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Exercise 6 - Convex, concave, quasiconvex and quasiconcave functions

- a. (3 Points) Exercise 3.16a)-c) Determine for each function all the classes (convex, concave, quasiconvex, quasiconcave) to which it belongs.
- b. (2 Points) Exercise 3.19a.
- c. (2 Bonus Points) Exercise 3.13. (use the hint !). The Kullback-Leibler divergence KL(p||q) is a classical measure of "distance" between two probability measures p and q. In the exercise it is used in a more general form for strictly positive measures on \mathbb{R}^{n}_{++} . Let $u, v \in \mathbb{R}^{n}_{++}$ (that means $u_i > 0, \forall i = 1, ..., n$)

$$KL(u||v) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left[u_i \log\left(\frac{u_i}{v_i}\right) - u_i + v_i \right].$$

The KL-divergence is a special case of the so called **Bregman-divergences** which have recently attracted some interest.

Exercise 7 - Subdifferential

• (4 Points) Derive the subdifferential of the general graph-based total variation energy functional,

$$F(f) = \sum_{i,j=1}^{n} w_{ij} |f_i - f_j|,$$

where $w \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ are the non-negative weights of a graph with n nodes and $f \in \mathbb{R}^n$ is a function on the nodes.

• (2 Points) Derive the subdifferential of $f : \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}$ with $f(x) = ||x||_{\infty}$.

Hints:

- for a) it might be helpful to first derive the subdifferential of the function $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \to \mathbb{R}$, f(x,y) = |x-y| using the chain rule introduced in the lecture.
- for b) make a case distinction if x = 0 or $x \neq 0$. For x = 0 the dual norm introduced in Exercise 1 is helpful and for $x \neq 0$ the direct use of the definition is required.