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review of Newton method

$$\nabla f(x_{k+1}) \approx \nabla f(x_k) + H(x_k)(x_{k+1} - x_k)$$

$f(x)$ is local minimal at $x = x_{k+1}$ when

1. $H(x_k)$ is positive definite
2. $\nabla f(x_{k+1}) = 0$

Thus

$$0 = \nabla f(x_k) + H(x_k)(x_{k+1} - x_k) \implies x_{k+1} = x_k - H^{-1}(x_k) \nabla f(x_k)$$

assumption of Quasi-Newton

H^{-1} is complicated to compute, we find other form G to replace it

define $\delta_k \equiv x_{k+1} - x_k$, and $y_k \equiv g_{k+1} - g_k \equiv \nabla f(x_{k+1}) - \nabla f(x_k)$

It still holds

$$\nabla f(x_{k+1}) \approx \nabla f(x_k) + H(x_k)(x_{k+1} - x_k)$$

A. thus, replace $H^{-1}(x_k)$ with G_{k+1} to derive the constraint

$$\delta_k \approx G_{k+1} y_k$$

B. modify the Newton method, here G_k is corresponding to the $H^{-1}(x_{k-1})$, then replace $H^{-1}(x_k)$ with $\lambda_k H^{-1}(x_{k-1}) \approx \lambda_k G_k$

$$x_{k+1} = x_k - \lambda_k G_k g_k$$

moreover, the λ_k is given by

$$\lambda_k \equiv \underset{\lambda_k}{\operatorname{argmin}} f(x_k - \lambda_k G_k g_k), \quad \text{st. } \lambda_k \geq 0 \implies \frac{df}{d\lambda_k} = (G_k g_k)^T g_{k+1} = g_k^T G_k g_{k+1} = 0$$

recall that:

1. we only care about the direction of x changes δ_k , that is $-G_k g_k$
2. we have to make sure G_k is always positive definite
3. we have to make sure G_{k+1} satisfies $\delta_k \approx G_{k+1} y_k$

type 1: DFP method

Use G_{k+1} to estimate $H^{-1}(x_k)$

1. G_k is positive definite
2. satisfy $\delta_k = G_{k+1} y_k$

Derive the formula of G_{k+1}

a. set up $G_{k+1} = G_k + uu^T - vv^T$

$$\delta_k = G_{k+1} y_k = G_k y_k + u(u^T y_k) + v(v^T y_k)$$

now we could set

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_k &= u(u^T y_k) \\ -G_k g_k &= -v(v^T y_k) \end{aligned}$$

Thus we have $u = k_1 \delta_k, v = k_2 G_k y_k$, solve for k_1, k_2 by comparing coefficients

$$\begin{aligned} 1 &= k_1^2 (\delta_k^T y_k) \\ 1 &= k_2^2 (y_k^T G_k y_k) \end{aligned}$$

In the end

$$G_{k+1} = G_k + k_1^2 \delta_k \delta_k^T - k_2^2 G_k y_k y_k^T G_k^T = G_k + \frac{1}{\delta_k^T y_k} \delta_k \delta_k^T - \frac{1}{y_k^T G_k y_k} G_k y_k y_k^T G_k^T$$

notice B. $\delta_k = -\lambda_k G_k g_k, g_k^T G_k g_{k+1} = 0$, so that if we want to ensure $G_k \Rightarrow G_{k+1}$ positive definite, have to make sure

$$\delta_k^T y_k = -\lambda_k g_k^T G_k^T (g_{k+1} - g_k) = +\lambda_k g_k^T G_k g_k > 0$$

It can be proved if $G_0 = I$ is positive definite, then G_k is positive definite,

For any X , first part

$$\frac{1}{\delta_k^T y_k} X^T \delta_k \delta_k^T X = \frac{1}{\delta_k^T y_k} (\delta_k^T X)^2 \geq 0$$

For any X , the second part

$$X^T \left[G_k - \frac{1}{y_k^T G_k y_k} G_k y_k y_k^T G_k^T \right] X = \frac{1}{y_k^T G_k y_k} [(X^T G_k X)(y_k^T G_k y_k) - (X^T G_k y_k)^2] = \frac{1}{y_k^T G_k y_k} [(X^T \Lambda_k X')(y_k^T \Lambda_k y_k') - (X^T \Lambda_k y_k')^2]$$

here the diagonal matrix $\Lambda_k = \text{diag}(\lambda_{k1}, \dots, \lambda_{kN})$ shape (N, N) , because G_k positive definite, we have all $\lambda_{kn} \geq 0$

$$= \frac{1}{y_k^T G_k y_k} \left[\sum_{n=1}^N (\lambda_{kn} x_n'^2) \sum_{n=1}^N (\lambda_{kn} y_{kn}'^2) - \sum_{n=1}^N (\lambda_{kn} x_n' y_{kn}')^2 \right] = \frac{1}{y_k^T G_k y_k} \sum_{n=1}^N \sum_{n'=1}^N \lambda_{kn} \lambda_{kn'} (x_n' x_{n'}' - y_{kn}' y_{kn}')^2 \geq 0$$

To sum up, G_{k+1} is positive definite when G_k is positive definite

type2: BFGS method

That is better than DFP

step 1. Use B_{k+1} to estimate $H(x_k)$

1. B_k is positive definite
2. satisfy $y_k = B_{k+1} \delta_k$

step 2. Use $G_{k+1} = B_{k+1}^{-1}$ to get $H^{-1}(x_k)$

Derive the formula of G_{k+1}

For step 1. similarly from $y_k = B_{k+1} \delta_k$

set $B_{k+1} = B_k + uu^T - vv^T$

$$B_{k+1} = B_k + k_1^2 y_k y_k^T - k_2^2 B_k \delta_k \delta_k^T B_k^T = B_k + \frac{1}{y_k^T \delta_k} y_k y_k^T - \frac{1}{\delta_k^T B_k \delta_k} B_k \delta_k \delta_k^T B_k^T$$

notice $B_k \delta_k = -\lambda_k G_k g_k, g_k^T G_k g_{k+1} = 0$, so we have $g_k = -\frac{1}{\lambda_k} B_k \delta_k, \delta_k^T B_k \delta_{k+1} = 0$, similarly when $B_0 = I$ is positive definite, we can prove B_k is positive definite too, thus $G_k = B_k^{-1}$ is positive definite

For step 2. with the Sherman-Morrison formula

$$\left(A + \frac{uv^T}{t} \right)^{-1} = A^{-1} - \frac{A^{-1}uv^T A^{-1}}{t + v^T A^{-1}u}$$

Apply it for two times, notice $B^T = B$

$$G_{k+1} \equiv B_{k+1}^{-1} = \left(B_k + \frac{y_k y_k^T}{y_k^T \delta_k} - \frac{B_k \delta_k \delta_k^T B_k^T}{\delta_k^T B_k \delta_k} \right)^{-1}$$

1st time

$$= \left(B_k + \frac{y_k y_k^T}{y_k^T \delta_k} \right)^{-1} + \left(B_k + \frac{y_k y_k^T}{y_k^T \delta_k} \right)^{-1} \frac{B_k \delta_k \delta_k^T B_k}{\delta_k^T B_k \delta_k - \delta_k^T B_k \left(B_k + \frac{y_k y_k^T}{y_k^T \delta_k} \right)^{-1} B_k \delta_k} \left(B_k + \frac{y_k y_k^T}{y_k^T \delta_k} \right)^{-1}$$

2nd time

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \left(B_k^{-1} - \frac{B_k^{-1} y_k y_k^T B_k^{-1}}{y_k^T \delta_k + y_k^T B_k^{-1} y_k} \right) + \left(B_k^{-1} - \frac{B_k^{-1} y_k y_k^T B_k^{-1}}{y_k^T \delta_k + y_k^T B_k^{-1} y_k} \right) \frac{B_k \delta_k \delta_k^T B_k}{\delta_k^T B_k \delta_k - \delta_k^T B_k \left(B_k^{-1} - \frac{B_k^{-1} y_k y_k^T B_k^{-1}}{y_k^T \delta_k + y_k^T B_k^{-1} y_k} \right) B_k \delta_k} \left(B_k^{-1} - \frac{B_k^{-1} y_k y_k^T B_k^{-1}}{y_k^T \delta_k + y_k^T B_k^{-1} y_k} \right) \\
&= \left(B_k^{-1} - \frac{B_k^{-1} y_k y_k^T B_k^{-1}}{y_k^T \delta_k + y_k^T B_k^{-1} y_k} \right) + \left(B_k^{-1} - \frac{B_k^{-1} y_k y_k^T B_k^{-1}}{y_k^T \delta_k + y_k^T B_k^{-1} y_k} \right) \frac{B_k \delta_k \delta_k^T B_k}{\frac{\delta_k^T y_k y_k^T \delta_k}{y_k^T \delta_k + y_k^T B_k^{-1} y_k}} \left(B_k^{-1} - \frac{B_k^{-1} y_k y_k^T B_k^{-1}}{y_k^T \delta_k + y_k^T B_k^{-1} y_k} \right) \\
&= \left(B_k^{-1} - \frac{B_k^{-1} y_k y_k^T B_k^{-1}}{y_k^T \delta_k + y_k^T B_k^{-1} y_k} \right) + \frac{B_k^{-1} B_k \delta_k \delta_k^T B_k B_k^{-1}}{\frac{\delta_k^T y_k y_k^T \delta_k}{y_k^T \delta_k + y_k^T B_k^{-1} y_k}} - \frac{B_k^{-1} B_k \delta_k \delta_k^T B_k}{\frac{\delta_k^T y_k y_k^T \delta_k}{y_k^T \delta_k + y_k^T B_k^{-1} y_k}} \frac{B_k^{-1} y_k y_k^T B_k^{-1}}{y_k^T \delta_k + y_k^T B_k^{-1} y_k} \\
&\quad - \frac{B_k^{-1} y_k y_k^T B_k^{-1}}{y_k^T \delta_k + y_k^T B_k^{-1} y_k} \frac{B_k \delta_k \delta_k^T B_k}{\frac{\delta_k^T y_k y_k^T \delta_k}{y_k^T \delta_k + y_k^T B_k^{-1} y_k}} B_k^{-1} + \frac{B_k^{-1} y_k y_k^T B_k^{-1}}{y_k^T \delta_k + y_k^T B_k^{-1} y_k} \frac{B_k \delta_k \delta_k^T B_k}{\frac{\delta_k^T y_k y_k^T \delta_k}{y_k^T \delta_k + y_k^T B_k^{-1} y_k}} \frac{B_k^{-1} y_k y_k^T B_k^{-1}}{y_k^T \delta_k + y_k^T B_k^{-1} y_k} \\
&= \left(B_k^{-1} - \frac{B_k^{-1} y_k y_k^T B_k^{-1}}{y_k^T \delta_k + y_k^T B_k^{-1} y_k} \right) + \frac{\delta_k \delta_k^T (y_k^T \delta_k + y_k^T B_k^{-1} y_k)}{\delta_k^T y_k y_k^T \delta_k} - \frac{\delta_k \delta_k^T y_k y_k^T B_k^{-1}}{\delta_k^T y_k y_k^T \delta_k} - \frac{B_k^{-1} y_k y_k^T \delta_k \delta_k^T}{\delta_k^T y_k y_k^T \delta_k} \\
&\quad + \frac{B_k^{-1} y_k (y_k^T \delta_k \delta_k^T y_k) y_k^T B_k^{-1}}{(y_k^T \delta_k + y_k^T B_k^{-1} y_k) (\delta_k^T y_k y_k^T \delta_k)} \\
&= \left(B_k^{-1} - \frac{B_k^{-1} y_k y_k^T B_k^{-1}}{y_k^T \delta_k + y_k^T B_k^{-1} y_k} \right) + \frac{\delta_k \delta_k^T (y_k^T \delta_k + y_k^T B_k^{-1} y_k)}{(\delta_k^T y_k)^2} - \frac{\delta_k (\delta_k^T y_k) y_k^T B_k^{-1}}{(\delta_k^T y_k)^2} - \frac{B_k^{-1} y_k (y_k^T \delta_k) \delta_k^T}{(\delta_k^T y_k)^2} \\
&\quad + \frac{B_k^{-1} y_k y_k^T B_k^{-1}}{(y_k^T \delta_k + y_k^T B_k^{-1} y_k)}
\end{aligned}$$

then

$$\begin{aligned}
&= B_k^{-1} + \frac{\delta_k \delta_k^T (y_k^T \delta_k)}{(\delta_k^T y_k)^2} + \frac{\delta_k \delta_k^T (y_k^T B_k^{-1} y_k)}{(\delta_k^T y_k)^2} - \frac{\delta_k y_k^T B_k^{-1}}{\delta_k^T y_k} - \frac{B_k^{-1} y_k \delta_k^T}{\delta_k^T y_k} \\
&= B_k^{-1} - \frac{B_k^{-1} y_k \delta_k^T}{\delta_k^T y_k} - \frac{\delta_k y_k^T B_k^{-1}}{\delta_k^T y_k} + \frac{\delta_k (y_k^T B_k^{-1} y_k) \delta_k^T}{(\delta_k^T y_k)^2} + \frac{\delta_k \delta_k^T}{\delta_k^T y_k} \\
&= B_k^{-1} \left(I - \frac{y_k \delta_k^T}{\delta_k^T y_k} \right) - \frac{\delta_k y_k^T B_k^{-1}}{\delta_k^T y_k} \left(I - \frac{y_k \delta_k^T}{\delta_k^T y_k} \right) + \frac{\delta_k \delta_k^T}{\delta_k^T y_k} \\
&= \left(I - \frac{\delta_k y_k^T}{\delta_k^T y_k} \right) B_k^{-1} \left(I - \frac{y_k \delta_k^T}{\delta_k^T y_k} \right) + \frac{\delta_k \delta_k^T}{\delta_k^T y_k} \\
&= \left(I - \frac{\delta_k y_k^T}{\delta_k^T y_k} \right) B_k^{-1} \left(I - \frac{\delta_k y_k^T}{\delta_k^T y_k} \right)^T + \frac{\delta_k \delta_k^T}{\delta_k^T y_k}
\end{aligned}$$

Eventually

$$G_{k+1} = \left(I - \frac{\delta_k y_k^T}{\delta_k^T y_k} \right) G_k \left(I - \frac{\delta_k y_k^T}{\delta_k^T y_k} \right)^T + \frac{\delta_k \delta_k^T}{\delta_k^T y_k}$$

That is the iterative formula for G_k

1. if $G_0 = I$ is positive definite, then G_k is positive definite

2. satisfy $\delta_k = G_{k+1}y_k$