





GALAHAD BLLS

USER DOCUMENTATION

GALAHAD Optimization Library version 3.3

SUMMARY

This package uses a preconditioned, projected-gradient method to solve the bound-constrained linear least-squares problem

minimize
$$q(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{2} ||\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b}||_2^2$$

subject to the simple bound constraints

$$x_j^l \le x_j \le x_j^u, \quad j = 1, \dots, n,$$

where the m by n real matrix A, and the vectors b, \mathbf{x}^l , \mathbf{x}^u are given. Any of the constraint bounds x_i^l and x_i^u may be infinite. Full advantage is taken of any zero coefficients of the Jacobian matrix **A** of the **residuals** $\mathbf{c}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b}$; the matrix need not be provided as there are options to obtain matrix-vector products involving A and its transpose either by reverse communication or from a user-provided subroutine.

ATTRIBUTES — Versions: GALAHAD_BLLS_single, GALAHAD_BLLS_double. Uses: GALAHAD_CPU_time, GALAHAD_SY-MBOLS, GALAHAD_SPACE, GALAHAD_SBLS, GALAHAD_OPT, GALAHAD_SPECFILE. Date: November 2009. Origin: N. I. M. Gould, Rutherford Appleton Laboratory. Language: Fortran 95 + TR 15581 or Fortran 2003.

HOW TO USE THE PACKAGE

Access to the package requires a USE statement such as

Single precision version

USE GALAHAD_BLLS_single

Double precision version

USE GALAHAD_BLLS_double

If it is required to use both modules at the same time, the derived types SMT_type, QPT_problem_type, NLPT_userdatatype, BLLS_time_type, BLLS_control_type, BLLS_inform_type and BLLS_data_type (Section 2.2) and the subroutines BLLS_initialize, BLLS_solve, BLLS_terminate, (Section 2.3) and BLLS_read_specfile (Section 2.7) must be renamed on one of the USE statements.

2.1 Matrix storage formats

When it is explicitly available, the coefficient matrix **A** may be stored in a variety of input formats.

2.1.1 Dense row-wise storage format

The matrix A is stored as a compact dense matrix by rows, that is, the values of the entries of each row in turn are stored in order within an appropriate real one-dimensional array. Component n*(i-1)+j of the storage array A%val will hold the value $A_{i,j}$ for i = 1, ..., m, j = 1, ..., n.

2.1.2 Dense column-wise storage format

The matrix **A** is stored as a compact dense matrix by columns, that is, the values of the entries of each column in turn are stored in order within an appropriate real one-dimensional array. Component m*(j-1)+i of the storage array A%val will hold the value $\mathbf{A}_{i,j}$ for $i=1,\ldots,m,\ j=1,\ldots,n$.

2.1.3 Sparse co-ordinate storage format

Only the nonzero entries of the matrices are stored. For the l-th entry of A, its row index i, column index j and value A_{ij} are stored in the l-th components of the integer arrays A%row, A%col and real array A%val. The order is unimportant, but the total number of entries A%ne is required.

2.1.4 Sparse row-wise storage format

Again only the nonzero entries are stored, but this time they are ordered so that those in row i appear directly before those in row i+1. For the i-th row of \mathbf{A} , the i-th component of the integer array $\mathsf{A\$ptr}$ holds the position of the first entry in this row, while $\mathsf{A\$ptr}$ (m+1) holds the total number of entries plus one. The column indices j and values \mathbf{A}_{ij} of the entries in the i-th row are stored in components $l = \mathsf{A\$ptr}(i), \ldots, \mathsf{A\$ptr}(i+1) - 1$ of the integer array $\mathsf{A\$col}$, and real array $\mathsf{A\$val}$, respectively.

2.1.5 Sparse column-wise storage format

Yet again only the nonzero entries are stored, but this time they are ordered so that those in column j appear directly before those in column j+1. For the j-th column of \mathbf{A} , the j-th component of the integer array \mathbb{A} -ptr holds the position of the first entry in this column, while \mathbb{A} -ptr (n+1) holds the total number of entries plus one. The row indices i and values \mathbf{A}_{ij} of the entries in the j-th column are stored in components $l = \mathbb{A}$ -ptr $(j), \ldots, \mathbb{A}$ -ptr (j+1)-1 of the integer array \mathbb{A} -row, and real array \mathbb{A} -val, respectively.

For sparse matrices, the row- and column-wise storage schemes almost always requires less storage than their predecessor.

2.2 The derived data types

Ten derived data types are accessible from the package.

2.2.1 The derived data type for holding matrices

The derived data type SMT_TYPE is used to hold the matrix A. The components of SMT_TYPE used here are:

- m is a scalar component of type default INTEGER, that holds the number of rows in the matrix.
- n is a scalar component of type default INTEGER, that holds the number of columns in the matrix.
- ne is a scalar variable of type default INTEGER, that holds the number of matrix entries.
- type is a rank-one allocatable array of type default CHARACTER, that is used to indicate the matrix storage scheme used. Its precise length and content depends on the type of matrix to be stored (see §2.2.2).
- is a rank-one allocatable array of type default REAL (double precision in GALAHAD_BLLS_double) and dimension at least ne, that holds the values of the entries. Any duplicated entries that appear in the sparse co-ordinate or row-wise schemes will be summed.

- is a rank-one allocatable array of type default INTEGER, and dimension at least ne, that may hold the row indices of the entries. (see §2.1.3 and §2.1.5).
- is a rank-one allocatable array of type default INTEGER, and dimension at least ne, that may the column indices of the entries (see §2.1.3–2.1.4).
- ptr is a rank-one allocatable array of type default INTEGER, and dimension at least m + 1, that may hold the pointers to the first entry in each row (see §2.1.4). or dimension at least n + 1, that may hold the pointers to the first entry in each column (see §2.1.5).

2.2.2 The derived data type for holding the problem

The derived data type QPT_problem_type is used to hold the problem. The components of QPT_problem_type are:

- is a scalar variable of type default INTEGER, that holds the number of optimization variables, n. n
- is a scalar variable of type default INTEGER, that holds the number of residuals, m. m
- is scalar variable of type SMT_TYPE that holds the Jacobian matrix A of the residuals (if it is available). The Α following components are used here:
 - A%type is an allocatable array of rank one and type default CHARACTER, that is used to indicate the storage scheme used. If the dense row-wise storage scheme (see Section 2.1.1) is used, the first thirteen components of A%type must contain the string DENSE_BY_ROW, while if the column-wise scheme (see Section 2.1.2) is used, the sixteen components of A*type must contain the string DENSE_BY_COLUMN. For the sparse co-ordinate scheme (see Section 2.1.3), the first ten components of A%type must contain the string COORDINATE, for the sparse row-wise storage scheme (see Section 2.1.4), the first fourteen components of A%type must contain the string SPARSE_BY_ROWS. and for the sparse column-wise storage scheme (see Section 2.1.5), the first seventeen components of A%type must contain the string SPARSE_BY_COLUMNS.

For convenience, the procedure SMT_put may be used to allocate sufficient space and insert the required keyword into A%type. For example, if nlp is of derived type BLLS_problem_type and involves a Jacobian we wish to store using the co-ordinate scheme, we may simply

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CALL SMT_put( nlp%A%type, 'COORDINATE' )
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See the documentation for the GALAHAD package SMT for further details on the use of SMT_put.

- Agne is a scalar variable of type default INTEGER, that holds the number of entries in J in the sparse co-ordinate storage scheme (see Section 2.1.3). It need not be set for any of the other three schemes.
- A%val is a rank-one allocatable array of type default REAL (double precision in GALAHAD_BLLS_double), that holds the values of the entries of the Jacobian matrix A in any of the storage schemes discussed in Sec-
- A&row is a rank-one allocatable array of type default INTEGER, that holds the row indices of A in the sparse co-ordinate storage scheme (see Section 2.1.3). It need not be allocated for any of the other three schemes.
- A*col is a rank-one allocatable array variable of type default INTEGER, that holds the column indices of A in either the sparse co-ordinate (see Section 2.1.3), or the sparse row-wise (see Section 2.1.4) storage scheme. It need not be allocated when the dense or column-wise storage schemes are used.
- Afrow is a rank-one allocatable array variable of type default INTEGER, that holds the row indices of A in either the sparse co-ordinate (see Section 2.1.3), or the sparse column-wise (see Section 2.1.5) storage scheme. It need not be allocated when the dense or row-wise storage schemes are used.

A%ptr is a rank-one allocatable array and type default INTEGER, that must be of dimension m+1 and hold the starting position of each row of **A**, as well as the total number of entries plus one, in the sparse row-wise storage scheme (see Section 2.1.4). If the sparse column-wise storage scheme (see Section 2.1.5) is used, it must instead be of dimension n+1 and hold the starting position of each column of **A**, as well as the total number of entries plus one. It need not be allocated when the other schemes are used.

- is a rank-one allocatable array of dimension m and type default REAL (double precision in GALAHAD_BLLS_double), that holds the constant term **b** in the residuals. The *i*-th component of B, i = 1, ..., m, contains \mathbf{b}_i .
- is a rank-one allocatable array of dimension m and type default REAL (double precision in GALAHAD_BLLS_double), that holds the residuals, $\mathbf{c}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} \mathbf{b}$, at the point \mathbf{x} . The i-th component of C, $i = 1, \ldots, m$, contains $\mathbf{c}_i(\mathbf{x})$.
- is a rank-one allocatable array of dimension n and type default REAL (double precision in GALAHAD_BLLS_double), that holds the gradient of the objective $\mathbf{g}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{c}(\mathbf{x})$, at the point \mathbf{x} . The j-th component of \mathbf{G} , $j = 1, \ldots, n$, contains $\mathbf{g}_j(\mathbf{x})$.
- is a rank-one allocatable array of dimension n and type default REAL (double precision in GALAHAD_BLLS_double), that holds the vector of lower bounds \mathbf{x}^l on the the variables. The j-th component of X_1, $j = 1, \ldots, n$, contains \mathbf{x}^l_j . Infinite bounds are allowed by setting the corresponding components of X_1 to any value smaller than -infinity, where infinity is a component of the control array control (see Section 2.2.3).
- x_u is a rank-one allocatable array of dimension n and type default REAL (double precision in GALAHAD_BLLS_double), that holds the vector of upper bounds \mathbf{x}^u on the variables. The j-th component of x_u , $j = 1, \ldots, n$, contains \mathbf{x}^u_j . Infinite bounds are allowed by setting the corresponding components of x_u to any value larger than that infinity, where infinity is a component of the control array control (see Section 2.2.3).
- is a rank-one allocatable array of dimension n and type default REAL (double precision in GALAHAD_BLLS_double), that holds the values \mathbf{x} of the optimization variables. The j-th component of \mathbf{x} , $j=1,\ldots,n$, contains x_j .
- is a rank-one allocatable array of dimension n and type default REAL (double precision in GALAHAD_BLLS_double), that holds the values **z** of estimates of the dual variables corresponding to the simple bound constraints (see Section 4). The *j*-th component of \mathbb{Z} , j = 1, ..., n, contains z_j .

2.2.3 The derived data type for holding control parameters

The derived data type BLLS_control_type is used to hold controlling data. Default values may be obtained by calling BLLS_initialize (see Section 2.3.1), while components may also be changed by calling BLLS_read_specfile (see Section 2.7.1). The components of BLLS_control_type are:

- error is a scalar variable of type default INTEGER, that holds the stream number for error messages. Printing of error messages in BLLS_solve and BLLS_terminate is suppressed if error ≤ 0 . The default is error = 6.
- out is a scalar variable of type default INTEGER, that holds the stream number for informational messages. Printing of informational messages in BLLS_solve is suppressed if out < 0. The default is out = 6.
- print_level is a scalar variable of type default INTEGER, that is used to control the amount of informational output which is required. No informational output will occur if print_level ≤ 0 . If print_level = 1, a single line of output will be produced for each iteration of the process. If print_level ≥ 2 , this output will be increased to provide significant detail of each iteration. The default is print_level = 0.
- start_print is a scalar variable of type default INTEGER, that specifies the first iteration for which printing will be permitted in GALAHAD_BLLS_solve. If start_print is negative, printing will be permitted from the outset. The default is start_print = -1.



- stop_print is a scalar variable of type default INTEGER, that specifies the last iteration for which printing will be permitted in GALAHAD_BLLS_solve. If stop_print is negative, printing will be permitted once it has been started by start_print. The default is stop_print = −1.
- print_gap is a scalar variable of type default INTEGER. Once printing has been started, output will occur once every print_gap iterations. If print_gap is no larger than 1, printing will be permitted on every iteration. The default $is print_gap = 1.$
- maxit is a scalar variable of type default INTEGER, that holds the maximum number of iterations which will be allowed in GALAHAD_BLLS_solve. The default is maxit = 1000.
- cq_maxit is a scalar variable of type default INTEGER, that holds the maximum number of conjugate-gradient iterations which will be allowed per main iteration in GALAHAD_BLLS_solve. The default is cq_maxit = 1000.
- infinity is a scalar variable of type default REAL (double precision in GALAHAD_BLLS_double), that is used to specify which constraint bounds are infinite. Any bound larger than infinity in modulus will be regarded as infinite. The default is infinity = 10^{19} .
- stop_p is a scalar variable of type default REAL (double precision in GALAHAD_BLLS_double), that holds the required accuracy for the primal infeasibility (see Section 4). The default is stop_p = $u^{1/3}$, where u is EPSILON (1.0) (EPSILON(1.0D0) in GALAHAD_BLLS_double).
- stop_d is a scalar variable of type default REAL (double precision in GALAHAD_BLLS_double), that holds the required accuracy for the dual infeasibility (see Section 4). The default is stop_d = $u^{1/3}$, where u is EPSILON (1.0) (EPSILON(1.0D0) in GALAHAD_BLLS_double).
- stop_c is a scalar variable of type default REAL (double precision in GALAHAD_BLLS_double), that holds the required accuracy for the violation of complementarity slackness (see Section 4). The default is stop_c = $u^{1/3}$, where uis EPSILON(1.0) (EPSILON(1.0D0) in GALAHAD_BLLS_double).
- identical_bounds_tol is a scalar variable of type default REAL (double precision in GALAHAD_BLLS_double). Each pair of variable bounds (x_i^l, x_i^u) that is closer than identical_bounds_tol will be reset to the average of their values, $\frac{1}{2}(x_i^l + x_i^u)$. The default is identical_bounds_tol = u, where u is EPSILON(1.0) (EPSILON(1.0D0) in GALAHAD_BLLS_double).
- stop_cg_relative and stop_cg_absolute are scalar variables of type default REAL (double precision in GALA-HAD_BLLS_double), that hold the relative and absolute convergence tolerances for the conjugate-gradient iteration that occurs in the face of currently-active constraints when constructing the search direction. _stop_cg_relative = 0.01 and stop_cg_absolute = \sqrt{u} , where u is EPSILON(1.0) (EPSILON(1.0D0) in GALAHAD_BLLS_double).
- zero_curvature is a scalar variable of type default REAL (double precision in GALAHAD_BLLS_double)that specifies the threshold below which any constraint curvature encountered is regarded as zero. The default is zero_curvature = 10u, where u is EPSILON(1.0) (EPSILON(1.0D0) in GALAHAD_BLLS_double).
- cpu_time_limit is a scalar variable of type default REAL (double precision in GALAHAD_BLLS_double), that is used to specify the maximum permitted CPU time. Any negative value indicates no limit will be imposed. The default is cpu_time_limit = - 1.0.
- exact_gcp is a scalar variable of type default LOGICAL, that should be set .TRUE. if the exact generalized Cauchy point, the first estimate of the minimizer of the objective in the Cauchy direction within the feasible box, is required, and .FALSE. if an approximation suffices. The default is exact_gcp = .TRUE..
- space_critical is a scalar variable of type default LOGICAL, that must be set .TRUE. if space is critical when allocating arrays and .FALSE. otherwise. The package may run faster if space_critical is .FALSE. but at the possible expense of a larger storage requirement. The default is space_critical = .FALSE..

deallocate_error_fatal is a scalar variable of type default LOGICAL, that must be set .TRUE. if the user wishes to terminate execution if a deallocation fails, and .FALSE. if an attempt to continue will be made. The default is deallocate_error_fatal = .FALSE..

- prefix is a scalar variable of type default CHARACTER and length 30, that may be used to provide a user-selected character string to preface every line of printed output. Specifically, each line of output will be prefaced by the string prefix (2:LEN(TRIM(prefix))-1), thus ignoring the first and last non-null components of the supplied string. If the user does not want to preface lines by such a string, they may use the default prefix = "".
- SBLS_control is a scalar variable of type SBLS_control_type whose components are used to control the factorization and/or preconditioner used, performed by the package GALAHAD_SBLS. See the documentation for GALAHAD_SBLS for further details.

2.2.4 The derived data type for holding timing information

The derived data type <code>BLLS_time_type</code> is used to hold elapsed CPU times for the various parts of the calculation. The components of <code>BLLS_time_type</code> are:

- total is a scalar variable of type default REAL, that gives the total time spent in the package.
- analyse is a scalar variable of type default REAL, that gives the time spent analysing the required matrices prior to factorization.
- factorize is a scalar variable of type default REAL, that gives the time spent factorizing the required matrices.
- solve is a scalar variable of type default REAL, that gives the time spent computing the search direction.

2.2.5 The derived data type for holding informational parameters

The derived data type BLLS_inform_type is used to hold parameters that give information about the progress and needs of the algorithm. The components of BLLS_inform_type are:

- status is a scalar variable of type default INTEGER, that gives the exit status of the algorithm. See Section 2.6 for details
- alloc_status is a scalar variable of type default INTEGER, that gives the status of the last attempted array allocation or deallocation. This will be 0 if status = 0.
- bad_alloc is a scalar variable of type default CHARACTER and length 80, that gives the name of the last internal array for which there were allocation or deallocation errors. This will be the null string if status = 0.
- factorization_status is a scalar variable of type default INTEGER, that gives the return status from the matrix factorization.
- iter is a scalar variable of type default INTEGER, that gives the number of iterations performed.
- obj is a scalar variable of type default REAL (double precision in GALAHAD_BLLS_double), that holds the value of the objective function at the best estimate of the solution found.
- time is a scalar variable of type BLLS_time_type whose components are used to hold elapsed CPU times for the various parts of the calculation (see Section 2.2.4).
- SBLS_inform is a scalar variable of type SBLS_inform_type whose components provide information about the progress and needs of the factorization/preconditioner performed by the package GALAHAD_SBLS. See the documentation for GALAHAD_SBLS for further details.



2.2.6 The derived data type for holding problem data

The derived data type BLLS_data_type is used to hold all the data for a particular problem, or sequences of problems with the same structure, between calls of BLLS procedures. This data should be preserved, untouched, from the initial call to BLLS_initialize to the final call to BLLS_terminate.

2.2.7 The derived data type for holding user data

The derived data type NLPT_userdata_type is available to allow the user to pass data to and from user-supplied matrixvector product and preconditioning subroutines (see Section 2.4). Components of variables of type NLPT_userdata-_type may be allocated as necessary. The following components are available:

integer is a rank-one allocatable array of type default INTEGER.

real is a rank-one allocatable array of type default REAL (double precision in GALAHAD_BLLS_double)

complex is a rank-one allocatable array of type default COMPLEX (double precision complex in GALAHAD_BLLS_double).

character is a rank-one allocatable array of type default CHARACTER.

logical is a rank-one allocatable array of type default LOGICAL.

integer_pointer is a rank-one pointer array of type default INTEGER.

real_pointer is a rank-one pointer array of type default REAL (double precision in GALAHAD_BLLS_double)

complex_pointer is a rank-one pointer array of type default COMPLEX (double precision complex in GALAHAD_BLLS_double).

character_pointer is a rank-one pointer array of type default CHARACTER.

logical_pointer is a rank-one pointer array of type default LOGICAL.

2.2.8 The derived data type for holding reverse-communication data

The derived data type BLLS_reverse_type is used to hold data needed for reverse communication when this is required. The components of BLLS_reverse_type are:

- nz_v_start is a scalar variable of type default INTEGER, that may be used to hold the starting position in NZ_v (see below) of the list of indices of nonzero components of v.
- nz_v_end is a scalar variable of type default INTEGER, that may be used to hold the finishing position in NZ_v (see below) of the list of indices of nonzero components of v.
- NZ_{-V} is a rank-one allocatable array of dimension n and type default INTEGER, that may be used to hold the indices of the nonzero components of v. If used, components NZ_v(nz_v_start:nz_v_end) of V (see below) will be
- V is a rank-one allocatable array of dimension n and type default REAL (double precision in GALAHAD_BLLS_double), that is used to hold the components of the output vector v.
- P is a rank-one allocatable array of dimension m and type default REAL (double precision in GALAHAD_BLLS_double), that is used to record the components of the resulting vector Av.

nz_p_end is a scalar variable of type default INTEGER, that is used to record the finishing position in NZ_p (see below) of the list of indices of nonzero components of **Av** if required.

NZ_p is a rank-one allocatable array of dimension n and type default INTEGER, that is used to record the list of indices of nonzero components of **Av** if required. Components NZ_p (1:nz_prod_end) of P should then be nonzero.

2.3 Argument lists and calling sequences

There are three procedures for user calls (see Section 2.7 for further features):

- 1. The subroutine BLLS_initialize is used to set default values, and initialize private data, before solving one or more problems with the same sparsity and bound structure.
- 2. The subroutine BLLS_solve is called to solve the problem.
- 3. The subroutine BLLS_terminate is provided to allow the user to automatically deallocate array components of the private data, allocated by BLLS_solve, at the end of the solution process.

We use square brackets [] to indicate OPTIONAL arguments.

2.3.1 The initialization subroutine

Default values are provided as follows:

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CALL BLLS_initialize( data, control )
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data is a scalar INTENT (INOUT) argument of type BLLS_data_type (see Section 2.2.6). It is used to hold data about the problem being solved.

control is a scalar INTENT (OUT) argument of type BLLS_control_type (see Section 2.2.3). On exit, control contains default values for the components as described in Section 2.2.3. These values should only be changed after calling BLLS_initialize.

2.3.2 The bound-constrained linear least-squares subroutine

The bound-constrained linear least-squares solution algorithm is called as follows:

prob is a scalar INTENT (INOUT) argument of type QPT_problem_type (see Section 2.2.2). It is used to hold data about the problem being solved. The user must allocate and set values for the array components, and set values for the components prob%B, prob%X_l, prob%X_u and prob%X. Additionally, the user can provide A by allocating the relevant array components and setting values for prob%A using whichever of the matrix formats described in Section 2.1 is appropriate for the user's application; if the effect of A and its transpose are only available to form products via reverse communication (see reverse below) or with a pair of user-supplied subroutines (see eval_APROD and eval_ASPROD below), prob%A is not needed.

The components prob%X must be set to initial estimates of the primal variables, **x**. Inappropriate initial values will be altered, so the user should not be overly concerned if suitable values are not apparent, and may be content with merely setting prob%X=0.0. The components prob%C and prob%G need not be set or allocated on entry.

On exit, the components prob%X and prob%Z will contain the best estimates of the primal variables x, and dual variables for the bound constraints z, respectively. The components prob%C and prob%G will contain the residuals c(x) and gradients g(x) at x, respectively. Restrictions: prob%n > 0, prob%m > 0 and (if x is provided) prob%A%ne x = 2. prob%A_type x = x (COORDINATE', 'SPARSE_BY_ROWS' }.



- X_stat is a rank-one INTENT (INOUT) array argument of dimension prob%n and type default INTEGER, that indicates which of the simple bound constraints are in the current working set. Possible values for X_stat (i), i = 1, ..., j = 1, .prob%n, and their meanings are
 - <0 the j-th simple bound constraint is in the working set, on its lower bound,
 - >0 the j-th simple bound constraint is in the working set, on its upper bound, and
 - 0 the *j*-th simple bound constraint is not in the working set.

Suitable values must be supplied if control%blls_control%cold_start = 0 on entry, but need not be provided for other input values of control%cold_start. Inappropriate values will be ignored. On exit, X_stat will contain values appropriate for the ultimate working set.

- data is a scalar INTENT (INOUT) argument of type BLLS_data_type (see Section 2.2.6). It is used to hold data about the problem being solved. It must not have been altered by the user since the last call to BLLS_initialize.
- control is a scalar INTENT (IN) argument of type BLLS_control_type (see Section 2.2.3). Default values may be assigned by calling BLLS_initialize prior to the first call to BLLS_solve.
- inform is a scalar INTENT (INOUT) argument of type BLLS_inform_type (see Section 2.2.5). On initial entry, the component status must be set to 1, while other components need not be set. A successful call to BLLS_solve is indicated when the component status has the value 0. For other return values of status, see Sections 2.5
- userdata is a scalar INTENT (INOUT) argument of type NLPT_userdata_type whose components may be used to communicate user-supplied data (see Section 2.2.7) to and from the OPTIONAL subroutines eval_APROD and eval_ASPROD (see below).
- reverse is an OPTIONAL scalar INTENT (INOUT) argument of type BLLS_reverse_type (see Section 2.2.8). It is used to communicate reverse-communication data between the subroutine and calling program. If reverse is PRESENT and eval%APROD or eval%ASPROD (see below) are absent, the user should monitor inform%status on exit (see Section 2.5).
- $eval_APROD$ is an OPTIONAL user-supplied subroutine whose purpose is to evaluate the value of the product p + Av or $\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{v}$ involving the Jacobian (and its transpose) and given vectors \mathbf{v} and \mathbf{p} . See Section 2.4.1 for details. If eval_APROD is present, it must be declared EXTERNAL in the calling program. If eval_APROD is absent, GALAH-AD_BLLS_solve will use reverse communication (see Section 2.5) to obtain Jacobian-vector products if reverse is PRESENT or otherwise require that the user has provided all relevant components of prob%A.
- eval_ASPROD is an OPTIONAL user-supplied subroutine whose purpose is to evaluate the value of the product Av involving the Jacobian and a given sparse vector v. See Section 2.4.2 for details. If eval_APROD is present, it must be declared EXTERNAL in the calling program. If eval_APROD is absent, GALAHAD_BLLS_solve will use reverse communication (see Section 2.5) to obtain Jacobian-sparse-vector products if reverse is PRESENT or otherwise require that the user has provided all relevant components of prob%A.

2.3.3 The termination subroutine

All previously allocated arrays are deallocated as follows:

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CALL BLLS_terminate( data, control, inform )
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data is a scalar INTENT (INOUT) argument of type BLLS_data_type exactly as for BLLS_solve, which must not have been altered by the user since the last call to BLLS_initialize. On exit, array components will have been deallocated

control is a scalar INTENT(IN) argument of type BLLS_control_type exactly as for BLLS_solve.

inform is a scalar INTENT (OUT) argument of type BLLS_inform_type exactly as for BLLS_solve. Only the component status will be set on exit, and a successful call to BLLS_terminate is indicated when this component status has the value 0. For other return values of status, see Section 2.6.

2.4 Matrix-vector operations

2.4.1 Jacobian-vector products via internal evaluation

If the argument eval_APROD is present when calling GALAHAD_BLLS_solve, the user is expected to provide a subroutine of that name to evaluate the sum $\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{A}\mathbf{v}$ or $\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{A}^T\mathbf{v}$ involving the product of the residual Jacobian \mathbf{A} or its transpose \mathbf{A}^T and a given vector \mathbf{v} . The routine must be specified as

```
SUBROUTINE eval_APROD( status, userdata, transpose, V, P )
```

whose arguments are as follows:

- status is a scalar INTENT (OUT) argument of type default INTEGER, that should be set to 0 if the routine has been able to evaluate the sum $\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{A}\mathbf{v}$ or $\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{A}^T\mathbf{v}$ and to a non-zero value if the evaluation has not been possible.
- userdata is a scalar INTENT (INOUT) argument of type NLPT_userdata_type whose components may be used to communicate user-supplied data to and from the subroutines eval_APROD (see Section 2.2.7).
- transpose is a scalar INTENT (IN) array argument of type default that will be set .TRUE. if the product involves the transpose of the Jacobian \mathbf{A}^T and .FALSE. if the product involves the Jacobian \mathbf{A} itself.
- V is a rank-one INTENT (IN) array argument of type default REAL (double precision in GALAHAD_BLLS_double) whose components contain the vector v.
- is a rank-one INTENT (INOUT) array argument of type default REAL (double precision in GALAHAD_BLLS_double) whose components on input contain the vector \mathbf{p} and on output the sum $\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{A}\mathbf{v}$ when %transpose is .FALSE. or $\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{A}\mathbf{v}$ when %transpose is .TRUE..

2.4.2 Jacobian-sparse-vector products via internal evaluation

If the argument $eval_ASPROD$ is present when calling GALAHAD_BLLS_solve, the user is expected to provide a subroutine of that name to evaluate the product of the Jacobian A with a given vector v. The routine must be specified as

```
SUBROUTINE eval_ASPROD( status, userdata, V, P[, NZ_in, nz_in_start, nz_in_end, NZ_out, nz_out_end] )
```

whose arguments are as follows:

- status is a scalar INTENT (OUT) argument of type default INTEGER, that should be set to 0 if the routine has been able to evaluate the product **Av** and to a non-zero value if the evaluation has not been possible.
- userdata is a scalar INTENT (INOUT) argument of type NLPT_userdata_type whose components may be used to communicate user-supplied data to and from the subroutine (see Section 2.2.7).
- is a rank-one INTENT (IN) array argument of type default REAL (double precision in GALAHAD_BLLS_double) whose components contain the vector v. If components nz_in_start, nz_in_end and NZ_in (see below) are PRESENT, only components NZ_in (nz_in_start:nz_in_end) of V will be nonzero and the remaining components of V should be ignored. Otherwise, all components of V should be presumed to be nonzero.

- is a rank-one INTENT (OUT) array argument of type default REAL (double precision in GALAHAD_BLLS_double) whose components on output contain the required components of Av. If components nz_out_end and NZ_out (see below) are PRESENT, only the nonzero components NZ_out (1:nz_out_end) of P need be assigned. Otherwise, all components of P must be set.
- nz_in_start is an OPTIONAL scalar variable of type default INTEGER, that, if PRESENT, holds the starting position in NZ_in of the list of indices of nonzero components of v.
- nz_in_end is an OPTIONAL scalar variable of type default INTEGER, that, if PRESENT, holds the finishing position in NZ_{in} of the list of indices of nonzero components of v.
- NZ_in is an OPTIONAL rank-one allocatable array of dimension n and type default INTEGER that, if PRESENT, holds the indices of the nonzero components of v. If any of nz_in_start, nz_in_end and NZ_in are absent, all components of V are assumed to be nonzero.
- nz_out_end is an OPTIONAL scalar variable of type default INTEGERthat, if PRESENT, must be set to record the number of non-zeros in Av.
- NZ_out is an OPTIONAL rank-one allocatable array of dimension m and type default INTEGER that, if PRESENT must be set to record the list of indices of nonzero components of Av. If either of nz_out_end and NZ_out are absent, all components of P should be set even if they are zero.

2.5 Reverse Communication Information

A positive value of inform%status on exit from BLLS_solve indicates that GALAHAD_BLLS_solve is seeking further information—this will happen if the user has chosen to evaluate matrix-vector products by reverse communication. The user should compute the required information and re-enter GALAHAD_BLLS_solve with inform%status and all other arguments (except those specifically mentioned below) unchanged.

Possible values of inform%status and the information required are

- The user should compute ones of the sums $\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{A}\mathbf{v}$ or $\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{A}^T\mathbf{v}$ involving the product of the residual Jacobian A or its transpose with a given vector v. The vectors p and v are given in data%P and data%V respectively. If data% transpose is .FALSE., the resulting vector $\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{A}\mathbf{v}$ should overwrite data% P and data% eval_status should be set to 0. Conversely if data% transpose is .TRUE., the resulting vector $\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{v}$ should overwrite data%P and data%eval_status set to 0. If the user is unable to evaluate the sum, the user need not set data%P, but should then set data%eval_status to a non-zero value.
- The user should compute the nonzero components of the matrix-vector product Av using the vector v whose nonzero components are stored in positions reverse%NZ_in (reverse%nz_in_start:reverse%nz_in_end) of reverse%V. The remaining components of reverse%V should be ignored. The nonzero components must occupy positions reverse%NZ_out(1:reverse%nz_out_end) of reverse%P, and the components reverse%NZ_out and reverse%nz_out_end must be set. This return can only happen if control%exact_gcp is .TRUE..

2.6 Warning and error messages

A negative value of inform%status on exit from BLLS_solve or BLLS_terminate indicates that an error has occurred. No further calls should be made until the error has been corrected. Possible values are:

-1. An allocation error occurred. A message indicating the offending array is written on unit control%error, and the returned allocation status and a string containing the name of the offending array are held in inform%alloc_status and inform%bad_alloc respectively.

-2. A deallocation error occurred. A message indicating the offending array is written on unit control%error and the returned allocation status and a string containing the name of the offending array are held in inform%alloc_status and inform%bad_alloc respectively.

- -3. One of the restrictions prob%n > 0, prob%m > 0 or the requirement that prob%A_type contain its relevant string 'DENSE', 'COORDINATE' or 'SPARSE_BY_ROWS' when A is available, has been violated.
- -4. The bound constraints are inconsistent.
- -7. The objective function appears to be unbounded from below on the feasible set.
- -9. The analysis phase of the factorization failed; the return status from the factorization package is given in the component inform%factor_status.
- -10. The factorization failed; the return status from the factorization package is given in the component inform%factor_status.
- -16. The problem is so ill-conditioned that further progress is impossible.
- -17. The step is too small to make further impact.
- -18. Too many iterations have been performed. This may happen if control%maxit is too small, but may also be symptomatic of a badly scaled problem.
- -19. The CPU time limit has been reached. This may happen if control%cpu_time_limit is too small, but may also be symptomatic of a badly scaled problem.

2.7 Further features

In this section, we describe an alternative means of setting control parameters, that is components of the variable control of type BLLS_control_type (see Section 2.2.3), by reading an appropriate data specification file using the subroutine BLLS_read_specfile. This facility is useful as it allows a user to change BLLS control parameters without editing and recompiling programs that call BLLS.

A specification file, or specfile, is a data file containing a number of "specification commands". Each command occurs on a separate line, and comprises a "keyword", which is a string (in a close-to-natural language) used to identify a control parameter, and an (optional) "value", which defines the value to be assigned to the given control parameter. All keywords and values are case insensitive, keywords may be preceded by one or more blanks but values must not contain blanks, and each value must be separated from its keyword by at least one blank. Values must not contain more than 30 characters, and each line of the specfile is limited to 80 characters, including the blanks separating keyword and value.

The portion of the specification file used by BLLS_read_specfile must start with a "BEGIN BLLS" command and end with an "END" command. The syntax of the specifile is thus defined as follows:

where keyword and value are two strings separated by (at least) one blank. The "BEGIN BLLS" and "END" delimiter command lines may contain additional (trailing) strings so long as such strings are separated by one or more blanks, so that lines such as

BEGIN BLLS SPECIFICATION

and

```
END BLLS SPECIFICATION
```

are acceptable. Furthermore, between the "BEGIN BLLS" and "END" delimiters, specification commands may occur in any order. Blank lines and lines whose first non-blank character is ! or * are ignored. The content of a line after a ! or * character is also ignored (as is the ! or * character itself). This provides an easy manner to "comment out" some specification commands, or to comment specific values of certain control parameters.

The value of a control parameters may be of three different types, namely integer, logical or real. Integer and real values may be expressed in any relevant Fortran integer and floating-point formats (respectively). Permitted values for logical parameters are "ON", "TRUE", ".TRUE.", "T", "YES", "Y", or "OFF", "NO", "N", "FALSE", ".FALSE." and "F". Empty values are also allowed for logical control parameters, and are interpreted as "TRUE".

The specification file must be open for input when BLLS_read_specifile is called, and the associated device number passed to the routine in device (see below). Note that the corresponding file is REWINDed, which makes it possible to combine the specifications for more than one program/routine. For the same reason, the file is not closed by BLLS_read_specifile.

2.7.1 To read control parameters from a specification file

Control parameters may be read from a file as follows:

```
CALL BLLS_read_specfile( control, device )
```

control is a scalar INTENT (INOUT) argument of type BLLS_control_type (see Section 2.2.3). Default values should have already been set, perhaps by calling BLLS_initialize. On exit, individual components of control may have been changed according to the commands found in the specifile. Specifile commands and the component (see Section 2.2.3) of control that each affects are given in Table 2.1.

device is a scalar INTENT (IN) argument of type default INTEGER, that must be set to the unit number on which the specifle has been opened. If device is not open, control will not be altered and execution will continue, but an error message will be printed on unit control%error.

2.8 Information printed

If control%print_level is positive, information about the progress of the algorithm will be printed on unit control%out. If control%print_level = 1, a single line of output will be produced for each iteration of the process. For the initial-feasible-point phase, this will include values of the current primal and dual infeasibility, and violation of complementary slackness, the feasibility-phase objective value, the current steplength, the value of the barrier parameter, the number of backtracks in the linesearch and the elapsed CPU time in seconds. Once a suitable feasible point has been found, the iteration is divided into major iterations, at which the barrier parameter is reduced, and minor iterations, and which the barrier function is approximately minimized for the current value of the barrier parameter. For the major iterations, the value of the barrier parameter, the required values of dual feasibility and violation of complementary slackness, and the current constraint infeasibility are reported. Each minor iteration of the optimality phase results in a line giving the current dual feasibility and violation of complementary slackness, the objective function value, the ratio of predicted to achieved reduction of the objective function, the trust-region radius, the number of backtracks in the linesearch, the number of conjugate-gradient iterations taken, and the elapsed CPU time in seconds.

If $control print_level \ge 2$ this output will be increased to provide significant detail of each iteration. This extra output includes residuals of the linear systems solved, and, for larger values of $control print_level$, values of the primal and dual variables and Lagrange multipliers.

command	component of control	value type
error-printout-device	%error	integer
printout-device	%out	integer
print-level	%print_level	integer
start-print	%start_print	integer
stop-print	%stop_print	integer
iterations-between-printing	%print_gap	integer
maximum-number-of-iterations	%maxit	integer
maximum-number-of-cg-iterations-per-iteration	%cg_maxit	integer
infinity-value	%infinity	real
primal-accuracy-required	%stop_p	real
dual-accuracy-required	%stop_d	real
complementary-slackness-accuracy-required	%stop_c	real
identical-bounds-tolerance	%identical_bounds_tol	real
cg-relative-accuracy-required	%stop_cg_relative	real
cg-absolute-accuracy-required	%stop_cg_absolute	real
zero-curvature-threshold	%zero_curvature	real
maximum-cpu-time-limit	%cpu_time_limit	real
exact-GCP-used	%exact_gcp	logical
space-critical	%space_critical	logical
deallocate-error-fatal	%deallocate_error_fatal	logical
output-line-prefix	%prefix	character

Table 2.1: Specfile commands and associated components of control.

3 GENERAL INFORMATION

Use of common: None.

Workspace: Provided automatically by the module.

Other routines called directly: None.

Other modules used directly: BLLS_solve calls the GALAHAD packages GALAHAD_CPU_time, GALAHAD_SYMBOLS, GALAHAD_SPACE, GALAHAD_SBLS, GALAHAD_QPT and GALAHAD_SPECFILE.

 $\textbf{Input/output: Output is under control of the arguments} \ \texttt{control\$error}, \ \texttt{control\$out} \ \textbf{and} \ \texttt{control\$print_level}.$

Restrictions: prob%n > 0, prob%m > 0, prob%A_type $\in \{$ 'DENSE', 'COORDINATE', 'SPARSE_BY_ROWS' $\}$ (if A is explicit).

Portability: ISO Fortran 95 + TR 15581 or Fortran 2003. The package is thread-safe.

4 METHOD

The required solution \mathbf{x} necessarily satisfies the primal optimality conditions

$$\mathbf{x}^l \le \mathbf{x} \le \mathbf{x}^u,\tag{4.1}$$

the dual optimality conditions

$$\mathbf{A}^{T}(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b}) = \mathbf{z} \text{ and } \mathbf{z} = \mathbf{z}^{l} + \mathbf{z}^{u}, \tag{4.2}$$

and

$$\mathbf{z}^l \ge 0 \text{ and } \mathbf{z}^u \le 0, \tag{4.3}$$

and the complementary slackness conditions

$$(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}^l)^T \mathbf{z}^l = 0 \text{ and } (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}^u)^T \mathbf{z}^u = 0,$$
 (4.4)

where the components of the vector \mathbf{z} are known as the dual variables for the bounds, and where the vector inequalities hold componentwise. Projected-gradient methods iterate towards a point that satisfies these conditions by ultimately aiming to satisfy (4.2), while ensuring that (4.1), and (4.3) and (4.4) are satisfied at each stage. Appropriate norms of the amounts by which (4.1), (4.2) and (4.4) fail to be satisfied are known as the primal and dual infeasibility, and the violation of complementary slackness, respectively.

The method is iterative. Each iteration proceeds in two stages. Firstly, the so-called generalized Cauchy point for the least-squares objective is found. (The purpose of this point is to ensure that the algorithm converges and that the set of bounds which are satisfied as equations at the solution is rapidly identified.) Thereafter an improvement to the objective is sought using either a direct-matrix or truncated conjugate-gradient algorithm.

References:

This is a specialised version of the method presented in

A. R. Conn, N. I. M. Gould and Ph. L. Toint (1988). Global convergence of a class of trust region algorithms for optimization with simple bounds. SIAM Journal on Numerical Analysis **25** 433-460,

5 EXAMPLE OF USE

Suppose we wish to minimize $\frac{1}{2}x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_2x_3 + \frac{3}{2}x_3^2 + 2x_2 + 1$ subject to the simple bounds $-1 \le x_1 \le 1$ and $x_3 \le 2$. Then, on writing the data for this problem as

$$\mathbf{H} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & \\ & 2 & 1 \\ & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}, \ \mathbf{g} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \ \mathbf{x}^l = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -\infty \\ -\infty \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } \mathbf{x}^u = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \infty \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

in sparse co-ordinate format, we may use the following code:

This produces the following output:

The same problem may be solved holding the data in a sparse row-wise storage format by replacing the lines

or using a dense storage format with the replacement lines

```
! dense storage format
   CALL SMT_put( p%H%type, 'DENSE', s ) ! Specify dense
   ALLOCATE( p%H%val( n * ( n + 1 ) / 2 ) )
   p%H%val = (/ 1.0_wp, 0.0_wp, 2.0_wp, 0.0_wp, 1.0_wp, 3.0_wp /) ! Hessian
! problem data complete
```

respectively.

If instead H had been the diagonal matrix

$$\mathbf{H} = \left(\begin{array}{cc} 1 & & \\ & 2 & \\ & & 3 \end{array} \right)$$

but the other data is as before, the diagonal storage scheme might be used for H, and in this case we would instead

```
CALL SMT_put( prob%H%type, 'DIAGONAL', s ) ! Specify dense storage for H ALLOCATE( p%H%val( n ) ) p%H%val = (/ 1.0_wp, 2.0_wp, 3.0_wp /) ! Hessian values
```

The same problem may be solved using reverse communication with the following code:

Notice that storage for the Hessian is now not needed. This produces the same output.

The same problem may also be solved by user-provided matrix-vector products as follows:

Now notice how the matrix **H** is passed to the matrix-vector product evaluation routine via the integer and real components of the derived type userdata.