

Ch 19: Interior-point methods for nonlinear programming ^{19-1/32}

- * Most-powerful for large-scale, together with active-set SQP.
- * primal-dual steps
- * two classes
- * Idea was abandoned due to SQP, now reborn
- * Excellent for large-scale problems
- * Not in 1999 edition. Added in 2006.
- * The other Chapter added is Chapter 9.

Consider: $\min_{x,s} f(x)$

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subject to: $C_E(x) = 0$, (equality constr.)
 $C_I(x) - s = 0$, (ineq converted to equality),
 $s \geq 0$.

Here: * $C_I(x) \geq 0$ is represented by:
 $C_I(x) - s = 0$.

* l equalities and m inequalities.

19.1 Two interpretations

Continuation approach; #1:

KKT for problem:

$$\nabla f(x) - A_E^T(x) y - A_I^T(x) z = 0$$

$$S z - \mu e = 0$$

$$C_E(x) = 0$$

$$C_I(x) - s = 0$$

with $\mu = 0$,

$$s \geq 0, z \geq 0$$

where: y, z are Lagrange multipliers
 $S = \text{diag}(s_1, s_2, \dots, s_n)$

Generate $(x(\mu), s(\mu), y(\mu), z(\mu))$,

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the primal-dual central path that

converges to (x^*, s^*, y^*, z^*) as $\mu \rightarrow 0$.

Barrier approach #2:

$$\min_{x, s} f(x) - \mu \sum_{i=1}^m \log s_i$$

subject to: $C_E(x) = 0$

$$C_I(x) - s = 0$$

$\mu > 0$. $\mu_k \rightarrow 0$ to produce the solution.

KKT conditions:

New $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \nabla f(x) - A_E^T(x) y - A_I^T(x) z = 0 \\ \mathcal{L}_{(x,s)} = 0 \end{array} \right\}$

std form $\leftarrow \nabla_x$

$\leftarrow \nabla_s$

$-\mu S^{-1} e + z = 0$

$\left. \begin{array}{l} C_E(x) = 0 \\ C_I(x) - s = 0 \end{array} \right\} \leftarrow \text{std constraints}$

Note:

$$\mathcal{L}(x, s, y, z) = f(x) - y^T C_E(x) - z^T (C_I(x) - s) - \mu \sum_{i=1}^m \log s_i$$

∇_s

Note:

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$$\nabla_S \left(-\mu \sum_{i=1}^n \log(s_i) \right) =$$
$$= -\mu \sum_{i=1}^n 1/s_i = -\mu S^{-1} e$$

with:

$$S^{-1} = (\text{diag}(s_1, s_2, \dots, s_n))^{-1}$$

$$e = (1, 1, 1, \dots, 1)^T$$

* Approach #1 differs from Approach #2
in 2nd eqns:

$$Sz - \mu e = 0$$

vs $-\mu S^{-1} e + z = 0$ (non-linear in s_i)

But multiply #2 by S :

$$\Rightarrow -\mu e + Sz = 0 \quad \text{Same as \#1.}$$

Barrier methods in section 19.6.

- can be designed to stay feasible
if a feasible point is obtained.

19.2 A basic interior-point algorithm

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Apply Newton to #1:

Let $\mathcal{L}(x, s, y, z) = f(x) - y^T C_E(x) - z^T (C_I(x) - s)$

Apply $\nabla^2_{(x,s,y,z)}$ and $\nabla_{(x,s,y,z)}$

to get:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \nabla_{xx}^2 \mathcal{L} & 0 & -A_E^T(x) & -A_I^T(x) \\ 0 & Z & 0 & 0 \\ A_E(x) & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ A_I(x) & -I & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} p_x \\ p_s \\ p_y \\ p_z \end{bmatrix}$$

$\nabla_y(\nabla_x \mathcal{L})$ $\nabla_z(\nabla_x \mathcal{L})$

$$= - \begin{bmatrix} \nabla f(x) - A_E^T(x) y - A_I^T(x) z \\ s_z - \mu e \\ C_E(x) \\ C_I(x) - s \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} \nabla_x \\ \nabla_s \\ \nabla_y \\ \nabla_z \end{matrix}$$

Note the structure of this Newton step:

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$$\begin{bmatrix} \nabla_{xx}^2 L & \nabla_s(\nabla_x L) & \nabla_y(\nabla_x L) & \nabla_z(\nabla_x L) \\ \nabla_x(\nabla_s L) & \nabla_{ss}^2 L & \nabla_y(\nabla_s L) & \nabla_z(\nabla_s L) \\ \nabla_x(\nabla_y L) & \nabla_s(\nabla_y L) & \nabla_{yy}^2 L & \nabla_z(\nabla_y L) \\ \nabla_x(\nabla_z L) & \nabla_s(\nabla_z L) & \nabla_y(\nabla_z L) & \nabla_{zz}^2 L \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} p_x \\ p_s \\ p_y \\ p_z \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= - \begin{bmatrix} \nabla_x L \\ \nabla_s L \\ \nabla_y L \\ \nabla_z L \end{bmatrix}$$

or: $\left(\nabla_{(x,s,y,z)}^2 L \right) p = - \nabla_{(x,s,y,z)} L$

(I)

with:

$$L(x,s,y,z) = f(x) - y^T c_e(x) - z^T (c_l(x) - s)$$

(II)

This is the primal-dual system.

The step becomes:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} x^+ &= x + \alpha_s^{\max} p_k \\ s^+ &= s + \alpha_s^{\max} p_s \\ y^+ &= y + \alpha_z^{\max} p_y \\ z^+ &= z + \alpha_z^{\max} p_z \end{aligned} \right\}$$

using:

$$\alpha_s^{\max} = \max \{ \alpha \in (0,1] : s + \alpha p_s \geq (1-\tau)s \}$$

(III)

using:

$$\alpha_z^{\max} = \max \{ \alpha \in (0,1] : z + \alpha p_z \leq (1-\tau)z \}$$

(IV)

Here, $\tau \in (0, 1)$. Typically, $\tau = 0.995$

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The α_s^{\max} , α_z^{\max} come from the "fraction to the boundary rule", preventing $s, z \rightarrow 0$ too quickly. Eg: $s + \alpha p_s \geq 0.005 s$ and $z + \alpha p_z \geq 0.005 z$.

→ bounding reduction.
⇒ Very simple: $\alpha p_s \geq -\tau s$, $\alpha \in (0, 1]$
[Solve for α for " \geq " component-wise.

In addition, we need to update μ_k : "barrier parameters"

— keep constant until KKT is satisfied or

— Update with k

→ Covered in 19.3.

Also, superlinear convergence.

For stopping criteria, return to the KKT conditions:

$$E(x, s, y, z; \mu) = \max \left\{ \|\nabla f(x) - A_E^T(x) y - A_I(x)^T z\|, \|S z - \mu e\|, \|c_E(x)\|, \|c_I(x) - s\| \right\}$$

for some norm $\|\cdot\|$. Note max error.

Algorithm 19.1 (Basic interior-point algorithm)

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Choose $x_0, s_0 > 0$ and compute $y_0, z_0 > 0$.

Select $\mu_0 > 0, \sigma, \tau \in (0, 1)$.

$k \leftarrow 0$
Repeat until stopping test (more on this later)

Repeat until $E(x_k, s_k, y_k, z_k; \mu_k) \leq \mu_k$

Solve $\nabla^2 L p = -\nabla L$

Compute $\alpha_s^{\max}, \alpha_z^{\max}$ as in (III), (IV)

Update $x_{k+1}, s_{k+1}, y_{k+1}, z_{k+1}$

$\mu_{k+1} \leftarrow \mu_k$ (more on this later)

$k \leftarrow k+1$

end

Choose $\mu_k \in (0, \sigma \mu_k)$ (must $\mu_k \rightarrow 0$)

end

Thm 19.1: Assume we get out of the inner loop and $\mu_k \rightarrow 0$. Suppose f and c are ctly diff'ble. Then all limit points \hat{x} of $\{x_k\}$ are feasible. If any limit point \hat{x} satisfies LICQ, then the first order opt. conds hold at \hat{x} .

19.3 Algorithmic development

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* Modify to solve non-convex, non-linear problems from any initial estimate ...

Rewrite $(\nabla^2 \mathcal{L}) p = -\nabla \mathcal{L}$ by:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \nabla_{xx}^2 \mathcal{L} & 0 & A_E^T(x) & A_I^T(x) \\ 0 & \Sigma & 0 & -I \\ A_E(x) & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ A_I(x) & -I & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} p_x \\ p_s \\ -p_y \\ -p_z \end{bmatrix} = - \begin{bmatrix} \nabla \mathcal{L}(x) - A_E^T(x)y - A_I^T(x)z \\ z - \mu S^{-1}e \\ C_E(x) \\ C_I(x) - s \end{bmatrix}$$

Where: $\Sigma = S^{-1}Z$, the primal-dual system which allows a symmetric solver.

Primal vs primal-dual system

Starting from opt conds can yield:

$\Sigma = \mu S^{-2}$, the primal system

... prefer primal-dual!

Solving the primal-dual system:

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- Solve by Ch 16 methods

Problems to watch for:

- elements of $\Sigma \rightarrow \infty$ (can be handled)

- Avoid: $\oplus S, z$ very close to zero

$\textcircled{\text{II}}$ $\nabla_{xx}^2 L, A_E$ must maintain full-rank

- Safest: \rightarrow Direct linear algebra methods
 \rightarrow Pre-conditioning to cluster eigenvalues

Pre-condition:

Good: $\boxed{\tilde{P}_s = S^{-1} P_s} \Rightarrow \boxed{P_s = S \tilde{P}_s} \sim$ to substitute
and multiply 2nd eqn by S to get:

$$S \Sigma P_s = -S(z - \mu S^{-1} e)$$

$$\Rightarrow S \Sigma S \tilde{P}_s = -S z + \mu e$$

As $\mu \rightarrow 0$, get $S z \approx \mu I$, $S \Sigma S$ approx μI

Perfect: $\boxed{\tilde{P}_s = \Sigma^{-1/2} P_s} \sim$ best pre-conditioner

Iterative approaches:

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* GMRES, QMR, LSQR directly
in Golub & Van Loan

Effective approacher.

Iterative
+ works!

- ① Use a null-space approach to solve the primal-dual system and
- ② Apply apply projected CG given in algorithm 16.2

Updating the barrier parameter

Fiacco-McCormick approach in algorithm 19.1:

$$\mu_{k+1} = \sigma_k \mu_k, \quad \sigma_k \in (0, 1)$$

$$\sigma_k = \begin{cases} 0.1, & \text{when making significant progress} \\ 0.2, & \text{when not} \end{cases}$$

Get superlinear convergence for:

$$\sigma_k \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \tau \rightarrow 1$$

choose good x_0 , μ_0 , and Scaling.

Adaptive strategies (better).

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$$\mu_{k+1} = \sigma_k \frac{s_k^T z_k}{m}$$

with:

$$\sigma_k = 0.1 \min \left(0.05 \frac{1 - \bar{\gamma}_k}{\bar{\gamma}_k}, 2 \right)^3$$

$$\bar{\gamma}_k = \min_i \frac{[s_k]_i [z_k]_i}{(s^k)^T z^k / m}$$

reduces μ_k significantly for $\bar{\gamma}_k \approx 1$.

can also use predictor approacher.

Non-convexity and Singularity

Modify $\nabla^2 f$ to:

$$\begin{bmatrix} (\nabla_{xx}^2 f + \delta I) & 0 & A_E(x)^T & A_I(x)^T \\ 0 & \Sigma & 0 & -I \\ A_E(x) & 0 & -\gamma I & 0 \\ A_I(x) & -I & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

where γ, δ are chosen as given in the algorithm in appendix B.

Step acceptance: Merit functions and filters

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* determine whether the step is sufficient to be accepted.

* Can use merit functions or filters.

Exact merit function:

$$\Phi_v(x, s) = f(x) - \mu \sum_{i=1}^m \log(s_i) + \nu \|C_\epsilon(x)\| + \nu \|C_1(x) - s\|$$

Here, ν is a constant multiplying l_1 or l_2 norm.

* $\nu > 0$ is a penalty parameter as given in algorithm 18.5 (p. 554).

* note that we have:

$$\alpha_s \in (0, \alpha_s^{\max}), \quad \alpha_z \in (0, \alpha_z^{\max}]$$

for the search space for:

$$x^+ = x + \alpha_s p_x, \quad s^+ = s + \alpha_s p_s,$$

$$y^+ = y + \alpha_z p_y, \quad z^+ = z + \alpha_z p_z$$

The idea is to adjust α_s, α_z to ensure sufficient decrease in Φ_v .

* Recall possible "Maratos effect" (non-decreasing Φ may be needed ---) (see ch. 15 end for soln)

The objectives for the filters will be:

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$$\begin{cases} (I) & f(x) - \mu \sum_{i=1}^m \log s_i \\ (Li) & \| C_E(x), C_I(x) - s \| \end{cases}$$

* Also, a new P (also called step) will be accepted if better (not dominated) by anything we already have.

* Recall that we may need to employ a ~~phase~~^{feasibility} restoration phase where we restart the search based on the lowest value of $\| C_E(x), G_I(x) - s \|$.

* Again, we may have "Marator effect"
(see end of ch. 15)

Quasi-Newton Approximations

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Basic-idea

Approximate $\nabla_{xx}^2 L$ with B , the Hessian,

* This is not L-BFGS! L-BFGS worked with $H = B^{-1}$. Here, we are working with B only.

* BFGS must be modified as given in algorithm 18.2, page 537, described by damped BFGS updating. \Rightarrow Rejects negative curvature updates.

* For all algorithms apply:

- Replace $s_k = x_{k+1} - x_k$ by $\Delta x_k = x_{k+1} - x_k$

- Replace $y_k = \nabla f_{k+1} - \nabla f_k$ by Δl_k where:

$$\Delta l_k = \nabla_x L(x^+, s^+, y^+, z^+) - \nabla_x L(x, s^+, y^+, z^+)$$

\Rightarrow NB: Δl_k capture $\nabla_x L$ change after

s^+, y^+, z^+ are plugged in

\Rightarrow It comes from finalized x^+, s^+, y^+, z^+ .

From page 181, Thm 7.4, have:

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$$S_k = \begin{bmatrix} \uparrow \Delta x_0 \downarrow & \uparrow \Delta x_1 \downarrow & \cdots & \uparrow \Delta x_k \downarrow \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{for } k < \hat{m}$$

After $k \geq \hat{m}$, use:

$$S_k = \begin{bmatrix} \uparrow \Delta x_{k-\hat{m}} \downarrow & \cdots & \uparrow \Delta x_{k-1} \downarrow \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{of } n \times \hat{m} \text{ size.}$$

Similarly, for Y_k , afterwards, $k \geq \hat{m}$:

$$Y_k = \begin{bmatrix} \uparrow \Delta l_{k-\hat{m}} \downarrow & \uparrow \Delta l_{k-\hat{m}+1} \downarrow & \cdots & \uparrow \Delta l_{k-1} \downarrow \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{of } n \times \hat{m} \text{ size.}$$

Then:

$$B = \sum I + W M W^T \quad \text{in ch. 19.}$$

$$\sum > 0$$

for B_0

From theorem 7.4:

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$$B_k = \underbrace{\delta_k I}_{\Downarrow} - \underbrace{[\delta_k \delta_k^T \quad Y_k]}_{\Downarrow} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \delta_k \delta_k^T \delta_k & L_k \\ L_k^T & -P_k \end{bmatrix}}_{\Downarrow} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \delta_k \delta_k^T \\ Y_k^T \end{bmatrix}}_{\Downarrow_T}$$

$$\underline{\underline{\text{to}}}$$

$$B = \underbrace{\bar{\gamma}}_{n \times (2\hat{m})} I + \underbrace{W}_{n \times (2\hat{m})} \times \underbrace{M}_{(2\hat{m}) \times (2\hat{m})} \times \underbrace{W^T}_{(2\hat{m}) \times n}$$

On page 182, all of the terms need to be updated based on page 19.5 on how to replace δ_k, y_k by Δx_k and Δl_k .

From problem 19.14, this representation is used to reformulate (19.12): $(\nabla^2 \mathcal{L}_k) p = -\nabla \mathcal{L}$

by:

$$\nabla^2 \mathcal{L}_{k+1} = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{\gamma} I & 0 & A_E^T & A_I^T \\ 0 & \Sigma & 0 & I \\ A_E & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ A_I & I & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} W \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}}_{\text{is } U} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} MW^T & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}}_{\text{is } V^T}$$

This puts $\nabla^2 \mathcal{L}_k$ in the updating form of:

$$\nabla^2 \mathcal{L}_{k+1} = \nabla^2 \mathcal{L}_k + UV^T \quad (\text{see page 612})$$

In turn, this allows the application ¹⁹⁻¹⁸/₃₂ of the Sherman-Morrison-Woodbury formula:

$$\left(\nabla^2 \mathcal{L}_{k+1}\right)^{-1} = \left(\nabla^2 \mathcal{L}_k\right)^{-1} - \underbrace{\left(\nabla^2 \mathcal{L}_k\right)^{-1} U \left(I + V^T \left(\nabla^2 \mathcal{L}_k\right)^{-1} U\right)^{-1}}_{\leftarrow \times V^T \times \left(\nabla^2 \mathcal{L}_k\right)^{-1}}$$

Thus, the difficulty comes from having to work with the inverses.

Problem 19.14 shows:

$$\nabla^2 \mathcal{L}_k = C = \begin{bmatrix} D & A^T \\ A^T & 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ with } D = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{2}{3} I & 0 \\ 0 & \Sigma \end{bmatrix}, A = \begin{bmatrix} A_E & 0 \\ A_I & I \end{bmatrix}$$

so that to compute the step, we need

$$\underbrace{(C + UV^T)^{-1}}_{\text{step}} \underbrace{r}_{\nabla \mathcal{L}} = \underbrace{-s}_{\nabla \mathcal{L}}$$

which is

$$r = -(C + UV^T)^{-1} s = -\left(C^{-1} - C^{-1} U (I + V^T C^{-1} U)^{-1} V^T C^{-1}\right) s$$

with:

$$C^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} D^{-1} - D^{-1} A^T (A D^{-1} A^T)^{-1} A D^{-1} & D^{-1} A^T (A D^{-1} A^T)^{-1} \\ (A D^{-1} A^T)^{-1} A D^{-1} & - (A D^{-1} A^T)^{-1} \end{bmatrix} \quad \left. \vphantom{\begin{bmatrix} D^{-1} - D^{-1} A^T (A D^{-1} A^T)^{-1} A D^{-1} & D^{-1} A^T (A D^{-1} A^T)^{-1} \\ (A D^{-1} A^T)^{-1} A D^{-1} & - (A D^{-1} A^T)^{-1} \end{bmatrix}} \right\} \text{Compact}$$

Compact

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BFGS is supposedly used in
KNITRO/CG (free download for students)

Source code?

* L-BFGS-B does simple bounds and is also
free for download, with source code.

Feasible Interior-point Methods

Suppose that we must satisfy some constraints

Basic idea:

Set

$$s^+ \leftarrow C_{I_s}(x^+)$$

$\leftarrow C_{I_s}$

and test (x^+, s^+) if it is acceptable for
merit function ϕ .

{ If not, reject and pick "shorter" P .
For trust-region methods, you would also
reduce the trust-region width.

Note that: * $C_i(x^+) \leq 0 \Rightarrow \phi \rightarrow \infty$

* Also, $x + P_s$ close to bdry is rejected
since $-\log(s_i) \rightarrow +\infty$ for $s_i \rightarrow 0$.

Review of directional derivatives

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$$(A.51): \quad D(f(x); p) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x + \epsilon p) - f(x)}{\epsilon}$$

will work even if f is not continuously differentiable.

For the l_1 -norm:

$$\begin{aligned} D(\|x\|_1; p) &= \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{\|x + \epsilon p\|_1 - \|x\|_1}{\epsilon} \\ &= \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n |x_i + \epsilon p_i| - \sum_{i=1}^n |x_i|}{\epsilon} \end{aligned}$$

For $x_i > 0$, $x_i = 0$, $x_i < 0$, we get (for each component):

$$|x_i + \epsilon p_i| = \begin{cases} |x_i| + \epsilon p_i, & x_i > 0 \\ \epsilon |p_i|, & x_i = 0, \epsilon > 0 \\ |x_i| - \epsilon p_i, & x_i < 0 \end{cases} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{for } \epsilon \\ \text{sufficiently} \\ \text{small.} \end{array}$$

From:

$$|x_i + \epsilon p_i| = \begin{cases} x_i + \epsilon p_i & \text{if } x_i + \epsilon p_i > 0 \\ -x_i - \epsilon p_i & \text{if } x_i + \epsilon p_i < 0 \\ |x_i| & \text{for } x_i = 0 \end{cases} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{Here,} \\ \leftarrow -x_i = |x_i| \end{array}$$

This gives:

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$$D(\|x\|_1; p) = \sum_{i|x_i < 0} -p_i + \sum_{i|x_i > 0} p_i + \sum_{i|x_i = 0} |p_i|$$

for any x and p .

However, ∇f , $f(x) = \|x\|_1$, does not exist
if any one $x_i = 0$:



If f is continuously diff'ble, then

$$\nabla f(x)^T p = D(f(x); p)$$

will work for $f(x) = \|x\|_1$, $x_i > 0$.

19.4 A line-search interior-point method

Algorithm 19.2 will work but needs help with global convergence. On page 589, we have:

* monitor α_s, α_z to stay "large enough"

If (α_s, α_z are small) and we are using the filter method then

Apply feasibility restoration stage.

end

* Another approach is to run a trust region step when this happens.

* The problem comes from the fact that $\alpha_s, \alpha_z \rightarrow 0$ at non-stationary points.

* This will not happen with trust-region methods.

\Rightarrow We will focus on trust-region methods and skip algorithm 19.2.

19.5 A trust-region interior-point method

* more complex but works great!

An algorithm for solving the barrier problem.

* Use specialized SQP.

* A sequence of steps leads to (19.34). (bottom-up).

We want to solve the normal subproblem:

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{v=(v_x, v_s)} \quad & \|A_E(x)v_x + c_E(x)\|_2^2 + \|A_I(x)v_x - Sv_s + (c_I(x) - s)\|_2^2 \\ \text{subject to: } & \begin{cases} \|(v_x, v_s)\|_2 \leq 0.8\Delta \\ v_s \geq -(\tau/2)e. \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

To solve this, please note:

* $v_x = (v_{x1}, \dots, v_{xn})^T$ and $v_s = (v_{s1}, \dots, v_{s_m})^T$

make the $\|\cdot\|_2^2$ terms easy!

number
of Ineq.
Constr:

Recall: $\left\| \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix} \right\|_2^2 = v_1^2 + v_2^2$

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For the gradients ∇_v , ∇_v^2 , we only need to worry about terms like $(av_1 + b)^2$ with $[(av_1 + b)^2]' = 2(av_1 + b) \cdot a$. Easy!

Next, ignore $v_s \geq -(\tau/2)e$ initially.

Step 1. Solve the trust-region problem using std methods (eg: dogleg):

$$\min_{v=(v_x, v_s)} \|A_E(x)v_x + c_E(x)\|_2^2 + \|A_I(x)v_x - sv_s + (c_I(x) - s)\|_2^2$$

subject to: $\|(v_x, v_s)\|_2 \leq 0.8\Delta$

Step 2. Check if $v_s \geq -(\tau/2)e$ is satisfied. If not, then backtrack to make sure $v_s \geq -(\tau/2)e$ is satisfied.

Your textbook is not clear how to backtrack!

Using step-length ideas, we can find α^*

so that $\alpha^* v_s \geq -(\tau/2)e$ and

pick α^* closer to 1.

We then form the residuals:

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$$r_E = A_E(x) v_x + c_E(x)$$

$$r_I = A_I(x) v_x - S v_s + (c_I(x) - s)$$

Also, define the projection matrix:

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} I & \hat{A}^T \\ \hat{A} & 0 \end{bmatrix} \sim (*)$$

with:

$$\hat{A} = \begin{bmatrix} A_E(x) & 0 \\ A_I(x) & -S \end{bmatrix}$$

Reformulate (19.33) as a QP to be solved by Algorithm 16.2.

Recall the basic algorithm is to solve (p. 451):

$$\min_x q(x) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{1}{2} x^T G x + x^T c$$

$$\text{subject to: } Ax = b$$

Here, we want to apply this algorithm to:

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{P_x, \tilde{P}_s} & \nabla f^T P_x + \frac{1}{2} P_x^T \nabla_{xx}^2 f P_x - \mu e^T \tilde{P}_s \\ & + \frac{1}{2} \tilde{P}_s^T S \Sigma S \tilde{P}_s \end{aligned}$$

subject to:

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$$A_I(x) p_x - S \tilde{p}_s + (c_I(x) - s) = r_I$$

$$A_E(x) p_x + C_E(x) = r_E$$

After forming G, c, A , " x " = $\begin{bmatrix} p_x \\ \tilde{p}_s \end{bmatrix}$ from this

problem, with P given in $(*)$, we

run the Projected CG method to generate " x " = $\begin{bmatrix} p_x \\ \tilde{p}_s \end{bmatrix}$, where we terminate

the projected CG by following Steihaug's rules: Stop if:

* $\|(p_x, \tilde{p}_s)\| \leq \Delta$ is about to be violated.

We are increasing $\|(p_x, \tilde{p}_s)\|$ as we go.

* Negative curvature is detected or

* Solution is satisfactory (i.e. $r \approx 0$).

After this, return to (19.32):

$$\tilde{P} = \begin{bmatrix} p_x \\ \tilde{p}_s \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} p_x \\ S^{-1} p_s \end{bmatrix} \text{ to solve for } p_s.$$

Lagrange multipliers estimates and step acceptance

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For fixed (x, s) , we choose the Lagrange multipliers using:

$$\begin{bmatrix} y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = (\hat{A} \hat{A}^T)^{-1} \hat{A} \begin{bmatrix} \nabla f(x) \\ -\mu e \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{"Least-squares estimate"}$$

with:

$$\hat{A} = \begin{bmatrix} A_E(x) & 0 \\ A_I(x) & -s \end{bmatrix}$$

To enforce the required positivity:

$$z_i \leftarrow \min(10^{-3}, \mu/s_i), \quad i=1, 2, \dots, m.$$

To determine if we can accept the generated step, define:

$$\text{ared}(p) = \phi_v(x, s) - \phi_v(x + p_x, s + p_s) > 0$$

$$\text{pred}(p) = q_v(0) - q_v(p)$$

with:

$$q_v(p) = \nabla f^T p_x + \frac{1}{2} p_x^T \nabla_{xx}^2 L p_x - \mu e^T S^{-1} p_s + \frac{1}{2} p_s^T \Sigma p_s + v m(p)$$

and

$$m(p) = \left\| \begin{bmatrix} A_E(x) p_x + c_E(x) \\ A_I(x) p_x - p_s + c_I(x) - s \end{bmatrix} \right\|_2$$

Here, v is a penalty parameter that needs to be set so as to require:

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$$\text{pred}(p) \geq pV(m(w) - m(p)), \text{ some } p \in (0, 1)$$

So, we want:

$$q_v(w) - q_v(p) \geq pV(m(w) - m(p)) \sim (**)$$

To guarantee $(**)$, if it was satisfied in the previous iteration, then bring v from that iteration. Else, by (15.36), we need:

$$v \geq \frac{\nabla f^T P_x + (\sigma/2) P_x^T \nabla_{xx}^2 f P_x}{(1-p) \left\| \begin{bmatrix} c_e(x) \\ c_I(x) - s \end{bmatrix} \right\|}$$

to be satisfied by a margin.

Plug-in $(**)$ to verify.

We then require

$$\boxed{\text{ared}(p) \geq \eta \text{pred}(p)} \quad \text{--- } \textcircled{\Delta}$$

with $\eta = 10^{-8}$ (approx.).

If $\textcircled{\Delta}$ is not satisfied, we reject p .

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Choose $\eta > 0, \tau \in (0, 1), \sigma \in (0, 1), \zeta \in (0, 1)$

Set tolerances: $\epsilon_\mu, \epsilon_{\text{TOL}}$.

If using Quasi-Newton, select initial B_0 (symmetric)

Choose $\mu > 0, x_0, s_0 > 0, \Delta_0$.

$k \leftarrow 0$

Repeat until $E(x_k, s_k, y_k, z_k; 0) \leq \epsilon_{\text{TOL}}$ Final condition $(\mu=0)$

Repeat until $E(x_k, s_k, y_k, z_k; \mu) \leq \epsilon_\mu$

Compute y, z using (19-26) (19.37-38 in book)

Compute $\nabla_{xx}^2 L(x_k, s_k, y_k, z_k)$ or
update quasi-Newton approximation

B_k , with $\Sigma_k = S^{-1}Z$

Compute $v_k = (v_x, v_s)$ see pages (19-22)-(19-23)

Compute \hat{P}_k by projected CG method

Set $P_s = \tilde{S} \hat{P}_s$

Update the penalty V_k
to satisfy: $\text{pred}(P) \geq \rho v(m(0) - m(P))$

Compute $\text{pred}_k(P_k), \text{ared}_k(P_k)$

If $\text{ared}_k(p_k) \geq \eta \text{pred}_k(p_k)$

Set $x_{k+1} \leftarrow x_k + p_x$

Set $s_{k+1} \leftarrow s_k + p_s$

Choose $\Delta_{k+1} \geq \Delta_k$

} success

Else

Set $x_{k+1} = x_k$

Set $s_{k+1} = s_k$

Choose $\Delta_{k+1} < \Delta_k$

} Failed

endif

$k \leftarrow k+1$

end (inside loop)

Set $\mu \leftarrow \sigma\mu$, update ϵ_μ .

end (outside loop)

We can stop for $\epsilon_\mu = \mu$

Notes: * This is KNITRO/CG

* May need to address Maratos effect.

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Thm 19.2 Suppose that the algorithm is applied (trust-region inner loop only), μ is fixed, $\epsilon_\mu = 0$. Suppose $\{f_k\}$ is bounded below and $\{\nabla f_k\}, \{c_k\}, \{A_k\}, \{B_k\}$ are bounded.

Then, one of the following three happens:

(I) $\{x_k\}$ is not asymptotically feasible

Then, $A_k c_k \rightarrow 0$ and $V_k \rightarrow \infty$.

(II) $\{x_k\}$ is asymptotically feasible, but $\{(c_k, A_k)\}$ has (\bar{c}, \bar{A}) limit point failing linear independence. Here, $V_k \rightarrow \infty$ also.

(III) $\{x_k\}$ is asymptotically feasible, and all limit points $\{(c_k, A_k)\}$ satisfy the linear independence constraint qualification $V_k \rightarrow \text{constant}$, $c_k > 0$ for large k and the stationarity conditions are satisfied in the limit.

Proven for $\Sigma = \mu 5^{-2}$ in [48]

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Basic idea: Monitor V_k for convergence.

Also, recall theorem 19.1 talks about convergence of the basic method.

19.8 Superlinear Convergence

* decrease μ , decrease ϵ_μ , $\tau \rightarrow 1$ sufficiently rapidly.

For line-search:

$$\epsilon_\mu = \Theta \mu, \quad \epsilon_{\mu^+} = \Theta \mu^+, \quad \Theta > 0$$

Then:

$$\mu^+ = \mu^{1+\delta}, \quad \delta \in (0, 1)$$

$$\tau = 1 - \mu^\beta \quad \text{with } \beta > \delta.$$

Do not decrease μ faster than quadratic.

If $\mu^+ = \sigma \mu$, $\sigma \in (0, 1)$ gives linear convergence.

* Superlinear only achieved at the end iterations.

19.9 Perspectives and SW

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- * KNITRO / CG for trust-region algorithm.
[50] for details on the algorithm.
- * KNITRO advertized a lot.