

Newton step: $\Delta X_{nt} = -(\nabla^2 f(x))^{-1} \nabla f(x)$.

If $\nabla^2 f(x) > 0$,

$$\underline{\nabla f(x)^T \cdot \Delta X_{nt}} = -\nabla f(x)^T (\nabla^2 f(x))^{-1} \nabla f(x) < \underline{\underline{0}}.$$

$$x^T A x > 0 \quad \forall x \neq 0 \text{ if } A > 0.$$

unless $\nabla f(x) = 0$. or x is optimal.

Thus the Newton step is a descent direction.

— ΔX_{nt} minimizes the second-order Taylor approximation of f at x :

$$\hat{f}(x+v) = f(x) + \nabla f(x)^T v + \frac{1}{2} v^T \nabla^2 f(x) v.$$

$$0 = \frac{\partial \hat{f}(x+v)}{\partial v} \Rightarrow v^* = \Delta X_{nt}. \quad (\text{check this}).$$

— If f is quadratic, then $\hat{f} = f$

$x + \Delta X_{nt}$ is the exact minimizer of f .

— For f twice differentiable, and f is close to quadratic, the quadratic model of f will be very accurate when x is near x^* .

— $x + \Delta X_{nt}$ is a good estimate of x^* .

The Newton decrement

$$\lambda(x) = \left(\nabla f(x)^T \underbrace{\nabla^2 f(x)^{-1}}_{-\nabla f(x)^T \cdot \Delta x_{nt}} \nabla f(x) \right)^{1/2}$$

— The Newton decrement is an estimate of $f(x) - p^*$ based on the quadratic approximation \hat{f} at x .

$$f(x) - \inf_y \hat{f}(y) = f(x) - \hat{f}(x + \Delta x_{nt}) = \underline{\underline{\frac{1}{2} \lambda(x)^2}}$$

$$\lambda(x) = \left(\Delta x_{nt}^T \nabla^2 f(x) \Delta x_{nt} \right)^{1/2}.$$
$$\Delta x_{nt} = -\nabla^2 f(x)^{-1} \nabla f(x).$$

Newton's method

Given a starting point $x \in \text{dom} f$.
and $\epsilon > 0$.

Repeat 1. Compute the Newton step

$$\Delta x_{nt} := - (\nabla^2 f(x))^{-1} \nabla f(x)$$

and the Newton decrement

$$\lambda^2 := \nabla f(x)^T \nabla^2 f(x)^{-1} \nabla f(x)$$

$$f(x) = \log(e^x + e^{-x})$$

$x \in \mathbb{R}$.

$$f'(x) = 1 - \tanh(x)$$
$$f''(x) = -\text{sech}^2(x)$$

2. Stopping criterion. quit if $\lambda^2/2 \leq \epsilon$.

3. Line search. Choose step size t
by backtracking line search.

4. Update $x := x + t \Delta x_{nt}$.

If $t=1$ is fixed, it is called the pure Newton method. (no line search).

Otherwise it is called the damped Newton method.

Equality constrained minimization problems.

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{minimize} & f(x) \\ \text{subject to} & Ax = b. \end{array}$$

dual problem is unconstrained.

where $f(x): \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is convex and twice continuously differentiable and $A \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times n}$ with $\text{rank}(A) = p < n$.

— Optimality condition (KKT condition)

x^* is optimal if there exists a v^* such

that $\boxed{\nabla f(x^*) + A^T v^* = 0, \quad Ax^* = b.}$

$$L(x, v) = f(x) + v^T (Ax - b).$$

$$0 = \nabla_x L(x^*, v^*)$$

feasibility of the primal problem

^{§10.2} Newton's method with equality constraints.

- The initial point must be feasible.
(i.e. $x^{(0)} \in \text{dom } f$, and $Ax^{(0)} = b$).
- The definition of the Newton step is modified to take the equality constraints into account. The Newton step Δx_{nt} is a feasible direction, i.e. $\boxed{A \Delta x_{nt} = 0}$.

$$x^+ := x + t \Delta x_{nt}.$$

Need $Ax^+ = b$. $A(x + t \Delta x_{nt}) = Ax + t \underbrace{(A \Delta x_{nt})}_{= 0}$

ΔX_{nt} is determined by solving the second-order approximation (with variable v)

$$\text{minimize } \hat{f}(x+v) = f(x) + \nabla f(x)^T v + \frac{1}{2} v^T \nabla^2 f(x) v$$

$$\text{s.t. } A(x+v) = b$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \nabla^2 f(x) & A^T \\ A & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v \\ w \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -\nabla f(x) \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

called
KKT
matrix.

$$\begin{cases} \nabla^2 f(x) v + A^T w = -\nabla f(x). \\ A v = 0. \end{cases}$$