

ADUCA: Adaptive Delayed-Update Cyclic Algorithm for Variational Inequalities

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Introduction

The generalized Minty variational inequality (GMVI) problem:

Find $\mathbf{u}^* \in \mathbb{R}^d$ such that. $\langle F(\mathbf{u}^*), \mathbf{u} - \mathbf{u}^* \rangle + g(\mathbf{u}) - g(\mathbf{u}^*) \geq 0 \quad \forall \mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{R}^d$

where $F : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$, is a monotone, locally block-wise Lipschitz operator, and $g : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow (-\infty, +\infty]$ is an extended-valued, proper, convex, lower semicontinuous, block-separable function, with an efficiently computable proximal operator.

In particular, we focus on the setting where the vector $\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{R}^d$ admits a block-wise structure, i.e., $\mathbf{u} = (\mathbf{u}^1, \mathbf{u}^2, \dots, \mathbf{u}^m)^\top$, where $\mathbf{u}^i \in \mathbb{R}^{d_i}$ is a subvector of \mathbf{u} and $\sum_{i=1}^m d_i = d$.

Introduction

GMVI captures broad classes of optimization problems, such as convex-concave min-max optimization:

$$\min_{x^1 \in \mathbb{R}^{d^1}} \max_{x^2 \in \mathbb{R}^{d^2}} \Phi(x^1, x^2),$$

where

$$\Phi(x^1, x^2) := \phi(x^1, x^2) + g^1(x^1) - g^2(x^2),$$

$d^1 + d^2 = d$, ϕ is convex-concave and smooth, and g^1, g^2 are convex and "simple" (i.e., have efficiently computable proximal operators), and convex composite optimization:

$$\min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^d} \{f(x) + g(x)\},$$

where f is smooth and convex, and g is convex and "simple."

Introduction

To reduce convex-concave min-max optimization into GMVI, it suffices to stack vectors x^1, x^2 and define $x = (x^1, x^2)$,

$$F(x) = \begin{bmatrix} \nabla_{x^1} \phi(x^1, x^2) \\ -\nabla_{x^2} \phi(x^1, x^2) \end{bmatrix},$$

$$g(x) = g^1(x^1) - g^2(x^2).$$

To reduce convex composite optimization into GMVI, it suffices to take $F(x) = \nabla f(x)$, while g is the same for both problems.

Assumptions

We make the following standard assumptions.

Assumption

There exists at least one $\mathbf{u}^ \in \mathbb{R}^d$ that solves GMVI, and \mathcal{U}^* denotes the solution set of GMVI.*

Assumption

The operator $F : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$ is monotone, i.e., for any $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^d$

$$\langle F(\mathbf{u}) - F(\mathbf{v}), \mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v} \rangle \geq 0.$$

Assumptions

Assumption (Block-wise Lipschitzness)

For each $i \in [m]$, given positive definite diagonal matrix Λ_i , there exists $L^i \geq 0$ such that $F^i(\cdot)$ is L^i -Lipschitz continuous with respect to the Λ_i -norm, i.e., for any $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^d$, we have

$$\|F^i(\mathbf{u}) - F^i(\mathbf{v})\|_{\Lambda_i^{-1}} \leq L^i \|\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}\|_{\Lambda_i}. \quad (1)$$

Assumption (Local Block-wise Lipschitzness)

Given a positive integer m , for every compact set $\mathcal{C} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^d$ and $i \in [m]$, there exist $L_{\mathcal{C}}^i \geq 0$ and positive definite diagonal matrix Λ_i such that $F^i(\cdot)$ is $L_{\mathcal{C}}^i$ -Lipschitz continuous with respect to the norm $\|\cdot\|_{\Lambda_i}$, i.e., for any $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in \mathcal{C}$

$$\|F^i(\mathbf{u}) - F^i(\mathbf{v})\|_{\Lambda_i^{-1}} \leq L_{\mathcal{C}}^i \|\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}\|_{\Lambda_i}. \quad (2)$$

Example (ℓ_1 -regularized SVM)

The ℓ_1 -regularized support vector machine (SVM) is to solve the following min-max optimization problem:

$$\min_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d} \max_{\mathbf{y} \in [-1, 0]^n} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n y_i (-1 + b_i A_i \mathbf{x}) + \lambda \|\mathbf{x}\|_1 + \sum_{j=1}^n \mathbb{1}_{-1 \leq y_j \leq 0},$$

where $A = [A_1, \dots, A_n] \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times d}$, $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^n$, and $\mathbb{1}_{-1 \leq y_j \leq 0}$ is the convex indicator function of the interval $[-1, 0]$. Let $\bar{A} = [b_1 A_1, \dots, b_n A_n]$. This problem is an instance of GMVI with $F(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \frac{1}{n} [\bar{A}^\top \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{1} - \bar{A} \mathbf{x}] \in \mathbb{R}^{d+n}$, and $g(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \lambda \|\mathbf{x}\|_1 + \sum_{j=1}^n \mathbb{1}_{-1 \leq y_j \leq 0}$. Suppose $m = 2$, $d_1 = d$ and $d_2 = n$. To normalize the non-uniform Lipschitz structure of different coordinates, we can set $\Lambda_1 = \text{diag}(\frac{1}{\|\bar{A}^\top[1]\|}, \dots, \frac{1}{\|\bar{A}^\top[d]\|})$, and $\Lambda_2 = \text{diag}(\frac{1}{\|b_1 A_1\|}, \dots, \frac{1}{\|b_n A_n\|})$, where $\bar{A}^\top[i]$ is the i -th row of \bar{A}^\top for any $i \in [m]$.

Assumptions

Assumption

The function $g : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow (-\infty, \infty]$ is μ -strongly convex with respect to the norm $\|\cdot\|_{\Lambda}$ for $\mu \geq 0$ and positive definite matrix Λ , i.e., for any $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^d$ and $g'(\mathbf{u}) \in \partial g(\mathbf{u})$,

$$g(\mathbf{v}) \geq g(\mathbf{u}) + \langle g'(\mathbf{u}), \mathbf{v} - \mathbf{u} \rangle + \frac{\mu}{2} \|\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}\|_{\Lambda}^2, \quad (3)$$

where $\partial g(\mathbf{u})$ denotes the subdifferential of g at \mathbf{u} . Further, g is block-separable over $\{S^j\}_{j=1}^m$, i.e., $g(\mathbf{u}) = \sum_{j=1}^m g^j(\mathbf{u}^j)$, and admits an efficiently computable proximal operator with respect to the norm $\|\cdot\|_{\Lambda}$.

Here without loss of generality and for notational brevity, we use the same diagonal matrix $\Lambda = \text{diag}(\Lambda_1, \dots, \Lambda_m)$ as the one in the previous assumption.

Algorithm 3.1 ADUCA: Adaptive Delayed-Update Cyclic Algorithm

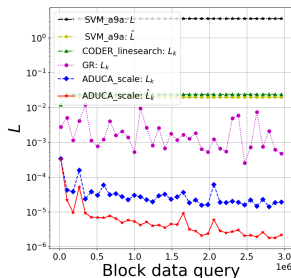
- 1: **Input:** $a_0 > 0$; $\mathbf{u}_0 \in \text{dom}(g)$; $\beta \in (\frac{-1+\sqrt{5}}{2}, 1)$; $\xi \in (\max\{\frac{1}{\beta(1+\beta)}, 1 - \frac{4}{7\beta(1+\beta)}\}, 1)$; $\theta_0 > 0$; $\mu \geq 0$; $m > 0$, $\{\mathcal{S}^1, \dots, \mathcal{S}^m\}$.
- 2: **Initialization:** $\mathbf{v}_0 = \mathbf{u}_0$; $a_{-1} = a_0$; $\phi_1 \in (1, \frac{1}{\beta})$, $\phi_2 = \xi\beta(1 + \beta)$, $\phi_3 = \frac{4}{7\beta(1+\beta)(1-\xi)}$, $\phi_4 = \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{\frac{(1-\xi)(1+\beta)}{7\beta}}$, $\phi_5 = \frac{1}{7\beta}$.
- 3: $\mathbf{u}_1 = \text{argmin}_{\mathbf{u}} \{a_0 \langle \tilde{F}_0, \mathbf{u} \rangle + a_0 g(\mathbf{u}) + \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}_0\|_{\Lambda}^2\}$
- 4: $\tilde{F}_1^i = F^i(\mathbf{u}_1^1, \dots, \mathbf{u}_1^{i-1}, \mathbf{u}_0^i, \dots, \mathbf{u}_0^m)$ for $i \in [m]$
- 5: **for** $k = 1$ **to** K **do**
- 6: $\theta_k = \frac{1 + \mu a_{k-1}}{1 + \mu \beta \phi_1 a_{k-1}} \cdot \theta_{k-1}$
- 7: $\hat{L}_k = \frac{\|F(\mathbf{u}_k) - \tilde{F}_k\|_{\Lambda^{-1}}}{\|\mathbf{u}_k - \mathbf{u}_{k-1}\|_{\Lambda}}$
- 8: $L_k = \frac{\|F(\mathbf{u}_k) - F(\mathbf{u}_{k-1})\|_{\Lambda^{-1}}}{\|\mathbf{u}_k - \mathbf{u}_{k-1}\|_{\Lambda}}$.
- 9: Find the stepsize:
 (3.1)

$$a_k = \min \left\{ \min \left\{ \frac{\phi_1}{\mathbb{1}_{\mu > 0}}, \frac{\phi_2}{[1 - \xi \beta^2 \mu a_{k-1}]_+}, \frac{\phi_3(1 + \beta \mu a_{k-1})\theta_{k-1}}{\theta_k} \right\} \cdot a_{k-1}, \right.$$

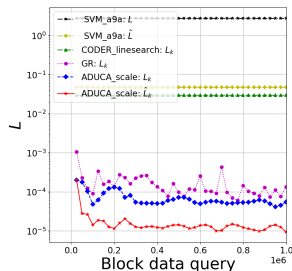
$$\frac{\phi_4}{\hat{L}_k} \sqrt{\frac{(1 + \beta \mu a_{k-2})a_{k-1}}{a_{k-2}}} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{\theta_{k-1}}{\theta_k}},$$

$$\left. \frac{\phi_5^2(1 + \beta \mu a_{k-2})(1 + \beta \mu a_{k-1})}{a_{k-2} L_k^2} \cdot \frac{\theta_{k-1}}{\theta_k} \right\}$$
- 10: **for** $i = 1$ **to** m **do**
- 11: $\tilde{F}_k^i = \tilde{F}_k^i + \frac{\theta_{k-1} a_{k-1}}{\theta_k a_k} (F^i(\mathbf{u}_{k-1}) - \tilde{F}_{k-1}^i)$
- 12: $\mathbf{v}_k^i = (1 - \beta)\mathbf{u}_k^i + \beta \mathbf{v}_{k-1}^i$
- 13: $\mathbf{u}_{k+1}^i = \text{argmin}_{\mathbf{u}^i} \{a_k \langle \tilde{F}_k^i, \mathbf{u}^i \rangle + a_k g^i(\mathbf{u}^i) + \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{u}^i - \mathbf{v}_k^i\|_{\Lambda_i}^2\}$
- 14: $\tilde{F}_{k+1}^i = F^i(\mathbf{u}_{k+1}^1, \dots, \mathbf{u}_{k+1}^{i-1}, \mathbf{u}_k^i, \dots, \mathbf{u}_k^m)$
- 15: **end for**
- 16: **end for**
- 17: **return** $\mathbf{v}_K, \mathbf{u}_{K+1}, \hat{\mathbf{u}}_{K+1} = \frac{1}{A_{K+1}} \sum_{k=1}^{K+1} \theta_k a_k \mathbf{u}_k$

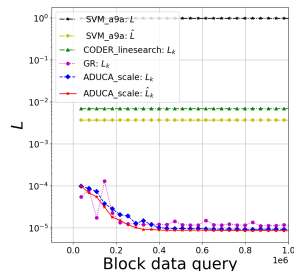
Algorithm



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(b) w8a



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Figure: Comparisons of Lipschitzness estimates of different algorithms.

Convergence Analysis

We consider the following *restricted duality gap* function:

$$\text{Gap}(\mathbf{u}; \mathbf{v}) = \langle F(\mathbf{v}), \mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v} \rangle + g(\mathbf{u}) - g(\mathbf{v}), \mathbf{v} \in S$$

where S is a nonempty compact set to be determined. This is a valid suboptimality measure for VI if we can generate a point $\mathbf{u}_\epsilon^* \in S$ satisfying $\text{Gap}(\mathbf{u}_\epsilon^*; \mathbf{u}) \leq \epsilon$ for given $\epsilon > 0$ and any $\mathbf{u} \in S$, shown in Lemma 1 of [1].

Convergence Analysis

Consider $f(x, y) = xy$, $x \in \mathbb{R}, y \in \mathbb{R}$. Then

$$F\left(\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} y \\ -x \end{bmatrix}.$$

Take any $(\bar{x}, \bar{y}) \neq (0, 0)$. Then:

$$\begin{aligned} \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}, y \in \mathbb{R}} \left\langle F\left(\begin{bmatrix} \bar{x} \\ \bar{y} \end{bmatrix}\right), \begin{bmatrix} \bar{x} \\ \bar{y} \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \right\rangle &\geq \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}, y \in \mathbb{R}} \left\langle F\left(\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}\right), \begin{bmatrix} \bar{x} \\ \bar{y} \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \right\rangle. \\ &= \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}, y \in \mathbb{R}} \left\langle \begin{bmatrix} -y \\ x \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} \bar{x} \\ \bar{y} \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \right\rangle \\ &= \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}, y \in \mathbb{R}} (-y\bar{x} + x\bar{y}). \\ &= \infty \end{aligned}$$

Theorem

Let $\{\mathbf{u}_k\}_{k \geq 0}$, $\{a_k\}_{k \geq 0}$ and $\{\theta_k\}_{k \geq 0}$ be sequences generated by ADUCA. Suppose $\bar{F}_0 = \tilde{F}_0 = F(\mathbf{u}_0)$ and $\mathbf{u}_0 = \mathbf{u}_{-1} = \mathbf{u}_{-2}$. Then $\forall \mathbf{u} \in \text{dom}(g)$, $K \geq 1$, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} & A_K \text{Gap}(\hat{\mathbf{u}}_K; \mathbf{u}) + \frac{\theta_K(1 + \mu a_K)}{4(1 - \beta)} \|\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}_{K+1}\|_{\Lambda}^2 + \sum_{k=1}^K \frac{\beta \theta_k a_k}{2a_{k-1}} \|\mathbf{u}_k - \mathbf{v}_{k-1}\|_{\Lambda}^2 \\ & \leq \frac{\theta_1(1 + \beta \mu a_1)}{2(1 - \beta)} \|\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}_1\|_{\Lambda}^2 + \left(\frac{\beta^2 \theta_1(1 - \xi)(1 + \beta)}{4} + \frac{2\theta_0(1 + \beta \mu a_0)}{7\beta} \right) \|\mathbf{u}_1 - \mathbf{u}_0\|_{\Lambda}^2, \end{aligned}$$

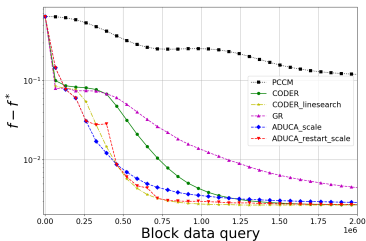
In particular, we have

$$\text{Gap}(\hat{\mathbf{u}}_K; \mathbf{u}) \leq \frac{1}{A_K} \left(\frac{\theta_1(1 + \beta \mu a_1)}{2(1 - \beta)} \|\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}_1\|_{\Lambda}^2 + \left(\frac{\beta^2 \theta_1(1 - \xi)(1 + \beta)}{4} + \frac{2\theta_0(1 + \beta \mu a_0)}{7\beta} \right) \|\mathbf{u}_1 - \mathbf{u}_0\|_{\Lambda}^2 \right).$$

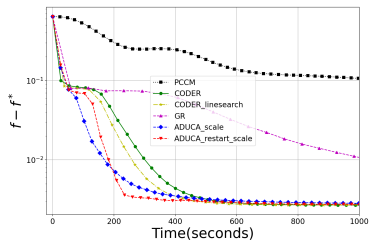
Furthermore, $\forall K \geq 1$, given $\mathbf{u}^* \in \mathcal{U}^*$, the iterates $\{\mathbf{u}_k\}_{k \geq 0}$ and $\{\mathbf{v}_k\}_{k \geq 0}$ are bounded. Given $\mathbf{u}^* \in \mathcal{U}^*$, we have

$$\frac{\theta_K}{4(1 - \beta)} \|\mathbf{u}^* - \mathbf{v}_{K+1}\|_{\Lambda}^2 \leq \frac{\theta_1(1 + \beta \mu a_1)}{2(1 - \beta)} \|\mathbf{u}^* - \mathbf{v}_1\|_{\Lambda}^2 + \left(\frac{\beta^2 \theta_1(1 - \xi)(1 + \beta)}{4} + \frac{2\theta_0(1 + \beta \mu a_0)}{7\beta} \right) \|\mathbf{u}_1 - \mathbf{u}_0\|_{\Lambda}^2.$$

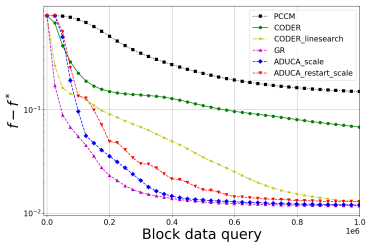
Experiments: SVM



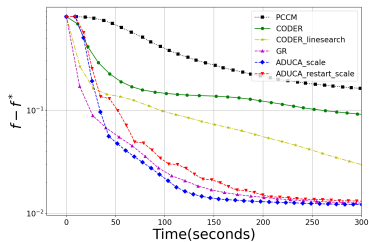
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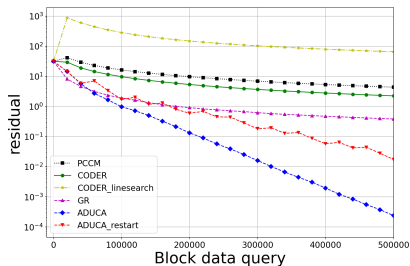


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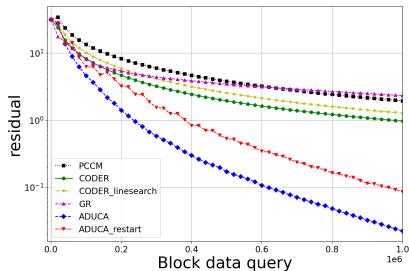


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Experiments: Nash Equilibrium



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Figure: Results of Nash equilibrium problem. Scenario (a) on the left, (b) on the right.

Distributed Block Coordinate methods.

Accelerated ADUCA in minimization problems.

Sharpness-awareness and local smoothness.

Parameter-free methods in neural networks with local smoothness.

Thank you!

Any questions?



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