

Numerical Optimisation. Project 1

Team Information

Group 1

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Implementation

All points x are represented as numpy arrays. Function f returns a scalar with grad_f and hessian_f returning numpy arrays.

Imports

Describe how to install additional packages, if you have some, here

```
In [1]: import numpy as np
import scipy
import pandas as pd
from matplotlib import pyplot as plt
import seaborn as sns
from numpy.linalg import *
from sklearn.datasets import make_spd_matrix
```

Stopping criteria

Function returns True if the gradient of f at x_k relative to x_0 is smaller than parameter tol .

Additionally there is an upper bound for iterations to stop non converging algorithms.

In [2]:

```
def stop_crit(grad_f, xk, x0, i, tol=1e-8, max_iter=5000):  
    if i > max_iter:  
        return True  
    elif norm(grad_f(xk)) <= tol * norm(grad_f(x0)):  
        return True  
    return False
```

Varibales scaling

Place your reasoning here, how your algorithm behave with respect to this problem. You can also try rescaling your problems This is additional task, which can earn you several points.

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Stabilising algorithm

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In [3]:

```
#your function for stabilising goes here
```

Fighting floating-point numbers and roundoff error

Place your reasoning, how your algorithm behave with respect to this problem. You can also try rescaling your problems This is additional task, which can earn you several points.

Inverting matrices

`linear_solve()` provides a way to solve linear systems of equations using a LU-factorization of A and subsequent forward and backward substitution as described in the book. This solver proves to be quite unstable though in practical applications. We therefore use the numpy implementation of `solve()`.

In [4]:

```
def forward_substitution(L, b):  
    n = L.shape[0]
```

```

y = np.zeros_like(b, dtype=np.double);

y[0] = b[0] / L[0, 0]

for i in range(1, n):
    y[i] = (b[i] - np.dot(L[i,:i], y[:i])) / L[i,i]

return y

def back_substitution(U, y):

    n = U.shape[0]

    x = np.zeros_like(y, dtype=np.double);

    x[-1] = y[-1] / U[-1, -1]

    for i in range(n-2, -1, -1):
        x[i] = (y[i] - np.dot(U[i,i:], x[i:])) / U[i,i]

    return x

def linear_solve(A, b):

    P, L, U = scipy.linalg.lu(A)

    y = forward_substitution(L, P @ b)

    return back_substitution(U, y)

```

Gradients calculation

Following functions are wrapper functions that provide approximations of the gradient and hessian of f using the forward-difference approach as described in the book.

In [5]:

```

def e_i(size, index):
    arr = np.zeros(size)
    arr[index] = 1.0
    return arr

def approx_grad(f, e=1.1*10**-8):
    def grad_f(x):
        if x.size == 1:
            return (f(x + e) - f(x)) / e
        return np.array([(f(x + e * e_i(x.size, i)) - f(x)) / e for i in range(x.size)])
    return grad_f

def approx_hessian(f, e=1.1*10**-8):
    def hessian_f(x):
        if x.size == 1:
            return (f(x + 2*e) - 2*f(x + e) + f(x)) / e**2
        return np.array([(f(x + e * e_i(x.size, i) + e * e_i(x.size, j)) - f(
            x + e * e_i(x.size, i)) - f(x + e * e_i(x.size, j)) + f(
            x)) / e**2 for j in range(x.size)] for i in range(x.size)])
    return hessian_f

```

Additional objects you implemented

The class `Problem()` provides an object to generate and set up quadratic and non some non quadratic test problems for the algorithms with.

In [6]:

```
class Problem():

    def __init__(self):

        self.f = None
        self.grad_f = None
        self.hessian_f = None
        self.min_x = None

    def quadratic(self, n_dim, rseed):

        rng = np.random.RandomState(rseed)
        A = make_spd_matrix(n_dim, random_state=rseed)
        x = rng.randint(-10, 10, n_dim)
        b = A @ x

        def f(x):
            return 0.5 * x.T @ A @ x - b @ x

        def grad_f(x):
            return A @ x - b

        def hessian_f(x):
            return A

        self.f = f
        self.grad_f = grad_f
        self.hessian_f = hessian_f
        self.min_x = x
        self.A = A
        self.b = b

    def rosenbrock(self):

        def f(x):
            return 100*(x[1] - x[0]**2)**2 + (1 - x[0])**2

        def grad_f(x):
            return np.array([-400*x[0]*(x[1] - x[0]**2) - 2*(1 - x[0]),
                             200*(x[1] - x[0]**2)])

        def hessian_f(x):
            return np.array([[ -400*(x[1] - 3*x[0]**2) + 2, -400*x[0]],
                             [-400*x[0], 200]])

        self.f = f
        self.grad_f = grad_f
        self.hessian_f = hessian_f
        self.min_x = np.array([1,1])

    def himmelblau(self):

        def f(x):
            return (x[0]**2 + x[1] - 11)**2 + (x[0] + x[1]**2 - 7)**2

        def grad_f(x):
```

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        return np.array([4*x[0]*(x[0]**2 + x[1] - 11)+2*(x[0] + x[1]**2 - 7),
                        4*x[1]*(x[1]**2 + x[0] - 7)+2*(x[1] + x[0]**2 - 11)])

def hessian_f(x):
    return np.array([[12*x[0]**2 + 4*x[1] - 42, 4*(x[1] + x[0])],
                    [4*(x[1] + x[0]), 12*x[1]**2 + 4*x[0] - 26]])

self.f = f
self.grad_f = grad_f
self.hessian_f = hessian_f
self.min_x = np.array([[3,2], [-2.805118, 3.131312], [-3.779310, -3.283186], [3.

def poly_1(self):

    def f(x):
        return ((x - 7)**2 * (x - 3)**2) / 4

    def grad_f(x):
        return (x - 7) * (x - 5) * (x - 3)

    def hessian_f(x):
        return 3 * x**2 - 30 * x + 71

    self.f = f
    self.grad_f = grad_f
    self.hessian_f = hessian_f
    self.min_x = np.array([[3],[5],[7]])

def poly_2(self):

    def f(x):
        return (x**2 * (x**2 - 16*x + 40)) / 4

    def grad_f(x):
        return x * (x - 2) * (x - 10)

    def hessian_f(x):
        return 3 * x**2 - 24 * x + 20

    self.f = f
    self.grad_f = grad_f
    self.hessian_f = hessian_f
    self.min_x = np.array([[0],[2],[10]])

def poly_3(self):

    def f(x):
        return (x * (3 * x**3 - 64 * x**2 + 414 * x - 648)) / 12

    def grad_f(x):
        return (x - 1) * (x - 6) * (x - 9)

    def hessian_f(x):
        return 3 * x**2 - 32 * x + 69

    self.f = f
    self.grad_f = grad_f
    self.hessian_f = hessian_f
    self.min_x = np.array([[1],[6],[9]])

```

backtracking_alpha() implements the backtracking line search to find a suitable step length as described in the book. *FR()* implements the Fletcher Reeves nonlinear conjugate gradient method.

```
In [7]: def backtracking_alpha(f, grad_f, xk, pk, alpha0=1, rho=0.95, c=1e-4):

    alpha = alpha0

    while not f(xk + alpha * pk) <= (f(xk) + c * alpha * grad_f(xk).T @ pk):
        alpha *= rho

    return alpha

def FR(x0, f, grad_f=None):

    conv_tol = 1e-8
    if grad_f == None:
        grad_f = approx_grad(f)
        conv_tol = 1e-6
    i = 0
    xk = x0
    pk = -grad_f(xk)

    while not stop_crit(grad_f, xk, x0, i, tol=conv_tol):

        xk1 = xk + backtracking_alpha(f, grad_f, xk, pk) * pk
        beta = (grad_f(xk1) @ grad_f(xk1)) / (grad_f(xk) @ grad_f(xk))
        pk = -grad_f(xk1) + beta * pk
        xk = xk1
        i += 1

    print(f"\nsearch terminated at iteration {i} | result: {xk}")
    return xk
```

Testing on 5-10 variables, Quadratic objective

Implement functions to optimise over

Place for additional comments and argumentation

```
In [8]: rseed = [1,4,6,7,8]
quadratic_probs = []
for i in range(5):
    prob = Problem()
    prob.quadratic(10, rseed[i])
    quadratic_probs.append(prob)
```

Run 5 tests

Note: After every test print out the results.

For your convenience we implemented a function which will do it for you. Function can be used in case after running optimisation you return $x_{optimal}$, and if you have implemented your gradient approximation. Feel free to bring your adjustments.

Additionally print how many iterations your algorithm needed. You might also provide charts of your taste (if you want).

Place for your additional comments and argumentation

In [9]:

```
def final_printout(x_0,x_optimal,x_appr,f,grad,args,tolerance):
    """
    Parameters
    -----
    x_0: numpy 1D array, corresponds to initial point
    x_optimal: numpy 1D array, corresponds to optimal point, which you know, or have
    x_appr: numpy 1D array, corresponds to approximated point, which your algorithm
    -----
    f: function which takes 2 inputs: x (initial, optimal, or approximated)
        **args
        Function f returns a scalar output.
    -----
    grad: function which takes 3 inputs: x (initial, optimal, or approximated),
        function f,
        args (which are submitted, because you might
            to call f(x,**args) inside your gradient
            Function grad approximates gradient at given point and returns a 1d np array
    -----
    args: dictionary, additional (except of x) arguments to function f
    tolerance: float number, absolute tolerance, precision to which, you compare opt
    """

    print(f'Initial x is :\t\t{x_0}')
    print(f'Optimal x is :\t\t{x_optimal}')
    print(f'Approximated x is :\t{x_appr}')
    print(f'Is close verificaion: \t{np.isclose(x_appr,x_optimal,atol=tolerance)}\n')
    f_opt = f(x_optimal,**args)
    f_appr = f(x_appr,**args)
    print(f'Function value in optimal point:\t{f_opt}')
    print(f'Function value in approximated point: \t\t{f_appr}')
    print(f'Is close verificaion:\t{np.isclose(f_opt,f_appr,atol=tolerance)}\n')
    print(f'Gradient approximation in optimal point is:\n{grad(f,x_optimal,args)}\n')
    grad_appr = grad(f,x_appr,args)
    print(f'Gradient approximation in approximated point is:\n{grad_appr}\n')
    print(f'Is close verificaion:\n{np.isclose(grad_appr,np.zeros(grad_appr.shape),a
```

In [10]:

```
for i, prob in enumerate(quadratic_probs):
    print(f"Problem {i+1}: ")
    print("approximated gradient: ")
    FR(np.zeros(10), prob.f)
    print("\n exact gradient: ")
    FR(np.zeros(10), prob.f, prob.grad_f)
    print(f"\n actual minimum: {prob.min_x}\n")
```

Problem 1:

approximated gradient:

search terminated at iteration 396 | result: [-4.99997579 1.00004634 1.99999055 -
2.00000416 -0.99997539 0.99999462

-4.99998105 4.9999998 -9.99997797 5.99999824]

exact gradient:

search terminated at iteration 1515 | result: [-5.00000048 0.99999984 2.00000061 -
1.99999951 -0.99999998 1.00000064
-5.00000018 4.99999932 -9.99999982 5.99999992]

actual minimum: [-5 1 2 -2 -1 1 -5 5 -10 6]

Problem 2:

approximated gradient:

search terminated at iteration 1088 | result: [4.00006208 -4.9999718 -8.99998308 -
1.99984674 -1.99994036 8.00008358
-0.99996926 -3.00004387 3.00006958 -1.99998859]

exact gradient:

search terminated at iteration 572 | result: [4.00000041 -5.0000004 -9.00000014 -
2.00000025 -2.00000003 8.0000005
-0.9999999 -2.99999978 2.9999999 -1.99999999]

actual minimum: [4 -5 -9 -2 -2 8 -1 -3 3 -2]

Problem 3:

approximated gradient:

search terminated at iteration 1916 | result: [-1.71287847e-05 -1.00000333e+00 -6.99
999180e+00 3.73536093e-05
3.00001913e+00 4.99999483e+00 9.92604341e-06 6.00001647e+00
-9.00001507e+00 1.00001144e+00]

exact gradient:

search terminated at iteration 1013 | result: [7.67207703e-07 -9.99999633e-01 -6.99
999992e+00 -3.71347247e-07
2.99999936e+00 5.00000006e+00 -1.10373189e-07 5.99999978e+00
-8.99999978e+00 9.99999942e-01]

actual minimum: [0 -1 -7 0 3 5 0 6 -9 1]

Problem 4:

approximated gradient:

search terminated at iteration 954 | result: [5.00002648e+00 -5.99997961e+00 -6.999
99307e+00 8.99998556e+00
-2.99999948e+00 4.00000996e+00 -1.99999078e+00 4.00002443e+00
1.15374245e-05 -1.99999942e+00]

exact gradient:

search terminated at iteration 1604 | result: [4.99999952e+00 -6.00000019e+00 -7.00
000109e+00 8.99999960e+00
-2.99999993e+00 4.00000036e+00 -2.00000101e+00 4.00000047e+00
-3.68737076e-07 -2.00000039e+00]

actual minimum: [5 -6 -7 9 -3 4 -2 4 0 -2]

Problem 5:

approximated gradient:

search terminated at iteration 308 | result: [-6.9999477 7.00005531 -0.99993455 -
4.9999708 -1.99990175 9.00002489
-1.99994554 6.00003533 3.0000124 7.00005251]

exact gradient:

search terminated at iteration 966 | result: [-6.99999995 7.00000012 -1.00000018 -


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5.00000007 -2.00000035 8.99999947  
-2.00000017 6.00000033 2.99999993 7.00000001]
```

```
actual minimum: [-7 7 -1 -5 -2 9 -2 6 3 7]
```

The conjugent gradient algorithm outperforms the steepest descent algorithm, if there is no gradient provided. If there is a gradient provided, the conjugent gradient algorithm is the slowest.

Testing on functions of 1-2 variables, Non-quadratic objective

Implement functions to optimise over

Place for additional comments and argumentation

In []:

Run 5 tests

Place for your additional comments and argumentation

In [11]:

```
prob = Problem()  
prob.rosenbrock()  
print(f"Problem rosenbrock: \n")  
print("approximate gradient: ")  
FR(np.array([1.2,1.2]), prob.f)  
print("\nexact gradient: ")  
FR(np.array([1.2,1.2]), prob.f, prob.grad_f)  
print(f"\nactual minimum: {prob.min_x}")  
  
prob = Problem()  
prob.himmelblau()  
print(f"\nProblem himmelblau: \n")  
print("approximate gradient: ")  
FR(np.array([0,0]), prob.f)  
print("\nexact gradient: ")  
FR(np.array([0,0]), prob.f, prob.grad_f)  
print(f"\nactual minimum: {prob.min_x}")  
  
prob = Problem()  
prob.poly_1()  
print(f"\nProblem poly_1: \n")  
print("approximate gradient: ")  
FR(np.array([2]), prob.f)  
print("\nexact gradient: ")  
FR(np.array([2]), prob.f, prob.grad_f)  
print(f"\nactual minimum: {prob.min_x}")
```

```

prob = Problem()
prob.poly_2()
print(f"\nProblem poly_2: \n")
print("approximate gradient: ")
FR(np.array([1]), prob.f)
print("\nexact gradient: ")
FR(np.array([1]), prob.f, prob.grad_f)
print(f"\nactual minimum: {prob.min_x}")

prob = Problem()
prob.poly_3()
print(f"\nProblem poly_3: \n")
print("approximate gradient: ")
FR(np.array([7]), prob.f)
print("\nexact gradient: ")
FR(np.array([7]), prob.f, prob.grad_f)
print(f"\nactual minimum: {prob.min_x}")

```

Problem rosenbrock:

approximate gradient:

search terminated at iteration 321 | result: [0.99999727 0.99999427]

exact gradient:

search terminated at iteration 1031 | result: [1.00000028 1.00000055]

actual minimum: [1 1]

Problem himmelblau:

approximate gradient:

search terminated at iteration 445 | result: [2.99999961 2.00000079]

exact gradient:

search terminated at iteration 502 | result: [3.58442834 -1.84812652]

actual minimum: [[3. 2.]
 [-2.805118 3.131312]
 [-3.77931 -3.283186]
 [3.584428 -1.848126]]

Problem poly_1:

approximate gradient:

search terminated at iteration 42 | result: [7.00000184]

exact gradient:

search terminated at iteration 60 | result: [6.99999999]

actual minimum: [[3]
 [5]
 [7]]

Problem poly_2:

approximate gradient:

search terminated at iteration 338 | result: [9.9999998]

exact gradient:

search terminated at iteration 1444 | result: [10.]

```
actual minimum: [[ 0]
 [ 2]
 [10]]
```

Problem poly_3:

approximate gradient:

search terminated at iteration 306 | result: [1.0000003]

exact gradient:

search terminated at iteration 514 | result: [1.]

```
actual minimum: [[1]
 [6]
 [9]]
```

For non quadratic functions the conjugent gradient outperforms the steepest descent algorithm nearly all the time, while the other two algorithms are faster, if they even get a result.

Template for teachers' tests

Set up a template, how one can run your code

Template should include skeletons for:

- *custom function to optimise over*
- *values initialisation to submit into otimising algorithm*
- *optimiser function call*
- *report print out call*

Provide descriptions and comments.

In [12]:

```
algorithm_to_test = FR

# Here you can set your individual starting point
x_0 = np.ones(10)

# Here you can enter your individual function
def f(x):
    return np.sum(np.square(x))

# Here you can enter the exact gradient of your function
# This function will just be used in the second test
def grad_f(x):
    return 2*x

# Test run:

print("Test with approximate gradient:")
algorithm_to_test(x_0, f)
```

```
print('\n'*2) # Print some lines between the tests

print("Test with exact gradient:")
algorithm_to_test(x_0, f, grad_f)

print()
```

Test with approximate gradient:

```
search terminated at iteration 147 | result: [9.32311018e-07 9.32311018e-07 9.323110
18e-07 9.32311018e-07
9.32311018e-07 9.32311018e-07 9.32311018e-07 9.32311018e-07
9.32311457e-07 9.32305316e-07]
```

Test with exact gradient:

```
search terminated at iteration 202 | result: [-9.8560803e-09 -9.8560803e-09 -9.85608
03e-09 -9.8560803e-09
-9.8560803e-09 -9.8560803e-09 -9.8560803e-09 -9.8560803e-09
-9.8560803e-09 -9.8560803e-09]
```

In []: