

# Nelder-Mead simplex method

Define "norm" to measure length of vectors. Also set up routine to print given number of decimal places.

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In[218]:= Clear[norm, nn, dp, x];  
          norm[x_] = Sqrt[x.x]  
          dp = 6;  
          nn[x_] := NumberForm[N[x], {20, dp}];
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Out[219]=  $\sqrt{x.x}$ 
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Our standard function, gradient, etc. (actually don't need the Hessian for steepest descent). Added constant 2 to f so values will be positive; makes it easier to compare them.

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In[222]:= Clear[f, g, h, x, x1, x2, x3, xi];
f[{x1_, x2_, x3_}] = x1^2 + 2 x2^2 + 3 x3^2 - 1 / (x3^2 + 1) + Sin[x1 + 0.9 * x2 + 0.8 * x3] + 2
x = {x1, x2, x3};
g[{x1_, x2_, x3_}] = Map[Function[xi, D[f[x], xi]], x];
g[x] // MatrixForm
h[{x1_, x2_, x3_}] = Map[Function[xi, D[g[x], xi]], x];
h[x] // MatrixForm
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Out[223]= 2 + x1^2 + 2 x2^2 + 3 x3^2 -  $\frac{1}{1 + x3^2}$  + Sin[x1 + 0.9 x2 + 0.8 x3]
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Out[226]//MatrixForm=

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 x1 + \text{Cos}[x1 + 0.9 x2 + 0.8 x3] \\ 4 x2 + 0.9 \text{Cos}[x1 + 0.9 x2 + 0.8 x3] \\ 6 x3 + \frac{2 x3}{(1 + x3^2)^2} + 0.8 \text{Cos}[x1 + 0.9 x2 + 0.8 x3] \end{pmatrix}$$

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Out[228]//MatrixForm=

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 - \text{Sin}[x1 + 0.9 x2 + 0.8 x3] & -0.9 \text{Sin}[x1 + 0.9 x2 + 0.8 x3] & -0.8 \text{Sin}[x1 + 0.9 x2 + 0.8 x3] \\ -0.9 \text{Sin}[x1 + 0.9 x2 + 0.8 x3] & 4 - 0.81 \text{Sin}[x1 + 0.9 x2 + 0.8 x3] & -0.72 \text{Sin}[x1 + 0.9 x2 + 0.8 x3] \\ -0.8 \text{Sin}[x1 + 0.9 x2 + 0.8 x3] & -0.72 \text{Sin}[x1 + 0.9 x2 + 0.8 x3] & 6 - \frac{8 x3^2}{(1 + x3^2)^3} + \frac{2}{(1 + x3^2)^2} - 0.64 \text{Sin}[x1 + 0.9 x2 + 0.8 x3] \end{pmatrix}$$

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In[229]:= Clear[alpha, beta, gamma, nminit, xinit, printxf, setlsh, ll, ss, hh];
Clear[xh, xc, xe, xi, xu, xl, reflect,
  expand, contractin, contractout, shrink, accept, xx];
Clear[h, s, l];
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alpha = 1;
beta = 0.5;
gamma = 2;
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nminit[xinit_] := Module[{},
  Clear[x, n, k];
  x = N[xinit];
  n = Length[x] - 1;
  k = 0; printxf;
]
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printxf := Module[{i},
  Print[k];
  For[i = 1, i ≤ n + 1, i++,
    Print[i, " ", x[[i]] // nn, " ", f[x[[i]]] // nn];
  ]
]
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sethsl[hh_, ss_, ll_] := Module[{},
  h = hh; s = ss; l = ll;
  xh = x[[h]];
  Print[" xh=", xh // nn, " fh=", f[xh] // nn];
  Print[" xs=", x[[s]] // nn, " fs=", f[x[[s]]] // nn];
  Print[" xl=", x[[l]] // nn, " fl=", f[x[[l]]] // nn];
  xc = (Sum[x[[i]], {i, 1, n + 1}] - xh) / n;
  Print[" xc=", xc // nn];
]
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reflect := Module[{},
  xr = xc + alpha * (xc - xh);
  Print["  xr=", xr // nn, "  fr=", f[xr] // nn];
]

expand := Module[{},
  xe = xc + gamma * (xr - xc);
  Print["  xe=", xe // nn, "  fe=", f[xe] // nn];
]

contractout := Module[{},
  xu = xc + beta * (xr - xc);
  Print["  xu=", xu // nn, "  fu=", f[xu] // nn];
]

contractin := Module[{},
  xi = xc + beta * (xh - xc);
  Print["  xi=", xi // nn, "  fi=", f[xi] // nn];
]

shrink := Module[{i},
  x1 = x[[1]];
  For[i = 1, i ≤ n + 1, i++,
    x[[i]] = x1 + (x[[i]] - x1) / 2;
  ];
  k = k + 1; printxf;
]

accept[xx_] := Module[{},
  x[[h]] = xx;
  k = k + 1; printxf;
]

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In[244]:= nmininit[{ {0, 0, 0}, {1, 0, 0}, {0, 1, 0}, {0, 0, 1} }]
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0
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1  {0.000000, 0.000000, 0.000000}  1.000000
2  {1.000000, 0.000000, 0.000000}  2.841471
3  {0.000000, 1.000000, 0.000000}  3.783327
4  {0.000000, 0.000000, 1.000000}  5.217356

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In[245]:= seths1[4, 3, 1]
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xh={0.000000, 0.000000, 1.000000}  fh=5.217356
xs={0.000000, 1.000000, 0.000000}  fs=3.783327
x1={0.000000, 0.000000, 0.000000}  f1=1.000000
xc={0.333333, 0.333333, 0.000000}

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In[246]:= reflect
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xr={0.666667, 0.666667, -1.000000}  fr=6.283245
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In[247]:= contractin
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xi={0.166667, 0.166667, 0.500000} fi=2.690208
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In[248]:= accept[xi]
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1
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1 {0.000000, 0.000000, 0.000000} 1.000000
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```
2 {1.000000, 0.000000, 0.000000} 2.841471
```

```
3 {0.000000, 1.000000, 0.000000} 3.783327
```

```
4 {0.166667, 0.166667, 0.500000} 2.690208
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In[249]:= sethsl[3, 2, 1]
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```
xh={0.000000, 1.000000, 0.000000} fh=3.783327
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```
xs={1.000000, 0.000000, 0.000000} fs=2.841471
```

```
xl={0.000000, 0.000000, 0.000000} fl=1.000000
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xc={0.388889, 0.055556, 0.166667}
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In[250]:= reflect
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```
xr={0.777778, -0.888889, 0.333333} fr=3.860536
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In[251]:= contractin
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xi={0.194444, 0.527778, 0.083333} fi=2.294048
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In[252]:= accept[xi]
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2
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1 {0.000000, 0.000000, 0.000000} 1.000000
```

```
2 {1.000000, 0.000000, 0.000000} 2.841471
```

```
3 {0.194444, 0.527778, 0.083333} 2.294048
```

```
4 {0.166667, 0.166667, 0.500000} 2.690208
```

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In[253]:= sethsl[2, 4, 1]
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```
xh={1.000000, 0.000000, 0.000000} fh=2.841471
```

```
xs={0.166667, 0.166667, 0.500000} fs=2.690208
```

```
xl={0.000000, 0.000000, 0.000000} fl=1.000000
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xc={0.120370, 0.231481, 0.194444}
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In[254]:= reflect
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xr={-0.759259, 0.462963, 0.388889} fr=2.558739
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In[255]:= accept[xr]

3

1  {0.000000, 0.000000, 0.000000}  1.000000
2  {-0.759259, 0.462963, 0.388889}  2.558739
3  {0.194444, 0.527778, 0.083333}  2.294048
4  {0.166667, 0.166667, 0.500000}  2.690208

In[256]:= seths1[4, 2, 1]

  xh={0.166667, 0.166667, 0.500000}  fh=2.690208
  xs={-0.759259, 0.462963, 0.388889}  fs=2.558739
  xl={0.000000, 0.000000, 0.000000}  fl=1.000000
  xc={-0.188272, 0.330247, 0.157407}

In[257]:= reflect

  xr={-0.543210, 0.493827, -0.185185}  fr=1.674432

In[258]:= accept[xr]

4

1  {0.000000, 0.000000, 0.000000}  1.000000
2  {-0.759259, 0.462963, 0.388889}  2.558739
3  {0.194444, 0.527778, 0.083333}  2.294048
4  {-0.543210, 0.493827, -0.185185}  1.674432

In[259]:= seths1[2, 3, 1]

  xh={-0.759259, 0.462963, 0.388889}  fh=2.558739
  xs={0.194444, 0.527778, 0.083333}  fs=2.294048
  xl={0.000000, 0.000000, 0.000000}  fl=1.000000
  xc={-0.116255, 0.340535, -0.033951}

In[260]:= reflect

  xr={0.526749, 0.218107, -0.456790}  fr=2.521252

In[261]:= contractout

  xu={0.205247, 0.279321, -0.245370}  fu=1.692983

In[262]:= accept[xu]

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1  {0.000000, 0.000000, 0.000000}  1.000000
2  {0.205247, 0.279321, -0.245370}  1.692983
3  {0.194444, 0.527778, 0.083333}  2.294048
4  {-0.543210, 0.493827, -0.185185}  1.674432

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In[263]:= seths1[3, 2, 1]

  xh={0.194444, 0.527778, 0.083333}   fh=2.294048
  xs={0.205247, 0.279321, -0.245370}  fs=1.692983
  xl={0.000000, 0.000000, 0.000000}   fl=1.000000
  xc={-0.112654, 0.257716, -0.143519}

In[264]:= reflect

  xr={-0.419753, -0.012346, -0.370370}  fr=1.043896

In[265]:= accept[xr]

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1  {0.000000, 0.000000, 0.000000}   1.000000
2  {0.205247, 0.279321, -0.245370}   1.692983
3  {-0.419753, -0.012346, -0.370370}   1.043896
4  {-0.543210, 0.493827, -0.185185}   1.674432

In[266]:= seths1[2, 4, 1]

  xh={0.205247, 0.279321, -0.245370}   fh=1.692983
  xs={-0.543210, 0.493827, -0.185185}  fs=1.674432
  xl={0.000000, 0.000000, 0.000000}   fl=1.000000
  xc={-0.320988, 0.160494, -0.185185}

In[267]:= reflect

  xr={-0.847222, 0.041667, -0.125000}  fr=0.994184

In[268]:= expand

  xe={-1.373457, -0.077160, -0.064815}  fe=1.917967

In[269]:= accept[xr]

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1  {0.000000, 0.000000, 0.000000}   1.000000
2  {-0.847222, 0.041667, -0.125000}   0.994184
3  {-0.419753, -0.012346, -0.370370}   1.043896
4  {-0.543210, 0.493827, -0.185185}   1.674432

In[270]:= seths1[4, 3, 2]

  xh={-0.543210, 0.493827, -0.185185}   fh=1.674432
  xs={-0.419753, -0.012346, -0.370370}  fs=1.043896
  xl={-0.847222, 0.041667, -0.125000}   fl=0.994184
  xc={-0.422325, 0.009774, -0.165123}

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In[271]:= reflect

xr={-0.301440, -0.474280, -0.145062}   fr=0.876953

In[272]:= expand

xe={-0.180556, -0.958333, -0.125000}   fe=2.021760

In[273]:= accept[xr]

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1  {0.000000, 0.000000, 0.000000}   1.000000
2  {-0.847222, 0.041667, -0.125000}   0.994184
3  {-0.419753, -0.012346, -0.370370}   1.043896
4  {-0.301440, -0.474280, -0.145062}   0.876953

In[274]:= seths1[3, 1, 4]

xh={-0.419753, -0.012346, -0.370370}   fh=1.043896

xs={0.000000, 0.000000, 0.000000}   fs=1.000000

xl={-0.301440, -0.474280, -0.145062}   fl=0.876953

xc={-0.382888, -0.144204, -0.090021}

In[275]:= reflect

xr={-0.346022, -0.276063, 0.190329}   fr=0.987845

In[276]:= accept[xr]

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1  {0.000000, 0.000000, 0.000000}   1.000000
2  {-0.847222, 0.041667, -0.125000}   0.994184
3  {-0.346022, -0.276063, 0.190329}   0.987845
4  {-0.301440, -0.474280, -0.145062}   0.876953

In[277]:= seths1[1, 2, 4]

xh={0.000000, 0.000000, 0.000000}   fh=1.000000

xs={-0.847222, 0.041667, -0.125000}   fs=0.994184

xl={-0.301440, -0.474280, -0.145062}   fl=0.876953

xc={-0.498228, -0.236225, -0.026578}

In[278]:= reflect

xr={-0.996456, -0.472451, -0.053155}   fr=1.456316

In[279]:= contractin

xi={-0.249114, -0.118113, -0.013289}   fi=0.732739

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In[280]:= accept[xi]
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1  {-0.249114, -0.118113, -0.013289}  0.732739
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```
2  {-0.847222, 0.041667, -0.125000}  0.994184
```

```
3  {-0.346022, -0.276063, 0.190329}  0.987845
```

```
4  {-0.301440, -0.474280, -0.145062}  0.876953
```

Best point here is x1. From Newton's method, best point was  $\{-0.403510957, -0.181579931, -0.080964981\}$ . We are sort of in the right neighbourhood, but we have a long way to go!