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# Nonlinear system of equations

# **Methods**

The goal is to solve

$$F(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n) = \begin{bmatrix} F_1(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n) \\ F_2(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n) \\ \vdots \\ F_n(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n) \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{0}$$

For simplicity

$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \partial x_2 \\ \vdots \\ \partial x_n \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \mathbf{F} = \begin{bmatrix} F_1 \\ \partial F_2 \\ \vdots \\ \partial F_n \end{bmatrix} \Longrightarrow \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}(t)) = 0$$

# The gradient

$$\nabla F(\mathbf{x}) = \nabla F(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial x_1} & \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial x_2} & \dots & \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial x_n} \\ \frac{\partial F_2}{\partial x_2} & \frac{\partial F_2}{\partial x_2} & \frac{\partial F_2}{\partial x_2} & \dots & \frac{\partial F_2}{\partial x_n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial F_n}{\partial x_n} & \frac{\partial F_n}{\partial x_2} & \dots & \frac{\partial F_n}{\partial x_n} \end{bmatrix}$$

### **Newton's Method**

By using Taylor formula in higher dimension:

$$\mathbf{x}^{k+1} = \mathbf{x}^k - \alpha \left[ \nabla F(\mathbf{x}^k) \right]^{-1} \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}^k)$$

Now if the goal is to minimize

$$F(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n)$$

### **Gradient Descent**

$$\mathbf{x}^{k+1} = x^k - \alpha \nabla F(\mathbf{x}^k)$$

## **Exercise**

**Exercise 1:** Write a function and a test for each methods.

Exercise 2: Solve the system

$$\begin{cases} x^2 + y^2 = 4 \\ x^2 - y^2 = 1 \end{cases}$$

Exercise 3: Find all the solutions to the system

$$\begin{cases} x^2 + xy^3 = 9\\ 3x^2y - y^3 = 4 \end{cases}$$

Use each initial guess  $(x_0, y_0) = (1.2, 2.5), (-2, 2.5), (-1.2, -2.5), (2, -2.5)$ . Observe the root to which each of the iterations converges and the number of iterates computed. Comment on your results.

**Exercise 4:** Bioremediation involves the use of bacteria to consume toxic wastes. At a steady state, the bacterial density x and the nutrient concentration y satisfy the system of nonlinear equations

$$\gamma xy - x(1+y) = 0$$
$$-xy + (\delta - y)(1+y) = 0,$$

where  $\gamma$  and  $\delta$  are parameters that depend on various physical features of the system. For this problem, assume the typical values  $\gamma = 5$  and  $\delta = 1$ , find the 3 solutions.

Exercise 5: Minimize the function below using Newton's method and gradient descent methods.

$$D(x_1, x_2) = x_1^4 + x_1x_2 + (1 + x_2)^2$$

Exercise 6: Minimize the function (use gradient descent)

$$f(x_1, x_2) = (1 - x_1)^2 + 100(x_2 - x_1^2)^2$$

**Exercise 7:** Minimize the function (use gradient descent)

$$f(x,y) = \sin\left(\frac{1}{2}x^2 - \frac{1}{4}y^2 + 3\right)\cos(2x + 1 - e^y)$$