## A RIEMANNIAN BFGS METHOD WITHOUT DIFFERENTIATED RETRACTION FOR NONCONVEX OPTIMIZATION PROBLEMS\*

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Abstract. In this paper, a Riemannian BFGS method for minimizing a smooth function on a Riemannian manifold is defined, based on a Riemannian generalization of a cautious update and a weak line search condition. It is proven that the Riemannian BFGS method converges (i) globally to stationary points without assuming the objective function to be convex and (ii) superlinearly to a nondegenerate minimizer. Using the weak line search condition removes the need for information from differentiated retraction. The joint matrix diagonalization problem is chosen to demonstrate the performance of the algorithms with various parameters, line search conditions, and pairs of retraction and vector transport. A preliminary version can be found in [Numerical Mathematics and Advanced Applications: ENUMATH 2015, Lect. Notes Comput. Sci. Eng. 112, Springer, New York, 2016, pp. 627–634].

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1. Introduction. In the Euclidean setting, the BFGS method is a well-known quasi-Newton method that has been viewed for many years as the best quasi-Newton method for solving unconstrained optimization problems [DS83, NW06]. Its global and superlinear local convergence have been analyzed in many papers for convex problems (see [DS83] and references therein). For many years, it was not clear whether the standard BFGS method could be shown to converge globally for a nonconvex cost function. In fact, it is only recently that [Dai13] has given an example where the cost function is smooth (polynomial) and nonconvex and the BFGS method cannot converge, which means that modifications of the BFGS method are required if the global convergence for general nonconvex problems is desired. Such modifications have been proposed and shown to converge globally in [LF01a, LF01b, WLQ06, WYYL04]. In the Riemannian setting, quasi-Newton methods are also favored in many applications and much attention has been paid to generalizing the Euclidean BFGS method. So far, many Riemannian versions of the BFGS method have appeared, e.g., [Gab82, BM06, QGA10, SL10, RW12, SKH13, HGA15], and only two of them [RW12, HGA15] have general discussions with complete global and local convergence analyses rather than considering only a specific cost function or manifold. In spite of this, both of them require cost functions to satisfy a Riemannian version of convexity in their analyses.

In this paper, we adopt the approach in [LF01b] for nonconvex problems, which updates the Hessian approximation cautiously, with a weak line search condition

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[BN89, (3.2), (3.3)]. Global and local superlinear convergence analyses of the proposed cautious Riemannian BFGS (RBFGS) method are given. In addition, unlike the Riemannian versions of the BFGS method in [RW12, HGA15], the global convergence analysis of the cautious RBFGS does not require a convexity assumption on the cost function.

The RBFGS method in this paper has another advantage over the approaches in [RW12, HGA15]. The Riemannian versions of the BFGS method in [RW12, HGA15] and this paper all rely on the notion of retraction and vector transport developed in [ADM02, AMS08]. The version in [RW12] involves the vector transport of differentiated retraction, which may not be available to users or may be too expensive. The version in [HGA15] uses less information from differentiated retraction—probably the least possible if the Wolfe condition is used in line search. The RBFGS method in this paper also allows the use of line search conditions other than the Wolfe condition and the requirement of differentiated retraction is completely avoided. For example, the Armijo—Goldstein condition is such a condition and is satisfied by step size found by the frequently used backtracking line search algorithm.

The joint diagonalization problem [TCA09] is used to demonstrate that the proposed RBFGS framework makes it possible to use simpler line search procedures and simpler vector transports than in earlier RBFGS methods (such as the one in [HGA15], which was found to be the best performing Riemannian method for this problem), without significantly affecting the efficiency of the algorithm.

This paper is organized as follows. Section 2 presents notation used in this paper. Section 3 defines the Riemannian version of BFGS method. Global and local convergence analyses are given in sections 4 and 5, respectively. The corresponding limited-memory version of the RBFGS method is given in section 6. Numerical experiments are reported in section 7 and finally conclusions are drawn in section 8.

**2. Notation.** The Riemannian concepts follow from the standard literature, e.g., [Boo86, AMS08], and the notation of this paper follows [AMS08]. Let f denote a cost function defined on a d-dimensional Riemannian manifold  $\mathcal{M}$  with the Riemannian metric  $g: (\eta_x, \xi_x) \mapsto g_x(\eta_x, \xi_x) \in \mathbb{R}$ .  $T_x \mathcal{M}$  denotes the tangent space of  $\mathcal{M}$  at x and  $T \mathcal{M}$  denotes the tangent bundle, i.e., the set of all tangent spaces. The Riemannian gradient and Hessian of f at x are denoted by  $\operatorname{grad} f(x)$  and  $\operatorname{Hess} f(x)$ , respectively, and the action of  $\operatorname{Hess} f(x)$  on a tangent vector  $\eta_x \in T_x \mathcal{M}$  is denoted by  $\operatorname{Hess} f(x)[\eta_x]$ . Let  $\mathcal{A}_x$  be a linear operator on  $T_x \mathcal{M}$ .  $\mathcal{A}_x^*$  denotes the adjoint operator of  $\mathcal{A}_x$ , i.e.,  $\mathcal{A}_x^*$  satisfies  $g_x(\eta_x, \mathcal{A}_x \xi_x) = g_x(\mathcal{A}_x^* \eta_x, \xi_x)$  for all  $\eta_x, \xi_x \in T_x \mathcal{M}$ .  $\mathcal{A}_x$  is called self-adjoint or symmetric with respect to g if  $\mathcal{A}_x^* = \mathcal{A}_x$ . Given  $\eta_x \in T_x \mathcal{M}$ ,  $\eta_x^{\flat}$  represents the flat of  $\eta_x$ , i.e.,  $\eta_x^{\flat}: T_x \mathcal{M} \to \mathbb{R}: \xi_x \mapsto g_x(\eta_x, \xi_x)$ .

A retraction is a  $C^1$  map from the tangent bundle to the manifold such that (i)  $R(0_x) = x$  for all  $x \in \mathcal{M}$  (where  $0_x$  denotes the origin of  $T \mathcal{M}$ ) and (ii)  $\frac{d}{dt}R(t\xi_x)|_{t=0} = \xi_x$  for all  $\xi_x \in T_x \mathcal{M}$ . The domain of R does not need the entire tangent bundle. However, it is usually the case in practice. In this paper, we assume that R is well-defined whenever needed.  $R_x$  denotes the restriction of R to  $T_x \mathcal{M}$ . A vector transport  $\mathcal{T}: T \mathcal{M} \oplus T \mathcal{M} \to T \mathcal{M}, (\eta_x, \xi_x) \mapsto \mathcal{T}_{\eta_x} \xi_x$  with associated retraction R is a mapping such that, for all  $(x, \eta_x)$  in the domain of R and all  $\xi_x \in T_x \mathcal{M}$ , it holds that (i)  $\mathcal{T}_{\eta_x} \xi_x \in T_{R(\eta_x)} \mathcal{M}$  and (ii)  $\mathcal{T}_{\eta_x}$  is a linear map. An isometric vector transport  $\mathcal{T}_S$  additionally

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>This mapping is not required to be continuous. We make further assumptions when needed. Note that in the global convergence analysis (section 4), the only constraints on  $\mathcal{T}_S$  are given in Assumption 4.2.

satisfies  $g_{R_x(\eta_x)}(\mathcal{T}_{S_{\eta_x}}\xi_x, \mathcal{T}_{S_{\eta_x}}\zeta_x) = g_x(\xi_x, \zeta_x)$ , where  $\zeta_x \in T_x \mathcal{M}$ . The vector transport by differentiated retraction  $\mathcal{T}_R$  is defined to be  $\mathcal{T}_{R_{\eta_x}}\xi_x := \frac{d}{dt}R_x(\eta_x + t\xi_x)|_{t=0}$ .

Coordinate expressions are denoted with a hat. Let  $(\mathcal{U}, \varphi)$  be a chart of a manifold  $\mathcal{M}$  and  $x \in \mathcal{U}$ . The coordinate expression of x is defined by  $\hat{x} = \varphi(x)$ .  $E_i$ , the ith coordinate vector field of  $(\mathcal{U}, \varphi)$ , is defined by

$$(E_i f)(x) := \partial_i (f \circ \varphi^{-1})(\varphi(x)) = D(f \circ \varphi^{-1})(\varphi(x))[e_i].$$

These coordinate vector fields are smooth and every vector field  $\xi$  on  $\mathcal{U}$  has a decomposition

$$\xi = \sum_{i} (\xi \varphi_i) E_i.$$

Therefore,  $(E_i)_x$ ,  $i=1,\ldots,d$ , is a basis of  $T_x \mathcal{M}$  and the coordinate expression  $\hat{\xi}_x$  of  $\xi_x$  with this basis is  $(\xi_x \varphi_1,\ldots,\xi_x \varphi_d)$ . The coordinate expressions of a vector transport  $\mathcal{T}$  and a linear operator  $\mathcal{A}$  on a tangent space are represented by matrices  $\hat{\mathcal{T}}$  and  $\hat{\mathcal{A}}$ , respectively.

**3.** Riemannian BFGS method with cautious update. The proposed RBFGS method with cautious update is stated in Algorithm 1.

## Algorithm 1. Cautious RBFGS method.

Input: Riemannian manifold  $\mathcal{M}$  with Riemannian metric g; retraction R; isometric vector transport  $\mathcal{T}_{S}$ , with R as the associated retraction; continuously differentiable real-valued function f on  $\mathcal{M}$ , bounded below; initial iterate  $x_0 \in \mathcal{M}$ ; initial Hessian approximation  $\mathcal{B}_0$  that is symmetric positive definite with respect to the metric g; convergence tolerance  $\varepsilon > 0$ ;

- 1:  $k \leftarrow 0$ ;
- 2: while  $\|\operatorname{grad} f(x_k)\| > \varepsilon \operatorname{do}$
- 3: Obtain  $\eta_k \in T_{x_k} \mathcal{M}$  by solving  $\mathcal{B}_k \eta_k = -\operatorname{grad} f(x_k)$ ;
- 4: Set

$$(1) x_{k+1} = R_{x_k}(\alpha_k \eta_k),$$

where  $\alpha_k > 0$  is computed by a line search procedure that guarantees the existence of  $0 < \chi_1 < 1$  and  $0 < \chi_2 < 1$ , independent of k such that

(2) 
$$h_k(\alpha_k) - h_k(0) \le -\chi_1 \frac{h_k'(0)^2}{\|\eta_k\|^2}$$

or

(3) 
$$h_k(\alpha_k) - h_k(0) \le \chi_2 h'_k(0),$$

where  $h_k(t) = f(R_{x_k}(t\eta_k))$ .

- 5: Define the linear operator  $\mathcal{B}_{k+1}: T_{x_{k+1}} \mathcal{M} \to T_{x_{k+1}} \mathcal{M}$  by (7);
- 6:  $k \leftarrow k + 1$ ;
- 7: end while

When  $\mathcal{M}$  is a Euclidean space, the line search condition in step 4 of Algorithm 1 is weak since it has been shown in [BN89, sections 3 and 4] and references therein

that many line search conditions, e.g., the Curry–Altman condition, the Goldstein condition, the Wolfe condition, and the Armijo–Goldstein condition, imply either (2) or (3) if the gradient of the function is Lipschitz continuous. In the Riemannian setting, note that function  $f \circ R_x : T_x \mathcal{M} \to \mathbb{R}$  is defined on a linear space. It follows that the Euclidean results about line search are applicable, i.e., the conditions above also imply either (2) or (3) if the gradient of the function satisfies the Riemannian Lipschitz continuous condition in Definition 3.1:

DEFINITION 3.1 (see [AMS08, Definition 7.4.1]). The function  $\hat{f} = f \circ R$  is a radially L-C<sup>1</sup> function for all  $x \in \Omega$  if there exists a positive constant  $L_2$  such that for all  $x \in \Omega$  and all  $\eta_x \in T_x \mathcal{M}$ , it holds that

$$|\frac{d}{d\tau}\hat{f}(\tau\eta_x)|_{\tau=t} - \frac{d}{d\tau}\hat{f}(\tau\eta_x)|_{\tau=0}| \le L_2 t ||\eta||^2,$$

where t and  $\eta_x$  satisfy that  $R_x(t\eta_x) \in \Omega$ .

In an RBFGS method, the search direction  $\eta_k$  is given by solving

(5) 
$$\eta_k = -\mathcal{B}_k^{-1} \operatorname{grad} f(x_k),$$

where  $\mathcal{B}_k^{-1}$ , a linear operator on  $T_{x_k} \mathcal{M}$ , approximates the action of the inverse Hessian along the grad  $f(x_k)$  direction. It remains to define the update formula for  $\mathcal{B}_k$  to be used in line 5 of Algorithm 1. The classical (Euclidean) BFGS update admits several Riemannian generalizations; see [HGA15, section 6]. We will start from the following one:

(6) 
$$\mathcal{B}_{k+1} = \tilde{\mathcal{B}}_k - \frac{\tilde{\mathcal{B}}_k s_k (\tilde{\mathcal{B}}_k^* s_k)^{\flat}}{(\tilde{\mathcal{B}}_k^* s_k)^{\flat} s_k} + \frac{y_k y_k^{\flat}}{y_k^{\flat} s_k},$$

where  $\tilde{\mathcal{B}}_k = \mathcal{T}_{S_{\alpha_k\eta_k}} \circ \mathcal{B}_k \circ \mathcal{T}_{S_{\alpha_k\eta_k}}^{-1}$ ,  $y_k = \beta_k^{-1} \operatorname{grad} f(x_{k+1}) - \mathcal{T}_{S_{\alpha_k\eta_k}} \operatorname{grad} f(x_k)$ ,  $s_k = \mathcal{T}_{S_{\alpha_k\eta_k}} \alpha_k\eta_k$ , and  $\beta_k$  is an arbitrary number satisfying that  $|\beta_k - 1| \leq L_{\beta} ||\alpha_k\eta_k||$ ,  $|\beta_k^{-1} - 1| \leq L_{\beta} ||\alpha_k\eta_k||$ , and  $L_{\beta} > 0$  is a constant. The motivation for introducing  $\beta_k$  is to make this update subsume the update in [HGA15], which uses  $\beta_k = \frac{||\alpha_k\eta_k||}{||\mathcal{T}_{R_{\alpha_k\eta_k}}\alpha_k\eta_k||}$ . In Algorithm 1,  $\beta_k$  can be chosen as 1 for all k. Note that it is well-known that there exists an update formula for  $\mathcal{B}_k^{-1}$ , which is given later in (50).

If  $y_k^{\flat}s_k > 0$ , then the symmetric positive definiteness of  $\tilde{\mathcal{B}}_k$  implies the symmetric positive definiteness of  $\mathcal{B}_{k+1}$  [HGA15]. The positive definiteness of the sequence  $\{\mathcal{B}_k\}$  is important in the sense that it guarantees that the search direction (5) is a descent direction. However, not all line search conditions imply  $y_k^{\flat}s_k > 0$ . In [RW12] and [HGA15], the Wolfe condition with information about the differential of the retraction R,  $\mathcal{T}_R$ , is used to guarantee  $y_k^{\flat}s_k > 0$ . In this paper, instead of enforcing  $y_k^{\flat}s_k > 0$ , we guarantee the symmetric positive definiteness of  $\mathcal{B}_{k+1}$  by resorting to the following cautious update formula:

(7) 
$$\mathcal{B}_{k+1} = \begin{cases} \tilde{\mathcal{B}}_k - \frac{\tilde{\mathcal{B}}_k s_k (\tilde{\mathcal{B}}_k^* s_k)^{\flat}}{(\tilde{\mathcal{B}}_k^* s_k)^{\flat} s_k} + \frac{y_k y_k^{\flat}}{y_k^{\flat} s_k}, & \text{if } \frac{y_k^{\flat} s_k}{\|s_k\|^2} \ge \vartheta(\|\operatorname{grad} f(x_k)\|), \\ \tilde{\mathcal{B}}_k & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

where  $\vartheta$  is a monotone increasing function satisfying  $\vartheta(0) = 0$  and  $\vartheta$  is strictly increasing at 0. Formula (7) reduces to the cautious update formula of [LF01b] when  $\mathcal{M}$  is a Euclidean space. Since  $y_k^{\flat} s_k > 0$  is not longer enforced, we have more flexibility in the line search procedure, which only needs to satisfy line 4 of Algorithm 1. It

is pointed out that one also can reset  $\mathcal{B}_{k+1}$  to be any given matrix, e.g., id, rather than  $\tilde{\mathcal{B}}_k$  when  $\frac{y_k^k s_k}{\|s_k\|^2} \not\geq \vartheta(\|\operatorname{grad} f(x_k)\|)$ . Using either approach does not affect the theoretical results given later.

Note that it is important to ensure that  $\vartheta(0) = 0$  and  $\vartheta$  is strictly increasing at 0. If  $\vartheta$  is not strictly increasing at 0, then the update (7) still guarantees the positive definiteness of the Hessian approximation sequence  $\{\mathcal{B}_k\}$ . However, the global convergence of Algorithm 1 for nonconvex problems may not hold (let  $\vartheta \equiv 0$  and see the example in [Dai13]). If  $\vartheta(0) > 0$ , then the global convergence of Algorithm 1 holds for nonconvex problems but the local superlinear convergence does not hold generally (see the proofs in Theorem 5.1). If  $\vartheta(0) < 0$ , then Algorithm 1 may not be well-defined in the sense that the search direction (5) may not be descent.

4. Global convergence analysis. The global convergence analysis of Algorithm 1 is generalized from the Euclidean analysis in [BN89, LF01b] and the differences for the Riemannian setting are highlighted.

The convergence analysis is built on the next two assumptions, which are not blanket assumptions and are invoked only when needed. Assumptions 4.1 and 4.2 generalize the assumptions of the Euclidean setting [LF01b, Assumption A].

Assumption 4.1. The level set 
$$\Omega = \{x \in \mathcal{M} \mid f(x) \leq f(x_0)\}$$
 is compact.

Multiple Riemannian versions of Lipschitz continuous differentiable functions have been defined, e.g., [AMS08, Definitions 7.4.1, 7.4.3]. Definition 4.1 gives another version which is slightly more general than [AMS08, Definition 7.4.3] in the sense that Definition 4.1 reduces to [AMS08, Definition 7.4.3] when  $\mathcal{T}$  is chosen to be the parallel translation along the shortest geodesic. Assumption 4.2 assumes that the function f satisfies the Lipschitz continuous differentiability in Definition 4.1. Note that if f further satisfies [AMS08, Definition 7.4.1] or equivalently Definition 3.1, then the line search conditions, e.g., the Wolfe condition and the Armijo–Goldstein condition, imply condition either (2) or (3).

DEFINITION 4.1. Let  $\mathcal{T}$  be a vector transport associated with a retraction R. A function  $\tilde{f}$  on  $\mathcal{M}$  is said to be Lipschitz continuously differentiable with respect to  $\mathcal{T}$  on  $\mathcal{U} \subset \mathcal{M}$  if there exists  $L_1 > 0$  such that

$$\|\mathcal{T}_{\eta} \operatorname{grad} \tilde{f}(x) - \operatorname{grad} \tilde{f}(R_x(\eta))\| \leq L_1 \|\eta\|$$

for all  $x \in \mathcal{U}$  and  $\eta$  such that  $R_x(\eta) \in \mathcal{U}$ .

Assumption 4.2. The function f is Lipschitz continuously differentiable with respect to the isometric vector transport  $\mathcal{T}_{S}$  on  $\Omega$ .

Theorem 4.1 gives a sufficient condition for global convergence of Algorithm 1. This theorem is generalized from [LF01b, Theorem 3.1] but the proof is different since a different line search condition is used.

THEOREM 4.1. Let  $\{x_k\}$  and  $\eta_k$  be sequences generated by Algorithm 1. If there are positive constants  $\kappa_1$ ,  $\kappa_2$ , and  $\kappa_3$  such that the inequalities

(8) 
$$\|\mathcal{B}_k \eta_k\| \le \kappa_1 \|\eta_k\|, \quad \kappa_2 \|\eta_k\|^2 \le \eta_k^{\flat} \mathcal{B}_k \eta_k \le \kappa_3 \|\eta_k\|^2$$

hold for infinitely many k's, then  $\liminf_{k\to\infty} \|\operatorname{grad} f(x_k)\| = 0$ .

*Proof.* Let K denote the index set such that (8) holds. Using (5) and (8) yields

(9) 
$$\kappa_2 \|\eta_k\| \le \|\operatorname{grad} f(x_k)\| \le \kappa_1 \|\eta_k\|.$$

It follows from either (2) or (3) that

$$\infty > f(x_0) - f(x_{k+1}) = \sum_{i=0}^{k} (f(x_i) - f(x_{i+1})) = \sum_{i=0}^{k} (h_i(0) - h_i(\alpha_i))$$

$$\geq \sum_{i=0}^{k} \min\left(\chi_1 \frac{h'_i(0)^2}{\|\eta_i\|^2}, -\chi_2 h'_i(0)\right)$$

$$= \sum_{i=0}^{k} \min\left(\chi_1 \frac{g(\operatorname{grad} f(x_i), \eta_i)^2}{\|\eta_i\|^2}, -\chi_2 g(\operatorname{grad} f(x_i), \eta_i)\right)$$

$$= \sum_{i=0}^{k} \min\left(-\chi_1 \frac{g(\mathcal{B}_k \eta_k, \eta_k)}{\|\eta_i\|^2} g(\operatorname{grad} f(x_i), \eta_i), -\chi_2 g(\operatorname{grad} f(x_i), \eta_i)\right)$$

$$\geq \min(\chi_1 \kappa_2, \chi_2) \sum_{i=0, i \in \mathcal{K}}^{k} (-g(\operatorname{grad} f(x_i), \eta_i)).$$

Therefore, it holds that

(10) 
$$\liminf_{k \to \infty} -g(\operatorname{grad} f(x_k), \eta_k) = 0.$$

Combining (10) with (9), (8) yields

$$\|\operatorname{grad} f(x_k)\|^2 \le \kappa_1^2 \|\eta_k\|^2 \le \kappa_1^2 \kappa_2^{-1} g(\eta_k, \mathcal{B}_k \eta_k) = \kappa_1^2 \kappa_2^{-1} g(\eta_k, -\operatorname{grad} f(x_k)),$$

which implies  $\liminf_{k\to\infty} \|\operatorname{grad} f(x_k)\| = 0$ .

Theorem 4.1 shows that the global convergence is ensured if there exist three positive constants  $\kappa_1, \kappa_2, \kappa_3$  such that (8) holds for infinitely many k's. Lemma 4.1 proves that if (11) holds, then such three constants exist. Lemma 4.1 is generalized from [BN89, Theorem 2.1]. The main difference is that in the Euclidean setting,  $\mathcal{B}_{k+1}$  is equal to  $\mathcal{B}_k$  if the update is skipped. However, in the Riemannian setting, even though update is skipped,  $\mathcal{B}_{k+1}$  is still different from  $\mathcal{B}_k$  due to the existence of the vector transport  $\mathcal{T}_S$ .

LEMMA 4.1. Let  $\tilde{\mathcal{I}} = \{j_0, j_1, j_2, ...\}$  be an infinite index set and  $\{\mathcal{B}_k\}$  be the sequence generated by the RBFGS update

$$\mathcal{B}_{k+1} = \begin{cases} \tilde{\mathcal{B}}_k - \frac{\tilde{\mathcal{B}}_k s_k (\tilde{\mathcal{B}}_k^* s_k)^{\flat}}{(\tilde{\mathcal{B}}_k^* s_k)^{\flat} s_k} + \frac{y_k y_k^{\flat}}{y_k^{\flat} s_k} & if \ k \in \tilde{\mathcal{I}}; \\ \tilde{\mathcal{B}}_k & otherwise. \end{cases}$$

Suppose  $\mathcal{B}_0$  is symmetric and positive definite and there are positive constants  $a_0 \leq a_1$  such that for all  $k \geq 0$ ,  $y_{j_k}$  and  $s_{j_k}$  satisfy

(11) 
$$\frac{y_{j_k}^{\flat} s_{j_k}}{\|s_{j_k}\|^2} \ge a_0, \frac{\|y_{j_k}\|^2}{y_{j_k}^{\flat} s_{j_k}} \le a_1.$$

Then for any  $p \in (0,1)$  there exist constants  $\tilde{\kappa}_1, \tilde{\kappa}_2, \tilde{\kappa}_3 > 0$  such that, for any positive integer k,

(12) 
$$\cos \theta_{i_i} \ge \tilde{\kappa}_1,$$

(13) 
$$\tilde{\kappa}_2 \le q_{i_i} \le \tilde{\kappa}_3,$$

(14) 
$$\tilde{\kappa}_2 \le \frac{\|\mathcal{B}_{j_i}\eta_{j_i}\|}{\|\eta_{j_i}\|} \le \frac{\tilde{\kappa}_3}{\tilde{\kappa}_1}$$

hold for at least  $\lceil (k+1)p \rceil$  values of  $i \in \{0,1,\ldots,k\}$ , where  $\cos \theta_{j_i} = \frac{g(\eta_{j_i},\mathcal{B}_{j_i}\eta_{j_i})}{\|\eta_{j_i}\|\|\mathcal{B}_{j_i}\eta_{j_i}\|}$ ,  $q_{j_i} = \frac{g(\eta_{j_i},\mathcal{B}_{j_i}\eta_{j_i})}{\|\eta_{j_i}\|^2}$ , and  $\lceil a \rceil$  denote the greatest integer that is smaller than a.

*Proof.* Since both  $\operatorname{tr}(\hat{\mathcal{B}}_k)$  and  $\operatorname{det}(\hat{\mathcal{B}}_k)$  are independent of the choice of basis, they are well-defined. Since

$$\begin{split} \mathcal{B}_{j_k} &= \mathcal{T}_{S_{\alpha_{j_k-1}\eta_{j_k-1}}} \circ \ldots \circ \mathcal{T}_{S_{\alpha_{j_{k-1}+1}\eta_{j_{k-1}+1}}} \\ &\circ \mathcal{B}_{j_{k-1}+1} \circ \mathcal{T}_{S_{\alpha_{j_{k-1}+1}\eta_{j_{k-1}+1}}}^{-1} \circ \ldots \circ \mathcal{T}_{S_{\alpha_{j_k-1}\eta_{j_k-1}}}^{-1}, \end{split}$$

we have  $\operatorname{tr}(\hat{\mathcal{B}}_{j_k}) = \operatorname{tr}(\hat{\mathcal{B}}_{j_{k-1}+1})$  and  $\operatorname{det}(\hat{\mathcal{B}}_{j_k}) = \operatorname{det}(\hat{\mathcal{B}}_{j_{k-1}+1})$ . Using the update formula of (6) yields that

$$\begin{aligned} & \operatorname{tr}(\hat{\mathcal{B}}_{j_{k+1}}) = \operatorname{tr}(\hat{\mathcal{B}}_{j_k}) - \frac{\|\tilde{\mathcal{B}}_{j_k} s_{j_k}\|^2}{g(s_{j_k}, \tilde{\mathcal{B}}_{j_k} s_{j_k})} + \frac{\|y_{j_k}\|^2}{g(y_{j_k}, s_{j_k})}, \\ & \det(\hat{\mathcal{B}}_{j_{k+1}}) = \det(\hat{\mathcal{B}}_{j_k}) \frac{g(y_{j_k}, s_{j_k})}{g(s_{j_k}, \tilde{\mathcal{B}}_{j_k} s_{j_k})}, \end{aligned}$$

which have been used in [HGA15, pp. 5, 13]. The Euclidean versions of these equations can be found in [NW06, (6.44), (6.45)]. Define  $\psi(\hat{\mathcal{B}}_{j_k}) = \operatorname{tr}(\hat{\mathcal{B}}_{j_k}) - \ln(\det(\hat{\mathcal{B}}_{j_k}))$  and it follows from the approach in [BN89, section 2] or [NW06, section 6.4] that

$$\psi(\hat{\mathcal{B}}_{j_{k+1}}) = \psi(\hat{\mathcal{B}}_{j_k}) + \frac{\|y_{j_k}\|^2}{g(y_{j_k}, s_{j_k})} - 1 - \ln\frac{g(y_{j_k}, s_{j_k})}{\|s_{j_k}\|^2} + \ln\cos^2\theta_{j_k}$$

$$+ 1 - \frac{q_{j_k}}{\cos^2\theta_{j_k}} + \ln\frac{q_{j_k}}{\cos^2\theta_{j_k}}.$$
(15)

Using (11) and (15) yields

$$\psi(\hat{\mathcal{B}}_{j_{k+1}}) \le \psi(\hat{\mathcal{B}}_{j_k}) + a_1 - 1 - \ln a_0 + \ln \cos^2 \theta_{j_k} + 1 - \frac{q_{j_k}}{\cos^2 \theta_{j_k}} + \ln \frac{q_{j_k}}{\cos^2 \theta_{j_k}}$$

$$\le \psi(\hat{\mathcal{B}}_0) + (a_1 - 1 - \ln a_0)(k+1) + \sum_{i=0}^k \left( \ln \cos^2 \theta_{j_i} + 1 - \frac{q_{j_i}}{\cos^2 \theta_{j_i}} + \ln \frac{q_{j_i}}{\cos^2 \theta_{j_i}} \right).$$

Define  $\tau_{j_i} = -\ln \cos^2 \theta_{j_i} - (1 - \frac{q_{j_i}}{\cos^2 \theta_{j_i}} + \ln \frac{q_{j_i}}{\cos^2 \theta_{j_i}})$ . Note that the function  $\ell(t) = 1 - t + \ln(t)$  is nonpositive for all t and  $\ln \cos^2 \theta_{j_i} \leq 0$  and therefore  $\tau_{j_i} \geq 0$ . Also note that  $\psi(\hat{\mathcal{B}}_{j_{k+1}}) = \sum_{i=1}^d (\lambda_i - \ln \lambda_i) > 0$ , where d is the dimension of  $\mathcal{M}$  and  $\lambda_i$  is the eigenvalue of  $\hat{\mathcal{B}}_{k+1}$ . It follows that

(16) 
$$\frac{1}{k+1} \sum_{i=0}^{k} \tau_{j_i} < \frac{\psi(\hat{\mathcal{B}}_0)}{k+1} + (a_1 - 1 - \ln a_0).$$

Define  $\mathcal{J}_k$  to be the set of the  $\lceil (k+1)p \rceil$  indices corresponding to  $\lceil (k+1)p \rceil$  smallest values of  $\tau_{j_i}$  for  $i \leq k$ . Let  $\tau_{m_k}$  denote the largest of the  $\tau_{j_i}$  for  $i \in \mathcal{J}_k$ . It follows that

(17) 
$$\frac{1}{k+1} \sum_{i=0}^{k} \tau_{j_i} \ge \frac{1}{k+1} \left( \tau_{m_k} + \sum_{i=0, i \notin \mathcal{J}_k}^{k} \tau_{j_i} \right) \ge \tau_{m_k} (1-p).$$

Combining (16) with (17) yields

$$\tau_{j_i} < \frac{1}{1-p} (\psi(\hat{\mathcal{B}}_0) + a_1 - 1 - \ln a_0) := \omega$$

for all  $i \in \mathcal{J}_k$ . By the definition of  $\tau_{j_i}$ , we have that

$$-\ln\cos^2\theta_{j_i} < \omega,$$

(18) 
$$-\ln\cos^{2}\theta_{j_{i}} < \omega,$$
(19) 
$$1 - \frac{q_{j_{i}}}{\cos^{2}\theta_{j_{i}}} + \ln\frac{q_{j_{i}}}{\cos^{2}\theta_{j_{i}}} > -\omega$$

for all  $i \in \mathcal{J}_k$ . Inequality (18) implies  $\cos \theta_{i_i} > \exp(-\omega/2) := \tilde{\kappa}_1$ , which completes the proof of (12).

Using (19) and noting  $\ell(t) \to -\infty$  both as  $t \to 0$  and as  $t \to \infty$ , it follows that there exist positive constants  $\tilde{\kappa}_3$  and b for all  $i \in \mathcal{J}_k$   $0 < b \le \frac{q_{j_i}}{\cos^2 \theta_{j_i}} \le \tilde{\kappa}_3$ . Additionally using (12) yields  $\tilde{\kappa}_2 := \tilde{\kappa}_1^2 b \leq q_{j_i} \leq \tilde{\kappa}_3$  for all  $i \in \mathcal{J}_k$  which completes the proof of (13). Finally, inequalities  $\tilde{\kappa}_2 \leq \frac{\|\mathcal{B}_{j_i}\eta_{j_i}\|}{\|\eta_{j_i}\|} \leq \frac{\tilde{\kappa}_3}{\tilde{\kappa}_1}$  follow from  $\|\mathcal{B}_{j_i}\eta_{j_i}\|/\|\eta_{j_i}\| = q_{j_i}/\cos\theta_{j_i}$ .  $\square$ 

Finally, inequalities 
$$\tilde{\kappa}_2 \leq \frac{\|\mathcal{B}_{j_i}\eta_{j_i}\|}{\|\eta_{j_i}\|} \leq \frac{\tilde{\kappa}_3}{\tilde{\kappa}_1}$$
 follow from  $\|\mathcal{B}_{j_i}\eta_{j_i}\|/\|\eta_{j_i}\| = q_{j_i}/\cos\theta_{j_i}$ .

The desired global convergence result for a nonconvex function f is stated in Theorem 4.2.

Theorem 4.2. Let  $\{x_k\}$  be sequences generated by Algorithm 1. If Assumptions 4.1 and 4.2 hold, then

(20) 
$$\liminf_{k \to \infty} \|\operatorname{grad} f(x_k)\| = 0.$$

*Proof.* Define the index set from Algorithm 1,

$$\mathcal{I} = \left\{ k | \frac{y_k^{\flat} s_k}{\|s_k\|^2} \ge \vartheta(\|\operatorname{grad} f(x_k)\|) \right\}.$$

If  $\mathcal{I}$  is finite, then there exists a  $k_0 > 0$  such that  $\mathcal{B}_k$  has the same eigenvalues as  $\mathcal{B}_{k_0}$ for all  $k \geq k_0$ . Since  $\mathcal{B}_{k_0}$  is symmetric positive definite, it is obvious that (8) holds. Therefore, Theorem 4.1 yields the desired result.

Contradiction is used to prove the result when  $\mathcal{I}$  is infinite. Suppose (20) does not hold. Therefore, there exists a constant  $\delta > 0$  such that  $\|\operatorname{grad} f(x_k)\| \geq \delta$  for all k. It follows from the definition of  $\mathcal{I}$  that

(21) 
$$\frac{y_k^{\flat} s_k}{\|s_k\|^2} \ge \vartheta(\delta)$$

holds for all  $k \in \mathcal{I}$ . Noting Assumption 4.2, the definition of  $\beta_k$ , and the compactness of  $\Omega$ , we have

$$||y_{k}|| = ||\beta_{k}^{-1} \operatorname{grad} f(x_{k+1}) - \mathcal{T}_{S_{\alpha_{k}\eta_{k}}} \operatorname{grad} f(x_{k})||$$

$$\leq ||\beta_{k}^{-1} \operatorname{grad} f(x_{k+1}) - \operatorname{grad} f(x_{k+1})|| + ||\operatorname{grad} f(x_{k+1}) - \mathcal{T}_{S_{\alpha_{k}\eta_{k}}} \operatorname{grad} f(x_{k})||$$

$$\leq L_{\beta}||s_{k}|| ||\operatorname{grad} f(x_{k+1})|| + L_{1}||s_{k}|| \leq L_{3}||s_{k}||,$$

where  $L_3$  is a constant. It follows that  $\frac{\|y_k\|^2}{y_k^{\flat}s_k} \leq \frac{L_3^2}{\vartheta(\delta)}$  Therefore, (20) follows from Lemma 4.1 and Theorem 4.1, a contradiction.

- 5. Local convergence analysis. Section 5.1 lists the assumptions and definitions used in the local convergence analyses. Section 5.2 builds the connections between the global and local convergence analyses and shows that Algorithm 1 eventually reduces to the ordinary RBFGS method, i.e., Algorithm 1 without skipping updates. Since Algorithm 1 is equivalent to an ordinary RBFGS locally, the R-linear and superlinear convergence analyses are presented for the ordinary RBFGS in sections 5.3 and 5.4, respectively.
- **5.1. Basic assumptions and definitions.** Throughout the local convergence analyses, let  $x^*$  denote a nondegenerate local minimizer, i.e., Hess  $f(x^*)$  is nonsingular. Three blanket assumptions are made in Assumption 5.1. Note that it follows that  $f \circ R$  is a twice continuously differentiable function.

Assumption 5.1. (i) The objective function f is twice continuously differentiable in the level set  $\Omega$ ; (ii) the retraction R is twice continuously differentiable; (iii) the isometric vector transport  $\mathcal{T}_S$  with associated retraction R is continuous and satisfies  $\mathcal{T}_{S_{0x}}\xi_x=\xi_x$  for all  $\xi_x\in T_x\mathcal{M}$ . Additionally, given any  $x\in\mathcal{M}$ , there exists a neighborhood  $\mathcal{U}$  of x such that  $\mathcal{T}_S$  satisfies  $\|\mathcal{T}_{S_{\eta}}-\mathcal{T}_{R_{\eta}}\|\leq \tilde{L}\|\eta\|$  and  $\|\mathcal{T}_{S_{\eta}}^{-1}-\mathcal{T}_{R_{\eta}}^{-1}\|\leq \tilde{L}\|\eta\|$ , where  $R_x(t\eta)\in\mathcal{U}$  for all  $t\in[0,1]$  and  $\tilde{L}$  is a positive constant.

Since  $\eta = 0$  implies  $\|\mathcal{T}_{S_{\eta}} - \mathcal{T}_{R_{\eta}}\| = 0$  and  $\|\mathcal{T}_{S_{\eta}}^{-1} - \mathcal{T}_{R_{\eta}}^{-1}\| = 0$ , we have that  $\mathcal{T}_{S} \in C^{1}$  implies  $\|\mathcal{T}_{S_{\eta}} - \mathcal{T}_{R_{\eta}}\| \leq \tilde{L}\|\eta\|$  and  $\|\mathcal{T}_{S_{\eta}}^{-1} - \mathcal{T}_{R_{\eta}}^{-1}\| \leq \tilde{L}\|\eta\|$ . It follows that Assumption 5.1(iii) is weaker than  $\mathcal{T}_{S} \in C^{1}$ . This assumption has been used in [HGA15] and therefore the analysis framework of [HGA15] can be applied here.

As in the Euclidean setting, we also have the result that a  $C^2$  function on a compact set implies its gradient is Lipschitz continuous on the set, i.e.,  $f \in C^2$  implies the function f satisfies Assumptions 4.2 and Definition 3.1 (see [AMS08, section 7.4] and [Hua13, section 5.2.2] for details).

Definition 5.1, given in [HGA15, Definition 3.1], generalizes the convexity of a function on  $S \subseteq \mathcal{M}$  from the Euclidean setting to the Riemannian setting.

DEFINITION 5.1. For a function  $f: \mathcal{M} \to \mathbb{R}: x \mapsto f(x)$  on a Riemannian manifold  $\mathcal{M}$  with retraction R, define  $m_{x,\eta}(t) = f(R_x(t\eta))$  for  $x \in \mathcal{M}$  and  $\eta \in T_x \mathcal{M}$ . The function f is retraction-convex with respect to the retraction R in a set  $\mathcal{S}$  if for all  $x \in \mathcal{S}$ , all  $\eta \in T_x \mathcal{M}$ , and  $\|\eta\| = 1$ ,  $m_{x,\eta}(t)$  is convex for all t which satisfy  $R_x(\tau\eta) \in \mathcal{S}$  for all  $\tau \in [0,t]$ . Moreover, f is strongly retraction-convex in  $\mathcal{S}$  if  $m_{x,\eta}(t)$  is strongly convex, i.e., there exist two constants  $0 < a_7 < a_8$  such that  $a_7 \leq \frac{d^2 m_{x,\eta}}{dt^2}(t) \leq a_8$  for all  $x \in \mathcal{S}$ , all  $\|\eta\| = 1$ , and all t such that  $R_x(\tau\eta) \in \mathcal{S}$  for all  $\tau \in [0,t]$ .

It has been shown in [HGA15, Lemma 3.1] that such a neighborhood, in which the function f is strongly retraction-convex, always exists around a nondegenerate minimizer. In addition, for any neighborhood  $\mathcal{W}$  of  $x \in \mathcal{M}$ , it can be shrunk such that it is an R-star shaped neighborhood of x, i.e.,  $R_x(tR_x^{-1}(z)) \in \mathcal{W}$  for all  $z \in \mathcal{W}$  and  $t \in [0,1]$ . Therefore, there exists a neighborhood  $\tilde{\mathcal{W}}$  of  $x^*$  satisfying the following:

- A.1. W is an R-star shape of  $x^*$ .
- A.2. The object function f is strongly retraction-convex in  $\hat{\mathcal{W}}$ .
- A.3. For any  $x, \tilde{x} \in \mathcal{W}$ , inequalities (23) hold. (This can be seen from Lemma 5.1 given later.)

Assumption 5.2 is used in the later proofs with  $\tilde{\Omega}$  satisfying some or all of A.1–A.3.

Assumption 5.2. There exists K > 0 such that the iterates  $x_k$  stay continuously in a neighborhood  $\tilde{\Omega}$  of  $x^*$  for all  $k \geq K$ , meaning that  $R_{x_k}(t\eta_k) \in \tilde{\Omega} \subseteq \Omega$  for all  $t \in [0, \alpha_k]$ .

Note that the iterates  $x_k$  must stay in  $\tilde{\Omega}$  continuously. The "continuously" assumption cannot be removed. To see this, consider the unit sphere with the exponential retraction, where we can have  $x_{k+1} \approx x_k$  with  $\alpha_k \eta_k \approx 2\pi$ . (A similar comment was made in [HAG15] before Assumption 6 and in [HGA15] before Assumption 3.3.)

Assumption 5.3 is used to guarantee that  $R_x^{-1}(y)$  is well-defined and has been used in existing papers, e.g., [HAG15, HGA15]. This assumption is also a blanket assumption for the local convergence analysis.

Assumption 5.3. There exists r > 0 such that for each  $x \in \tilde{\Omega}$ ,  $R_x(\mathbb{B}(0_x, r)) \supset \tilde{\Omega}$  and  $R_x(\cdot)$  is a diffeomorphism on  $\mathbb{B}(0_x, r)$ , where  $\tilde{\Omega}$  is defined in Assumption 5.2.

Assumptions 5.2 and 5.3 are used in section 5.3 to show R-linear convergence. Assumptions 5.4 and 5.5 are used in section 5.4 to prove superlinear convergence.

When a retraction is considered, a generalization of the Euclidean triangle inequality in  $\tilde{\Omega}$  must be assumed in the proofs below. As shown in [Hua13, Lemma 6.2.1], choosing the exponential mapping for the retraction R implies Assumption 5.4.

Assumption 5.4. There is a constant  $a_9$  such that for all  $x, y \in \tilde{\Omega}$ ,

$$\max_{t \in [0,1]} \operatorname{dist}(R_x(t\eta), x^*) \le a_9 \max(\operatorname{dist}(x, x^*), \operatorname{dist}(y, x^*)),$$

where  $\eta = R_x^{-1} y$ .

Assumption 5.5 generalizes the Euclidean property of twice Hölder continuously differentiability of f at  $x^*$  to a Riemannian manifold.

Assumption 5.5. There exist positive constants  $a_{10}$  and  $a_{11}$  such that for all  $y \in \tilde{\Omega}$ ,

$$\|\operatorname{Hess} f(y) - \mathcal{T}_{S_{\eta}} \operatorname{Hess} f(x^*) \mathcal{T}_{S_{\eta}}^{-1} \| \le a_{10} \|\eta\|^{a_{11}},$$

where  $\eta = R_{x^*}^{-1} y$ .

It can be shown that Assumptions 5.3, 5.4, and 5.5 hold if  $\tilde{\Omega}$  is sufficiently small. It follows that if  $f, R \in C^2$ ,  $\mathcal{T} \in C^1$ , and the series  $\{x_k\}$  converges to  $x^*$ , then all the assumptions in this section hold for  $\{x_k\}_{k=K}^{\infty}$  with K sufficiently large.

**5.2. Preliminaries.** Before giving the local convergence analysis, we first state an important property that holds in the Euclidean setting but may not hold in the Riemannian setting. The property is used in Theorem 5.1 and section 5.1.

In the Euclidean setting, suppose f is strongly convex on  $\mathcal{S} \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ . It is well-known that  $y_k = \bar{G}_k s_k$ , where  $y_k = \operatorname{grad} f(x_{k+1}) - \operatorname{grad} f(x_k)$ ,  $s_k = x_{k+1} - x_k$  and  $\bar{G}_k = \int_0^1 \operatorname{Hess} f(x_k + \tau s_k) d\tau$  is the average Hessian. It follows that

(22) 
$$a_4 \|s_k\|^2 \le y_k^T s_k \le a_5 \|s_k\|^2 \text{ and } \|y_k\|^2 \le a_6 y_k^T s_k,$$

where  $a_4$ ,  $a_5$ , and  $a_6$  are positive constants. Derivations can be found in, e.g., [BN89, NW06].

The RBFGS generalized by Ring and Wirth [RW12] satisfies (22) when the cost function is uniformly convex; see [RW12, Proposition 10]. The Riemannian Broyden family of methods generalized by Huang, Absil, and Gallivan [HGA15] also satisfies (22) when the cost function is retraction-convex. However, the RBFGS in this paper does not generally imply (22) for either uniformly convex or retraction-convex cost functions. This is the main difference and probably the main difficulty compared

to the existing work in [LF01b, BN89, RW12, HGA15]. Nevertheless, as shown in Lemma 5.1, we know (22) holds when iterates  $\{x_k\}$  are in a neighborhood of the nondegenerate minimizer  $x^*$ .

LEMMA 5.1. Suppose Assumptions 5.1, 5.2, and 5.3 hold. Let  $x^*$  be a nondegenerate minimizer of f. Then there exists a neighborhood  $\mathcal{V}$  of  $x^*$  and positive constants  $\tilde{a}_4$ ,  $\tilde{a}_5$ , and  $\tilde{a}_6$  such that for all  $x, \tilde{x} \in \mathcal{V}$  satisfying  $R_x(tR_x^{-1}(\tilde{x})) \in \mathcal{V}$  for  $t \in [0,1]$ , it holds that

(23) 
$$\tilde{a}_4 ||s||^2 \le g(y, s) \le \tilde{a}_5 ||s||^2 \text{ and } ||y||^2 \le \tilde{a}_6 g(y, s),$$

where  $y = \frac{1}{\beta(\xi)} \operatorname{grad} f(\tilde{x}) - \mathcal{T}_{S_{\xi}} \operatorname{grad} f(x)$ ,  $\xi = R_x^{-1}(\tilde{x})$ ,  $s = \mathcal{T}_{S_{\xi}} \xi$ ,  $\beta : T \mathcal{M} \to \mathbb{R}$  satisfies  $\beta(\xi) = 1 + O(\|\xi\|)$ , and O(t) means that  $\lim_{t\to 0} O(t)/t$  is bounded.

Proof. Define  $y^{\mathcal{L}}$  and  $s^{\mathcal{L}}$  to be  $\frac{\|\mathcal{T}_{R_{\xi}}\xi\|}{\|\xi\|}$  grad  $f(\tilde{x}) - \mathcal{T}_{S_{\xi}}^{\mathcal{L}}$  grad f(x) and  $\mathcal{T}_{S_{\xi}}^{\mathcal{L}}\xi$ , respectively, where  $\mathcal{T}_{S}^{\mathcal{L}}$  denotes an isometric vector transport satisfying the locking condition, i.e.,  $\mathcal{T}_{S_{\eta}}^{\mathcal{L}}\eta = \frac{\|\eta\|}{\|\mathcal{T}_{R_{\eta}}\eta\|}\mathcal{T}_{R_{\eta}}\eta$ , for all  $\eta \in T\mathcal{M}$ . The existence of  $\mathcal{T}_{S}^{\mathcal{L}}$  (at least locally) can be seen from [HGA15, section 4]. It follows from [HGA15, Lemmas 3.3, 3.9] that there exist positive constants  $b_{0}$ ,  $b_{1}$ , and  $b_{2}$  such that

$$|b_0||s^{\mathcal{L}}||^2 \le g(y^{\mathcal{L}}, s^{\mathcal{L}}) \le b_1||s^{\mathcal{L}}||^2 \text{ and } ||y^{\mathcal{L}}||^2 \le b_2 g(y^{\mathcal{L}}, s^{\mathcal{L}}).$$

Using  $\beta(\xi) = 1 + O(\|\xi\|)$ , [HGA15, Lemmas 3.5 and 3.6] and [GQA12, Lemma 14.5] yield

$$|g(s,y) - g(s^{\mathcal{L}}, y^{\mathcal{L}})| = |g\left(\left(\frac{1}{\beta(\xi)}\mathcal{T}_{S_{\xi}} - \frac{\|\mathcal{T}_{R_{\xi}}\xi\|}{\|\xi\|}\mathcal{T}_{S_{\xi}}^{\mathcal{L}}\right)\xi, \operatorname{grad} f(\tilde{x})\right)| = O(\|s\|^{2}\epsilon),$$

where  $\epsilon = \max(\operatorname{dist}(\tilde{x}, x^*), \operatorname{dist}(x, x^*))$ . It follows that

$$|b_0||s^{\mathcal{L}}||^2 \le g(y,s) + O(||s||^2\epsilon) \le b_1||s^{\mathcal{L}}||^2 \text{ and } ||y^{\mathcal{L}}||^2 \le b_2g(y,s) + O(||s||^2\epsilon).$$

Therefore, by choosing sufficiently small neighborhood  $\mathcal{V}$  such that  $\epsilon$  is small enough, we have that there exist constants  $\tilde{a}_4$ ,  $\tilde{a}_5$ , and  $\tilde{a}_6$  such that (23) holds.

We can now prove Theorem 5.1, which states that if the iterates  $\{x_k\}$  stay in a sufficiently small neighborhood of a nondegenerate minimizer  $x^*$ , i.e., Hess  $f(x^*)$  is positive definite, then  $x_k$  converges to  $x^*$  and Algorithm 1 reduces to an ordinary RBFGS. This implies that the local convergence analysis of an ordinary RBFGS is equivalent to the local convergence analysis of Algorithm 1. This theorem is generalized from [LF01b, Theorem 3.5].

THEOREM 5.1. Under the assumptions of Lemma 5.1, if  $s_k \to 0$  and  $x^*$  is an accumulation point of  $\{x_k\}$  generated by Algorithm 1, then the sequence  $\{x_k\}$  converges to  $x^*$  and Algorithm 1 reduces to the ordinary RBFGS when  $x_k$  is sufficiently close to  $x^*$ .

*Proof.* The assumptions about  $x^*$  imply that  $x^*$  is an isolated minimizer of f. Since  $x^*$  is an accumulation point and  $s_k \to 0$ , we have  $x_k \to x^*$ . It follows that

(24) 
$$\lim_{k \to \infty} \|\operatorname{grad} f(x_k)\| = 0.$$

By (23) of Lemma 5.1, there exists constant  $b_2 > 0$  and an integer K > 0 such that  $\frac{y_k^k s_k}{\|s_k\|^2} > b_2$  for all k > K. Therefore, by (24), the cautious update formula (7) reduces to the ordinary update formula (6) when  $\vartheta(\|\operatorname{grad} f(x_k)\|) < b_2$  and k > K.

**5.3.** R-linear convergence analysis. Theorem 5.2 gives sufficient conditions that guarantee R-linear convergence for *all* quasi-Newton methods with a line search condition satisfying either (2) or (3). It is generalized from [BN89, Theorem 3.1].

THEOREM 5.2. Suppose Assumption 5.1 holds and Assumption 5.2 holds with  $\tilde{\Omega}$  satisfying A.1 and A.2;  $\{x_k\}$  is generated by (1) and (5) such that the step size  $\alpha_k$  satisfies either A.1 or A.2; and  $\mathcal{B}_k$  is positive definite for all k > K. Assume that there exists  $p \in (0,1)$  and  $a_{12}, a_{13} > 0$  such that for any  $k \geq K$ , the inequalities

$$(25) \cos \theta_i \ge a_{12},$$

(26) 
$$\frac{\|\mathcal{B}_{j}s_{j}\|}{\|s_{j}\|} \le a_{13}$$

hold for at least  $\lceil (k-K+1)p \rceil$  values of  $j \in [K,k]$ , where  $\cos \theta_j = \frac{g(\eta_j, \mathcal{B}_j \eta_j)}{\|\eta_j\| \|\mathcal{B}_j \eta_j\|}$ . Then  $\{x_k\} \to x^*$ ; moreover

(27) 
$$\sum_{k=K}^{\infty} \|\zeta_k\| < \infty,$$

and there is a constant  $0 \le a_{14} < 1$  such that

(28) 
$$f(x_{k+1}) - f(x^*) \le a_{14}^{k-K+1} (f(x_K) - f(x^*))$$

holds for all  $k \geq K$ , where  $\zeta_k = R_{x^*}^{-1}(x_k)$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\mathcal{J}$  denote the set of indices for which (25) and (26) hold. Consider an iterate  $x_j$  with  $j \in \mathcal{J}$ . Using (2), (3), (25), and (26) yields that

(29) 
$$h_j(0) - h_j(\alpha_j) \ge \chi \| \operatorname{grad} f(x_j) \|^2,$$

where  $\chi = \chi_1 a_{12}^2$  if the line search condition (2) holds, or  $\chi = \chi_2 a_{12}/a_{13}$  if the condition (3) holds. Define  $m_{x^*,k}(t)$  to be  $f(R_{x^*}(t\zeta_k/\|\zeta_k\|))$ . Taylor's theorem gives

$$f(x_k) - f(x^*) = m_{x^*,k}(\|\zeta_k\|) - m_{x^*,k}(0) = \frac{1}{2} \frac{d^2}{dt^2} m_{x^*,k}(t)|_{t=\tau} \|\zeta_k\|^2,$$

where  $\tau \in [0, \|\zeta_k\|]$ . It follows from Assumption 5.2 and Definition 5.1 that  $f(x_k) - f(x^*) \ge \frac{1}{2}a_7\|\zeta_k\|^2$ . Using the result from [HGA15, (3.9) in Lemma 3.7] gives  $f(x_k) - f(x^*) \le b_0\|\operatorname{grad} f(x_k)\|^2$  for some constant  $b_0$ . Therefore, we have for all  $k \ge K$ ,

(30) 
$$\frac{1}{2}a_7\|\zeta_k\|^2 \le f(x_k) - f(x^*) \le b_0\|\operatorname{grad} f(x_k)\|^2.$$

By (29) and (30), we obtain that for all  $j \in \mathcal{J}$ ,  $f(x_j) - f(x_{j+1}) \ge \chi(f(x_j) - f(x^*))/b_0$ , which yields

$$f(x_{j+1}) - f(x^*) \le a_{14}^{1/p} (f(x_j) - f(x^*)),$$

where  $a_{14}^{1/p} = 1 - \chi b_0^{-1}$ . Since  $\mathcal{J} \cap [K, k]$  has at least  $\lceil (k - K + 1)p \rceil$  elements, and since  $\{f_k\}$  is decreasing, it follows that

$$f(x_{k+1}) - f(x^*) \le a_{14}^{k-K+1} (f(x_K) - f(x^*))$$

By the lower bound of (30), we obtain

$$\sum_{k=K}^{\infty} \|\zeta_k\| \leq \sqrt{\frac{2}{a_7}} \sum_{k=K}^{\infty} \sqrt{f(x_k) - f(x^*)} \leq \sqrt{\frac{2(f(x_K) - f(x^*))}{a_7}} \sum_{k=K}^{\infty} a_{14}^{k/2} < \infty. \quad \square$$

The R-linear convergence rate of Algorithm 1 is seen easily and is given in Corollary 5.1.

COROLLARY 5.1. Suppose Assumption 5.1 holds; Assumption 5.2 holds with  $\tilde{\Omega}$  satisfying A.1–A.2; and Assumption 5.3 holds. Let  $\{x_k\}$  be the sequence generated by Algorithm 1. Then the iterates  $x_k$  converge to  $x^*$  and (27) and (28) hold.

*Proof.* The results of Lemma 4.1 follow from Lemma 5.1 and the results of this corollary follow from Lemma 4.1 and Theorem 5.2.  $\Box$ 

**5.4. Superlinear convergence analysis.** In this section,  $\{x_k\}$ ,  $\{\mathcal{B}_k\}$ ,  $\{\alpha_k\}$ ,  $\{s_k\}$ ,  $\{s_k\}$ ,  $\{y_k\}$ , and  $\{\eta_k\}$  are infinite sequences generated by Algorithm 1. The following notation is used:

$$\begin{split} \epsilon_k &= \max(\mathrm{dist}(x_{k+1}, x^*), \mathrm{dist}(x_k, x^*)), \ \ H_* = \mathrm{Hess} \ f(x^*), \ \ \zeta_k = R_{x^*}^{-1} x_k, \\ H_k &= \mathcal{T}_{S_{\zeta_k}} H_* \mathcal{T}_{S_{\zeta_k}}^{-1}, \ \ \bar{s}_k = H_{k+1}^{1/2} s_k, \ \ \bar{y}_k = H_{k+1}^{-1/2} y_k, \ \ \bar{\mathcal{B}}_k = H_k^{-1/2} \mathcal{B}_k H_k^{-1/2}, \\ \mathcal{C}_k &= H_{k+1}^{-1/2} \tilde{\mathcal{B}}_k H_{k+1}^{-1/2}, \ \cos \bar{\theta}_k = \frac{g(\bar{s}_k, \mathcal{C}_k \bar{s}_k)}{\|\bar{s}_k\| \|\mathcal{C}_k \bar{s}_k\|}, \ \ \bar{q}_k = \frac{g(\bar{s}_k, \mathcal{C}_k \bar{s}_k)}{\|\bar{s}_k\|^2}, \end{split}$$

where  $H_k^{1/2} = \mathcal{T}_{S_{\zeta_k}} H_*^{1/2} \mathcal{T}_{S_{\zeta_k}}^{-1}$  denotes a linear operator on  $T_{x_k} \mathcal{M}$ ,  $H_*^{1/2}$  satisfies  $H_*^{1/2} H_*^{1/2} = H_*$ , and  $H_*^{1/2}$  is self-adjoint.

Lemma 5.2 generalizes [BN89, (3.23), (3.25)]. It is used in Theorem 5.3.

LEMMA 5.2. If Assumptions 5.1, 5.2, 5.3, 5.4, and 5.5 hold, then there exists a neighborhood  $\mathcal{U}$  of  $x^*$  such that for  $x_k, x_{k+1} \in \mathcal{U}$ , it holds that

$$\|\bar{y}_k - \bar{s}_k\| \le a_{15}\epsilon_k^{\min(1,a_{11})} \|\bar{s}_k\| \quad and \quad g(\bar{y}_k,\bar{s}_k) \ge (1 - a_{16}\epsilon_k^{\min(1,a_{11})}) \|\bar{s}_k\|^2,$$

where  $a_{15}$  and  $a_{16}$  are positive constants.

*Proof.* Define  $y_k^{\mathrm{P}} = \operatorname{grad} f(x_{k+1}) - P_{\gamma_k}^{1\leftarrow 0} \operatorname{grad} f(x_k)$ , where P is parallel transport and  $\gamma_k$  is the retraction line from  $x_k$  to  $x_{k+1}$ , i.e.,  $\gamma_k(t) = R_{x_k}(tR_{x_k}^{-1}(x_{k+1}))$ . From [HAG15, Lemma 8], we have  $\|P_{\gamma_k}^{0\leftarrow 1}y_k^{\mathrm{P}} - \bar{H}_k\alpha_k\eta_k\| \leq b_0\|\alpha_k\eta_k\|^2 = b_0\|s_k\|^2$ , where  $\bar{H}_k = \int_0^1 P_{\gamma_k}^{0\leftarrow t} \operatorname{Hess} f(\gamma_k(t)) P_{\gamma_k}^{t\leftarrow 0} dt$  and  $b_0$  is a positive constant. It follows that

$$||y_{k} - H_{k+1}s_{k}|| \leq ||y_{k} - y_{k}^{P}|| + ||P_{\gamma_{k}}^{0 \leftarrow 1}y_{k}^{P} - \bar{H}_{k}\alpha_{k}\eta_{k}|| + ||P_{\gamma_{k}}^{1 \leftarrow 0}\bar{H}_{k}P_{\gamma_{k}}^{0 \leftarrow 1}P_{\gamma_{k}}^{1 \leftarrow 0}\alpha_{k}\eta_{k} - H_{k+1}\mathcal{T}_{S_{\alpha_{k}\eta_{k}}}\alpha_{k}\eta_{k}|| \leq ||\operatorname{grad} f(x_{k+1})/\beta_{k} - \operatorname{grad} f(x_{k+1})|| + ||P_{\gamma_{k}}^{1 \leftarrow 0}\operatorname{grad} f(x_{k}) - \mathcal{T}_{S_{\alpha_{k}\eta_{k}}}\operatorname{grad} f(x_{k})|| + b_{0}||s_{k}||^{2} + ||P_{\gamma_{k}}^{1 \leftarrow 0}\bar{H}_{k}P_{\gamma_{k}}^{0 \leftarrow 1}\mathcal{T}_{P_{\gamma_{k}}^{1 \leftarrow 0}}\alpha_{k}\eta_{k} - P_{\gamma_{k}}^{1 \leftarrow 0}\bar{H}_{k}P_{\gamma_{k}}^{0 \leftarrow 1}\mathcal{T}_{S_{\alpha_{k}\eta_{k}}}\alpha_{k}\eta_{k}|| + ||P_{\gamma_{k}}^{1 \leftarrow 0}\bar{H}_{k}P_{\gamma_{k}}^{0 \leftarrow 1}\mathcal{T}_{S_{\alpha_{k}\eta_{k}}}\alpha_{k}\eta_{k} - H_{k+1}\mathcal{T}_{S_{\alpha_{k}\eta_{k}}}\alpha_{k}\eta_{k}||.$$

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Simplifying the right-hand side yields

$$\begin{aligned} \|y_{k}-H_{k+1}s_{k}\| &\leq \|\operatorname{grad} f(x_{k+1})\||1/\beta_{k}-1| \text{ (using [GQA12, Lemma 14.5])} \\ &+ \|P_{\gamma_{k}}^{1\leftarrow 0}\operatorname{grad} f(x_{k}) - \mathcal{T}_{S_{\alpha_{k}\eta_{k}}}\operatorname{grad} f(x_{k})\| \\ &\text{ (using [GQA12, Lemma 14.5] and [HGA15, Lemma 3.6])} \\ &+ b_{0}\|s_{k}\|^{2} + \|\bar{H}_{k}\|\|P_{\gamma_{k}}^{1\leftarrow 0}\alpha_{k}\eta_{k} - \mathcal{T}_{S_{\alpha_{k}\eta_{k}}}\alpha_{k}\eta_{k}\| \text{ (using [HGA15, Lemma 3.6])} \\ &+ \|P_{\gamma_{k}}^{1\leftarrow 0}\bar{H}_{k}P_{\gamma_{k}}^{0\leftarrow 1} - H_{k+1}\|\|s_{k}\| \\ &\text{ (using Assumptions 5.4, 5.5 and [Hua13, Lemma 6.2.5])} \\ &\leq b_{1}\epsilon_{k}\|s_{k}\| + b_{2}\epsilon_{k}\|s_{k}\| + b_{3}\epsilon_{k}\|s_{k}\| + b_{4}\epsilon_{k}^{\min(1,a_{11})}\|s_{k}\| \\ &= b_{5}\epsilon_{k}^{\min(1,a_{11})}\|s_{k}\|, \end{aligned}$$

where  $b_1$ ,  $b_2$ ,  $b_3$ ,  $b_4$ , and  $b_5$  are positive constants. Therefore, we have

(31) 
$$\|\bar{y}_k - \bar{s}_k\| \le b_6 \epsilon_k^{\min(1, a_{11})} \|\bar{s}_k\|,$$

where  $b_6$  is a positive constant. It follows that  $\|\bar{y}_k\| - \|\bar{s}_k\| \le b_6 \epsilon_k^{\min(1,a_{11})} \|\bar{s}_k\|$  and  $\|\bar{s}_k\| - \|\bar{y}_k\| \le b_6 \epsilon_k^{\min(1,a_{11})} \|\bar{s}_k\|$ , which yields

$$(32) (1 - b_6 \epsilon_k^{\min(1, a_{11})}) \|\bar{s}_k\| \le \|\bar{y}_k\| \le (1 + b_6 \epsilon_k^{\min(1, a_{11})}) \|\bar{s}_k\|.$$

By squaring (31) and using (32), we have

$$(1 - b_6 \epsilon_k^{\min(1, a_{11})})^2 \|\bar{s}_k\|^2 - 2g(\bar{y}_k, \bar{s}_k) + \|\bar{s}_k\|^2 \le \|\bar{y}_k\|^2 - 2g(\bar{y}_k, \bar{s}_k) + \|\bar{s}_k\|^2 \le (b_6 \epsilon_k^{\min(1, a_{11})})^2 \|\bar{s}_k\|^2,$$

and therefore 
$$g(\bar{y}_k, \bar{s}_k) \ge (1 - b_6 \epsilon_k^{\min(1, a_{11})}) \|\bar{s}_k\|^2$$
.

Theorem 5.3 generalized from [BN89, Theorem 3.2] is the main result of this section. When Theorem 5.3 is combined with a Riemannian version of the Dennis–Moré condition, superlinear convergence follows, as shown in Corollary 5.2.

THEOREM 5.3. Suppose Assumption 5.1 holds; Assumption 5.2 holds with  $\tilde{\Omega}$  satisfy A.1–A.3; Assumption 5.5 holds with  $a_{11}=1$ ; and Assumptions 5.3 and 5.4 hold. Then

(33) 
$$\lim_{k \to \infty} \frac{\|\operatorname{grad} f(x_k) + \operatorname{Hess} \hat{f}_{x_k}(0_{x_k})\eta_k\|}{\|\eta_k\|} = 0.$$

*Proof.* By pre- and postmultiplying the update formula (6) by  $H_{k+1}^{-1/2}$ , we have

(34) 
$$\bar{\mathcal{B}}_{k+1} = \mathcal{C}_k - \frac{\mathcal{C}_k \bar{s}_k (\mathcal{C}_k^* \bar{s}_k)^{\flat}}{(\mathcal{C}_k^* \bar{s}_k)^{\flat} \bar{s}_k} + \frac{\bar{y}_k \bar{y}_k^{\flat}}{\bar{y}_k^{\flat} \bar{s}_k}$$

It follows from the idea used in deriving (15) that

(35) 
$$\operatorname{tr}(\hat{\bar{\mathcal{B}}}_{k+1}) = \operatorname{tr}(\hat{\mathcal{C}}_k) + \frac{\|\bar{y}_k\|^2}{g(\bar{y}_k, \bar{s}_k)} - \frac{\bar{q}_k}{\cos^2 \bar{\theta}_k}$$

(36) 
$$\ln(\det(\hat{\mathcal{B}}_{k+1})) = \ln(\det(\hat{\mathcal{C}}_k)) + \ln\frac{g(\bar{y}_k, \bar{s}_k)}{\|\bar{s}_k\|^2} - \ln\cos^2\bar{\theta}_k - \ln\frac{\bar{q}_k}{\cos^2\bar{\theta}_k}.$$

Using the property of a determinant,  $det(M_1M_2) = det(M_1) det(M_2)$ , yields

(37) 
$$\det(\hat{\mathcal{C}}_k) = \det(\hat{H}_{k+1}^{-1/2}\hat{\mathcal{B}}_k\hat{H}_{k+1}^{-1/2}) = \det(\hat{H}_*^{-1/2})\det(\hat{\mathcal{B}}_k)\det(\hat{H}_*^{-1/2}) = \det(\hat{\mathcal{B}}_k).$$

It follows that

$$(38) -\ln(\det(\hat{\mathcal{C}}_{k+1})) = -\ln(\det(\hat{\mathcal{C}}_0)) + \sum_{i=0}^k \left(-\ln\frac{g(\bar{y}_i, \bar{s}_i)}{\|\bar{s}_i\|^2} + \ln\cos^2\bar{\theta}_i + \ln\frac{\bar{q}_i}{\cos^2\bar{\theta}_i}\right).$$

Observing the relationship between  $\operatorname{tr}(\hat{\mathcal{C}}_k)$  and  $\operatorname{tr}(\hat{\bar{\mathcal{B}}}_k)$ , we have

$$\begin{split} \operatorname{tr}(\hat{\mathcal{C}}_{k}) - \operatorname{tr}(\hat{\bar{\mathcal{B}}}_{k}) &= \operatorname{tr}(\hat{\mathcal{T}}_{S_{\zeta_{k+1}}}^{-1} \hat{\mathcal{T}}_{S_{\alpha_{k}\eta_{k}}} \hat{\mathcal{B}}_{k} \hat{\mathcal{T}}_{S_{\alpha_{k}\eta_{k}}}^{-1} \hat{\mathcal{T}}_{S_{\zeta_{k+1}}} \hat{H}_{*}^{-1}) - \operatorname{tr}(\hat{\mathcal{T}}_{S_{\zeta_{k}}}^{-1} \hat{\mathcal{B}}_{k} \hat{\mathcal{T}}_{S_{\alpha_{k}\eta_{k}}}^{-1} \hat{\mathcal{T}}_{S_{\zeta_{k+1}}} \hat{H}_{*}^{-1}) \\ &+ \operatorname{tr}(\hat{\mathcal{T}}_{S_{\zeta_{k}}}^{-1} \hat{\mathcal{B}}_{k} \hat{\mathcal{T}}_{S_{\alpha_{k}\eta_{k}}}^{-1} \hat{\mathcal{T}}_{S_{\zeta_{k+1}}} \hat{H}_{*}^{-1}) - \operatorname{tr}(\hat{\mathcal{T}}_{S_{\zeta_{k}}}^{-1} \hat{\mathcal{B}}_{k} \hat{\mathcal{T}}_{S_{\zeta_{k}}} \hat{H}_{*}^{-1}) \\ &\leq \|\hat{\mathcal{T}}_{S_{\zeta_{k+1}}}^{-1} \hat{\mathcal{T}}_{S_{\alpha_{k}\eta_{k}}} - \hat{\mathcal{T}}_{S_{\zeta_{k}}}^{-1} \|_{F} \|\hat{\mathcal{B}}_{k} \hat{\mathcal{T}}_{S_{\alpha_{k}\eta_{k}}}^{-1} \hat{\mathcal{T}}_{S_{\zeta_{k+1}}} \hat{H}_{*}^{-1} \|_{F} \\ &+ \|\hat{\mathcal{T}}_{S_{\alpha_{k}\eta_{k}}}^{-1} \hat{\mathcal{T}}_{S_{\zeta_{k+1}}} - \hat{\mathcal{T}}_{S_{\zeta_{k}}} \|_{F} \|\hat{\mathcal{B}}_{k} \hat{\mathcal{T}}_{S_{\zeta_{k}}}^{-1} \hat{\mathcal{B}}_{k} \|_{F} \\ &\leq b_{0} (\|\hat{\mathcal{T}}_{S_{\zeta_{k+1}}}^{-1} \hat{\mathcal{T}}_{S_{\alpha_{k}\eta_{k}}} - \hat{\mathcal{T}}_{S_{\zeta_{k}}}^{-1} \|\|\hat{\mathcal{B}}_{k} \hat{\mathcal{T}}_{S_{\alpha_{k}\eta_{k}}}^{-1} \hat{\mathcal{T}}_{S_{\zeta_{k+1}}} \hat{H}_{*}^{-1} \| \\ &+ \|\hat{\mathcal{T}}_{S_{\alpha_{k}\eta_{k}}}^{-1} \hat{\mathcal{T}}_{S_{\zeta_{k+1}}} - \hat{\mathcal{T}}_{S_{\zeta_{k}}} \|\|\hat{H}_{*}^{-1} \hat{\mathcal{T}}_{S_{\zeta_{k}}}^{-1} \hat{\mathcal{B}}_{k} \|) \text{ (by [Hua13, Lemma 6.2.6])} \\ &\leq b_{0} (\|\hat{\mathcal{T}}_{S_{\zeta_{k+1}}}^{-1} \hat{\mathcal{T}}_{S_{\alpha_{k}\eta_{k}}} \hat{\mathcal{T}}_{S_{\zeta_{k}}} - I \|\|\hat{\mathcal{B}}_{k} \|\|\hat{H}_{*}^{-1} \| + \|\hat{\mathcal{T}}_{S_{\zeta_{k}}}^{-1} \hat{\mathcal{T}}_{S_{\alpha_{k}\eta_{k}}} \hat{\mathcal{T}}_{S_{\zeta_{k+1}}} - I \|\|\hat{H}_{*}^{-1} \|\|\hat{\mathcal{B}}_{k} \|) \end{split}{1}$$

(39) 
$$\leq b_1 \varsigma_k \|\hat{\bar{\mathcal{B}}}_k\|_F \leq b_2 \varsigma_k \operatorname{tr}(\hat{\bar{\mathcal{B}}}_k)$$
 (by [Hua13, Lemma 6.2.6]),

where  $b_0, b_1$ , and  $b_2$  are positive constants,  $\zeta_k = \|\hat{\mathcal{T}}_{S_{\zeta_k}}^{-1} \hat{\mathcal{T}}_{S_{\alpha_k \eta_k}}^{-1} \hat{\mathcal{T}}_{S_{\zeta_{k+1}}} - I\|$ . It follows that

$$\operatorname{tr}(\hat{\mathcal{C}}_{k+1}) \leq (1 + b_2 \varsigma_{k+1}) \operatorname{tr}(\hat{\bar{\mathcal{B}}}_{k+1}) = (1 + b_2 \varsigma_{k+1}) \left( \operatorname{tr}(\hat{\mathcal{C}}_k) + \frac{\|\bar{y}_k\|^2}{g(\bar{y}_k, \bar{s}_k)} - \frac{\bar{q}_k}{\cos^2 \bar{\theta}_k} \right)$$

$$\leq \operatorname{tr}(\hat{\mathcal{C}}_0) \prod_{i=1}^{k+1} (1 + b_2 \varsigma_i) + \sum_{i=0}^k \left( \left( \frac{\|\bar{y}_i\|^2}{g(\bar{y}_i, \bar{s}_i)} - \frac{\bar{q}_i}{\cos^2 \bar{\theta}_i} \right) \prod_{j=i+1}^{k+1} (1 + b_2 \varsigma_j) \right).$$

Note that  $1 \leq \prod_{i=1}^{k+1} (1+b_2\varsigma_i) \leq \prod_{i=1}^{\infty} (1+b_2\varsigma_i) = \exp(\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \log(1+b_2\varsigma_i)) \leq \exp(\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} b_2\varsigma_i) = b_3 < \infty$  by (27) in Theorem 5.2, [HAG15, Lemma 3], and [Hua13, Lemma 6.2.5]. We have

(40) 
$$\operatorname{tr}(\hat{\mathcal{C}}_{k+1}) \le b_3 \operatorname{tr}(\hat{\mathcal{C}}_0) + b_3 \sum_{i=0}^k \left( \frac{\|\bar{y}_i\|^2}{g(\bar{y}_i, \bar{s}_i)} - \frac{\bar{q}_i}{\cos^2 \bar{\theta}_i} \right).$$

It follows from (38) and (40) that

$$\operatorname{tr}(\hat{\mathcal{C}}_{k+1})/b_{3} - \ln(\det(\hat{\mathcal{C}}_{k+1})) \leq \psi(\hat{\mathcal{C}}_{0}) + \sum_{i=0}^{k} \left( \frac{\|\bar{y}_{i}\|^{2}}{g(\bar{y}_{i}, \bar{s}_{i})} - 1 - \ln \frac{g(\bar{y}_{i}, \bar{s}_{i})}{\|\bar{s}_{i}\|^{2}} + \ln \cos^{2} \bar{\theta}_{i} \right)$$

$$+ 1 - \frac{\bar{q}_{i}}{\cos^{2} \bar{\theta}_{i}} + \ln \frac{\bar{q}_{i}}{\cos^{2} \bar{\theta}_{i}} \right).$$

$$(41)$$

On one hand, it holds that  $t/b_3 - \ln t = t/b_3 - \ln(t/b_3) - \ln b_3 \ge 1 - \ln b_3$ . Therefore,  $\operatorname{tr}(\hat{\mathcal{C}}_{k+1})/b_3 - \ln(\det(\hat{\mathcal{C}}_{k+1})) = \sum_{i=1}^d (\lambda_i/b_3 - \ln \lambda_i) \ge d - d \ln b_3$ , where d is the dimension of the manifold  $\mathcal{M}$  and  $\lambda_i$  is the ith eigenvalue of  $\hat{\mathcal{C}}_{k+1}$ . On the other hand, using Lemma 5.2 yields that  $\frac{\|\bar{y}_i\|^2}{g(\bar{y}_i,\bar{s}_i)} - 1 - \ln \frac{g(\bar{y}_i,\bar{s}_i)}{\|\bar{s}_i\|^2} \le b_4 \epsilon_k^{\min(1,a_{11})}$  holds for all sufficiently large i, where  $b_4$  is a positive constant. Therefore, it follows from (41), (27) in Theorem 5.2, and [HAG15, Lemma 3] that

$$d - d \ln b_3 \le \psi(\hat{\mathcal{C}}_0) + b_4 \sum_{i=0}^k \epsilon_i + \sum_{i=0}^k \left( \ln \cos^2 \bar{\theta}_i + \left[ 1 - \frac{\bar{q}_i}{\cos^2 \bar{\theta}_i} + \ln \frac{\bar{q}_i}{\cos^2 \bar{\theta}_i} \right] \right) + b_5$$

$$= \psi(\hat{\mathcal{C}}_0) + b_4 b_6 + \sum_{i=0}^k \left( \ln \cos^2 \bar{\theta}_i + \left[ 1 - \frac{\bar{q}_i}{\cos^2 \bar{\theta}_i} + \ln \frac{\bar{q}_i}{\cos^2 \bar{\theta}_i} \right] \right) + b_5,$$

where  $b_5$ ,  $b_6$  are some constants. Both  $\ln\cos^2\bar{\theta}_i$  and  $1 - \frac{\bar{q}_i}{\cos^2\bar{\theta}_i} + \ln\frac{\bar{q}_i}{\cos^2\bar{\theta}_i}$  are non-positive and we have  $\lim_{i\to\infty}\ln\cos^2\bar{\theta}_i = 0$  and  $\lim_{i\to\infty}1 - \frac{\bar{q}_i}{\cos^2\bar{\theta}_i} + \ln\frac{\bar{q}_i}{\cos^2\bar{\theta}_i} = 0$ . Note that the function  $\ell(t) = 1 - t + \ln(t), t > 0$ , has a unique maximizer at t = 1. It follows that  $\lim_{i\to\infty}\cos\bar{\theta}_i = \lim_{i\to\infty}\bar{q}_i = 1$ , which implies

$$\lim_{k \to \infty} \frac{\|(\mathcal{C}_k - \mathrm{id})\bar{s}\|^2}{\|\bar{s}_k\|^2} = \lim_{k \to \infty} \frac{\bar{q}_k^2}{\cos \bar{\theta}_k^2} - 2\bar{q}_k + 1 = 0.$$

Since

$$\frac{\|H_*^{\frac{1}{2}}\|^2\|(\mathcal{C}_k-I)\bar{s}_k\|}{\|\bar{s}_k\|} = \frac{\|H_{k+1}^{\frac{1}{2}}\|^2\|(H_{k+1}^{-\frac{1}{2}}\tilde{B}_kH_{k+1}^{-\frac{1}{2}}-I)H_{k+1}^{\frac{1}{2}}s_k\|}{\|H_{k+1}^{\frac{1}{2}}s_k\|} \ge \frac{\|(\tilde{B}_k-H_{k+1})s_k\|}{\|s_k\|},$$

we have

(42) 
$$\lim_{k \to \infty} \frac{\|(\tilde{B}_k - H_{k+1})s_k\|}{\|s_k\|} = 0.$$

Let  $\tilde{s}_k = \alpha_k \eta_k = \mathcal{T}_{S_{\alpha_k \eta_k}}^{-1} s_k$ . It follows that

$$\frac{\|(\mathcal{B}_{k} - H_{k})\eta_{k}\|}{\|\eta_{k}\|} = \frac{\|(\mathcal{B}_{k} - H_{k})\tilde{s}_{k}\|}{\|\tilde{s}_{k}\|} = \frac{\|(\mathcal{B}_{k}\mathcal{T}_{S_{\alpha_{k}\eta_{k}}}^{-1} - H_{k}\mathcal{T}_{S_{\alpha_{k}\eta_{k}}}^{-1})s_{k}\|}{\|s_{k}\|}$$

$$= \frac{\|(\mathcal{T}_{S_{\alpha_{k}\eta_{k}}}\mathcal{B}_{k}\mathcal{T}_{S_{\alpha_{k}\eta_{k}}}^{-1} - \mathcal{T}_{S_{\alpha_{k}\eta_{k}}}H_{k}\mathcal{T}_{S_{\alpha_{k}\eta_{k}}}^{-1})s_{k}\|}{\|s_{k}\|}$$

$$= \frac{\|(\tilde{\mathcal{B}}_{k} - H_{k+1} + H_{k+1} - \mathcal{T}_{S_{\alpha_{k}\eta_{k}}}H_{k}\mathcal{T}_{S_{\alpha_{k}\eta_{k}}}^{-1})s_{k}\|}{\|s_{k}\|}$$

$$\leq \frac{\|(\tilde{\mathcal{B}}_{k} - H_{k+1})s_{k}\|}{\|s_{k}\|} + \frac{\|(H_{k+1} - \mathcal{T}_{S_{\alpha_{k}\eta_{k}}}H_{k}\mathcal{T}_{S_{\alpha_{k}\eta_{k}}}^{-1})s_{k}\|}{\|s_{k}\|}$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 \text{ (by (42) and [Hua13, Lemma 6.2.5])}.$$

What is more, from Assumption 5.5 and  $\mathcal{B}_k \eta_k = -\operatorname{grad} f(x_k)$ , it holds that

$$\lim_{k \to \infty} \frac{\|\operatorname{grad} f(x_k) + \operatorname{Hess} f(x_k)\eta_k\|}{\|\eta_k\|} = 0.$$

Define  $\hat{f}_x = f \circ R_x$ . Using the continuity of Hess f and Hess  $\hat{f}$  and Hess  $f(x^*) = \text{Hess } \hat{f}_{x^*}(0_{x^*})$  yields the desired result (33).

COROLLARY 5.2. Suppose Assumption 5.1 holds; Assumption 5.2 holds with  $\tilde{\Omega}$  satisfying A.1-A.3; Assumptions 5.3 and 5.4 hold; and Assumption 5.5 holds with  $a_{11} = 1$ . Then there exists an index  $k_0$  such that  $\alpha_k = 1$  satisfies either (2) or (3) for  $k \geq k_0$ . Moreover, if  $\alpha_k = 1$  is used for all  $k \geq k_0$ , then  $x_k$  converges to  $x^*$  superlinearly.

*Proof.* By [RW12, Proposition 5], (33) in Theorem 5.3 implies that  $\alpha_k = 1$  satisfies the Wolfe condition for all  $k \geq k_0$ . Therefore,  $\alpha_k = 1$  also satisfies either (2) or (3) for  $k \geq k_0$ . Furthermore, using [RW12, Proposition 8] yields the superlinear convergence result.

Note that Assumption 5.5 with  $a_{11} = 1$  reduces to a Riemannian generalization of twice Lipschitz continuous differentiability. We note here without proof that, analogous to the Euclidean setting, Corollary 5.2 still holds as long as  $a_{11} > 0$ .

It is shown in [Hua13, Theorem 5.2.4] that  $\alpha_k = 1$  eventually satisfies the two frequently used line search conditions, i.e., the Wolfe conditions

$$(43) h_k(\alpha_k) \le h_k(0) + c_1 \alpha_k h_k'(0)$$

$$(44) h_k'(\alpha_k) \ge c_2 h_k'(0),$$

where  $0 < c_1 < 0.5 < c_2 < 1$ , and the Armijo-Goldstein condition

$$(45) h_k(\alpha_k) \le h_k(0) + \sigma \alpha_k h_k'(0),$$

where  $\alpha_k$  is the largest value in the set  $\{t^{(i)}|t^{(i)} \in [\varrho_1 t^{(i-1)}, \varrho_2 t^{(i-1)}], t^{(0)} = 1\}$ ,  $0 < \varrho_1 < \varrho_2 < 1$  and  $0 < \sigma < 0.5$ . Therefore, if  $\alpha_k = 1$  is attempted first using one of the line search conditions, then the superlinear convergence of Algorithm 1 is obtained.

If h'(t) must be evaluated at  $t \neq 0$  in line search conditions, such as the Wolfe condition, then the action of vector transport by differentiated retraction is necessary at least on a single direction. More specifically, the term  $h'(t) = g_{R_{x_k}(t\eta_k)}(\operatorname{grad} f(R_{x_k}(t\eta_k)), \mathcal{T}_{R_{t\eta_k}}\eta_k)$  requires the action of vector transport by differentiated retraction,  $\mathcal{T}_{R_\eta}\xi$ , with  $\eta$  and  $\xi$  in the same direction. This has been discussed in [HGA15] and one approach to resort to as little information on differentiated retraction as possible is also proposed therein. With line search conditions (such as the Armijo–Goldstein condition) that do not require h'(t) at  $t \neq 0$ , the use of differentiated retraction can be completely avoided since  $\mathcal{T}_{R_{0\eta_k}}\eta_k = \eta_k$ .

6. Limited-memory Riemannian BFGS method. Analogous to the Euclidean BFGS method, the RBFGS method uses a dense matrix as the Hessian approximation, which is not efficient in the sense of computations and storage especially in the case of large-scale problems. In addition, the computations of  $\tilde{\mathcal{B}}_k = \mathcal{T}_{S_{\alpha_k \eta_k}} \circ \mathcal{B}_k \circ \mathcal{T}_{S_{\alpha_k \eta_k}}^{-1}$  may need matrix multiplication, which may not be cheap. In [HGA15], a limited-memory RBFGS was proposed to overcome the difficulties. The RBFGS method in this paper, Algorithm 1, also allows the definition of a limited-memory RBFGS method, stated in Algorithm 2. Compared to the LRBFGS in [HGA15], Algorithm 2 avoids the dependence on differentiated retraction.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>If  $\varrho_1 = \varrho_2$ , then  $\alpha_k$  is the largest value in the set  $\{1, \varrho_1, \varrho_1^2, \ldots\}$ . The difference of  $\varrho_1$  and  $\varrho_2$  allows the use of a more sophisticated approach to choose a point between  $\varrho_1 t^{(i-1)}$  and  $\varrho_2 t^{(i-1)}$ , such as based on a polynomial interpolation (see [DS83, section 6.3.2]).

## Algorithm 2. LRBFGS.

23: k = k + 1, goto step 2.

**Input:** Riemannian manifold  $\mathcal{M}$  with Riemannian metric g; retraction R; isometric vector transport  $\mathcal{T}_S$ , with R as associated retraction; continuously differentiable real-valued function f on  $\mathcal{M}$ , bounded below; initial iterate  $x_0 \in \mathcal{M}$ ; convergence tolerance  $\varepsilon > 0$ ; integer m > 0.

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1: k = 0, \gamma_0 = 1, l = 0.
   2: \mathcal{H}_k^0 = \gamma_k id. Obtain \eta_k \in T_{x_k} \mathcal{M} by the following algorithm:
         3: q \leftarrow \operatorname{grad} f(x_k)
         4: for i = k - 1, k - 2, \dots, k - l do
                 \xi_i \leftarrow \rho_i g(s_i^{(k)}, q);
q \leftarrow q - \xi_i y_i^{(k)};
         7: end for
         8: r \leftarrow \mathcal{H}^0_{l}q;
         9: for i = k - l, k - l + 1, \dots, k - 1 do
                      \omega \leftarrow \rho_i q(y_i^{(k)}, r);
                     r \leftarrow r + s_i^{(k)}(\xi_i - \omega);
       11:
       12: end for
 13: set \eta_k = -r;
 14: find \alpha_k that satisfies either (2) or (3);
 15: Set x_{k+1} = R_{x_k}(\alpha_k \eta_k). If \|\operatorname{grad} f(x_{k+1})\| > \varepsilon, then break.
16: Define s_k^{(k+1)} = \mathcal{T}_{S_{\alpha_k \eta_k}} \alpha_k \eta_k and y_k = \beta_k^{-1} \operatorname{grad} f(x_{k+1}) - \mathcal{T}_{S_{\alpha_k \eta_k}} \operatorname{grad} f(x_k);
17: if \frac{y_k^y s_k}{\|s_k\|^2} \ge \vartheta(\|\operatorname{grad} f(x_k)\|) then
                Define \rho_k = 1/g(s_k^{(k+1)}, y_k^{(k+1)}) and \gamma_{k+1} = g(s_k^{(k+1)}, y_k^{(k+1)})/\|y_k^{(k+1)}\|^2.

Add s_k^{(k+1)}, y_k^{(k+1)} and \rho_k into storage and if l \ge m, then discard vector pair \{s_{k-l}^{(k)}, y_{k-l}^{(k)}\} and scalar \rho_{k-l} from storage, else l \leftarrow l+1; Transport s_{k-l+1}^{(k)}, s_{k-l+2}^{(k)}, \dots, s_{k-1}^{(k)} and y_{k-l+1}^{(k)}, y_{k-l+2}^{(k)}, \dots, y_{k-1}^{(k)} from T_{x_k} \mathcal{M} to T_{x_{k+1}} \mathcal{M} by \mathcal{T}_S, to get s_{k-l+1}^{(k+1)}, s_{k-l+2}^{(k+1)}, \dots, s_{k-1}^{(k+1)} and y_{k-l+1}^{(k+1)}, y_{k-l+2}^{(k+1)}, \dots, y_{k-1}^{(k+1)}.
20: else
                 Set \gamma_{k+1} \leftarrow \gamma_k, \{\rho_k, \dots, \rho_{k-l+1}\} \leftarrow \{\rho_{k-1}, \dots, \rho_{k-l}\}, \{s_k^{(k+1)}, \dots, s_{k-l+1}^{(k+1)}\} \leftarrow \{\mathcal{T}_{S_{\alpha_k \eta_k}} s_{k-1}^{(k)}, \dots, \mathcal{T}_{S_{\alpha_k \eta_k}} s_{k-l}^{(k)}\} and \{y_k^{(k+1)}, \dots, y_{k-l+1}^{(k+1)}\} \leftarrow \{\mathcal{T}_{S_{\alpha_k \eta_k}} s_{k-1}^{(k)}, \dots, \mathcal{T}_{S_{\alpha_k \eta_k}} s_{k-l}^{(k)}\}
                  \{\mathcal{T}_{\mathbf{S}_{\alpha_k \eta_k}} y_{k-1}^{(k)}, \dots, \mathcal{T}_{\mathbf{S}_{\alpha_k \eta_k}} y_{k-l}^{(k)}\}
22: end if
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7. Experiments. In this section, we compare the numerical performance of the Wolfe condition and the Armijo-Goldstein condition on Algorithms 1 and 2. Since the Wolfe condition requires the evaluation of h'(t) at  $t \neq 0$ , the evaluation of the vector transport by differentiated retraction is needed. We use the locking condition proposed in [HGA15], which restricts the retraction R and the isometric vector transport  $\mathcal{T}_S$ :

(46) 
$$\mathcal{T}_{S_{\xi}}\xi = \beta \mathcal{T}_{R_{\xi}}\xi, \quad \beta = \frac{\|\xi\|}{\|\mathcal{T}_{R_{\varepsilon}}\xi\|}.$$

This condition requires less information about the differentiated retraction than the approach in [RW12]. However, it may need more computations in the vector transport compared to vector transports without any information from vector transport by differentiated retraction. As shown in [HGA15, section 4], a few extra low-rank updates

may be necessary in the vector transport. In contrast with the Wolfe condition, the Armijo–Goldstein condition does not require any information from the differentiated retraction. Therefore, it allows a cheaper isometric vector transport in general.

**7.1. Problem, retraction, vector transport, and step size.** The joint diagonalization problem on the Stiefel manifold [TCA09] is used to illustrate the performance of the proposed algorithms:

$$\min_{X \in \text{St}(p,n)} f(X) = \min_{X \in \text{St}(p,n)} - \sum_{i=1}^{N} \| \operatorname{diag}(X^{T} C_{i} X) \|_{2}^{2},$$

where  $\operatorname{St}(p,n) = \{X \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times p} | X^T X = I_p \}$ , matrices  $C_1, \ldots, C_N$  are given symmetric matrices,  $\operatorname{diag}(M)$  denotes a vector formed by the diagonal entries of matrix M, and  $\|\cdot\|_2$  denotes the 2-norm.

The algorithms proposed in this paper have been used to efficiently solve applications such as the geometric mean of symmetric positive definite matrices [YHAG17] and the phase retrieval problem [HGZ16]. We are also working on other applications including the matrix singular value problems [SI13], dictionary learning on symmetric positive definite matrices [CS15], computations in elastic shape analysis of curves [HGSA15, YHGA15], and the matrix completion problem [Van13, BA14, Mis14].

The Riemannian metric g on  $\operatorname{St}(p,n)$  is the Euclidean metric  $g(\eta_X,\xi_X)=\operatorname{tr}(\eta_X^T\xi_X)$ . With this Riemannian metric g, the gradient is given in [TCA09, section 2.3]. As discussed in [HAG15, section 2.2] or more specifically in [HAG16b], a tangent vector  $\eta_X\in \operatorname{T}_X\operatorname{St}(p,n)$  can be represented by a vector in the embedding space  $\mathbb{R}^{n\times p}$  or a d-dimensional coefficient vector of a basis of  $\operatorname{T}_X\operatorname{St}(p,n)$ , where d=np-p(p+1)/2 is the dimension of  $\operatorname{St}(p,n)$ . Note that  $\operatorname{T}_X\operatorname{St}(p,n)=\{X\Omega+X_\perp K:\Omega^T=-\Omega,\ K\in\mathbb{R}^{(n-p)\times p}\}$ , where the columns of  $X_\perp\in\mathbb{R}^{n\times(n-p)}$  form an orthonormal basis of the orthogonal complement of the column space of X. Hence, an orthonormal basis of  $\operatorname{T}_X\operatorname{St}(p,n)$  is given by  $\{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}X(e_ie_j^T-e_je_i^T):i=1,\ldots,p,j=i+1,\ldots,p\}\cup\{X_\perp\tilde{e}_ie_j^T,i=1,\ldots,n-p,j=1,\ldots,p\}$ , where  $(e_1,\ldots,e_p)$  is the canonical basis of  $\mathbb{R}^p$  and  $(\tilde{e}_1,\ldots,\tilde{e}_{n-p})$  is the canonical basis of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . In practice, one does not have to form the matrix  $X_\perp$ . Only the actions of  $X_\perp$  and  $X_\perp^T$  are needed, i.e.,  $X_\perp^T\eta_X$  and  $X_\perp K$  are needed given  $\eta_X\in \operatorname{T}_X\mathcal{M}$  and  $K\in\mathbb{R}^{(n-p)\times p}$ , respectively. It has been shown in [HAG16b] that the time and space complexities of computing d-dimensional representation of a tangent vector are  $O(np^2)$  and O(np), respectively.

By varying the basis and fixing the coefficients, one can define vector transport by parallelization [HAG15, sections 2.3.1 and 5]. The implementation of this vector transport using a d-dimensional representation for tangent vectors is the identity [Hua13, section 9.5] and is used in our experiment. For detailed discussions about the d-dimensional representation for tangent vectors and vector transport by parallelization on the Stiefel manifold, we refer to [HAG16b].

Three retractions are used. The first is the qf retraction [AMS08, (4.7)]

$$(47) R_X(\eta_X) = \operatorname{qf}(X + \eta_X),$$

where qf denotes the Q factor of the QR decomposition with nonnegative elements on the diagonal of R. The pair of qf retraction and vector transport by parallelization does not satisfy the locking condition, in general, so we use the approach in [HGA15, section 4.2] to modify the vector transport by parallelization in order to satisfy the locking condition. The implementation of the modified vector transport is a rank-two update matrix.

The second retraction is given in [Zhu17, (14)],

(48) 
$$R_X(\eta_X) = \left(I - \frac{1}{2}W_{\eta_X}\right)^{-1} \left(I + \frac{1}{2}W_{\eta_X}\right) X,$$

where  $W_{\eta_X} = P_X \eta_X X^T - X \eta_X^T P_X$  and  $P_X = I - \frac{1}{2} X X^T$ . A Cayley-based isometric vector transport associated with this retraction is also given in [Zhu17, (22)]. This pair of retraction and vector transport does not satisfy the locking condition and the approach in [HGA15, section 4.2] also can be used, which yields extra cost of rank-two update. It can be shown that the complexities of this retraction and the action of this isometric vector transport, i.e., given  $\xi_X \in T_X \mathcal{M}$ , the evaluation of  $\mathcal{T}_{\eta_X} \xi_X$ , are both  $O(np^2)$ . Note that the isometric vector transport in [Zhu17, (22)] uses vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^{n \times p}$  to represent tangent vectors rather than a d-dimensional representation.

The third retraction [HGA15, (7.3)] is given by the approach in [HGA15, section 4.3],

(49) 
$$\left( \begin{array}{cc} R_X(\eta_X) & (R_X(\eta_X))_{\perp} \end{array} \right) = \left( \begin{array}{cc} X & X_{\perp} \end{array} \right) \exp \left( \begin{array}{cc} A & -K^T \\ K & 0_{(n-p)\times(n-p)} \end{array} \right),$$

where  $R_X(\eta_X)$  defines the retraction,  $A = X^T \eta_X$ ,  $K = X_{\perp}^T \eta_X$ . As shown in [HGA15], the pair of retraction (49) and vector transport by parallelization, which uses  $(R_X(\eta_X))_{\perp}$  in (49) to form the basis of  $T_{R_X(\eta_X)} \operatorname{St}(p,n)$ , satisfies the locking condition with  $\beta \equiv 1$ . Therefore, the  $X_{\perp}$  in (49) is computed and stored explicitly. The time and space complexities are  $O(n^3)$  and  $O(n^2)$ , respectively.

The initial step size at each line search follows from [NW06, (3.60) and p. 60]. In our Riemannian experiments, this initial step size in the line search algorithm eventually is one. The two algorithms for finding a step size  $\alpha_k$  satisfying the Armijo-Goldstein condition and the Wolfe condition are both based on quadratic or cubic polynomial interpolation. Specifically, they are [DS83, Algorithms A6.3.1, A6.3.1mod], respectively. We refer to [DS83, section 6.3.2] for the technical details.

**7.2. Environment and parameters.** All experiments are performed in C++ with compiler g++-4.7 on a 64 bit Ubuntu platform with 3.6 GHz CPU (Intel Core i7-4790).<sup>3</sup>

The inverse Hessian approximation update formula

(50) 
$$\mathcal{H}_{k+1} = \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_k - \frac{\tilde{\mathcal{H}}_k y_k (\tilde{\mathcal{H}}_k^* y_k)^{\flat}}{(\tilde{\mathcal{H}}_k^* y_k)^{\flat} y_k} + \frac{s_k s_k^{\flat}}{s_k^{\flat} y_k}, \quad \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_k = \mathcal{T}_{S_{\alpha_k \eta_k}} \circ \mathcal{H}_k \circ \mathcal{T}_{S_{\alpha_k \eta_k}}^{-1}$$

is used since computing  $\eta_k = -\mathcal{H}_k \operatorname{grad} f(x_k)$  is cheaper than solving the linear system  $\mathcal{B}_k \eta_k = -\operatorname{grad} f(x_k)$ .

The function  $\vartheta(t)$  in Algorithms 1 and 2 is chosen to be  $10^{-4}t$ . The stopping criterion is  $gf_f/gf_0 < 10^{-6}$ , where  $gf_f$  and  $gf_0$  denote the final and initial norms of the gradients. The initial inverse Hessian approximation is chosen to be the identity. The value m in Algorithm 2 is set to be 4.

The  $C_i$  matrices are selected as  $C_i = \operatorname{diag}(n, n-1, \ldots, 1) + 0.1(R_i + R_i^T)$ , where the elements of  $R_i \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  are independently drawn from the standard normal distribution. The initial iterate  $X_0$  is given by applying the MATLAB function  $\operatorname{orth}$  to a matrix whose elements are drawn from the standard normal distribution using  $\operatorname{randn}$  in MATLAB.

 $<sup>^3</sup> The \ code$  is available at www.math.fsu.edu/~whuang2/papers/ARBMDRNOP.htm.

**7.3. Tests and results.** The values n and p are chosen to be 12 and 8, respectively. The parameters  $c_1$  and  $\sigma$  are set to be a same value  $10^{-4}$  since they play a same role in the line search conditions. Experimental results of averages of 1000 random runs for RBFGS and LRBFGS with various values of N,  $c_2$ ,  $\varrho_1$  and  $\varrho_2$  are reported in Tables 1 and 2.

Let RBFGSW and RBFGSA denote Algorithm 1 with the Wolfe condition and the Armijo–Goldstein condition, respectively, and LRBFGSW and LRBFGSA denote corresponding limited-memory versions. Let RV1 and RV4 respectively denote the pair of retraction (47) and the vector transport by parallelization and the pair of retraction (48) and the Cayley-based vector transport, both of which do not satisfy the locking condition; RV2 and RV5 respectively denote RV1 using approach [HGA15, section 4.2] and RV4 using approach [HGA15, section 4.2], both of which satisfy the locking condition but the vector transports are not smooth; RV3 denote retraction (49) and the vector transport by parallelization, which satisfy the locking condition and have a smooth vector transport.

Table 1 An average of 1,000 random runs of RBFGS. iter, nf, ng, nV, and t denote the number of iterations, the number of function evaluations, the number of gradient evaluations, the number of vector transports, and the computational wall time in seconds. The subscript -k indicates a scale of  $10^{-k}$ .

	$ _{N}$		Armijo–Goldstien: $[\varrho_1, \varrho_2]$				Wolfe: $c_2$			
	''		$\left[\frac{1}{2},\frac{1}{2}\right]$	$[\frac{1}{4}, \frac{3}{4}]$	$\left[\frac{1}{16}, \frac{15}{16}\right]$	$\left[\frac{1}{64}, \frac{63}{64}\right]$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{3}{4}$	$\frac{15}{16}$	63 64
		iter	143	140	140	140	\	\	\	
		nf	152	148	148	148	\	\	\	\
RV1	32	ng	144	141	141	141	\	\	\	\
		nV	286	280	280	280	\	\	\	\
		t	$6.39_{-3}$	$6.36_{-3}$	$6.40_{-3}$	$6.46_{-3}$	\	\	\	\
IV I		iter	163	161	160	160	\	\	\	$\overline{}$
		nf	175	171	171	170	\	\	\	\
	512	ng	164	162	161	161	\	\	\	\
		nV	326	321	321	321	\	\	\	\
		t	$5.16_{-2}$	$4.94_{-2}$	$4.88_{-2}$	$4.84_{-2}$	\	\	\	\
	32	iter	96	95	95	95	89	91	94	95
		nf	103	102	101	101	113	105	102	101
		ng	97	96	96	96	107	99	96	96
		nV	192	191	190	190	285	280	282	284
RV2		t	$7.55_{-3}$	$7.54_{-3}$	$7.47_{-3}$	$7.46_{-3}$	$7.96_{-3}$	$7.68_{-3}$	$7.70_{-3}$	$7.80_{-3}$
1 t v 2	512	iter	108	108	107	107	95	97	101	104
		nf	118	116	115	115	126	117	114	114
		ng	109	109	108	108	118	110	107	107
		nV	217	215	215	215	308	303	308	314
		t	$3.97_{-2}$	$3.84_{-2}$	$3.79_{-2}$	$3.83_{-2}$	$4.14_{-2}$	$3.85_{-2}$	$3.63_{-2}$	$3.55_{-2}$
	32	iter	121	116	116	116	109	110	114	115
RV3		nf	132	126	126	126	141	129	126	126
		ng	122	117	117	117	131	119	117	117
		nV	241	232	231	231	349	338	343	347
		t	$9.76_{-3}$	$9.36_{-3}$	$9.40_{-3}$	$9.42_{-3}$	$1.01_{-2}$	$9.71_{-3}$	$9.16_{-3}$	$9.45_{-3}$
	512	iter	141	135	134	134	122	121	127	131
		nf	156	147	146	146	163	149	146	147
		ng	142	136	135	135	150	137	135	136
		nV	283	269	268	269	392	379	388	397
		t	$4.89_{-2}$	$4.53_{-2}$	$4.54_{-2}$	$4.48_{-2}$	$5.00_{-2}$	$4.91_{-2}$	$4.70_{-2}$	$4.61_{-2}$

 ${\it Table 2} \\ An average of 1,000 \ random \ runs of LRBFGS. \ The subscript -k \ indicates \ a \ scale \ of \ 10^{-k}.$ 

	N		Armijo-Goldstien: $[\varrho_1, \varrho_2]$				Wolfe: $c_2$			
	i IV		$[\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}]$	$[\frac{1}{4}, \frac{3}{4}]$	$\left[\frac{1}{16}, \frac{15}{16}\right]$	$\left[\frac{1}{64}, \frac{63}{64}\right]$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{3}{4}$	$\frac{15}{16}$	63 64
		iter	142	142	142	142	\	\	\	\
		nf	145	145	145	145	\	\	\	\
	32	ng	143	143	143	143	\	\	\	\
		nV	1124	1122	1122	1122	,	Ì	Ì	,
RV1		t	$4.35_{-3}$	$4.28_{-3}$	$4.28_{-3}$	$4.22_{-3}$	,	Ì	Ì	,
		iter	139	138	138	138	\	\	\	\
		nf	142	142	142	142	\	\	\	\
	512	ng	140	139	139	139	\	\	\	\
		nV	1097	1093	1093	1093	\	\	\	\
		t	$3.94_{-2}$	$3.87_{-2}$	$3.88_{-2}$	$3.87_{-2}$	\	\	\	\
	32	iter	141	140	140	140	136	139	140	140
		nf	144	144	144	144	170	146	144	144
		ng	142	141	141	141	168	144	142	141
		nV	1112	1111	1111	1111	1242	1244	1249	1251
RV2		t	$1.23_{-2}$	$1.22_{-2}$	$1.22_{-2}$	$1.22_{-2}$	$1.28_{-2}$	$1.19_{-2}$	$1.19_{-2}$	$1.19_{-2}$
107 2		iter	137	136	136	136	133	135	136	136
		nf	140	139	139	139	167	141	139	139
	512	ng	138	137	137	137	165	139	137	137
		nV	1082	1077	1077	1077	1218	1202	1210	1212
		t	$5.17_{-2}$	$4.69_{-2}$	$4.68_{-2}$	$4.64_{-2}$	$5.44_{-2}$	$4.63_{-2}$	$4.60_{-2}$	$4.65_{-2}$
	32	iter	142	141	141	141	136	139	140	141
		nf	145	144	144	144	171	146	144	145
		ng	143	142	142	142	169	144	142	142
		nV	1122	1114	1114	1114	1247	1242	1248	1254
RV3		t	$8.68_{-3}$	$8.60_{-3}$	$8.60_{-3}$	$8.61_{-3}$	$1.02_{-2}$	$8.88_{-3}$	$8.62_{-3}$	$8.62_{-3}$
	512	iter	138	136	136	136	133	136	136	136
		nf	142	140	140	140	168	143	140	140
		ng	139	137	137	137	165	140	138	138
		nV	1090	1080	1080	1080	1220	1214	1214	1216
		t	$4.44_{-2}$	$4.34_{-2}$	$4.34_{-2}$	$4.30_{-2}$	$5.30_{-2}$	$4.49_{-2}$	$4.33_{-2}$	$\frac{4.35_{-2}}{}$
		iter	141	141	141	141	\ \	/	/	\
	32	nf	145	145	145	145	\ \	/	/	\
		ng	142	142	142	142	\ \	/	/	\
		nV	1115	1115	1115	1115	\ \	/	\	\
RV4		t	$7.21_{-3}$	$6.97_{-3}$	$7.04_{-3}$	$7.05_{-3}$	\	\	/	
	512	iter	138	137	137	137	\	\	\	\
		nf	142	140	140	140 138	\	\	\	\
		ng	139	138	138		\	\	\	\
		nV	1093	1080	1081	1081	\	\	\	\
		itam	$\frac{4.27_{-2}}{141}$	$\frac{4.25_{-2}}{141}$	$\frac{4.23_{-2}}{141}$	$\frac{4.23_{-2}}{141}$	197	139	140	140
RV5	32	iter	141	$141 \\ 144$	$141 \\ 144$	141	137	139 $147$		
		nf	143	144 $142$	144 $142$	142	172 170	144	$\frac{145}{142}$	$\frac{144}{142}$
	32	$ng \\ nV$	1117	1113		1112		1244	1249	$\frac{142}{1251}$
		$\begin{vmatrix} nv \\ t \end{vmatrix}$	$1.68_{-2}$	$1.65_{-2}$	$1112$ $1.69_{-2}$	$1.68_{-2}$	$\begin{vmatrix} 1250 \\ 1.74_{-2} \end{vmatrix}$	$1.67_{-2}$	$1.65_{-2}$	$1.66_{-2}$
		iter		$\frac{1.03 - 2}{136}$	$\frac{1.09_{-2}}{136}$	136		$\frac{1.07 - 2}{135}$	$\frac{1.03 - 2}{136}$	
	512		137 140				133 167	143		136
		nf $ng$	138	$\frac{140}{137}$	$\frac{140}{137}$	$\frac{140}{137}$	165	143	140 138	$\frac{140}{137}$
		ny $nV$	1082	1077	1077		1214	1208	138 $1212$	1212
		$\begin{vmatrix} nv \\ t \end{vmatrix}$	$5.16_{-2}$	$5.15_{-2}$	$5.16_{-2}$	$1077$ $5.17_{-2}$	$5.88_{-2}$	$5.10_{-2}$	$5.06_{-2}$	$5.06_{-2}$
		_ ·	5.15-2	J.1J-2	0.10-2	0.11-2	3.00-2	5.10-2	3.00=2	3.00-2

Note that there are not results for RBFGSW and LRBFGSW with RV1 and RV4 since the well-definedness of RBFGSW and LRBFGSW requires the locking condition. We observed in our experiments that the search direction may not be a descent direction in these cases. It follows that the algorithms do not converge.

We do not report the experimental results of RBFGS with RV4 and RV5 since the complexities of  $\tilde{\mathcal{H}}_k = \mathcal{T}_{S_{\alpha_k \eta_k}} \circ \mathcal{H}_k \circ \mathcal{T}_{S_{\alpha_k \eta_k}}^{-1}$  in RBFGS's update is  $O(n^2 p^3)$  for the Cayley-based vector transport. In contrast, the complexity of vector transport by parallelization is only O(1) when the intrinsic representation is used for tangent vectors.

We can see that increasing the range of  $[\varrho_1, \varrho_2]$  does not influence the performance of RBFGSA and LRBFGSA significantly. However, as  $c_2$  increases, RBFGSW and LRBFGSW tend to perform better in the sense that the numbers of function and gradient evaluations and computational time decrease in most cases. These phenomena lead us to recommend choosing a large  $c_2 < 1$  for the Wolfe condition. There is no significant difference between the performance of RBFGSW with the largest  $c_2$  and RBFGSA when the same pair of retraction and vector transport is used.

RBFGS with RV1 performs worse than RBFGS with RV2 in the sense of number of function and gradient evaluations. This implies that the locking condition, to some extent, reduces the number of function and gradient evaluations in RBFGS with either the Armijo–Goldstein condition or the Wolfe condition. Note that even though h'(t) at  $t \neq 0$  is not used in the Armijo–Goldstein line search condition, the locking condition can still reduce the number of function and gradient evaluations. However, due to the lower complexities of vector transport (compared to RV2), the relationship between the efficiencies of RBFGS with RV1 and RBFGS with RV2 depends on the costs on the function, gradient evaluation, and the vector transport. Specifically, if the cost on vector transport is not negligible compared to the function and gradient evaluation, then the RBFGS with RV2 can be slower, such as results of N=32 in Table 1. Otherwise, the RBFGS with RV1 can be slower, such as results of N=512 in Table 1.

The pair of vector transport and retraction in RV3 satisfies the locking condition (46). Unsurprisingly, the numbers of function and gradient evaluations and vector transports of RBFGS with RV3 are smaller than RBFGS with RV1. Therefore, if the costs on the retraction and vector transport of RV1 and RV3 are not significantly different, which is true for n=12, p=8, and N=512, then RBFGS with RV3 is faster than RBFGS with RV1 in the sense of computational time. Otherwise, RBFGS with RV3 can be unacceptably slow, as we see in Table 3 discussed later.

Regarding the LRBFGS method, Table 2 shows that the numbers of function, gradient evaluations, and vector transports are not influenced significantly by the choices of retraction and vector transports. Therefore, the lower the complexity of retraction and vector transport, the faster the algorithm in terms of computational time. As discussed in section 7.1, RV1 has lower complexity than RV2 and RV3, RV4 has lower complexity than RV5. It is pointed out first that RV1 has lower cost than RV4. In the LRBFGS method, multiple tangent vectors need be transported to a new tangent space, as shown in step 21 of Algorithm 2. Suppose the number of tangent spaces is k. In RV1, the complexity of vector transport is independent of k, i.e.,  $O(np^2)$ . However, in the Cayley-based vector transport of RV4, the complexity is  $O(kn^2p)$ . It follows that LRBFGSA with RV1 is the faster algorithm among all of them.

In Table 3, we use LRBFGS to compare the performance of RV3 to RV1, RV2, RV4, and RV5 when  $p \ll n$ . Only the Armijo–Goldstein condition is used and N is

Table 3 An average of 10 random runs of LRBFGS with Armijo-Goldstein condition,  $\varrho_1=1/64$ ,  $\varrho_2=63/64$ , and N=4. The subscript -k indicates a scale of  $10^{-k}$ . NA denotes "not run" due to its cost.

		n:50	n:100	n:100	n:200	n:200	n:400	n:400	n:1600
		p:2	p:2	p:4	p:4	p: 8	p:8	p:16	p: 32
	iter	137	203	729	954	1602	2461	3644	6993
	nf	142	209	737	966	1616	2484	3672	7045
RV1	ng	138	204	730	955	1603	2462	3645	6994
	nV	1087	1615	5816	7623	12807	19677	29137	55924
	t	$2.65_{-3}$	$5.66_{-3}$	$2.86_{-2}$	$6.20_{-2}$	$1.66_{-1}$	$8.69_{-1}$	2.07	$6.99_1$
	iter	124	205	777	1187	1785	2713	3233	7307
	nf	127	210	785	1198	1800	2736	3258	7357
RV2	ng	125	206	778	1188	1786	2714	3234	7308
	nV	979	1628	6206	9485	14270	21690	25849	58435
	t	$9.13_{-3}$	$1.96_{-2}$	$8.06_{-2}$	$1.70_{-1}$	$3.63_{-1}$	1.75	3.25	$8.54_1$
	iter	140	220	768	1128	1809	2581	3409	NA
	nf	145	225	779	1139	1825	2603	3440	NA
RV3	ng	141	221	769	1129	1810	2582	3410	NA
	nV	1110	1750	6134	9015	14458	20632	27254	NA
	t	$1.44_{-1}$	$6.76_{-1}$	2.43	$1.99_{1}$	$3.29_{1}$	$1.71_{2}$	$2.32_{2}$	NA
	iter	133	205	783	1122	1605	2641	3421	7557
	nf	138	210	793	1133	1618	2663	3450	7614
RV4	ng	134	206	784	1123	1606	2642	3422	7558
	nV	1051	1628	6254	8966	12820	21114	27351	60437
	t	$3.24_{-3}$	$6.63_{-3}$	$3.98_{-2}$	$1.20_{-1}$	$2.69_{-1}$	1.34	2.47	$8.13_{1}$
	iter	133	211	749	1096	1842	2895	3320	7897
	nf	137	217	758	1105	1858	2916	3347	7957
RV5	ng	134	212	750	1097	1843	2896	3321	7898
16.6.9	nV	1054	1679	5981	8759	14723	23145	26544	63161
	t	$1.13_{-2}$	$1.89_{-2}$	$9.34_{-2}$	$2.29_{-1}$	$6.07_{-1}$	2.58	4.62	$1.07_{2}$

chosen to be 4. Multiple n and p are tested to show the trend of computational time as n and p increase. As discussed in section 7.1, RV3 is not competitive with RV1 and RV2 in the sense of computational time due to the significant cost on  $X_{\perp}$  and the matrix exponential. Specifically, using RV3 can be slower by orders of magnitude than using the other four pairs. RV1 again is the fastest method in the sense of computational time.

8. Conclusion. In this paper, we generalize the cautious BFGS update in [LF01b] and the weak line search condition in [BN89] to the Riemannian setting and define a framework for the RBFGS method by merging those two ideas that allow differentiated retraction to be avoided completed. It is proven that the RBFGS method, Algorithm 1, converges globally to a stationary point for a general nonconvex function, which has not been done for earlier Riemannian versions of the BFGS method. A local superlinear convergence analysis is also given. Experiments show that Algorithms 1 and 2 (i) avoid the requirement of differentiated retraction and therefore are easy to use in practice and (ii) have competitive performance compared with the RBFGS and LRBFGS methods in [HGA15] which require information from differentiated retraction. Therefore, Algorithms 1 and 2 should be the first choice of the RBFGS method due to their robustness and efficiency. They have been implemented in ROPTLIB [HAGH16] as the default RBFGS and LRBFGS methods.

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