

# m2-hw2

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## 1 Problem 2 (30 points)

### 1.1 Problem Description

In this problem you will use linear least squares to fit a linear function to a 3D temperature field, with  $x, y, z$  locations and an associated temperature  $T$ .

Fill out the notebook as instructed, making the requested plots and printing necessary values.

*You are welcome to use any of the code provided in the lecture activities.*

**Summary of deliverables:** Results: - Predicted temperature  $T(5, 5, 5)$  using a hand-coded LLS squares model with a linear function - Direction of travel from  $(5, 5, 5)$  to experience the greatest decrease in temperature

Discussion: - Reasoning for how we can use our fitted function to determine the direction of greatest decrease in temperature

#### Imports and Utility Functions:

```
[12]: import numpy as np
```

### 1.2 Load the data

The data is contained in `tempfield.npy` and can be loaded with `np.load(tempfield.npy)`. The first three columns correspond to the  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$  locations of the data points, and the 4th column corresponds to the temperature  $T$  at the respective point. Store the data as you see fit.

```
[13]: # YOUR CODE GOES HERE
tempfield_data = np.load("tempfield.npy")
x = np.array(tempfield_data[:,0])
y = np.array(tempfield_data[:,1])
z = np.array(tempfield_data[:,2])
T = np.array(tempfield_data[:,3])
```

### 1.3 LLS Regression in 3D

Now fit a linear function to the data using the closed form of LLS regression. Use your fitted function to report the predicted temperature at  $x = 5$ ,  $y = 5$ ,  $z = 5$ . You are free to add regularization to your model, but this is not required and will not be graded.

```
[14]: # YOUR CODE GOES HERE
X = np.c_[x, y, z, np.ones(len(x))]
w = np.linalg.inv(X.T @ X) @ X.T @ T.reshape(-1, 1)
# Given x, y, z coordinates, predict the temperature at that point
x_pred, y_pred, z_pred = 5, 5, 5

# temperature prediction logic
T_pred = np.array([x_pred, y_pred, z_pred, 1]) @ w
print(f'The predicted temperature at ({x_pred}, {y_pred}, {z_pred}) is:␣
↪{T_pred[0]}')

# direction of travel logic
direction = -1*w[0:3].flatten()
direction/np.linalg.norm(direction)
print(f'The direction of travel to experience the greatest decrease in␣
↪temperature is: {direction}')
```

The predicted temperature at (5, 5, 5) is: 21.389073383508922

The direction of travel to experience the greatest decrease in temperature is: [ 0.13421269 -0.11741862 -0.72677374]

## 1.4 Gradient Intuition

Using the function you fit in the previous part, in which direction should one move from the point  $p = (5, 5, 5)$  to experience the largest decrease in temperature in the immediate neighborhood of the point? Report the specific direction, along with your reasoning.

### 1.4.1 Your answer goes here

The negative of the gradient moves you in the direction of the maximum decreasing rate of a function. One should move in the direction of [ 0.13421269 -0.11741862 -0.72677374] from the point  $p = (5, 5, 5)$  to experience the largest decrease in temperature.