

Lecture 14 - NLEs with Scipy.

* AMA / Quiz / Prayer.

I. Systems of Nonlinear Equations

* Very often we will not only have a single nonlinear equation, but we will instead have a system of coupled nonlinear equations. We need to update what we learned last time for multiple equations and multiple unknowns.

Example: 2 Equations / 2 unknowns

$$(1) \quad z = e^{-y}$$

$$(2) \quad y = 3z - z^2$$

• Let's rename $y \rightarrow x_0$, $z \rightarrow x_1$

$$x_1 = e^{-x_0}$$

$$x_0 = 3x_1 - x_1^2$$

• Put in standard (i.e. residual) form

$$x_1 - e^{-x_0} = 0$$

$$x_0 - 3x_1 + x_1^2 = 0$$

$$f_0(x_0, x_1) = 0, \quad f_1(x_0, x_1) = -e^{-x_0} + x_1$$

$$f_1(x_0, x_1) = 0, \quad f_2(x_0, x_1) = x_0 - 3x_1 + x_1^2$$

- we can rewrite this in vector form

$$\underline{f}(\underline{x}) = \underline{0} \quad \underline{f} = \begin{bmatrix} f_0 \\ f_1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \underline{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_0 \\ x_1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \underline{0} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

* With more equations and unknowns, we can write this in general as:

$$f_0(x_0, x_1, \dots, x_{n-1}) = 0$$

$$f_1(x_0, x_1, \dots, x_{n-1}) = 0$$

⋮

$$f_{n-1}(x_0, x_1, \dots, x_{n-1}) = 0$$

or

$$\underline{f}(\underline{x}) = \underline{0}$$

← standard/residual form for systems of NLEs.

$$\underline{f} = \begin{bmatrix} f_0 \\ f_1 \\ \vdots \\ f_{n-1} \end{bmatrix} \quad \underline{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_0 \\ x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_{n-1} \end{bmatrix} \quad \underline{0} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

* Important: we will need to write our functions as vector equations in Python too.

```
def f(x):
    f0 = -np.exp(x[0]) + x[1]
    f1 = x[0] - 3*x[1] + x[1]**2
    return np.array([f0, f1])
```

x is an array
 f is an array

Activity

write the following in vector notation

and write pseudo-code defining a vector function

for the system:

$$\cos(a^2 + b^2) = 2$$

$$\ln(3b) = -a^2$$

A solution:

$$\begin{aligned} f_0 &= \cos(x_0^2 + x_1^2) - 2 \\ f_1 &= \ln(3x_1) + x_0^2 \end{aligned} \quad \left. \vphantom{\begin{aligned} f_0 \\ f_1 \end{aligned}} \right\} \text{vector format}$$

pseudo-code:

def f(x):

```
    f0 = np.cos(x[0]**2
              + x[1]**2) - 2
```

```
    f1 = np.log(3*x[1]) + x[0]**2
```

```
    return np.array([f0, f1])
```

II. SciPy Root Finding.

- * Just like Numpy has a linear solver, there is another library that implements Newton's method (and other, more complicated methods) for solving nonlinear systems.

This library (module) is called SciPy (Scientific Python)

- * one imports this library (module) via the command

```
import scipy
```

- * SciPy actually contains much more than non-linear solvers.

It has many useful sub-modules. One is for linear algebra,

"linalg". The relevant one for today is "optimize".

- * Scipy.optimize contains root finding and optimization methods. Why these are related will be clear after the next lecture. I typically import this module using:

```
import scipy.optimize as opt
```

- * The function for solving both single NLEs and Systems of NLEs is called "root":

```
x_soln = opt.root(f, x_guess).x
```

↑
module
name

function

↑
The function
returns a

"dictionary" with
lots of info.

"x" gives you
the answer
only.

comments about root

- f needs to be a function, defined using def. Simply assigning an array won't work.

Good: def f(x):
 return x ** 2

Bad: f = x ** 2

- when solving a system, you must define a vector function with a vector input.

Good: def f(x):
 f0 = x[0] * x[1]
 f1 = x[1] ** 2
 return np.array([f0, f1])

Bad : $\text{def } f(x,y):$ ↖ not an array input

$\text{return } x * y, y ** 2$

↑ returns a tuple,
not a numpy array.

Activity

* Several Detailed examples using SciPy.optimize.root