



Exercise Sheet 13

Exercise 52: Rank-one affinity. Consider a rank-one affine function $f : \mathbb{R}^{m \times 2} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.

(a) Using the notation $A = (a_1, a_2) \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times 2}$ with $a_1, a_2 \in \mathbb{R}^m$ show that f can be written in the form

$$f(a_1, a_2) = \beta + b_1 \cdot a_1 + b_2 \cdot a_2 + a_1 \cdot (Ba_2),$$

where $\beta \in \mathbb{R}$, $b_1, b_2 \in \mathbb{R}^m$ and $B \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$.

(b) Conclude that B is skew-symmetric.

(c) Show that there is $\beta \in \mathbb{R}^{\tau(m,2)}$ such that $f(A) = \beta + \langle \beta, T(A) \rangle$.

Exercise 53: Quadratic densities. Assume that $f : \mathbb{R}^{m \times d} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is quadratic, i.e. $f(A) = (MA):A$ for some $M \in \text{Lin}(\mathbb{R}^{m \times d}; \mathbb{R}^{m \times d})$. Show the following equivalences:

(a) f is convex $\iff f(A) \geq 0$ for all A .

(b) f is polyconvex $\iff \exists \beta \in \mathbb{R}^{\tau_2(m,d)} \forall A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times d} : f(A) \geq \langle \beta, T_2(A) \rangle$.

(c) f is rank-one convex $\iff \forall \xi \in \mathbb{R}^m, \eta \in \mathbb{R}^d : f(\xi \otimes \eta) \geq 0$.

Exercise 54: Lower semi-continuity implies quasiconvexity.

Consider $f \in C(\mathbb{R}^{m \times d}; \mathbb{R})$ with $|f(A)| \leq C(1+|A|)^p$. For a bounded domain $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ consider the functional $I : W^{1,p}(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^m) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ with $I(u) = \int_{\Omega} f(\nabla u(x)) dx$. The aim is to show “ \implies ” in the equivalence:

$$I \text{ sequentially weakly lower semi-continuous} \iff f \text{ quasiconvex.} \quad (**)$$

(a) Consider sequences of the form $v_n : x \rightarrow Ax + \frac{1}{n}w(nx)$ where $w \in W_{\text{loc}}^{1,p}(\mathbb{R}^d; \mathbb{R}^m)$ is periodic. Show $v_n \rightharpoonup v : m \mapsto Ax$.

(b) Establish “ \implies ” in (*).

(c) For $f \in C(\bar{\Omega} \times \mathbb{R}^m \times \mathbb{R}^{m \times d})$ define $I : W^{1,p}(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^m) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}; u \mapsto \int_{\Omega} f(x, u(x), \nabla u(x)) dx$. Derive the analog of “ \implies ” in (*).

Exercise 55: Cofactor and adjugate matrix. (Deutsch: Kofaktor- und adjunkte Matrix) Consider a matrix $A \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}$. Then, $\text{cof } A \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}$ is defined such that $(\text{cof } A)_{ij}$ is $(-1)^{i+j}M_{ij}$, where M_{ij} is the determinant of the $(d-1) \times (d-1)$ matrix obtained after deleting column i and row j . Moreover, $\text{adj}(A) = \text{cof}(A)^T$.

(a) For $f(A) = \det A$ show $Df(A)[B] = \text{cof}(A):B = \text{tr}(\text{adj}(A)B)$.

(b) Prove the formula $\text{cof}(A)A^T = \text{adj}(A)A = \det(A)I$. Relate this to Cramer’s rule and to Euler’s formula $qf(A) = \langle Df(A), A \rangle$ for q -homogeneous functions.

(c) For $d = 2$ and $d = 3$ show $\det(A+B) = \det A + \text{cof}(A):B + \det B$ and $\det(A+B) = \det A + \text{cof}(A):B + A : \text{cof}(B) + \det B$, respectively.

Please turn in written solutions on February 8, 2010.