

# optimset

Create or edit optimization options structure

## Syntax

```
options = optimset('param1',value1,'param2',value2,...)
optimset
options = optimset
options = optimset(optimfun)
options = optimset(oldopts,'param1',value1,...)
options = optimset(oldopts,newopts)
```

## Description

`options = optimset('param1',value1,'param2',value2,...)` creates an optimization options structure called `options`, in which the specified options (`param`) have specified values. Any unspecified options are set to `[]` (options with value `[]` indicate to use the default value for that option when you pass `options` to the optimization function). It is sufficient to type only enough leading characters to define the option name uniquely. Case is ignored for option names.

`optimset` with no input or output arguments displays a complete list of options with their valid values.

`options = optimset` (with no input arguments) creates an options structure `options` where all fields are set to `[]`.

`options = optimset(optimfun)` creates an options structure `options` with all option names and default values relevant to the optimization function `optimfun`.

`options = optimset(oldopts,'param1',value1,...)` creates a copy of `oldopts`, modifying the specified options with the specified values.

`options = optimset(oldopts,newopts)` combines an existing options structure, `oldopts`, with a new options structure, `newopts`. Any options in `newopts` with nonempty values overwrite the corresponding old options in `oldopts`.

## Options

For more information about individual options, including their default values, see the reference pages for the optimization functions. [Optimization Options Reference](#) provides descriptions of optimization options and which functions use them.

Use the command `optimset(@solver)` or the equivalent `optimset solver` to see the default values of relevant optimization options for a solver. Some solvers do not have a default value, since the default depends on the algorithm. For example, the default value of the `maxIter` option in the `fmincon` solver is 400 for the trust-region-reflective algorithm, but is 1000 for the interior-point algorithm.

You can also see the default values of all relevant options in the Optimization Tool. To see the options:

1. Start the Optimization Tool, e.g., with the `optimtool` command.
2. Choose the solver from the **Solver** menu.
3. Choose the algorithm, if applicable, from the **Algorithm** menu.
4. Read off the default values within the **Options** pane.

## Examples

This statement creates an optimization options structure called `options` in which the `Display` option is set to `'iter'` and the `TolFun` option is set to `1e-8`.

```
options = optimset('Display','iter','TolFun',1e-8)
```

This statement makes a copy of the options structure called `options`, changing the value of the `TolX` option and storing new values in `optnew`.

```
optnew = optimset(options,'TolX',1e-4);
```

This statement returns an optimization options structure `options` that contains all the option names and default values relevant to the function [fminbnd](#).

```
options = optimset('fminbnd')
```

If you only want to see the default values for `fminbnd`, you can simply type

```
optimset fminbnd
```

or equivalently

```
optimset('fminbnd')
```

## See Also

[optimget](#) | [optimtool](#)

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