

# Homework I

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1. (a) Proof: Notice that  $f(\vec{x}) = (x_1 + x_2)^2 + (x_1 - \frac{1}{2})^2 + 2(x_2 - \frac{1}{2})^2 - \frac{3}{4}$

Therefore,  $\lim_{\|\vec{x}\| \rightarrow \infty} f(\vec{x}) = +\infty$  (2 square terms won't be both finite)

$f(x)$  is continuous and coercive, so it has a global minimum.

(b) Proof:  $f(\vec{x}) = (\frac{2}{3}x_1 + \frac{3}{2}x_2)^2 + \frac{1}{18}(x_1 - 9)^2 + \frac{1}{4}(x_2 - 4)^2 - \frac{17}{2}$

Similarly,  $f(x)$  is continuous and coercive, so it has a global minimum.

(c) Proof: Suppose  $x_2 = kx_1$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{R}$

Then  $f(\vec{x}) = (k+1)^2 x_1^2 - (2k+1)x_1$

Let  $k = -1$ , Then  $f(\vec{x}) = x_1$ , so  $\lim_{\substack{x_1 \rightarrow -\infty \\ x_2 = -x_1}} f(\vec{x}) = -\infty$

Therefore,  $f(x)$  doesn't have a global minimum.

2. (a)  $f(x) = \frac{1}{2}x^T x$

$$\nabla f(x) = [f'(x)]^T = [\frac{1}{2} \cdot 2x^T \cdot 1]^T = (x^T)^T = x$$

(b)  $f(w) = \frac{1}{2}\|Xw - y\|^2 + \frac{\lambda}{2}\|w\|^2$

$$\nabla f(w) = \nabla \left( \frac{1}{2}\|Xw - y\|^2 \right) + \lambda \nabla \left( \frac{1}{2}\|w\|^2 \right)$$

$$= X^T [(Xw - y)^T]^T + \lambda w$$

$$= X^T (Xw - y) + \lambda w$$

$$= (X^T X + \lambda E)w - X^T y$$

3. (a) Suppose  $w_0$  separates entire dataset, we have

$$y_i x_i^T w_0 > 0, \quad \forall i = 1, 2, \dots, m$$

Now consider  $w' = tw_0$  ( $t > 0$ ),

$$y_i x_i^T w' = t(y_i x_i^T w_0) > 0, \quad \forall i = 1, 2, \dots, m$$

Then  $\lim_{t \rightarrow +\infty} f(tw_0) = \lim_{t \rightarrow +\infty} \sum_{i=1}^m \log(1 + e^{-y_i x_i^T w'})$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^m \lim_{t \rightarrow +\infty} \log(1 + e^{-t(y_i x_i^T w)})$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^m \log(1 + 0) = 0$$

But  $f(w) > 0, \forall w \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , which means 0 is not feasible

Therefore,  $f$  doesn't have a global minimum.

(b) i. It holds that

$$\log(1 + e^{-y_i x_i^T \omega}) > \log(e^{-y_i x_i^T \omega}) = -y_i x_i^T \omega$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} f(\omega) &= \sum_{i=1}^m \log(1 + e^{-y_i x_i^T \omega}) \\ &\geq \sum_{i=1}^m e^{-y_i x_i^T \omega} \\ &\geq \max_{1 \leq i \leq m} e^{-y_i x_i^T \omega} \\ &= h(\omega) \end{aligned}$$

ii. Notice:  $S$  is compact and  $h$  is continuous, by Extreme Value Theorem,  $h(\omega)$  has a global minimum  $\omega_0 \in S$ .

At the same time, for  $\omega_0$ , there exists an  $i_0 = 1, 2, \dots, m$  s.t.

$$y_{i_0} x_{i_0}^T \omega_0 < 0$$

Then

$$h(\omega_0) = \max_{1 \leq i \leq m} -y_i x_i^T \omega_0 \geq -y_{i_0} x_{i_0}^T \omega_0 > 0$$

Therefore,  $C \triangleq h(\omega_0) > 0$ .

iii. Using homogeneity, let  $\omega' = \frac{\omega}{\|\omega\|}$ , and  $\|\omega'\| = 1$ , which means  $\omega' \in S$

By conclusion of ii,

$$h(\omega') \geq \min_{\omega \in S} h(\omega) = C$$

Then

$$h\left(\frac{\omega}{\|\omega\|}\right) = \frac{1}{\|\omega\|} h(\omega) \geq C$$

Therefore,  $h(\omega) \geq \|\omega\| \cdot C$

iv. We have known that

$$f(\omega) \geq h(\omega) \geq \|\omega\| \cdot C \quad (C > 0)$$

Then

$$\lim_{\|\omega\| \rightarrow \infty} f(\omega) = +\infty$$

So  $f$  is continuous and coercive, it has a global minimum.

$$(c) \quad \nabla f(\omega) = \sum_{i=1}^m \nabla \log(1 + e^{-y_i x_i^T \omega})$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^m \left[ \frac{1}{1 + e^{-y_i x_i^T \omega}} \cdot (-y_i x_i^T) \cdot e^{-y_i x_i^T \omega} \right]^T$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{e^{-y_i x_i^T \omega}}{1 + e^{-y_i x_i^T \omega}} \cdot (-y_i x_i^T)^T$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{-y_i x_i}{1 + e^{y_i x_i^T \omega}}$$

(d) Notice  $\log(1 + e^{-y_i x_i^T \omega}) > 0$ , we have

$$\tilde{f}(\omega) > \frac{\lambda}{2} \|\omega\|^2 \quad (\lambda > 0)$$

Then

$$\lim_{\|\omega\| \rightarrow \infty} \tilde{f}(\omega) = +\infty$$

So  $\tilde{f}(\omega)$  is continuous and coercive, it has a global minimum.

This doesn't require the dataset linearly separable, because no assumption about  $y_i x_i^T \omega > 0$  is made.