





**GALAHAD** SHA

**USER DOCUMENTATION** 

GALAHAD Optimization Library version 5.1

#### 1 **SUMMARY**

This package computes a component-wise secant approximation to the Hessian matrix  $\mathbf{H}(\mathbf{x})$ , for which  $(\mathbf{H}(\mathbf{x}))_{i,j} =$  $\partial f^2(\mathbf{x})/\partial x_i \partial x_j$ ,  $1 \le i, j \le n$ , using values of the gradient  $\mathbf{g}(\mathbf{x}) = \nabla_x f(\mathbf{x})$  of the function  $f(\mathbf{x})$  of n unknowns  $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}$  $(x_1,\ldots,x_n)^T$  at a sequence of given distinct  $\{\mathbf{x}^{(k)}\}, k \geq 0$ . More specifically, given **differences** 

$$\mathbf{s}^{(k)} = \mathbf{x}^{(k+1)} - \mathbf{x}^{(k)}$$
 and  $\mathbf{y}^{(k)} = \mathbf{g}(\mathbf{x}^{(k+1)}) - \mathbf{g}(\mathbf{x}^{(k)})$ 

the package aims to find an approximation **B** to  $\mathbf{H}(\mathbf{x})$  for which the secant conditions  $\mathbf{B}\mathbf{s}^{(k)} \approx \mathbf{y}^{(k)}$  hold for a chosen set of values k. The methods provided take advantage of the entries in the Hessian that are known to be zero.

The package is particularly intended to allow gradient-based optimization methods, that generate iterates  $\mathbf{x}^{(k+1)}$  =  $\mathbf{x}^{(k)} + \mathbf{s}^{(k)}$  based upon the values  $\mathbf{g}(\mathbf{x}^{(k)})$  for  $k \ge 0$ , to build a suitable approximation to the Hessian  $\mathbf{H}(\mathbf{x}^{(k+1)})$ . This then gives the method an opportunity to accelerate the iteration using the Hessian approximation.

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## HOW TO USE THE PACKAGE

The package is available with single, double and (if available) quadruple precision reals, and either 32-bit or 64-bit integers. Access to the 32-bit integer, single precision version requires the USE statement

USE GALAHAD\_SHA\_single

with the obvious substitution GALAHAD\_SHA\_double, GALAHAD\_SHA\_quadruple, GALAHAD\_SHA\_single\_64, GALAH-AD\_SHA\_double\_64 and GALAHAD\_SHA\_quadruple\_64 for the other variants.

If it is required to use more than one of the modules at the same time, the derived types SHA\_control\_type, SHA\_inform\_type, SHA\_data\_type and NLPT\_userdata\_type, (Section 2.3) and the subroutines SHA\_initialize, SHA\_analyse, SHA\_estimate, SHA\_terminate, (Section 2.4) and SHA\_read\_specfile (Section 2.6) must be renamed on one of the USE statements.

## Real and integer kinds

We use the terms integer and real to refer to the fortran keywords REAL(rp\_) and INTEGER(ip\_), where rp\_ and ip\_ are the relevant kind values for the real and integer types employed by the particular module in use. The former are equivalent to default REAL for the single precision versions, DOUBLE PRECISION for the double precision cases and quadruple-precision if 128-bit reals are available, and correspond to rp\_ = real32, rp\_ = real64 and rp\_ = real 128 respectively as defined by the fortran iso\_fortran\_env module. The latter are default (32-bit) and long (64-bit) integers, and correspond to ip\_ = int32 and ip\_ = int64, respectively, again from the iso\_fortran\_env module.

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#### 2.2 Parallel usage

OpenMP may be used by the GALAHAD\_SHA package to provide parallelism for some solvers in shared memory environments. To run in parallel, OpenMP must be enabled at compilation time by using the correct compiler flag (usually some variant of -openmp). The number of threads may be controlled at runtime by setting the environment variable OMP\_NUM\_THREADS.

The code may be compiled and run in serial mode.

### 2.3 The derived data types

Four derived data types are accessible from the package.

## 2.3.1 The derived data type for holding control parameters

The derived data type SHA\_control\_type is used to hold controlling data. Default values may be obtained by calling SHA\_initialize (see Section 2.4.1), while components may also be changed by calling GALAHAD\_SHA\_read\_spec (see Section 2.6.1). The components of SHA\_control\_type are:

- error is a scalar variable of type INTEGER (ip\_), that holds the stream number for error messages. Printing of error messages in SHA\_analyse, SHA\_estimate and SHA\_terminate is suppressed if error  $\leq 0$ . The default is error = 6.
- out is a scalar variable of type INTEGER (ip\_), that holds the stream number for informational messages. Printing of informational messages in SHA\_analyse and SHA\_estimate is suppressed if out < 0. The default is out = 6.
- print\_level is a scalar variable of type INTEGER (ip\_), that is used to control the amount of informational output which is required. No informational output will occur if print\_level  $\leq 0$ . If print\_level > 01, details of any data errors encountered will be reported. The default is print\_level = 0.
- approximation\_algorithm is a scalar variable of type INTEGER(ip\_), that is used to select which approximation algorithm employed. This may be
  - 1. 1. unsymmetric, parallel (Algorithm 2.1 in paper)
  - 2. 2. symmetric (Algorithm 2.2 in paper)
  - 3. 3. composite, parallel (Algorithm 2.3 in paper)
  - 4. 4. composite, block parallel (Algorithm 2.4 in paper)

Any value outside this range will be reset to the default; the default is approximation\_algorithm = 4.

- dense\_linear\_solver is a scalar variable of type INTEGER (ip\_), that specifies which (LAPACK) dense linear equation solver to use when finding the values of entries in each row of **B**. This may be
  - 1. 1. Gaussian elimination
  - 2. 2. QR factorization
  - 3. 3. singular-value decomposition
  - 4. 4. singular-value decomposition with divide-and-conquer

Any value outside this range will be reset to the default; the default is dense\_linear\_solver = 3.

extra\_differences is a scalar variable of type INTEGER(ip\_), that is used to specify how may additional gradients (in addition to the number output in inform%differences\_needed from SHA\_analyse) are available when calling SHA\_estimate. The default is extra\_differences = 1.

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- sparse\_row is a scalar variable of type INTEGER (ip\_), that is used to specify the maximum sparse degree if a composite parallel algorithm (%approximation\_algorithm = 3) is employed. The default is sparse\_row = 100.
- recursion\_max is a scalar variable of type INTEGER (ip\_), that puts a limit on the number of levels of recursion that will be allowed if the composite block-parallel algorithm (%approximation\_algorithm = 4) is used. The default is recursion\_max = 25.
- recursion\_entries\_required is a scalar variable of type INTEGER (ip\_), that imposes the minimum number of entries in a reduced row that are required if a further level of recuresion is allowed in the composite blockparallel algorithm (%approximation\_algorithm = 4). The default is = recursion\_entries\_required =
- average\_off\_diagonals is a scalar variable of type default LOGICAL, that must be set .TRUE. if pairs of off-diagonal Hessian estimates are to be averaged on return, and .FALSE. if the value from the upper triangle suffices. Averaging incurs small extra storage and calculation expenses, and rarely offers much advantage. The default is average\_off\_diagonals = .FALSE..
- space\_critical is a scalar variable of type default LOGICAL, that must be set .TRUE. if space is critical when allocating arrays and .FALSE. otherwise. The package may run faster if space\_critical is .FALSE. but at the possible expense of a larger storage requirement. The default is space\_critical = .FALSE..
- deallocate\_error\_fatal is a scalar variable of type default LOGICAL, that must be set .TRUE. if the user wishes to terminate execution if a deallocation fails, and .FALSE. if an attempt to continue will be made. The default is deallocate\_error\_fatal = .FALSE..
- prefix is a scalar variable of type default CHARACTER and length 30, that may be used to provide a user-selected character string to preface every line of printed output. Specifically, each line of output will be prefaced by the string prefix (2:LEN(TRIM( prefix ))-1), thus ignoreing the first and last non-null components of the supplied string. If the user does not want to preface lines by such a string, they may use the default prefix = "".

## 2.3.2 The derived data type for holding informational parameters

The derived data type SHA\_inform\_type is used to hold parameters that give information about the progress and needs of the algorithm. The components of SHA\_inform\_type are:

- status is a scalar variable of type INTEGER(ip\_), that gives the exit status of the algorithm. See Section 2.5 for
- alloc\_status is a scalar variable of type INTEGER(ip\_), that gives the status of the last attempted array allocation or deallocation. This will be 0 if status = 0.
- bad\_alloc is a scalar variable of type default CHARACTER and length 80, that gives the name of the last internal array for which there were allocation or deallocation errors. This will be the null string if status = 0.
- max\_degree is a scalar variable of type INTEGER (ip\_), that holds the maximum degree in the adjacency graph.
- differences\_needed is a scalar variable of type INTEGER (ip\_), that holds the number of differences that will be needed (more may be helpful) by SHA\_estimate. This value is computed by SHA\_analyse.
- max\_reduced\_degree is a scalar variable of type INTEGER(ip\_), that holds the maximum reduced degree in the adjacency graph.
- approximation\_algorithm\_used is a scalar variable of type INTEGER (ip\_), that specifies the actual approximation algorithm used (see control%approximation\_algorithm).

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bad\_row is a scalar variable of type INTEGER (ip\_), that holds the index of the first row for which a failure occurred when forming its Hessian values (or 0 if the data if no failures occurred).

max\_off\_diagonal\_difference is a scalar variable of type REAL(rp\_), that gives the maximum difference between estimated Hessian off-diagonal pairs if approximation algorithm 1, 3 or 4 has been employed and control%average\_off\_diagonal is .TRUE.. It will be zero otherwise.

## 2.3.3 The derived data type for holding problem data

The derived data type SHA\_data\_type is used to hold all the data for a particular problem, or sequences of problems with the same structure, between calls of SHA procedures. This data should be preserved, untouched from the initial call to SHA\_initialize to the final call to SHA\_terminate.

#### 2.4 Argument lists and calling sequences

There are four procedures for user calls (see Section 2.6 for further features):

- 1. The subroutine SHA\_initialize is used to set default values, and initialize private data, before solving one or more problems with the same sparsity and bound structure.
- 2. The subroutine SHA\_analyse is called to analyze the sparsity pattern of the Hessian and to generate information that will be used when estimating its values.
- 3. The subroutine SHA\_estimate is called to estimate the Hessian by component-wise secant approximation. This must be preceded by a call to SHA\_analyse.
- 4. The subroutine SHA\_terminate is provided to allow the user to automatically deallocate array components of the private data, allocated by SHA\_solve, at the end of the solution process. It is important to do this if the data object is re-used for another problem with a different structure since SHA\_initialize cannot test for this situation, and any existing associated targets will subsequently become unreachable.

We use square brackets [ ] to indicate OPTIONAL arguments.

### 2.4.1 The initialization subroutine

Default values are provided as follows:

```
CALL SHA_initialize( data, control, inform )
```

- data is a scalar INTENT (INOUT) argument of type SHA\_data\_type (see Section 2.3.3). It is used to hold data about the problem being solved.
- control is a scalar INTENT (OUT) argument of type SHA\_control\_type (see Section 2.3.1). On exit, control contains default values for the components as described in Section 2.3.1. These values should only be changed after calling SHA\_initialize.
- inform is a scalar INTENT (OUT) argument of type SHA\_inform\_type (see Section 2.3.2). A successful call to SHA\_initialize is indicated when the component status has the value 0. For other return values of status, see Section 2.5.

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#### 2.4.2 The analysis subroutine

The analysis phase, in which the given sparsity pattern of the Hessian is used to generate information that will be used when estimating its values, is called as follows:

```
CALL SHA_analyse( n, nz, ROW, COL, data, control, inform )
```

- is a scalar INTENT (IN) scalar argument of type INTEGER ( $ip_-$ ), that must be set to n the dimension of the Hessian matrix, i.e. the number of variables in the function f. **Restrictions:** n > 0.
- is a scalar INTENT (IN) scalar argument of type INTEGER (ip\_), that must be set to the number of nonzero entries on and above the diagonal of the Hessian matrix. **Restrictions:**  $nz \ge 0$ .
- and COL are a scalar INTENT (IN) rank-one array arguments of type INTEGER (ip\_) and dimension nz, that are used to describe the sparsity structure of the Hessian matrix,  $\mathbf{H}(\mathbf{x})$ . They must be set so that ROW (i) and COL (i),  $i = 1, \dots, nz$ , contains the row and column indices of the nonzero elements of the **upper triangular part**, including the diagonal, of the Hessian matrix. The entries may appear in any order. Restrictions:  $1 \le ROW(j)$  $\leq$  COL $(j) \leq n, j = 1, ..., nz.$
- data is a scalar INTENT (INOUT) argument of type SHA\_data\_type (see Section 2.3.3). It is used to hold data about the problem being solved. It must not have been altered by the user since the last call to SHA\_initialize.
- control is a scalar INTENT (IN) argument of type SHA\_control\_type (see Section 2.3.1). Default values may be assigned by calling SHA\_initialize prior to the first call to SHA\_analyse.
- inform is a scalar INTENT (INOUT) argument of type SHA\_inform\_type (see Section 2.3.2). A successful call to SHA\_analyse is indicated when the component status has the value 0. For other return values of status, see Section 2.5.

## 2.4.3 The estimation subroutine

The estimation phase, in which the nonzero entries of the Hessian are found by component-wise secant approximation, is called as follows:

```
CALL SHA_estimate( n, nz, ROW, COL, m_available, S, ls1, ls2, &
                   Y, ly1, ly2, VAL, data, control, inform[, ORDER] )
```

- n, nz, ROW and COL are INTENT(IN) arguments exactly as described and input to SHA\_analyse, and must not have been changed in the interim.
- m\_available is a scalar INTENT (IN) scalar argument of type INTEGER (ip\_), that should be set to the number of differences provided; ideally this will be as large as inform%differences\_needed as reported by SHA\_analyse, but better still there should be a further control%extra\_differences to allow for unlikely singularities.
- is a scalar INTENT (IN) rank-two array argument of type REAL (rp\_), and dimension (ls1, ls2), that should be set on input so that the *i*-th entry of the *k*-th difference  $s_i^{(k)}$  lies in S(i,k).
- ls1 is a scalar INTENT (IN) scalar argument of type INTEGER (ip\_), that must be set to the length of the leading dimension of S, and must be at least n.
- is a scalar INTENT (IN) scalar argument of type INTEGER (ip\_), that must be set to the length of the trailing dimension of S, and must be at least m\_available.
- is a scalar INTENT (IN) rank-two array argument of type REAL (rp\_), and dimension (1y1, 1y2), that should be set on input so that the *i*-th entry of the *k*-th difference  $y_i^{(k)}$  lies in Y(i,k).

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is a scalar INTENT (IN) scalar argument of type INTEGER (ip\_), that must be set to the length of the leading dimension of Y, and must be at least n.

- ly2 is a scalar INTENT(IN) scalar argument of type INTEGER(ip\_), that must be set to the length of the trailing dimension of Y, and must be at least m\_available.
- VAL is a scalar INTENT (OUT) rank-one array argument of type REAL (rp\_), and dimension nz, that will be set on output to the non-zeros of the Hessian approximation  $\bf B$  in the order defined by the list stored in ROW and COL.
- data is a scalar INTENT (INOUT) argument of type SHA\_data\_type (see Section 2.3.3). It is used to hold data about the problem being solved. It must not have been altered by the user since the last call to SHA\_analyse.
- control is a scalar INTENT (IN) argument of type SHA\_control\_type (see Section 2.3.1) exactly as for SHA\_analyse.
- inform is a scalar INTENT (INOUT) argument of type SHA\_inform\_type (see Section 2.3.2) exactly as for SHA\_analyse. A successful call to SHA\_estimate is indicated when the component status has the value 0. For other return values of status, see Section 2.5.
- ORDER is an OPTIONAL scalar INTENT (IN) rank-one array argument of type default integer and dimension m\_available, that can be set to the preferred order of access of the differences stored in S and Y. The calculation of each row of the Hessian approximation **B** depends on the number of nonzeros in the row, and ORDER allows the user to specify the order in which the columns of S and Y are accessed to determine these row values. If ORDER is PRESENT the *i*-th accessed column will be ORDER (*i*). Otherwise the columns will be accessed in their natural order  $i, i = 1, \ldots, m_a$ vailable.

#### 2.4.4 The termination subroutine

All previously allocated arrays are deallocated as follows:

```
CALL SHA_terminate( data, control, inform )
```

data is a scalar INTENT (INOUT) argument of type SHA\_data\_type exactly as for SHA\_solve, which must not have been altered by the user since the last call to SHA\_initialize. On exit, array components will have been deallocated.

control is a scalar INTENT (IN) argument of type SHA\_control\_type exactly as for SHA\_analyse.

inform is a scalar INTENT (OUT) argument of type SHA\_inform\_type exactly as for SHA\_analyse. Only the component status will be set on exit, and a successful call to SHA\_terminate is indicated when this component status has the value 0. For other return values of status, see Section 2.5.

## 2.5 Warning and error messages

A positive value of inform%status on exit from SHA\_estimate provides a warning. Possible values are:

1. Insufficient data pairs  $(s_i, y_i)$  have been provided, as m is too small. The returned **B** is likely not fully accurate.

A negative value of inform%status on exit from SHA\_analyse, SHA\_estimate or SHA\_terminate indicates that an error has occurred. No further calls should be made until the error has been corrected. Possible values are:

-1. An allocation error occurred. A message indicating the offending array is written on unit control%error, and the returned allocation status and a string containing the name of the offending array are held in inform%alloc\_status and inform%bad\_alloc, respectively.

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- -2. A deallocation error occurred. A message indicating the offending array is written on unit control%error and the returned allocation status and a string containing the name of the offending array are held in inform%alloc\_status and inform%bad\_alloc, respectively.
- -3. One or more of the restrictions n > 0,  $nz \ge 0$ ,  $1 \le ROW(j) \le COL(j) \le n$ , j = 1, ..., nz, has been violated.
- -10. The LAPACK dense linear equation solver used to find the values of the rows of **B** has failed.
- -31. SHA\_estimate has been called before SHA\_analyse.

#### 2.6 Further features

In this section, we describe an alternative means of setting control parameters, that is components of the variable control of type SHA\_control\_type (see Section 2.3.1), by reading an appropriate data specification file using the subroutine SHA\_read\_specfile. This facility is useful as it allows a user to change SHA control parameters without editing and recompiling programs that call SHA.

A specification file, or specifile, is a data file containing a number of "specification commands". Each command occurs on a separate line, and comprises a "keyword", which is a string (in a close-to-natural language) used to identify a control parameter, and an (optional) "value", which defines the value to be assigned to the given control parameter. All keywords and values are case insensitive, keywords may be preceded by one or more blanks but values must not contain blanks, and each value must be separated from its keyword by at least one blank. Values must not contain more than 30 characters, and each line of the specfile is limited to 80 characters, including the blanks separating keyword and value.

The portion of the specification file used by SHA\_read\_specfile must start with a "BEGIN SHA" command and end with an "END" command. The syntax of the specfile is thus defined as follows:

```
( .. lines ignored by SHA_read_specfile .. )
  BEGIN SHA
    kevword
                value
     . . . . . . .
     keyword
                value
 END
( .. lines ignored by SHA_read_specfile .. )
```

where keyword and value are two strings separated by (at least) one blank. The "BEGIN SHA" and "END" delimiter command lines may contain additional (trailing) strings so long as such strings are separated by one or more blanks, so that lines such as

```
BEGIN SHA SPECIFICATION
and
    END SHA SPECIFICATION
```

are acceptable. Furthermore, between the "BEGIN SHA" and "END" delimiters, specification commands may occur in any order. Blank lines and lines whose first non-blank character is ! or \* are ignored. The content of a line after a ! or \* character is also ignored (as is the ! or \* character itself). This provides an easy manner to "comment out" some specification commands, or to comment specific values of certain control parameters.

The value of a control parameters may be of three different types, namely integer, logical or real. Integer and real values may be expressed in any relevant Fortran integer and floating-point formats (respectively). Permitted values for logical parameters are "ON", "TRUE", ".TRUE.", "T", "YES", "Y", or "OFF", "NO", "N", "FALSE", ".FALSE." and "F". Empty values are also allowed for logical control parameters, and are interpreted as "TRUE".

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The specification file must be open for input when SHA\_read\_specfile is called, and the associated device number passed to the routine in device (see below). Note that the corresponding file is REWINDed, which makes it possible to combine the specifications for more than one program/routine. For the same reason, the file is not closed by SHA\_read\_specfile.

### 2.6.1 To read control parameters from a specification file

Control parameters may be read from a file as follows:

```
CALL SHA_read_specfile( control, device )
```

control is a scalar INTENT (INOUT) argument of type SHA\_control\_type (see Section 2.3.1). Default values should have already been set, perhaps by calling SHA\_initialize. On exit, individual components of control may have been changed according to the commands found in the specifile. Specifile commands and the component (see Section 2.3.1) of control that each affects are given in Table 2.1.

command	component of control	value type
error-printout-device	%error	integer
printout-device	%out	integer
print-level	%print_level	integer
approximation-algorithm	%approximation_algorithm	integer
dense-linear-solver	%dense_linear_solver	integer
extra-differences	%extra_differences	integer
maximum-degree-considered-sparse	%sparse_row	integer
maximum-recursion-levels	%recursion_max	integer
recursion-entries-required	%recursion_entries_required	integer
average-off-diagonals	%average_off_diagonals	logical
space-critical	%space_critical	logical
deallocate-error-fatal	%deallocate_error_fatal	logical
output-line-prefix	%prefix	character

Table 2.1: Specifle commands and associated components of control.

device is a scalar INTENT (IN) argument of type INTEGER (ip\_), that must be set to the unit number on which the specifle has been opened. If device is not open, control will not be altered and execution will continue, but an error message will be printed on unit control%error.

## 2.7 Information printed

If control%print\_level is positive, information about errors encountered will be printed on unit control%out.

# 3 GENERAL INFORMATION

Use of common: None.

**Workspace:** Provided automatically by the module.

Other routines called directly: None.

 $\textbf{Other modules used directly:} \ \texttt{SHA\_solve calls the GALAHAD packages} \ \texttt{GALAHAD\_SYMBOLS}, \ \texttt{GALAHAD\_SPECFILE} \ \textbf{and} \ \texttt{CALAHAD\_SYMBOLS}, \ \texttt{CALAHAD\_SPECFILE} \ \textbf{and} \ \texttt{CALAHAD\_SYMBOLS}, \ \texttt{CALAHAD\_SPECFILE} \ \textbf{and} \ \texttt{CALAHAD\_SPECFILE} \ \textbf{CALAHAD\_SPECFILE} \ \textbf{CALAHAD\_SP$ 

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Input/output: Output is under control of the arguments control%error, control%out and control%print\_level.

**Restrictions:**  $0 < n, 0 \le nz, 1 \le ROW(j) \le COL(j) \le n, j = 1, ..., nz.$ 

**Portability:** Fortran 2003. The package is thread-safe.

#### 4 METHOD

The package computes the entries in the each row of **B** one at a time. The entries  $b_{ij}$  in row i may be chosen to

minimize 
$$\sum_{b_{i,j}} \left[ \sum_{\text{nonzeros } j} b_{i,j} s_j^{(k)} - y_i^{(k)} \right]^2, \tag{4.1}$$

where  $I_i$  is ideally chosen to be sufficiently large so that (4.1) has a unique minimizer. Since this requires that there are at least as many  $(\mathbf{s}^{(k)}, \mathbf{y}^{(k)})$  pairs as the maximum number of nonzeros in any row, this may be prohibitive in some cases. We might then be content with a minimum-norm (under-determined) least-squares solution; each row may then be processed in parallel. Or, we may take advantage of the symmetry of the Hessian, and note that if we have already found the values in row j, then the value  $b_{i,j} = b_{j,i}$  in (4.1) is known before we process row i. Thus by ordering the rows and exploiting symmetry we may reduce the numbers of unknowns in future unprocessed rows.

In the analysis phase, we order the rows by constructing the connectivity graph—a graph comprising nodes 1 to n and edges connecting nodes i and j if  $h_{i,j}$  is everywhere nonzero—of  $\mathbf{H}(\mathbf{x})$ . The nodes are ordered by increasing degree (that is, the number of edges emanating from the node) using a bucket sort. The row chosen to be ordered next corresponds to a node of minimum degree, the node is removed from the graph, the degrees updated efficiently, and the process repeated until all rows have been ordered. This often leads to a significant reduction in the numbers of unknown values in each row as it is processed in turn, but numerical rounding can lead to inaccurate values in some cases. A useful remedy is to process all rows for which there are sufficient  $(\mathbf{s}^{(k)}, \mathbf{y}^{(k)})$  as before, and then process the remaining rows taking into account the symmetry. That is, the rows and columns are rearranged so that the matrix is in block form

$$\mathbf{B} = \left( \begin{array}{cc} \mathbf{B}_{11} & \mathbf{B}_{12} \\ \mathbf{B}_{12}^T & \mathbf{B}_{22} \end{array} \right),$$

the  $(\mathbf{B}_{11}\ \mathbf{B}_{12})$  rows are processed without regard for symmetry but give the 2,1 block  $\mathbf{B}_{12}^T$ , and finally the 2,2 block  $\mathbf{B}_{22}$  is processed knowing  $\mathbf{B}_{12}^T$  again without respecting symmetry. The rows in blocks  $(\mathbf{B}_{11}\ \mathbf{B}_{12})$  and  $\mathbf{B}_{22}$  may be computed in parallel. It is also possible to generalise this so that  $\mathbf{B}$  is decomposed into r blocks, and the blocks processed one at a time recursively using the symmetry from previor rows. More details of the precise algorithms (Algorithms 2.1–2.4) are given in the reference below. The linear least-squares problems (4.1) themselves are solved by a choice of LAPACK packages.

# Reference:

The method is described in detail in

J. M. Fowkes, N. I. M. Gould and J. A. Scott, Approximating large-scale Hessians using secant equations. Preprint P-2024-001, Rutherford Appleton Laboratory.

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## 5 EXAMPLES OF USE

Suppose we wish to estimate the Hessian matrix whose values at a given  $\mathbf{x}$  are

$$\mathbf{H}(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 2 & 6 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 7 & 0 & 0 \\ 4 & 0 & 0 & 8 & 0 \\ 5 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 9 \end{pmatrix}$$

and that we have (artificially) sampled the matrix via  $\mathbf{y}^{(k)} = \mathbf{H}(\mathbf{x})\mathbf{s}^{(k)}$  along random vectors  $\mathbf{s}^{(k)}$  for  $k = 1, \dots, k_s$ ; a suitable value for  $k_s$  is returned by SHA\_analyse. Then we may recover  $\mathbf{H}(\mathbf{x})$  as follows:

```
! THIS VERSION: GALAHAD 4.1 - 2023-08-19 AT 15:40 GMT.
  PROGRAM GALAHAD_SHA_EXAMPLE
  USE GALAHAD SHA double ! double precision version
  USE GALAHAD RAND double
  IMPLICIT NONE
  INTEGER, PARAMETER :: wp = KIND( 1.0D+0 ) ! set precision
  TYPE ( SHA_data_type ) :: data
  TYPE ( SHA_control_type ) :: control
  TYPE ( SHA_inform_type ) :: inform
  INTEGER :: i, j, k, k_s, l
  REAL ( KIND = wp ) :: v
  INTEGER, ALLOCATABLE, DIMENSION( : ) :: ORDER
  REAL ( KIND = wp ), ALLOCATABLE, DIMENSION(:,:) :: S, Y
  TYPE ( RAND_seed ) :: seed
  INTEGER, PARAMETER :: n = 5, nz = 9 ! set problem data
  INTEGER :: ROW( nz ), COL( nz )
  REAL ( KIND = wp ) :: VAL( nz ), VAL_est( nz )
  ROW = (/1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 /) ! N.B. upper triangle only
  COL = (/1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 2, 3, 4, 5 /)
  VAL = (/ 1.0, 2.0, 3.0, 4.0, 5.0, 6.0, 7.0, 8.0, 9.0 /) ! artificial values
  CALL SHA_initialize( data, control, inform ) ! initialize
  control%approximation_algorithm = 2 ! symmetric approximation
  CALL SHA_analyse( n, nz, ROW, COL, data, control, inform ) ! analyse sparsity
  IF ( inform%status /= 0 ) THEN
                                            ! Failure
    WRITE( 6, "( ' return with nonzero status ', IO, ' from SHA_analyse' )" ) &
      inform%status; STOP
  END IF
  WRITE( 6, "( 1X, I0, ' differences are needed,',
 & ' one or more extra might help' )" ) inform%differences_needed
  control%extra_differences = 1 ! use as many differences as required + 1
  k_s = inform%differences_needed + control%extra_differences
! artifical setup: compute random s_i and then form y_i = Hessian * s_i
  ALLOCATE ( S(n, k_s), Y(n, k_s), ORDER(k_s))
  CALL RAND_initialize( seed )
  DO k = 1, k s
    DO i = 1, n ! choose random S
      CALL RAND_random_real( seed, .FALSE., S(i, k))
      CALL RAND_random_real( seed, .FALSE., Y( i, k ) )
      Y(i, k) = Y(i, k) * 0.001
    END DO
    Y(: n, k) = 0.0_{wp} ! form Y = H * S
    DO 1 = 1, nz
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i = ROW(1); j = COL(1); v = VAL(1)
      Y(i, k) = Y(i, k) + v * S(j, k)
      IF (i \neq j) Y(j, k) = Y(j, k) + v * S(i, k)
    END DO
    ORDER(k) = k_s - k + 1! pick the (s,y) vectors in reverse order
  END DO
! approximate the Hessian
  CALL SHA_estimate( n, nz, ROW, COL, k_s, S, n, k_s, Y, n, k_s, VAL_est,
                    data, control, inform, ORDER = ORDER )
  IF ( inform%status /= 0 ) THEN ! Failure
    WRITE( 6, "(' return with nonzero status', IO, ' from SHA_estimate')")&
      inform%status ; STOP
  ELSE
    WRITE(6, "(/, 'Successful run with', IO,
                 ' differences, estimated matrix:' )" ) k_s
    DO 1 = 1, nz
      WRITE(6, "(' (row,col,val) = (', I0, ',', I0, ',', ES9.2, ')')")
      ROW( 1 ), COL( 1 ), VAL_est( 1 )
    END DO
  END IF
  CALL SHA_terminate( data, control, inform ) ! Delete internal workspace
  END PROGRAM GALAHAD_SHA_EXAMPLE
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### The code produces the following output:

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2 differences are needed, one or more extra might help
Successful run with 3 differences, estimated matrix:
(row, col, val) = (1, 1, 1.00E+00)
(row, col, val) = (1, 2, 2.00E+00)
(row, col, val) = (1, 3, 3.00E+00)
(row, col, val) = (1, 4, 4.00E+00)
(row, col, val) = (1, 5, 5.00E+00)
(row, col, val) = (2, 2, 6.00E+00)
(row, col, val) = (3, 3, 7.00E+00)
(row, col, val) = (4, 4, 8.00E+00)
(row, col, val) = (5, 5, 9.00E+00)
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