Assignment 1

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1. Min cost Multi commodity flow

Let $x_{i,j}^{(k)}$ be the amount of k commodity that is sent from node i to node j. The optimisation model to solve the min cost multi commodity flow problem is as follows.

minimize
$$\sum_{(i,j)\in\mathcal{E}}\sum_{k}^{L}c_{i,j}^{(k)}x_{i,j}^{(k)}$$
 subject to
$$\sum_{k}^{L}x_{i,j}^{(k)}\leq u_{i,j},\ \forall (i,j)\in\mathcal{E}$$
 and
$$x_{i,j}^{(k)}\geq 0,\ \forall (i,j)\in\mathcal{E},\ 1\leq k\leq L$$
 and
$$\sum_{j}x_{i,j}^{(k)}-\sum_{j}x_{j,i}^{(k)}=\begin{cases} d_k,\ \text{if }i=s_k,\ 1\leq k\leq L\\ -d_k,\ \text{if }i=t_k,\ 1\leq k\leq L\\ 0\ \text{else} \end{cases}$$

2. Minimise f over feasible set

(a)

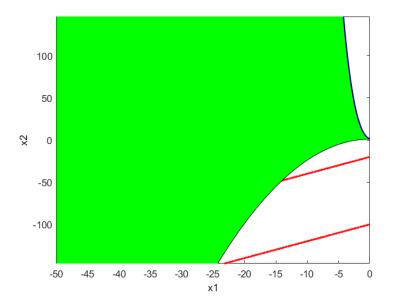


Figure 1: Feasible Region, S

Where the feasible region is in green, and the red lines denote the function to be minimised at different values, with the 2nd red line having a smaller value of f(x) than the red line on top.

(b)

let
$$C_1 = \{ \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid (1 - x_1)^3 - x_2 \ge 0 \}$$
 and $C_2 = \{ \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid x_2 + 0.25x_1^2 - 1 \ge 0 \}$
Then, since both C_1 and C_2 are of the form: $\{ \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid g(x) \ge 0 \}$

using proposition 2.8, we can conclude that both C_1 and C_2 are closed. Then since the feasible set is the intersection of C_1 and C_2 , and the intersection of 2 closed sets is closed, $C_1 \cap C_2$, the feasible set, is also closed.

(c)

We follow the same sets as in (b): C_1 and C_2 .

First we investigate if C_1 is bounded. For C_1 , we can see that $x_2 \leq (1 - x_1)^3$, and at $(1 - x_1)^3 - x_2 = 0$, $x_2 = (1 - x_1)^3 \in C_1$ by letting $x_1 \to \infty$ and $x_1 \to -\infty$, we have that

$$\lim_{x_1 \to \infty} x_2 = \lim_{x_1 \to \infty} (1 - x_1)^3 = -\infty$$

and

$$\lim_{x_1 \to -\infty} x_2 = \lim_{x_1 \to -\infty} (1 - x_1)^3 = \infty$$

respectively.

And thus we have that for $C_1, x_2 \in (-\infty, \infty)$. Therefore, C_1 is unbounded.

For C_2 , we can see that $x_2 \ge 1 - 0.25x_1^2$, i.e x_2 is lower bounded by $1 - 0.25x_1^2$, and x_2 is upper bounded by $-1 + 0.25x_1^2$. so by letting $x_1 \to -\infty$ or $x_1 \to \infty$, at $x_2 + 0.25x_1^2 - 1 = 0$, $x_2 = 1 - 0.25x_1^2 \in C_2$, we obtain the lower bound of x_2 :

$$\lim_{x_1 \to \infty} x_2 = \lim_{x_1 \to -\infty} 1 - 0.25x_1^2 = -\infty$$

and the upper bound of x_2 :

$$\lim_{x_1 \to \infty} x_2 = \lim_{x_1 \to \infty} 0.25x_1^2 - 1 = \infty$$

And thus we have that for $C_2, x_2 \in (-\infty, \infty)$. Therefore, C_2 is unbounded.

Since the feasible set must fulfill the conditions of both C_1 and C_2 , we can denote the feasible set by $C_1 \cap C_2$. Then, for C_{12} , $x_2 \leq (1-x_1)^3$ and $x_2 \geq 1-0.25x_1^2$, i.e x_2 in the feasible set is lower bounded by $1-0.25x_1^2$ and upper bounded by $(1-x_1)^3$. Then as $x_1 \to -\infty$,

$$\lim_{x_1 \to \infty} 1 - 0.25x_1^2 = -\infty$$

and

$$\lim_{x_1 \to \infty} (1 - x_1)^3 = \infty$$

Which indicates that for the feasible set, $x_2 \in (\infty, \infty)$, and therefore, $C_1 \cap C_2$ is unbounded.

(d)

No, a minimiser for $f(x) = -2x_1 + x_2$ does not exist. Since x_2 is unbounded, as $f(x) \to -\infty$, $x_2 \to -\infty$, and f(x) moves along the lower bound of the feasible set, $1 - 0.25x_1^2$, along which there is no stationary point, and thus within any neighbourhood, we can always find a value of f(x) smaller.

3. Existence of Global Minimiser

Let **0** denote the 0 vector. Let us begin by proving that $f(\mathbf{0}) < 1$. We proceed by contradiction.

First, we note that $\|\mathbf{x}\|_{\infty} \geq 0$ by definition, since it is the maximum of the absolute values in a vector.

Suppose $f(\mathbf{0}) \geq 1$. Then $\exists r$ such that $\|\mathbf{0}\|_{\infty} \geq r \implies r = 0$. Then by the properties of f, $\exists \hat{\mathbf{x}}$ s.t $\|\hat{\mathbf{x}}\|_{\infty} < r = 0$. This is not possible, since $\|\mathbf{x}\|_{\infty} \geq 0$, and thus we obtain a contradiction, and can conclude that $f(\mathbf{0}) < 1$.

Now, let us choose r = 1. Then we can construct a set $C_1 = \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n | \|\mathbf{x}\|_{\infty} \le 1\}$ where $\mathbf{0} \in C_1$, since $\|\mathbf{0}\|_{\infty} < 1$.

Thus there exists at least 1 $\hat{\mathbf{x}} \in C_1$ where $f(\hat{\mathbf{x}}) < 1$ since we have $f(\mathbf{0}) < 1$, and by the properties of f. Additionally, we have that $\forall \mathbf{y} \notin C_1$, $\|\mathbf{y}\|_{\infty} > 1$ where $\mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n$, and by

the properties of f, $f(\mathbf{y}) \geq 1$. This implies that $\forall \mathbf{y} \notin C_1$ and $\hat{\mathbf{x}} \in C_1, f(\mathbf{y}) > f(\hat{\mathbf{x}})$, since $f(\hat{\mathbf{x}}) < 1$.

We then observe that C_1 is closed and bounded, and thus by Weierstrass's theorem, $\exists \mathbf{x}^*$ such that $\forall \mathbf{x} \in C_r, f(\mathbf{x}^*) \leq f(\mathbf{x})$, i.e \mathbf{x}^* is the global minimiser on C_1 .

Therefore, we have that $f(\mathbf{x}^*) \leq f(\hat{\mathbf{x}}) < f(\mathbf{y})$ for $\mathbf{y} \notin C_1$, and so we conclude that $f(\mathbf{x}^*) \leq f(\mathbf{x}) \ \forall \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$, thus f has a global minimiser, \mathbf{x}^* .

4. Convexity of negative log likelihood

(a)

To show convexity, we first we obtain $H_f(x)$ by differentiating $f(x) = log(1 + e^{-x})$

$$\nabla f(x) = \frac{-e^{-x}}{1 + e^{-x}} = \frac{-1}{1 + e^x}$$

Differentiating once more,

$$H_f(x) = \frac{e^x}{(1+e^x)^2}$$

We observe that $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}, e^x > 0$, and $e^{-x} = \frac{1}{e^x} > 0$. Therefore,

$$H_f(x) = \frac{e^x}{(1 + e^x)^2} > 0$$

 $H_f(x)$ is positive definite and thus by theorem 3.2, $f(x) = log(1 + e^{-x})$ is convex over \mathbb{R} .

(b)

First we note, as seen in example 3.7, Chapter 3 of our lecture notes, for any affine function $h(\boldsymbol{w}) = \boldsymbol{a}^T \boldsymbol{x} + b$ with $\boldsymbol{a} \in \mathbb{R}, b \in \mathbb{R}$,

$$h(\lambda \mathbf{w_0} + (1 - \lambda)\mathbf{w_1}) = \lambda h(\mathbf{w_0}) + (1 - \lambda)h(\mathbf{w_1})$$

for $\lambda \in [0, 1], w_0, w_1 \in \mathbb{R}^n$.

Thus, for any $f(\mathbf{w}) = g(h(\mathbf{w}))$ where g is a convex function, and an affine function $h(\mathbf{w}) = A\mathbf{w} + \mathbf{b}$ with $A \in \mathbb{R}^{mxp}, \mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}$ we have

$$f(\lambda \mathbf{w_0} + (1 - \lambda)\mathbf{w_1}) = g(h(\lambda \mathbf{w_0} + (1 - \lambda)\mathbf{w_1}))$$

= $g(\lambda h(\mathbf{w_0}) + (1 - \lambda)h(\mathbf{w_1}))$
 $\leq \lambda g(h(\mathbf{w_0})) + (1 - \lambda)g(h(\mathbf{w_1}))$

and thus by Definition 3.2, f, the composition of a convex and affine function, is convex.

(c)

Since $f(x) = log(1 + e^{-x})$ is convex, and $h(\mathbf{w}) = c\mathbf{w}^T\mathbf{x_i}$ for some $c \in \mathbb{R}$ is an affine function, using (b), $f(h(\mathbf{w}))$ is convex. Since the sum of convex functions is convex by corollary 3.1, let $c = y_i$, and we have that $l(\mathbf{w}) = \sum_{i=1}^n log(1 + e^{-y_i\mathbf{w}^T\mathbf{x_i}})$ is convex.

5. Logistic Regression, Spam email

(a)

$$\nabla l(\mathbf{w}) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{-y_i \mathbf{X_i} e^{-y_i \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{X_i}}}{1 + e^{-y_i \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{X_i}}}$$
$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} -\frac{y_i \mathbf{X_i}}{1 + e^{y_i \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{X_i}}}$$

(b)

Written in python. Gradient function was tested with test_grad() function

```
1 import numpy as np
 2 import math
 3 from scipy.io import loadmat
 4 import time
6 ### DSA3102 CONVEX OPTIMISATION HW1 ###
7 ## Author: Sebastian Lie
  mat = loadmat('HW1data.mat')
11 testx = mat["Xtest"]
trainx = mat["Xtrain"] # (3065,57)
13 testy = mat["ytest"] \# (3065,1)
14 trainy = mat["ytrain"]
16 ## exact line search methods ##
17
  def gprime(w,d,t,X,y):
18
       res = 0
19
       for i in range (len(X)):
20
            \exp - \operatorname{part} = \operatorname{np.exp}(-y[i] * \operatorname{np.dot}(w,X[i])) * \operatorname{np.exp}(-y[i] * t * \operatorname{np.dot}(
21
       d,X[i]))
            numerator = -y[i]*np.dot(np.transpose(d),X[i])*exp_part
            res = res + (numerator/(1+exp_part))
23
       print (res)
24
       return res[0]
25
26
def gprimeprime (w, d, t, X, y):
28
       res = 0
       for i in range (len(X)):
            \exp_{part} = \operatorname{np.exp}(-y[i] * \operatorname{np.dot}(\operatorname{np.transpose}(w), X[i])) * \operatorname{np.exp}(-y[i])
        *t* np. dot(np. transpose(d), X[i])
            numerator = (-y[i]*np.dot(np.transpose(d),X[i])**2)*exp_part
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res = res + (numerator/(1+exp_part)**2)
32
33
       print (res[0])
       return res[0]
34
35
  def newtons (w, d, tol):
36
       t = 1
37
       while abs(gprime(w,d,t,trainx,trainy)) > tol:
38
39
40
           t = t - (gprime(w,d,t,trainx,trainy)/gprimeprime(w,d,t,trainx,trainy))
41
       return t
42
  def golden_search(w, d, a, b, maxit, tol):
43
44
       phi = (sqrt(5.0) - 1)/2.0
45
       lam = b - phi*(b - a)
46
      mu = a + phi *(b-a)
47
       flam = loglikelihood (w+lam*d, trainx, trainy)
48
       fmu = loglikelihood (w+mu*d, trainx, trainy)
49
       for i in range (maxit):
50
           if flam > fmu:
51
               a = lam
               lam = mu
54
               mu = a + phi*(b-a)
               fmu = loglikelihood (w+mu*d, trainx, trainy)
           else:
56
               b = mu
57
               mu = lam
58
               fmu = flam
                lam = b - phi*(b-a)
60
                flam = loglikelihood (w+lam*d, trainx, trainy)
61
62
           if (b-a) \ll tol:
63
                break
64
       return (b-a)/2
65
66
67
  def bisection (a,b,tol):
68
       maxit = 10000
       la = loglikelihood(a, trainx, trainy)
70
       lb = log likelihood(b, trainx, trainy)
71
72
       for i in range (maxit):
           x = (a+b)/2
74
           lx = log likelihood(x, trainx, trainy)
75
           if (lx * lb \le 0):
76
               a = x
77
                la = lx
78
           else:
80
               b = x
81
               lb = lx
           if (b-a) < tol:
82
                break
83
84
       return x
85
```

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def armijo (alpha_bar, w, d, beta, sigma):
        fx0 = loglikelihood (w, trainx, trainy)
        alpha = alpha_bar
89
        delta = np.dot(loglikelihood_grad(w, trainx, trainy),d)
90
        while loglikelihood (w+alpha*d, trainx, trainy) > fx0 + alpha*sigma*delta:
91
            alpha = beta * alpha
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        return alpha
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   ## Objective function and its gradient ##
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98
   def loglikelihood (w, X, y):
99
        result = 0
100
        for i in range (len(X)):
            \exp_{part} = \operatorname{np.exp}(-y[i] * \operatorname{np.dot}(\operatorname{np.transpose}(w), X[i]))
102
            result += np.log(1+exp_part)
        return result
104
   def loglikelihood_grad(w, X, y):
106
107
        grad = np. zeros (57)
        for i in range (len(X)):
108
109
            \exp_{part} = \operatorname{np.exp}(-y[i] * \operatorname{np.dot}(\operatorname{np.transpose}(w), X[i]))
            numerator = -y[i]*exp_part*X[i]
110
            grad = grad +(numerator/(1+exp_part))
        return grad
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   ## Steepest descent ##
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117
118
   def sigmoid(x):
119
        return 1/(1 + np.exp(-x))
120
   def steepest_descent (X, y, w0, maxit, tol, *line_search_params): # use varargs
123
        step\_size = 1
124
        w = w0 \# inital guess
        line_search_method = line_search_params[0]
126
        obj_value_list = list()
        num_iter = 0
        for i in range (maxit):
129
130
            grad = loglikelihood_grad (w, trainx, trainy)
            d = -grad
            norm_d = np. linalg.norm(d)
133
            if norm_d < tol:
134
135
                 break
136
            obj_value = loglikelihood (w, trainx, trainy) [0]
            obj_value_list.append(obj_value)
            print("Iteration {0}:obj = {1:9.3 f}".format(i,norm_d))
138
            if norm_d < tol:
139
140
                 break
            else:
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142
                if line_search_method == "armijo":
                    beta = line_search_params[1]
144
                    sigma = line_search_params[2]
145
                    w_prev = w
146
                     step_size = armijo(step_size, w,d, beta, sigma)
147
148
                elif line_search_method == "fixed":
149
                     step_size = line_search_params[1]
                     w_{prev} = w
152
                elif line_search_method == "exact":
                    step\_size = newtons(w,d,0.1)
154
                elif line_search_method == "diminishing":
                     step_size = line_search_params[1]/math.sqrt(i)
157
158
                else: # default is armijos
                    w_prev = w
160
                     step\_size = armijo(step\_size, w, d, 0.7, 0.2)
161
162
                # update
163
164
                w = w + step_size * d
                num_iter += 1
165
166
       return w, obj_value_list , num_iter
167
168
   def predict (w, xtest, ytest):
170
       if len(w) != len(xtest):
           w = np.transpose(w)
172
       yhat = sigmoid(np.dot(xtest,w))
       yhat = np. from iter (map(lambda x: 1 if x > 0.5 else -1, yhat), dtype=np.
174
       double)
       correct = 0
176
       for i in range(len(yhat)):
177
          if yhat[i] == ytest[i]:
            correct += 1
178
       return correct/len(yhat)
179
180
   ## Helper functions that produce useful things ##
181
182
183 # Vimpt
   def test_grad(): # proof that grad function works well enough
184
       alp = 1*10**(-8)
185
       x = np.random.rand(57)
186
       differences = list()
187
       for i in range (57):
189
            e0 = np.zeros(57)
190
            e0[i] = 1 \# test 0th part
            diff = loglikelihood_grad(x, trainx, trainy)[i] - (loglikelihood(x+alp*
191
       e0, trainx, trainy)-loglikelihood(x, trainx, trainy))/alp
            differences.append(round(diff[0],5))
102
193
       return differences
```

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195 Produced:
   \begin{bmatrix} -0.01087, -0.00607, -0.00211, -0.00653, -0.00775, -0.00695, -0.01511, \end{bmatrix}
       -0.00564, -0.01248, -0.00927, -0.01077, -0.00991, -0.00842, -0.00685,
       -0.00771, -0.007,
   -0.01319, -0.01054, -0.0055, -0.00613, -0.01242, -0.00824, -0.00657, -0.00809,
        -0.00528, -0.00606, -0.0072, -0.00767, -0.00747, -0.0079, -0.00731,
       -0.00784,
   -0.00672, -0.00775, -0.00796, -0.01021, -0.00604, -0.00764, -0.00567,
       -0.00743, -0.00753,
   -0.00705, -0.00747, -0.00642, -0.00621, -0.00564, -0.00703, -0.00686, -0.005,
       -0.00376, -0.00468, 0.00207, -0.00642, -0.00411, -0.00089, -0.00049,
       -0.00891
200
201
   def GridSearch():
202
203
       # find best armijo parameters and initial solution
204
       for b in np.arange(0.1,1,0.1): # use arange cos need to iterate through
205
       floats
            for s in np.arange(0.1,0.5,0.1):
206
                start =time.time()
207
                wA = steepest_descent (trainx, trainy, np. zeros (57), 100000, 0.5,"
       armijo", b, s)
                end = time.time()
209
                acc_dict["w0 = 0, Armijo beta = \{0\}, sigma = \{1\}".format(b,s)] = (
       predict(wA, testx, testy), end-start)
       for b in np.arange (0.1, 1, 0.1):
211
            for s in np. arange (0.1, 0.5, 0.1):
                start =time.time()
213
                wA = steepest_descent (trainx, trainy, np.ones(57), 100000, 0.5, "armijo
214
       ",b,s)
                end =time.time()
215
                acc_dict["w0 = 1, Armijo beta = \{0\}, sigma = \{1\}".format(b,s)] = (
216
       predict(wA, testx , testy) ,end-start)
       for b in np. arange (0.1, 1, 0.1):
217
218
            for s in np.arange (0.1, 0.5, 0.1):
219
                start =time.time()
                wA = steepest\_descent(trainx, trainy, -1*np.ones(57), 100000, 0.5,"
       armijo", b, s)
                end = time.time()
221
                acc_dict["w0 = -1, Armijo beta = \{0\}, sigma = \{1\}".format(b, s)] =
222
       (predict (wA, testx, testy), end-start)
223
224
   def plot_results():
226
       wA, armijo_obj_values, num_iter1 = steepest_descent(trainx, trainy, np.ones
227
       (57),100000,100," armijo",0.7,0.2)
       wA2, armijo_obj_values2, num_iter2 = steepest_descent(trainx,trainy,np.
       ones (57), 100000, 100, "armijo", 0.7, 0.1)
       fig , ax = plt.subplots()
230
       ax.plot(armijo_obj_values, range(1,num_iter1+1), 'r',label="beta = 0.7,
231
       sigma = 0.2")
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ax.plot(armijo_obj_values2, range(1,num_iter2+1), 'b',label="beta = 0.7,
232
       sigma = 0.1")
       plt.xlabel("Objective function values, Armijo's Step Size Strategy")
233
       plt.ylabel("Number of iterations")
234
       legend = ax.legend(loc='upper right', fontsize='small')
235
       plt.show()
236
237
       wf, fixed_obj_values, num_iter3 = steepest_descent(trainx, trainy, np.ones
238
       (57),100000,150," fixed",0.001)
       wf2, fixed_obj_values2, num_iter4 = steepest_descent(trainx, trainy, np.ones
239
       (57),100000,150," fixed",0.0005)
240
       fig, ax = plt.subplots()
241
       ax.plot(fixed_obj_values, range(1,num_iter3+1), 'r',label="Step Size =
242
       0.001")
       ax.plot(fixed_obj_values2, range(1,num_iter4+1), 'b',label="Step Size =
243
       0.0005")
       plt.xlabel("Objective function values, Fixed Step Size Strategy")
244
       plt.ylabel("Number of iterations")
245
       legend = ax.legend(loc='upper right', fontsize='small')
246
       plt.show()
247
249 #GridSearch()
250 #plot_results()
```

(c)

I tried fixed step size, exact line search using newton's method, and armijo step size strategies.

Although I am fairly certain I implemented newton's method correctly, I continually get math overflow errors, and am unable to obtain a solution using newton's method. It is possible that I am simply trying the values that cause overflow, but I have tried a combination of values and come to the conclusion that the twice differentiated function of g(t) gives huge values that cannot be dealt with. Exact line search using the bisection method or golden section search is also quite difficult since the intervals to use are not easily found, and so are not reasonable step size strategies to use. Thus, I rule out exact line search.

I then tried fixed step sizes, but at first ran into math overflow errors as well. However, I realised my step sizes were simply too big. I then used step sizes 0.001, 0.0001 and 0.0005, and was able to obtain a solution for these. Using these fixed step sizes, and a stopping criterion of 200, I was able to obtain 93% accuracy, and a relatively fast convergence of 100-200 iterations. However, when I observed the value of the norm of d through each iteration using fixed step size, I realised that the norm of d was not monotonically decreasing, e.g at iteration 83 norm d=594, but at iteration 95 norm d=740, and it would jump periodically. Investigating further, I lowered the stopping criterion to 100 and observed the objective function values at every iteration. As we can see by the plot in part g, the objective function does not monotonically decrease! Not only that, but it cannot hit the stopping criterion of 100 (Or it might take an inane amount of iterations): I ran it for

30,000+ iterations before finally manually halting the program. This suggests that fixed step sizes are not optimal, and it will be almost impossible for fixed step size strategy to obtain a low value of norm d (grad at current w).

Using armijo's I was able to obtain similar results as compared to fixed step sizes, obtaining about 93% accuracy, although steepest descent with armijo's rule converged more slowly than a fixed step size strategy. However, when I searched for the best parameters and initial solutions, I found that with a few conditions, Armijo's was able to halt with a stopping criterion of 100 within 178 iterations with 93.6% accuracy! This, coupled with the fact that the objective function value under armijo's rule monotonically decreases (see part g), leads me to conclude that armijo's rule is the best step size strategy here(that I have tried, at least).

(d)

To choose the initial solution, I considered 3 possibilities. Positive, negative and 0. To simplify my picks, I tried steepest descent with armijo's rule and different values of beta and sigma with a vector of 1s, -1s, and 0s, and a stopping criterion of 100.

Test accuracy wise, 0 has the lowest, with 0.929 accuracy for nearly all combinations of beta and sigma. It also is the slowest, requiring a high number of iterations in general (around 600+ at minimum) to hit it's stopping criterion of 100.

Next is -1. It has around 0.929-0.932 test accuracy, and the time taken can vary, taking 26 seconds at the fastest, and 152 seconds at its slowest. However, the vector of 1s is far and away the best choice. All combinations of beta and sigma took less than 50 seconds to complete, and the best combination for test accuracy had a 0.9368 accuracy, which ran in 24 secs, a major leg up above both 0s and -1s. Thus, I choose a vector of 1s for my initial solution.

(e)

I initially chose a stopping criterion of 10, however, it took an unreasonable amount of time to compute on some step size strategies, and I increased it to 200. I found that at 200, I was able to achieve test accuracies of about 92%, and at a stopping criterion of 10 I got a best test accuracy of 94.3%, but at the cost of 1500 iterations more. Thus, I compromised, and used 100 as a stopping criterion, which at best gave me a 93.7% test accuracy and a 94+% train accuracy. Thus it gives me high accuracy of predictions, at a relatively short runtime. However, I cannot deny that a lower stopping criterion gives higher test accuracy, thus in the table for part f, I have included 1 version of steepest descent with armijo's rule and a stopping criterion of 10.

(f)

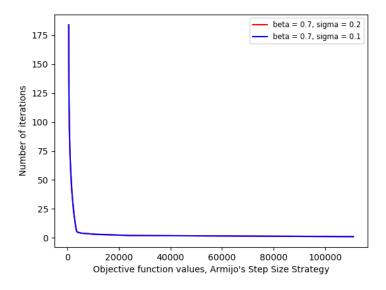


Figure 2: Plot of objective function vs number of iterations using Armijo's step size strategy

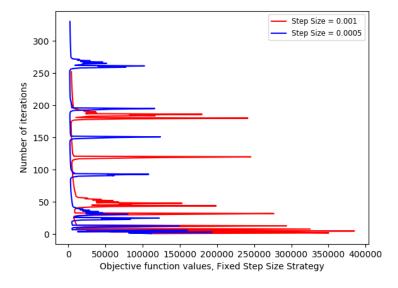


Figure 3: Plot of objective function vs number of iterations using fixed step size strategy

(g)

These results are some of the best of the results I have obtained exploring different combinations of beta and sigma values for my chosen step size strategy, armijo's rule. Initial solution is a vector of 1s, and with a stopping criterion of 100 except for the last entry.

Table 1: Accuracy, iterations for steepest descent with armijo's rule, initial = 1

Step Size Strategy	Time Taken	Iterations	Train Accuracy	Test Accuracy
Armijo beta = 0.7 , sigma = 0.1	24.866	178	0.9452	0.9368
Armijo beta = 0.7 , sigma = 0.4	23.955	172	0.9455	0.9355
Armijo beta = 0.6 , sigma = 0.1	28.107	193	0.9442	0.9361
Armijo beta = 0.7 , sigma = 0.1 , (10)	364.127	1623	0.9481	0.9433

Where the last entry has the same armijo's parameters as the first entry, albeit with a stopping criterion of 10 instead of 100.

Appendix

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