

## 4.5 Iterative methods for solving nonlinear systems

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## Systems of nonlinear equations – Newton's method

Let us consider a nonlinear system

$$F(\bar{x}) = \bar{o}, \tag{7}$$

that is

$$\begin{aligned} f_1(x_1, \dots, x_n) &= 0 \\ f_2(x_1, \dots, x_n) &= 0 \\ &\dots \\ f_n(x_1, \dots, x_n) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

and assume that  $f_1, \dots, f_n$  have continuous second derivatives.

Let us describe the method for two functions of two variables

$$\begin{aligned} f_1(x_1, x_2) &= 0 \\ f_2(x_1, x_2) &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

In a neighborhood of  $\bar{c} = (c_1, c_2)'$  we substitute functions  $f_1, f_2$  by the Taylor polynomial of the first degree (tangent plane)

$$\begin{aligned} f_1(x_1, x_2) &\approx f_1(c_1, c_2) + \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_1}(c_1, c_2)(x_1 - c_1) + \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_2}(c_1, c_2)(x_2 - c_2) = 0 \\ f_2(x_1, x_2) &\approx f_2(c_1, c_2) + \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_1}(c_1, c_2)(x_1 - c_1) + \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_2}(c_1, c_2)(x_2 - c_2) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

This system can be expressed:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_1}(c_1, c_2) & \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_2}(c_1, c_2) \\ \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_1}(c_1, c_2) & \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_2}(c_1, c_2) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 - c_1 \\ x_2 - c_2 \end{pmatrix} = - \begin{pmatrix} f_1(c_1, c_2) \\ f_2(c_1, c_2) \end{pmatrix} \tag{8}$$

Denote  $F'$  **Jacobian (matrix)**

$$F' = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_1} & \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_2} \\ \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_1} & \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_2} \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{a} \quad \bar{d} = \bar{x} - \bar{c},$$

the system (8) is then of the form

$$F'(\bar{c}) \bar{d} = -F(\bar{c}) \quad \text{a} \quad \bar{x} = \bar{c} + \bar{d}.$$

Choose an initial iteration  $\bar{x}^{(0)}$  and for  $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$  we evaluate in two steps:

i) find  $\bar{d}^{(k)}$  as the solution of the system

$$F'(\bar{x}^{(k)}) \bar{d}^{(k)} = -F(\bar{x}^{(k)}), \tag{9}$$

ii) put

$$\bar{x}^{(k+1)} = \bar{x}^{(k)} + \bar{d}^{(k)}.$$

For every vector  $\bar{x}^{(k)}$  the matrix  $F'(\bar{x}^{(k)})$  must be regular (non-singular, invertible) so that the system (9) has the unique solution. If this condition is not satisfied we take another vector  $\bar{x}^{(0)}$  and calculate again.

Newton's method converges to the exact solution if  $\bar{x}^{(0)}$  is near the exact solution.

**Example 3:** For the system

$$\begin{aligned}x_1^2 + x_2^2 &= 4 \\x_2 &= x_1^3 + 1\end{aligned}$$

evaluate two iterations using Newton's method with the initial iteration  $\bar{x}^{(0)} = (1, 2)'$ .

The system can be expressed:

$$F'(\bar{x}) = \begin{pmatrix} f_1(x_1, x_2) \\ f_2(x_1, x_2) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1^2 + x_2^2 - 4 \\ -x_1^3 + x_2 - 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \bar{o}, \quad \text{where } \bar{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

form the Jacobian

$$F'(\bar{x}) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_1} & \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_2} \\ \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_1} & \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_2} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2x_1 & 2x_2 \\ -3x_1^2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

For evaluation the *first* iteration  $\bar{x}^{(1)} = (x_1^{(1)}, x_2^{(1)})'$ :

i) first find  $\bar{d}^{(0)} = (d_1^{(0)}, d_2^{(0)})'$  solving the system

$$F'(\bar{x}^{(0)}) \bar{d}^{(0)} = -F(\bar{x}^{(0)}),$$

after substitution  $\bar{x}^{(0)} = (1, 2)'$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 \cdot 1 & 2 \cdot 2 \\ -3 \cdot 1^2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} d_1^{(0)} \\ d_2^{(0)} \end{pmatrix} = - \begin{pmatrix} 1^2 + 2^2 - 4 \\ -1^3 + 2 - 1 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ -3 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} d_1^{(0)} \\ d_2^{(0)} \end{pmatrix} = - \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

we get  $\bar{d}^{(0)} = (-\frac{1}{14}, -\frac{3}{14})'$ .

ii) in the second step e find the first iteration

$$\bar{x}^{(1)} = \bar{x}^{(0)} + \bar{d}^{(0)},$$

i.e.

$$\bar{x}^{(1)} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{14} \\ -\frac{3}{14} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{13}{14} \\ \frac{25}{14} \end{pmatrix} \approx \begin{pmatrix} 0,9286 \\ 1,7857 \end{pmatrix}$$

Similarly evaluate the *second* iteration  $\bar{x}^{(2)} = (x_1^{(2)}, x_2^{(2)})'$ :

i) first find  $\bar{d}^{(1)} = (d_1^{(1)}, d_2^{(1)})'$  solving the system

$$F'(\bar{x}^{(1)}) \bar{d}^{(1)} = -F(\bar{x}^{(1)}),$$

after substitution  $\bar{x}^{(1)} = (\frac{13}{14}, \frac{25}{14})'$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 \cdot \frac{13}{14} & 2 \cdot \frac{25}{14} \\ -3 \cdot (\frac{13}{14})^2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} d_1^{(1)} \\ d_2^{(1)} \end{pmatrix} = - \begin{pmatrix} (\frac{13}{14})^2 + (\frac{25}{14})^2 - 4 \\ -(\frac{13}{14})^3 + \frac{25}{14} - 1 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} \frac{13}{7} & \frac{25}{7} \\ -\frac{507}{196} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} d_1^{(1)} \\ d_2^{(1)} \end{pmatrix} = - \begin{pmatrix} \frac{5}{98} \\ -\frac{41}{2744} \end{pmatrix}$$

we get  $\bar{d}^{(1)} = (-\frac{105}{11161}, -\frac{11}{1171})'$ .

ii) in the second step we get

$$\bar{x}^{(2)} = \bar{x}^{(1)} + \bar{d}^{(1)},$$

i.e.

$$\bar{x}^{(2)} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{13}{14} \\ \frac{25}{14} \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{105}{11161} \\ -\frac{11}{1171} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1319}{1435} \\ \frac{4876}{2745} \end{pmatrix} \approx \begin{pmatrix} 0,9192 \\ 1,7763 \end{pmatrix}.$$

MATLAB – Newton's method

$F$  – given functions (column vector),  $x^{(0)}$  – initial iteration

symbolic variables

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>> syms x,y;
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initial iteration  $x^{(0)}$  and function  $F$

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>> x0=[1; 2]
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>> F=[x^2+y^2-4; y-x^3-1]
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Jacobian

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>> J=jacobian(F,[x,y])
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substitution  $x = x_1^{(0)}$ ,  $y = x_2^{(0)}$  into Jacobian and  $F$

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>> J0=subs(J,[x,y],x0)
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>> F0=subs(F,[x,y],x0)
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evaluation of the first iteration  $x^{(1)}$  ( $d^{(0)} = -\text{inv}(J0) * F0$ )

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>> x1=x0-inv(J0)*F0
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výpočet druhé aproximace  $x^{(2)}$  ( $d^{(1)} = -\text{inv}(J1) * F1$ )

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>> J1=subs(J,[x,y],x1)
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>> F1=subs(F,[x,y],x1)
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>> x2=x1-inv(J1)*F1
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and so on.