

Course: Machine Learning - Foundations

Week 1: Test questions

1. (2 points) Two positive numbers have a sum of 60. What is the minimum product of one number times the square of other number?

- A. 0
- B. 900
- C. 60
- D. 240

Answer: A

Let the two numbers be x and y

$$x+y=60$$

objective function from the question will be,

$$f(x) = x^2(60 - x)$$

$$\text{For optima } f'(x) = 0, 120x - 3x^2 = 0$$

$$x = 0, 40$$

Product is minimum when $x=0$.

2. (2 points) (Multiple select) The point on $y = x^2 + 1$ closest to $(0,2)$ is

- A. (0.707, 1.5)
- B. (0.707, -1.5)
- C. (-0.707,1.5)
- D. (-0.707, -1.5)

Answer: A,C

$$\text{Objective function } f(x) = (x - 0)^2 + (x^2 + 1 - 2)^2$$

$$f(x) = x^4 - x^2 + 1$$

$$\text{For minima } f'(x) = 0$$

$$4x^3 - 2x = 0$$

$$x = 0, 0.707, -0.707$$

$$\text{Corresponding } y = 1, 1.5, 1.5$$

3. (2 points) The volume of the largest cone that can be inscribed in a circle of radius 6 m is (correct up to two decimal places)

Answer: 268.19 m^3

$$V = \frac{1}{3}\pi r^2 h$$

$$r = \sqrt{36 - x^2}$$

$$h = 6 + x$$

For maxima, $V'(x) = 0$

$$-3x^2 - 12x + 36 = 0$$

$$x = 2, -6$$

x can not be negative.

So $r = 5.65$

$$h = 8$$

$$V = 268.19$$

(Questions 5-8 have common data) A firm produces two products A and B. Maximum production capacity is 500 for total production. At least 200 units must be produced every day. Machine hours consumption per unit is 5 hours for A and 3 hours for B. At least 1000 machine hours must be used daily. Manufacturing cost is Rs 30 for A and Rs 20 for B.

Let x_1 = No of units of A produced per day

and x_2 = No of units of B produced per day

4. (1 point) The objective function for above problem is

A. $\min f(x) = 30x_1 + 20x_2$

B. $\min f(x) = 15x_1 + 55x_2$

C. $\min f(x) = 5x_1 + 155x_2$

D. $\min f(x) = 30x_1 - 20x_2$

Answer: A

We should minimise cost function.

Objective function is

$$\min f(x) = 30x_1 + 20x_2$$

5. (2 points) The constraint due to maximum production capacity is

A. $x_1 + x_2 \geq 500$

B. $x_1 + x_2 \leq 500$

C. $x_1 + x_2 \neq 500$

D. $x_1 + x_2 = 500$

Answer: B

Maximum production capacity is 500.

6. (2 points) The constraint due to minimum production capacity is

A. $x_1 + x_2 = 200$

B. $x_1 + x_2 \leq 200$

C. $x_1 + x_2 \geq 200$

D. $x_1 + x_2 \neq 200$

Answer: C

Minimum production capacity is 200.

7. (2 points) The constraint due to machine hour consumption is

- A. $5x_1 + 3x_2 \leq 1000$
- B. $5x_1 + 3x_2 \neq 1000$
- C. $5x_1 + 3x_2 = 1000$
- D. $5x_1 + 3x_2 \geq 1000$

Answer: D

1000 machine hours must be used daily.

(Questions 9-11 have common data)

A factory manufactures two products A and B. To manufacture one unit of A, 1 machine hours and 2 labour hours are required. To manufacture product B, 2 machine hours and 1 labour hours are required. In a month, 200 machine hours and 140 labour hours are available. Profit per unit for A is Rs. 45 and for B is Rs. 35.

Let x_1 =Number of units of A produced per month
and x_2 =Number of units of B produced per month

8. (1 point) The objective function for above problem is

- A. $\max f(x) = 45x_1 + 35x_2$
- B. $\min f(x) = 45x_1 + 35x_2$
- C. $\max f(x) = 35x_1 + 45x_2$
- D. $\min f(x) = 35x_1 + 45x_2$

Answer: A

We need to maximize profit.

9. (2 points) The constraint for machine hours is

- A. $x_1 + 2x_2 \geq 200$
- B. $x_1 + 2x_2 \leq 200$
- C. $x_1 + 2x_2 \neq 200$
- D. $x_1 + 2x_2 = 200$

Answer: B

Total machine hours available=200.

10. (2 points) The constraint for labour hours is

- A. $2x_1 + x_2 = 140$
- B. $2x_1 + x_2 \leq 140$
- C. $2x_1 + x_2 \geq 140$
- D. $2x_1 + x_2 \neq 140$

Answer: B

Total labour hour available is 140.

11. (2 points) (Multiple select) Gradient of a continuous and differentiable function

- A. is zero at a minimum
- B. is non zero at a maximum
- C. is zero at a saddle point
- D. decreases as you get closer to minimum

Answer: A,C,D

For critical points gradient of a function is 0.

As we move towards minima gradient decreases.

12. The value of a function at point 10 is 100. The values of the function's first and second order derivatives at this point are 20 and 2 respectively. What will be the function's approximate value correct up to two decimal places at the point 10.5 (Use second order approximation)?

Answer: 110.25

According to Taylor's series,

$$f(x+h) = f(x) + hf'(x) + \frac{h^2 f''(x)}{2} + \dots$$

Here $x = 10, h = 0.5$

$$\therefore f(x+h) = 110.25$$

13. (2 points) For the function $f(x) = x \sin(x) - 1$, with an initial guess of $x_0 = 2.5$, and step size of 0.1, as per gradient descent algorithm, what will be the value of the function after 4 iterations? (Correct up to 3 decimal places)

Answer: -1.710 (-1.624 to -1.795)

$$x_{n+1} = x_n - \eta f'(x)$$

After first iteration $x_1 = 2.64$

After second iteration $x_2 = 2.823$

After third iteration $x_3 = 3.059$

After fourth iteration $x_4 = 3.355$

$$f(3.355) = -1.710$$

14. (2 points) The value of $f(x_1, x_2) = 4x_1^2 - 4x_1x_2 + 2x_2^2$ with an initial guess of (2, 3) after two iterations of gradient descent algorithm will be Take the step size $\eta = \frac{1}{t+1}$, where $t = 0, 1, 2, \dots$

Answer: 130

$$x_{n+1} = x_n - \eta \nabla f(x)$$

$$\nabla f = \begin{bmatrix} 8x_1 - 4x_2 \\ -4x_1 + 4x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$f(4, -3) = 130$$

15. (2 points) The point of minimum for the function $f(x_1, x_2) = x_1^2 - x_1x_2 + 2x_2^2$ with an initial guess of (3, 2) with step size=0.5 using gradient descent algorithm after second iteration will be (correct up to 3 decimal places)

Answer: 2.312 (2.196 to 2.428)

$$x_{n+1} = x_n - \eta \nabla f(x)$$

$$\nabla f = \begin{bmatrix} 2x_1 - x_2 \\ -x_1 + 4x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -0.5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -0.25 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$f(-0.25, 1) = 2.312$$

16. (2 points) Suppose we have n data points randomly distributed in space given by $D = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$. A function $f(p)$ is defined to calculate the sum of distances of data points from a fixed point, say p. Let $f(p) = \sum_{i=1}^n (p - x_i)^2$. What is the value of p so that f(p) is minimum?

A. $x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n$

B. $x_1 - x_2 + x_3 - x_4 \dots$

C. $\frac{x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n}{n}$

D. $\frac{x_1 - x_2 + x_3 - x_4 \dots}{n}$

Answer: C

$$f(p) = \sum_{i=1}^n (p - x_i)^2$$

$$f(p) = (p - x_1)^2 + \dots + (p - x_n)^2$$

$$f'(p) = 2p(p - x_1) + \dots + 2p(p - x_n)$$

$$\text{For minima } f'(p) = 0$$

$$(p - x_1) + (p - x_2) + \dots + (p - x_n) = 0$$

$$np - (x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n) = 0$$

$$p = \frac{x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n}{n}$$