

Course: Machine Learning - Foundations
Week 1: Practice questions

1. (2 points) Two positive numbers have a sum of 60. What is the maximum product of one number times the square of other number?
- A. 0
 - B. 32000
 - C. 60000
 - D. 64000

Answer: B

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 maximum when $x=40$.

$$\text{maximum product} = 32000$$

2. (2 points) (Multiple select) The point on $y = x^2 + 1$ closest to $(0, 1.5)$ is
- A. $(0, 1)$
 - B. $(0.707, -1.5)$
 - C. $(-0.707, 1.5)$
 - D. $(0, -1)$

Answer: A

$$\text{Objective function } f(x) = (x - 0)^2 + (x^2 + 1 - 1.5)^2$$

$$f(x) = x^4 + 0.25$$

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

$$4x^3 = 0$$

$$x = 0$$

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

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

Answer: 33.51 m^3

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

$$r = \sqrt{9 - x^2}$$

$$h = 3 + x$$

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

$$-3x^2 - 6x + 9 = 0$$

$$x = 1, -3$$

x can not be negative.

So $r = 2.828$

$$h = 4$$

$$V = 33.5$$

4. (2 points) The area of largest rectangle that can be inscribed in a circle of radius 4 is
- A. 16
 - B. 8
 - C. 32
 - D. 20

Answer: C

Let x and y be two sides of the rectangle.

$$x^2 + y^2 = 64$$

$$y = \sqrt{64 - x^2}$$

$$A = xy = x\sqrt{64 - x^2}$$

For maxima $\frac{dA}{dx} = 0$

$$x = 4\sqrt{2}$$

$$y = 4\sqrt{2}$$

$$A = 32$$

(Question 5-8 have common data) A manufacturing plant produces two products M and N. Maximum production capacity is 700 for total production. At least 270 units must be produced every day. Machine hours consumption per unit is 6 hours for M and 5 hours for N. At least 1100 machine hours must be used daily. Manufacturing cost is Rs 25 for M and Rs 35 for N.

Let, x_1 = No of units of M produced per day

and x_2 = No of units of N produced per day

5. (1 point) The objective function for above problem is
- A. $\min f(x) = 25x_1 + 55x_2$
 - B. $\min f(x) = 35x_1 + 25x_2$
 - C. $\min f(x) = 25x_1 + 35x_2$
 - D. $\min f(x) = 10x_1 + 35x_2$

Answer: C

We need to minimize the cost of the function.

6. (1 point) The constraint due to maximum production capacity is
- A. $x_1 + x_2 \leq 700$

- B. $x_1 + x_2 \geq 700$
- C. $x_1 + x_2 \geq 270$
- D. $x_1 + x_2 = 700$

Answer: A

Maximum production capacity is 700.

7. (1 point) The constraint due to minimum production capacity is
- A. $x_1 + x_2 \neq 270$
 - B. $x_1 + x_2 = 270$
 - C. $x_1 + x_2 \leq 270$
 - D. $x_1 + x_2 \geq 270$

Answer: D

Minimum production capacity is 270.

8. (1 point) The constraint due to machine hour consumption is
- A. $6x_1 + 5x_2 \leq 1100$
 - B. $6x_1 + 5x_2 \geq 1100$
 - C. $6x_1 + 5x_2 \neq 1100$
 - D. $6x_1 + 5x_2 = 1100$

Answer: B

At least 1100 hours must be used.

(Questions 9-11 have common data)

A factory manufactures two products A and B. To manufacture one unit of A, 3 machine hours and 5 labour hours are required. To manufacture product B, 2 machine hours and 4 labour hours are required. In a month, 270 machine hours and 280 labour hours are available. Profit per unit for A is Rs. 55 and for B is Rs. 15.

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

9. (1 point) The objective function for above problem is
- A. $\max f(x) = 55x_1 + 15x_2$
 - B. $\min f(x) = 55x_1 + 15x_2$
 - C. $\max f(x) = 15x_1 + 45x_2$
 - D. $\min f(x) = 15x_1 + 55x_2$

Answer: A

We need to maximise profit.

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

- A. $3x_1 + 2x_2 \geq 270$
- B. $3x_1 + 2x_2 \leq 270$
- C. $3x_1 + 2x_2 \neq 270$
- D. $3x_1 + 2x_2 = 270$

Answer: B

270 hours available.

11. (2 points) The constraint for labour hours is

- A. $5x_1 + 4x_2 = 280$
- B. $5x_1 + 4x_2 \leq 280$
- C. $5x_1 + 4x_2 \geq 280$
- D. $5x_1 + 4x_2 \neq 280$

Answer: B

280 labour hours is available.

12. (2 points) The value of a function at a point $x = 5$ is 3.2 and the value of the function's derivative at point $x = 5$ is 1.2. What will be the approximate value of the function at a point $x = 5.2$ (First order approximation)?

Answer: 3.44

According to Taylor's series,

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

Here $x = 5, h = 0.2$

$$\therefore f(x+h) = 3.44$$

13. (2 points) For the function $f(x) = \frac{x \sin x - 1}{2}$, with an initial guess of $x_0 = -7$, and step size of 0.25, the value of the function after two iterations is (correct up to 3 decimal places)

Answer: -2.471

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

After first iteration $x_1 = -6.258$

After second iteration $x_2 = -5.479$

$$f(-5.479) = -2.47$$

14. (2 points) The area of the largest rectangle that can be inscribed in a circle of radius 1 is

- A. 1
- B. 1.5
- C. 6

D. 2

Answer: D

Follow same steps as q no 4