

**BIOE 210**

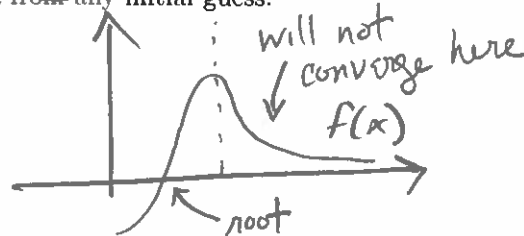
**PRACTICE EXAM 3**

You have 80 minutes to complete this exam.  
You may use notes or printouts from the course website,  
but **no electronic resources**.

Circle your final answer for each question.

## PART I (20 POINTS; 5 POINTS EACH)

- (1) TRUE or FALSE. If a nonlinear system has only one solution, Newton's method will converge from any initial guess.



- (2) A genetic counselor informs a patient that their odds of getting disease are 1 in 300. What is the probability the patient will get the disease?

$$P(d) = \frac{\text{odds}(d)}{1 + \text{odds}(d)} = \frac{1/300}{1 + 1/300} \approx 0.0033$$

- (3) TRUE or FALSE. Every square matrix has a pseudoinverse.

only if  $X^T X$  is full rank.

- (4) TRUE or FALSE. It is necessary to have more observations than parameters to find a least-squares estimate using linear regression.

you can find an estimate;  
however you won't have confidence  
intervals on that estimate.

## PART II (40 POINTS)

You are given a set of inputs ( $x$ ) and responses ( $y$ )

| $x$ | $y$  |
|-----|------|
| 0   | 2.1  |
| 1   | 3.1  |
| 2   | 5.8  |
| 3   | 11.3 |

You hypothesize that these data fit one of two models:  $y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x + \beta_2 x^2$  or  $y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 e^x$ . You want to fit the parameters using linear regression.

Construct a design matrix for each model using the data in the above table. (The design matrix is the matrix  $\mathbf{X}$  in the linear system  $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{X}\beta + \epsilon$ .)

for  $y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x + \beta_2 x^2$

$$\underline{X} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 4 \\ 1 & 3 & 9 \end{pmatrix}$$

for  $y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 e^x$

$$\underline{X} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & e^0 \\ 1 & e^1 \\ 1 & e^2 \\ 1 & e^3 \end{pmatrix}$$

You use `fitlm` to fit both models, with the following outputs.

Linear regression model:

$$y \sim 1 + x + x^2$$

Estimated Coefficients:

|                | Estimate | SE      | tStat   | pValue   |
|----------------|----------|---------|---------|----------|
|                | -----    | -----   | -----   | -----    |
| (Intercept)    | 2.155    | 0.23974 | 8.9889  | 0.070533 |
| x              | -0.345   | 0.385   | -0.8961 | 0.53485  |
| x <sup>2</sup> | 1.125    | 0.12298 | 9.1476  | 0.069319 |

Number of observations: 4, Error degrees of freedom: 1

Root Mean Squared Error: 0.246

R-squared: 0.999, Adjusted R-Squared 0.996

F-statistic vs. constant model: 421, p-value = 0.0344

Linear regression model:

$$y \sim 1 + \exp x$$

Estimated Coefficients:

|             | Estimate | SE       | tStat  | pValue    |
|-------------|----------|----------|--------|-----------|
|             | -----    | -----    | -----  | -----     |
| (Intercept) | 1.8553   | 0.25642  | 7.2353 | 0.018572  |
| exp x       | 0.47699  | 0.023746 | 20.087 | 0.0024692 |

Number of observations: 4, Error degrees of freedom: 2

Root Mean Squared Error: 0.355

R-squared: 0.995, Adjusted R-Squared 0.993

F-statistic vs. constant model: 403, p-value = 0.00247

Which model would give better predictions? Why?

The first (quadratic) model gives better predictions since the RMSE is lower (0.246 vs. 0.355).

## PART III (40 POINTS)

Find the Jacobian matrix for the following system of equations:

$$\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{pmatrix} x_2 - 3x_1 \\ 2(x_1 + x_2) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\underline{\mathbf{J}}(\underline{\mathbf{x}}) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_1} & \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_2} \\ \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_1} & \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_2} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -3 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Starting with an initial guess of  $\mathbf{x}_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ , find  $\mathbf{x}_1$ . Use  $\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{x}_0)^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} -1/4 & 1/8 \\ 1/4 & 3/8 \end{pmatrix}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{\mathbf{x}}_1 &= \underline{\mathbf{x}}_0 - \underline{\mathbf{J}}(\underline{\mathbf{x}}_0)^{-1} \underline{\mathbf{f}}(\underline{\mathbf{x}}_0) \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} -1/4 & 1/8 \\ 1/4 & 3/8 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Evaluate  $f(\underline{x}_1)$  to show that  $\underline{x}_1$  is a root of  $\underline{f}$ .

$$\underline{f}(\underline{x}_1) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 - 3(0) \\ 2(0+0) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

so  $\underline{x}_1$  is a root of  $\underline{f}$ .

Why would Newton's method converge to a root after only one iteration?

$\underline{f}(\underline{x})$  is linear, so a first-order approximation is exact. The tangent plane points directly to the root.