Bief Note on Optimization 04@20240911

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We're using Rosenbrock to evaluate methods performane as usual in the Optimization literature



1. Multivariate Calculus

$$f(\mathbf{x}) \in \Re, \mathbf{x} \in \Re^{n}$$

Gradient $\nabla f(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_{1}} & \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_{2}} & \cdots & \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_{n}} \end{bmatrix}$
Hessian $\nabla^{2} f(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial^{2} f}{\partial x_{1}^{2} x_{1}} & \frac{\partial^{2} f}{\partial x_{1} x_{2}} & \cdots & \frac{\partial^{2} f}{\partial x_{1} x_{n}} \\ \frac{\partial^{2} f}{\partial x_{2} x_{2}} & \frac{\partial^{2} f}{\partial x_{2} x_{2}} & \cdots & \frac{\partial^{2} f}{\partial x_{2} x_{n}} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial^{2} f}{\partial x_{n} x_{1}} & \frac{\partial^{2} f}{\partial x_{n} x_{2}} & \cdots & \frac{\partial^{2} f}{\partial x_{n}^{2} x_{n}} \end{bmatrix}$ is symmetric square matrix nxn

For $\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}) \in \mathfrak{R}^m$, $\mathbf{x} \in \mathfrak{R}^n$ we have Jacobian matrix mxn

Jacobian
$$\mathbf{J}f(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial^2 f_1}{\partial^2 x_1} & \frac{\partial^2 f_1}{\partial x_1 x_2} & \cdots & \frac{\partial^2 f_1}{\partial x_1 x_n} \\ \frac{\partial^2 f_2}{\partial x_2 x_2} & \frac{\partial^2 f_2}{\partial^2 x_2} & \cdots & \frac{\partial^2 f_n}{\partial x_2 x_n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial^2 f_m}{\partial x_n x_1} & \frac{\partial^2 f_m}{\partial x_n x_2} & \cdots & \frac{\partial^2 f_m}{\partial^2 x_n} \end{bmatrix}$$

2. Line Search

Basic therr're 2 types: exact and inexact Line search plays a key role in method performance

2.1. Exact Line search

It's the simplest but working fine with simple function like $z = x^2 + 3y^2$ but not Rosenbrock function

 $\frac{\left|z = (x-1)^2 + 100(y-x^2)^2\right|}{\text{The search direction often has the form } \min_{a \ge 0} \left[f(\mathbf{x}_k + a\mathbf{p}_k)\right]$

or using univariate function $\phi(a) = f(\mathbf{x}_{k} + a\mathbf{p}_{k}) \approx f(\mathbf{x}_{k}) + a\mathbf{p}_{k}\nabla^{T}f(\mathbf{x}_{k}) + \frac{1}{2}a^{2}\mathbf{p}_{k}\nabla^{2}f(\mathbf{x}_{k})\mathbf{p}_{k}^{T}$ min when with $\mathbf{g}_{k} = \nabla f(\mathbf{x}_{k}), \mathbf{H}_{k} = \nabla^{2}f(\mathbf{x}_{k})$ $\phi'(a) = \mathbf{p}_{k}\nabla^{T}f(\mathbf{x}_{k}) + a^{2}\mathbf{p}_{k}\nabla^{2}f(\mathbf{x}_{k})\mathbf{p}_{k}^{T} = \mathbf{p}_{k}\mathbf{g}_{k}^{T} + a\mathbf{p}_{k}\mathbf{H}_{k}\mathbf{p}_{k}^{T} = 0$ hence

$$a = \frac{-\mathbf{p}_k \mathbf{g}_k^T}{\mathbf{p}_k \mathbf{H}_k \mathbf{p}_k^T}, \mathbf{g}_k = \nabla f(\mathbf{x}_k), \mathbf{H}_k = \nabla^2 f(\mathbf{x}_k)$$

basically it has a form below

 $\min_{a>0} \left[f(\mathbf{x}_k + a\mathbf{p}_k) \right]$

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2.2. Inexact Line search

Used in both sime descent method and BFGS method using complicated approx of Hessian as difference of gradient for search direction conjugate gradient for faster convergence but it works only incase startpoint close to solution point where the simple descent method still get to solution

Rosenbrock functio has solution point at point (1,1)

BFGS gets to solution from initial point -2, -2) fut fails from far point(-200, -200) while the simple descent thod smethod still work from that far polintr

Basically it uses descent gradient $-\nabla f(\mathbf{x})$ to reduce function value $f(\mathbf{x})$ in an ieration loop with initial step a=1 and update using Wolfe condition 1 W-1 [11-45]

$$f(\mathbf{x}_{k} + a_{k}\mathbf{d}_{k}) \leq f(\mathbf{x}_{k}) + a_{k}\beta_{1}\nabla^{T}f(\mathbf{x}_{k})\mathbf{d}_{k}, \beta_{1} \in (0,1)$$
[a]

The Wolfe condition 2 W-2 is [11-47] ratio of new derivative/old<bb2

$$\frac{\nabla^T f(\mathbf{x}_k + a_k \mathbf{d}_k) \mathbf{d}_k}{\nabla^T f(\mathbf{x}_k) \mathbf{d}_k} \le \beta_2, \quad < 0 < \beta_1 < \beta_2 < 1$$

2.3. Algorithm inAlgorithm 11.5: Line search

from Optimization:Principles and Algorithms by Michel Bierlaire http://optimizationprinciplesalgorithms.com

Objective

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2 To find a step a such that the Wolfe conditions (W-1) and (W-2) are
satisfied.
3 Input
4 The continuously differentiable function f : R_n \rightarrow R.
<sup>5</sup> The gradient of the function \nabla f : R_n \rightarrow R_n.
6 \text{ A vector } x \in \mathbf{R}_n.
7 A descent direction d such that \nabla f(x)rd < 0.
8 An initial solution \alpha_0 > 0 (e.g. \alpha_0 = 1). a_0 = 1
9 Parameters \beta_1 and \beta_2 such that 0 < \beta_1 < \beta_2 < 1 (e.g., \beta_1 = 10-4 and
\beta_2 = 0.99).
10 A parameter \lambda > 1 (e.g., \lambda = 2).
11 Output
12 A step a* such that the conditions (W-1) and (W-2) are satisfied.
13 Initialization
14 i := 0.
15 a_{lo} = 0
а
16. a_{hi} = +\infty
17 Repeat
18 if a_i violates (W.1) then the step is too long
19 a_{hi} = a_i
20 a_{i+1} = \frac{a_{lo} + a_{hi}}{2}
21 if a_i a_i does not violate (1W-11.45) but violates (W-211.47) then the step is too short
a_{lo} = a_i
if a_{hi} < \infty then a_{i+1} = \frac{a_{lo} + a_{hi}}{2}
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else $a_{i+1} = \lambda a_i$ Until both W-1 and W-2 satisfied

We haveByTaylor expansion $f(\mathbf{x}_k + a_k \mathbf{d}_k) \approx f(\mathbf{x}_k) + a_k \mathbf{d}_k \nabla^T f(\mathbf{x}_k)$ So the Wolfe cond reduces function

3. Algorithm 13.1: Quasi-Newton BFGS method

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Just for completeness and curity

but it's too complicated to use in realitydue to accumulated err

Objective

 $_{2}$ To find (an approximation of) a local minimum of the problem

$\min_{x \in R_n} f(x)$

3 Input

 ${}_{4} \text{ The continuously differentiable function } f \ : \mathsf{R}_{n} \to \ \mathsf{R}.$

5 The gradient n- row vector of n $\mathbf{g} = \nabla f(\mathbf{x})$

Inital point \mathbf{x}_0

Initial approx Hessian inverse $\widetilde{\mathbf{H}} = \mathbf{I}$

Required tolerance $\varepsilon > 0$

Output

Solution pt x^{*} Init k=0 Repeat

 $\mathbf{d}_{k} = -\widetilde{\mathbf{H}}_{k} \nabla f(\mathbf{x}_{k})$

step length a by line search $\mathbf{x}_{k+1} = \mathbf{x}_k + a\mathbf{d}_k$

$$\widetilde{\mathbf{H}}_{k=} = \left(\mathbf{I} - \frac{\mathbf{d}_{k-1} - \mathbf{y}_{k-1}^{T}}{\mathbf{d}_{k-1}^{T} \mathbf{y}_{k-1}}\right) \widetilde{\mathbf{H}}_{k-1} \left(\mathbf{I} - \frac{\mathbf{y}_{k-1} - \mathbf{d}_{k-1}^{T}}{\mathbf{d}_{k-1}^{T} \mathbf{y}_{k-1}}\right) + \frac{\mathbf{d}_{k-1} \mathbf{d}_{k-1}^{T}}{\mathbf{d}_{k-1}^{T} \mathbf{y}_{k-1}}$$

Update with

 $\mathbf{d}_{k-1} = a_{k-1}\mathbf{d}_{k-1} = \mathbf{x}_{k} - \mathbf{x}_{k-1}$ $\mathbf{y}_{k-1} = \nabla f(\mathbf{x}_{k}) - \nabla f(\mathbf{x}_{k-1})$ Until $\|\nabla f(\mathbf{x}_{k})\| < \varepsilon$ SOLUTION $\mathbf{x}^{*} = \mathbf{x}_{k}$

4. Conclusion

Linesearch function has embedded gradient a=L_S(x) to provide step size yo move tany initial point $x_0 to$ solution point

UseThe descent method using line search id the most reliable with simple nalgorithm below

- 1. Start point row vector \mathbf{x}_0
- 2. Get search dir $\mathbf{d}_k = -\nabla f(\mathbf{x}_k)$ In **BFGS** $\mathbf{d}_k = -\widetilde{\mathbf{H}}_k \nabla f(\mathbf{x}_k)$
- 3. Get step a by linesearch $a=L_S(x_k, d_k)$
- 4. **Get next point** $\mathbf{x}_{k+1} = \mathbf{x}_k + a\mathbf{d}$
- 5. Repeat 2 to 2 untril $\|\nabla f(\mathbf{x}_k)\| < \varepsilon$ or max iteration reaches