

Summary: Minimization (Chapter 9)

Problem and Notation: minimize $f(\mathbf{x})$, and let $\mathbf{g} = \nabla f$

Basic Iterative Method

$$\mathbf{x}_{k+1} = \mathbf{x}_k + \alpha_k \mathbf{z}_k, \quad \text{for } k = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

Newton: Take $\alpha_k = 1$ and $\mathbf{H}_k \mathbf{z}_k = -\mathbf{g}_k$, where \mathbf{H} is the Hessian matrix of $f(\mathbf{x})$

Gradient Descent: $\mathbf{z}_1 = -\mathbf{g}_1$, otherwise

SDM: $\mathbf{z}_k = -\mathbf{g}_k$

CGM: $\mathbf{z}_k = -\mathbf{g}_k + \beta_{k-1} \mathbf{z}_{k-1}$, where $\beta_k = \frac{\mathbf{g}_{k+1} \cdot (\mathbf{g}_{k+1} - \mathbf{g}_k)}{\mathbf{g}_k \cdot \mathbf{g}_k}$

α_k : a line search is used to obtain $f(\mathbf{x}_k + \alpha_k \mathbf{z}_k) < f(\mathbf{x}_k)$

Special Case: if $f(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{b}$, where \mathbf{A} is symmetric and positive definite, then

$$\alpha_k = \frac{\mathbf{g}_k \cdot \mathbf{g}_k}{\mathbf{g}_k \cdot \mathbf{A} \mathbf{g}_k} \quad \text{and} \quad \beta_k = \frac{\mathbf{g}_{k+1} \cdot \mathbf{g}_{k+1}}{\mathbf{g}_k \cdot \mathbf{g}_k}$$

Levenberg-Marquardt: Assume $f(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{f} \cdot \mathbf{f}$. Take $\alpha_k = 1$ and $\mathbf{S}_k \mathbf{z}_k = -\mathbf{g}_k$, where

$$\mathbf{S}_k = \mathbf{G}_k + \mu_k \mathbf{D}_k,$$

$$\mathbf{D}_k = \text{diag}(\mathbf{G}_k),$$

$$\mathbf{G}_k = 2\mathbf{J}_k^T \mathbf{J}_k$$

Also, \mathbf{J} is the Jacobian matrix for $\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x})$ and μ_k is specified (e.g., $\mu_1 = 10$, $\mu_k = \frac{1}{2} \mu_{k-1}$).