

1. Taylor series gives a formula for approximating the value of the function  $f(x)$  in a small neighborhood around it. Given that  $3^3 = 27$  can you calculate the value of  $(3.0001)^3$  using :

- (a) **(0.5 marks)** the first order approximation given by Taylor series

**Solution:**

- (b) **(0.5 marks)** the second order approximation given by Taylor series

**Solution:**

2. Consider the task of assigning one of the following 3 labels to an image : apple, banana, mango. Further, consider we are given  $n$  images for training such that each image belongs to one of these three categories. We have a model which assigns a probability distribution to each training example:  $\mathbf{q} = [q_{apple}, q_{banana}, q_{mango}]$ . We train the model by minimizing the cross entropy between the true distribution and the predicted distribution for each training example.

- (a) **(1 mark)** Show that this is the same as maximizing the log likelihood of the training data.

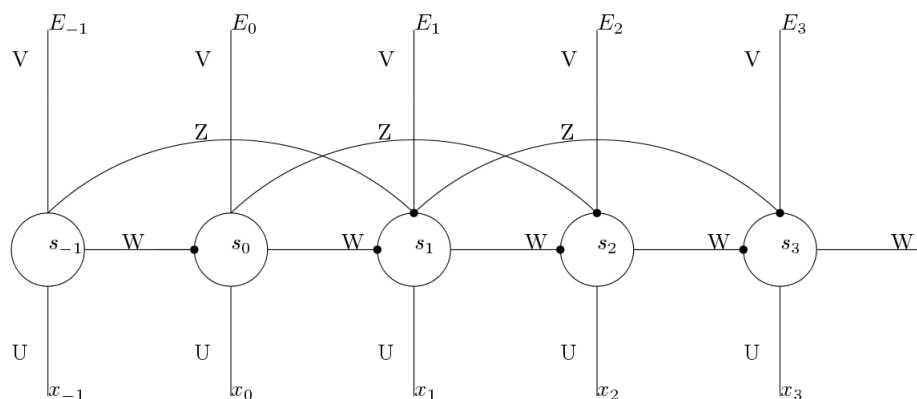
**Solution:**

3. Consider  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$

- (a) **(1 mark)** Compute the gradient of  $x^T A x$  w.r.t.  $A$

**Solution:**

4. The figure belows shows a network, similar to the one we saw in the assignment. In addition to the dependencies that we saw before, the graph presented here has an additional dependency where  $s_i$  depends not just on the immediate ancestor, but on the one before that as well.



Here,

$$s_i = \sigma(W s_{i-1} + Z s_{i-2} + U x_i)$$

- (a) (**1 mark**) Draw the dependency graph involving the variables  $s_1, s_2, s_3, W, Z$

**Solution:**

- (b) (**2 marks**) Based on the dependency graph from above, give a formula for computing  $\frac{\partial s_3}{\partial W}$  and  $\frac{\partial s_3}{\partial Z}$ . Assume that  $s_1, s_2, s_3, W, Z$  are scalars

**Solution:**

5. We saw the proof of convergence for the Perceptron Learning algorithm in class. The proof relied on the fact that, **cos** of any angle is bounded by  $\pm 1$  and the fact that  $\cos \beta \propto \delta \sqrt{k}$ , where  $\beta$  is an appropriately defined angle and  $k$  is the number of iterations of the learning algorithm. One question raised in the class was about the boundary case where  $\delta = 0$ . Recall that  $\delta = \min w^* p_i \forall i$ , where  $w^*$  is the optimal separating hyperplane and  $i$  runs over all points in the dataset.

It would then seem like we cannot arrive at a contradiction when the number of iterations ( $k$ ) of the Perceptron Learning Algorithm tends to  $\infty$  (specifically, even when  $k \rightarrow \infty, \delta \sqrt{k} = 0 [\because \delta = 0]$  and hence  $\cos \beta$  is still bounded).

- (a) (**1 mark**) Does the Perceptron learning algorithm **not** converge if  $\delta = 0$  ?

**Solution:**

- (b) (**1 mark**) If it does converge, how do you reconcile with the situation of  $\delta = 0$  ?

**Solution:**