

# Homework 3

UP: solution algorithms



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Consider **your own** unconstrained NLP problem (that you have solved using GAMS) and:

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- **Step 1 (2 points out of 10)**: Solve it using a **steepest descent** algorithm that incorporates an exact line search (or a quadratic fit or a cubic fit) and that is implemented in Octave (or the like). Describe in detail your implementation.
- **Step 2 (2 points out of 10)**: Solve it using a **Newton** algorithm implemented in Octave (or the like). Describe in detail your implementation.
- **Step 3 (2 points out of 10)**: Solve it using a **modified Newton** algorithm that incorporates an exact line search (or a quadratic fit or a cubic fit) and that is implemented in Octave (or the like). Describe in detail your implementation.

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- **Step 4 (2 points out of 10)**: Solve it using a **coordinate descent** algorithm implemented in Octave (or the like). Describe in detail your implementation.
- **Step 5 (2 points out of 10)**: Greatly **scale** or **de-scale** your own problem and repeat 1-4 above. Draw conclusions.

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Make sure that your problem is **complex enough**:

- **At least 3** optimization variables. Do not use quadratic functions.

