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Thesis Project.

Nonsmooth Optimization on Riemannian manifolds

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Example application. Given $A, B \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times n}$, $\mathcal{M} = \text{SO}(d)$

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- ▶ spectral Procrustes: $f(p) = \|A - pB\|_2$ does not

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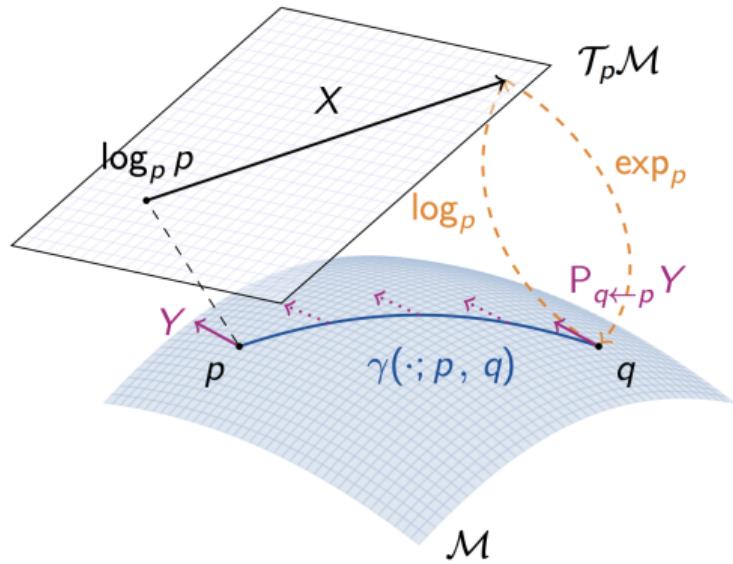
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Riemannian Geometry

Notation

- ▶ Smooth Riemannian manifold \mathcal{M}
- ▶ Tangent space $\mathcal{T}_p\mathcal{M}$ at the point $p \in \mathcal{M}$
- ▶ Inner product $(\cdot, \cdot)_p : \mathcal{T}_p\mathcal{M} \times \mathcal{T}_p\mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$
- ▶ Exponential map $\exp_p X_p = \gamma_{pq}(1) = q$
- ▶ Logarithmic map $\log_p q = \exp_p^{-1} q = X_p$
- ▶ Parallel transport $P_{q \leftarrow p} : \mathcal{T}_p\mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathcal{T}_q\mathcal{M}$
- ▶ Sectional curvature κ

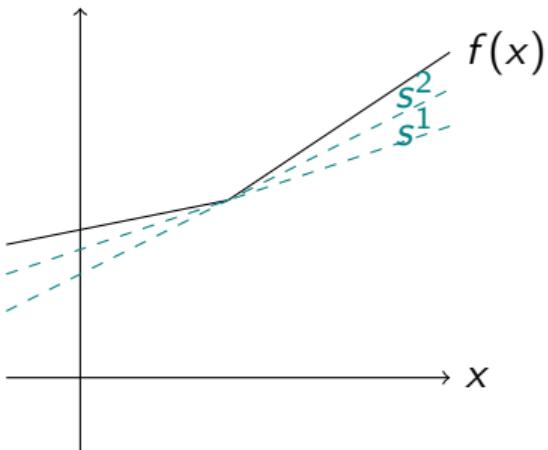


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 1. $t^{(k)} > m$ for all $k \geq k_*$, if a finite number of serious steps k_* occur
 2. no accumulation point of $p^{(k)}$ is allowed to lie on $\partial \text{dom } f$we have an analogous result. [Bergmann, Herzog, and HJ 2024]

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In [Geiger and Kanzow 2002, Theorem 6.80], they are able to show that

$$\sum_{j=k_*}^{+\infty} \left(\|g^{(j)}\|^2 + \varepsilon^{(j)} \right)^2 < +\infty$$

where $k_* \in \mathbb{N}$ is the index that corresponds to the last serious iterate, namely

$$p^{(k)} = p^{(k_*)} \quad \text{for all } k \geq k_*.$$

This is possible because from the definition of $e_j^{(k)}$ one gets a bound

$$(s^{(k)}, g^{(k-1)}) < m(\|g^{(k-1)}\|^2 + \varepsilon^{(k-1)}) - e_k^{(k)},$$

which is still valid in the Hadamard case for $c_k^{(k)}$ with the added assumptions.

Implementation

The algorithm is implemented in Julia using Manopt.jl ([Bergmann 2022]) and Manifolds.jl ([Axen et al. 2023]). A solver call looks like¹

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p* = convex_bundle_method(M, f, ∂f, p0;
                           diameter = δ, domain = dom f, k_max = Ω, m = 10-3)
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where

- ▶ M is a Riemannian manifold
- ▶ f is the objective function
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- ▶ p_0 is an initial point on the manifold

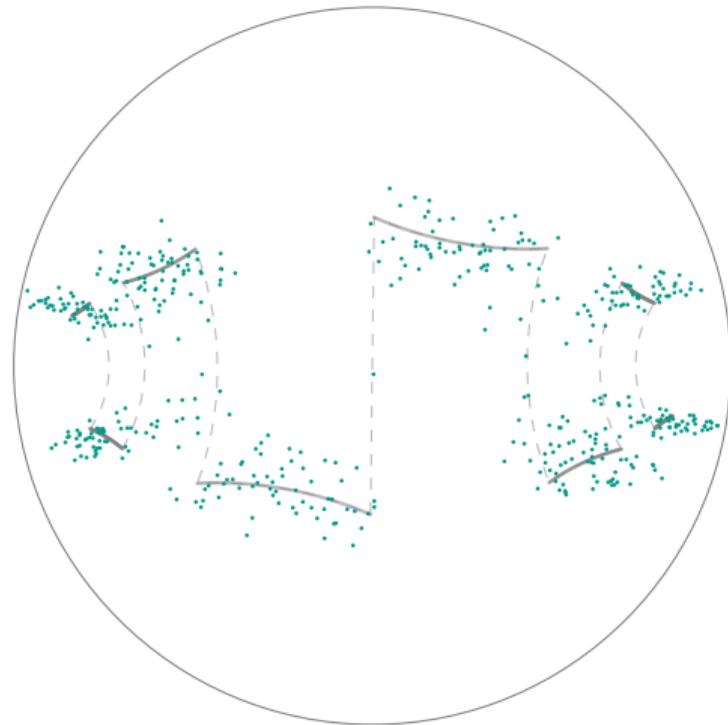
The default stopping criterion for the algorithm is set to

$$-\xi^{(k)} \leq 10^{-8}.$$

¹https://manoptjl.org/stable/solvers/convex_bundle_method/

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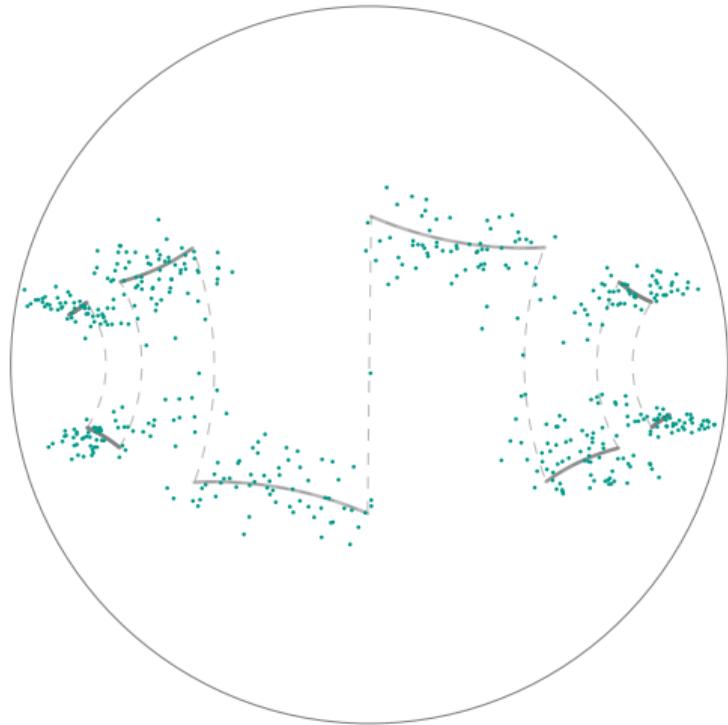
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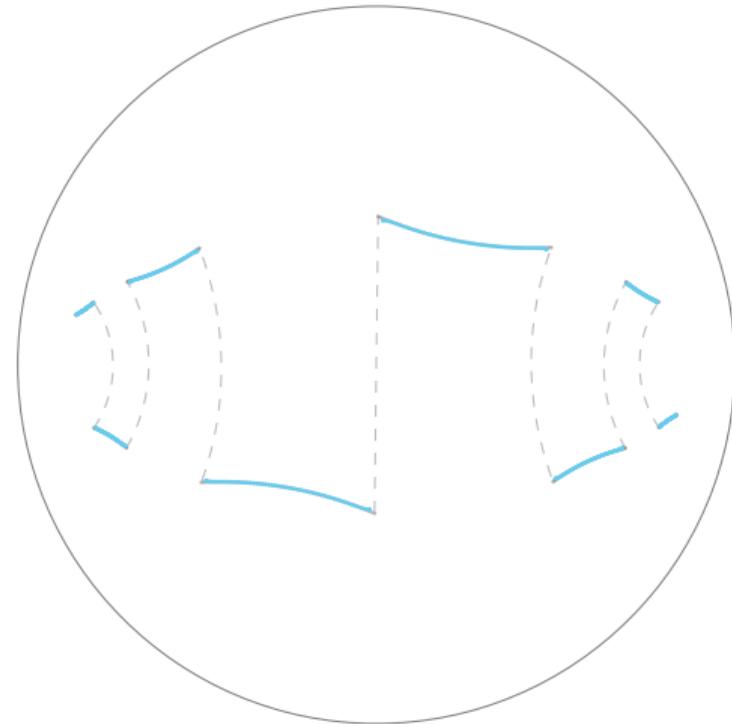
signal q (gray)
noisy signal \bar{q} (teal)

Numerical Example: Signal Denoising on \mathcal{H}^2

- ▶ \mathcal{H}^2 hyperbolic space, $n = 496$
- ▶ $\mathcal{M} = (\mathcal{H}^2)^n$
- ▶ artificial signal $q \in \mathcal{M}$
- ▶ noisy signal $\bar{q} \in \mathcal{M}$,
 $\bar{q}^{[i]} = \exp_{q^{[i]}} X_i, \sigma = 0.1$

Solve the total variation problem

- ▶ $f_q(p) = \frac{1}{n}(g(p, q) + \alpha \text{TV}(p))$
- ▶ $g(p, q) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \text{dist}(p^{[i]}, q^{[i]})^2$
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signal q (gray)
reconstruction q^* (cyan).



Signal Denoising - Algorithms

- ▶ Riemannian Convex Bundle Method (RCBM) [Bergmann, Herzog, and HJ 2024]
- ▶ Proximal Bundle Algorithm (PBA) [Hoseini Monjezi, Nobakhtian, and Pouryayevali 2021]
- ▶ Subgradient Method (SGM) [Ferreira and Oliveira 1998]
- ▶ Cyclic Proximal Point Algorithm (CPPA) [Bačák 2014]

Algorithm	Iter.	Time (sec.)	Objective	Error
RCBM	3417	51.393	1.7929×10^{-3}	3.3194×10^{-4}
PBA	15 000	102.387	1.8153×10^{-3}	4.3874×10^{-4}
SGM	15 000	99.604	1.7920×10^{-3}	3.3080×10^{-4}
CPPA	15 000	94.200	1.7928×10^{-3}	3.3230×10^{-4}



Numerical Example: Riemannian Median on \mathcal{S}^d

- ▶ \mathcal{S}^d d -dimensional sphere
- ▶ \bar{p} north pole
- ▶ $q^{(1)}, \dots, q^{(n)} \in \mathcal{S}^d$ are $n = 1000$ Gaussian random data points in $B_{\frac{\pi}{8}}(\bar{p})$
- ▶ $\mathcal{D} = \{q^{(1)}, \dots, q^{(n)} \mid q^{(j)} \in \mathcal{S}^d \text{ for all } j = 1, \dots, n\}$

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Solve

$$p^* := \arg \min_{p \in \mathcal{S}^d} f(p)$$

Riemannian Median on S^d - Algorithms



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Dimension	RCBM			PBA		
	Iter.	Time (sec.)	Objective	Iter.	Time (sec.)	Objective
2	19	6.50×10^{-3}	0.19289	20	5.30×10^{-3}	0.19289
4	28	1.01×10^{-2}	0.19881	23	5.99×10^{-3}	0.19881
32	58	2.29×10^{-2}	0.19576	28	1.13×10^{-2}	0.19576
1024	48	3.91×10^{-1}	0.19775	40	3.31×10^{-1}	0.19775
32 768	43	7.54	0.19290	21	4.16	0.19290

SGM			
Dimension	Iter.	Time (sec.)	Objective
2	5000	1.14	0.19289
4	3270	8.09×10^{-1}	0.19881
32	5000	2.18	0.19576
1024	122	9.75×10^{-1}	0.19775
32 768	172	5.25×10^1	0.19290

Conclusion and Future Work



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In summary:

- ▶ introduced the Riemannian Convex Bundle Method for geodesically convex functions on Riemannian manifolds
- ▶ discussed convergence and related challenges
- ▶ showed two numerical examples

To do:

- ▶ further investigate the implications of positive curvature

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