

1. We have the following optimization problem:

$$\begin{aligned} & \underset{x}{\text{minimize}} && \frac{1}{2}x^T Px + p^T x \\ & \text{subject to} && Cx = d \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

where  $P \succ 0$  ( $Q$  is positive definite), are the KKT conditions linear in the primal and dual variables?

- (a) yes
  - (b) no
2. For the optimization problem shown in (1), how many Newton steps would it take to solve for the optimal primal and dual variables?
- (a) 1
  - (b) 2
  - (c) can't tell without more information
3. For **any** square matrix  $G \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times N}$  (not guaranteed to be symmetric), is  $0.5(G + G^T)$  symmetric?
- (a) yes
  - (b) no
4. For a **symmetric** matrix  $V$ , does  $V = 0.5(V + V^T)$ ?
- (a) yes
  - (b) no
5. For **any** square matrix  $G \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times N}$  (not guaranteed to be symmetric), does  $x^T G x = x^T [0.5(G + G^T)] x$ ?
- (a) yes
  - (b) no
6. Can any quadratic form  $x^T G x$  be equivalently represented with  $x^T V x$  where  $G$  is **not** a symmetric matrix, but  $V$  is a symmetric matrix? (everything you need to figure this out is in questions 3-5).
- (a) yes
  - (b) no
7. A symmetric matrix  $R$  is positive semi-definite, with one zero eigenvalue (and a corresponding null space with dimension one). If our cost function is  $J(u) = u^T R u$ , is there a non-zero vector  $u$  that has a cost of 0?
- (a) yes
  - (b) no