nag_zero_nonlin_eqns_deriv (c05pbc)

1. Purpose

nag_zero_nonlin_eqns_deriv (c05pbc) finds a solution of a system of nonlinear equations by a modification of the Powell hybrid method. The user must provide the Jacobian.

2. Specification

3. Description

The system of equations is defined as:

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f_i(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = 0, for i = 1, 2, \dots, n.
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nag_zero_nonlin_eqns_deriv is based upon the MINPACK routine HYBRJ1 (Moré et al (1980)). It chooses the correction at each step as a convex combination of the Newton and scaled gradient directions. Under reasonable conditions this guarantees global convergence for starting points far from the solution and a fast rate of convergence. The Jacobian is updated by the rank-1 method of Broyden. At the starting point the Jacobian is calculated, but it is not recalculated until the rank-1 method fails to produce satisfactory progress. For more details see Powell (1970).

4. Parameters

 \mathbf{n}

Input: the number of equations, n. Constraint: $\mathbf{n} > 0$.

x[n]

Input: an initial guess at the solution vector. Output: the final estimate of the solution vector.

fvec[n]

Output: the function values at the final point, x.

fjac[n][tdfjac]

Output: the orthogonal matrix Q produced by the QR factorization of the final approximate Jacobian.

tdfjac

Input: the last dimension of array **fjac** as declared in the function from which nag_zero_nonlin_eqns_deriv is called.

Constraint: $\mathbf{tdfjac} \geq \mathbf{n}$.

 \mathbf{f}

Depending upon the value of **userflag**, **f** must either return the values of the functions f_i at a point x or return the Jacobian at x.

The specification of \mathbf{f} is:

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void f(Integer n, double x[], double fvec[], double fjac[],
         Integer tdfjac, Integer *userflag)
           Input: the number of equations, n
     x[n]
           Input: the components of the point x at which the functions or the Jacobian
           must be evaluated.
     fvec[n]
           Output: if userflag = 1 on entry, fvec must contain the function values f_i(x)
           (unless userflag is set to a negative value by \mathbf{f}).
           If userflag = 2 on entry, fvec must not be changed.
     fjac[n * tdfjac]
           Output: if \mathbf{userflag} = 2 on entry, \mathbf{fjac}[(i-1)*\mathbf{tdfjac}+j-1] must contain the value
           of \partial f_i/\partial x_j at the point x, for i=1,2,\ldots,n; j=1,2,\ldots,n (unless userflag is
           set to a negative value by \mathbf{f}).
           If userflag = 1 on entry, fjac must not be changed.
     tdfjac
           Input: the last dimension of array fjac as declared in the function from which
           nag_zero_nonlin_eqns_deriv is called.
     userflag
           Input: \mathbf{userflag} = 1 \text{ or } 2.
           If userflag = 1, fvec is to be updated.
           If userflag = 2, fjac is to be updated.
           Output: in general, userflag should not be reset by f. If, however, the user wishes
           to terminate execution (perhaps because some illegal point \mathbf{x} has been reached),
           then userflag should be set to a negative integer. This value will be returned
           through fail.errnum.
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xtol

Input: the accuracy in \mathbf{x} to which the solution is required.

Suggested value: the square root of the machine precision.

Constraint: $xtol \ge 0.0$.

fail

The NAG error parameter, see the Essential Introduction to the NAG C Library.

5. Error Indications and Warnings

NE_INT_ARG_LE

On entry, **n** must not be less than or equal to 0: $\mathbf{n} = \langle value \rangle$.

NE_REAL_ARG_LT

On entry, **xtol** must not be less than 0.0: **xtol** = $\langle value \rangle$.

NE_2_INT_ARG_LT

On entry $\mathbf{tdfjac} = \langle value \rangle$ while $\mathbf{n} = \langle value \rangle$. These parameters must satisfy $\mathbf{tdfjac} \geq \mathbf{n}$.

NE_ALLOC_FAIL

Memory allocation failed.

NE_USER_STOP

User requested termination, user flag value = $\langle value \rangle$.

NE_TOO_MANY_FUNC_EVAL

There have been at least $100 * (\mathbf{n}+1)$ evaluations of $\mathbf{f}()$.

Consider restarting the calculation from the point held in \mathbf{x} .

NE_XTOL_TOO_SMALL

No further improvement in the solution is possible. **xtol** is too small: **xtol** = $\langle value \rangle$.

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NE_NO_IMPROVEMENT

The iteration is not making good progress.

This failure exit may indicate that the system does not have a zero, or that the solution is very close to the origin (see Section 6.1). Otherwise, rerunning nag_zero_nonlin_eqns_deriv from a different starting point may avoid the region of difficulty.

6. Further Comments

The time required by nag_zero_nonlin_eqns_deriv to solve a given problem depends on n, the behaviour of the functions, the accuracy requested and the starting point. The number of arithmetic operations executed by nag_zero_nonlin_eqns_deriv is about $11.5 \times n^2$ to process each evaluation of the functions and about $1.3 \times n^3$ to process each evaluation of the Jacobian. Unless \mathbf{f} can be evaluated quickly, the timing of nag_zero_nonlin_eqns_deriv will be strongly influenced by the time spent in \mathbf{f} .

Ideally the problem should be scaled so that, at the solution, the function values are of comparable magnitude.

6.1. Accuracy

If \hat{x} is the true solution, nag_zero_nonlin_eqns_deriv tries to ensure that

$$||x - \hat{x}|| \le \mathbf{xtol} \times ||\hat{x}||.$$

If this condition is satisfied with $\mathbf{xtol} = 10^{-k}$, then the larger components of x have k significant decimal digits. There is a danger that the smaller components of x may have large relative errors, but the fast rate of convergence of nag_zero_nonlin_eqns_deriv usually avoids the possibility.

If **xtol** is less than **machine precision** and the above test is satisfied with the **machine precision** in place of **xtol**, then the routine exits with **NE_XTOL_TOO_SMALL**.

Note: this convergence test is based purely on relative error, and may not indicate convergence if the solution is very close to the origin.

The test assumes that the functions and Jacobian are coded consistently and that the functions are reasonably well behaved. If these conditions are not satisfied then nag_zero_nonlin_eqns_deriv may incorrectly indicate convergence. The coding of the Jacobian can be checked using nag_check_deriv (c05zbc). If the Jacobian is coded correctly, then the validity of the answer can be checked by rerunning nag_zero_nonlin_eqns_deriv with a tighter tolerance.

6.2. References

Moré J J, Garbow B S and Hillstrom K E (1980) User Guide for MINPACK-1 Argonne National Laboratory, ANL-80-74.

Powell M J D (1970) A Hybrid Method for Nonlinear Algebraic Equations Numerical Methods for Nonlinear Algebraic Equations P Rabinowitz (ed) Gordon and Breach.

7. See Also

nag_zero_nonlin_eqns (c05nbc) nag_check_deriv (c05zbc)

8. Example

To determine the values x_1, \ldots, x_9 which satisfy the tridiagonal equations:

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8.1. Program Text

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/* nag_zero_nonlin_eqns_deriv(c05pbc) Example Program
 * Copyright 1991 Numerical Algorithms Group.
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#include <nag.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#include <nag_stdlib.h>
#include <math.h>
#include <nagc05.h>
#include <nagx02.h>
#ifdef NAG_PROTO
static void f(Integer n, double x[], double fvec[], double fjac[],
               Integer tdfjac, Integer *userflag);
#else
static void f();
#endif
#define NMAX 9
#define TDFJAC NMAX
main()
  double fjac[NMAX*NMAX], fvec[NMAX], x[NMAX];
  Integer j;
double xtol;
  static NagError fail;
  Integer n = NMAX;
  Vprintf("c05pbc Example Program Results\n");
  /* The following starting values provide a rough solution. */
  for (j=0; j<n; \bar{j}++)
    x[j] = -1.0;
  xtol = sqrt(X02AJC);
  cO5pbc(n, x, fvec, fjac, (Integer)TDFJAC, f, xtol, &fail);
  if (fail.code == NE_NOERROR)
      Vprintf("Final approximate solution\n\n");
      for (j=0; j<n; j++)
    Vprintf("%12.4f%s",x[j], (j%3==2 || j==n-1) ? "\n" : " " );
      exit(EXIT_SUCCESS);
    }
  else
    {
      Vprintf("%s\n", fail.message);
      if (fail.code == NE_TOO_MANY_FUNC_EVAL ||
    fail.code == NE_XTOL_TOO_SMALL ||
           fail.code == NE_NO_IMPROVEMENT)
           Vprintf("Approximate solution\n\n");
           for (j=0; j<n; j++)
    Vprintf("%12.4f%s",x[j], (j%3==2 || j==n-1) ? "\n" : " " );
      exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
}
#ifdef NAG_PROTO
static void f(Integer n, double x[], double fvec[], double fjac[],
               Integer tdfjac, Integer *userflag)
     static void f(n, x, fvec, fjac,tdfjac, userflag)
     Integer n;
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double x[], fvec[], fjac[];
Integer tdfjac;
      Integer *userflag;
#endif
#define FJAC(I,J) fjac[((I))*tdfjac+(J)]
  Integer j, k;
  if (*userflag != 2)
       for (k=0; k< n; k++)
            fvec[k] = (3.0-x[k]*2.0)*x[k] + 1.0;
if (k>0) fvec[k] -= x[k-1];
if (k<n-1) fvec[k] -= x[k+1]*2.0;
     }
  else
       for (k=0; k< n; k++)
             for (j=0; j<n; j++)
            FJAC(k,j)=0.0;

FJAC(k,k) = 3.0 - x[k] * 4.0;
             if (k>0)
               FJAC(k,k-1) = -1.0;
             if (k< n-1)
               FJAC(k,k+1) = -2.0;
    }
```

8.2. Program Data

None.

8.3. Program Results

cO5pbc Example Program Results Final approximate solution

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\begin{array}{cccccc} -0.5707 & -0.6816 & -0.7017 \\ -0.7042 & -0.7014 & -0.6919 \\ -0.6658 & -0.5960 & -0.4164 \end{array}
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