

# STOCHASTIC OPTIMIZATION IN MACHINE LEARNING

## CASE STUDIES IN NONLINEAR OPTIMIZATION

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*WE'RE NOT RUNNING OUT OF DATA ANYTIME  
SOON. IT'S MAYBE THE ONLY RESOURCE THAT  
GROWS EXPONENTIALLY.*

*ANDREAS WEIGEND*

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## INTRODUCTION

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*Solution:* **Stochastic Methods**

Update on smaller amounts of training data in each iteration!

# A STOCHASTIC QUASI-NEWTON METHOD

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What is it? Why? Main ideas, high-level pseudo code overview? short  
bfgs repetition? Extreme Cases (L-BFGS, SGD)

Explain the Dataset quickly. Why is this good for SQN testing? Why is it challenging? (file size etc)

Pretty pictures about the behaviour of SQN on HIGGS and comparison with traditional SGD

## PROXIMAL SPLITTING METHOD

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## LOGISTIC REGRESSION: AN EXAMPLE

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Explain what we want to do, and explain the dataset, and why using both SQN and Prox makes sense



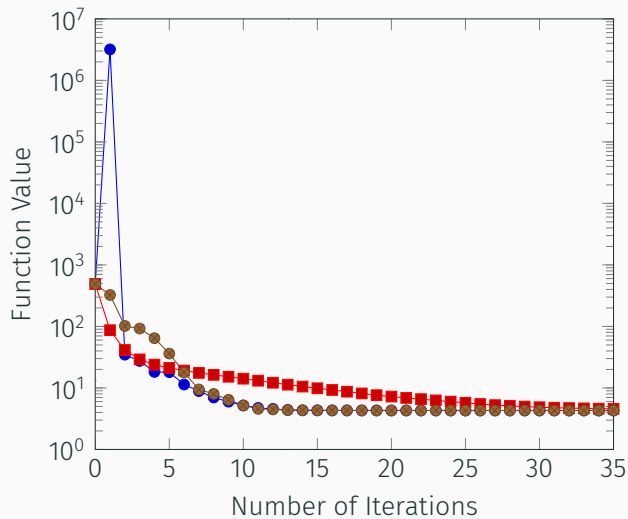
Nice table with SQN, SGD (no reg, L2), (Lasso,) Prox (L1) showing Obj. value in found optimum, CPU time, Iterations, F1 score of prediction model

Use different reg. parameters?? Stop after fixed time? after fixed iters? after insign. improvements

## CONCLUSION

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QUESTIONS?



S. Becker and J. Fadili.

**A quasi-newton proximal splitting method.**

*In Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems*, pages 2618–2626, 2012.