + 2 = 4$ .

- Inside the domain, setting the gradient  $\nabla f$  to 0 gives  $x = -\frac{1}{2}, y = 0$  as critical point.

The value of  $f$  at this point is  $f(-\frac{1}{2}, 0) = \frac{1}{2} - 1 = -\frac{1}{2}$ .

Thus the extreme values of the function over the set are

Maximum: 4 at  $(1, 0)$ , Minimum:  $-\frac{1}{2}$  at  $(-\frac{1}{2}, 0)$ .

- 9 Find the extreme values of  $f(x, y, z) = x^2 + 2y^2 + 3z^2$  on the unit sphere  $\{(x, y, z) : x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1\}$ .

Let  $g = x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - 1$ .

$$\nabla f = \begin{bmatrix} 2x \\ 4y \\ 6z \end{bmatrix}, \lambda \nabla g = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda 2x \\ \lambda 2y \\ \lambda 2z \end{bmatrix}$$

And therefore

$$\nabla L = \nabla(f - \lambda g) = \nabla f - \lambda \nabla g = \begin{bmatrix} 2x - \lambda 2x \\ 4y - \lambda 2y \\ 6z - \lambda 2z \end{bmatrix}$$

Starting with the first row,  $2x - \lambda 2x$ , there are two possibilities.

- $x = 0$

The first row is satisfied, and last two rows of  $\nabla L = 0$  yield:

$$4y - \lambda 2y = 0 \implies \lambda = 2$$

$$6z - \lambda 2z = 0 \implies \lambda = 3$$

This is a contradiction, therefore a critical point is not at  $x = 0$  on the boundary.

- $\lambda = 1$

The second two rows of  $\nabla L = 0$  with  $\lambda = 1$  yield:

$$4y - 2y = 0 \implies y = 0$$

$$6z - 2z = 0 \implies z = 0$$

Using the constraint  $g = 0$  gives

$$x^2 + 0^2 + 0^2 - 1 = 0 \implies x^2 = 1$$

Therefore the critical points are  $(\pm 1, 0, 0)$ . with values:

$$f(1, 0, 0) = 1$$

$$f(-1, 0, 0) = 1$$

This means that the function is constant valued on  $g$ .

**15** The two planes  $x + z = 4$  and  $3x - y = 6$  intersect in a line  $L$ . Use Lagrange's method to find the point on  $L$  that is closest to the origin. (*Hint:* Minimize the square of the distance.)

The line  $L$  is given by the parametric equation  $L(t) = (4 - t, -6 + 3t, t)$  The Euclidean distance from the origin of any point on the line is therefore given by  $D(t) = \sqrt{(4 - t)^2 + (-6 + 3t)^2 + t^2} = \sqrt{11t^2 - 44t + 52}$

This quadratic is not factorable since  $44^2 - 4(11)(52) < 0$ . Therefore no point on the line  $L$  ever crosses the origin. However, the point that is the closest to the origin can be found by computing the smallest value of the distance function  $D(t)$ . This will be at a solution to  $\frac{d}{dt}D(t) = 0$ .

For simplicity, the square of the distance  $D^2(t)$  is used, as it has the same critical point as  $D$  (As a positive-valued function,  $D$  has the property that the minimum value of  $D$  is also the minimum value of  $D^2$ ).

The solution to  $\frac{d}{dt}D^2(t) = 22t - 44$  is at  $t = 2$ . Therefore the point closest to the origin on  $L$  is  $L(2) = (2, 0, 2)$

1. Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}^m$ ,  $y \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . Show that

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} x' A y = A y$$

By definition,

$$x' A y = \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n x_i A_{i,j} y_j$$

And  $A y \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times 1}$  where  $(A y)_i = \sum_{j=1}^n A_{i,j} y_j$ . And therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} x' A y &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n x_i A_{i,j} y_j \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\partial}{\partial x} x_i A_{i,j} y_j \end{aligned}$$

But since  $\frac{\partial}{\partial x} x_j = \hat{e}_j$  where  $\hat{e}_j$  is the  $j$ -th column in  $I_{m \times m}$ , the sum reduces to

$$\begin{bmatrix} \sum_{j=1}^n A_{1,j} y_j \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \sum_{j=1}^n A_{2,j} y_j \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \dots + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ \sum_{j=1}^n A_{m,j} y_j \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{j=1}^n A_{1,j} y_j \\ \sum_{j=1}^n A_{2,j} y_j \\ \vdots \\ \sum_{j=1}^n A_{m-1,j} y_j \\ \sum_{j=1}^n A_{m,j} y_j \end{bmatrix} = A y$$

2. if  $\Sigma \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is symmetric, show that

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} x' \Sigma x = 2 \Sigma x$$

The multiplication can be written

$$x' \Sigma x = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n x_i \Sigma_{i,j} x_j = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n x_i x_j \Sigma_{i,j}$$

And using the definition from problem 1  $\frac{\partial}{\partial x} x_i = \hat{e}_i$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial}{\partial x}(x' \Sigma x) &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n x_i x_j \Sigma_{i,j} \right) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (x_i x_j \Sigma_{i,j}) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n (\hat{e}_i x_j \Sigma_{i,j} + \hat{e}_j x_i \Sigma_{i,j})\end{aligned}$$

Using vector notation, this can be written

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \Sigma_{1,1} + x_2 \Sigma_{1,2} + \dots + x_n \Sigma_{1,n} \\ x_1 \Sigma_{2,1} + x_2 \Sigma_{2,2} + \dots + x_n \Sigma_{2,n} \\ \vdots \\ x_1 \Sigma_{n,1} + x_2 \Sigma_{n,2} + \dots + x_n \Sigma_{n,n} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \Sigma_{1,1} + x_2 \Sigma_{2,1} + \dots + x_n \Sigma_{n,1} \\ x_1 \Sigma_{1,2} + x_2 \Sigma_{2,2} + \dots + x_n \Sigma_{n,2} \\ \vdots \\ x_1 \Sigma_{1,n} + x_2 \Sigma_{2,n} + \dots + x_n \Sigma_{n,n} \end{bmatrix}$$

And since  $\Sigma$  is symmetric, the result is

$$2 \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \Sigma_{1,1} + x_2 \Sigma_{1,2} + \dots + x_n \Sigma_{1,n} \\ x_1 \Sigma_{2,1} + x_2 \Sigma_{2,2} + \dots + x_n \Sigma_{2,n} \\ \vdots \\ x_1 \Sigma_{n,1} + x_2 \Sigma_{n,2} + \dots + x_n \Sigma_{n,n} \end{bmatrix} = 2 \Sigma x$$

3. Let  $X \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times p}$  be a full rank matrix, and let  $Y \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . Find the vector  $\gamma \in \mathbb{R}^p$  that minimizes  $\|Y - X\gamma\|^2$ . (Note that this is not a Lagrange multipliers problem, because there is no constraint on  $\gamma$ .)

There are three options for this problem.

(a) if  $n = p$

Then, since  $X$  has full rank, it is invertible, and the desired value for  $\gamma$  is the solution to  $Y - X\gamma = 0$  or  $X\gamma = Y$ , in which case,

$$\gamma = X^{-1}Y$$

(b) if  $n > p$

Then, since  $X$  has full rank (rank  $p$ ),  $X'X \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times p}$  is invertible. And therefore the desired value for  $\gamma$  is the solution to  $Y - X\gamma = 0$  or  $X'Y - X'X\gamma = 0$ , which gives

$$\gamma = (X'X)^{-1}X'Y$$

(c) if  $n < p$

There is no way of solving this.

4. Bonus: Let  $\Sigma_{11} \in \mathbb{R}^{p_1 \times p_1}$  and  $\Sigma_{22} \in \mathbb{R}^{p_2 \times p_2}$  be positive definite matrices. Also, let  $\Sigma_{12} \in \mathbb{R}^{p_1 \times p_2}$  and define  $\Sigma_{21} = \Sigma_{12}'$ . If

$$c_1 = \max \{x' \Sigma_{12} y \mid x' \Sigma_{11} x = 1, y' \Sigma_{22} y = 1\}$$

is attained at  $(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$ , show that

$$\begin{pmatrix} -c_1 \Sigma_{11} & \Sigma_{12} \\ \Sigma_{21} & -c_1 \Sigma_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} \\ \mathbf{y} \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

This is the main result from the theory of canonical correlations. This maximum is

$$c_1 = \max \{cov(x'U, y'V) \mid Var(x'U) = 1, Var(y'V) = 1\}.$$

Where  $U$  and  $V$  are random vectors with joint covariance matrix.

$$cov \left[ \begin{pmatrix} U \\ V \end{pmatrix} \right] = \begin{pmatrix} \Sigma_{1,1} & \Sigma_{1,2} \\ \Sigma_{2,1} & \Sigma_{2,2} \end{pmatrix}$$

First note that since  $\Sigma_{11}, \Sigma_{22}$  are positive definite, for any  $x, y \neq 0$  vectors of the appropriate length,  $x'\Sigma_{11}x > 0$ , and  $y'\Sigma_{22}y > 0$ .

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{x}' & \mathbf{y}' \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -c_1\Sigma_{11} & \Sigma_{12} \\ \Sigma_{21} & -c_1\Sigma_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} \\ \mathbf{y} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{x}'(-c_1)\Sigma_{11}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{x}'\Sigma_{12}\mathbf{y} \\ \mathbf{y}'\Sigma_{21}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y}'(-c_1)\Sigma_{22}\mathbf{y} \end{pmatrix}$$

And since  $c_1$  are scalars, the multiplication can be reordered as follows.

$$\begin{pmatrix} -c_1\mathbf{x}'\Sigma_{11}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{x}'\Sigma_{12}\mathbf{y} \\ \mathbf{y}'\Sigma_{21}\mathbf{x} - c_1\mathbf{y}'\Sigma_{22}\mathbf{y} \end{pmatrix}$$

But since  $\mathbf{x}'\Sigma_{11}\mathbf{x} = 1$  and  $\mathbf{y}'\Sigma_{22}\mathbf{y} = 1$ , this is

$$\begin{pmatrix} -c_1 + \mathbf{x}'\Sigma_{12}\mathbf{y} \\ \mathbf{y}'\Sigma_{21}\mathbf{x} - c_1 \end{pmatrix}$$

And since  $\Sigma_{12} = \Sigma_{21}$ , and  $\mathbf{y}'\Sigma_{21}\mathbf{x}$  is a scalar, the transpose is the same value.

$$(\mathbf{y}'\Sigma_{21}\mathbf{x})(\mathbf{y}'\Sigma_{21}\mathbf{x})' = (\mathbf{x}'\Sigma_{12}\mathbf{y}) = c_1$$

And so

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{x}' & \mathbf{y}' \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -c_1\Sigma_{11} & \Sigma_{12} \\ \Sigma_{21} & -c_1\Sigma_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} \\ \mathbf{y} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -c_1 + c_1 \\ c_1 - c_1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$