

## Solving Systems of Nonlinear Equations

### Newton's Method for Non-linear system

#### The Determinant and Inverse of Matrix

**Definition 1:** Suppose that  $A$  is a square matrix.

1. If  $A = [a]$  is a  $1 \times 1$  matrix then  $|A| = a$ .
2. If  $A$  is an  $n \times n$  matrix, with  $n > 1$  the **minor**  $M_{ij}$  is the determinant of the  $(n-1) \times (n-1)$  submatrix of  $A$  obtained by deleting the  $i$ th row and  $j$ th column of the matrix  $A$ .
3. The **cofactor**  $C_{ij}$  associated with  $M_{ij}$  is defined by  $C_{ij} = (-1)^{i+j}M_{ij}$ .
4. The **determinant** of the  $n \times n$  matrix  $A$ , when  $n > 1$ , is given either by

$$|A| = \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij}C_{ij} = \sum_{j=1}^n (-1)^{i+j}M_{ij} \quad \text{for } i = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

Or

$$|A| = \sum_{i=1}^n a_{ij}C_{ij} = \sum_{i=1}^n (-1)^{i+j}M_{ij} \quad \text{for } j = 1, 2, \dots, n \quad \blacksquare$$

**Example 1:** Find the determinant of the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 3 & 0 \\ 4 & -2 & 7 & 0 \\ -3 & -4 & 3 & 5 \\ 6 & -6 & 8 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

using the row or column with the most zero entries.

**Solution:** To compute determinant of  $A$ , it is easiest to use the fourth column

$$|A| = a_{14}A_{14} + a_{24}A_{24} + a_{34}A_{34} + a_{44}A_{44} = 5A_{34} = -5M_{34}$$

$$|A| = -5 \begin{vmatrix} 2 & -1 & 3 \\ 4 & -2 & 7 \\ 6 & -6 & 8 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= -5 \left\{ 2 \begin{vmatrix} -2 & 7 \\ -6 & 8 \end{vmatrix} - (-1) \begin{vmatrix} 4 & 7 \\ 6 & 8 \end{vmatrix} + 3 \begin{vmatrix} 4 & -2 \\ 6 & -6 \end{vmatrix} \right\} = -30$$

**Definition 2:** The inverse of the square matrix can be defined by:

$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{|A|} (C_{ij})^T = \frac{1}{|A|} (C_{ji}) = \frac{1}{|A|} \begin{bmatrix} c_{11} & c_{21} & \dots & c_{n1} \\ c_{12} & c_{22} & \dots & c_{n2} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ c_{1n} & c_{2n} & \dots & c_{nn} \end{bmatrix} \quad \blacksquare$$

$C_{ij}$  is the cofactor matrix defined above.

**Example 2:** Find the inverse of the following matrices:

1.  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$

2.  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$

**Solution:**

1.

$$A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \frac{1}{3 \times 2 - 1 \times 2} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -2 \\ -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{-1}{2} \\ \frac{-1}{4} & \frac{3}{4} \end{bmatrix}$$

2.

$$B^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}^{-1}$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 1(2 \times 2 - (-1 \times -1)) - (-1)((-1 \times 2) - (-1 \times 0)) + 0 = 3 - 2 = 1$$

$$c_{11} = (-1)^{1+1} \begin{vmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 1(2 \times 2 - (-1 \times -1)) = 3$$

$$c_{12} = (-1)^{1+2} \begin{vmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = -1(-1 \times 2 - (-1 \times 0)) = 2$$

$$c_{13} = (-1)^{1+3} \begin{vmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = 1((-1 \times -1) - (2 \times 0)) = 1$$

$$c_{21} = 2, \quad c_{22} = 2, \quad c_{23} = 1, \quad c_{31} = 1, \quad c_{32} = 1 \quad c_{33} = 1$$

$$B^{-1} = \frac{1}{1} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^T = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

### System of Nonlinear Equations

A system of nonlinear equations has the form:

$$f_1(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = 0,$$

$$f_2(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = 0,$$

$$\vdots \quad \quad \quad \vdots$$

$$f_n(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = 0,$$

where each function  $f_i$  can be thought of as mapping a vector  $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)^t$  of the  $n$ -dimensional space  $\mathbb{R}^n$  into the real line  $\mathbb{R}$ .

This system of  $n$  nonlinear equations in  $n$  unknowns can also be represented by defining a function  $\mathbf{F}$  mapping  $\mathbb{R}^n$  into  $\mathbb{R}^n$  as

$$\mathbf{F}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = (f_1(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n), f_2(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n), \dots, f_n(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n))^t.$$

If vector notation is used to represent the variables  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$  then system of equations above assumes the form

$$\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{0}.$$

The functions  $f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n$  are called the **coordinate functions** of  $\mathbf{F}$ .

**Example 3:** Place the following 3 x 3 nonlinear system in the form  $\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{0}$ .

$$3x_1 - \cos(x_2x_3) - \frac{1}{2} = 0$$

$$x_1^2 - 81(x_2 + 0.1)^2 + \sin x_3 + 1.06 = 0$$

$$e^{-x_1x_2} + 20x_3 + \frac{10\pi - 3}{3} = 0$$

**Solution:** Define three coordinate functions  $f_1, f_2$  and  $f_3$  from  $\mathbb{R}^3$  to  $\mathbb{R}$  as

$$f_1(x_1, x_2, x_3) = 3x_1 - \cos(x_2x_3) - \frac{1}{2}$$

$$f_2(x_1, x_2, x_3) = x_1^2 - 81(x_2 + 0.1)^2 + \sin x_3 + 1.06$$

$$f_3(x_1, x_2, x_3) = e^{-x_1 x_2} + 20x_3 + \frac{10\pi - 3}{3}$$

We define  $\mathbf{F}$  from  $\mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$

$$\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{F}(x_1, x_2, x_3)$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= (f_1(x_1, x_2, x_3), f_2(x_1, x_2, x_3), f_3(x_1, x_2, x_3))^t \\ &= \left( 3x_1 - \cos(x_2 x_3) - \frac{1}{2}, x_1^2 - 81(x_2 + 0.1)^2 + \sin x_3 + 1.06, \right. \\ &\quad \left. e^{-x_1 x_2} + 20x_3 + \frac{10\pi - 3}{3} \right)^t \quad \blacksquare \end{aligned}$$

## Jacobian Matrix

Define the Jacobian matrix  $J(\mathbf{x})$  by

$$J(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_1}(\mathbf{x}) & \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_2}(\mathbf{x}) & \cdots & \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_n}(\mathbf{x}) \\ \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_1}(\mathbf{x}) & \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_2}(\mathbf{x}) & \cdots & \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_n}(\mathbf{x}) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial f_n}{\partial x_1}(\mathbf{x}) & \frac{\partial f_n}{\partial x_2}(\mathbf{x}) & \cdots & \frac{\partial f_n}{\partial x_n}(\mathbf{x}) \end{bmatrix}$$

The function  $\mathbf{G}$  is defined by:

$$\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x} - J(\mathbf{x})^{-1} \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x})$$

$$\mathbf{x}^{(k)} = \mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x}^{(k-1)}) - J(\mathbf{x}^{(k-1)})^{-1} \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}^{(k-1)})$$

This is called **Newton's method for nonlinear systems**. A weakness in Newton's method arises from the need to compute and inverse of the matrix  $J(\mathbf{x})$  at each step.

In this method we firstly start with an initial approximation vector  $\mathbf{x}^{(0)}$ , then we find the Jacobian matrix  $J(\mathbf{x}^{(0)})$  and  $\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}^{(0)})$  and solve the system

$$J(\mathbf{x}^{(0)}) \mathbf{y}^{(0)} = -\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}^{(0)})$$

$$\mathbf{y}^{(0)} = -J(\mathbf{x}^{(0)})^{-1}F(\mathbf{x}^{(0)})$$

$$\mathbf{x}^{(1)} = \mathbf{x}^{(0)} + \mathbf{y}^{(0)}$$

To generalize the situation for every  $k \geq 1$

$$\mathbf{y}^{(k-1)} = -J(\mathbf{x}^{(k-1)})^{-1}F(\mathbf{x}^{(k-1)})$$

$$\mathbf{x}^{(k)} = \mathbf{x}^{(k-1)} + \mathbf{y}^{(k-1)}$$

$$J(\mathbf{x}^{(k-1)}) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_1}(\mathbf{x}^{(k-1)}) & \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_2}(\mathbf{x}^{(k-1)}) & \dots & \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_n}(\mathbf{x}^{(k-1)}) \\ \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_1}(\mathbf{x}^{(k-1)}) & \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_2}(\mathbf{x}^{(k-1)}) & \dots & \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_n}(\mathbf{x}^{(k-1)}) \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial f_n}{\partial x_1}(\mathbf{x}^{(k-1)}) & \frac{\partial f_n}{\partial x_2}(\mathbf{x}^{(k-1)}) & \dots & \frac{\partial f_n}{\partial x_n}(\mathbf{x}^{(k-1)}) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1^k \\ x_2^k \\ \vdots \\ x_n^k \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1^{(k-1)} \\ x_2^{(k-1)} \\ \vdots \\ x_n^{(k-1)} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} y_1^{(k-1)} \\ y_2^{(k-1)} \\ \vdots \\ y_n^{(k-1)} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} y_1^{(k-1)} \\ y_2^{(k-1)} \\ \vdots \\ y_n^{(k-1)} \end{bmatrix} = - \left( J(x_1^{(k-1)}, x_2^{(k-1)}, x_3^{(k-1)}) \right)^{-1} \mathbf{F}(x_1^{(k-1)}, x_2^{(k-1)}, x_3^{(k-1)})$$

**Example 4:** The nonlinear system:

$$3x_1 - \cos(x_2x_3) - \frac{1}{2} = 0$$

$$x_1^2 - 81(x_2 + 0.1)^2 + \sin x_3 + 1.06 = 0$$

$$e^{-x_1x_2} + 20x_3 + \frac{10\pi - 3}{3} = 0$$

Apply Newton's method to this problem with  $\mathbf{x}^{(0)} = (0.1, 0.1, -0.1)^t$ .

**Solution:** Define

$$\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}) = (f_1(x_1, x_2, x_3), f_2(x_1, x_2, x_3), f_3(x_1, x_2, x_3))^t$$

Where:

$$f_1(x_1, x_2, x_3) = 3x_1 - \cos(x_2x_3) - \frac{1}{2}$$

$$f_2(x_1, x_2, x_3) = x_1^2 - 81(x_2 + 0.1)^2 + \sin x_3 + 1.06$$

$$f_3(x_1, x_2, x_3) = e^{-x_1x_2} + 20x_3 + \frac{10\pi - 3}{3}$$

The Jacobian  $J(\mathbf{x})$  matrix for this system is:

$$J(x_1, x_2, x_3) = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & x_3 \sin x_2x_3 & x_2 \sin x_2x_3 \\ 2x_1 & -162(x_2 + 0.1) & \cos x_3 \\ -x_2e^{-x_1x_2} & -x_1e^{-x_1x_2} & 20 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}^{(0)}) = (-0.199995, -2.269833417, 8.462025346)^t$$

$$J(x_1, x_2, x_3) = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 9.999833334 \times 10^{-4} & 9.999833334 \times 10^{-4} \\ 0.2 & -32.4 & 0.9950041653 \\ -0.09900498337 & -0.09900498337 & 20 \end{bmatrix}$$

Now we solve the linear system

$$J(\mathbf{x}^{(0)})\mathbf{y}^{(0)} = -F(\mathbf{x}^{(0)})$$

$$\mathbf{y}^{(0)} = -J(\mathbf{x}^{(0)})^{-1}F(\mathbf{x}^{(0)})$$

$$\mathbf{y}^{(0)} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.3998696728 \\ -0.08053315147 \\ -0.4215204718 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{x}^{(1)} = \mathbf{x}^{(0)} + \mathbf{y}^{(0)} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.4998696782 \\ 0.01946684853 \\ -0.5215204718 \end{bmatrix}$$

Continuing for  $k=2, 3, \dots$ , we have:

k	$x_1^{(k)}$	$x_2^{(k)}$	$x_3^{(k)}$	$\ \mathbf{x}^{(k)} - \mathbf{x}^{(k-1)}\ _\infty$
0	0.10000000	0.10000000	-0.10000000	
1	0.4998696728	0.0194668485	-0.5215204718	0.4215204718
2	0.5000142403	0.0015885914	-0.5235569638	$1.788 \times 10^{-2}$
3	0.5000000113	0.0000124448	-0.5235984500	$1.576 \times 10^{-4}$
4	0.50000000	$8.516 \times 10^{-10}$	-0.5235987755	$1.244 \times 10^{-5}$
5	0.50000000	$-1.375 \times 10^{-11}$	-0.5235987756	$8.654 \times 10^{-10}$