

shootingRootFindExample

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Let us start with a very simple problem of freefall of a ball under the effect of gravity. from <https://www.earthinversion.com/techniques/solving-boundary-value-problems-using-the-shooting-method/>

$$d^2 \rightarrow y \, d t^2 = -g$$

(7)

where, $g = 9.8 \text{ m/s}^2$. The boundary condition here is that we start at $y = 0$ with unknown velocity, but we know that it will be back at $t = 10$.

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[2]: import numpy as np
from scipy.integrate import solve_ivp
from scipy import optimize
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
plt.style.use('seaborn')

g = 9.8
y0 = 0
tf = 10

def f(t, r):
    y, v = r
    dy_dt = v # velocity
    d2y_dt2 = -g # acceleration

    return dy_dt, d2y_dt2

@np.vectorize
def shooting_eval(v0):
    sol = solve_ivp(f, (t[0], t[-1]), (y0, v0), t_eval=t)
    y_num, v = sol.y
    return y_num[-1]

v0 = 60 # guess the initial velocity
t = np.linspace(0, tf, 51)
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fig, ax = plt.subplots()
v0 = np.linspace(0, 100, 100)
plt.plot(v0, shooting_eval(v0), label='Shooting evaluation')
plt.axhline(c="k")

# root finding: secant method (kind of Newton Raphson method where slope is
↳ unknown)
# Find a zero of the function func given a nearby starting point x0
v0 = optimize.newton(shooting_eval, 50)
print(v0)
plt.plot(v0, 0, 'ro', label=f'Solution: {v0:.1f}')

plt.grid(True)
plt.legend()
ax.set_xlabel('t')
ax.set_ylabel('y')
plt.savefig('example1_solution.png', bbox_inches='tight', dpi=300)
plt.close()

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48.999999999999964

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[3]: # Plot the path

t = np.linspace(0, tf, 51)
sol = solve_ivp(f, (0, tf), (y0, v0), t_eval=t)
y, v = sol.y

plt.plot(t[0], y0, 'ro', label=f'Solution: {v0:.1f}')
plt.plot(t[-1], 0, 'ro', label=f'Solution: {v0:.1f}')
plt.plot(t, y, ".")

plt.savefig('example1_solution_path.png', bbox_inches='tight', dpi=300)
plt.close()

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Example 2 Let us take another simple differential equation to solve.

$$d^2 y / dt^2 + 3y = 0$$

(8)

where, $y(0) = 7$ and $y(2\pi) = 0$.

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[5]: import numpy as np
from scipy.integrate import solve_ivp
from scipy import optimize
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
plt.style.use('seaborn')

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# example  $d^2y/dt^2 + 3y = 0$ 
#  $y(0) = 7$  and  $y(2\pi) = 0$ 

y0 = 7
tf = 2 * np.pi

def f(t, r):
    y, v = r
    dy_dt = v # velocity
    d2y_dt2 = -3 * y # acceleration

    return dy_dt, d2y_dt2

@np.vectorize
def shooting_eval(v0):
    sol = solve_ivp(f, (t[0], t[-1]), (y0, v0), t_eval=t)
    y_num, v = sol.y
    return y_num[-1]

v0 = 60 # guess the initial velocity
t = np.linspace(0, 2 * np.pi, 100)

fig, ax = plt.subplots()
v0 = np.linspace(0, 100, 100)
plt.plot(v0, shooting_eval(v0), label='Shooting evaluation')
plt.axhline(c="k")

# root finding: secant method (kind of Newton Raphson method where slope is
# unknown)
# Find a zero of the function func given a nearby starting point x0
v0 = optimize.newton(shooting_eval, 50)
print(v0)
plt.plot(v0, 0, 'ro', label=f'Solution: {v0:.1f}')

plt.grid(True)
plt.legend()
ax.set_xlabel('t')
ax.set_ylabel('y')
plt.savefig('example2_solution.png', bbox_inches='tight', dpi=300)
plt.close()

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-1.3366717449748615

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[6]: # Plot the path

t = np.linspace(0, tf, 51)
sol = solve_ivp(f, (0, tf), (y0, v0), t_eval=t)
y, v = sol.y

plt.plot(t[0], y0, 'ro', label=f'Solution: {v0:.1f}')
plt.plot(t[-1], 0, 'ro', label=f'Solution: {v0:.1f}')
plt.plot(t, y, ".")

plt.savefig('example2_solution_path.png', bbox_inches='tight', dpi=300)
plt.close()
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