

# Homework (9)

1. Give the details of using the Sherman-Morrison formula to compute the inverse of

$$\mathbf{B}_{k+1} = \mathbf{B}_k + \frac{\Delta \mathbf{g}^{(k)} \Delta \mathbf{g}^{(k)T}}{\Delta \mathbf{g}^{(k)T} \Delta \mathbf{x}^{(k)}} - \frac{\mathbf{B}_k \Delta \mathbf{x}^{(k)} \Delta \mathbf{x}^{(k)T} \mathbf{B}_k}{\Delta \mathbf{x}^{(k)T} \mathbf{B}_k \Delta \mathbf{x}^{(k)}}.$$

And further show that  $\mathbf{H}_{k+1} = \mathbf{B}_{k+1}^{-1}$  can be rewritten as

$$\mathbf{H}_{k+1} = \mathbf{V}_k^T \mathbf{H}_k \mathbf{V}_k + \rho_k \Delta \mathbf{x}_k \Delta \mathbf{x}_k^T,$$

where  $\rho_k = \frac{1}{\Delta \mathbf{g}_k^T \Delta \mathbf{x}_k}$ ,  $\mathbf{V}_k = \mathbf{I} - \rho_k \Delta \mathbf{g}_k \Delta \mathbf{x}_k^T$ .

2. Consider the problem to minimize  $(3 - x_1)^2 + 7(x_2 - x_1^2)^2$ . Starting from the point  $(0, 0)^T$ , solve the problem by the following procedures:

- a. The method of Davidon-Fletcher-Powell (DFP).
- b. The method of Broyden-Fletcher-Goldfarb-Shanno (BFGS).

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3. Use L-BFGS to solve extended Rosenbrock function

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^{n/2} [\alpha(x_{2i} - x_{2i-1}^2)^2 + (1 - x_{2i-1})^2],$$

where  $\alpha$  is a parameter that you can vary (for example, 1 or 100). The solution is  $\mathbf{x}^* = (1, 1, \dots, 1)^T$ ,  $f^* = 0$ . Choose the starting point as  $(-1, -1, \dots, -1)^T$ . Observe the behavior of your program for various values of the memory parameter  $m$ .

4. Find the *symmetric* matrix  $\mathbf{N}$  that minimizes the distance  $\|\mathbf{N} - \mathbf{M}\|_F$  subject to the secant condition  $\mathbf{N}\mathbf{d} = \mathbf{g}$ , where  $\mathbf{M}$  is a symmetric matrix.

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5. Solve  $\min_{\mathbf{x}} \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{Ax} - \mathbf{b}\|^2 + \lambda \|\mathbf{x}\|_1$  using the following majorant minimization methods:

- a. Use the Lipschitz gradient majorant function of  $\frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{Ax} - \mathbf{b}\|^2$ ;
- b. Use the variational majorant function  $\min_{\mathbf{d} > \mathbf{0}} \frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{D} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{1}^T \mathbf{D}^{-1} \mathbf{1})$  of  $\|\mathbf{x}\|_1$ , where  $\mathbf{1}$  is an all-one vector and  $\mathbf{D}$  is a diagonal matrix with  $\mathbf{d}$  on the diagonal.

Compare their performances.

For coding problems, please write reports and hand in both codes and reports.  
Remember to restart your computer before running your codes.