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## 1 Question 5

How does your estimate compare to the true value of Beta in (1)?

My estimate was 1.500, -.991, -.247, .744, 3.504, -1.998, .502, .997, 1.256, 1.999, which is pretty close to the original values of 1.5, -1, -.25, .75, 3.5, -2, .5, 1, 1.25, and 2. Some of the estimates were a little more, some were a little less.

## 2 Question 6

How does your estimate using gradient descent compare to the true value of Beta in (1)?

Again, it is pretty close. The values I got were 1.501, -.991, -.247, .744, 3.504, -1.999, .502, .997, 1.256, 1.999. These were not only close to the true value of beta, but also very close to the values found in Question 5.

## 3 Question 7

Do your answers for L-BFGS and Nelder-Mead differ?

The L-BFGS and Nelder-Mead actually gave pretty different answers, with L-BFGS giving 1.501, -.991, -.247, .744, 3.504, -1.999, .502, .997, 1.256, and 1.999 while Nelder-Mead was farther off with 1.427, -.485, -.468, .599, 3.385, -2.203, .474, 1.587, .670, .982.

How do these answers compare to the true value of Beta in (1)?

The L-BFGS is fairly close to the true value, however the Nelder-Mead is quite far off.

## 4 Question 9

How similar is the `lm()` estimate to the true value of Beta in (1)?

The values for the built in `lm()` function I got are 1.501, -.991, -.247, .744, 3.503, -1.999, .502, .998, 1.256, 1.999. So they are pretty in line with the rest of the methods (except Nelder-Mead) and are close to the true value of beta.

Table 1:

|                         | <i>Dependent variable:</i>      |
|-------------------------|---------------------------------|
|                         | Y                               |
| X1                      | 1.501***<br>(0.002)             |
| X2                      | -0.991***<br>(0.003)            |
| X3                      | -0.247***<br>(0.003)            |
| X4                      | 0.744***<br>(0.003)             |
| X5                      | 3.504***<br>(0.003)             |
| X6                      | -1.999***<br>(0.003)            |
| X7                      | 0.502***<br>(0.003)             |
| X8                      | 0.997***<br>(0.003)             |
| X9                      | 1.256***<br>(0.003)             |
| X10                     | 1.999***<br>(0.003)             |
| Observations            | 100,000                         |
| R <sup>2</sup>          | 0.971                           |
| Adjusted R <sup>2</sup> | 0.971                           |
| Residual Std. Error     | 0.500 (df = 99990)              |
| F Statistic             | 338,240.000*** (df = 10; 99990) |
| <i>Note:</i>            | *p<0.1; **p<0.05; ***p<0.01     |