

Problem

Discuss comparative study in terms of convergence speed between search algorithms for at least four optimization problems you generated accordingly.

1. Target functions

- From function1 to function4, they are same as assignment1. function1 is general quadratic function. function2 is log and function3 is trigonometric function. function4 is the minus signed version of gaussian function. function5 and function6 are newly added for testing nondifferentiable cases.

	functions	performance	
		fibonacci search	golden section search
function1	$f(x) = x^4 + 2x^3 - 3x^2 - 10x + 7$	14643ns	14453ns
function2	$f(x) = x \ln(x)$	6123ns	5552ns
function3	$f(x) = \sin(x) + x^2 - 10$	5604ns	5120ns
function4	$f(x) = -\exp(-\frac{x^2}{\sigma^2})$	5569ns	5023ns
function5	$f(x) = x - 0.3 $	5020ns	4075ns
function6	$f(x) = \ln(x) $	5011ns	4496ns

2. Conditions

- The bound is determined by the seeking bound algorithm. The initial random values to search bound are chosen by random_int function.

3. Analysis

- The maximum iteration is set by 46, because of the limitation for maximum fibonacci sequence value. The maximum integer value is now 2,147,483,647, but the 47th fibonacci value is 2,971,215,073. If more complicated Implementation is added, the fibonacci sequence could be larger. But currently didn't. Therefore, the maximum iteration is limited as 46, and the performance is related to this.

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Implementation

1. Class: Optimizing Method

```
9  using function_t = std::function<float(const float&)>;
10 using boundary_t = std::pair<float, float>;
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12 constexpr float MIN = 1e-4; // std::numeric_limits<float>::min();
13 constexpr float MAX = std::numeric_limits<float>::max();
14 constexpr float GOLDEN_RATIO = 1.f/1.618033988749895f;
15 constexpr size_t FIBONACCI_MAX = 46;
16
17 class Method {
18 public:
19     Method(function_t f):function(f) { boundary = seeking_bound(5); };
20
21     // assignment 1
22     float bisection(float start, float end);
23     float newtons(float x);
24     float secant(float x1, float x0);
25     float regular_falsi(float start, float end);
26     float regular_falsi_not_recur(float start, float end);
27
28     // assignment 2
29     float fibonacci_search(size_t N=FIBONACCI_MAX);
30     float fibonacci_search(float start, float end, size_t N);
31     float golden_section(size_t N=FIBONACCI_MAX);
32     float golden_section(float start, float end, size_t N);
33
34     // for convenience
35     boundary_t get_bound() const;
36 private:
37     function_t function;
38     boundary_t boundary;
39     const size_t iter = 10000000; // termination condition
40
41     bool near_zero(float x) {
42         return x==0 || (-MIN<function(x)&&function(x)<MIN);
43     }
44     // for fibonacci search
45     std::vector<int> construct_fibonacci(size_t N) const;
46     boundary_t seeking_bound(float step_size);
47     int random_int() const;
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Homework 2

2. Seeking bound

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202 boundary_t Method::seeking_bound(float step_size) {
203     boundary_t result;
204
205     std::vector<float> x(iter); x[1] = (float)random_int();
206     float d = step_size;
207
208     float f0 = function(x[1]-d);
209     float f1 = function(x[1]);
210     float f2 = function(x[1]+d);
211
212     if (f0>=f1 && f1>=f2) {
213         x[0] = x[1]-d, x[2] = x[1]+d;
214         /*d = d;*/
215     } else if (f0<=f1 && f1<=f2) {
216         x[0] = x[1]+d, x[2] = x[1]-d;
217         d = -d;
218     } else if (f0>=f1 && f1<=f2) {
219         result = std::make_pair(x[1]-d, x[1]+d);
220     }
221
222     // now default 2^x incremental function
223     function_t increment = [](const float& f){ return std::pow(2, f); };
224     for(size_t k=2; k<iter-1; k++) {
225         x[k+1] = x[k] + increment(k) * d;
226
227         if(function(x[k+1])>=function(x[k]) && d>0) {
228             result = std::make_pair(x[k-1], x[k+1]);
229             break;
230         } else if(function(x[k+1])>=function(x[k]) && d<0) {
231             result = std::make_pair(x[k+1], x[k-1]);
232             break;
233         }
234     }
235     return result;
236 }
237 // random function for boundary seeking
238 int Method::random_int() const {
239     // threshold
```

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```
240     constexpr int scale = 100000;
241
242     std::random_device rd;
243     std::mt19937 gen(rd());
244     std::uniform_int_distribution<> distrib(
245         std::numeric_limits<int>::min()/scale,
246         std::numeric_limits<int>::max()/scale
247     );
248     return distrib(gen);
249 }
250
251 boundary_t Method::get_bound() const {
```

3. Fibonacci search

- Construction of Fibonacci
- Due to the maximum integer value is limited by 214748364, the maximum index of fibonacci sequence is currently 46. If in the case of unsigned or long integer, it could be changed

```
187
188 std::vector<int> Method::construct_fibonacci(size_t N) const {
189     // cannot over 46 the integer range
190     N = std::min(N, FIBONACCI_MAX);
191     std::vector<int> fibonacci(N);
192
193     fibonacci[0] = 1;
194     fibonacci[1] = 1;
195
196     for(size_t i=0; i<N-2; i++)
197         fibonacci[i+2] = fibonacci[i] + fibonacci[i+1];
198
199     return fibonacci;
```

- Fibonacci search

```
107
108 float Method::fibonacci_search(float start, float end, size_t N) {
109     std::vector<int> F = construct_fibonacci(N);
110
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Homework 2

```
111 // indexing
112 N = F.size()-1;
113 boundary_t b = std::minmax(start, end);
114 float length = b.second - b.first;
115
116 boundary_t x = std::make_pair(
117     b.first*((float)F[N-1]/(float)F[N])
118     + b.second*((float)F[N-2]/(float)F[N]),
119     b.first*((float)F[N-2]/(float)F[N])
120     + b.second*((float)F[N-1]/(float)F[N])
121 );
122
123 for(size_t n=N-1; n>1; n--) {
124
125     // unimodality step
126     if(function(x.first)>function(x.second)) {
127         b.first = x.first;
128
129         // only one calculation needed
130         x = std::make_pair(
131             x.second,
132             b.first*((float)F[n-2]/(float)F[n])
133             + b.second*((float)F[n-1]/(float)F[n])
134         );
135     } else if(function(x.first)<function(x.second)) {
136         b.second = x.second;
137
138         // only one calculation needed
139         x = std::make_pair(
140             b.first*((float)F[n-1]/(float)F[n])
141             + b.second*((float)F[n-2]/(float)F[n]),
142             x.first
143         );
144     }
145
146 }
147 return (b.first + b.second)/2;
148 }
149 // combined with seeking bound
150 float Method::fibonacci_search(size_t N) {
151     return fibonacci_search(boundary.first, boundary.second, N);
```

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4. Golden section search

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153
154 float Method::golden_section(float start, float end, size_t N) {
155     boundary_t b = std::minmax(start, end);
156     float length = b.second - b.first;
157
158     boundary_t x = std::make_pair(
159         b.second - GOLDEN_RATIO*length,
160         b.first + GOLDEN_RATIO*length
161     );
162
163     for(size_t n=N-1; n>1; n--) {
164
165         // unimodality step
166         if(function(x.first)>function(x.second)) {
167             b.first = x.first;
168
169             // only one calculation needed
170             length = b.second - b.first;
171             x = std::make_pair(x.second, b.first + GOLDEN_RATIO*length);
172
173         } else if(function(x.first)<function(x.second)) {
174             b.second = x.second;
175
176             // only one calculation needed
177             length = b.second - b.first;
178             x = std::make_pair(b.second - GOLDEN_RATIO*length, x.first);
179         }
180     }
181     return (b.first + b.second)/2;
182 }
183 // combined with seeking bound
184 float Method::golden_section(size_t N) {
185     return golden_section(boundary.first, boundary.second, N);
186 }
```