

**Problem 1**

Consider the minimization of the following function

$$f(x) = (x_1^2 + x_2 - 11)^2 + (x_1 + x_2^2 - 7)^2$$

Perform two iterations to illustrate the following methods:(**20 pts**)

- (a) Cauchy
- (b) Newton
- (c) Modified Newton
- (d) Marquardt ( $\lambda^0 = 100$ )

Use  $x^{(0)} = [1, 1]^T$  as a starting point. Compare the final objectives and variable values after two iterations.

- (a) Cauchy

To begin, calculate the

$$\nabla f(x) = (4x_1^3 + 4x_1x_2 + 2x_2^2 - 42x_1 - 14, 4x_2^3 + 4x_1x_2 + 2x_1^2 - 26x_2 - 22)$$

Then,  $x^{(k+1)} = x^{(k)} - \alpha^{(k)} \nabla f(x^{(k)})$ . So we need to calculate the  $\alpha$  firstly,  $\phi(\alpha) = f(x^{(k)} - \alpha^{(k)} \nabla f(x^{(k)}))$  is minimum along the  $f(x^{(k)} - \alpha \nabla f(x^{(k)}))$ .

$$\phi'(\alpha) = -\nabla f(x^{(k)} - \alpha \nabla f(x^{(k)})) \cdot \nabla f(x^{(k)}) = 0$$

Solving the above equation, we may get more than one  $\alpha$ ; so after verifying the  $f(x^{(k)})$  we choose the optimal  $\alpha$ .

Cauchy Method

| k | $x_1^{(k)}$ | $x_2^{(k)}$ | $f(x^{(k)})$ | step      |
|---|-------------|-------------|--------------|-----------|
| 1 | 2.7121      | 2.41435     | 3.88848      | 0.0372196 |
| 2 | 3.32252     | 2.14061     | 5.56999      | 0.0520706 |

- (b) Newton

The iteration equation is  $x^{(k+1)} = x^{(k)} - H^{(-1)} * \nabla f(x^{(k)})$

Newton Method

| k | $x_1^{(k)}$ | $x_2^{(k)}$ | $f(x^{(k)})$ |
|---|-------------|-------------|--------------|
| 1 | -2.89796    | -5.91837    | 704.066      |
| 2 | -5.80609    | -4.58747    | 396.328      |

(c) Modified Newton

The iteration equation is  $x^{(k+1)} = x^{(k)} - \alpha^{(k)} H^{-1} \nabla f(x^{(k)})$ . The difference is that we should computing the  $\alpha$  which related with both  $\nabla f(x^{(k)})$  and  $H^{-1}$ .

| Modified Newton Method |             |             |              |          |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|----------|
| k                      | $x_1^{(k)}$ | $x_2^{(k)}$ | $f(x^{(k)})$ | step     |
| 1                      | 1.9686      | 2.71914     | 24.9887      | -0.24849 |
| 2                      | 2.96589     | 2.38226     | 2.72502      | 0.301103 |

(d) Marquardt ( $\lambda^0 = 100$ )

The iteration equation is  $x^{(k+1)} = x^{(k)} - [H^{(k)} + \lambda^{(k)}I]^{-1} \nabla f(x^{(k)})$

| Marquardt Method |             |             |              |
|------------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|
| k                | $x_1^{(k)}$ | $x_2^{(k)}$ | $f(x^{(k)})$ |
| 1                | 1.58156     | 1.37053     | 63.3424      |
| 2                | 2.67443     | 1.76319     | 5.82444      |

**Problem 2**

Consider the minimization of the following functions:

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(x) &= (x_1^2 + x_2 - 11)^2 + (x_1 + x_2^2 - 7)^2 \text{ and the starting point } x^{(0)} = [0, 0]^T \\
 g(x) &= 100(x_2 - x_1^2)^2 + (1 - x_1)^2 \text{ and the starting point } x^{(0)} = [-1.2, 0]^T \\
 h(x) &= 2x_1^3 + 4x_1x_2^3 - 10x_1x_2 + x_2^2 \text{ and the starting point } x^{(0)} = [5, 2]^T
 \end{aligned}$$

Write MATLAB codes to find a minimum to each of the above functions by using the following methods: **(50 pts)**

- (a) Cauchy
- (b) Newton
- (c) Modified Newton
- (d) Marquardt ( $\lambda^0 = 100$ )

For stopping criteria use the  $|f'(x_i)| < 0.0001$ . Use Golden section search for line search with stopping criteria  $|b - a| < 0.0001$ .

(a) For function  $f(x)$ :

By running the code, set up the following table:

| Cauchy Method |             |             |              |           |
|---------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|-----------|
| k             | $x_1^{(k)}$ | $x_2^{(k)}$ | $f(x^{(k)})$ | step      |
| 1             | 1.78284     | 2.80161     | 32.1257      | 0.127346  |
| 2             | 3.00126     | 2.02534     | 0.011745     | 0.0399026 |
| 3             | 2.99206     | 2.01154     | 0.00276918   | 0.0152977 |
| 4             | 3.00028     | 2.00606     | 0.000662725  | 0.0231743 |
| 5             | 2.9981      | 2.00279     | 0.000160301  | 0.0153888 |
| 6             | 3.00007     | 2.00147     | 3.88923e-05  | 0.0231743 |
| 7             | 2.99954     | 2.00068     | 9.46897e-06  | 0.0154236 |
| 8             | 3.00002     | 2.00036     | 2.30999e-06  | 0.023118  |
| 9             | 2.99989     | 2.00017     | 5.64903e-07  | 0.0154799 |
| 10            | 3           | 2.00009     | 1.38901e-07  | 0.0229706 |
| 11            | 2.99997     | 2.00004     | 3.41799e-08  | 0.0155362 |
| ...           | ...         | ...         | ...          | ...       |
| 14            | 3           | 2.00001     | 5.13471e-10  | 0.0229358 |
| 15            | 3           | 2           | 1.26575e-10  | 0.0155362 |

| Newton Method |             |             |              |
|---------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|
| k             | $x_1^{(k)}$ | $x_2^{(k)}$ | $f(x^{(k)})$ |
| 1             | -0.333333   | -0.846154   | 181.501      |
| 2             | -0.270761   | -0.919151   | 181.616      |
| 3             | -0.270846   | -0.923028   | 181.617      |

| Modified Newton Method |             |             |              |          |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|----------|
| k                      | $x_1^{(k)}$ | $x_2^{(k)}$ | $f(x^{(k)})$ | step     |
| 1                      | 1.11629     | 2.83366     | 52.4946      | -3.34887 |
| 2                      | 2.8614      | 2.62674     | 7.6585       | -1.15335 |
| 3                      | 3.7967      | -1.70316    | 3.02161      | 9.60025  |
| 4                      | 3.59173     | -1.87358    | 0.011134     | 1.05854  |
| 5                      | 3.58436     | -1.84819    | 3.40879e-07  | 1.01802  |
| 6                      | 3.58443     | -1.84813    | 4.40801e-16  | 1.00001  |

Marquardt Method

| k | $x_1^{(k)}$ | $x_2^{(k)}$ | $f(x^{(k)})$ |
|---|-------------|-------------|--------------|
| 1 | 0.241379    | 0.297297    | 157.796      |
| 2 | 2.42456     | 1.23931     | 24.3102      |
| 3 | 3.04524     | 1.74563     | 0.824015     |
| 4 | 3.02173     | 1.93711     | 0.0556356    |
| 5 | 3.00446     | 1.98948     | 0.00167223   |
| 6 | 3.00047     | 1.99891     | 1.79916e-05  |
| 7 | 3.00003     | 1.99994     | 5.78119e-08  |
| 8 | 3           | 2           | 5.0124e-11   |

(b) For function  $g(x)$ :

Cauchy Method

| k    | $x_1^{(k)}$ | $x_2^{(k)}$ | $f(x^{(k)})$ | step       |
|------|-------------|-------------|--------------|------------|
| 1    | 0.993336    | 0.986649    | 4.48599e-05  | 0.0100092  |
| 2    | 0.993321    | 0.986664    | 4.4658e-05   | 0.0011011  |
| 3    | 0.993381    | 0.986731    | 4.43783e-05  | 0.0144136  |
| 4    | 0.993363    | 0.986748    | 4.41013e-05  | 0.0011011  |
| 5    | 0.993408    | 0.986792    | 4.39025e-05  | 0.010044   |
| ...  | ...         | ...         | ...          | ...        |
| 2051 | 0.999893    | 0.999785    | 1.1489e-08   | 0.0011011  |
| 2052 | 0.999894    | 0.999786    | 1.14406e-08  | 0.00941973 |
| 2053 | 0.999893    | 0.999786    | 1.13926e-08  | 0.0011011  |

Newton Method

| k | $x_1^{(k)}$ | $x_2^{(k)}$ | $f(x^{(k)})$ |
|---|-------------|-------------|--------------|
| 1 | -1.19239    | 1.42173     | 4.80656      |
| 2 | 0.974882    | -3.74666    | 2206.23      |
| 3 | 0.974908    | 0.950446    | 0.000629594  |
| 4 | 1           | 0.99937     | 3.96389e-05  |
| 5 | 1           | 1           | 1.6032e-19   |

Modified Newton Method

| k   | $x_1^{(k)}$ | $x_2^{(k)}$ | $f(x^{(k)})$ | step      |
|-----|-------------|-------------|--------------|-----------|
| 1   | -1.19239    | 1.42187     | 4.80656      | 1.0001    |
| 2   | -0.977638   | 0.909734    | 4.12305      | 0.0963514 |
| 3   | -0.70521    | 0.44181     | 3.21588      | 1.40628   |
| ... | ...         | ...         | ...          | ...       |
| 11  | 0.999945    | 0.999893    | 3.92149e-09  | 0.981405  |
| 12  | 1           | 1           | 1.31214e-16  | 0.999325  |

Marquardt Method

| k   | $x_1^{(k)}$ | $x_2^{(k)}$ | $f(x^{(k)})$ |
|-----|-------------|-------------|--------------|
| 1   | -0.978908   | 0.606252    | 16.307       |
| ... | ...         | ...         | ...          |
| 19  | 0.994799    | 0.989587    | 2.7193e-05   |
| 20  | 0.99981     | 0.999594    | 1.02248e-07  |
| 21  | 0.999996    | 0.999992    | 1.58327e-11  |

(c) For function  $h(x)$ :

Cauchy Method

| k | $x_1^{(k)}$  | $x_2^{(k)}$   | $f(x^{(k)})$ | step      |
|---|--------------|---------------|--------------|-----------|
| 1 | 0.731023     | -3.11223      | -54.9284     | 0.0263517 |
| 2 | 1725.76      | -1431.78      | -2.0251e+13  | 20        |
| 3 | 2.34452e+11  | -8.49065e+11  | -5.74032e+47 | 20        |
| 4 | 4.89679e+37  | -4.05645e+37  | -1.3074e+151 | 20        |
| 5 | 5.33982e+114 | -1.93381e+115 | NaN          | 20        |
| 6 | Inf          | -Inf          | NaN          | 20        |

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Newton Method

| k | $x_1^{(k)}$ | $x_2^{(k)}$ | $f(x^{(k)})$ |
|---|-------------|-------------|--------------|
| 1 | 2.56562     | 1.58061     | 36.2467      |
| 2 | 1.49956     | 1.24713     | 1.23284      |
| 3 | 1.13858     | 0.983523    | -2.94596     |
| 4 | 1.02534     | 0.858311    | -3.31463     |
| 5 | 1.00243     | 0.834343    | -3.32408     |
| 6 | 1.00156     | 0.833452    | -3.32409     |

Modified Newton Method

| k   | $x_1^{(k)}$   | $x_2^{(k)}$  | $f(x^{(k)})$  | step     |
|-----|---------------|--------------|---------------|----------|
| 1   | -43.6876      | -6.38787     | -123965       | 20       |
| 2   | -472.41       | -38.2873     | -1.04977e+08  | -20      |
| 3   | -3534.71      | -171.873     | -1.65467e+10  | -13.4643 |
| 4   | -11282.3      | -382.696     | -3.42895e+11  | -4.64516 |
| 5   | -29940.3      | -739.631     | -5.22071e+12  | -3.51912 |
| 6   | -74656.3      | -1364.19     | -7.40683e+13  | -3.18234 |
| ... | ...           | ...          | ...           | ...      |
| 262 | -1.22972e+102 | -8.84905e+67 | -3.10767e+305 | -2.97958 |
| 263 | -2.94792e+102 | -1.58502e+68 | -4.28115e+306 | -2.97958 |
| 264 | -7.06682e+102 | -2.83906e+68 | NaN           | -2.97958 |

Marquardt Method

| k   | $x_1^{(k)}$ | $x_2^{(k)}$ | $f(x^{(k)})$ |
|-----|-------------|-------------|--------------|
| 1   | 4.09843     | 1.53292     | 136.26       |
| 2   | 3.14614     | 1.23546     | 48.671       |
| 3   | 2.30023     | 1.05589     | 11.9997      |
| ... | ...         | ...         | ...          |
| 8   | 1.00223     | 0.833612    | -3.32409     |
| 9   | 1.00158     | 0.833456    | -3.32409     |

**Problem 3**

Write a computational analysis report for question number 2 discussing the performance of each method on the three functions and relative comparisons of directions used and step sizes. Comment on worst/best performance of each method in general. **(15 pts)**

By creating the table below, the first value of each item is the iteration numbers for each method, the "ajb|cjd" stand for the final minimal value of each method, if one method get an "a" in this function, which means this method get a more small final value compared with other methods. From the performance of iteration numbers and

| Performance of Four Methods |        |        |                 |                                 |
|-----------------------------|--------|--------|-----------------|---------------------------------|
|                             | Cauchy | Newton | Modified Newton | Marquardt ( $\lambda^0 = 100$ ) |
| $f(x)$                      | 15/b   | 3/c    | 6/a             | 8/b                             |
| $g(x)$                      | 2053/a | 5/a    | 12/a            | 21/a                            |
| $h(x)$                      | 6/a    | 6/b    | 264/a           | 9/b                             |

accuracy, we know that Cauchy method sometimes need many iterations to converge. and Modified Newton Method will always get a good result. So the best performance of these methods is Modified Newton Method, and the worst method is Newton Method considering it sometimes will get a local minimal.

**Problem 4**

Use your codes to solve  $f(x)$  problem number 2 with starting points  $x^{(0)} = [6, -6]^T$ ,  $x^{(0)} = [-5, -4]^T$ ,  $x^{(0)} = [-4, 6]^T$  for Cauchy and Newton methods. What are your optimal solutions? Are they different with that in number 2? **(15 pts)**

(a) For Cauchy Method:

| Cauchy Method |          |          |              |
|---------------|----------|----------|--------------|
| $x^{(0)}$     | $x_1$    | $x_2$    | $f(x^{(k)})$ |
| $[6, -6]^T$   | 3.58443  | -1.84813 | 1.37512e-10  |
| $[-5, -4]^T$  | 3.58443  | -1.84813 | 1.17468e-11  |
| $[-4, 6]^T$   | -2.80512 | 3.13131  | 1.38171e-12  |

(b) For Newton Method:

| Newton Method |          |          |              |
|---------------|----------|----------|--------------|
| $x^{(0)}$     | $x_1$    | $x_2$    | $f(x^{(k)})$ |
| $[6, -6]^T$   | 3.58443  | -1.84813 | 4.85478e-18  |
| $[-5, -4]^T$  | -3.77931 | -3.28319 | 2.69059e-12  |
| $[-4, 6]^T$   | -2.80512 | 3.13131  | 2.37243e-11  |

My optimal solutions is Newton Method given start point  $[6, -6]^T$ , the final result is  $4.85478e - 18$ . They are almost the same as the result of Modified Newton Method given start point  $[0, 0]^T$ .

## Matlab Code

All related code files can be download at my GitHub<sup>1</sup>.

Cauchy:

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1 % Cauchy Method  $x^{(k+1)}=x^{(k)}-\alpha^{(k)}*\text{gradient}(x^{(k)})$ 
2 %  $-\text{gradient}(x^{(k)}-\alpha*\text{gradient}(x^{(k)}))*\text{gradient}(x^{(k)})$ 
3 % (i,j) start point
4 i=6;
5 j=-6;
6 syms a b;
7 grad(a,b)=gradient(f(a,b));
8 epsilon=0.0001;
9 while (norm(grad(i,j))>=epsilon)
10     step = Golden(i,j);
11     %fprintf(1,'step=%g\n', double(step));
12     X = double([i j]' - step*grad(i,j));
13     fprintf(1,'%g %g %g %g\n',double(X(1)),double(X(2)),double
14         (f(X(1),X(2))),double(step));
15     i=X(1);
16     j=X(2);
17 end
18 function step = Golden(i,j)
19 % initial parameters
20
21 syms s Y a b;
22 grad(a,b)=gradient(f(a,b));
23 Y=[i j]' - s*grad(i,j);
24 y(s) = f(Y(1),Y(2));
25
26 a = -20; % start of
27     interval
28 b = 20; % end of
29     interval
30 epsilon = 0.0001; % accuracy value

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<sup>1</sup><https://github.com/chao92/Engineering-Optimization>



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29 ratio = double((sqrt(5)-1)/2); % golden
    proportion coefficient , aroud 0.618
30 %k = 0; % number of
    iterations
31 %iter = 500; % maximun
    number of iterations
32
33 len = b-a;
34 x1 = b - ratio * len; % computing x1
    ;
35 x2 = a + ratio * len; % computing x2
    ;
36 f1=y(x1);
37 %f1=f(i-x1*[1 0]*grad(i,j),j-x1*[0 1]*grad(i,j));
38 f2=y(x2);
39 %f2=f(i-x2*[1 0]*grad(i,j),j-x2*[0 1]*grad(i,j));
40
41 % search
42 while(((b-a) > epsilon))
43
44     % evaluate f(x1) and f(x2)
45     if(f1<f2) % if f(x1)<f(
        x2), then drop interval (x2,b);
46         b = x2; % repalce b
            with x2;
47         len = x2-a; % length
            becomes b-a=x2-a;
48         x2 = x1; % replace the
            next iteration x2 with x1;
49         x1 = b - ratio * len; % computing x1
            using the equation of computing x1;
50         f2=f1;
51         f1=y(x1);
52         %f1=f(i-x1*[1 0]*grad(i,j),j-x1*[0 1]*grad(i,j));
53     else
54
55         a = x1;
56         len = b -a;
57         x1 = x2;
58         x2 = a + ratio * len;
59         f1=f2;
60         f2=y(x2);
61         %f2=f(i-x2*[1 0]*grad(i,j),j-x2*[0 1]*grad(i,j));

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62        **end**

63

64 **end**

65    step = (a+b)/2;

66 **end**

Newton:

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1  % Newton's Method  $x^{(k+1)}=x^{(k)}-H^{-1}*\text{gradient}(x^{(k)})$ 
2  % (i,j) start point
3  i=5;
4  j=2;
5  syms a b;
6  epsilon=0.0001;
7  grad(a,b)=gradient(f(a,b));
8  hess(a,b)=hessian(f(a,b));
9  while (abs(grad(i,j))>=epsilon)
10 X= [i j]'-inv(hess(i,j))*grad(i,j);
11 fprintf(1, '%g %g %g\n', double(X(1)), double(X(2)), double(f(X(1)
    ,X(2))));
12 i=X(1);
13 j=X(2);
14 end

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Modified Newton:

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1  % (i,j) start point
2  i=-1.2;
3  j=0;
4  syms a b;
5  epsilon=0.0001;
6  grad(a,b)=gradient(f(a,b));
7  hess(a,b)=hessian(f(a,b));
8  while (norm(grad(i,j))>=epsilon)
9     step = Golden_M(i,j);
10    %fprintf(1, 'step=%g\n', double(step));
11    X = double([i j]'-step*inv(hess(i,j))*grad(i,j));
12    i=X(1);
13    j=X(2);
14    fprintf(1, '%g %g %g %g\n', double(i), double(j), double(f(i,j)
        )), double(step));
15 end

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Marquardt:

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1  % (i,j) start point

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2 i=5;
3 j=2;
4 iter=1000; % maximum number of iteratios allowed
5 lamda = 100;
6 syms a b X Y Z;
7 epsilon=0.0001;
8 grad(a,b)=gradient(f(a,b));
9 hess(a,b)=hessian(f(a,b));
10 I = [1 0; 0 1];
11 x(1)=i;
12 x(2)=j;
13 k=0;
14 while ((abs(grad(i,j))>=epsilon))
15 X = -inv(hess(i,j)+lamda*I)*grad(i,j);
16 tem=[i j]'-inv(hess(i,j)+lamda*I)*grad(i,j);
17 tem = double(tem);
18     if (f(tem(1),tem(2))<f(x(1),x(2)))
19         lamda = 0.5 * lamda;
20         k = k + 1;
21         x(1)=real(tem(1));
22         x(2)=real(tem(2));
23         i = x(1);
24         j = x(2);
25         fprintf(1, '%g %g %g\n', double(x(1)), double(x(2)),
                double(f(x(1),x(2))));
26     else
27         lamda = 2 * lamda;
28     end
29 end
30 fprintf(1, '%g %g %g\n', double(x(1)), double(x(2)), double(f(x(1)
    ,x(2))));
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