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## 0.1 Problem 1

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### ECE 719 – Homework Freudenstein

When one wishes to solve a set of nonlinear equations

$$f_i(x) = 0; \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, N,$$

one can consider an optimization problem with cost function

$$J(x) = \sum_{i=1}^N f_i^2(x)$$

to be minimized.

(a) Explain the relationship between the optimization problem and the original nonlinear equation solving problem.

(b) For the two nonlinear functions of Freudenstein and Roth given by

$$f_1(x) = x_2 - x_1^3 + 5x_1^2 - 2x_1 - 13;$$

$$f_2(x) = x_2 + x_1^3 + x_1^2 - 14x_1 - 29,$$

generate some contours for  $J(x)$  over the interesting region described by  $|x_1| \leq 10$ ;  $|x_2| \leq 50$ .

(c) Write a program which implements the Polyak-Ribiere Algorithm (look up the iterative procedure) including your optimal line search method to minimize  $J(x)$  using  $f_1$  and  $f_2$  above. In reporting your results, describe the performance of the algorithm from a variety of initial conditions  $x^0$  including some illustrative iteration paths superimposed on the  $J$  contours. Also indicate what line type of line search and stopping criterion you used.

Figure 1: problem 1 description

### 0.1.1 part(a)

Let  $f_i(x) : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ . We want to solve

$$f_i(x) = 0 \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, N \quad (1)$$

Which means finding  $x^*$  which makes value of  $f_i(x^*)$  be zero. If we consider the vector  $F(x)$  of functions  $f_i(x)$

$$F(x) = \begin{pmatrix} f_1(x) \\ f_2(x) \\ \vdots \\ f_N(x) \end{pmatrix}$$

Then the square of the Euclidean norm of  $F(x)$  is

$$\|F(x)\|^2 = \sum_{i=1}^N f_i^2(x)$$

The minimum value of  $\|F(x)\|$  is zero since it is a norm. Which is the same as  $\|F(x)\|^2 = 0$ . This means  $F(x) = 0$  occurs when  $\|F(x)\|^2 = 0$ . So the solution to (1) is the same  $x^*$  as finding the minimizer  $x^*$  which makes  $\|F(x)\|^2$  minimum.

Therefore minimizing  $J(x) = \|F(x)\|^2 = \sum_{i=1}^N f_i^2(x)$  will give the solution to (1). This is similar to finding least squares solution to set of linear equations, except now the set of equations  $F(x)$  are non-linear in  $x$ .

### 0.1.2 part b

$$\begin{aligned}f_1(x) &= x_2 - x_1^3 + 5x_1^2 - 2x_1 - 13 \\f_2(x) &= x_2 + x_1^3 + x_1^2 - 14x_1 - 29\end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned}J(x) &= f_1^2(x) + f_2^2(x) \\&= (x_2 - x_1^3 + 5x_1^2 - 2x_1 - 13)^2 + (x_2 + x_1^3 + x_1^2 - 14x_1 - 29)^2 \\&= 2x_1^6 - 8x_1^5 + 2x_1^4 - 80x_1^3 + 12x_1^2x_2 + 12x_1^2 - 32x_1x_2 + 864x_1 + 2x_2^2 - 84x_2 + 1010\end{aligned}\quad (1)$$

$J(x)$  is non-linear function. The above is the  $\|F(x)\|^2$  where now  $F(x) = \begin{pmatrix} f_1(x) \\ f_2(x) \end{pmatrix}$ . We will use optimization to find the solution  $x$  to  $F(x) = 0$  by finding the minimizer of (1). The solution will turn out to be

$$x^* = (x_1 = 4, x_2 = 5)$$

At this point  $J(x^*) = 0$  and also  $f_1(x^*) = 0$  and  $f_2(x^*) = 0$ . So the above is the true solution to  $f_i(x) = 0$ . But there is also another local minimum close to it located at

$$x = (x_1 = -0.8968, x_2 = 11.4128)$$

where here  $J(x) = 48.98$  and not zero. At this second local minimum, the corresponding values for  $f_i$  are  $f_1(x) = 4.949$  and  $f_2(x) = -4.949$ . These were found by running the conjugate gradient algorithm with Polyak-Ribiere stepping as given below.

The following is contour plot of the full range given in the problem statement, showing there are two local minimums, one around point  $x_1 = 4.5, x_2 = 8$  and another around  $x_1 = -1.3, x_2 = 10$

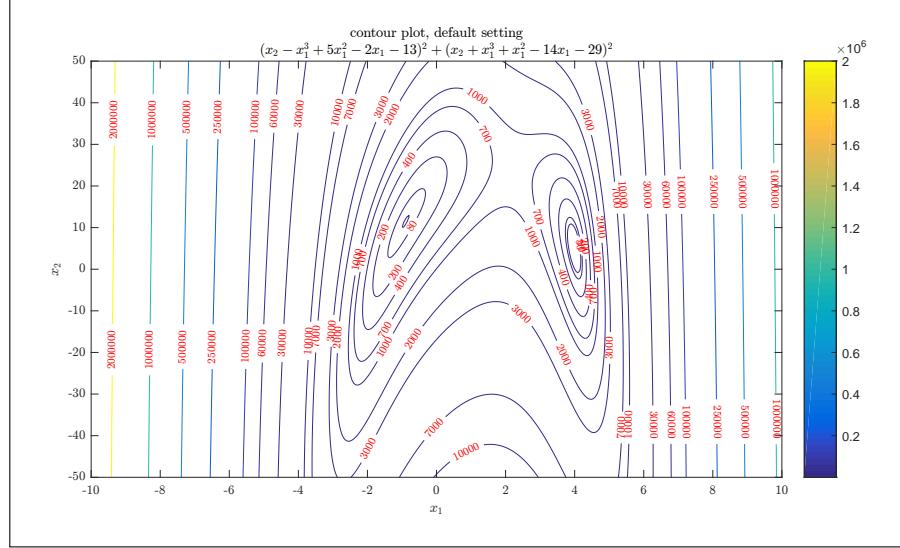


Figure 2: contour plot, full range

This is zoomed version of the above to show more clearly the area around the variations

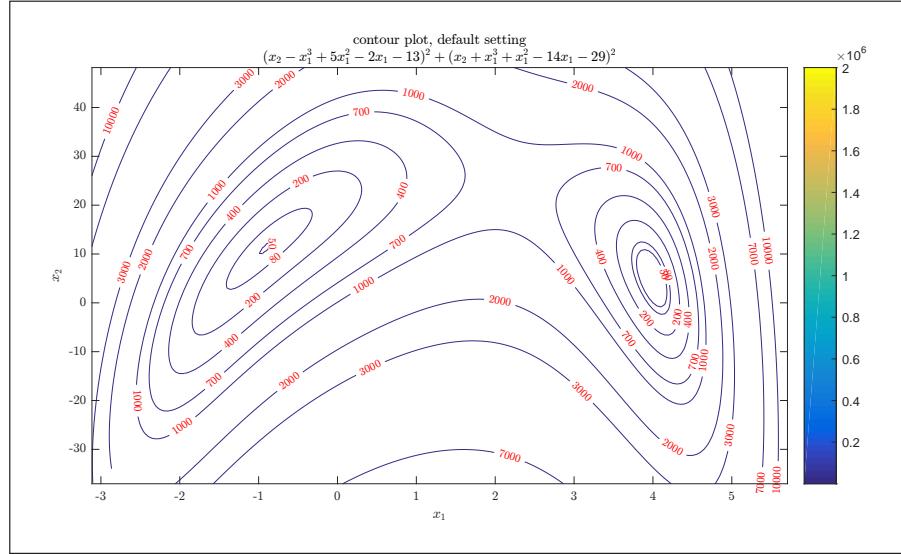


Figure 3: contour plot, zoomed version

This is filled contour version of the above.

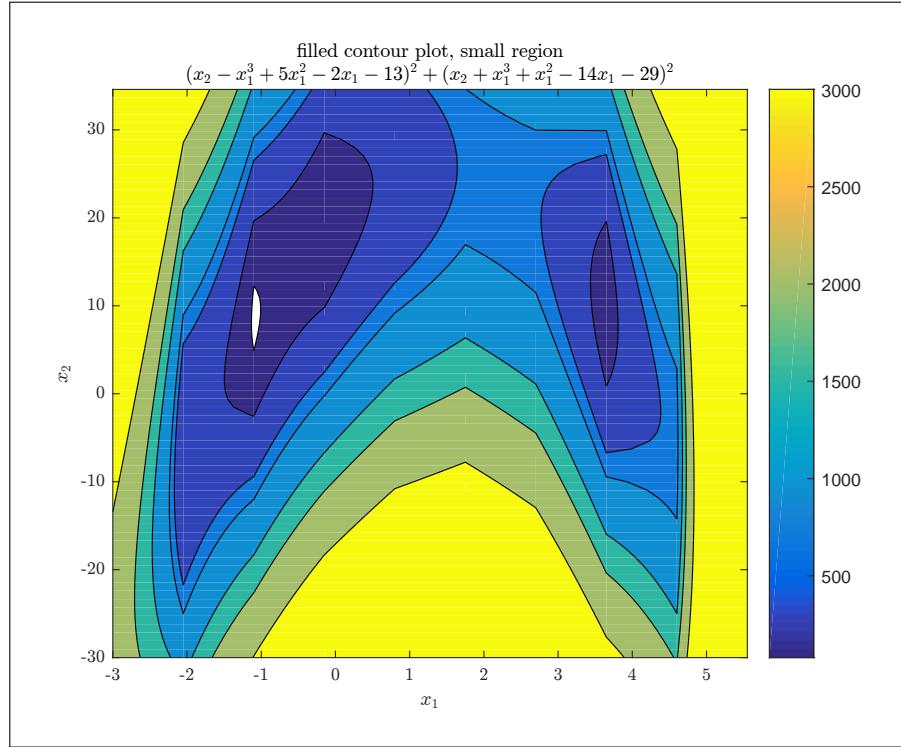


Figure 4: contour plot, filled zoomed version

This is 3D plot of the function  $J(x)$

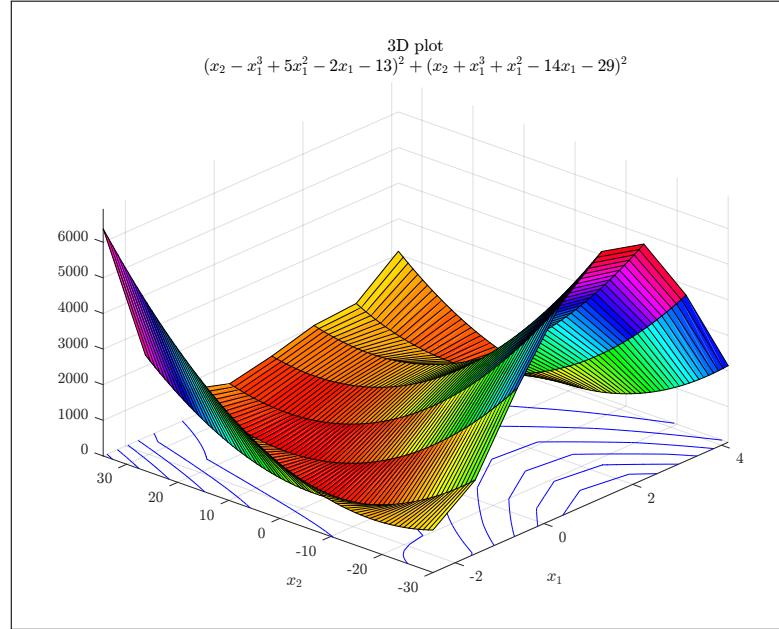


Figure 5: contour plot, filled zoomed version

### 0.1.3 part(c)

A Matlab program is given in the appendix which implements Polyalk-Ribiere (and it also supports Fletcher-Reeves). The result is given below, with discussion following each result. One result also shows an interesting difference found between Polyalk-Ribiere and Fletcher-Reeves when starting from some random found  $u^0$  point. In all runs, Matlab fminsearch was also used to compare the minimizer found. In some cases, this algorithm found the same minimum as Matlab's fminsearch, and in other cases it did not.

The result shows each point  $u^k$  visited with the value of  $\beta_k$  and  $\alpha_k$  found, and the value of the objective function and the gradient at each step.

For the line search, golden section search was used to find  $\alpha_k$  with maximum step size  $H_{\max} = 1$ . The stopping criteria used for all these runs is  $|\nabla J(u)| \leq 0.001$ .

### The algorithm

The following is the outline of general algorithm expressed as pseudo code.

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**Algorithm 1** Conjugate gradient using Polyalk-Ribiere or Fletcher-Reeves

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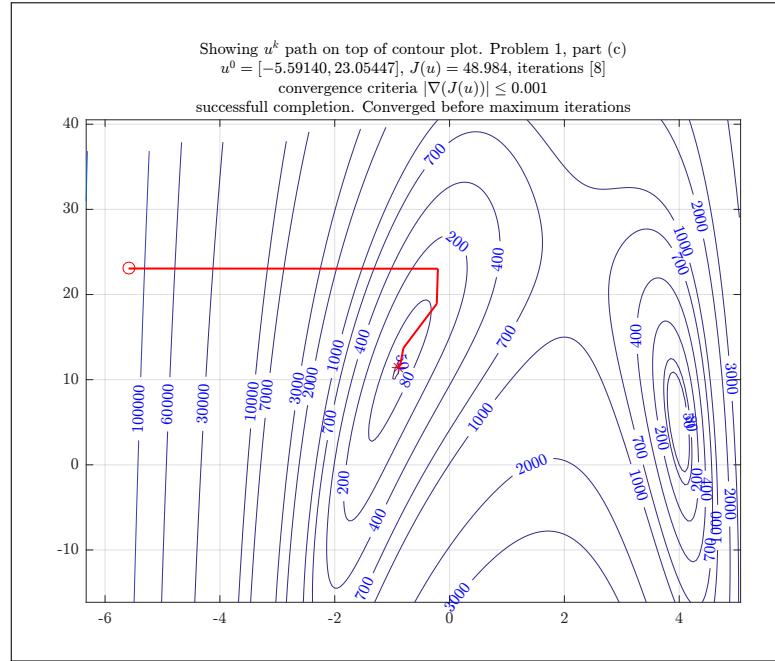
1: procedure CONJUGATE_GRADIENT
2:    $\triangleright$  Initialization
3:    $\epsilon \leftarrow$  minimum convergence limit on  $\|\nabla J(u)\|$ 
4:    $k \leftarrow 0$ 
5:    $u \leftarrow u^0$ 
6:    $max\_iterations \leftarrow$  max iterations allowed
7:    $g_{current} \leftarrow \nabla J(u)$ 
8:    $v_{current} \leftarrow -g_{current}$ 
9:   while  $\|g_{current}\| > \epsilon$  do
10:     $\triangleright$  do line search, using golden section, maximum step size is one
11:     $\alpha \leftarrow \min_{\alpha} \tilde{J}(\alpha) = J(u + \alpha v_{current})$ 
12:     $g_{previous} \leftarrow g_{current}$ 
13:     $u \leftarrow u + \alpha v_{current}$ 
14:     $g_{current} \leftarrow \nabla J(u)$ 
15:    if Fletcher-Reeves then
16:       $\beta \leftarrow \frac{\|g_{current}\|^2}{\|g_{previous}\|^2}$ 
17:    else if Polyalk-Ribiere then
18:       $\beta \leftarrow \frac{g_{current}^T(g_{current} - g_{previous})}{\|g_{previous}\|^2}$ 
19:    end if
20:     $v_{current} \leftarrow -g_{current} + \beta v_{current}$ 
21:   end while
22: end procedure

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Figure 6: Conjugate gradient using Polyalk-Ribiere or Fletcher-Reeves

**Test 1 starting from  $(-5.49, 23.05)$**



Matlab fminsearch found  $J(-0.8968, 11.4128) = 48.9843$ . This program found  $J(-0.8968, 11.4128) = 48.9843$ . since  $u^* = (4, 5)$  we see that the search did not find  $u^*$  but found the other local minimum near it, since the search was started from a point closer to the second one. Also we see Matlab fminsearch result matched our result. So this is good. It took 8 steps. We also notice that  $\nabla J(x^k)$  increased at one step (step 3) during the search. This is indication that this is not a quadratic function (which we already know this), but  $\nabla J(x^k)$  started to decrease again after that.

$k$	$x^k$	$J(x^k)$	$ \nabla J(x^k) $	$\alpha_k$	$\beta_k$
1	(-5.59, 23.05)	129231.19	116683.427	0.000046	-0.000003
2	(-0.20, 23.028)	122.99	15.12	0.273	86.62
3	(-0.2227, 18.9)	91.83	140.56	0.003958	0.3535
4	(-0.8, 13.72)	52.15	39.059	0.00394	0.4082
5	(-0.855, 11.885)	49.16	12.1855	0.00236	0.05
6	(-0.896, 11.436)	48.98	0.583	0.00238	0.0094
7	(-0.8968, 11.4129)	48.98	0.00545	0.002095	0.00123
8	(-0.8968, 11.4128)	48.98	0.000007	0.000000	0.000000

**Test 2 starting from (5.8, 35.89)**

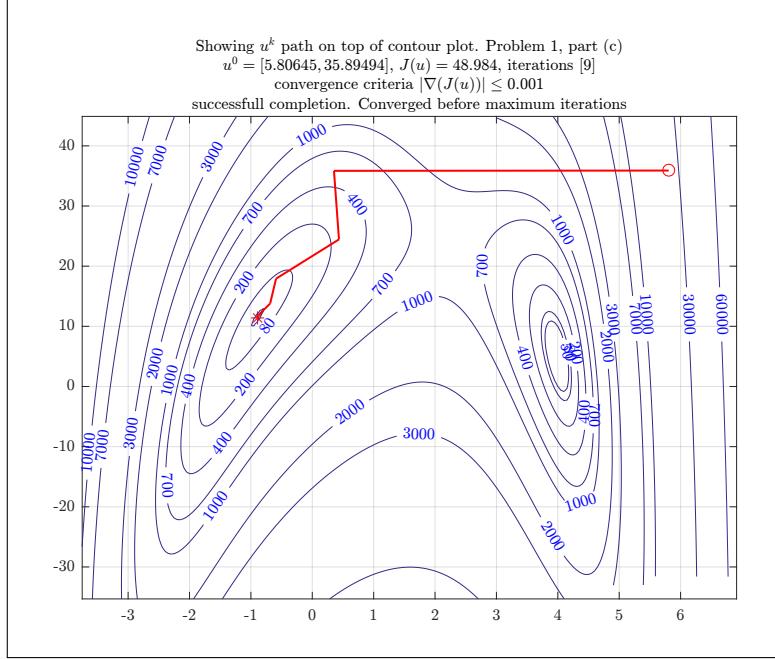


Figure 8: test case 2, problem 1, part c

Matlab fminsearch found  $J(-0.8968, 11.4128) = 48.9843$ . This program found  $J(-0.8968, 11.4128) = 48.9843$ . since  $u^* = (4, 5)$  we see again that the search did not find  $u^*$  but found the other local minimum. Also we see Matlab fminsearch result matched our result. So this is good. It took 9 steps. We also notice that  $|\nabla J(x^k)|$  increased at one step (step 3) during the search.

$k$	$x^k$	$J(x^k)$	$ \nabla J(x^k) $	$\alpha_k$	$\beta_k$
1	(5.806, 35.895)	24303.88	32066.72	0.000170	0.000011
2	(0.353, 35.847)	520.53	49.582	0.2299	36.96
3	(0.435, 24.448)	238.41	301.265	0.00356	0.28
4	(-0.59, 17.92)	71.95	69.317	0.0079	1.3363
5	(-0.686, 13.789)	53.18	52.828	0.0028	0.1788
6	(-0.883, 11.7991)	49.08	8.1969	0.00295	0.06401
7	(-0.895, 11.4284)	48.98	0.4961	0.00193	0.00629
8	(-0.896801, 11.412913)	48.98	0.003106	0.002634	0.000101
9	(-0.896805, 11.412779)	48.98	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000

**Test 3 starting from (5.59, -19.55)**

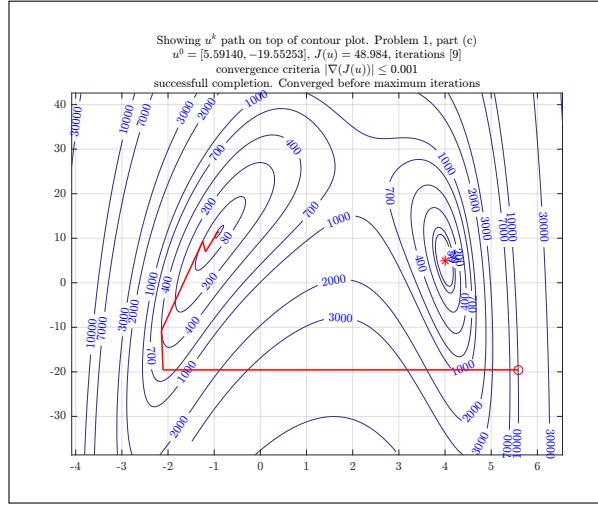


Figure 9: test case 3, problem 1, part c

Matlab fminsearch found the true minimum  $J(4, 5) = 0$ . This program did not do as well, and went for the second local minimum at  $J(-0.8968, 11.4128) = 48.9843$ , which has the corresponding solution  $f_1(x) = 4.9490, f_2(x) = -4.9490$ .

One surprising thing to note, is that Matlab fminsearch uses simplex method according to the help. But this problem is not linear. It turns out that Matlab fminsearch uses a modified version of simplex method, called the Nelder-Mead simplex (direct search). It seems to do better than algorithm implemented in this problem. But in the next test case, we will see that this algorithm evens the score with Matlab's and in the next test case it is we who will do better.

It took 9 steps. Again as before,  $\nabla J(x^k)$  increased at one step during the search (at step 3 also).

$k$	$x^k$	$J(x^k)$	$ \nabla J(x^k) $	$\alpha_k$	$\beta_k$
1	(5.5914, -19.553)	10150.82	19380.2	0.000397	-0.000023
2	(-2.107, -19.566)	585.39	41.5373	0.2127	423.717
3	(-2.142, -10.731)	401.83	854.79	0.001138	-0.213
4	(-1.247, 9.303)	79.34	264.025	0.000619	-0.14389
5	(-1.1875, 6.974)	57.85	46.1832	0.00822	-0.2476
6	(-0.9218, 11.436)	49.30	24.1288	0.001065	-0.02258
7	(-0.9046, 11.29)	48.99	0.56707	0.0389	-0.0926
8	(-0.8969, 11.4131)	48.98	0.05981	0.001129	-0.000415
9	(-0.896806, 11.412772)	48.98	0.000025	0.000000	0.000000

#### Test 4 starting from (7.43472, 16.05058)

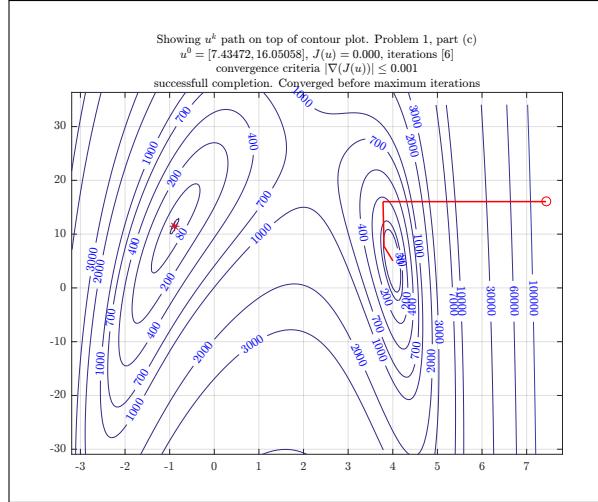


Figure 10: test case 4, problem 1, part c

Matlab fminsearch here did not find the true minimum  $J(4, 5) = 0$  while this algorithm did. It took 6 steps only. Again as before,  $\nabla J(x^k)$  increased at one step during the search (at step 2).

$k$	$x^k$	$J(x^k)$	$ \nabla J(x^k) $	$\alpha_k$	$\beta_k$
1	(7.435, 16.05)	143368.39	143787.679	0.000025	0.000002
2	(3.78, 16.04)	172.57	30.799	0.2696	200.218
3	(3.84, 7.74)	44.74	435.9738	0.000433	0.00797
4	(3.999778, 5.066770)	0.01	3.455556	0.001349	0.009287
5	(3.999989, 5.000154)	0.00	0.031875	0.000336	-0.000038
6	(4.000000, 5.000000)	0.00	0.000001	0.000000	0.000000

### **Test 5 starting from $(3.809, -8.46)$**

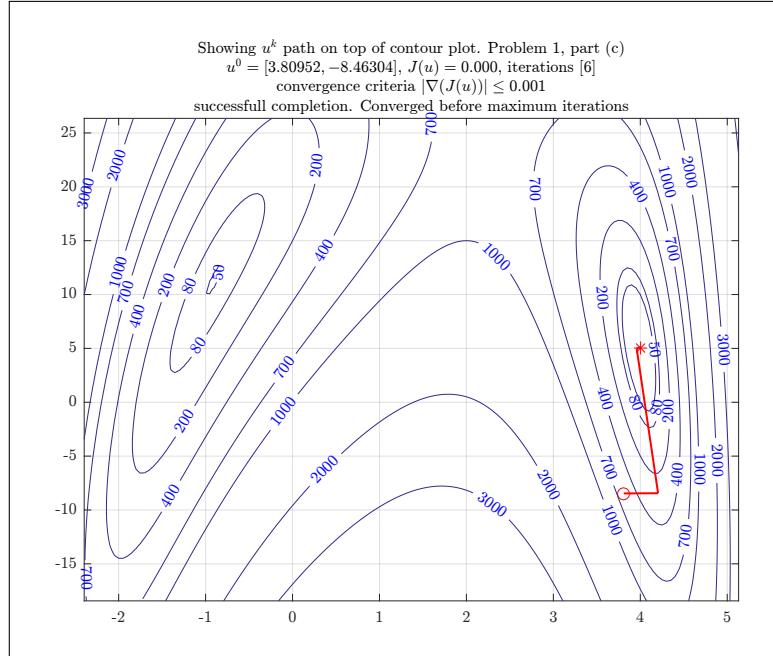


Figure 11: test case 5, problem 1, part c

Here both Matlab fminsearch and this algorithm, found the true minimum.

It took 6 steps only. Again as before,  $\nabla J(x^k)$  increased at one step during the search (at step 3).

$k$	$x^k$	$J(x^k)$	$ \nabla J(x^k) $	$\alpha_k$	$\beta_k$
1	(3.809524, -8.463035)	580.29	1386.28	0.000285	0.000784
2	(4.204487, -8.444322)	267.86	40.2297	0.33335	14.037757
3	(3.958554, 4.969723)	3.20	150.186235	0.000278	-0.009224
4	(3.997429, 5.127561)	0.02	1.447732	0.022782	0.258685
5	(4.000078, 5.000400)	0.00	0.316225	0.000273	0.000175
6	(4.000000, 5.000004)	0.00	0.000057	0.000000	0.000000

**Test 6 (first strange one) starting from (6.63594, -14.29961)**

This test case and the second one are pathological cases, in the sense that this algorithm did find the true minimum, but the path taken headed first to the second local minimum and was very close to it, before turning and going to the true minimum at  $(4, -5)$ . At this time, I am not able to explain this and more time needed to investigate. It does however find the true minimum eventually, so this is good result even if the path taken looks very strange compared to all the other tests above. The main difference between this test case and the last ones, is that here the objective function  $J(x)$  increased at one point during the search (at step 6 as shown below).

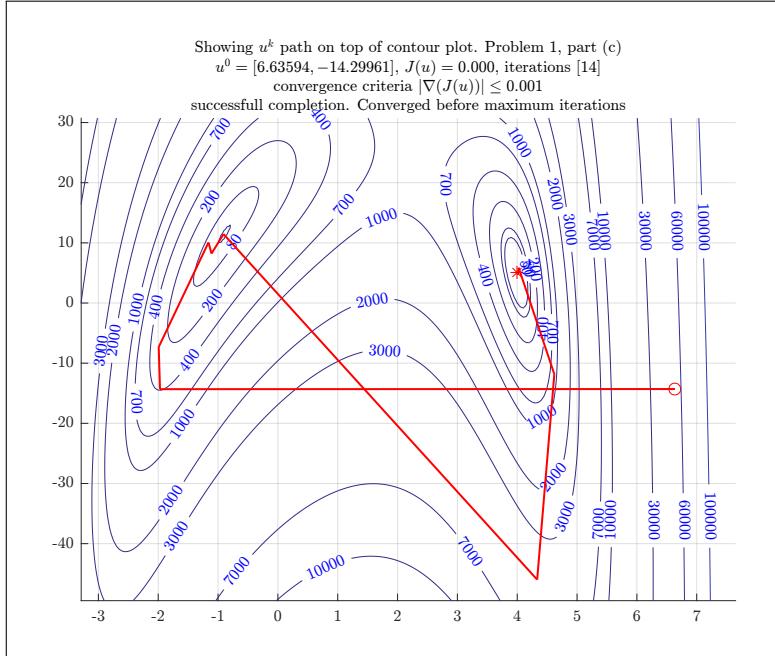


Figure 12: test case 6, Polyak-Ribiere, problem 1, part c

Here both Matlab fminsearch and this algorithm, found the true minimum.

It took 14 steps. Here  $\nabla J(x^k)$  increased and decreased more than one time during the search.

$k$	$x^k$	$J(x^k)$	$ \nabla J(x^k) $	$\alpha_k$	$\beta_k$
1	(6.63594, -14.29961)	52701.77	67823.57	0.000127	0.000002
2	(-1.970382, -14.321801)	393.95	31.646	0.221630	385.651
3	(-1.991739, -7.308131)	282.95	621.5254	0.001424	-0.217509
4	(-1.159618, 10.073263)	67.36	199.4501	0.000696	-0.132737
5	(-1.109423, 8.218728)	53.56	31.5552	0.009140	-0.241872
6	(-0.908598, 11.459289)	49.08	13.239	0.662964	22576.86
7	(4.328897, -45.933286)	4299.56	1995.887	0.000000	-0.009991
8	(4.333267, -45.980644)	4299.50	1975.7426	0.001732	3.309271
9	(4.620182, -11.840013)	883.28	2743.2211	0.000271	-0.051462
10	(4.024522, 5.862406)	3.99	149.444	0.000338	-0.154415
11	(4.012227, 4.726667)	0.22	28.564	0.000532	-0.010341
12	(4.000032, 5.002778)	0.00	0.299	0.000518	-0.004453
13	(4.000001, 4.999987)	0.00	0.00134	0.000550	0.001374
14	(4.000000, 5.000000)	0.00	0.000002	0.000000	0.000000

The above was re-run again, starting from the same  $u^0$ , but now using Fletcher-Reeves formula. The result was surprising. Now the algorithm did not show the strange path as above, however, it also did not find the true minimum at  $(4, -5)$  and instead went for the second local minimum as shown below. This shows, at least in this test, that Polyak-Ribiere formula did a better job, even though it took more steps.

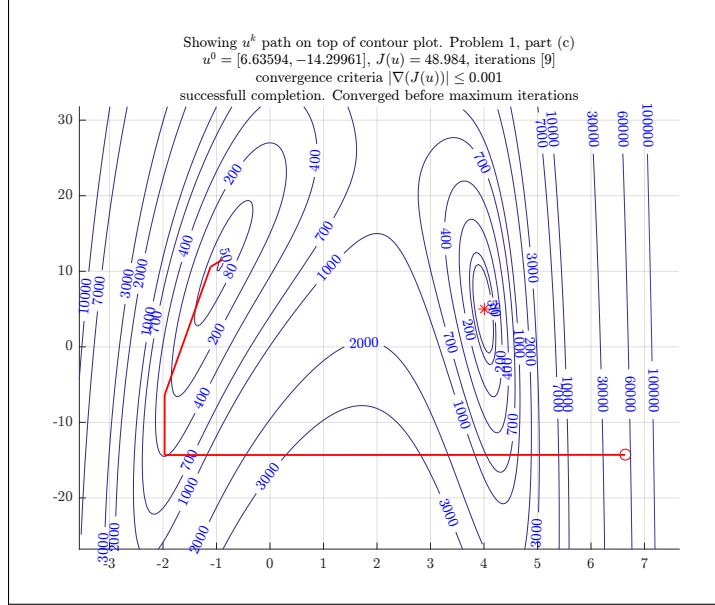


Figure 13: test case 6, using Fletcher-Reeves, problem 1, part c

$k$	$x^k$	$J(x^k)$	$ \nabla J(x^k) $	$\alpha_k$	$\beta_k$
1	(6.63594, -14.29961)	52701.77	67823.57	0.000127	0.000000
2	(-1.970382, -14.321801)	393.95	31.646	0.2519	393.1282
3	(-1.968895, -6.351520)	267.83	627.462	0.001362	0.07595
4	(-1.111164, 10.592228)	63.10	172.916	0.001001	0.000010
5	(-0.890514, 11.528839)	48.99	0.5567	0.001137	0.03014
6	(-0.889896, 11.528704)	48.99	0.0967	0.888831	202.77
7	(-0.893567, 11.441590)	48.99	1.3763	0.001469	0.000012
8	(-0.896818, 11.412476)	48.98	0.00481	0.001101	0.002681
9	(-0.896823, 11.412476)	48.98	0.000249	0.000000	0.000000

**Test 7 (second strange one) starting from (0.5837, -46.595)**

This test case also showed difference between Polyak-Ribiere and Fletcher-Reeves.

With Polyak-Ribiere, it found the same minimum as Matlab fminsearch using a strange path where  $J(u)$  did increase at one point before decreasing again.

However, it did a better job than Fletcher-Reeves.

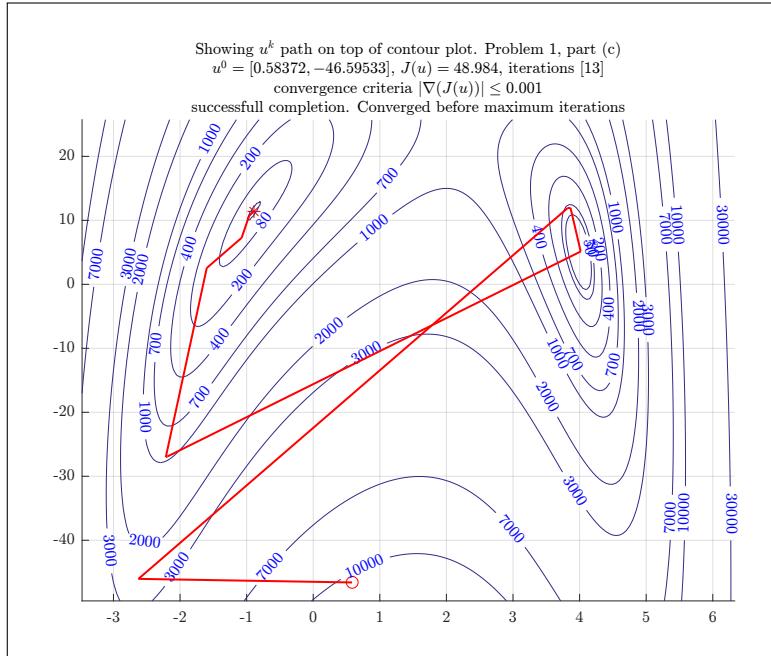


Figure 14: test case 7, Polyak-Ribiere, problem 1, part c

Here both Matlab fminsearch and this algorithm did not find the true minimum.

It took 13 steps. Here  $\nabla J(x^k)$  increased and decreased more than one time during the search. Also  $J(u)$  increased during the search before decreasing again.

$k$	$x^k$	$J(x^k)$	$ \nabla J(x^k) $	$\alpha_k$	$\beta_k$
1	(0.583720, -46.595330)	10438.38	1656.968	0.001966	0.003862
2	(-2.624791, -46.035172)	2450.06	103.007	0.564906	2.002
3	(3.819328, 11.909200)	72.20	148.967	0.000257	-0.1194
4	(3.863288, 11.957784)	69.31	28.774	0.163101	7.727
5	(4.016286, 5.132002)	0.67	70.2157	0.098572	18.327
6	(-2.188772, -26.898544)	959.12	336.852	0.000017	-0.183
7	(-2.213801, -26.997880)	958.16	255.113	0.025963	3.785
8	(-1.599015, 2.551447)	123.88	387.315	0.001099	0.179
9	(-1.074840, 7.277357)	57.59	60.1637	0.004433	0.517
10	(-0.961876, 10.715217)	49.45	22.635	0.001854	-0.0502
11	(-0.895537, 11.456508)	48.99	1.2014	0.002193	-0.01161
12	(-0.896851, 11.412270)	48.98	0.014138	0.002174	0.000948
13	(-0.896805, 11.412779)	48.98	0.000013	0.000000	0.000000

#### 0.1.4 Appendix. Source code for problem 1

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1 function nma_HW5_problem_1_part_b
2 %Solves problem 1, part b, HW5
3 %ECE 719, UW Madison, Spring 2016
4 %
5 %
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7 close all; clc;
8 cd(fileparts(mfilename('fullpath')));
9
10 %reset(0);
11 xlims    = [-10 10]; %x limits, for plotting, change as needed
12 ylims    = [-50 50]; %y limits, for plotting, change as needed
13 myTitle  = ...
14 '$$($x_2-x_1^3+5x_1^2-2x_1-13)^2+($x_2+x_1^3+x_1^2-14x_1-29)^2$$';
15 [u1,u2,z] = nma_makeContourData(0.05,xlims,ylimits);
16
17 figure(1);
18 v =[50 80 200 400 700 10^3 2*10^3 3*10^3 7*10^3 10^4 ...
19             3*10^4 6*10^4 10^5 2.5*10^5 ...
20             5*10^5 10^6 2*10^6];
21 [C,h]    = contour(u1,u2,z,v);
22 colorbar
23 %[C,h]    = contour(u1,u2,z);
24
25 xlabel(C,h,v,'Fontsize',7,'interpreter','Latex','Color','red');
26 nma_setMyLabels('$$x_1$$','$$x_2$$',...
27     {'\makebox[4in][c]{contour plot, default setting}'',...
28     sprintf('\makebox[4in][c]{%s}',myTitle)});
29
30 figure();
31 xlims    = [-3 6]; %x limits, for plotting, change as needed
32 ylims    = [-30 35]; %y limits, for plotting, change as needed
33 [X,Y,Z] = nma_makeContourData(.95,xlims,ylimits);
34 v        =[80 300 700 900 1500 2000 3000];
35 [C,h]    = contourf(X,Y,Z,v);
36 colorbar;
37 nma_setMyLabels('$$x_1$$','$$x_2$$',...
38     {'\makebox[4in][c]{filled contour plot, small region}'',...
39     sprintf('\makebox[4in][c]{%s}',myTitle)});
40
41 figure();

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42 xlimits = [-2.5 5]; %x limits, for plotting, change as needed
43 ylimits = [-30 30]; %y limits, for plotting, change as needed
44 [X,Y,Z] = nma_makeContourData(.95,xlimits,ylimits);
45 %surfl(X,Y,Z);
46 surf(X,Y,Z);
47 colormap(hsv);
48 %view([154,46]);
49 hold on;
50 contour(X,Y,Z,'Linecolor',[0 0 1]);
51 nma_setMyLabels('$$x_1$$','$$x_2$$',...
52 {'\makebox[4in][c]{surf plot}',...
53 sprintf('\makebox[4in][c]{%s}',myTitle)});
54
55 end

1 function nma_HW5_problem_1_part_c()
2 %finds the min value of
3 %
4 %    J(x) = f1^2 + f2^2 where
5 %    f1 = x2-x1^3+5*x1^2-2x1-13
6 %    f2=x2+x1^3+x1^2-14x1-29
7 %
8 % over range x1=-10..10 and x2=-50..50 using steepest descent
9 %
10 % ECE 719, Spring 2016
11 % Matlab 2015a
12 %Nasser M. Abbasi
13
14 if(~isdeployed)
15     baseFolder = fileparts(which(mfilename));
16     cd(baseFolder);
17 end
18
19 close all;
20 set(groot, 'defaulttextinterpreter', 'Latex');
21 set(groot, 'defaultAxesTickLabelInterpreter', 'Latex');
22 set(groot, 'defaultLegendInterpreter', 'Latex');
23
24 %paramters, change as needed
25 %select the algorithm to use. Either 'conjugate gradient'
26 %or 'steepest descent'
27 METHOD      = 'conjugate gradient';
28
29 DO_GUI       = false;    %set to true to get input from GUI
30 DO_ANIMATE   = true;     %set to true to see animation
31 DO_GIF        = false;    %set to true to make animation gif
32 DO_3D         = false;    %if we want to show 3D search path.
33 xlimits      = [-20 20]; %x limits, for plotting
34 ylimits      = [-90 90]; %y limits, for plotting
35 del          = 0.05;    %grid size, used for making meshgrid
36 fixed_levels = [50 80 200 400 700 10^3 2*10^3 3*10^3 ...
37             7*10^3 10^4 3*10^4 ...
38             6*10^4 10^5 2.5*10^5 5*10^5 10^6 2*10^6];
39 CONTOUR_LINES_AUTO = 'fix'; %set to 'auto', to see matlab contour
40 %                                %set to 'full' to see each step level set
41 %                                %set to 'limited' to see every other level
42 %                                %set to 'fix' to use pre-specified
43 %
44 %
45 %-----
46 %These are the options struct used by call to
47 %optimization function
48 %opt.u = [6.63594;-14.29961]; %starting guess x-coordinate
49 %selection of tough ones: This gives very different

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50 %                                         result from fletcher and polak.
51 %opt.u = [6.63594;-14.29961];    %starting guess x-coordinate
52 opt.u = [0.58372;-46.59533];    %starting guess x-coordinate
53
54 opt.MAX_ITER      = 10^4; %maximum iterations allowed
55 opt.STEP_SIZE     = -1;   %step size. set to -1 to use optimal
56 opt.objectiveFunc = @objectiveFunc; %see function definition
57 opt.gradientFunc  = @gradientFunc; %see function definition
58 opt.gradientNormTol = 0.001; %used to determine when converged
59 opt.hessian        = @hessian_func; %see function definition
60 opt.accumulate     = true;
61 opt.stop_on_oscillation = false;
62
63 %-----
64 %data
65 [u1,u2,z] = nma_makeContourData(del,xlimits,ylimits);
66 figure();
67 if DO_GUI %check if GUI input is asked for, if so, wait for user
68     plot(0,0);
69     xlim(xlimits); ylim(ylimits);
70     hold on;
71     [x,y] = ginput(1);
72     opt.u=[x;y];
73 end
74
75 %Find the minumum using Matlab build-in, in order to
76 %compare with in plot
77 optimalValue = fminsearch(opt.objectiveFunc, opt.u);
78 objectiveAtOptimal = objectiveFunc(optimalValue);
79 fprintf('Matlab found J(%5.4f,%5.4f)=%5.4f\n',optimalValue(1),...
80                 optimalValue(2),objectiveAtOptimal);
81
82 %mark location of minimum found by fminsearch on plot
83 hold on;
84 plot(optimalValue(1),optimalValue(2),'*r');
85
86 %plot starting point
87 plot(opt.u(1),opt.u(2),'or');
88 xlim(xlimits); ylim(ylimits);
89 grid;
90 set(gca,'TickLabelInterpreter', 'Latex','fontsize',8);
91
92 %make the call to find search path.
93 if strcmp(METHOD,'steepest descent')
94     [status , pts,levelSets, gradientNormTol,steps] = ...
95                         nma_steepest_descent(opt);
96 else
97     [status,pts,levelSets, gradientNormTol,steps,betaK]=...
98                         nma_polyak_ribiere(opt);
99 end
100 fprintf('HW5 found J(%5.4f,%5.4f)=%5.4f\n',pts(end,1),...
101                 pts(end,2),levelSets(end));
102
103 %check if search was success or not.
104 switch status
105     case 0, status = ...
106 'successfull completion. Converged before maximum iterations';
107     case 1, status = ...
108 'failed to converge before maximum iterations due to oscillation';
109     case 2, status = ...
110 'failed to converge before maximum iterations';
111 end
112

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113 %use output from above call to make the plots
114 switch CONTOUR_LINES_AUTO
115   case 'auto',
116     [C,h] =contour(u1,u2,z,'Linecolor',[0 0 1],'LineWidth',0.1);
117   case 'limited',
118     lev = round(length(levelSets)/20);
119     %[C,h] = contour(u1,u2,z,levelSets(1:lev:end),'Fill','off');
120     %[C,h] = contourf(u1,u2,z,levelSets(1:lev:end));
121     [C,h] = contour(u1,u2,z,levelSets(1:lev:end));
122     %colormap(hsv);
123     %colorbar;
124     '%Linecolor',[0 0 1],'LineWidth',.2);
125   case 'full'
126     [C,h] = contour(u1,u2,z,levelSets,'LineWidth',.2);
127     clabel(C,h,'Fontsize',8,'interpreter','Latex',...
128                           'Color','blue');
129   case 'fix'
130     [C,h] = contour(u1,u2,z,fixed_levels);
131     h.LineWidth = .1;
132     %h.LineColor = [190/255 190/255 190/255];
133     clabel(C,h,fixed_levels,'Fontsize',8,...
134                           'interpreter','Latex','Color','blue');
135 end
136
137 %animate the steepest descent search
138 if length(pts(:,1))>1
139   filename = 'anim.gif';
140   for k=1:length(pts)-1
141     %draw line between each step
142     %skip case if 'full' mode or if too many points.
143     %if (opt.STEP_SIZE == -1 || ...
144         %strcmp(CONTOUR_LINES_AUTO,'limited') || ...
145         %strcmp(CONTOUR_LINES_AUTO,'auto')||length(pts)<100 )
146     line([pts(k,1),pts(k+1,1)], [pts(k,2),pts(k+1,2)],...
147           'LineWidth',1,'Color','red');
148   %end
149   %plot([pts(k,1),pts(k+1,1)], [pts(k,2),pts(k+1,2)],'.r');
150   if DO_ANIMATE
151     drawnow;
152     if DO_GIF
153       frame = getframe(1);
154       im = frame2im(frame);
155       [imind,cm] = rgb2ind(im,256);
156       if k ==1
157         imwrite(imind,cm,filename,'gif','Loopcount',0);
158       else
159         if mod(k,4)==0
160           imwrite(imind,cm,filename,'gif',...
161                           'WriteMode','append');
162         end
163       end
164     end
165   end
166   title(format_plot_title...
167 'Showing $u^k$ path on top of contour plot. Problem 1, part (c)',...
168   opt,pts,k,status), 'FontSize', 8);
169   end
170 end
171 title(format_plot_title...
172 'Showing $u^k$ path on top of contour plot. Problem 1, part (c)',...
173   opt,pts,size(pts,1),status), 'FontSize', 8);
174
175

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176 %plot J(x) changes
177 figure();
178 stairs(levelSets);
179 %stem(levelSets,'ro');
180 grid;
181 set(gca,'TickLabelInterpreter', 'Latex','fontsize',8);
182 title(format_plot_title',...
183     'Showing $J(u^k)$ progress. Problem 1, part (b)',...
184     opt,pts,size(pts,1),status,'FontSize', 8);
185 xlabel('step number');
186 ylabel('value of objective function');
187
188 %Plot gradient change
189 figure();
190 stairs(gradientNormTol);
191 %stem(levelSets,'ro');
192 grid;
193 title(format_plot_title,...
194     'Showing $|\nabla J(u^k)|$ progress. Problem 1, part (c)',...
195     opt,pts,size(pts,1),status,'FontSize', 8);
196
197 xlabel('step number'); ylabel('Norm of gradient');
198 set(gca,'TickLabelInterpreter', 'Latex','fontsize',8);
199
200 %Plot betaK
201 if strcmp(METHOD,'conjugate gradient')
202 figure();
203 stem(betaK);
204 grid;
205 title(format_plot_title,...
206     'Showing $\beta(k)$ progress. Problem 1, part (c)',...
207     opt,pts,size(pts,1),status,'FontSize', 8);
208 xlabel('step number'); ylabel('$\beta_k$');
209 set(gca,'TickLabelInterpreter', 'Latex','fontsize',8);
210 end
211
212 %Plot alpha
213 if strcmp(METHOD,'conjugate gradient')
214 figure();
215 stem(steps);
216 grid;
217 title(format_plot_title,...
218     'Showing $\alpha(k)$ progress. Problem 1, part (c)',...
219     opt,pts,size(pts,1),status,'FontSize', 8);
220 xlabel('step number'); ylabel('$\alpha_k$');
221 set(gca,'TickLabelInterpreter', 'Latex','fontsize',8);
222 end
223
224 format long g;
225 fprintf('x1\t\ttx2\t\tJ(x1,x2)\tgrad(J(u))\talpha\t\tbeta\n');
226 for i=1:length(steps)
227     fprintf('%7.6f\t%7.6f\t%5.2f\t%7.6f\t%7.6f\t%7.6f\n',...
228             pts(i,1),pts(i,2),...
229             levelSets(i),gradientNormTol(i),steps(i),betaK(i));
230 end
231
232 f1 =@(X1,X2) X2-X1^3+5*X1^2-2*X1-13;
233 f2 = @(X1,X2) X2+X1^3+X1.^2-14*X1-29;
234
235 fprintf('f1(x)=%5.4f,f2(x)=%5.4f\n',...
236         f1(pts(end,1),pts(end,2)),f2(pts(end,1),pts(end,2)));
237
238 end

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239 %-----
240 %Evaluate J(u) at u
241 function f = objectiveFunc(u)
242 X1 = u(1);
243 X2 = u(2);
244 f1 = X2-X1.^3+5*X1.^2-2*X1-13;
245 f2 = X2+X1.^3+X1.^2-14*X1-29;
246 f = f1.^2+f2.^2;
247 end
248 %-----
249 %Evaluate grad(J(u)) at u
250 function g = gradientFunc(u)
251 x1 = u(1);
252 x2 = u(2);
253 g1=2*(3*x1^2 + 2*x1 - 14)*(x1^3 + x1^2 - 14*x1 + x2 - 29) + ...
254 2*(3*x1^2 - 10*x1 + 2)*(x1^3 - 5*x1^2 + 2*x1 - x2 + 13);
255 g2=12*x1^2 - 32*x1 + 4*x2 - 84;
256 g=[g1;g2];
257 end
258 %-----
259 %set title
260 function formatted_title = format_plot_title(main_title,opt,pts,k,status)
261 formatted_title = {sprintf('\\makebox[5in][c]{%s}',main_title),...
262 sprintf('\\makebox[5in][c]{u^0=[%6.5f,%6.5f], J(u)=%3.3f, iterations [%d]}',...
263 opt.u(1),opt.u(2),norm(opt.objectiveFunc(pts(k,:))),k),...
264 sprintf('\\makebox[5in][c]{convergence criteria || \nabla(J(u)) | \leq 1.3e-8}',...
265 opt.gradientNormTol),...
266 sprintf('\\makebox[5in][c]{%s}',status)};
267 end
268 %-----
269 %Evaluate Hessian(J(u)) at u (not used, for practice)
270 function g = hessian_func(u)
271 x1 = u(1);
272 x2 = u(2);
273
274 g11=2*(6*x1 - 10)*(x1^3 - 5*x1^2 + 2*x1 - x2 + 13) + ...
275 2*(3*x1^2 - 10*x1 + 2)^2 ...
276 + 2*(3*x1^2 + 2*x1 - 14)^2 + ...
277 2*(6*x1 + 2)*(x1^3 + x1^2 - 14*x1 + x2 - 29);
278 g12=24*x1 - 32;
279 g21=24*x1 - 32;
280 g22=4;
281 g=[g11,g12;g21,g22];
282 end

1 function [status,pointsFound,levelSets,gradientNormTol,steps,betaK]= ...
2     nma_polyak_ribiere(opt)
3 % This function performs conjugate gradient search
4 % starting from a point looking for point which minimizes a
5 % function. Supports multi-variable function. It needs handle
6 % of the function and handle to the gradient. It returns all
7 % points visited in the search. This supports Fletcher-Reeves
8 % and Polyak-Ribiere
9 %
10 % Typical use of this function is as follows:
11 %
12 % opt.field = ...%fill in each field of the struct.
13 % [pointsFound,levelSets,gradientNormTol,steps] =
14 %             nma_steepest_descent(opt);
15 % [C,h]      = contour(.....,levelSets);
16 %
17 % INPUT fields in opt struct are:
18 % =====
19 % u           vector of coordinates starting guess

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20 % MAX_ITER      an integer, which is the maximum iteration
21 %
22 % gradientNormTol small floating point number. The tolerance
23 % to use to decide when to stop the search.
24 %
25 % stepSize       Example 0.001
26 %               A floating point number, which is the step
27 %               size to take. If stepSize=-1 then an optimal
28 %               step size is found and used
29 %               at each step using golden section line search.
30 %               handle to the objective function, which
31 %               accepts a row vector, that contain [x y]
32 %               coordinate of the point and return the
33 %               numerical value of objectiveFunc at this point.
34 %               handle to the gradiant of f. Same input
35 %               and output as objectiveFunc
36 %               flag. If true, then all points  $u^k$  and  $J(u)$ 
37 %               at each are collected during search. Else they
38 %               are not.
39 %               stop_on_oscillation flag. Set to true to stop when objective
40 %               function detected to be increasing. Else set
41 %               to false if you do not want to stop when  $J(u)$ 
42 %               increases at any point
43 %
44 % OUTPUT:
45 % ======
46 % status        can be 0,1 or 2.
47 %               0 means success, It converged before MAX_ITER
48 %               was reached.
49 %               1 means failed, did not converge due to
50 %               oscillation, which can happen when step size
51 %               is too large. When oscillation detected, the
52 %               search will stop.
53 %               2 means failed: did not oscillate but also
54 %               did not converge before hitting MAX_ITER.
55 %               Caller can try with larger MAX_ITER
56 %               pointsFound   n by 2 matrix, as in [x1 y1; x2 y2; ....]
57 %               which contain coordinates of each point
58 %               visited during steepestDescent the length is
59 %               the same as number of points visited.
60 %               This will be last point only if
61 %               opt.accumulate=false
62 %               levelSets     vector, contains the value of the objective
63 %               function at each point. Last value of  $J(u)$ 
64 %               if opt.accumulate=false
65 %               gradientNormTol vector, contains the norm of gradient after
66 %               each step. This will be last value only if
67 %               opt.accumulate=false
68 %               steps         vector. The optimal step used at each
69 %               iteration, used golden section to find optimal
70 %               step size.
71 %               This will be last value only if
72 %               opt.accumulate=false These are the alpha_k
73 %               values.
74 %               betaK        vector contains values of beta found at
75 %               each step
76 % by Nasser M. Abbasi ECE 719, UW Madison, HW 5
77 %
78 %pre-allocate data for use in the main loop below
79 N           = size(opt.u,1);
80 fLambda     = @(alpha,u,s) opt.objectiveFunc(u+alpha*s);
81
82 %collect data only if user asked for it.

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83 if opt.accumulate
84     pointsFound      = zeros(opt.MAX_ITER,N);
85     levelSets        = zeros(opt.MAX_ITER,1);
86     gradientNormTol = zeros(opt.MAX_ITER,1);
87     steps            = zeros(opt.MAX_ITER,1);
88     betaK            = zeros(opt.MAX_ITER,1);
89 end
90
91 % initialize counters before main loop
92 k              = 1;
93 currentPoint   = opt.u;
94 keep_running    = true;
95 status          = 0;
96 steps_in_oscillation = 0;
97 last_level     = 0;
98 current_grad    = opt.gradientFunc(currentPoint);
99 current_v       = -current_grad;
100
101 while keep_running
102
103     update_accumulate();
104
105     if k>1 && current_level>last_level% check for oscillation
106         if opt.stop_on_oscillation
107             steps_in_oscillation = steps_in_oscillation + 1;
108         end
109     end
110
111     check_convergence();
112
113     if keep_running
114
115         %A    = opt.hessian(currentPoint);
116         %lam = - dot(current_grad, current_v)/...
117         %                                (current_v.'*A*current_v);
118
119         %do not use norm on current_v here!
120         alpha = nma_golden_section(... ...
121             fLambda,currentPoint,current_v,0,1,sqrt(eps('double')));
122
123         % make step towards min
124         currentPoint = currentPoint + alpha* current_v;
125         last_grad    = current_grad;
126         current_grad = opt.gradientFunc(currentPoint);
127
128         %fletcher
129         %beta = norm(current_grad)^2/norm(last_grad)^2;
130
131         %polyak
132         beta = (current_grad.' * (current_grad-last_grad))/...
133                               norm(last_grad)^2;
134
135         current_v = -current_grad + beta * current_v;
136         if opt.accumulate
137             steps(k) = alpha;
138             betaK(k) = beta;
139         end
140
141         k = k + 1;
142     end
143 end
144 %done. Chop data to correct number of steps used before returning
145 if opt.accumulate

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146 pointsFound      = pointsFound(1:k,:);
147 levelSets        = levelSets(1:k);
148 gradientNormTol = gradientNormTol(1:k);
149 steps            = steps(1:k);
150 betaK            = betaK(1:k);
151 else
152     pointsFound      = currentPoint ;
153     levelSets        = current_level;
154     gradientNormTol = current_grad_norm;
155     steps            = k;
156     betaK            = beta;
157 end
158
159 %-----
160 %internal function. Check if still need to keep iterating
161 function check_convergence()
162     % check if we converged or not
163     % Last check below can lead to termination too early for the
164     % banana function. Since at one point, J(u(k+1)) will get
165     % larger than J(u(k)) using bad step size. So it is
166     % commented out for now.
167     if k == opt.MAX_ITER || ...
168         current_grad_norm <=opt.gradientNormTol || ...
169         steps_in_oscillation>4
170     %let it run for 2 more steps to see the oscillation
171     %stop loop and set the status to correct reason
172     %why loop stopped.
173     keep_running = false;
174     if steps_in_oscillation>0
175         status = 1;
176     else
177         if k == opt.MAX_ITER
178             status= 2;
179         end
180     end
181     end
182 %
183 %-----
184 %internal
185 function update_accumulate()
186     if k>1
187         last_level = current_level;
188     end
189
190     current_level      = norm(opt.objectiveFunc(currentPoint));
191     current_grad_norm = norm(current_grad);
192
193     if opt.accumulate
194         pointsFound(k,:)    = currentPoint;
195         levelSets(k)        = current_level;
196         gradientNormTol(k) = current_grad_norm;
197     end
198 end
199 end
200
201 %-----
202 %helper function to set plot attributes.
203 function nma_setMyLabels(varargin)
204
205 myXlabel = varargin{1};
206 myYlabel = varargin{2};
207 if nargin ==4
208     myZlabel = varargin{3};
209 end

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10 myTitle = varargin{end};
11 h       = get(gca,' xlabel');
12 set(h,'string',myXlabel,'fontsize',10,'interpreter','Latex') ;
13
14 h = get(gca,' ylabel');
15 set(h,'string',myYlabel,'fontsize',10,'interpreter','Latex') ;
16
17 if nargin ==4
18     h = get(gca,' zlabel');
19     set(h,'string',myZlabel,'fontsize',10,'interpreter','Latex') ;
20 end
21
22 h = get(gca,' title');
23 set(h,'string',myTitle,'fontsize',10,'interpreter','Latex', ...
24     'HorizontalAlignment','center') ;
25
26 set(gca,'TickLabelInterpreter', 'Latex','fontsize',8);
27 end
28
29 %=====
30 %helper function to generate Contour data
31 function [X1,X2,Z] = nma_makeContourData(del,xlimits,ylimits)
32
33 x1      = xlimits(1):del:xlimits(2);
34 x2      = ylimits(1):del:ylimits(2);
35 [X1,X2] = meshgrid(x1,x2);
36 f1 = X2-X1.^3+5*X1.^2-2*X1-13;
37 f2 = X2+X1.^3+X1.^2-14*X1-29;
38 Z = f1.^2+f2.^2;
39 end

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## 0.2 Problem 2

Barmish

**ECE 719 – Homework Dog Food**

This problem is a “linear program preview.” You should solve (b) with the Matlab LP routine; we will subsequently cover underlying theory in class.

Two types of dog food (Gaines and Kennel Ration) need to be mixed in order to feed a pair of Siberian Huskies. The dogs require 48 units of nutritional factor (NF) A, 165 units of NF B and 150 units of NF C. Gaines supplies 8 units of NF A per gram, 11 units of NF B per gram and 25 units of NF C per gram. Kennel supplies 3 units of NF A per gram, 15 units of NF B per gram and 6 units of NF C per gram. Gaines costs \$1.20 per kilogram and Kennel costs \$1.00 per kilogram.

(a) Formulate an appropriate objective function and constraints for the mixing problem and obtain a graphical solution in the plane.

(b) Use the Matlab LP routine to solve this problem.

Figure 15: problem 2 description

### 0.2.1 part a

We need to minimize the cost of  $48A + 165B + 150C$  by finding the optimal mix (quantities) of  $A, B, C$  obtained from Gaines and Kennel supply as shown in the following diagram

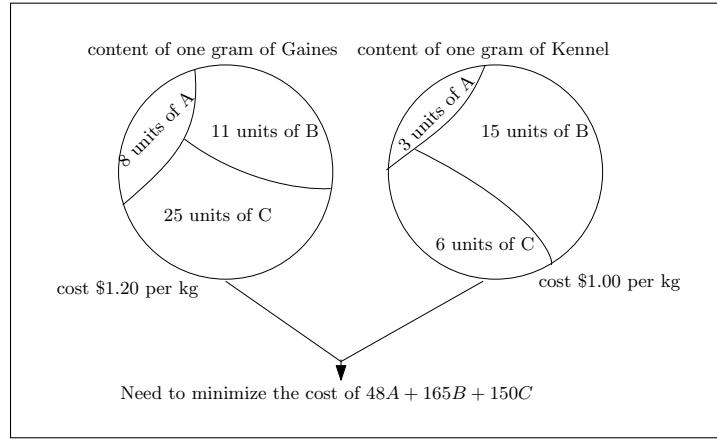


Figure 16: problem 2, part a

Let the amount (in grams) from Gaines be  $u_1$  and let the amount of grams from Kennel be  $u_2$ . Therefore, we need to minimize

$$J(u) = (0.0012) u_1 + (0.001) u_2 \quad (1)$$

Since this is the cost. Since there are 8 units of A in each gram from Gaines, and there are 3 units of A in each gram from Kennel, then we have the first restriction which is

$$8u_1 + 3u_2 \geq 48$$

Similarly, we find for B and C the following

$$11u_1 + 15u_2 \geq 165$$

$$25u_1 + 6u_2 \geq 150$$

Convert to equality, and now use  $x$  instead of  $u$  since now we are converting to standard form

$$8x_1 + 3x_2 - x_3 = 48$$

Similarly, we find for B and C the following

$$11x_1 + 15x_2 - x_4 = 165$$

$$25x_1 + 6x_2 - x_5 = 150$$

Now we write the above in the standard form

$$\min c^T x$$

$$Ax = b$$

Or

$$\begin{aligned} & \min \begin{bmatrix} 0.0012 & 0.001 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \\ x_5 \end{bmatrix} \\ & \begin{bmatrix} 8 & 3 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 11 & 15 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 25 & 6 & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \\ x_5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 48 \\ 165 \\ 150 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

A graphical solution was found by plotting the three constraints. Since the extreme point must be at a vertex of the feasible region, we see that it is at  $u^* = (4, 8)$  which is confirmed using Matlab LP in the second part.

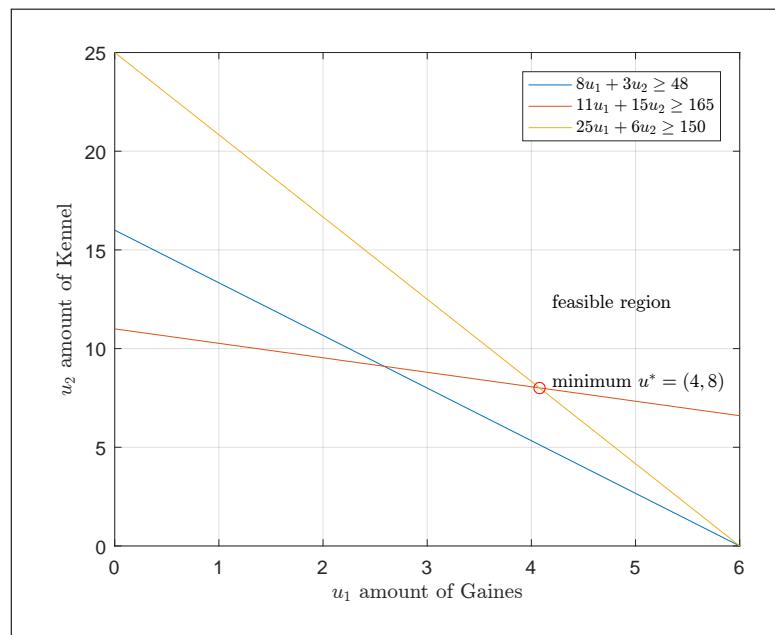


Figure 17: Graphical solution

Now contour lines are added to the above plot. Since the objective function is linear, the contour will be straight line, showing how  $J(u)$  increases. The smallest value of  $J(u)$  level set line which touches the first vertex of the feasible region will be the optimal point. Here is the result of the above plot, with contour lines added:

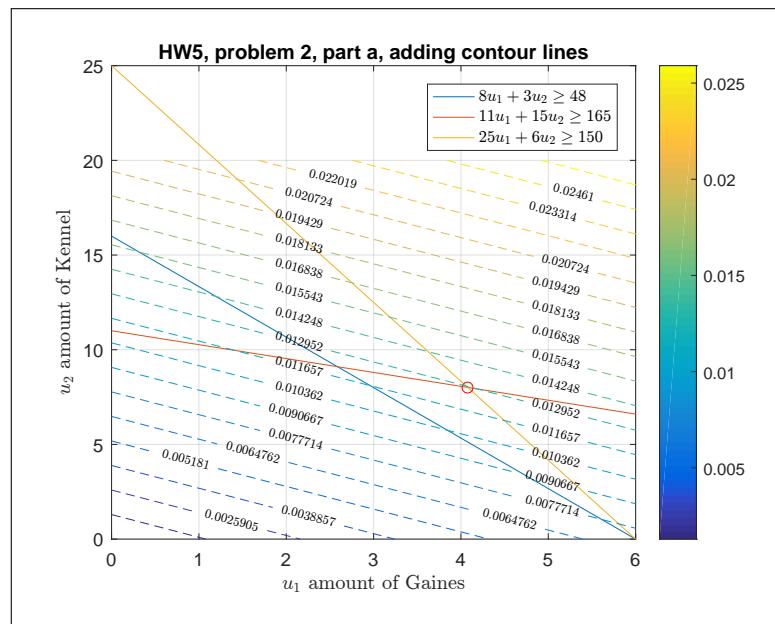


Figure 18: Graphical solution with contour lines added

```

1 clear; close;
2 x=0:6;
3 plot( x,(48-8*x)/3);
4 hold on;
5 plot( x,(165-11*x)/15);
6 hold on;
7 plot( x,(150-25*x)/6);
8 h=legend('$8u_1+3u_2\geq 48$', '$11u_1+15u_2\geq 165$', ...
9     '$25u_1+6u_2\geq 150$');
10 set(h,'Interpreter','latex')
11 xlabel('$u_1$ amount of Gaines','Interpreter','latex');
12 ylabel('$u_2$ amount of Kennel','Interpreter','latex');
13 plot(4.077,8.0097,'ro');
14 text(4.2,8.3,'minimum $u^{\ast}=(4.077,8.0097)$',...
15     'Interpreter','latex');
16 text(4.2,12.3,'feasible region','Interpreter','latex');
17 grid
18
19 %add contour lines
20 x1 = 0:0.1:6;
21 x2 = 0:0.1:20;
22 [X1,X2] = meshgrid(x1,x2);
23 Z = 0.0012*X1+0.001*X2;
24 [C,h]=contour(X1,X2,Z,20,'--');
25 clabel(C,h,'Fontsize',7,'interpreter','Latex');
26 title('HW5, problem 2, part a, adding contour lines')
27 colorbar

```

### 0.2.2 Part b

Matlab linprog was used to solve the above to find  $x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5, x_6$ . Here is the result for  $x^*$

$$\begin{aligned}x_1 &= 4.0777 \\x_2 &= 8.0097 \\x_3 &= 8.6505 \\x_4 &= 0 \\x_5 &= 0\end{aligned}$$

Mapping this back to  $u$ , we see that  $u_1 = x_1$  and  $u_2 = x_2$ . Hence the minimum cost in dollars is from (1)

$$\begin{aligned}J(u) &= (0.0012) u_1 + (0.001) u_2 \\&= (0.0012) 4.0777 + (0.001) 8.0097 \\&= 0.012903\end{aligned}$$

The above is the cost of 4 grams from Gaines and 8 grams from Kennel. The above basically says to buy twice as much from Kennel as from Gaines.

### 0.2.3 Source code for problem 2

```

1 c1=0.0012;
2 c2=0.001;
3 f=[c1,c2,0,0,0];
4 A=[8,3,-1,0,0;
5     11,15,0,-1,0;
6     25,6,0,0,-1];
7 b=[48,165,150];
8 [X,FVAL,EXITFLAG,OUTPUT]=linprog(f,[],[],A,b,zeros(size(f)),[])

```

Result of above run

```
c1=0.0012;
```

```
c2=0.001;
f=[c1,c2,0,0,0];
A=[8,3,-1,0,0;
11,15,0,-1,0;
25,6,0,0,-1];
b=[48,165,150];
[X,FVAL,EXITFLAG,OUTPUT]=linprog(f,[],[],A,b,zeros(size(f)),[])
Optimization terminated.

X =
4.0777
8.0097
8.6505
0.0000
0.0000
FVAL =
0.0129
EXITFLAG =
1
OUTPUT =
iterations: 6
algorithm: 'interior-point-legacy'
cgiterations: 0
message: 'Optimization terminated.'
constrviolation: 8.5265e-14
firstorderopt: 4.0665e-10
```