



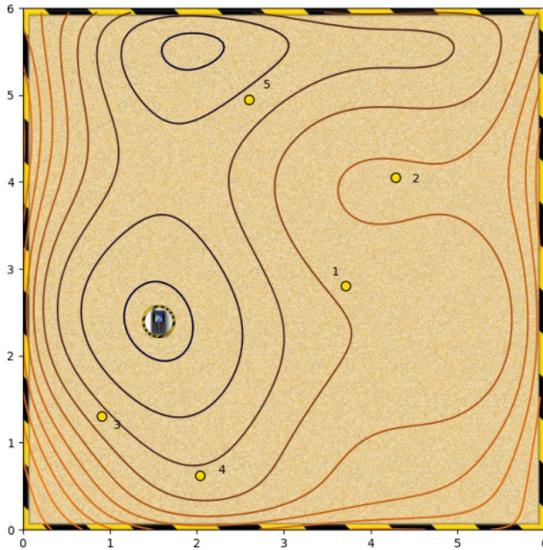
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1. Given the following contour plot,

1 / 1 point



Which starting points (from 1 to 5) are likely to converge to the global minimum (shown by the mobile phone) when using a steepest descent algorithm?

Starting point 1

**Correct**  
In this case, the algorithm descends smoothly down the slope.

Starting point 2

**Un-selected is correct**

Starting point 3

**Correct**  
In this case, the algorithm descends smoothly down the slope.

Starting point 4

**Correct**  
In this case, the algorithm descends smoothly down the slope.

Starting point 5

**Un-selected is correct**

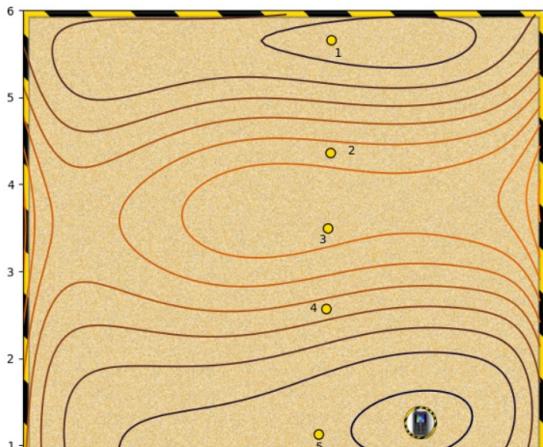
None of the above

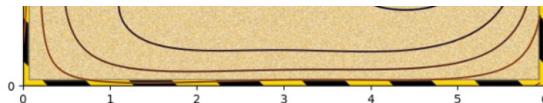
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2. Again, which starting points converge to the global minimum?

1 / 1 point





Starting point 1

Un-selected is correct

Starting point 2

Un-selected is correct

Starting point 3

Correct

This should converge to the global minimum.

Starting point 4

Correct

This should converge to the global minimum.

Starting point 5

Correct

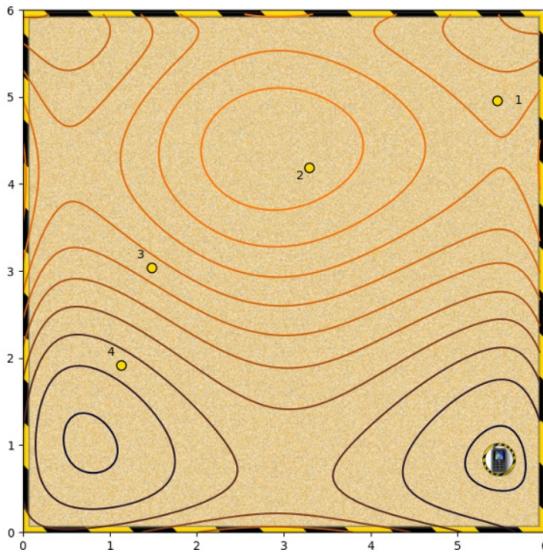
This should converge to the global minimum.

None of the above

Un-selected is correct

3. Which starting points converge to the global minimum?

1 / 1  
point



Starting point 1

Un-selected is correct

Starting point 2

Correct

From here, the algorithm will descend the hill to the global minimum.

Starting point 3

Un-selected is correct

Starting point 4

Un-selected is correct

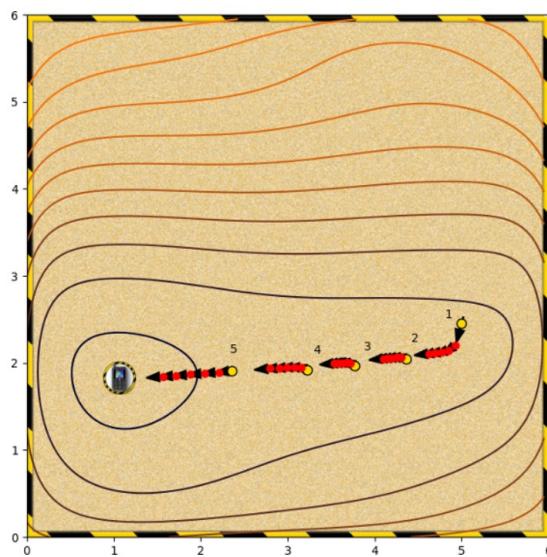
None of the above

Un-selected is correct



4. What's happening in this gradient descent?

1 / 1 point



- The algorithm is getting stuck near local minima.
- The global minimum is in a wide and flat basin, so convergence is slow.

Correct

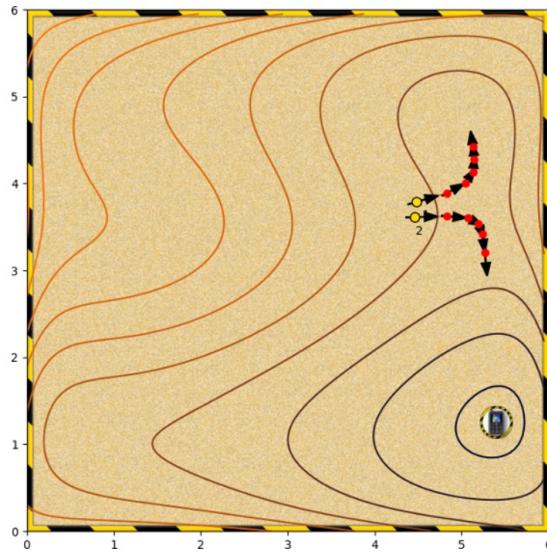
This could be improved by increasing the aggression.

- None of the other options.
- The algorithm is getting stuck near saddle points.



5. What is happening here?

1 / 1 point



- The algorithm is passing either side of a saddle point.

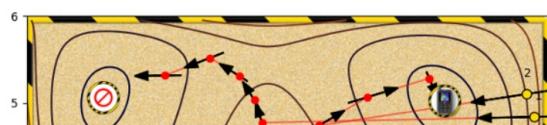
Correct

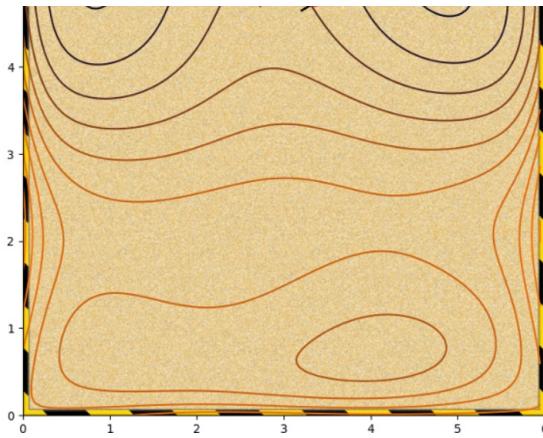
- None of the other options.
- The algorithm is passing either side of a local maximum.
- There is noise in the system.
- The algorithm is passing either side of a local minimum.



6. What is happening here?

1 / 1 point





- None of the other options.
- There is noise in the system
- The Jacobian at the starting point is very large.

Correct

This is causing the algorithm to overshoot. In one case into a different basin.

- The marked points are saddle points.

