

Non-convex Optimization for Analyzing Big Data

Assignment 2

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Task 1

(a)

Chain rule:

$$D(f \circ g)(x) = Df(g(x)) \circ Dg(x) \quad (1)$$

The directional derivative of composition $f \circ g$ is:

$$\begin{aligned} D_v(f \circ g)(x) &= D_{Dg(x)[v]}f(g(x)) \\ &= Df(g(x))[Dg(x)[v]] \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

Here given $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \mathbf{x} \mapsto \mathbf{x}^\top \mathbf{x}$ and $g : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n, \mathbf{z} \mapsto \mathbf{A}\mathbf{z}$
Choose standard inner product as product in all the spaced used.

$$\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle = \mathbf{x}^\top \mathbf{y}$$

With the inner product chosen:

$$D_v f(\mathbf{x}) = 2\mathbf{x}^\top \mathbf{v} \quad (3)$$

and

$$D_v g(\mathbf{z}) = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{v} \quad (4)$$

Plug into the fomular:

$$D_v(f \circ g)(x) = 2\mathbf{x}^\top \mathbf{A}\mathbf{v} = \langle 2\mathbf{A}^\top \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v} \rangle \quad (5)$$

So,

$$\mathbf{g} = 2\mathbf{A}^\top \mathbf{x}$$

(b)

Product rule:

$$D_{\mathbf{H}}(f \cdot g)(\mathbf{X}) = D_{\mathbf{H}}f(\mathbf{X}) \cdot g(\mathbf{X}) + f(\mathbf{X})D_{\mathbf{H}} \cdot g(\mathbf{X}) \quad (6)$$

Here given $f : \text{skew}_n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n, \mathbf{X} \mapsto \mathbf{X}^\top \mathbf{a}$ and $g : \text{skew}_n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n, \mathbf{X} \mapsto \mathbf{X} \mathbf{b}$
The Objectiv function is the multiplication of these two functions:

$$h(\mathbf{X}) = f(\mathbf{X})^\top \cdot g(\mathbf{X})$$

Choose standard inner product as product in all the spaced used.

$$\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle = \mathbf{x}^\top \mathbf{y}$$

Here we have:

$$D_H h((X)) = D_H f(\mathbf{X})^\top \cdot g(\mathbf{X}) + f(\mathbf{X})^\top \cdot D_H g(\mathbf{X}) \quad (7)$$

With the inner product chosen, we have the following directional derivative:

$$D_H f(\mathbf{X})^\top = \mathbf{a}^\top \mathbf{H} \quad (8)$$

and

$$D_H g(\mathbf{X}) = \mathbf{H} \mathbf{b} \quad (9)$$

Plug into the fomular:

$$\begin{aligned} D_H h((X)) &= \mathbf{a}^\top \mathbf{H} \mathbf{X} \mathbf{b} + \mathbf{a}^\top \mathbf{X} \mathbf{H} \mathbf{b} \\ &= - \langle \mathbf{H} \mathbf{a}, \mathbf{X} \mathbf{b} \rangle - \langle \mathbf{X} \mathbf{a}, \mathbf{H} \mathbf{b} \rangle \\ &= \langle -(\mathbf{X} \mathbf{b} \mathbf{a}^\top + \mathbf{X} \mathbf{a} \mathbf{b}^\top), \mathbf{H} \rangle \end{aligned} \quad (10)$$

So,

$$\mathbf{g} = -(\mathbf{X} \mathbf{b} \mathbf{a}^\top + \mathbf{X} \mathbf{a} \mathbf{b}^\top)$$

Task 2

Please See the comment in uploaeded matlab file.