

The coupled equations

$$\begin{aligned}x^2 + y^2 - 9 &= 0 \\x + y - 1 &= 0\end{aligned}$$

are known to have a solution near the point  $x = 1, y = -1$ . To compute an accurate estimate using Newton iteration construct an M-file `newtonit.m` consisting of the following three MATLAB functions (all in the same file).

```
function xx = newtonit(x0,nstep)
% Newton solver for n-dimensional system of equations
% inputs are
%   x0      : starting vector (column of length n)
%   nstep   : number of iterations
% output is
%   xx      : solution vector
n = length(x0);
fprintf('Newton iteration in %g dimensions\n',n)
% iteration loop
for k = 1:nstep
    [rr,Jmatrix] = fdef(x0); % compute vector and derivative matrix
    itntable(n,k,x0,rr);     % print current solution
    dx = - Jmatrix\rr;      % solve
    xx = x0 + dx;           % update
    x0 = xx;                % new solution
end
fprintf('done \n')
```

```
function itntable(n,k,xx,rr)
if n==2, % two-dimensional problem
    if k==1; % print header
        fprintf(' k      x_k      y_k      |f_k|      |g_k|\n'),
    end
    fprintf(' %g %8.5f %8.5f %6.3e %6.3e \n', ...
            k-1, xx(1), xx(2),abs(rr(1)),abs(rr(2))), pause(1)
end
return
```

```
function [rr, J] = fdef(xx)
x=xx(1); y=xx(2);
% function values
f = x^2+y^2-9; g = x+y-1; rr = [f;g];
% Jacobian matrix
J(1,1) = 2*x; J(1,2) = 2*y;
J(2,1)= 1; J(2,2)=1;
return
```

Having done this, run the code to compute the solution (by typing the following)

```
>> start=[1;-1];  
>> xx = newtonit(start,7);
```

Next, run `newtonit` with some other initial vectors. Can you get the iteration to converge to a different root? Can you get the iteration to diverge? What happens if you start from the point  $x = 1, y = 1$ ?

### Simple extensions

- The M-file can be readily modified to solve any other two-dimensional problem (by simply editing the function `fdef` to reflect the functions  $f(x, y)$  and  $g(x, y)$  and the associated Jacobian matrix  $J$ ).
- The `newtonit` functionality is very general: the M-file may can also be used to solve one-dimensional or general  $n$ -dimensional problems. There is no tabular output generated in such cases however. If you want to see tabular output when  $n \neq 2$  then the function `itntable` needs to be extended appropriately ...