

FISTA: from PEP or Lyapunov Function

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- Original paper [Beck and Teboulle, 2009]
- PEP analysis [Kim and Fessler, 2018]

FISTA method

Replace the gradient step in Nesterov's FGM with proximal step
[Beck and Teboulle, 2009]

FISTA with constant stepsize

$$x_k = P_L(y_k) \text{ (proximal step)}$$

$$t_{k+1} = \frac{1 + \sqrt{1 + 4t_k^2}}{2}$$

$$y_{k+1} = x_k + \left(\frac{t_k - 1}{t_{k+1}} \right) (x_k - x_{k-1})$$

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Key (in)equalities:

$$\tilde{\nabla}_L F(x) = \nabla f(x) + \phi'(p_L(x))$$

$$\|F'(p_L(x))\| \leq 2 \|\tilde{\nabla}_L F(p_L(x))\|$$

Methods with Known Bounds

Algorithm PGM

Input: $f \in \mathcal{F}_L(\mathbb{R}^d)$, $\mathbf{x}_0 \in \mathbb{R}^d$.

For $i = 0, \dots, N - 1$

$$\mathbf{x}_{i+1} = \mathbf{p}_L(\mathbf{x}_i)$$

$$F(x_N) - F(x_*) \leq \frac{LR^2}{2N}$$

$$\min_i \|\tilde{\nabla}_L F(x_i)\| = \|\tilde{\nabla}_L F(x_N)\| \leq \frac{2LR}{\sqrt{(N-1)(N+2)}}$$

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Algorithm FPGM (FISTA)

Input: $f \in \mathcal{F}_L(\mathbb{R}^d)$, $\mathbf{x}_0 \in \mathbb{R}^d$, $\mathbf{y}_0 = \mathbf{x}_0$, $t_0 = 1$.

For $i = 0, \dots, N-1$

$$\mathbf{x}_{i+1} = \mathbf{p}_L(\mathbf{y}_i)$$

$$t_{i+1} = \frac{1 + \sqrt{1 + 4t_i^2}}{2} \tag{2.11}$$

$$\mathbf{y}_{i+1} = \mathbf{x}_{i+1} + \frac{t_i - 1}{t_{i+1}}(\mathbf{x}_{i+1} - \mathbf{x}_i)$$

$$F(\mathbf{x}_N) - F(\mathbf{x}_*) \leq \frac{LR^2}{2t_{N-1}^2} = \frac{2LR^2}{(N+1)^2}$$

for any $t_i^2 = \sum_{j=0}^i t_j$, $t_i \geq \frac{i+2}{2}$.

Methods with Known Bounds

To optimize gradient norm:

Algorithm FPGM- m

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$O(1/N^{\frac{3}{2}})$ with $m = \lfloor \frac{2N}{3} \rfloor$.

FPGM- σ : Replace $p_L(\cdot)$ in FPGM with $p_{L/\sigma^2}(\cdot)$.

$$F(x_N) - F(x_*) \leq \frac{LR^2}{2t_{N-1}^2} = \frac{2LR^2}{\sigma^2 N^2}$$
$$\min_i \left\| \tilde{\nabla}_{L/\sigma^2} F(x_i) \right\| \leq \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{\sigma} \sqrt{\frac{1+\sigma}{1-\sigma}} \frac{LR}{N^{\frac{3}{2}}}$$

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General First Order PG Method

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Step coefficients for FPGM (FISTA):

$$h_{i+1,k} = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{t_{i+1}} (t_k - \sum_{j=k+1}^i h_{j,k}), & k = 0, \dots, i-1 \\ 1 + \frac{t_i - 1}{t_{i+1}}, & k = i. \end{cases}$$

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Corresponding PEP:

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Relaxation inequality:

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Relaxed PEP:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{B}_{\text{P1}}(\mathbf{h}, N, d, L, R) := \max_{\substack{\mathbf{G} \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times d}, \\ \delta \in \mathbb{R}^N}} LR^2 \delta_{N-1} \\ \text{s.t. } \text{Tr}\{\mathbf{G}^\top \tilde{\mathbf{A}}_{i-1,i}(\mathbf{h}) \mathbf{G}\} \leq \delta_{i-1} - \delta_i, \quad i = 1, \dots, N-1, \\ \text{Tr}\{\mathbf{G}^\top \tilde{\mathbf{D}}_i(\mathbf{h}) \mathbf{G} + \nu \mathbf{u}_i^\top \mathbf{G}\} \leq -\delta_i, \quad i = 0, \dots, N-1, \end{aligned} \quad (\text{P1})$$

$$\begin{cases} \mathbf{g}_i := -\frac{1}{\|\mathbf{y}_0 - \mathbf{x}_*\|} (\mathbf{p}_L(\mathbf{y}_i) - \mathbf{y}_i) = \frac{1}{L\|\mathbf{y}_0 - \mathbf{x}_*\|} \tilde{\nabla}_L F(\mathbf{y}_i), \\ \delta_i := \frac{1}{L\|\mathbf{y}_0 - \mathbf{x}_*\|^2} (F(\mathbf{p}_L(\mathbf{y}_i)) - F(\mathbf{x}_*)), \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} \tilde{\mathbf{A}}_{i-1,i}(\mathbf{h}) := \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{u}_i \mathbf{u}_i^\top - \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{u}_{i-1} \mathbf{u}_i^\top - \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{u}_i \mathbf{u}_{i-1}^\top + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=0}^{i-1} h_{i,k} (\mathbf{u}_i \mathbf{u}_k^\top + \mathbf{u}_k \mathbf{u}_i^\top), \\ \tilde{\mathbf{D}}_i(\mathbf{h}) := \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{u}_i \mathbf{u}_i^\top + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^i \sum_{k=0}^{j-1} h_{j,k} (\mathbf{u}_i \mathbf{u}_k^\top + \mathbf{u}_k \mathbf{u}_i^\top), \end{cases} \quad (3.5)$$

Dual problem:

$$\mathcal{B}_D(\mathbf{h}, N, L, R) := \min_{\substack{(\boldsymbol{\lambda}, \boldsymbol{\tau}) \in A, \\ \gamma \in \mathbb{R}}} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} L R^2 \gamma : \begin{pmatrix} S(\mathbf{h}, \boldsymbol{\lambda}, \boldsymbol{\tau}) & \frac{1}{2} \boldsymbol{\tau} \\ \frac{1}{2} \boldsymbol{\tau}^\top & \frac{1}{2} \gamma \end{pmatrix} \succeq 0 \right\}, \quad (\text{D})$$

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$$S(\mathbf{h}, \boldsymbol{\lambda}, \boldsymbol{\tau}) := \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} \lambda_i \check{A}_{i-1,i}(\mathbf{h}) + \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} \tau_i \check{D}_i(\mathbf{h}). \quad (3.7)$$

Lemma 2 For the following step coefficients:

$$h_{i+1,k} = \begin{cases} \frac{t_{i+1}}{T_{i+1}} \left(t_k - \sum_{j=k+1}^i h_{j,k} \right), & k = 0, \dots, i-1, \\ 1 + \frac{(t_i-1)t_{i+1}}{T_{i+1}}, & k = i, \end{cases} \quad (3.8)$$

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is a feasible point of (D) for any choice of t_i such that

$$t_0 = 1, \quad t_i > 0, \quad \text{and} \quad t_i^2 \leq T_i := \sum_{l=0}^i t_l. \quad (3.10)$$

FISTA falls into this category with $T_i = t_i^2$.

General FPGM(FISTA)

From lemma we get generalized FPGM(FISTA):

Algorithm GFPGM

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Select $t_i = \frac{i+a}{a}$ satisfying conditions:

Corollary 1 Let $F : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be in $\mathcal{F}_L(\mathbb{R}^d)$ and let $\mathbf{x}_0, \dots, \mathbf{x}_N \in \mathbb{R}^d$ be generated by GFPGM with $t_i = \frac{i+a}{a}$ (FPGM-a) for any $a \geq 2$. Then for $N \geq 1$,

$$F(\mathbf{x}_N) - F(\mathbf{x}_*) \leq \frac{aLR^2}{N(N+2a-1)}. \quad (3.13)$$

Conjecture on Optimality

Conjecture 1

FISTA is optimal. That is, the feasible point in Lemma 2 with $t_i^2 = T_i$ that corresponds to FISTA is a global minimizer of the dual problem. (Might require further derivations with KKT conditions.)

PEP in Composite Gradient Mapping Form

Above argument is for *cost function* form of PEP.

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Similarly for *composite gradient mapping* form of PEP.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{B}_{P'}(\mathbf{h}, N, d, L, R) := & \max_{\substack{F \in \mathcal{F}_L(\mathbb{R}^d), \\ \mathbf{x}_0, \dots, \mathbf{x}_N \in \mathbb{R}^d, \mathbf{x}_* \in X_*(F) \\ \mathbf{y}_0, \dots, \mathbf{y}_{N-1} \in \mathbb{R}^d}} \min_{\mathbf{x} \in \Omega_N} \|L(\mathbf{p}_L(\mathbf{x}) - \mathbf{x})\|^2 \\ \text{s.t. } & \mathbf{x}_{i+1} = \mathbf{p}_L(\mathbf{y}_i), \quad i = 0, \dots, N-1, \quad \|\mathbf{x}_0 - \mathbf{x}_*\| \leq R, \\ & \mathbf{y}_{i+1} = \mathbf{y}_i + \sum_{k=0}^i h_{i+1,k}(\mathbf{x}_{k+1} - \mathbf{y}_k), \quad i = 0, \dots, N-2. \end{aligned} \tag{P'}$$

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$$\Omega_N = \{\mathbf{y}_0, \dots, \mathbf{y}_{N-1}, \mathbf{x}_N\}.$$

- if $\Omega_N = \{\mathbf{y}_0, \dots, \mathbf{y}_{N-1}\}$, then the bound would be worse.
- if $\Omega_N = \{\mathbf{x}_0, \dots, \mathbf{x}_{N-1}\}$, then no proven result yet.
- if min is not taken among history composite gradient mapping, then the bound would be $O(1/N)$ (worse).

After relaxation and dualization, we get the dual PEP:

$$\mathcal{B}_{D'}(\mathbf{h}, N, L, R) := \min_{\substack{(\boldsymbol{\lambda}, \boldsymbol{\tau}, \eta, \boldsymbol{\beta}) \in A', \\ \gamma \in \mathbb{R}}} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} L^2 R^2 \gamma : \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{S}'(\mathbf{h}, \boldsymbol{\lambda}, \boldsymbol{\tau}, \eta, \boldsymbol{\beta}) & \frac{1}{2} [\boldsymbol{\tau}^\top, 0]^\top \\ \frac{1}{2} [\boldsymbol{\tau}^\top, 0] & \frac{1}{2} \gamma \end{pmatrix} \succeq 0 \right\} \quad (D')$$

$$A' := \left\{ (\boldsymbol{\lambda}, \boldsymbol{\tau}, \eta, \boldsymbol{\beta}) \in \mathbb{R}_+^{3N+1} : \begin{array}{l} \tau_0 = \lambda_1, \quad \lambda_{N-1} + \tau_{N-1} = \eta, \quad \sum_{i=0}^N \beta_i = 1, \\ \lambda_i - \lambda_{i+1} + \tau_i = 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, N-2 \end{array} \right\}, \quad (4.4)$$

$$\mathbf{S}'(\mathbf{h}, \boldsymbol{\lambda}, \boldsymbol{\tau}, \eta, \boldsymbol{\beta}) := \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} \lambda_i \bar{\mathbf{A}}_{i-1,i}(\mathbf{h}) + \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} \tau_i \bar{\mathbf{D}}_i(\mathbf{h}) + \frac{1}{2} \eta \bar{\mathbf{u}}_N \bar{\mathbf{u}}_N^\top - \sum_{i=0}^N \beta_i \bar{\mathbf{u}}_i \bar{\mathbf{u}}_i^\top. \quad (4.5)$$

Feasible Solution and Bound

Lemma 3 For the step coefficients $\{h_{i+1,k}\}$ in (3.8), the choice of variables

$$\lambda_i = T_{i-1}\tau_0, \quad i = 1, \dots, N-1, \quad \tau_i = \begin{cases} \left(\frac{1}{2} \left(\sum_{k=0}^{N-1} (T_k - t_k^2) + T_{N-1} \right) \right)^{-1}, & i = 0, \\ t_i \tau_0, & i = 1, \dots, N-1, \end{cases} \quad (4.6)$$

$$\eta = T_{N-1}\tau_0, \quad \beta_i = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} (T_i - t_i^2) \tau_0, & i = 0, \dots, N-1, \\ \frac{1}{2} T_{N-1} \tau_0, & i = N, \end{cases} \quad \gamma = \tau_0. \quad (4.7)$$

is a feasible point of (D') for any choice of t_i and T_i satisfying (3.10).

Theorem 4 Let $f : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be in $\mathcal{F}_L(\mathbb{R}^d)$ and let $\mathbf{x}_0, \dots, \mathbf{x}_N, \mathbf{y}_0, \dots, \mathbf{y}_{N-1} \in \mathbb{R}^d$ be generated by GFPGM. Then for $N \geq 1$,

$$\min_{i \in \{0, \dots, N\}} \|\tilde{\nabla}_L F(\mathbf{x}_i)\| \leq \min_{\mathbf{x} \in \Omega_N} \|\tilde{\nabla}_L F(\mathbf{x})\| \leq \frac{LR}{\sqrt{\sum_{k=0}^{N-1} (T_k - t_k^2) + T_{N-1}}}. \quad (4.8)$$

Conjecture on Optimality

Choose

$$t_i = \begin{cases} 1, & i = 0, \\ \frac{1 + \sqrt{1 + 4t_{i-1}^2}}{2}, & i = 1, \dots, \lfloor \frac{N}{2} \rfloor - 1, \\ \frac{N-i+1}{2}, & i = \lfloor \frac{N}{2} \rfloor, \dots, N-1, \end{cases} \quad (4.9)$$

Numerical result shows its optimality.

Conjecture 2

Above choice of t_i corresponds to the optimal methods (with respect to composite gradient mapping).

$$t_i = \begin{cases} 1, & i = 0, \\ \frac{1 + \sqrt{1 + 4t_{i-1}^2}}{2}, & i = 1, \dots, \lfloor \frac{N}{2} \rfloor - 1, \\ \frac{N-i+1}{2}, & i = \lfloor \frac{N}{2} \rfloor, \dots, N-1, \end{cases} \quad (4.9)$$

Corresponding method (N specified in advance):

Algorithm FPGM-OCG (GFPGM with t_i in (4.9))

Input: $f \in C_L^{1,1}(\mathbb{R}^d)$ convex, $\mathbf{x}_0 \in \mathbb{R}^d$, $\mathbf{y}_0 = \mathbf{x}_0$, $t_0 = T_0 = 1$.

For $i = 0, \dots, N-1$

$$\mathbf{x}_{i+1} = \mathbf{p}_L(\mathbf{y}_i)$$

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Theorem 5 Let $F : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be in $\mathcal{F}_L(\mathbb{R}^d)$ and let $\mathbf{x}_0, \dots, \mathbf{x}_N, \mathbf{y}_0, \dots, \mathbf{y}_{N-1} \in \mathbb{R}^d$ be generated by FPGM-OCG. Then for $N \geq 1$,

$$F(\mathbf{x}_N) - F(\mathbf{x}_*) \leq \frac{4L\|\mathbf{x}_0 - \mathbf{x}_*\|^2}{N(N+4)}, \quad (4.11)$$

and for $N \geq 3$,

$$\min_{i \in \{0, \dots, N\}} \|\tilde{\nabla}_L F(\mathbf{x}_i)\| \leq \min_{\mathbf{x} \in \Omega_N} \|\tilde{\nabla}_L F(\mathbf{x})\| \leq \frac{2\sqrt{6}LR}{N\sqrt{N-2}}. \quad (4.12)$$

Another choice of t_i preventing pre-selection of N :

Corollary 2 Let $f : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be in $\mathcal{F}_L(\mathbb{R}^d)$ and let $\mathbf{x}_0, \dots, \mathbf{x}_N, \mathbf{y}_0, \dots, \mathbf{y}_{N-1} \in \mathbb{R}^d$ be generated by GFPGM with $t_i = \frac{i+a}{a}$ (FPGM-a) for any $a \geq 2$. Then for $N \geq 1$, we have the following bound on the (smallest) composite gradient mapping:

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{i \in \{0, \dots, N\}} \|\tilde{\nabla}_L F(\mathbf{x}_i)\| &\leq \min_{\mathbf{x} \in \Omega_N} \|\tilde{\nabla}_L F(\mathbf{x})\| \\ &\leq \frac{a\sqrt{6}LR}{\sqrt{N((a-2)N^2 + 3(a^2 - a + 1)N + (3a^2 + 2a - 1))}}. \end{aligned} \quad (4.14)$$

Theoretic Results

Algorithm	Asymptotic worst-case bound		Require selecting N in advance
	Cost function ($\times LR^2$)	Proximal gradient ($\times LR$)	
PGM	$\frac{1}{2}N^{-1}$	$2N^{-1}$	No
FPGM	$2N^{-2}$	$2N^{-1}$	No
FPGM- σ ($0 < \sigma < 1$)	$\frac{2}{\sigma^2}N^{-2}$	$\frac{2\sqrt{3}}{\sigma^2} \sqrt{\frac{1+\sigma}{1-\sigma}} N^{-\frac{3}{2}}$	No
FPGM- $(\sigma=0.78)$	$3.3N^{-2}$	$16.2N^{-\frac{3}{2}}$	No
FPGM- $(m=\lceil \frac{2N}{3} \rceil)$	$4.5N^{-2}$	$5.2N^{-\frac{3}{2}}$	Yes
FPGM-OCG	$4N^{-2}$	$4.9N^{-\frac{3}{2}}$	Yes
FPGM-a ($a > 2$)	aN^{-2}	$\frac{a\sqrt{6}}{\sqrt{a-2}} N^{-\frac{3}{2}}$	No
FPGM-$(a=4)$	$4N^{-2}$	$6.9N^{-\frac{3}{2}}$	No

Table 1 Asymptotic worst-case bounds on the cost function $F(\mathbf{x}_N) - F(\mathbf{x}_*)$ and the norm of the composite gradient mapping $\min_{\mathbf{x} \in \Omega_N} \|\tilde{\nabla}_L F(\mathbf{x})\|$ of PGM, FPGM, FPGM- σ , FPGM- m , FPGM-OCG, and FPGM- a . (The cost function bound for FPGM- m in the table corresponds to the bound for FPGM after m iterations because a tight bound for the final N th iteration is unknown. The bound on $\min_{i \in \{0, \dots, N\}} \|\tilde{\nabla}_{L/\sigma^2} F(\mathbf{y}_i)\|$ is used for FPGM- σ .)

Numerical Results

Cost function:

N	PGM	FPGM	FPGM $-(\sigma=0.78)$	FPGM $-(m=\lfloor \frac{2N}{3} \rfloor)$	FPGM -OCG	FPGM $-(a=4)$
1	4.00	4.00	2.43	4.00	4.00	4.00
2	8.00	8.00	4.87	8.00	8.00	8.00
4	16.00	19.35	11.77	17.13	17.60	17.23
10	40.00	79.07	48.11	56.47	59.25	55.88
20	80.00	261.66	159.19	163.75	170.10	159.17
30	120.00	546.51	332.49	321.56	331.97	312.03
40	160.00	932.89	567.57	502.37	544.55	514.73
47	188.00	1263.58	768.76	675.68	723.06	686.33
50	200.00	1420.45	864.20	752.90	807.66	767.37
Empi. $O(\cdot)$	$N^{-1.00}$	$N^{-1.89}$	$N^{-1.89}$	$N^{-1.75}$	$N^{-1.79}$	$N^{-1.80}$
Known $O(\cdot)$	N^{-1}	N^{-2}	N^{-2}	N^{-2}	N^{-2}	N^{-2}

Table 2 Tight worst-case bounds on the cost function $LR^2/(F(\mathbf{x}_N) - F(\mathbf{x}_*))$ of PGM, FPGM, FPGM- $(\sigma=0.78)$, FPGM- $(m=\lfloor \frac{2N}{3} \rfloor)$, FPGM-OCG, and FPGM- $(a=4)$. We computed empirical rates by assuming that the bounds follow the form bN^c with constants b and c , and then by estimating c from points $N = 47, 50$. Note that the corresponding empirical rates are underestimated due to the simplified exponential model.

Min composite gradient mapping:

N	PGM	FPGM	FPGM $-(\sigma=0.78)$	FPGM $-(m=\lfloor \frac{2N}{3} \rfloor)$	FPGM -OCG	FPGM $-(a=4)$
1	1.84	1.84	1.18	1.84	1.84	1.84
2	2.83	2.83	1.78	2.83	2.83	2.83
4	4.81	5.65	3.50	5.09	5.21	5.12
10	10.80	13.24	8.74	14.91	15.60	14.76
20	20.78	27.19	18.83	39.70	39.61	29.21
30	30.78	43.49	30.82	64.45	64.40	47.14
40	40.78	61.76	44.39	92.82	91.99	67.82
47	47.77	75.60	54.73	113.92	113.41	83.67
50	50.77	81.78	59.35	123.54	123.17	90.78
Empr. $O(\cdot)$	$N^{-0.98}$	$N^{-1.27}$	$N^{-1.31}$	$N^{-1.31}$	$N^{-1.33}$	$N^{-1.32}$
Known $O(\cdot)$	N^{-1}	N^{-1}	$N^{-\frac{3}{2}}$	$N^{-\frac{3}{2}}$	$N^{-\frac{3}{2}}$	$N^{-\frac{3}{2}}$

Table 3 Tight worst-case bounds on the norm of the composite gradient mapping $LR/(\min_{\mathbf{x} \in \Omega_N} \|\tilde{\nabla}_L F(\mathbf{x})\|)$ of PGM, FPGM, FPGM- $(\sigma=0.78)$, FPGM- $(m=\lfloor \frac{2N}{3} \rfloor)$, FPGM-OCG, and FPGM- $(a=4)$. Empirical rates were computed as described in Table 2. (The bound for FPGM- σ uses $\min_{\mathbf{x} \in \Omega_N} \|\tilde{\nabla}_{L/\sigma^2} F(\mathbf{x})\|$.)

Numerical Results

Final composite gradient mapping:

N	PGM	FPGM	FPGM $-(\sigma=0.78)$	FPGM $-(m=\lfloor \frac{2N}{3} \rfloor)$	FPGM -OCG	FPGM $-(a=4)$
1	1.84	1.84	1.18	1.84	1.84	1.84
2	2.83	2.83	1.78	2.83	2.83	2.83
4	4.81	5.65	3.50	5.09	5.21	5.12
10	10.80	12.68	8.41	14.91	15.60	14.76
20	20.78	22.02	14.26	39.65	39.10	25.96
30	30.78	31.26	20.12	64.40	63.40	34.21
40	40.78	40.46	25.97	92.78	90.16	42.39
47	47.77	46.89	30.06	113.92	110.12	48.13
50	50.77	49.65	31.81	123.53	118.99	50.59
Empi. $O(\cdot)$	$N^{-0.98}$	$N^{-0.92}$	$N^{-0.92}$	$N^{-1.31}$	$N^{-1.25}$	$N^{-0.81}$
Known $O(\cdot)$	N^{-1}	N^{-1}	N^{-1}	$N^{-\frac{3}{2}}$	N^{-1}	N^{-1}

Table 4 Tight worst-case bounds on the norm of the final composite gradient mapping $LR/||\tilde{\nabla}_L F(\mathbf{x}_N)||$ of PGM, FPGM, FPGM- $(\sigma=0.78)$, FPGM- $(m=\lfloor \frac{2N}{3} \rfloor)$, FPGM-OCG, and FPGM- $(a=4)$. Empirical rates were computed as described in Table 2. (The bound for FPGM- σ uses $||\tilde{\nabla}_{L/\sigma^2} F(\mathbf{x}_N)||$.)

Numerical Results

Final subgradient bound:

N	PGM	FPGM	FPGM $-(\sigma=0.78)$	FPGM $-(m=\lfloor \frac{2N}{3} \rfloor)$	FPGM -OCG	FPGM $-(a=4)$
1	1.00	1.00	0.61	1.00	1.00	1.00
2	2.00	2.00	1.22	2.00	2.00	2.00
4	4.00	4.83	2.94	4.28	4.40	4.31
10	10.00	7.60	4.67	14.12	14.81	12.10
20	20.00	12.58	7.67	38.29	36.65	16.85
30	30.00	17.63	10.74	62.71	60.40	21.61
40	40.00	22.67	13.80	91.00	86.62	26.47
47	47.00	26.20	15.94	112.01	106.21	29.91
50	50.00	27.71	16.86	121.53	114.93	31.39
Empi. $O(\cdot)$	$N^{-1.00}$	$N^{-0.91}$	$N^{-0.91}$	$N^{-1.32}$	$N^{-1.27}$	$N^{-0.78}$
Known $O(\cdot)$	N^{-1}	N^{-1}	N^{-1}	$N^{-\frac{3}{2}}$	N^{-1}	N^{-1}

Table 5 Tight worst-case bounds on the subgradient norm $LR/||F'(\mathbf{x}_N)||$ of PGM, FPGM, FPGM- $(\sigma=0.78)$, FPGM- $(m=\lfloor \frac{2N}{3} \rfloor)$, FPGM-OCG, and FPGM- $(a=4)$, where $F'(\mathbf{x}) \in \partial F(\mathbf{x})$ is a subgradient. Empirical rates were computed as described in Table 2.

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FGM-form1

$$y_{k+1} = x_k - \frac{1}{L} \nabla f(x_k)$$

$$x_{k+1} = y_{k+1} + \frac{\theta_k - 1}{\theta_{k+1}} (y_{k+1} - y_k)$$

with $x_0 = y_0 = z_0$, $\theta_{k+1}^2 - \theta_{k+1} = (\leq) \theta_k^2$.

FGM-form2

$$y_{k+1} = x_k - \frac{1}{L} \nabla f(x_k)$$

$$z_{k+1} = z_k - \frac{\theta_k}{L} \nabla f(x_k)$$

$$x_{k+1} = \left(1 - \frac{1}{\theta_{k+1}}\right) y_{k+1} + \frac{1}{\theta_{k+1}} z_{k+1}$$

OGM-form1

$$y_{k+1} = x_k - \frac{1}{L} \nabla f(x_k)$$

$$x_{k+1} = y_{k+1} + \frac{\theta_k - 1}{\theta_{k+1}}(y_{k+1} - y_k) + \frac{\theta_k}{\theta_{k+1}}(y_{k+1} - x_k)$$

OGM-form2

$$y_{k+1} = x_k - \frac{1}{L} \nabla f(x_k)$$

$$z_{k+1} = z_k - \frac{2\theta_k}{L} \nabla f(x_k)$$

$$x_{k+1} = \left(1 - \frac{1}{\theta_{k+1}}\right)y_{k+1} + \frac{1}{\theta_{k+1}}z_{k+1}$$

OGM-form3 (last step modification)

$$y_{k+1} = x_k - \frac{1}{L} \nabla f(x_k)$$

$$x_{k+1} = y_{k+1} + \frac{\theta_k - 1}{\theta_{k+1}} (y_{k+1} - y_k) + \frac{\theta_k}{\theta_{k+1}} (y_{k+1} - x_k)$$

$$\tilde{x}_{k+1} = y_{k+1} + \frac{\theta_k - 1}{\phi_{k+1}} (y_{k+1} - y_k) + \frac{\theta_k}{\phi_{k+1}} (y_{k+1} - x_k)$$

with $x_0 = y_0 = z_0$, $\phi_{k+1}^2 - \phi_{k+1} = 2\theta_k^2$.

Lyapunov Function Selection

$$\text{FGM: } U_k = \theta_{k-1}^2 (f(y_k) - f_*) + \frac{L}{2} \|z_k - x_*\|^2, \quad U_k \leq U_{k-1}$$

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$$f(y_k) - f_* \leq \frac{U_0}{\theta_{k-1}^2} = \frac{LR^2}{2\theta_{k-1}^2} \leq \frac{2LR^2}{(k+1)^2}.$$

Lyapunov Function Selection

OGM (primary sequence):

$$U_k = 2\theta_{k-1}^2(f(x_k) - f_* - \frac{1}{2L} \|\nabla f(x_k)\|^2) + \frac{L}{2} \|z_{k+1} - x_*\|^2, \quad U_k \leq U_{k-1}$$

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$$f(y_k) - f_* \leq \frac{LR^2}{4\theta_{k-1}^2} \leq \frac{LR^2}{(k+1)^2}.$$

OGM (secondary sequence):

$$\tilde{U}_k = \phi_k^2(f(\tilde{x}_k) - f_*) + \frac{L}{2} \left\| z_k - x_* - \frac{1}{L} \phi_k \nabla f(\tilde{x}_k) \right\|^2, \quad \tilde{U}_k \leq U_{k-1}$$

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$$f(y_k) - f_* \leq \frac{LR^2}{2\phi_k^2} \leq \frac{LR^2}{(k+1+1/\sqrt{2})^2}.$$

Strongly Convex Case

In strongly convex case, we have similar result that OGM methods is $\sqrt{2}$ times faster than FGM,

First do gradient step, then do mirror descent step, finally couple them together.[Zhu and Orecchia, 2017]

$$y_{k+1} = x_k - L^{-1}Q^{-1}\nabla f(x_k) \tag{LC}$$

$$z_{k+1} = \arg \min_{y \in \mathbb{R}^n} \{V_{z_k}(y) + \langle \alpha_{k+1} \nabla f(x_k), y - x_k \rangle\}$$

$$x_{k+1} = (1 - \tau_{k+1})y_{k+1} + \tau_{k+1}z_{k+1}$$

Theorem 5 Assume (A1), (A2), and (A3). Let the positive sequence $\{\alpha_k\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$ satisfy $0 \leq \alpha_{k+1}^2 L - 2\alpha_{k+1} \leq \alpha_k^2 L$ for $k = 1, 2, \dots$ and $\alpha_1 = \frac{2}{L}$. Let $\tau_k = \frac{2}{\alpha_{k+1} L}$ for $k = 1, 2, \dots$. The y_k -sequence of (LC) exhibits the rate

$$f(y_k) - f_{\star} \leq \frac{2V_{x_0}(x_{\star})}{L\alpha_k^2}$$

for $k = 1, 2, \dots$.

Theorem 6 In the setup of Theorem 5, let $0 \leq \tilde{\alpha}_{k+1}^2 L - \tilde{\alpha}_{k+1} \leq \frac{1}{2}\alpha_k^2 L$ and $\tilde{\alpha}_1 = \frac{1}{L}$. Then the \tilde{x}_k -sequence, the secondary sequence with last-step modification, of the linear coupling method (LC) exhibits the rate

$$f(\tilde{x}_k) - f_{\star} \leq \frac{V_{x_0}(x_{\star})}{L\tilde{\alpha}_{k+1}^2}$$

for $k = 0, 1, \dots$.

Unify FGM and OGM

Unified method. Equivalent to FGM when $t = \frac{1}{2}$, equivalent to OGM when $t = 1$.

$$y_{k+1} = x_k - \frac{1}{L} \nabla f(x_k)$$

$$z_{k+1} = z_k - \frac{2t\theta_k}{L} \nabla f(x_k)$$

$$x_{k+1} = \left(1 - \frac{1}{\theta_{k+1}}\right) y_{k+1} + \frac{1}{\theta_{k+1}} z_{k+1}$$

Corollary 5 Assume (A1), (A2) and (A3). Let $0 < t \leq 1$. Then

$$f(y_k) - f_\star \leq \frac{L \|x_0 - x_\star\|^2}{4t\theta_{k-1}^2}$$

for $k = 1, 2, \dots$

How to Find Lyapunov Function

Start from functions that contains all the available information at iteration k . Then derive coefficients with numerical insights. [Taylor et al., 2018]
[d'Aspremont et al., 2021]

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