Running funconstrain tests in package optimx

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Abstract

The funconstrain package (https://github.com/jlmelville/funconstrain) provides R users with a convenient tool to access the test functions of Moré, Garbow, and Hillstrom (1981). This vignette article describes a program to apply these test functions to solvers in the optimx package (Nash and Varadhan (2011)).

Background

Numerical optimization of functions of several, namely n, parameters is an important computational task. R (R Development Core Team (2008)) is a major platform for scientific and statistical calculations and has provided tools for numerical optimization and nonlinear least squares since its inception. These have been extended via a number of packages. In particular, the author has been heavily involved in this effort, and in collaboration with others has provided the packate optimx which wraps a number of solvers to allow their invocation by a common calling syntax. Note that optimization in R generally means function minimization, possibly with bounds (or box) constraints on the function parameters.

It is extremely helpful to users to have examples and tests of function minimization. In many situations it is extremely easy to insert an error into code, so easy-to-apply tests allow for the discovery of such errors. There are a number of collections of test functions with many overlaps and minor differences. A well-established and well-documented set of such functions are those of Moré, Garbow, and Hillstrom (1981). These have been translated into R by James Melville in the R package funconstrain (https://github.com/jlmelville/funconstrain). While initially these provided the function and its gradient given a set of suitable input parameters, the present author added code to compute the Hessian for each test function. This allows Newton-like solvers to be applied. funconstrain also provides suggested initial parameter vectors for each of the 35 test functions. However, where there are multiple input possibilities, just one is provided, for example when the test function has a variable number of parameters.

What is then missing is the link between funconstrain and the tools in optimx, which this article aims to provide.

Function fufn()

Most of the test functions in (More1981TU?) are sums of squares of nonlinear functions. While n is the number of parameters, we may have a different number of functions squared in the summation. Call this m. This may be altered to give different variations of a given function, so m must be provided.

Many of the solvers in optimx are capable of handling bounds constraints on the n parameters. That is parameter i must satisfy

lower[i] <= prm[i] <= upper[i]</pre>

where prm is the parameter vector and lower and upper are vectors of numbers providing lower and upper bounds. Methods in optimx that can handle masks are listed in the character vector bdmeth returned by the function optimx::ctrldefault(n). Note that a number of parameters n must nominally be provided to ctrldefault() but generally n can be specified as 2 to get the default settings for 'optimx. At time of writing

```
bdmeth <- c("L-BFGS-B", "nlminb", "lbfgsb3c", "Rcgmin", "Rtnmin", "nvm",
"Rvmmin", "bobyqa", "nmkb", "hjkb", "hjn", "snewtonm", "ncg",
"slsqp", "tnewt", "nlnm", "snewtm", "spg")</pre>
```

If the upper and lower bound for a parameter are equal, we can say the parameter is **fixed** or **masked**. This may seem to be a silly option, since it essentially reduces the dimensionality of the problem. However, there are many situations where we have evidence that a parameter takes a particular (fixed) value, but know that we may wish to allow optimization over that parameter in later investigations. Masks allow us to avoid having to rewrite the function, gradient and Hessian code. However, only a few optimization solvers handle masks. The function optimx::ctrldefault() returns a value maskmeth with a list of solvers that do handle the situation where lower and upper bounds coincide. At the time of writing this is specified as

```
maskmeth <- c("Rcgmin", "nvm", "hjn", "ncg", "snewtonm", "nlminb", "L-BFGS-B")
```

With the above in mind, the function fufn() was written to access the test functions of funconstrain.

Calling fufn()

While we can write our own driver for fufn(), I wanted to make the task extremely easy. Thus the script fufnrun.R is provided. This is set up to use a simple text file, RFO.txt, to specify which test functions are to be applied to which solvers. Moreover, a "sink" file name can be specified to save the text output of the run. Note that the specification file is always called RFO.txt with the present incarnation of the fufnrun.R program.

Test specification file RFO.txt

Let us consider an example.

```
testsink240408A.txt
1, 9, 9, 1, 6:8, 35
c("L-BFGS-B", "lbfgs", "lbfgsb3c", "lbfgs")
FALSE
```

The lines of the above file provide the following information:

- the first line is the name of the text file to use to save the output via sink().
- line 2 says that test functions 1, 6, 7, 8, and 35 are to be used. Note that we can use the colon ":" when giving a contiguous range of function numbers. These numbers by referring back to the vector funnam at the top of function fufn() specify functions "rosen", "jenn-samp", "helical", "bard" and "chebyquad". Using the function numbers. Appendix A lists the numbers and corresponding names. The specification 1:35 uses all test functions. The program removes duplicate problem numbers and sorts the list in ascending order.
- line 3 gives an R character vector of the solver methods to be applied. At the time of writing, there is no check for duplicate entries in the vector.

A driver program for fufn()

The following driver program will run the tests specified by RFO.txt:

```
# fufnrun.R -- J C Nash 2024-4-8
## ?? fixing kkt
# RFO.txt is input file
source("./fufn.R") # ensure fufn() loaded
library(funconstrain) # get the functions
library(optimx)
mycon<-file("RFO.txt", open="r", blocking = TRUE)</pre>
```

^{&#}x27; line 4 is TRUE if the experimental bounds constraints are to be applied.

```
sfname <- readLines (mycon, n=1)
if (length(sfname) == 0) {
   cat("no sink file\n")
} else {
  cat("opening sink file ",sfname,"\n")
  sink(sfname, split=TRUE)
} # open sink file
## opening sink file testsink240408A.txt
cat("sink file name=",sfname,"\n")
## sink file name= testsink240408A.txt
lin2 <- readLines(mycon, n=1)</pre>
cat("probs =",lin2,"\n")
## probs = 1, 9, 9, 1, 6:8, 35
if (length(lin2) == 0) stop("Unexpected null probs")
txt<-paste("probc<-c(",lin2,")","")</pre>
tryparse<-eval(parse(text=txt))</pre>
# ?? should we check it worked?
cat("Problem numbers:\n"); print(probc)
## Problem numbers:
## [1] 1 9 9 1 6 7 8 35
print(unique(probc))
## [1] 1 9 6 7 8 35
if (length(unique(probc)) < length(probc)) {</pre>
   cat("Duplicated problem numbers, simplifying\n")
  probc <- unique(probc)</pre>
}
## Duplicated problem numbers, simplifying
probc<-sort(probc)</pre>
cat("Final problem numbers:\n"); print(probc)
## Final problem numbers:
## [1] 1 6 7 8 9 35
# check loop
for (iprob in probc){ # loop over problems
  if ((iprob < 1) | (iprob > 35)) {
    stop('Problem number out of range. Stopping.')
  }
} # end check loop
meths <- readLines(mycon, n=1)</pre>
if (length(meths) == 0) stop("Unexpected null meths")
cat("Methods:\n")
## Methods:
cat(meths,"\n")
```

```
## c("L-BFGS-B", "lbfgs", "lbfgsb3c", "lbfgs")
methvec<-paste("methc<-c(",meths,")","")</pre>
tryparse<-eval(parse(text=methvec))</pre>
if (length(unique(methc)) < length(methc)) {</pre>
  cat("Duplicated methods, simplifying\n")
 methc <- unique(methc)</pre>
}
## Duplicated methods, simplifying
cat("methods in list form:"); print(methc)
## methods in list form:
## [1] "L-BFGS-B" "lbfgs"
                              "lbfgsb3c"
tbounds <- readLines (mycon, n=1)
have.bounds<-FALSE
if (tbounds == "TRUE") have.bounds<-TRUE</pre>
cat("have.bounds:",have.bounds,"\n")
## have.bounds: FALSE
close(mycon)
for (iprob in probc){ # loop over problems
   tfun <- fufn(fnum=iprob)
   # print(tfun)
   cat("Problem:", tfun$fname,"\n")
   x0 <- tfun$x0
   if (have.bounds){
    lo <- tfun$lo</pre>
    up <- tfun$up
   else {
    lo <- -Inf
     up <- Inf
   tfn <- tfun$fffn
   attr(tfn, "fname") <- tfun$fname</pre>
   tgr <- tfun$ffgr
   the <- tfun$ffhe
  nx0 < -length(x0)
# cat("about to call opm\n")
   if (have.bounds) {
     t21 <-opm(x0, tfn, tgr, hess=the, lower=lo, upper=up, method=methc,
               contro=list(trace=0))
   } else {
     t21 <-opm(x0, tfn, tgr, hess=the, method=methc, contro=list(trace=0))
   print(summary(t21, order=value, par.select=1:min(nx0,5)))
   cat("END :", tfun$fname,"\n\n")
}
## Problem: rosen
## Warning in kktchk(ans$par, fn, wgr, hess = NULL, upper = NULL, lower = NULL, :
## kktchk: pHes not symmetric -- symmetrizing
```

```
## Warning in kktchk(ans$par, fn, wgr, hess = NULL, upper = NULL, lower = NULL, :
## kktchk: pHes not symmetric -- symmetrizing
## Warning in kktchk(ans$par, fn, wgr, hess = NULL, upper = NULL, lower = NULL, :
## kktchk: pHes not symmetric -- symmetrizing
##
                                              value fevals gevals hevals conv kkt1
                                p2 s2
## lbfgsb3c 0.9999997
                         0.999995
                                       2.267550e-13
                                                        47
                                                                47
                                                                        0
                                                                             O TRUE
## L-BFGS-B 0.9999997
                         0.999995
                                                                        0
                                                                             O TRUE
                                       2.267577e-13
                                                        47
                                                                47
## lbfgs
            1.0000006
                         1.0000012
                                       3.545445e-13
                                                        45
                                                                45
                                                                        0
                                                                             O TRUE
##
            kkt2 xtime
## lbfgsb3c TRUE 0.003
## L-BFGS-B TRUE 0.003
## lbfgs
            TRUE 0.049
## END : rosen
## Problem: jenn_samp
## Error in optim(par = par, fn = efn, gr = egr, method = method, hessian = FALSE, :
     non-finite value supplied by optim
## Warning in kktchk(ans$par, fn, wgr, hess = NULL, upper = NULL, lower = NULL, :
## kktchk: pHes not symmetric -- symmetrizing
## Warning in kktchk(ans$par, fn, wgr, hess = NULL, upper = NULL, lower = NULL, :
## kktchk: pHes not symmetric -- symmetrizing
##
                                                 value fevals gevals hevals conv
                   p1 s1
                                   p2 s2
                         0.257825213
## lbfgs
            0.2578252
                                          1.243622e+02
                                                           67
                                                                   67
                                                                           0 -1001
## lbfgsb3c 0.3384432
                         0.007938041
                                          2.143418e+02
                                                           25
                                                                   25
                                                                           0
                                                                                 0
## L-BFGS-B
                   NA
                                         8.988466e+307
                                                           24
                                                                   24
                                                                             9999
             kkt1 kkt2 xtime
##
## lbfgs
             TRUE TRUE 0.001
## lbfgsb3c FALSE TRUE 0.001
## L-BFGS-B
               NA
                    NA 0.001
## END : jenn_samp
## Problem: helical
## Warning in kktchk(ans$par, fn, wgr, hess = NULL, upper = NULL, lower = NULL, :
## kktchk: pHes not symmetric -- symmetrizing
## Warning in kktchk(ans$par, fn, wgr, hess = NULL, upper = NULL, lower = NULL, :
## kktchk: pHes not symmetric -- symmetrizing
## Warning in kktchk(ans$par, fn, wgr, hess = NULL, upper = NULL, lower = NULL, :
## kktchk: pHes not symmetric -- symmetrizing
                   p1 s1
                                    p2 s2
                                                      p3 s3
                                                                    value fevals
            1.0000000
                                           -3.335635e-08
                                                            1.517549e-15
## lbfgs
                         -2.066737e-08
                                                                              34
## L-BFGS-B 0.9999999
                         -8.281311e-07
                                           -1.286731e-06
                                                            2.203966e-12
                                                                              30
                         -8.281311e-07
                                           -1.286731e-06
                                                            2.203966e-12
## lbfgsb3c 0.9999999
                                                                              30
##
            gevals hevals conv kkt1 kkt2 xtime
                             O TRUE TRUE 0.000
## lbfgs
                        0
                34
## L-BFGS-B
                             O TRUE TRUE 0.001
                30
                        0
                             O TRUE TRUE 0.001
## lbfgsb3c
                30
                        0
```

```
## END : helical
##
## Problem: bard
## Warning in kktchk(ans$par, fn, wgr, hess = NULL, upper = NULL, lower = NULL, :
## kktchk: pHes not symmetric -- symmetrizing
## Warning in kktchk(ans$par, fn, wgr, hess = NULL, upper = NULL, lower = NULL, :
## kktchk: pHes not symmetric -- symmetrizing
## Warning in kktchk(ans$par, fn, wgr, hess = NULL, upper = NULL, lower = NULL, :
## kktchk: pHes not symmetric -- symmetrizing
                                                         value fevals gevals hevals
                                p2 s2
                                             p3 s3
                    p1 s1
## L-BFGS-B 0.08241058
                                                   0.008214877
                          1.133036
                                       2.343695
                                                                   24
                                                                           24
                                                                                   0
                                                                   24
                                                                           24
                                                                                   0
## lbfgsb3c 0.08241058
                          1.133036
                                       2.343695
                                                   0.008214877
## lbfgs
            0.08240992
                          1.133030
                                       2.343698
                                                   0.008214877
                                                                   24
                                                                           24
                                                                                   0
##
            conv kkt1 kkt2 xtime
## L-BFGS-B
               O TRUE TRUE 0.000
               O TRUE TRUE 0.001
## lbfgsb3c
## lbfgs
               O TRUE TRUE 0.001
## END : bard
##
## Problem: gauss
## Warning in kktchk(ans$par, fn, wgr, hess = NULL, upper = NULL, lower = NULL, :
## kktchk: pHes not symmetric -- symmetrizing
## Warning in kktchk(ans$par, fn, wgr, hess = NULL, upper = NULL, lower = NULL, :
## kktchk: pHes not symmetric -- symmetrizing
## Warning in kktchk(ans$par, fn, wgr, hess = NULL, upper = NULL, lower = NULL, :
## kktchk: pHes not symmetric -- symmetrizing
##
                                                             value fevals gevals
                   p1 s1
                               p2 s2
                                                p3 s3
                                      1.429070e-20
## lbfgs
            0.3989563
                         1.000018
                                                      1.127976e-08
                                                                         9
                                                                                9
## L-BFGS-B 0.3989646
                         1.000102
                                      7.249508e-21
                                                      1.176721e-08
                                                                         4
                                                                                4
## lbfgsb3c 0.3989646
                         1.000102
                                      7.249508e-21
                                                      1.176721e-08
                                                                                4
##
            hevals conv kkt1 kkt2 xtime
                 Ω
                      O TRUE TRUE 0.000
## lbfgs
## L-BFGS-B
                 0
                      O TRUE TRUE 0.000
## lbfgsb3c
                      O TRUE TRUE 0.001
                 0
## END : gauss
## Problem: chebyquad
## Warning in kktchk(ans$par, fn, wgr, hess = NULL, upper = NULL, lower = NULL, :
## kktchk: pHes not symmetric -- symmetrizing
## Warning in kktchk(ans$par, fn, wgr, hess = NULL, upper = NULL, lower = NULL, :
## kktchk: pHes not symmetric -- symmetrizing
## Warning in kktchk(ans$par, fn, wgr, hess = NULL, upper = NULL, lower = NULL, :
## kktchk: pHes not symmetric -- symmetrizing
##
                                               p3 s3
                                                                          p5 s5
                                 p2 s2
                                                            p4 s4
                    p1 s1
## L-BFGS-B 0.04315278
                          0.1930908
                                        0.2663287
                                                     0.4999999
```

```
## lbfgsb3c 0.04315278
                           0.1930908
                                         0.2663287
                                                       0.4999999
                                                                     0.5000001
                                                                     0.5000002
## lbfgs
            0.04315297
                           0.1930910
                                         0.2663289
                                                       0.4999998
##
                   value fevals gevals hevals conv kkt1 kkt2 xtime
## L-BFGS-B 0.003516874
                             28
                                             0
                                                   O TRUE TRUE 0.002
                                     28
## lbfgsb3c 0.003516874
                             28
                                     28
                                             0
                                                   O TRUE TRUE 0.003
## lbfgs
            0.003516874
                             25
                                     25
                                             Λ
                                                   O TRUE TRUE 0.002
## END : chebyquad
sink()
```

Using the Hessian

funconstrain can generate the Hessian function for the test problems. The following specification script will run all problems using three solvers capable of taking advantage of the Hessian.

```
testsink230410A.txt
1:35
c("nlm", "nlminb", "snewtm")
FALSE
```

The classic WOOD test function returns results

Problem: wood

```
p1 s1 p2 s2 p3 s3 p4 s4
                                         value fevals gevals hevals conv kkt1 kkt2 xtime
                                 6.637402e-29
                                                    55
                                                           44
                                                                   44
                                                                         O TRUE TRUE 0.001
nlminb
        1
               1
                     1
                            1
                                                   71
                                                           49
                                                                         O TRUE TRUE 0.004
snewtm
               1
                     1
                            1
                                 3.930599e-27
                                                                   48
                                                          354
nlm
        1
               1
                     1
                            1
                                 1.004941e-16
                                                   354
                                                                  354
                                                                         O TRUE TRUE 0.005
END: wood
```

Here we see different performance of three methods. Method snewtm is a stabilized Newton method which is part of package optimx. While intended mainly as a didactic exercise, this solver has done well on this problem.

Bounded parameters

We can also try the same problems with the experimental bounds constraints via the specification script

```
testsink230410B.txt
1:35
c("nlm", "nlminb", "snewtm")
TRUE
```

For the WOOD function, the results are now

```
Problem: wood
Non-bounds methods requested:[1] "nlm"
```

```
p2 s2
                        p3 s3
                                p4 s4
                                        value fevals gevals hevals conv
                                                                        kkt1 kkt2 xtime
                                    U 707.199
                                                   7
                                                          6
                                                                      O FALSE TRUE 0.000
nlminb -0.9 U -0.9
                    U -0.9
                            U -0.9
                                                                 6
                                    U 707.199
                                                          5
                                                                      O FALSE TRUE 0.001
snewtm -0.9 U -0.9 U -0.9
                            U -0.9
                                                   6
                                                                 4
END: wood
```

Note that method nml is not set up to handle bounds and is automatically dropped by function opm(). We also see that the solution found (in both cases) is at the upper bound on all parameters, which is indicated by the status (i.e., "s") columns of the output table.

Appendix A: function numbers and names

```
1 rosen
2 freud_roth
```

```
3
        powell bs
4
        brown_bs
5
        beale
6
        jenn_samp
7
        helical
8
        bard
9
        gauss
10
        meyer
11
        gulf
12
        box_3d
13
        powell_s
14
        wood
15
        kow_osb
16
        brown_den
17
        osborne_1
18
        biggs_exp6
19
        osborne_2
20
        watson
21
        ex_rosen
22
        ex_powell
23
        penalty_1
24
        penalty_2
25
        var_dim
26
        trigon
27
        brown al
28
        disc bv
29
        disc_ie
30
        broyden_tri
31
        broyden_band
32
        linfun_fr
33
        linfun_r1
34
        linfun_r1z
35
        chebyquad
```

Appendix B: the fufn.R code

```
fufn <- function(fnum=NULL){</pre>
  \# return list with tfn=function, tgr=gradient given fn number and n
  if (is.null(fnum)) stop("ffn needs a function number fnum")
  if ((fnum < 1) | (fnum > 35)) stop("fnum must be in [1, 35]")
 cat("entering ffn, fnum=",fnum,"\n")
  # select function
  funnam <- c("rosen", "freud_roth", "powell_bs", "brown_bs", "beale",</pre>
              "jenn_samp", "helical", "bard", "gauss", "meyer", "gulf",
              "box_3d", "powell_s", "wood", "kow_osb", "brown_den",
              "osborne_1", "biggs_exp6", "osborne_2", "watson", "ex_rosen",
              "ex_powell", "penalty_1", "penalty_2", "var_dim", "trigon",
              "brown_al", "disc_bv", "disc_ie", "broyden_tri", "broyden_band",
              "linfun_fr", "linfun_r1", "linfun_r1z", "chebyquad")
# print(str(funnam))
  fname <- funnam[as.integer(fnum)]</pre>
# cat("fname:", fname,"\n")
 while (fnum %in% 1:35) {
```

```
ameth <- optimx::ctrldefault(2)$bdmeth # Choose only bounded methods</pre>
    ameth <- ameth [ameth != "lbfgsb3c"] ## ?? Temporarily remove lbfgsb3c</pre>
    ameth <- c(ameth, "L-BFGS-B")</pre>
    # ?? may want to test allmeth to check that inappropriate methods are captured
         cat("in while, fnum=", fnum); tmp <- readline("cont.")</pre>
    mm <- 0 # in case m value needed
  if (fnum == 1) {
     n <- 2 # fixed
     mm <- 2
     tt <- rosen()
     if (is.function(tt$x0)) {
       xx0<-tt$x0(n)
     else xx0 <- tt$x0
     lo \leftarrow rep((min(xx0)-0.1), n)
     up \leftarrow rep((max(xx0)+0.1), n)
     break }
  if (fnum == 2) {
     n <- 2 # fixed
     mm < -2
     tt <- freud_roth()</pre>
     if (is.function(tt$x0)) {
       xx0<-tt$x0(n)
     else xx0 <- tt$x0
     lo \leftarrow rep((min(xx0)-0.1), n)
     up \leftarrow rep((max(xx0)+0.1), n)
     break }
  if (fnum == 3) {
     n <- 2 # fixed
     mm <- 2
     tt <- powell_bs()</pre>
     if (is.function(tt$x0)) {
      xx0<-tt$x0(n)
     else xx0 <- tt$x0</pre>
     lo \leftarrow rep((min(xx0)-0.1), n)
     up \leftarrow rep((max(xx0)+0.1), n)
     break }
  if (fnum == 4) {
     n <- 2 # fixed
     mm <- 3
     tt <- brown_bs()</pre>
     if (is.function(tt$x0)) {
       xx0<-tt$x0(n)
     }
     else xx0 <- tt$x0
## BAD -- reset 20240323
  lo \leftarrow rep((min(xx0)-0.1), n)
    up \leftarrow rep((max(xx0)+0.1), n)
```

```
lo <- -1e20
   up <- -lo
   break }
if (fnum == 5) {
   n <- 2 # fixed
   mm <- 3
   tt <- beale()</pre>
   if (is.function(tt$x0)) {
    xx0<-tt$x0(n)
   else xx0 <- tt$x0</pre>
   lo \leftarrow rep((min(xx0)-0.1), n)
   up - rep((max(xx0)+0.1), n)
   break }
if (fnum == 6) {
   n <- 2 # fixed
   mm <- 10
   tt <- jenn_samp()</pre>
   if (is.function(tt$x0)) {
    xx0<-tt$x0(n)
   }
   else xx0 <- tt$x0</pre>
   lo \leftarrow rep((min(xx0)-0.1), n)
   up \leftarrow rep((max(xx0)+0.1), n)
   break }
if (fnum == 7) {
   n <- 3 # fixed
   tt <- helical()</pre>
   if (is.function(tt$x0)) {
    xx0<-tt$x0(n)
   else xx0 <- tt$x0</pre>
   lo \leftarrow rep((min(xx0)-0.1), n)
   up \leftarrow rep((max(xx0)+0.1), n)
   break }
if (fnum == 8) {
   n <- 3 # fixed
   mm <- 15
   tt <- bard()
   if (is.function(tt$x0)) {
    xx0<-tt$x0(n)
   }
   else xx0 <- tt$x0</pre>
   lo \leftarrow rep((min(xx0)-0.1), n)
   up \leftarrow rep((max(xx0)+0.1), n)
   break }
if (fnum == 9) {
   n <- 3 # fixed
```

```
mm <- 15
   tt <- gauss()</pre>
   if (is.function(tt$x0)) {
    xx0<-tt$x0(n)
   else xx0 <- tt$x0</pre>
   lo \leftarrow rep((min(xx0)-0.1), n)
   up \leftarrow rep((max(xx0)+0.1), n)
   break }
if (fnum == 10) {
   n <- 3 # fixed
   m <- 16 # ?? how to return
   tt <- meyer()</pre>
   if (is.function(tt$x0)) {
     xx0<-tt$x0(n)
   else xx0 <- tt$x0
   lo <- rep((min(xx0)-0.1), n)
   up \leftarrow rep((max(xx0)+0.1), n)
   break }
if (fnum == 11) {
   n <- 3
   mm <- 99
   tt <- gulf()</pre>
   if (is.function(tt$x0)) {
     xx0<-tt$x0(n)
   else xx0 <- tt$x0</pre>
   lo \leftarrow rep((min(xx0)-0.1), n)
   up \leftarrow rep((max(xx0)+0.1), n)
   break }
if (fnum == 12) {
   n <- 3
   mm <- 20
   tt <- box_3d()
   if (is.function(tt$x0)) {
     xx0<-tt$x0(n)
   else xx0 <- tt$x0</pre>
   lo \leftarrow rep((min(xx0)-0.1), n)
   up - rep((max(xx0)+0.1), n)
   break }
if (fnum == 13) {
   n \leftarrow 4
   tt <- powell_s()</pre>
   if (is.function(tt$x0)) {
     xx0<-tt$x0(n)
   else xx0 <- tt$x0</pre>
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lo <- rep((min(xx0)-0.1), n)
   up \leftarrow rep((max(xx0)+0.1), n)
   break }
if (fnum == 14) {
   n <- 4
   tt <- wood()
   if (is.function(tt$x0)) {
    xx0<-tt$x0(n)
   else xx0 <- tt$x0</pre>
   lo \leftarrow rep((min(xx0)-0.1), n)
   up \leftarrow rep((max(xx0)+0.1), n)
   break }
if (fnum == 15) {
   mm <- 11
   n <- 4
   tt <- kow_osb()
   if (is.function(tt$x0)) {
    xx0<-tt$x0(n)
   else xx0 <- tt$x0
   lo \leftarrow rep((min(xx0)-0.1), n)
   up \leftarrow rep((max(xx0)+0.1), n)
   break }
if (fnum == 16) {
   mm <- 20
   n <- 4
   tt <- brown_den()
   if (is.function(tt$x0)) {
     xx0<-tt$x0(n)
   else xx0 <- tt$x0</pre>
   lo \leftarrow rep((min(xx0)-0.1), n)
   up \leftarrow rep((max(xx0)+0.1), n)
   break }
if (fnum == 17) {
   mm <- 33
   n <- 5
   tt <- osborne_1()
   ameth<-ameth[-which(ameth=="L-BFGS-B")] # remove L-BFGS-B from this case
   if (is.function(tt$x0)) {
    xx0<-tt$x0(n)
   else xx0 <- tt$x0</pre>
   lo \leftarrow rep((min(xx0)-0.1), n)
   lo[4] <- 0
   10[5] <- 0
   up \leftarrow rep((max(xx0)+0.1), n)
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if (fnum == 18) {
   mm <- 20
   n <- 6
   tt <- biggs_exp6()</pre>
   if (is.function(tt$x0)) {
     xx0<-tt$x0(n)
   else xx0 <- tt$x0
   lo \leftarrow rep((min(xx0)-0.1), n)
   up \leftarrow rep((max(xx0)+0.1), n)
   break }
if (fnum == 19) {
   mm <- 65
   n <- 11
   tt <- osborne_2()
   if (is.function(tt$x0)) {
     xx0<-tt$x0(n)
   }
   else xx0 <- tt$x0</pre>
   lo \leftarrow rep((min(xx0)-0.1), n)
   up \leftarrow rep((max(xx0)+0.1), n)
   break }
if (fnum == 20) {
   n <-8
   mm <- 31
   tt <- watson()</pre>
   if (is.function(tt$x0)) {
    xx0<-tt$x0(n)
   else xx0 <- tt$x0
   lo \leftarrow rep((min(xx0)-0.1), n)
   up \leftarrow rep((max(xx0)+0.1), n)
   break }
if (fnum == 21) {
  n <- 10
   tt <- ex_rosen()</pre>
   if (is.function(tt$x0)) {
     xx0<-tt$x0(n)
   else xx0 <- tt$x0</pre>
   lo \leftarrow rep((min(xx0)-0.1), n)
   up \leftarrow rep((max(xx0)+0.1), n)
   break }
if (fnum == 22) {
   n <- 20
   tt <- ex_powell()</pre>
   if (is.function(tt$x0)) {
     xx0<-tt$x0(n)
   }
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else xx0 <- tt$x0</pre>
   lo \leftarrow rep((min(xx0)-0.1), n)
   up \leftarrow rep((max(xx0)+0.1), n)
   break }
if (fnum == 23) {
   n <- 10
   mm \leftarrow n + 1
   tt <- penalty_1()</pre>
   if (is.function(tt$x0)) {
    xx0<-tt$x0(n)
   else xx0 <- tt$x0</pre>
   lo \leftarrow rep((min(xx0)-0.1), n)
   up \leftarrow rep((max(xx0)+0.1), n)
   break }
if (fnum == 24) {
   n <- 10
   mm \leftarrow n + 1
   tt <- penalty_2()
   if (is.function(tt$x0)) {
    xx0<-tt$x0(n)
   else xx0 <- tt$x0
   lo \leftarrow rep((min(xx0)-0.1), n)
   up \leftarrow rep((max(xx0)+0.1), n)
   break }
if (fnum == 25) {
   n <- 6
   mm \leftarrow n + 2
   tt <- var_dim()</pre>
   if (is.function(tt$x0)) {
     xx0<-tt$x0(n)
   else xx0 <- tt$x0</pre>
   lo \leftarrow rep((min(xx0)-0.1), n)
   up \leftarrow rep((max(xx0)+0.1), n)
   break }
if (fnum == 26) {
   n <- 8
   tt <- trigon()</pre>
   if (is.function(tt$x0)) {
    xx0<-tt$x0(n)
   else xx0 <- tt$x0</pre>
   lo \leftarrow rep((min(xx0)-0.1), n)
   up \leftarrow rep((max(xx0)+0.1), n)
   break }
if (fnum == 27) {
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n <- 8
   mm <- n
   tt <- brown_al()</pre>
   if (is.function(tt$x0)) {
    xx0<-tt$x0(n)
   else xx0 <- tt$x0</pre>
   lo \leftarrow rep((min(xx0)-0.1), n)
   up \leftarrow rep((max(xx0)+0.1), n)
   break }
if (fnum == 28) {
   n <- 6
   mm <- n
   tt <- disc_bv()</pre>
   if (is.function(tt$x0)) {
     xx0<-tt$x0(n)
   else xx0 <- tt$x0</pre>
   lo \leftarrow rep((min(xx0)-0.1), n)
   up \leftarrow rep((max(xx0)+0.1), n)
   break }
if (fnum == 29) {
   n <- 8
   mm <- n
   tt <- disc_ie()</pre>
   if (is.function(tt$x0)) {
     xx0<-tt$x0(n)
   else xx0 <- tt$x0</pre>
   lo \leftarrow rep((min(xx0)-0.1), n)
   up \leftarrow rep((max(xx0)+0.1), n)
   break }
if (fnum == 30) {
   n <- 8
   mm <- n
   tt <- broyden_tri()</pre>
   if (is.function(tt$x0)) {
     xx0<-tt$x0(n)
   }
   else xx0 <- tt$x0</pre>
   lo \leftarrow rep((min(xx0)-0.1), n)
   up \leftarrow rep((max(xx0)+0.1), n)
   break }
if (fnum == 31) {
   n <- 8
   mm <- n
   tt <- broyden_band()</pre>
   if (is.function(tt$x0)) {
     xx0<-tt$x0(n)
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else xx0 <- tt$x0</pre>
   lo <- rep((min(xx0)-0.1), n)
   up \leftarrow rep((max(xx0)+0.1), n)
   break }
if (fnum == 32) {
   mm <- 10
   n <- 8
   tt <- linfun_fr()</pre>
   if (is.function(tt$x0)) {
     xx0<-tt$x0(n)
   else xx0 <- tt$x0</pre>
   lo \leftarrow rep((min(xx0)-0.1), n)
   up \leftarrow rep((max(xx0)+0.1), n)
   break }
if (fnum == 33) {
  mm <- 10
  n <- 8
 tt <- linfun_r1()
  if (is.function(tt$x0)) {
    xx0<-tt$x0(n)
  else xx0 <- tt$x0
  lo \leftarrow rep((min(xx0)-0.1), n)
  up \leftarrow rep((max(xx0)+0.1), n)
  break }
if (fnum == 34) {
  mm <- 10
  n <- 8
  tt <- linfun_r1z()</pre>
  if (is.function(tt$x0)) {
    xx0<-tt$x0(n)
  }
  else xx0 <- tt$x0</pre>
  lo \leftarrow rep((min(xx0)-0.1), n)
  up \leftarrow rep((max(xx0)+0.1), n)
  break }
if (fnum == 35) {
   n <- 8
   m <- n
   tt <- chebyquad()</pre>
   if (is.function(tt$x0)) {
     xx0<-tt$x0(n)
   }
   else xx0 <- tt$x0</pre>
   lo \leftarrow rep((min(xx0)-0.1), n)
   up - rep((max(xx0)+0.1), n)
   break }
```

Appendix C: the fufnrun.R driver code

```
# fufnrun.R -- J C Nash 2024-4-8
## ?? fixing kkt
# RFO.txt is input file
source("./fufn.R") # ensure fufn() loaded
library(funconstrain) # get the functions
library(optimx)
mycon<-file("RFO.txt", open="r", blocking = TRUE)</pre>
sfname <- readLines (mycon, n=1)
if (length(sfname) == 0) {
   cat("no sink file\n")
} else {
  cat("opening sink file ",sfname,"\n")
  sink(sfname, split=TRUE)
} # open sink file
cat("sink file name=",sfname,"\n")
lin2 <- readLines(mycon, n=1)</pre>
cat("probs =",lin2,"\n")
if (length(lin2) == 0) stop("Unexpected null probs")
txt<-paste("probc<-c(",lin2,")","")</pre>
tryparse<-eval(parse(text=txt))</pre>
# ?? should we check it worked?
cat("Problem numbers:\n"); print(probc)
print(unique(probc))
if (length(unique(probc)) < length(probc)) {</pre>
   cat("Duplicated problem numbers, simplifying\n")
   probc <- unique(probc)</pre>
probc<-sort(probc)</pre>
cat("Final problem numbers:\n"); print(probc)
# check loop
for (iprob in probc){ # loop over problems
  if ((iprob < 1) | (iprob > 35)) {
    stop('Problem number out of range. Stopping.')
  }
} # end check loop
meths <- readLines(mycon, n=1)
if (length(meths) == 0) stop("Unexpected null meths")
cat("Methods:\n")
cat(meths,"\n")
methvec<-paste("methc<-c(",meths,")","")</pre>
tryparse<-eval(parse(text=methvec))</pre>
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if (length(unique(methc)) < length(methc)) {</pre>
  cat("Duplicated methods, simplifying\n")
  methc <- unique(methc)</pre>
}
cat("methods in list form:"); print(methc)
tbounds <- readLines (mycon, n=1)
have.bounds<-FALSE
if (tbounds == "TRUE") have.bounds<-TRUE</pre>
cat("have.bounds:",have.bounds,"\n")
close(mycon)
for (iprob in probc){ # loop over problems
   tfun <- fufn(fnum=iprob)
   # print(tfun)
   cat("Problem:", tfun$fname,"\n")
   x0 <- tfun$x0
   if (have.bounds){
     lo <- tfun$lo</pre>
     up <- tfun$up
   }
   else {
     lo <- -Inf
     up <- Inf
   tfn <- tfun$fffn
   attr(tfn, "fname") <- tfun$fname</pre>
   tgr <- tfun$ffgr
   the <- tfun$ffhe
   nx0 < -length(x0)
   cat("about to call opm\n")
   if (have.bounds) {
     t21 <-opm(x0, tfn, tgr, hess=the, lower=lo, upper=up, method=methc,
                contro=list(trace=0))
   } else {
     t21 <-opm(x0, tfn, tgr, hess=the, method=methc, contro=list(trace=0))
   print(summary(t21, order=value, par.select=1:min(nx0,5)))
   cat("END :", tfun$fname,"\n\n")
}
sink()
```

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