# Optimization Methods for Learning

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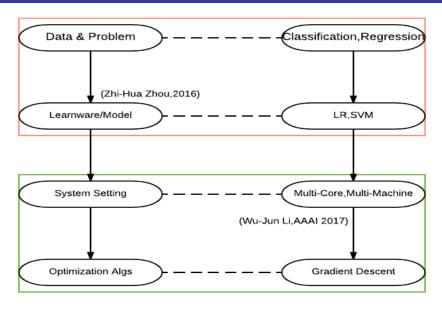
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#### Outline

- Optimization Methods for LR and Distributed Implementation
- Roadmap of Optimization Improvement
- Optimization Methods for Deep Learning
- Ideas
- PSO v.s. Gradient Optimization

#### Distribution Optimization:SGD-> HogWild!



# Linear Regression-(BGD,SGD,mini-BGD)(1/3)

Model:

$$\mathbf{H}_{\theta}(\mathbf{X}) = \sum_{j=0}^{N} \theta_{j} \mathbf{X}_{j} \tag{1}$$

Loss Function:

$$J(\theta) = \frac{1}{2M} \sum_{i=1}^{M} (H_{\theta}(X^{(i)}) - Y^{(i)})^{2} = \frac{1}{M} \sum_{i=1}^{M} \frac{1}{2} (H_{\theta}(X^{(i)}) - Y^{(i)})^{2}$$
(2)

Diff:

$$\frac{\partial J(\theta)}{\partial \theta_j} = \frac{1}{M} \sum_{i=1}^{M} (H_{\theta}(X^{(i)}) - Y^{(i)}) X_j^{(i)}$$
(3)

(T.Hastie, R. Tibshirani, J. Friedman, ESL, 2.3.1, Linear Models and Least Squares)

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# Linear Regression-(BGD,SGD,mini-BGD)(2/3)

BGD:

$$\theta_{j}^{(t+1)} = \theta_{j}^{(t)} - \eta \frac{1}{M} \sum_{i=1}^{M} (H_{\theta^{(t)}}(X^{(i)}) - Y^{(i)}) X_{j}^{(i)}$$
(4)

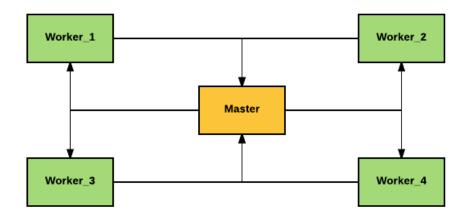
SGD:

$$\theta_j^{(t+1)} = \theta_j^{(t)} - \eta(H_{\theta^{(t)}}(X^{(i)}) - Y^{(i)})X_j^{(i)}$$
 (5)

mini-BGD:

$$\theta_j^{(t+1)} = \theta_j^{(t)} - \eta \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m (H_{\theta^{(t)}}(X^{(i)}) - Y^{(i)}) X_j^{(i)} \quad (0 < m < M) \quad (6)$$

# Linear Regression-(BGD,SGD,mini-BGD)(3/3)

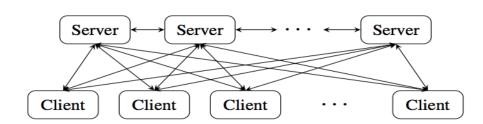


# Hogwild!

Each thread draws a random example *i* from training data.

- Acquire a lock on the current state of parameters  $\theta^{(t)}$ .
- Thread reads  $\theta^{(t)}$ .
- Thread updates  $\theta^{(t+1)} = \theta^{(t)} \eta(H_{\theta^{(t)}}(X^{(i)}) Y^{(i)})X^{(i)}$ .
- Release lock on  $\theta^{(t)}$ .

#### Distribution-Performance



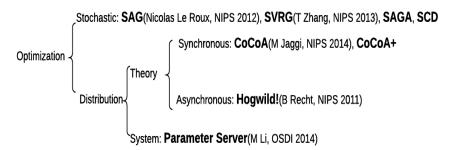
- Convergence
- Complexity
- Communication:throughput,latency

#### Questions

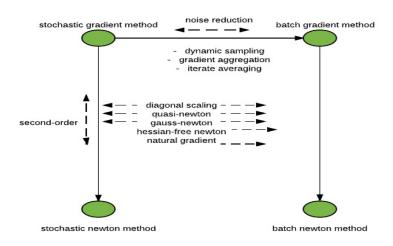
- 1.How to trade off accuracy and convergence?  $BGD(O(\rho^T))$ ,  $SGD(O(\frac{1}{T}))$ .
- 2. How to choose learning rate? Fixed and Diminishing Stepsize.
- 3. How to escape saddle point in non-convex problem?  $z = x^2 y^2$
- 4. How to make communication efficient in distribution setting?



# Outline (1/3) - Overall

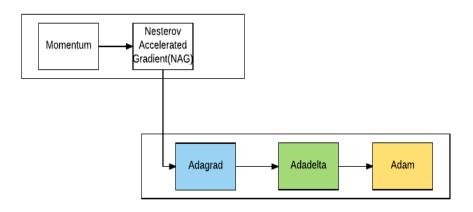


## Outline(2/3)-SGDs



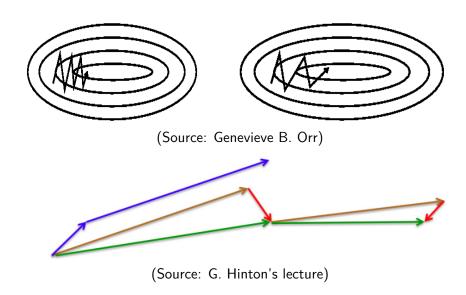
«Optimization Methods for Large-Scale Machine Learning» (Bottou L, Arxiv,2016)

# Outline(3/3)-DL



 $\mbox{\ensuremath{\mbox{$\langle$}}}$  An Overview of Gradient Descent Optimization Algorithms  $\mbox{\ensuremath{\mbox{$\rangle$}}}$  (Sebastian Ruder, Arxiv, 2016)

# Momentum v.s. NAG(1/2)



# Momentum v.s. NAG(2/2)

Momentum:

$$\nu_t = \gamma \nu_{t-1} + \eta \nabla_{\theta^{(t-1)}} J(\theta^{(t-1)}) \tag{7}$$

$$\theta^{(t)} = \theta^{(t-1)} - \nu_t \tag{8}$$

NAG:

$$\theta' = \theta^{(t-1)} - \gamma \nu_{t-1} \tag{9}$$

$$\nu_{t} = \gamma \nu_{t-1} + \eta \nabla J_{\theta'}(\theta') \tag{10}$$

$$\theta^{(t)} = \theta^{(t-1)} - \nu_t \tag{11}$$

# Ada Algs(1/3)-AdaGrad

 $g_{t,i} = \nabla_{\theta} J(\theta_i)$  表示目标函数在第 t 步中在  $\theta_i$  的梯度,则对传统 SGD 有:

$$\theta_{t+1,i} = \theta_{t,i} - \eta \mathbf{g}_{t,i} \tag{12}$$

而 AdaGrad 的更新方式为:

$$\theta_{t+1,i} = \theta_{t,i} - \frac{\eta}{\sqrt{G_{t,ii} + \epsilon}} g_{t,i}$$
 (13)

其中, $G_t \in R^{dxd}$  是一个对角矩阵,对角上的元素 i 为  $\theta_i$  的历史值的平方和, $\epsilon$  是为了防止分母为 0 的项,通常取值为 1e-8, $\eta$  通常不需要调整,默认值 0.01。

#### Ada Algs(2/3)-AdaDelta

Adadelta 对于 Adagrad 中的改进主要是采用一个固定窗口内的值的平方和的平均。第 *t* 步对应的值为:

$$E[g^2]_t = \gamma E[g^2]_{t-1} + (1 - \gamma)g_t^2$$
(14)

同时有:

$$\triangle \theta_t = -\frac{\eta}{\sqrt{E[g^2]_t + \epsilon}} g_t \tag{15}$$

用新的记号  $RMS[g]_t$  来重写上述分母,有:

$$\triangle \theta_t = -\frac{\eta}{RMS[g]_t} g_t \tag{16}$$

针对  $\eta$  的改进是:

$$\eta = RMS[\triangle \theta]_{t-1} = \sqrt{E[\triangle \theta^2]_{t-1} + \epsilon}$$
(17)

最终的表达式是:

$$\triangle \theta_t = -\frac{RMS[\triangle \theta]_{t-1}}{RMS[g]_t} g_t \tag{18}$$

# Ada Algs(3/3)-Adam

Adaptive Moment Estimation:

$$\mathbf{m}_{t} = \beta_{1} \mathbf{m}_{t-1} + (1 - \beta_{1}) \mathbf{g}_{t}$$
 (20)

$$\nu_t = \beta_2 \nu_{t-1} + (1 - \beta_2) g_t^2 \tag{21}$$

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{m}}_t = \frac{\boldsymbol{m}_t}{1 - \beta_1^t} \tag{22}$$

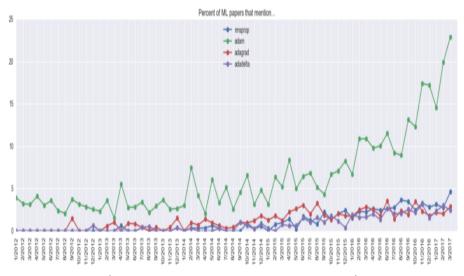
$$\hat{\nu}_t = \frac{\nu_t}{1 - \beta_2^t} \tag{23}$$

$$\theta_{t+1} = \theta_t - \frac{\eta}{\sqrt{\hat{\nu}_t} + \epsilon} \hat{m}_t \tag{24}$$

其中, $eta_1=0.9,eta_2=0.999,\epsilon=10^{-8}$ 



#### **Trend**



(Source: Andrej Karpathy, 2017@Medium)

#### Ideas

ML 中各种基于 gradient 优化的 variants 主要为了减少 noise 和利用二阶信息,而 DL 中的 variants 是为了改进学习率和解决 saddle point 而来。二阶优化方法是为了挖掘更多可利用信息,而一阶优化是为了更好的利用历史信息。

## PSO v.s. Gradient Optimization

速度向量:  $\nu_i = [\nu_i^1, \nu_i^2, \dots, \nu_i^D]$  位置向量:  $x_i = [x_i^1, x_i^2, \dots, x_i^D]$  pBest:粒子历史最优位置向量 gBest:粒子群全局最优位置向量 更新公式:

$$\nu_{i}^{d} = \omega x \nu_{i}^{d} + c_{1} x rand_{1}^{d} x (pBest_{i}^{d} - x_{i}^{d}) + c_{2} x rand_{2}^{d} x (gBest^{d} - x_{i}^{d})$$

$$(25)$$

$$x_i^d = x_i^d + rx\nu_i^d \tag{26}$$

惯性系数: $\omega = 0.9$ , 学习率: $c_1, c_2$ , 随机数 ([0,1]): $rand_1, rand_2$ 

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## Find minimum using PSO

- 初始化所有的个体(粒子),初始化他们的速度和位置,并且将个体的历史最优值 pBest 设置为当前位置,而群体中最优的个体作为当前 gBest。
- 在每一代的进化中,计算各个粒子的适应度函数值 (目标函数值)。
- 如果该粒子当前的适应度函数值比其历史最优值要好,那么历史最优将会被当前位置所替代。
- 如果该粒子的历史最优比全局最优要好,那么全局最优将会被该粒子的历史最优值所替代。
- 对每个粒子 i 的第 D 维的速度和位置按照 (25)(26) 进行更新。
- 如果还没有到达结束条件,转到第二步,否则输出 gBest 并结束。

# Pros and Cons(PSO)

- 利用种群之间的个体比大小来寻找下降方向,适合目标函数含有较多局部极值的问题。
- 2. 为了保证种群多样性,在本种群更新的时候,来自其他种群的更好的解可能被舍弃掉。
- 3. 随着维度 D 的增加,新生个体比上一代好的比例急剧下降。(Adam P.Piotrowski, Applied Soft Computing, 2014)
- 4.DL 中对 saddle point 的处理效果有限。(Adam P.Piotrowski,Applied Soft Computing,2014)

## Summary

- Optimization Methods for ML&DL, Momentum, NAG, Adam, etc. How to make full use of gradient information?
- Schema about SGDs. How to use stochastic ideas?
- Optimization Methods in Distribution Setting. How to improve convergence, complexity and communication cost?

# TKS(Q&R)