

Week 4, Lecture 2

§ 6.2 Application of Zoutendijk's Theorem to Quasi-Newton methods:

$$B_k p_k = -\nabla f_k \quad (1)$$

Exam

Theorem 6.2 Consider an iterative method where the descent direction is given by (1), where B_k is a ^{symmetric} positive-definite matrix satisfying

$$\|B_k\|_2 \|B_k^{-1}\|_2 \leq M \quad (2)$$

where M is a constant. Then

$$\cos \theta_k \geq 1/M.$$

Remark:

$$\kappa(B_k) = \|B_k\|_2 \|B_k^{-1}\|_2$$

is the condition number of the matrix B_k .

Here, $\| \cdot \|_2$ is the matrix norm (L^2 norm):

$$\|B_k\|_2 = \sup_{\|u\|_2=1} \|B_k u\|_2$$

When the matrix B_k is ^{symmetric} positive-definite, with positive eigenvalues $(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n)$, and $\max(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n) = \lambda_{\max}$, then

$$\|B_k\|_2 = \lambda_{\max}.$$

Similarly, if $\min(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n) = \lambda_{\min}$, then

$$\|B_k^{-1}\|_2 = \frac{1}{\lambda_{\min}}.$$

Then,

$$\kappa(B_k) = \|B_k\|_2 \|B_k^{-1}\|_2 = \frac{\lambda_{\max}}{\lambda_{\min}} \quad (3)$$

Return to proof of theorem:

$$\cos \theta_k = \frac{-\langle p_k, \nabla f_k \rangle}{\|\nabla f_k\|_2 \|p_k\|_2}$$

$$\stackrel{(1)}{=} \frac{\langle B_k^{-1} \nabla f_k, \nabla f_k \rangle}{\|\nabla f_k\|_2 \|B_k^{-1} \nabla f_k\|_2}$$

Expand in terms of eigenbasis, as B_k is symmetric:

$$\nabla f_k = \sum_i x_i \underline{u}_i, \quad x_i = \langle \underline{u}_i, \nabla f_k \rangle$$

$$B_k \underline{u}_i = \lambda_i \underline{u}_i$$

All eigenvalues are strictly positive:

$$B_h^{-1} \underline{u}_i = \frac{1}{\lambda_i} \underline{u}_i$$

$$\Rightarrow B_h^{-1} \nabla f_k = \sum_i x_i \cdot \frac{1}{\lambda_i} \underline{u}_i$$

Sub back into expression for $\cos \theta_k$:

$$\begin{aligned} \cos \theta_k &= \frac{\langle B_h^{-1} \nabla f_k, \nabla f_h \rangle}{\|\nabla f_h\|_2 \|B_h^{-1} \nabla f_k\|_2} \\ &= \frac{\langle \sum_i \frac{x_i}{\lambda_i} \underline{u}_i, \sum_j x_j \underline{u}_j \rangle}{\|\sum_i x_i \underline{u}_i\|_2 \|\sum_i \frac{x_i}{\lambda_i} \underline{u}_i\|_2} \end{aligned}$$

Orthonormal eigenbasis:

$$\langle \underline{u}_i, \underline{u}_j \rangle = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i = j \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Hence,

$$\cos \theta_k = \frac{\sum_i \frac{x_i^2}{\lambda_i}}{\left(\sum_i x_i^2\right)^{1/2} \left(\sum_i \frac{x_i^2}{\lambda_i^2}\right)^{1/2}}$$

$\lambda_i \leq \lambda_{\max}$
 $\frac{1}{\lambda_i} \geq \frac{1}{\lambda_{\max}}$

$(\lambda_{\min})^{1/2}$
 λ_{\min}
 $= |\lambda_{\min}|$

$$\geq \frac{\frac{1}{\lambda_{\max}} \sum_i x_i^2}{\left(\sum_i x_i^2\right)^{1/2} \left(\sum_i \frac{x_i^2}{\lambda_i^2}\right)^{1/2}}$$

$$\cos \theta_k \geq \frac{\frac{1}{\lambda_{\max}} \sum_i x_i^2}{\frac{1}{\lambda_{\min}} \left(\sum_i x_i^2 \right)^{1/2} \left(\sum_i x_i^2 \right)^{1/2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos \theta_k \geq \frac{\lambda_{\min}}{\lambda_{\max}} = \frac{1}{\kappa(B_k)} \geq \frac{1}{M}$$

Hence, $\boxed{\cos \theta_k \geq \frac{1}{M}}$

