

GRA 00351

Mathematics

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Question 1.

We consider the matrix given by

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 & 4 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

- (a) **(6p)** Determine whether the column vectors of A are linearly independent, and express the third column vector as a linear combinations of the others if it is possible.
- (b) **(6p)** Find $\dim \text{Null}(A)$, and determine whether the vector $\mathbf{w} = (1, 1, -5, 0)$ is in $\text{Null}(A)$.
- (c) **(6p)** Find the stationary points of the function $f(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x}^T A \mathbf{x}$ and determine their type.
- (d) **(6p)** Is it true that $f(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x}^T M \mathbf{x}$ is positive definite for any $n \times n$ matrix M (not necessarily symmetric) with n positive eigenvalues? Explain why, or give a counterexample.

Question 2.

We consider the quadratic form $Q(x, y, z) = 7x^2 + 8xy + 4xz + 13y^2 - 2yz + z^2$.

- (a) **(6p)** Find the maximum value of $f(x, y, z) = \ln(u)/u^3$ where $u = Q(x, y, z) + 2$.
- (b) **(6p)** We consider a Kuhn-Tucker problem with constraint $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 \leq 5$. Determine whether the set of admissible points is compact, and whether all admissible points satisfy the NDCQ.
- (c) **(6p)** Solve the Kuhn-Tucker problem, and find the maximum value if it exists:

$$\max Q(x, y, z) \text{ when } x^2 + y^2 + z^2 \leq 5$$

- (d) **(6p)** Estimate the maximum value of the Kuhn-Tucker problem

$$\max 8x^2 + 8xy + 4xz + 13y^2 - 2yz + z^2 \text{ when } x^2 + y^2 + z^2 \leq 5$$

Question 3.

- (a) **(6p)** Solve the difference equation $y_{t+2} - 7y_{t+1} + 6y_t = -4 \cdot 2^t$, $y_1 = 9$, $y_3 = 225$.
- (b) **(6p)** Solve the differential equation $y' + y - 1 = t(y - 1)$ as a linear and as a separable differential equation, and find $y(2)$ when $y(0) = 4$.
- (c) **(6p)** Solve the system of linear differential equations $\mathbf{y}' = A \cdot \mathbf{y}$ when A is the matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & -1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 2 & -1 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$