

# 1 Problem 3 Take Home Final Exam

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# Importing the necessary libraries
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import numpy as np
from numpy.random import randn, uniform, seed
from numpy.linalg import norm, solve, matrix_rank, inv
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For this problem we need to solve:  $\min f(x) = \sum (x_i \log(x_i))$  over  $i=1, \dots, n$  subject to  $Ax=b$   $A$  in  $\mathbb{R}^{p \times n}$   $p < n$

Define the new functions

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def f(x):
    return np.dot(np.transpose(x), np.log(x)) # This dot product is equivalent to sum

def grad_f(x):
    return np.log(x) + np.ones((n,1))

def hess_f(x):
    return np.diag((1/x)[: , 0])
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Initialize the problem

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n = 100
p = 30
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Choose A randomly

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seed(999)
A = randn(p, n)
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Make sure that A is full rank

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while matrix_rank(A) < p and matrix_rank(A) < n:
    A = randn(p, n)
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Set the range for the distribution on random x

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low = 0.0
high = 1.0
x = uniform(low, high, size=(n,1))
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Set  $b=A\hat{x}$

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b = np.dot(A, x)
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## 1.1 Part A - Using the standard newton's method

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# Backtracking method for updating t
def backtrack(x, f, grad_f, dx, alpha, beta):
    t=1.0
    y = f(x)
    gx = grad_f(x)
    while f(x+t*dx) > y+alpha*t*np.dot(np.transpose(gx),dx):
        t=beta*t
    return t

# Newton Method
# This time the function only returns the optimal point found
def newton_method(x, iterations, alpha, beta, eps):
    # Repeat
    y = np.array([])
    s = np.array([])

    hx = inv(hess_f(x))
    gx = grad_f(x)

    dnt = -np.dot(hx, gx)
    dec = -np.dot(np.transpose(gx), dnt)

    p = f(x)
    y = np.append(y, p)

    for i in range(iterations):

        if dec/2 <= eps:
            break

        t = backtrack(x, f, grad_f, dnt, alpha, beta)
        s = np.append(s, t)

        x = x + t*dnt

        p = f(x)
        y = np.append(y, p)

        hx = inv(hess_f(x))
        gx = grad_f(x)

        dnt = -np.dot(hx, gx)
        dec = -np.dot(np.transpose(gx), dnt)

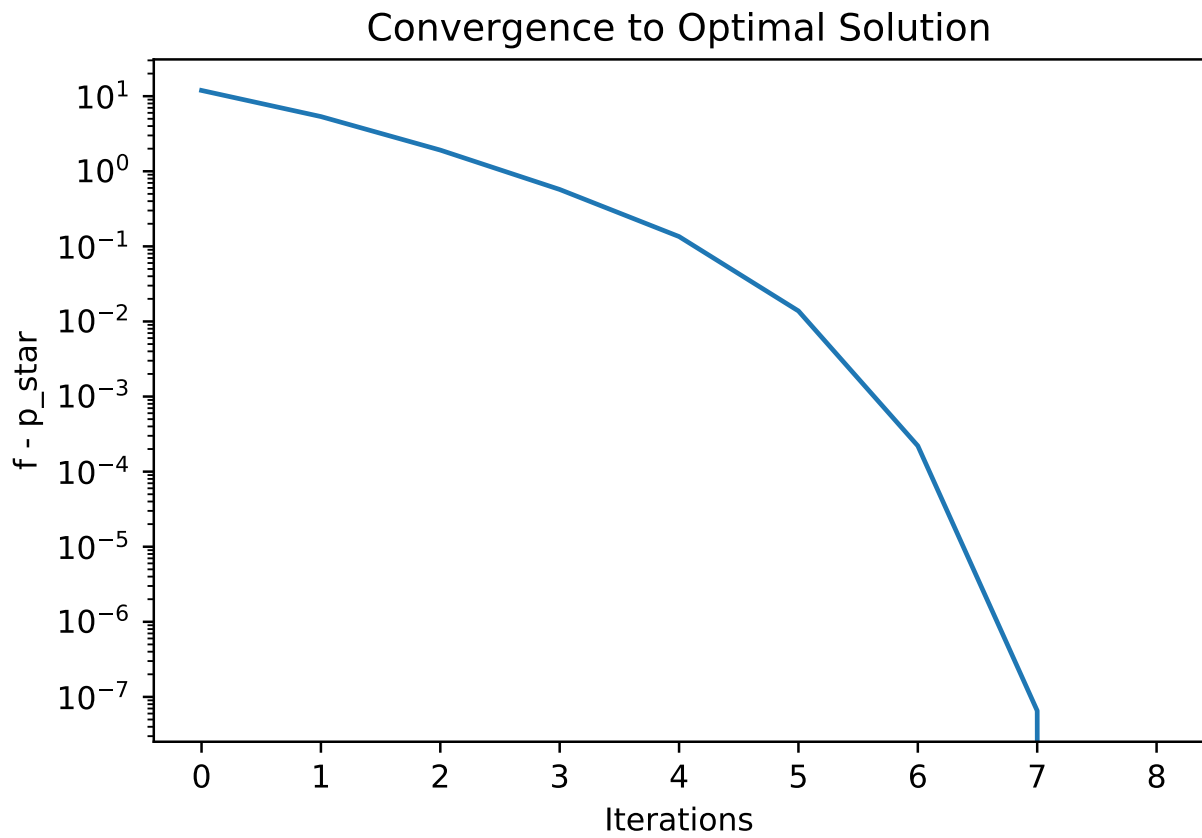
    return y, s, p

# Set the parameters for Newton's Method
max_i = 1000
alpha = 0.1
beta = 0.25
eps = 1e-8

y, s, p_star = newton_method(x, max_i, alpha, beta, eps)

fig, ax = plt.subplots()
ax.semilogy(np.transpose(y-p_star))
ax.set_title('Convergence to Optimal Solution')
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ax.set_xlabel('Iterations')
ax.set_ylabel('f - p_star')
plt.show()
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I couldn't get the infeasible Newton method to work on here and debugging via python is terrible. I am going to implement b and c in matlab.