

$$\|y\| = 1, f'(\vec{a}, \vec{y}) = \|\nabla f(\vec{a})\| \cdot \cos \theta$$

θ angle between $\nabla f(\vec{a})$

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⚠ {Iske Baad Kya padhaya No IDEA}

Lecture-28 (6-November '24)

Gaussian Smoothing $f(x)$

→ Tries to find a convex approximation of f by employing Gaussian smoothing

$x_1 \dots x_5$

Neighbourhood

(we try to smooth it)

Help to reach local optima and global optima quickly

we replace

$f(x)$ = weighted average of value in its neighbourhood in its domain

$$g = f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^5 w_i x_i$$

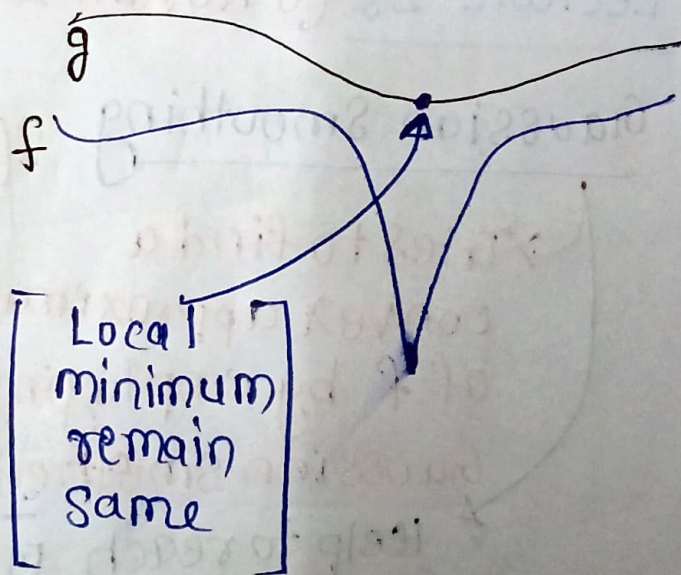
▷ If ~~the~~ values of $f(x)$ are almost same in a range i.e flat ~~then~~ then they are not affected much by using weighted average

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \cdot e^{\frac{(-x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$

μ : mean

σ^2 : valley

▷ ~~This~~ f is replaced by g where $g(x)$ is weighted average of values of y in the neighbourhood



▷ Has the effect of smoothing out sudden dips or ascents in the value of f

▷ often finds even a global minimum (as against a local one) even for non-convex function f

▷ The weights are chosen using Gaussian distribution

Stochastic Gradient Descent

▷ Effective tool for functions 'f' of the form

$$f = \sum_{i=1}^n f_i(\vec{x})$$

▷ Example: least square minimize

$$y = \sum_{i=1}^d \theta_i x_i$$

$$\text{deviation} = \sum_{i=1}^n \left(y_i - \sum_{j=1}^d \theta_j x_{ij} \right)^2$$

$$\min_{\theta \in \mathbb{R}^d} \sum_{i=1}^n \left(y_i - \sum_{j=1}^d \theta_j x_{ij} \right)^2$$

Deviation

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n f_i(\vec{\theta})$$

$$f(\hat{x}_i) = \left(y_i - \sum_{j=1}^d (\theta_j x_{ij}) \right)^2$$

$$\nabla f(\vec{\theta}) = \sum_{i=1}^n \nabla f_i(\vec{\theta})$$

$$\frac{\partial f_i}{\partial \theta_j} = 2(y_i - \sum_{i=1}^n \theta_i x_i) \cdot (-x_j)$$

$$\nabla f_i = \left(\frac{\partial f_i}{\partial \theta_1}, \dots, \frac{\partial f_i}{\partial \theta_d} \right)$$

▷ Assuming the variance is small then estimated value can be a good approximate

$$\triangleright E[r(\vec{x})] = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \nabla f_i(\vec{x})}{n} = \nabla f(\vec{x})$$

▷ $r(\vec{x})$ is an unbiased estimator of $\nabla f(\vec{x})$

↖ some vector

Stochastic Gradient Descent Algorithm

$\vec{x}_0 \leftarrow$ initial guess of \vec{x}^* ; $k \leftarrow 0$

while $\nabla f(\vec{x}_k) \neq 0$ do

$\gamma^k \leftarrow$ an appropriate estimate of step size γ

Choose uniformly at random $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$

$\vec{x}_{k+1} \leftarrow \vec{x}_k - \gamma^k \cdot \nabla f_i(\vec{x}_k)$; $k \leftarrow k+1$

endwhile

Random Return \vec{x}_k
choice

similar to
gradient descent

▷ If variance σ of $r(\bar{x})$ is large, one reduces it by considering the arithmetic mean of several independent sample of $r(\bar{x})$

X - random variable

$$\mu = E(X)$$

$$\sigma^2 = \text{variance}(X)$$

sample independent X_1, \dots, X_K , according to X
~~variance~~

$$Y = \sum_{i=1}^K X_i ; E(Y) = \mu$$

$$\boxed{\text{Var}(Y) = \frac{\text{Var}(X)}{K}}$$

▷ If variance is small, $r(\bar{x})$ will be nearly the same as $r(\bar{x})$

→ If variance is so large the requirement, ~~of random~~ K can become also very large.

▷ $Y_K = Y$ for each K , for pre determined constant Y

→ Here in this method we don't use backtracking line search

$\triangleright \{r_k\}$ could be a sequence satisfying $\sum_{k \geq 0} r_k = \infty$
but $\sum_{k \geq 0} r_k^2 < \infty$

→ Because backtracking line search is not good for stochastic gradient descent:

\triangleright Ex: $r_k = \frac{C}{k}$ for some constant $C > 0$.

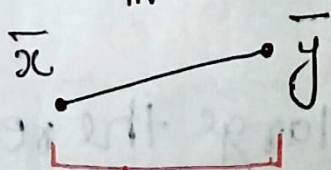
Convex Optimization

① $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{R}^d$

② Ω is a convex set

if $\forall x, y \in \Omega$, and for any θ lies between $[0, 1]$

$$\theta \bar{x} + (1-\theta) \bar{y} \in \Omega$$

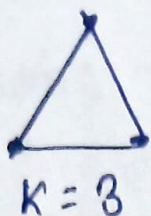


can be represented as
convex combination of these
two points

$$\sum_{i=1}^K \theta_i \bar{x}_i$$

$$0 \leq \theta_i \leq 1$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^K \theta_i = 1$$

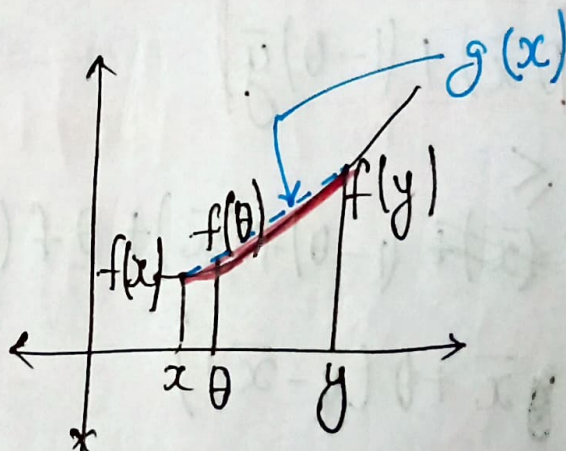


$f: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is convex

→ if Ω is convex

→ for any $\bar{x}, \bar{y} \in \Omega$ $0 \leq \theta \leq 1$

$$f(\theta \bar{x} + (1-\theta) \bar{y}) \leq \theta f(\bar{x}) + (1-\theta) f(\bar{y})$$



Example \mathbb{R}^2 :

$$\Omega = \mathbb{R}^2$$

$$f(x, y) = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$$

Convex bowl can be
think of as an
example

$\gamma = 8$

$$-\bar{x})$$

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A diagram showing a line segment on a coordinate plane. The segment has endpoints labeled x and y . A point labeled θ is marked on the segment between x and y .



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Assume $f(\bar{y}) \geq f(\bar{x}) + \nabla f(\bar{x}) \cdot (\bar{x}, \bar{y})$
for all \bar{x}, \bar{y}

⋮

(iske baad manna nahi kiya
notes banane ka)

$$\theta f(\bar{y}) \geq \theta f(\bar{z}) + \theta \nabla f(\bar{z}) \cdot (\bar{y} - \bar{z})$$

$$+ (1-\theta) f(\bar{x}) \geq (1-\theta) f(\bar{z}) + (1-\theta) \nabla f(\bar{z}) \cdot (\bar{x} - \bar{z})$$

$$\theta f(\bar{y}) + (1-\theta) f(\bar{x}) \geq f(\bar{z}) + \nabla f(\bar{z}) \cdot (\theta(\bar{y} - \bar{z}) + (1-\theta)(\bar{x} - \bar{z}))$$

(proved).

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \theta(\bar{y} - \bar{z}) + (1-\theta)(\bar{x} - \bar{z}) \\ = 0 \end{array} \right\}$$

we put \bar{z}
value

$f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, S : convex subset of \mathbb{R}

f is convex if and only if

$$\forall x, y \in S \quad \boxed{f(y) \geq f(x) + f'(x) \cdot (y - x)}$$

$$\nabla^2 f(x) \geq 0 \quad \forall x \in S \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{positive} \\ \text{(semi)-definite} \end{array} \right\}$$

Proof:

Assume f is convex

Take any $\bar{x} \in S$

Assumption: If $\nabla^2 f(\bar{x})$ is not positive definite

$$\exists \bar{p} \cdot \bar{p}^T \nabla^2 f(\bar{x}) \bar{p}$$

h is sufficiently small

$$f(\bar{x} + h\bar{p}) = f(\bar{x}) + \nabla f(\bar{x}) \cdot h\bar{p} + \frac{h^2 \bar{p}^T \nabla^2 f(\bar{x}) \bar{p}}{2}$$

for some $\bar{\eta} \in L(\bar{x}, \bar{x} + h\bar{p})$

$$\bar{p}^T \nabla^2 f(\bar{x}) \bar{p} = \sum_{i,j=1}^d \frac{\bar{p}_i \bar{p}_j \frac{\partial^2 f(\bar{x})}{\partial x_i \partial x_j}}{2}$$

So this assumption is wrong.

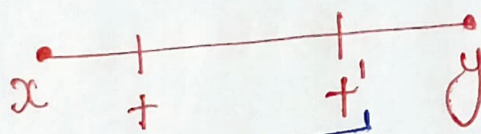
Reverse direction

Proof:

Assume $\nabla^2 f(\bar{x}) \geq 0 \quad \forall \bar{x} \in S$

Take any $x, y \in S$

~~Prove~~ Prove complexity of f restricted to $L(\bar{x}, \bar{y})$



need to choose t and t'
prime ??