

Conjugate Gradient method

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Introduction

- Solve linear equation $Ax = b$
(or $\min f(x) = \frac{1}{2}x^T Ax - x^T b$)

where A is n-by-n symmetric matrix (i.e. $A^T = A$)

positive definite (i.e. $x^T Ax > 0$ for all x in R^n)

Conjugate relation

- u and v are conjugate (with respect to A) if
- $u^T A v = 0$

$$\langle u, v \rangle_A = 0$$

- Suppose $\{p_k\}$ is a sequence of n mutually conjugate directions. Then the p_k form a basis of R^n (*Lemma. 1*)
- we can expand the solution x_* of $Ax = b$ in this basis:
$$x_* = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i p_i$$

- The coefficients α_i are given by:

$$b = A x_* = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i A p_i$$
$$p_k^T b = p_k^T A x_* = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i p_k^T A p_i = \alpha_k p_k^T A p_k$$
$$\alpha_k = \frac{p_k^T b}{p_k^T A p_k} = \frac{\langle p_k, b \rangle}{\langle p_k, p_k \rangle_A}$$

We denote the initial guess for \mathbf{x}_* by $\mathbf{x}_0=0$

- Solve linear equation $\mathbf{A} \mathbf{x}_* = \mathbf{b}$
- Equal to minimize $f(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{b}$, $\mathbf{x} \in R^n$
- If $f(\mathbf{x})$ becomes smaller in an iteration
it means that we are closer to solution \mathbf{x}_*

How to choose p_k

Let x_k denote solution at iteration k

Let r_k be the residual at the k -th step:

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{2} x^T A x - x^T b$$

$$\frac{df}{dx} = Ax - b$$

$$r_k = b - Ax_k \quad (\text{EQ3})$$

Note: r_k is the negative gradient of $f(x)$ at $x=x_k$

So the gradient descent method would move in direction r_k
the negative gradient of $f(x)$ with respect to x

- Choose directions p_k be conjugate to each other.
- We also require that the next search direction p_{k+1} be built out of the negative gradient $-r_k$ and all previous search directions p_i .
- By Gram-Schmidt orthonormalization.(Appendix)

$$p_k = r_k - \sum_{i < k} \frac{p_i^T A r_k}{p_i^T A p_i} p_i \quad (EQ4)$$

Note: $\{p_k\}$ all pairwise conjugate

Let $p_0 = r_0$ and for $k = 1, 2, \dots$

$$p_k = r_k - \sum_{j < k} \frac{p_j^T A r_k}{p_j^T A p_j} p_j$$

Then $p_j^T A p_m = 0$, for all $0 \leq m < j \leq k$

proof: by induction!

$$p_1 = r_1 - \frac{p_0^T A r_1}{p_0^T A p_0} p_0$$

When $k = 1 \Rightarrow p_1^T A p_0 = 0$

Assume when $k = i$, $\{p_j\}_{j=0}^i$ are pairwise conjugate

We need to show $p_{i+1}^T A p_m = 0 \quad \forall m \leq i$

$$\mathbf{x}_{k+1} = \mathbf{x}_k + \alpha_k \mathbf{p}_k \quad (\text{EQ2})$$

with

$$\alpha_k = \frac{\mathbf{p}_k^\top \mathbf{b}}{\mathbf{p}_k^\top \mathbf{A} \mathbf{p}_k} = \frac{\mathbf{p}_k^\top (\mathbf{r}_k + \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x}_k)}{\mathbf{p}_k^\top \mathbf{A} \mathbf{p}_k} = \frac{\mathbf{p}_k^\top \mathbf{r}_k}{\mathbf{p}_k^\top \mathbf{A} \mathbf{p}_k}, \quad (\text{EQ1})$$

where the last equality holds because \mathbf{p}_k and \mathbf{x}_k are conjugate.

$$x_1 = x_0 + a_0 p_0$$

$$x_k = x_{k-1} + a_{k-1} p_{k-1} = x_0 + \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} a_i p_i$$

$$(EQ. 1) \quad \alpha_k = \frac{p_k^T r_k}{p_k^T A p_k}$$

$$(EQ2) \quad \mathbf{x}_{k+1} = \mathbf{x}_k + \alpha_k \mathbf{p}_k$$

$$(EQ3) \quad \begin{aligned} r_k &= b - Ax_k \\ &= b - A(x_{k-1} + \alpha_{k-1} p_{k-1}) \\ &= r_{k-1} - \alpha_{k-1} A p_{k-1} \end{aligned}$$

$$(EQ4) \quad p_k = r_k - \sum_{j < k} \frac{p_j^T A r_k}{p_j^T A p_j} p_j$$

Note: p_k is conjugate search direction

Note: r_k is the negative gradient of $f(x)$ at $x=x_k$


$$(EQ. 1) \quad \alpha_k = \frac{p_k^T r_k}{p_k^T A p_k}$$

$$d_k = \frac{p_k^T r_k}{p_k^T A p_k}$$

r_k : negative gradient

$$\therefore p_k = r_k + \beta_{k-1} p_{k-1}$$

r_k and p_{k-1} are
conjugate


$$d_k = \frac{r_k^T r_k}{p_k^T A p_k}$$

The β is chosen such that P_{k+1} is conjugate to P_k

$$\therefore P_{k+1} = r_{k+1} + \beta_k P_k$$

$$\beta_k = - \frac{r_{k+1}^T A P_k}{P_k^T A P_k}$$

$$(1) Y_k = Y_{k-1} - \alpha_{k-1} A P_{k-1}$$

$$A P_{k-1} = \frac{1}{\alpha_{k-1}} (Y_{k-1} - Y_k)$$

(2) The numerator

$$\begin{aligned} Y_{k+1}^T A P_k &= \frac{1}{\alpha_k} Y_{k+1}^T (Y_k - Y_{k+1}) \\ &= -\frac{1}{\alpha_k} Y_{k+1}^T Y_{k+1} \end{aligned}$$

The denominator

$$P_k^T A P_k = (Y_k^T + \beta_{k-1} P_{k-1}^T)$$

$$= Y_k^T A P_k = \frac{1}{\alpha_k} Y_k^T (Y_k - Y_{k-1})$$

$$= \frac{1}{\alpha_k} Y_k^T Y_k$$

$$\beta_k = - \frac{v_{k+1}^T A p_k}{p_k^T A p_k}$$

$$\beta_k = \frac{v_{k+1}^T v_{k+1}}{v_k^T v_k}$$

General Algorithm

Initialize x_0 , $r_0 = b - Ax_0$, $p_0 = r_0$

repeat

$$\alpha_k = \frac{r_k^T r_k}{p_k^T A p_k} \quad (\text{Lemma. 3})$$

$$x_{k+1} = x_k + \alpha_k p_k$$

$$r_{k+1} = r_k - \alpha_k A p_k \quad (r_{k+1} = b - Ax_{k+1})$$

if r_{k+1} is sufficiently small **then** exit loop **end if**

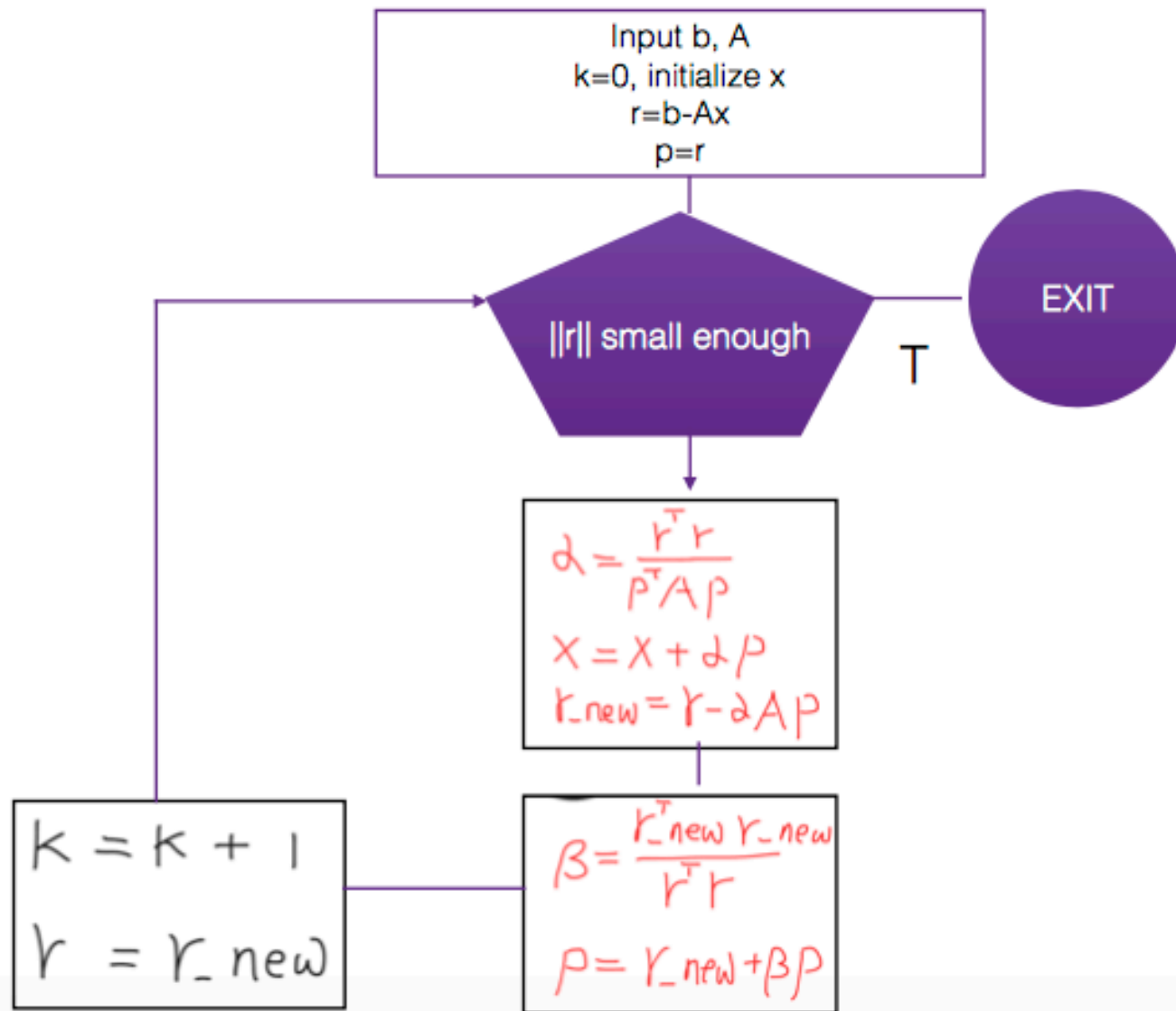
$$\beta_k = \frac{r_{k+1}^T r_{k+1}}{r_k^T r_k} \quad (\text{Lemma. 3})$$

$$p_{k+1} = r_{k+1} + \beta_k p_k$$

until stopping condition is satisfied



$$\alpha_k = \frac{r_k^T r_k}{p_k^T A p_k}$$



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function x=CG_lin(A,b)
k=0;
N=size(A,2);
x=rand(N,1)*2-1;
r=b-A*x;
p=r;
hc= norm(r) < 10^-6 ;
while ~hc
    a=(r'*r)/(p'*A*p);
    x=x+a*p;
    r_new=r-a*A*p;
    beta=(r_new'*r_new)/(r'*r);
    p=r_new+beta*p;
    r=r_new;
    hc= norm(r) < 10^-6 ;
    k=k+1;
    F(k)=1/2*x'*A*x-x'*b;
    if mod(k,10)==0
        fprintf('iter = %d, error = %f, f(x)=%f\n',k,norm(r),F(k))
    end
    Err(k)=norm(r);
end
end

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Lemma.3

Let $\{p_j\}_{j=0}^k$ be conjugate vector obtained by lemma. 2

Then (i) $W_k = \text{span}\{r_0, \dots, r_{k-1}\} = \text{span}\{p_0, \dots, p_{k-1}\}$

(ii) $p_k^T r_j = r_k^T r_k$ for all $0 \leq j < k$

(iii) p_k satisfies $p_k = r_k - \beta_{k-1} p_{k-1}$

$$\text{where } \beta_{k-1} = \frac{r_k^T r_k}{r_{k-1}^T r_{k-1}}$$

proof:

(i) *follows directly from lemma. 2*
(by induction $p_0 = r_0$)

(ii) *for $j = k$,*

by (i), $\langle r_k, p_l \rangle = 0$ for $l < k$

$p_k^T r_k = r_k^T r_k$ by lemma. 2

for $j < k$

$(x_k - x_j) \in W_k \Rightarrow p_k^T A(x_k - x_j) = 0$

therefore,

$p_k^T (r_k - r_j) = p_k^T A(x_k - x_j) = 0$

$\Rightarrow p_k^T r_j = r_k^T r_k$ by lemma. 2


(iii) write $p_k \in W_{k+1}$ as linear combination of $\{r_j\}_{j=0}^k$
(which form an orthogonal basis,)

$$\begin{aligned} p_k &= \sum_{j=0}^k \frac{p_k^T r_j}{r_j^T r_j} r_j = \sum_{j=0}^k \frac{r_k^T r_k}{r_j^T r_j} r_j \\ &= r_k - \frac{r_k^T r_k}{r_{k-1}^T r_{k-1}} \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \frac{r_{k-1}^T r_{k-1}}{r_j^T r_j} r_j \\ &= r_k - \beta_{k-1} \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \frac{p_{k-1}^T r_j}{r_j^T r_j} r_j \\ &= r_k - \beta_{k-1} p_{k-1} \\ &\text{where } \beta_{k-1} = \frac{r_k^T r_k}{r_{k-1}^T r_{k-1}} \end{aligned}$$

Exercise 1 (2017/10)

Problem 1. Let B denote an m -by- n matrix and c denote an n -by-1 vector, where $m > n$. $Bz = c$ is a linear system, where z collects n unknowns. Since B is not square, it is unable to directly solve it by the matlab statement, `inv`. It is expected to solve it by the conjugate gradient descent method.

- a. State why and how to $Bz=c$ by the conjugate gradient descent method.
- b. Please design a numerical experiment to generate B and c for some $m > n$, such as $m=1000$ and $n=500$. Try to solve it by function `CG_lin`



Problem 2. The mnist database of handwritten digits has a training set of 60,000 examples, and a testing set of 10,000 examples. The digits have been size-normalized and centered in a fixed-size image.

<http://yann.lecun.com/exdb/mnist/>

- a. Discuss applicability of the conjugate gradient descent method for pattern recognition of handwritten digits.
- b. Design a numerical experiment to apply matlab function `GC_lin` to pattern recognition of handwritten digits. Verify effectiveness of `GC_lin` by this database.