

Newton Method : Convergence analysis

Assumptions: $S = \{x \in \text{dom } f \mid f(x) \leq f(x_0)\}$

f strongly convex on S with constant m , s.t. $\nabla^2 f(x) \geq mI, \forall x \in S$
 $\nabla^2 f$ is Lipschitz continuous on S with constant L , i.e.

$$\|\nabla^2 f(x) - \nabla^2 f(y)\|_2 \leq L\|x - y\|_2$$

Outlines: $\exists \eta \in (0, m^2/L)$, two cases.

1. Damped Newton Phase: ($t < 1$)

$$\|\nabla f(x)\|_2 \geq \eta \text{ then } f(x^{k+1}) - f(x^k) \leq -\alpha\beta\eta^2 m/M^2$$

2. Pure Newton Phase (Quadratically Convergent Stage): ($t = 1$)

$\|\nabla f(x)\|_2 < \eta$ then

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{L}{m^2} \|\nabla f(x^{k+1})\|_2 &\leq \left(\frac{L}{2m^2} \|\nabla f(x^k)\|_2 \right)^2 \quad \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^2 \\ &\leq \left(\frac{L}{2m^2} \|\nabla f(x^l)\|_2 \right)^{2^{k+1-l}} \leq \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^{2^{k+1-l}} \quad k+1 \geq l \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2} &= 0.5 \quad 0.5^2 = 0.25 \quad (0.25)^2 = (1/4)^2 = 0.0625 \\ (0.0625)^2 &= 0.0039 \quad (0.0039)^2 = 0.000015 \end{aligned}$$

Newton Method: Affine Invariant

Problem: $\min f(x)$

Theorem: Newton's step is invariant to affine transform.

Proof: Let $x = Ty, T \in R^{nn}, f(x) = f(Ty) = \bar{f}(y)$

For the x coordinate system, we have.

$$\Delta x_{nt} = -\nabla^2 f(x)^{-1} \nabla f(x)$$

Therefore, we have the invariant results

$$x + \Delta x_{nt} = T(y + \Delta y_{nt}).$$

For the y coordinate system, we have.

$$1. \nabla_y \bar{f}(y) = T^T \nabla_x f(Ty),$$

$$\nabla_y^2 \bar{f}(y) = T^T \nabla^2 f(Ty) T$$

2. The Newton step at y ,

$$\Delta y_{nt}$$

$$= -\nabla_y^2 \bar{f}(y)^{-1} \nabla_y \bar{f}(y)$$

$$= -(T^T \nabla^2 f(x) T)^{-1} (T^T \nabla f(x))$$

$$= -T^{-1} \nabla^2 f(x)^{-1} \nabla f(x)$$

$$= T^{-1} \Delta x_{nt}$$

Summary

1. Gradient Descent Method: (**minimization solution**)
 1. Vector operations per iteration
 2. Linear convergence rate
2. Newton's Method: (**equality solution**)
 1. Matrix operations per iteration
 2. Quadratic convergence rate (near the solution)
3. Gradient Descent Method Variations:
 1. Conjugate gradient method
 2. Nesterov gradient descent method
 3. Quasi-Newton method

Gradient Descent method.

matrix vector multiplication
(AX)

line search (t)

$$\left(\frac{1 - m/M}{1 + m/M} \right)^k$$

Newton method

matrix inversion

$$A^{-1}b$$

line search (t).

$$2^{-2^k}$$

Preconditioning

H Pseudo Newton

Use more than one vector in each iteration

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- Conjugate gradient
- Nesterov method.
- (Moment)
- Adam method.

subspace opti.

Gradient Descent Method.

$$f(x) \approx f(x_0) + \nabla f(x_0)^T (x - x_0)$$

$$t = f(x_0) + \nabla f(x_0)^T (x - x_0)$$

supporting hyperplane.

$$(1), \quad \Delta x = -t \nabla f(x_0)$$

$$\text{Let } \bar{x} = Px$$

$$\Delta \bar{x} = -t \nabla_{\bar{x}} f(x_0) = -t P^{-T} \nabla_x f(x_0)$$

$$\begin{aligned} t &= f(x_0) + \nabla f(x_0)^T (x - x_0) \\ &= f(x_0) + \boxed{\nabla f(x_0)^T P^{-1}} (\bar{x} - \bar{x}_0) \end{aligned}$$

$$\Delta \bar{x} = P \Delta x = -t P^{-T} \nabla_x f(x_0)$$

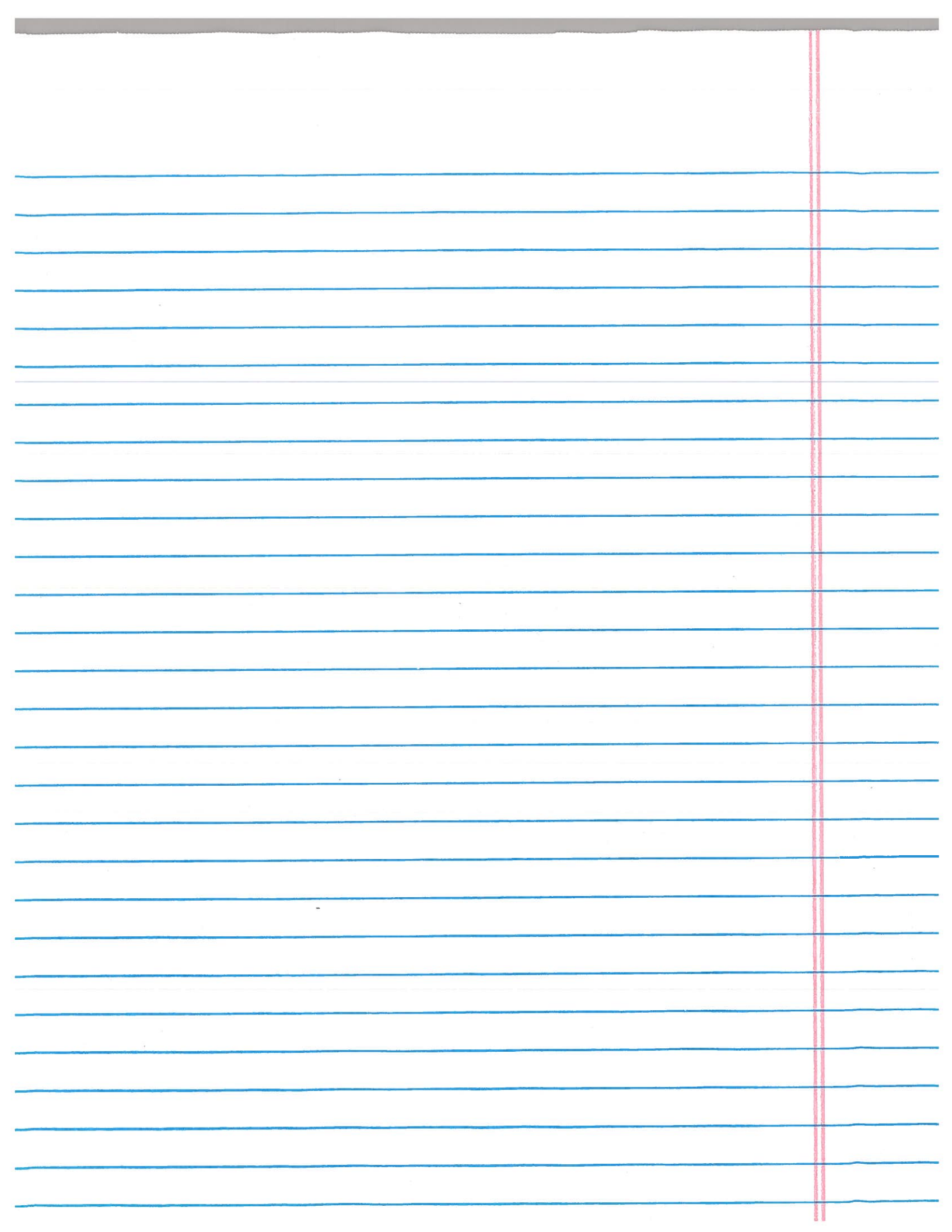
$$\Rightarrow \Delta x = -t \boxed{P^{-1} P^{-T}} \nabla_x f(x_0) \rightarrow \boxed{P^{-1} P^{-T}} \geq 0$$

★ Gradient descent method is sensitive to linear coordinate transformation.

(2). For $\Delta x = -t H \nabla f(x_0)$ $f(x_0 + \Delta x) \leq f(x_0)$
if t is small enough & $H \geq 0$. then

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned} f(x_0 + \Delta x) &\approx f(x_0) + \nabla f(x_0)^T (-t H) \nabla f(x_0) \\ &\leq f(x_0) \end{aligned}$$



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Introduction

Objective Function without Constraints: (Chapter 9)
Gradient descent, Newton's methods

KKT Linear Equations:
Quadratic obj function + linear equality constraints

Newton's Method:
Twice differentiable obj function + linear equality constraints

Interior Point Method: (Chapter 11)
Twice differentiable obj function + linear equality + inequality
constraints

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Introduction

Formulation 0:
Equality \rightarrow Inequality

Formulation 1:
Algebraic operation to eliminate the equality constraint

Formulation 2:
Dual formulation

Formulation 3:
KKT conditions

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Formulation 0

$$\begin{aligned} \min & f(x) \\ \text{s. t.} & Ax = b \end{aligned}$$

where $f: R^n \rightarrow R$, convex, twice continuously differentiable, and $A \in R^{p \times n}$, $\text{rank } A = p$, $p \leq n$

Formula 0 Inequality

$$\begin{aligned} \min & f(x) \\ \text{s. t.} & Ax \geq b \\ & -Ax \leq -b \end{aligned}$$

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Formulation 1

$$\begin{aligned} \min & f(x) \\ \text{s. t.} & Ax = b \end{aligned}$$

$f: R^n \rightarrow R$, convex, twice continuously differentiable, and $A \in R^{p \times n}$, $\text{rank } A = p$, $p \leq n$

Formula 1 Algebraic operation to eliminate the equality constraint

$$\begin{aligned} \min & f(x) = f(Fz + x_0) \\ & z \in R^{n-p}, Ax_0 = b, \text{rank } F = n - p, \underline{AF = 0} \\ & \quad \quad \quad x = x_0 + Fz \end{aligned}$$

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Formulation 1

Formula 1: Eliminating equality constraints using algebraic replacement

$$\begin{aligned} \min f(x) \\ \text{s. t. } Ax = b, \quad \text{rank } A = p, p \leq n \end{aligned}$$

Let $Ax_0 = b$, nullspace of A is

$$F \in R^{n \times (n-p)}, \quad \text{i. e. } \underline{AF = 0} \quad F^T A^T = 0$$

We can write $x = x_0 + Fz$, $z \in R^{n-p}$

Thus $f(x) = f(x_0 + Fz)$

To minimize $f(x) = f(x_0 + Fz)$

we need $\nabla_z f(x_0 + Fz) = F^T \nabla f(x)|_{x=x_0+Fz} = 0$.

Remark: This is equivalent to $\nabla f(x) = -A^T v$, $v \in R^p$

$$\underline{F^T \nabla f(x)} \rightarrow \underline{\nabla f(x) = -A^T v}$$

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Formulation 1

Example: $\min f(x_1, x_2)$

$$[A_1 \quad A_2] \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = b, \quad A_1 x_1 + A_2 x_2 = b$$

$x_1 = A_1^{-1}(b - A_2 x_2)$, *Suppose the A_1 is nonsingular.*

$$f(x_1, x_2) = f(A_1^{-1}(b - A_2 x_2), x_2)$$

Therefore $\nabla_{x_2} f(A_1^{-1}(b - A_2 x_2), x_2) = 0$ derive the optimal solution.

Remark: The equality constraint elimination, e.g. A_1^{-1} operation, may destroy the sparsity of the system.

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Formulation 2

$$\begin{aligned} \min f(x) \\ \text{s. t. } Ax = b \end{aligned}$$

$f: R^n \rightarrow R$, convex, twice continuously differentiable,
and $A \in R^{p \times n}$, $\text{rank } A = p$, $p \leq n$

Formula 2 Lagrange Dual Function

$$\begin{aligned} \max_v g(v) &= \max_v \min_x f(x) + v^T Ax - v^T b \\ &= \max_v [-v^T b + \min_x (f(x) + v^T Ax)] \\ &= \max_v [-v^T b - \max_x (-v^T Ax - f(x))] \\ &= \max_v (-v^T b - f^*(-A^T v)) \end{aligned}$$

$$y = -A^T v$$

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Formulation 2

Example:
$$\begin{aligned} \min f(x) &= \frac{1}{2} x^T P x + q^T x + r \\ \text{s. t. } Ax &= b, \quad P \in S_{++}^n \end{aligned}$$

(1) Lagrangian: $L(x, v) = \frac{1}{2} x^T P x + q^T x + r + v^T (Ax - b)$

(2) Min L vs. x , we have $\nabla_x L(x, v) = Px + q + A^T v = 0$

(3) Thus, $x = -P^{-1}(q + A^T v)$

(4) Therefore, $G(v) = L(x = -P^{-1}(q + A^T v), v)$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} v^T A P^{-1} A^T v - (b^T + q^T P^{-1} A^T) v - \frac{1}{2} q^T P^{-1} q + r$$

(5) Min G vs. v , we have $\nabla G(v) = -A P^{-1} A^T v - (b + A P^{-1} q) = 0$

(6) Thus, $v = -(A P^{-1} A^T)^{-1} (b + A P^{-1} q)$

(7) Therefore, $\max_v G(v) =$

$$\frac{1}{2} (A P^{-1} q + b)^T (A P^{-1} A^T)^{-1} (A P^{-1} q + b) - \frac{1}{2} q^T P^{-1} q + r$$

Formulation 2

Ex: $\min f(x) = -\sum_{i=1}^n \log x_i, \quad x_i > 0$
 s.t. $Ax = b$

1. $L(x, \lambda, v) = -\sum_{i=1}^n \log x_i - \lambda^T x + v^T Ax - v^T b$

2. $G(\lambda, v) = \min_x -\lambda^T x + v^T Ax - v^T b - \sum_{i=1}^n \log x_i$

3. Let $\min_x g(x, y) = y^T x - \sum_{i=1}^n \log x_i$

$$\frac{\partial g(x, y)}{\partial x} = y - \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{x_1} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{1}{x_n} \end{bmatrix} = 0, \quad x_i = \frac{1}{y_i}$$

We have $\min_x g(x, y) = n - \sum \log\left(\frac{1}{y_i}\right) = n + \sum_{i=1}^n \log y_i$

4. Thus, we have $\min_x g(x, A^T v) = n + \sum \log(A^T v)_i$

Dual $\max_v L(v) = -b^T v + n + \sum \log(A^T v)_i, A^T v > 0$

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Formulation 3

$\min f(x)$
 s.t. $Ax = b$

$f: R^n \rightarrow R$, convex, twice continuously differentiable,
 and $A \in R^{p \times n}$, $\text{rank } A = p, p \leq n$

Formula 3 KKT condition

$$\nabla f(x^*) + \sum_{i=1}^m \nabla f_i(x^*) \lambda_i^* + \sum_{i=1}^p \nabla h_i(x^*) v_i^* = 0$$

$$f_i(x^*) \leq 0$$

$$h_i(x^*) = 0$$

$$\lambda_i^* \geq 0$$

$$\sum_i \lambda_i^* f_i(x^*) = 0$$

$x \in R^n, v \in R^p$

KKT condition: $\begin{cases} \nabla f(x^*) + A^T v^* = 0 \\ Ax^* = b \end{cases}$

Relation of v^* and x^* : $A^T v^* = -\nabla f(x^*)$

$$v^* = -(AA^T)^{-1} A \nabla f(x^*)$$

n
 p } $n+p$ equations
 $n+p$ variables

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Formulation 3

Example: $\min f(x) = \frac{1}{2}x^T Px + q^T x + r$ $\nabla f(x) = Px + q$
 s. t. $Ax = b, \quad P \in S_+^n$ $Px + q + A^T v = 0$

KKT Conditions

$$\begin{bmatrix} P & A^T \\ A & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x^* \\ v^* \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -q \\ b \end{bmatrix}$$

(1) We know that $Ax = b$ has feasible solution because $p \leq n$.

(2) We have $n + p$ equations for $n + p$ variables.

(3) If $\begin{bmatrix} P & A^T \\ A & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ is nonsingular, then the problem has a unique optimal solution.

(4) If $\begin{bmatrix} P & A^T \\ A & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ is singular then the problem is unbounded.

Remark: $\begin{bmatrix} P & A^T \\ A & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x^* \\ v^* \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -q \\ b \end{bmatrix}$ relate to one iteration of

Newton's method for a nonlinear function $f(x)$.

Where $P = \nabla^2 f(x), q = \nabla f(x), r = f(0)$

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Formulation 3

(3). Nonsingularity

i. $N(P) \cap N(A) = \{0\}$

ii. $Ax = 0, x \neq 0 \rightarrow x^T Px > 0$

iii. $F^T P F > 0$ for $F \in R^{n \times (n-p)}, R(F) = N(A)$

iv. $P + A^T Q A > 0$ for some $Q \geq 0$

Property ii:

If $\begin{bmatrix} P & A^T \\ A & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ is singular, we can find $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ v \end{bmatrix}$

so that

$$\begin{bmatrix} P & A^T \\ A & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ v \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow Ax = 0$$

Therefore, we have

$$\begin{bmatrix} x^T & v^T \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} P & A^T \\ A & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ v \end{bmatrix} = x^T P x + 2x^T A v = x^T P x = 0$$

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Formulation 3

Proof (4): Let $\begin{bmatrix} P & A^T \\ A & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u \\ w \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow Pu = A^T w, Au = 0$

Given $Ax_0 = b$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} f(x_0 + tu) &= \frac{1}{2}(x_0 + tu)^T P(x_0 + tu) + q^T(x_0 + tu) + r \\ &= \frac{1}{2}x_0^T P x_0 + tu^T P x_0 + \frac{1}{2}t^2 u^T P u + q^T x_0 + tq^T u + r \end{aligned}$$

$$1. \frac{1}{2}t^2 u^T P u = \frac{1}{2}t^2 u^T (-A^T w) = 0$$

$$2. u^T P x_0 = x_0^T P u = x_0^T (-A^T w) = -w^T A x_0 = -w^T b$$

$$\text{Thus, } f(x_0 + tu) = \frac{1}{2}x_0^T P x_0 + t(-w^T b + q^T u) + q^T x_0 + r$$

Therefore, when $-w^T b + q^T u \neq 0$, $f(x)$ is unbounded

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Newton's Method

$$\min f(x)$$

$$\text{s. t. } Ax = b$$

(1) Taylor's expansion to approximate $f(x)$

$$f(x + \Delta x) \approx f(x) + \nabla f(x)^T \Delta x + \frac{1}{2} \Delta x^T \nabla^2 f(x) \Delta x$$

$$Ax = b, A\Delta x = 0 \quad (A(x + \Delta x) = b)$$

(2) KKT conditions for the quadratic obj.

$$\begin{bmatrix} \nabla^2 f(x) & A^T \\ A & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \Delta x \\ v \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -\nabla f(x) \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

(3) From (2), $(\nabla^2 f(x) \Delta x + A^T v = -\nabla f(x))$

$$\text{We have } \nabla f(x)^T \Delta x = -(\nabla^2 f(x) \Delta x + A^T v)^T \Delta x$$

$$= -\Delta x^T \nabla^2 f(x) \Delta x - v^T A \Delta x = -\Delta x^T \nabla^2 f(x) \Delta x$$

$$\text{Thus } f(x) + \nabla f(x)^T \Delta x + \frac{1}{2} \Delta x^T \nabla^2 f(x) \Delta x$$

$$= f(x) - \frac{1}{2} \Delta x^T \nabla^2 f(x) \Delta x$$

The amount that the obj. drops

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Newton's Method

Algorithm.

Given $x \in D, Ax = b, \epsilon > 0$

Repeat

1. Solve NE to find Δx & $\lambda^2 = \Delta x^T \nabla^2 f(x) \Delta x$
2. Quit if $\frac{\lambda^2}{2} \leq \epsilon$
3. Line Search t
4. Update $x := x + t\Delta x$

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Newton's Method: Affine Invariant

$$\begin{aligned} \min f(x) \\ Ax = b \end{aligned}$$

Theorem: Newton's step is invariant to affine transform.

Proof: Let $x = Ty, T \in R^{nn}, f(x) = f(Ty) = \bar{f}(y)$

For the problem

$$\begin{aligned} \min \bar{f}(y) \\ ATy = b \end{aligned}$$

1. We have $\nabla_y \bar{f}(y) = T^T \nabla_x f(Ty), \nabla_y^2 \bar{f}(y) = T^T \nabla^2 f(Ty) T$

2. For Δy_{nt} at y , we have the Newton step,

$$\begin{bmatrix} T^T \nabla^2 f(x) T & T^T A^T \\ AT & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \Delta y_{nt} \\ \bar{v} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -T^T \nabla f(Ty) \\ 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

which is equivalent to

$$\begin{bmatrix} \nabla^2 f(x) & A^T \\ A & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \Delta x \\ v \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -\nabla f(x) \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Summary

KKT Linear Equations:

Quadratic objective function + linear equality constraints

Newton's Method:

Twice differentiable obj function + linear equality constraints

Interior Point Method:

Twice differentiable obj function + linear equality + inequality constraints

Infeasible Start Newton's Method

$$Ax - b = r$$

The search of the feasible start point,

$$\begin{bmatrix} \nabla^2 f(x) & A^T \\ A & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \Delta x \\ v \end{bmatrix} = - \begin{bmatrix} \nabla f(x) \\ Ax - b \end{bmatrix}$$

We can write in incremental derivation,

$$\begin{bmatrix} \nabla^2 f(x) & A^T \\ A & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \Delta x \\ \Delta v \end{bmatrix} = - \begin{bmatrix} \nabla f(x) + A^T v \\ Ax - b \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{matrix} r_{dual} \\ r_{pri} \end{matrix}$$

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Newton Method: Infeasible Start

Algorithm.

Given $x \in D, v$, tolerance $\epsilon > 0, \alpha \in \left(\frac{0,1}{2}\right), \beta \in (0,1)$.

Repeat

1. Compute primal and dual Newton steps $\Delta x_{nt}, \Delta v_{nt}$
2. Line search on $\|r(x, v)\|_2 = \|(r_{dual}(x, v), r_{pri}(x, v))\|_2$

$t := 1$

while $\|r(x + t\Delta x_{nt}, v + t\Delta v_{nt})\|_2 > (1 - \alpha t)\|r(x, v)\|_2$

$t := \beta t.$

3. Update $x := x + t\Delta x_{nt}, v := v + t\Delta v_{nt}$

Until $Ax = b$ and $\|r(x, v)\|_2 \leq \epsilon$

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