

Automatic Self-Scaling Strategies For VM updates

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الملخص

في هذا البحث تم التطرق إلى صنف جديد من خوارزميات المتري المتغير على وفق تقنية خاصة بالقياس الذاتي. وتمت كذلك دراسة بعض النتائج النظرية التي تؤكد التقارب الشامل للخوارزمية الجديدة المقترحة .

Abstract

In this paper a class of self-scaling VM-algorithms for unconstrained optimization is investigated. Some theoretical results are given on the scaling strategies that guarantee the global convergence of the new proposed algorithm.

1. Introduction

Consider the unconstrained optimization problem $\min_{x \in R^n} f(x)$ where f is a nonlinear differentiable function. Assume that an exact line search is used at the beginning of each iteration k , and that for an estimate vector x_k there is a symmetric and positive definite matrix B_k . The new iteration is computed by

$$d_k = -B_k^{-1} g_k \quad (1)$$

$$x_{k+1} = x_k + I_k d_k, k \geq 1 \quad (2)$$

where g_k is the gradient of the objective function at x_k . I_k is a steplength satisfies exact line search strategy, i.e.

$$f(x_k + I_k d_k) \leq f(x_k) + a I_k g_k^T d_k \quad (3)$$

$$g(x_k + I_k d_k)^T d_k \geq b g_k^T d_k \quad (4)$$

for $0 \leq a \leq \frac{1}{2}$ and $a \leq b \leq 1$. See Fletcher [6] for the details of standard VM step. For the next iteration B_{k+1} , is updated by Al-Bayati's VM-update i.e.

$$B_{k+1} = B_k - \frac{B_k s_k s_k^T B_k}{s_k^T B_k s_k} + \frac{s_k^T B_k y_k}{(s_k^T y_k)^2} \cdot y_k y_k^T \quad (5a)$$

Where

$$\left. \begin{aligned} s_k &= x_{k+1} - x_k \\ y_k &= g_{k+1} - g_k \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (5b)$$

See Al-Bayati [1 ,2] for more details and properties of this algorithm.

2. New Suggestion

In this section we describe the prototype for the new suggested class of algorithms with self-scaling strategies:

Algorithm:

1-For a starting point x , and non singular matrix V_1 ; set $k=1$.

2- Terminate if $\|g_{k+1}\| < e$, e is a small positive real number.

3-Compute

$$d_k = V_k^T V_k^{-1} g_k$$

$$x_{k+1} = x_k + I_k d_k$$

I_k is computed ;by exact line search .

4- Update

$$W_k = V_k - \frac{V_k s_k s_k^T V_k}{s_k^T V_k s_k} + \frac{s_k^T V_k y_k}{(y_k^T s_k)^2} \cdot y_k y_k^T$$

5- Compute the scaling parameter $s_k \geq 0$ and $m_k \geq 0$ such that $s_k \leq m_k$. If w_i represents the column of W_k Put $C_k = \text{diag}[c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n]$ where $s_k = 0.5$ and $m_k = 1$

$$c_i = \begin{cases} \frac{s_k}{\|w_i\|} & \text{if } \|w_i\| \leq s_k \\ \frac{m_k}{\|w_i\|} & \text{if } \|w_i\| > m_k \\ \frac{s_k^T V_k y_k}{y_k^T} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

6-Set $V_{k+1} = W_k C_k$

7-set $k = k + 1$ and go to step (1)

Note that:

1- In the above algorithm

$$\left. \begin{aligned} B_1 &= V_1 V_1^T \\ B_k &= V_k V_k^T \\ &= W_{k-1}^T C_{k-1}^2 W_{k-1}, k \geq 1 \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (6)$$

and the update is performed directly on V_k .

2-It will be shown that one has considered freedom in choosing d_k and m_k of every iteration, while still maintaining global convergence of the above algorithm. It is necessary that the choice of these values be made carefully.

3. Global Convergence of the New Algorithm

In this section, we prove that the new algorithm suggested in section (2) with an appropriate choice of the scaling parameters is globally convergent on strictly convex objective functions.

Lemma 3.1: For any $n \times n$ matrices A and C , where C diagonal matrix

$$\text{Tr}(ACA^T) = \text{tr}(AA^T) + \text{tr}[(C-1)AA^T] \quad (7)$$

Where tr , denotes trace of any matrix see [7].

Proof: For any two matrices A and B

$$\text{tr}(AB) = \text{tr}(BA)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \text{tr}(ACA^T) &= \text{tr}(CA^T A) \\ &= \text{tr}(AA^T) + \text{tr}(CA^T A) - \text{tr}(A^T A) \end{aligned}$$

Eq. (7) follows directly from the last equality #

Lemma3.2: Let $h(u) = \ln u - u$ for $u > 0$

Let $d_1 > 0, d_2 > 0 \exists d_3$ and $d_4 \ni$

$$x \in (0, d_1] \text{ and } y \in (0, x] \Rightarrow h(y) - h(x) \leq d_3 \quad (8)$$

And

$$x \in [d_2 \text{ and } y \in [x, \infty) \Rightarrow h(y) - h(x) \leq d_4 \quad (9)$$

Proof: To prove eq.(8) we first note that $h(u)$ is strictly concave and its maximum occurs at $u = 1$. If $x \in (0, \min(d_1, 1))$ we conclude that for any $Y \in (0, X]$.

$h(y) - h(x) \leq 0$ since $h(u)$ is strictly increasing for $0 < u < 1$.

On the other hand, if $x \in [\min(d_1, 1), d_1]$ then for any $y \in (0, x]$ we have $h(y) - h(x) \leq h[\min(d_1, 1)] - h(d_1)$. Thus eq.(8) holds in either case with $d_3 = h[\min(d_1, 1)] - h(d_1)$. We can prove eq.(9) in a similar line with $d_4 = h[\max(b_2, 1)] - h(d_2)$. Details and explanations can be found in [3].

Now let $G(x)$ denotes the Hessian matrix of f at x .

Let $D(x) = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n ; f(x) \leq f(X)\}$ be the level set of f at x . Let x_1 be the starting point. Assume also

(1) f is twice continuously differentiable. (2) $D(x_1)$ is convex.

(3) $\exists m > 0$ and $M \ni \forall z \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and $x \in D(x_1)$

$m\|z\|^2 \leq z^T G(x)z \leq M\|z\|^2$ Where the norm is norm two.

These three assumptions readily imply that f is strictly convex in $D(x_1)$. Also 3 is a unique minimizer x^* of f in $D(x_1)$ and for any positive defined matrix B , we define

$$y(B) = \text{tr}(B) - \ln(\det(B)) \quad (10)$$

This result has been used by Byrd and Nocedal [4] and Griewank [5] in their analysis of QN methods.

Let us define

$$\cos q_k = \frac{s_k^T B_k s_k}{\|s_k\| \|B_k s_k\|} \quad (11)$$

So that O_k is the angle between the search direction d_k and the steepest - descent direction- g_k . Define also

$$q_k = \frac{s_k^T B_k s_k}{s_k^T s_k} \quad (12)$$

Also assume that the scaling parameters β_k and α_k are bounded such that for all k .

$$s_k \leq s_{\max}, m_k \leq m_{\min} \text{ for some } s_{\max} \leq m_{\min} \quad (13)$$

The following new theorem provides the foundation for the proof of global convergence of our new suggested algorithm given in section 2. It generalizes a similar result given by Byrd and Nocedal [4] for their algorithm but for the case of unscaled BFGS algorithm.

Theorem 3.3: Let x_1 be a starting point for which f satisfies eq.(7) and let B_1 be a positive definite starting Hessian approximation. Let $\{x_k\}$ be generated by the new proposed

algorithm with ϕ_k and $\sim tk$ satisfying eq.(13) and for any $p \in (0, 1)$ a constant $(3, 3)$ for any $k > 1$ the relation $\cos 0_j >_-(3,$ holds for at least $[P_k]$ values of $j \in [1, k]$

Proof: We note that the symmetric matrices $B_k = V_k V_k^T = W_k C_k^{-1} C_k^{-1} W_k^T$ generated by the algorithm are positive definite, because $W_k C_k^{-1}$ are nonsingular as a consequence of the Al-Bayati [2] update, and the C_k , are nonsingular by construction.

Using the definition (10) of y , eq.(6) and lemma (3.1), we have

$$\begin{aligned} y(B_{k+1}) &= \text{tr}(B_{k+1}) - \ln(\det(B_{k+1})) \\ &= \text{tr}(W_k C_k^2 W_k^T) - \ln(\det(W_k C_k^2 W_k^T)) \\ &= \text{tr}(W_k W_k^T) - \text{tr}[(C_k^T - I)W_k^T W_k] - \ln(\det(W_k W_k^T)) - \ln(\det(C_k^2)) \\ &= y(W_k W_k^T) + \text{tr}((C_k^T - I)W_k W_k^T) - \ln \det(C_k^2) \\ &= y(W_k W_k^T) + \sum_{i=1}^n [(C_i^2 - I)\|w_i\|^2 - \ln C_i^2] \end{aligned}$$

Where w is the i th Column of W_k now scaling up and down the set of indices of the column W_k as

$$I_k = (i \in [1, n] : \|w_i\| \leq s_k) \quad (14)$$

And

$$J_k = (i \in [1, n] : \|w_i\| \geq m_k) \quad (15)$$

Therefore by defining the scalar c in our new proposed algorithm

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{Y}(B_{k+1}) &= \mathcal{Y}(W_k W_k^T) + \sum_{i \in I_k} \left[\left(\frac{\partial^2 k}{\|w_i\|^2} - 1 \right) \|w_i\|^2 - \ln \frac{s_k}{\|w_i\|^2} \right] + \sum \left[\left(\frac{m}{\|w_i\|^2} - 1 \right) \|w_i\|^2 - \ln \frac{m_k}{\|w_i\|^2} \right] \\ &= \mathcal{Y}(W_k W_k^T) + \sum_{i \in I_k} \left[(\ln \|w_i\|^2 - \|w_i\|^2) - (\ln s_k^2 - s_k^2) \right] + \sum \left[(\ln \|w_i\|^2 - \|w_i\|^2) - (\ln m_k^2 - m_k^2) \right] \end{aligned}$$

We will now involve lemma (3.2) with $d_1 = s_{\max}$ and $d_2 = m_{\min}$ since $\|w_i\| \leq s_k$ for $i \in I_k$ whereas $\|w_i\| \geq m_k$ for $i \in J_k$ we can therefore apply eq.(8) to each term of the first summation, and eq.(9) to each term of the 2nd summation to obtain

$$\mathcal{Y}(B_{k+1}) \leq \mathcal{Y}(w_k w_k^T) + nd_3 + nd_4 \quad (16)$$

for the constants d_3 and d_4 given by lemma (3.2).

Now step (4) of our new suggested algorithm indicates that the matrix is $w_k w_k^T$ Al-Bayati's update of B_k . Therefore by the same procedure of [4] we can claim that $\mathcal{Y}(B_{k+1})$ is bounded and $\cos q_j \geq B_1$.

To ensure that the new algorithm generates a sequence of $\{x_k\}$ that converge to x^* , i.e.

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \|x_k - x^*\| \leq \infty \quad (17)$$

$$\text{and } f_{k+1} - f^* \leq r^k (f_1 - f^*) \quad (18)$$

for some constant $r \in [0,1)$

To prove (18) let us start with

$f_{k+1} - f^* \leq (1 - d_5 \cos^2 q_k)(f_k - f^*)$ (see [3] for the theoretical explanations).

Now since $\cos q_j \geq b_1$ then

$$f_{k+1} - f^* \leq (1 - d_5 b_1^2)(f_k - f^*) \leq r^k (f_k - f^*)$$

With $r = (1 - d_5 b_1^2) \in [0,1)$

The assumption on f also implies that $\frac{1}{2} m \|x_k - x^*\|^2 \leq f_k - f^*$

(19) Therefore combining (19) with (18) we obtain

$$\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \|x_k - x^*\| \leq \left(\frac{2}{m}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} (f_k - f^*)^{\frac{1}{2}} \leq \left[\frac{2(f_1 - f^*)}{m}\right]^{\frac{1}{2}} \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} (r^{\frac{1}{2}})^k \leq \infty$$

(since the series is geometric and it converges to a finite sum)

This proves the global convergence of our new proposed algorithm. #

4. Final Remarks

We have described in this paper the conditions under which a new automatic self-scaling algorithm based on the direct form of Al-Bayati's VM-Update [2] can be proven to be globally convergent. It should be noted that using extra theoretical results the super linear convergence of this new algorithm may be found. Also some sort of numerical experiments needs to inform the effectiveness of the new proposed algorithm. This will be certainly done in our next research paper.

It is also possible to describe another similar algorithm based on the inverse scaled-BFGS algorithm. Also a column-scaling

algorithm which was proposed by Siegel [9] may be modified and implemented with this family of algorithms by Nocedal [8].

However, optimal values of β_k , α_k selected in the new algorithm may be described in our further work, but for this proposed algorithm let $\beta_k=0.5$ and $\alpha_k=1$. It might occasionally be better to increase β_k and to decrease α_k . in any case, the theory developed in this paper will prove to be useful for analyzing the global convergence of the algorithm and it may be useful to prove the super linear convergent of the new proposed algorithm in the following research paper.

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