

APL 771

Minor 1

All questions carry equal marks

The function $f(x_1, x_2) = (x_1^2 + x_2 - 11)^2 + (x_1 + x_2^2 - 7)^2$ is known as the Himmelblau function. Questions 1-4 below refer to this function.

1. Find a directional minimum in the first quadrant for the starting point $x = (0,0)$ and the search direction $(1,1)$.
2. Find the two-dimensional Taylor series expansion of the function about the point $(0,0)$ which is accurate till the quadratic terms.
3. Beginning from the initial point $(1,1)$ and $\Delta = (2,2)$, perform two iterations of Box's method.
4. With an initial simplex of $x_1 = (0,0)$, $x_2 = (2,0)$ and $x_3 = (1,1)$ and the parameters $\text{gam} = 1.5$, $\text{beta} = 0.5$, perform two iterations of the simplex method.
5. For the function $f(x_1, x_2) = 6x_1^2 + 2x_2^2 - 6x_1x_2 - x_1 - 2x_2$ find the direction conjugate to the direction $(0,1)$.