

**Recipe Name:** cyclic\_min

**Inputs:**

*func*, the function whose local minimum will be returned

*start*, a sequence where each element of the sequence represents the value of the corresponding variable, with the whole sequence representing the starting point for cyclic minimization

*num\_vars*, an integer representing the number of variables in *func*

*step\_size*, a float representing how far to go along each variable for each iteration of cyclic minimization

**Outputs:**

*local\_mins*, a sequence where each element of the sequence represents the value of its corresponding variable, with each variable represented in the same order as *start*, with the whole sequence representing the found local minimum

**Steps:**

1. Initialize *local\_mins* to a copy of *start*
2. Initialize *temp\_plus* to an empty sequence
3. Initialize *temp\_min* to an empty sequence
4.  $final\_local \leftarrow 0$
5. While *final\_local* is not equal to *num\_vars*,
  - a. For each number, *var*, from 0 to *num\_vars* – 1,
    - i. Initialize *found* to False
    - ii. While *found* is not True, do the following
      1.  $temp\_plus \leftarrow local\_mins$
      2.  $temp\_min \leftarrow local\_mins$
      3.  $temp\_plus_{var} \leftarrow local\_mins_{var} + step\_size$
      4.  $temp\_plus_{var} \leftarrow local\_mins_{var} - step\_size$
      5. If  $func(temp\_min) < func(temp\_plus)$  and  $func(temp\_min) < func(local\_mins)$ , then
        - a.  $local\_mins \leftarrow temp\_min$
        - b.  $final\_local \leftarrow 0$
      6. Otherwise, if  $func(temp\_plus) < func(temp\_min)$  and  $func(temp\_plus) < func(local\_mins)$ , then
        - a.  $local\_mins \leftarrow temp\_plus$
        - b.  $final\_local \leftarrow 0$
      7. Otherwise,
        - a.  $found \leftarrow \text{True}$
        - b.  $final\_local \leftarrow final\_local + 1$
6. Return *local\_mins*