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Subject: Re: Singular jacobian in broyden  
Posted by [Jerome Colin](#) on Thu, 24 Feb 2005 10:34:49 GMT  
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Ralf Schaa wrote:

> Jerome Colin wrote:

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>> Hello,

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>> I try to use the Broyden function to resolve a set of three equations.

>> I've declared the three equations in a function, and provided initial

>> guess. The code is compiled well, but I get the message :

>> 'Singular jacobian in broydn'

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>> As I'm not familiar with this method, I'd appreciate any help and/or

>> comments about the source of this error.

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> Jerome,

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> Please have a look at the numerical recipes, Chapter 9.7 "Root Finding

> and Nonlinear Sets of Equations". On page 382 you will find the

> paragraph "Multidimensional Secant Methods: Broyden's Method" and on

> page 386 there is a comment on singular jacobians.

> Download the pdf-files from numerical recipes e.g. at:

> <http://www.library.cornell.edu/nr/cbookfpdf.html>

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> I had difficulties using Broyden method's as implemented in IDL

> following the numerical recipes, since it is very strong depending on

> the start vector.

> I used methods in Mathematica though and had 'the feeling' it worked

> better, but I could not prove it.

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> -Ralf

Thank you Ralf !

Jerome

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