Lecture 4 ① Wednesday

Intro to Optim 2
- gradient based continuous opt
- uses provided gradients

Example 1: Rosenbrock
Example 2: $\|Ax-b\|^2$
Example 3: f_{LS}

Overview of opt. terms & defns
- global min
- strict global min
- local min
- strict local min
- isolated min

1d Taylor

1d Optimality Conditions
- Necessary
- Sufficient

Office Hours
3:30-4:20pm on Friday (this week)

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Optimality

1d Sufficient condition for global (local) Continuous optimization (we will see in Class!

The Sufficient result:

$f(x): R^n \to R$

$g(x) = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} : R^n \to R^n$

$H(x) = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} : R^n \to R^{n \times n}$

If $g(x^*) = 0$ and $H(x^*) \succ 0$ (pos. def.)

then x^* is a strict local min

We need to give these an intuition to the sufficient!

Example:

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

$\nabla f(x) = Ax - b$

$\nabla^2 f(x) = A$

Assume $A \succ 0$ (pos. def.)

Then $x^* = A^{-1}b$ is a strict global min

Proof: Let $x \neq x^*$

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

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

$= \frac{1}{2}x^T A x - \frac{1}{2}(x^*)^T A x^* + (Ax^* - Ax)^T x^*$

$= \frac{1}{2}x^T A x - \frac{1}{2}(x^*)^T A x^* + (x^* - x)^T A x^*$

$= \frac{1}{2}x^T A x + \frac{1}{2}(x^*)^T A x^* - x^T A x^*$

$= \frac{1}{2}(x - x^*)^T A (x - x^*) > 0$

SVD of A

$A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$

$A = U \Sigma V^T$

U: $m \times m$ orthog.

V: $n \times n$ orthog.

Σ: $m \times n$ diag

$\sigma_1 \geq \sigma_2 \geq \cdots \geq \sigma_r > 0$

r non-neg. values

By Convention

$\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_2 & & \\ \vdots & & \ddots & \\ 0 & & & \sigma_r \end{bmatrix}$

$\sigma_{r+1} = \sigma_{r+2} = \cdots = 0$

Example:

$m = 3$

$n = 4$

$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

$U = I_{3 \times 3}$

$\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

$V = I_{4 \times 4}$

Actual, just pick 3rd entry by the 3rd eigh.

$U^* = \text{argmin}_U \|A - UU^T A\|_F^2$

s.t. U, U an onb.

A: $m \times n$

U: $m \times k$

$k \leq n$

$k \leq m$

$k \in \mathbb{N}$

$= \|[a_1 \cdots a_n] - UU^T[a_1 \cdots a_n]\|_F^2$

$= \|[a_1 - UU^T a_1 \cdots a_n - UU^T a_n]\|_F^2$

$= \sum_{i=1}^n \|a_i - UU^T a_i\|_2^2$

$= \sum_{i=1}^n \|a_i - U(U^T a_i)\|_2^2$

$= \sum_{i=1}^n \|a_i - \sum_{j=1}^k u_j (u_j^T a_i)\|_2^2$

$= \sum_{i=1}^n \|a_i - \sum_{j=1}^k u_j u_j^T a_i\|_2^2$

$= \sum_{i=1}^n \|(I - \sum_{j=1}^k u_j u_j^T) a_i\|_2^2$

$= \sum_{i=1}^n \|(I - UU^T) a_i\|_2^2$

$= \|(I - UU^T)[a_1 \cdots a_n]\|_F^2$

$= \|A - UU^T A\|_F^2$

$U^* = \text{argmin}_U \|A - UU^T A\|_F^2$

s.t. U, U an onb.

$U^T U^T = U_{m \times k} \Sigma_{k \times k} V_{k \times n}^T$

$U^T U^T = \Sigma U V^T \sigma_{\leq}$

$U^* = U_{m \times k}$ $V^* = V_{k \times n}$

$f(U,V) = \|A - UV^T\|_F^2 = \sum_{ij}(a_{ij} - (UV^T)_{ij})^2$

$g(U,V) = ??$

$X = \begin{bmatrix} U_1 \\ U_2 \\ \vdots \\ U_m \\ V_1 \\ \vdots \\ V_n \end{bmatrix}$ $U = [U_1 \; U_2 \cdots U_k]$

$V = [V_1 \; V_2 \cdots V_k]$

$\nabla f(X) = \begin{bmatrix} \nabla_{U_1} f \\ \vdots \\ \nabla_{V_n} f \end{bmatrix}$

$f(U,V) = \|A - UV^T\|_F^2 = \text{tr}((A - UV^T)^T(A - UV^T))$

$= \text{tr}(A^T A) - \text{tr}(A^T UV^T) - \text{tr}(VU^T A) + \text{tr}(VU^T UV^T)$

$\text{tr}(X) = \text{tr}(X^T)$

$\text{tr}(ABC) = \text{tr}(CAB) = \text{tr}(BCA)$

(cyclic shifts)

$\text{tr}(A) = \sum_i \lambda_i(A)$

$\frac{\partial f}{\partial U} = -2A^T V + 2UV^T V$

$= -2(A - UV^T)V$

$\frac{\partial f}{\partial V} = -2(A - UV^T)^T U$

$= -2(A^T - VU^T)U$

A function f differ

$f: \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}$

A global minimum

is a point $x^* \in \mathbb{R}^n$ s.t.

$f(x^*) \leq f(x)$

$\forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ i.e. x^* is the

min of f

Only x^* that can

a Strict global min

A Strict global min

min is a point

$x^* \in \mathbb{R}^n$ s.t.

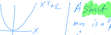
$f(x^*) < f(x)$

$\forall x \neq x^*$ i.e. x^* is

the unique min of f

Only x^* that can be

a Strict global min



Quiz Idea

Does $\|A - UU^T\|_F^2$ have a Strict global min?

Ans: No!

$\|A - UQQ^T U^T\|_F^2 = \|A - UU^T\|_F^2$ for any Q s.t. $QQ^T = I$

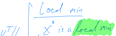
Local min

x^* is a local min if $f(x^*) \leq f(x)$ for all $x \in \mathcal{N}$ (open neighborhood of x^*)

x^* is a Strict local min if $f(x^*) < f(x)$ for all $x \neq x^*$ in open neighborhood of x^*

A point x^* is an isolated min if the only local min in some open neighborhood of x^* is x^* itself.

Open neighborhood where x^* is the only local min.



Strict $\Rightarrow$ Isolated

Isolated $\Rightarrow$ Strict

But Strict $\Rightarrow$ Isolated

(X)

$f(x) = x^4(\cos(\frac{1}{x}) + 2)$

$f(0) = 0$

$x > 0$ is a Strict local min because $f(x) > 0$ for all $x \neq 0$.

How can we ignore that x^* is a local min of f!

$\Rightarrow$ Assoc. Contrarily!

$f(x^*) \leq f(x)$ if $x \neq$ maxm

$= f(x)$ if $x =$ maxm

Taylor theorem

Idea: to

Control / Optimize

behavior of a Cont. function

of local info!

If

$f(x^* + th) = f(x^*) + t\nabla f(x^*)h + \frac{1}{2}t^2 h^T \nabla^2 f(x^* + \xi h) h$

$\xi \in (0,t)$

$f(x^* + th) = f(x^*) + t\nabla f(x^*)h + \frac{1}{2}t^2 h^T \nabla^2 f(x^*) h + o(t^2 \|h\|^2)$

$o(\cdot)$ depends on h.

Necessary and Sufficient Conditions

Necessary: those are true not a local min (but for strict opt too.)

$\Rightarrow$ Can be used to reject points as local min.

Sufficient: if those are true, the pt. must be a local min

(Can be used to accept pts as local min.)