

1 Iterative Solvers

To minimize the error produced in the grid search for improperly chosen tps we find optimal α , β and crustal thickness h which define the minimal residual curve.

$$Tps = h \left(\sqrt{\frac{1}{\beta^2} - p^2} - \sqrt{\frac{1}{\alpha^2} - p^2} \right) \quad (1)$$

1.1 Newton's Method

To find the minimum we seek to minize the sum of the squares of the residual $r = (t_i - f(\mathbf{x}))$ where $f(\mathbf{x}) = Tps$ as in 1) and $\mathbf{x} = [\alpha, \beta, h]^T$. Thus we seek

$$\min |r^T r| = \min |\phi| \quad (2)$$

which is true when $\frac{d\phi}{d\mathbf{x}} = g(\mathbf{x}^*) = 0$. The solution \mathbf{x}^* is the initial guess \mathbf{x}_0 + the vector \mathbf{m} which finds the minimum $g(\mathbf{x}^*) = 0$. Taking the Taylor approximation gives,

$$g(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{m}) = g(\mathbf{x}) + \mathbf{H}\mathbf{m} + O(\|\mathbf{m}\|) \quad (3)$$

The hessian H is equal to $\nabla^2 \phi$ which is given by $\sum_{i,j=1}^n \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x_i \partial x_j}$. As $g(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{m}) = 0$ we can rewrite 3) as

$$\mathbf{m} = -\mathbf{H}^{-1}g(\mathbf{x}) \quad (4)$$

and iterate until convergence with

$$\mathbf{x}_{k+1} = \mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{m} \quad (5)$$