## Assignment Six - EEC254

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**Problem 9.30:** For this problem, we started with Newton method first. In order to validate the results, we plotted the contours of the objective function for  $x \in \mathbb{R}^2$  i.e., n = 2. Figure 1 shows the contours of the objective function for different m along with the trajectory of x. It is clear that the implementation is correct and the trajectory of x always minimizes the objective function.

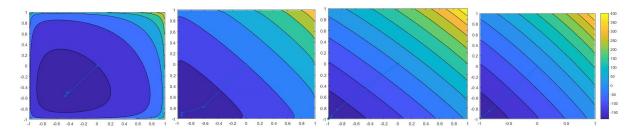


Figure 1: Contours of the objective function along with the trajectory of x from Newton method with  $\alpha=0.01,\,\beta=0.5,\,n=2$  and different m. From left to right, m is set to 5, 100, 500 and 1000.

After that we implemented the gradient method. Figure 2 shows a comparison between the gradient method and Newton's method in terms of the step size per iteration,  $f(x^k) - p^*$  per iteration and  $f(x^k)$  per iteration for m = n = 1000,  $\alpha = 0.01$  and  $\beta = 0.5$ . We took  $p^*$  as the last computed value in the objective function for both methods. We notice that even though both methods are set to have the same precision or tolerance  $(10^{-10})$  and maximum number of iterations, Newton's method was able to finish fast in 10 iterations while the gradient method took the maximum number of iterations (50). From the left column we can see clearly the quadratic convergence of Newton's method vs. the linear convergence of the gradient method. Experimenting with different problem sizes and different distributions from which we picked A gave the same results and convergence rates. Increasing  $\beta$  (up to 0.9) made the gradient method take longer to stabilize while it did not affect Newton's method. Increasing  $\alpha$  (up to 0.9) has the same affect as increasing  $\beta$  on both the gradient method and Newton's method in which case both methods took the 50 maximum iterations to exit.

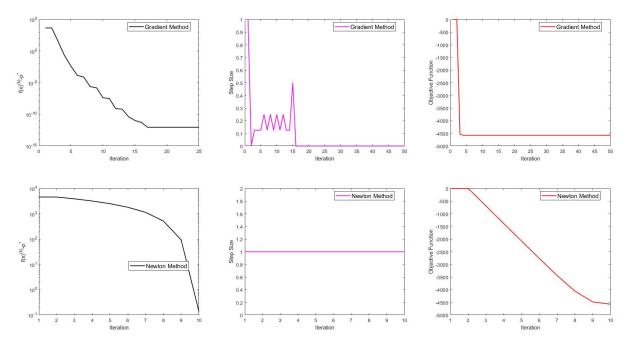


Figure 2: Comparing gradient and Newton's methods in terms of step size per iteration, speed of convergence, and achieved objective function per iteration. Note the x-axis scale (i.e., number of iteration is different for both methods. Also,  $f(x^k) - p^*$  is on a semi-log scale.

**Gradient method code:** The following listing shows the Gradient's method code used for generating the results

```
function [X,T,objFun] = Gradient_Method(Alpha, Beta, Func, Jac, ...
      isFeasible, X0, MaxIt)
      %apply Gradient metho and return the function, X for each iteration
2
      %along with the step
3
      %@Alpha backtracking line search alpha
      %@Beta backtracking line search beta
      %@Func is the input function(s) for which we are seeking the roots
6
      %@Jac is a function to evaluate the Jacobian
7
      %@Hesse is a function to evaluate the Hessain
8
      %@XO is the initial guess
9
      %@MaxIt is the max number of iterations
10
      x = X0;
11
12
      X = x';
      n = 1;
13
      tol = 1e-10; %tolerance
14
      T = 1;
15
      objFun = Func(X0);
16
      while n < MaxIt</pre>
17
           %1) compute function and gradient
18
          myF = Func(x);
19
           objFun = [objFun, myF];
20
           myJ = Jac(x);
21
```

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22
           %2) stopping criterion based gradient norm
23
           if norm(myJ) < tol</pre>
                break;
25
           end
26
27
28
           t = 1;
           %do line search while respecting the constraints
29
           %find the right t
30
           while ¬isFeasible(x-t*myJ)
31
                 t = Beta*t;
32
33
           end
34
           while Func(x-t*myJ) > myF - Alpha*t*(myJ'*myJ)
                t = Beta*t;
35
           end
36
37
38
           %4) update
           x = x - t*myJ;
40
           T = [T, t];
           X = [X; X'];
42
           n=n+1;
44
       end
45
46
  end
```

## **Newton's method code:** The following listing shows the Newton's method code used for generating the results

```
1 function [X,T,objFun] = Newton(Alpha, Beta, Func, Jac, Hesse , ...
      isFeasible, X0, MaxIt)
      %apply Newton method and return the function, X for each iteration
2
      %along with the step
3
      %@Alpha backtracking line search alpha
      %@Beta backtracking line search beta
5
      %@Func is the input function(s) for which we are seeking the roots
6
      %@Jac is a function to evaluate the Jacobian
      %@Hesse is a function to evaluate the Hessain
8
      %@XO is the initial guess
      %@MaxIt is the max number of iterations
10
      x = X0;
11
      X = x';
12
13
      n = 1;
      tol = 1e-10;%tolerance
14
      T = 1;
15
      objFun = Func(X0);
16
      while n < MaxIt</pre>
17
18
          %1) compute newton step
          myF = Func(x);
19
          objFun = [objFun, myF];
```

```
21
           myJ = Jac(x);
           myH = Hesse(x);
22
           sol = mldivide(-myH, myJ);
24
           %2) stopping criterion
           Lamda = myJ'*sol;
26
27
           if (Lamda*Lamda/2.0 < tol) %based on Newton decrement
           %if abs(normF(end)) < tol || abs(norm(X(end)) - norm(X(end-1))) ...
28
               %based on the size of the norm and step size
29
30
               break:
31
           end
32
           %3) backtracking line search
33
34
           %do line search while respecting the constraints
           %find the right t
36
           while ¬isFeasible(x+t*sol)
                t = Beta*t;
38
           end
39
           while Func(x+t*sol) > myF + Alpha*t*Lamda
40
41
                t = Beta*t;
           end
42
           %4) update
43
           x = x + t*sol;
44
           T = [T, t];
45
           X = [X; X'];
46
           n=n+1;
47
       end
49 end
```

**Main code** The following listing shows the main code that sets up the problems; contains the objective function, gradient and Hessain function calculations; call the gradient or Newton's methods; and plots the graphs.

```
17 figure
semilogy(objFun_p_grad,'k', 'LineWidth',1.5);
19 xlabel('Iteration');
20 ylabel('f(x)^{(k)}-p^*');
21 label1 = 'Gradient Method';
22 lgd = legend(label1, 'Location', 'best');
23 lgd.FontSize = 12;
25 figure
26 plot(steplen_grad, 'm', 'LineWidth', 1.5);
27 xlabel('Iteration');
28 ylabel('Step Size');
29 lgd = legend(label1, 'Location', 'best');
30 lgd.FontSize = 12;
31
32 figure
plot (objFunc_grad, 'r', 'LineWidth', 1.5);
34 xlabel('Iteration');
35 ylabel('Objective Function');
36 lgd = legend(label1, 'Location', 'best');
37 lgd.FontSize = 12;
38
  if length (X_grad(1,:)) == 2
      %plot the contours of the domain if its 2d
      %plotNorm(1, X_grad, @Func);
41
42 end
[X_newton, steplen_newton, objFunc_newton] = Newton(Alpha, Beta, @Func, ...
      @Grad, @Hessain,@isFeasible, x, 50);
46 objFun_p_newton = objFunc_newton - objFunc_newton(end);
48 if length(X_newton(1,:)) == 2
      %plot the contours of the domain if its 2d
      %plotNorm(2,X_newton,@Func);
50
51 end
52
53 figure
semilogy(objFun_p_newton,'k', 'LineWidth',1.5);
ss xlabel('Iteration');
56 ylabel('f(x)^{(k)}-p^*');
57 label1 = 'Newton Method';
58 lgd = legend(label1, 'Location', 'best');
59 lgd.FontSize = 12;
61 figure
62 plot(steplen_newton,'m','LineWidth',1.5);
63 xlabel('Iteration');
64 ylabel('Step Size');
65 lgd = legend(label1, 'Location', 'best');
66 lgd.FontSize = 12;
67
68 figure
```

```
69 plot(objFunc_newton,'r','LineWidth',1.5);
70 xlabel('Iteration');
71 ylabel('Objective Function');
12 lgd = legend(label1, 'Location', 'best');
73 lgd.FontSize = 12;
 disp('Done!!');
 function A = instance(numRows, numCols)
    %creating a problem instance
    A = rand(numRows, numCols);
    A=A./(2.0*max(max(A)));
85
86 end
87
 function plotNorm(fignum, X, func)
    v=[10.3,.01:1:900];
    xr = -0.99:0.005:0.99;
93
    n=length(xr);
94
    z=zeros(n,n);
95
    for i=1:n
96
       for j=1:n
97
          z(i,j) = func([xr(i),xr(j)]);
       end
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    end
100
    figure (fignum);
101
    contourf(xr,xr,z);
102
103
    ylim([-1 1]);
    xlim([-1 1]);
104
    hold
105
106
    plot (X(:,1),X(:,2),'-*');
 end
108
 111
 function mvVal = Func(x)
113
    global A numRows numCols
114
115
    %Evluate the function on x
    %x is a vector of length numCols
116
    %A is numRows x numCols
117
    myVal = 0;
118
119
    for i=1:numRows
       myVal = myVal + log(1 - dot(A(i,:),x));
120
121
    end
    for i=1:numCols
122
```

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123
           myVal = myVal + log(1-x(i)*x(i));
124
       end
       myVal = -myVal;
126 end
   function myGrad = Grad(x)
       global A
128
129
       Evluate the gradient on x
       %using chain rule
130
       myGrad = A'*(1./(1-A*x)) - 1./(1+x) + 1./(1-x);
131
  end
132
   function myHessain = Hessain(x)
133
       global A
134
135
       %Evluate the hessain on x
       %using chain rule
136
       myHessain = A'*diag((1./(1-A*x)).^2)*A + diag(1./(1+x).^2 + ...
137
           1./(1-x).^2;
138
139
   end
   function fe = isFeasible(x)
140
       global A
       %check if x is in the feasible region by checking the constraints
142
       fe = true;
       if max(A*x) \ge 1.0 \% = to avoid numerical issues
144
145
            fe = false;
       end
146
147
       if max(abs(x)) \ge 1.0
148
149
            fe = false;
       end
150
151
152 end
```