

$\min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} f(x)$, $f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ convex, differentiable, quasi-Self-Concordant:

$$D^2 f(x)[h, h, u] \leq \underline{M} \|h\|_x^2 \|u\| \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n, h \in \mathbb{R}^n, u \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

- $\|h\|_x = \langle f''(x)h, h \rangle^{1/2}$ - local norm
- $\|u\| = \langle B u, u \rangle^{1/2}$ - global norm, $B = B^T > 0$.

Example logistic regression, $B = \sum_i a_i a_i^T$, $M = 1$.

Newton's Method with Gradient Regularization:

$$x_{k+1} = x_k - (f''(x_k) + \underline{M} \|f'(x_k)\|_* B)^{-1} f'(x_k), \quad k \geq 0.$$

if f is non-convex: $f''(x_k) \neq 0$

Last time:

Theorem $k \geq 0$:

$$f(x_k) - f(x_{k+1}) \geq \underbrace{\langle f'(x_{k+1}), x_k - x_{k+1} \rangle}_{\text{convexity}} \geq \frac{1}{2M} \left[\frac{\|f'(x_{k+1})\|_*}{\|f'(x_k)\|_*} \right]^2 \|f'(x_k)\|_*^2$$

Global linear rate

Notation $F_k = f(x_k) - f^*$, $g_k = \|f'(x_k)\|_*$

$$\text{Th. } \Rightarrow F_k - F_{k+1} \geq \frac{1}{2M} \left[\frac{g_{k+1}}{g_k} \right]^2 g_k$$

By convexity:

$$F_k = f(x_k) - f^* \leq \langle f'(x_k), x_k - x^* \rangle \leq g_k \mathcal{D}$$

$$\mathcal{D} = \max \{ \|x - x^*\| : f(x) \leq f(x_k) \}$$

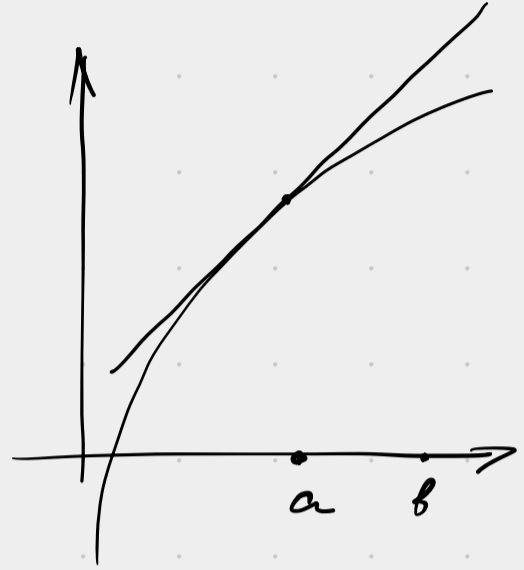
Progress: $F_k - F_{k+1} \geq \frac{1}{2MD} \left[\frac{g_{k+1}}{g_k} \right]^2 F_k \approx \text{linear rate}$

$$F_{k+1} \leq F_k \cdot \left(1 - \frac{1}{2MD} \left[\frac{g_{k+1}}{g_k} \right]^2 \right)$$

② Concavity of logarithm

$$\log b \leq \log a + \frac{1}{a}(b-a) \quad \forall a, b > 0$$

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$$\log a - \log b = \log \frac{a}{b} \geq \frac{1}{a}(a-b)$$

$$\log F_k - \log F_{k+1} \geq \frac{1}{F_k}(F_k - F_{k+1}) \geq \frac{1}{2MD} \left[\frac{g_{k+1}}{g_k} \right]^2$$

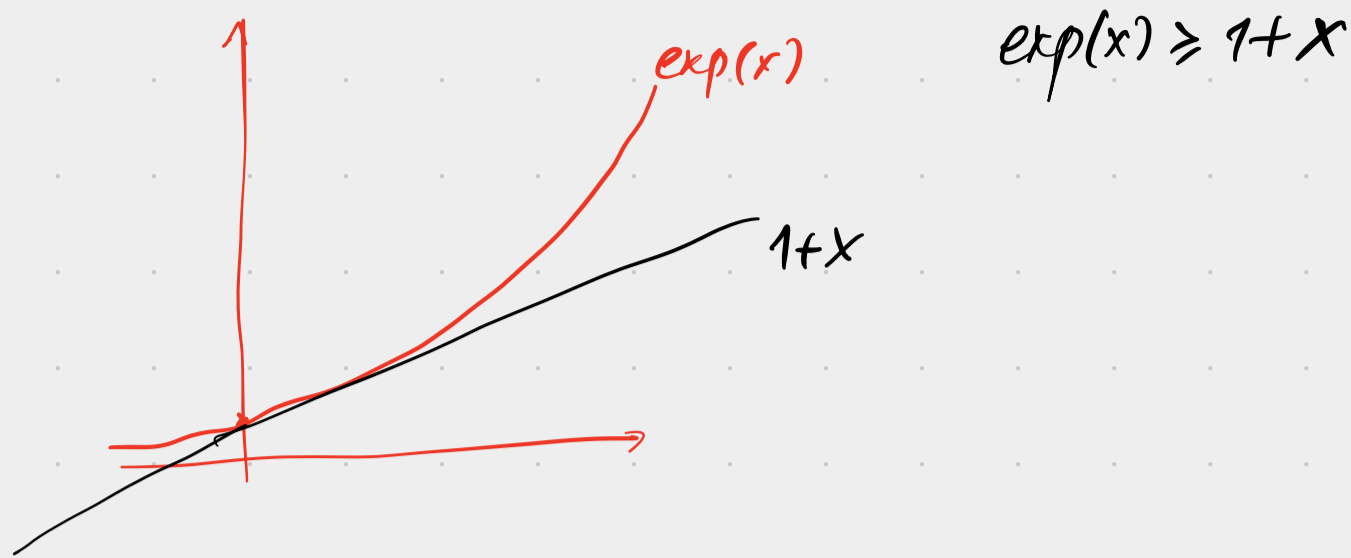
③ Telescoping:

$$\log F_0 - \log F_k \geq \frac{k}{2MD} \underbrace{\frac{1}{k} \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} \left[\frac{g_{i+1}}{g_i} \right]^2}_{\text{arithmetic mean}} \geq \text{Jensen's ineq., using concavity of log}$$

$$\geq \frac{k}{2MD} \left(\underbrace{\prod_{i=0}^{k-1} \left[\frac{g_{i+1}}{g_i} \right]^2}_{\text{geometric mean}} \right)^{\frac{1}{k}} = \frac{k}{2MD} \left[\frac{g_k}{g_0} \right]^{\frac{2}{k}} =$$

$$= \frac{k}{2MD} \exp \left[\frac{2}{k} \log \left[\frac{g_k}{g_0} \right] \right] \geq \frac{k}{2MD} \left[1 + \frac{2}{k} \log \left[\frac{F_k}{g_0 D} \right] \right]$$

$\exp(\cdot)$ is convex function:



$$\log \frac{F_0}{F_n} \geq \frac{\kappa}{2MD} \left[1 + \frac{2}{\kappa} \log \left[\frac{F_n}{g_0 D} \right] \right]$$

1. Consider: $\frac{2}{\kappa} \log \frac{F_n}{g_0 D} \leq -\frac{1}{2} \Leftrightarrow F_n \leq \exp\left(-\frac{\kappa}{4}\right) \cdot g_0 D.$

2. Otherwise: $\frac{2}{\kappa} \log \frac{F_n}{g_0 D} \geq -\frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow \log \frac{F_0}{F_n} \geq \frac{\kappa}{4MD} \Leftrightarrow F_n \leq F_0 \exp\left(-\frac{\kappa}{4MD}\right)$

Finally, we get:

Theorem

$$f(x_n) - f^* \leq \underbrace{(f(x_0) - f^*)}_{\leq \frac{\epsilon}{2}} \exp\left(-\frac{\kappa}{4MD}\right) + \underbrace{\|f'(x_0)\|_* D}_{\leq \frac{\epsilon}{2}} \exp\left(-\frac{\kappa}{4}\right).$$

To find $f(x_n) - f^* \leq \epsilon$ it's enough:

$$\kappa = O\left(\underbrace{MD}_{\text{main complexity parameter}} \cdot \log \frac{f(x_0) - f^*}{\epsilon}\right).$$

main complexity parameter

• Taking into account local quadratic convergence property:

$$\kappa = O\left(MD + \log \log \frac{1}{\epsilon}\right)$$

• Accelerated: $\kappa = O\left((MD)^{\frac{2}{3}} + \log \log \frac{1}{\epsilon}\right).$

Contracting - Point Acceleration

Fix a prox function: $d: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ - convex function.

Bregman Divergence: $\beta_d(x; y) = d(y) - d(x) - \langle d'(x), y - x \rangle \geq 0$.

Main Lemma: For any $g: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ convex function,

$$v^+ = \operatorname{argmin}_y [g(y) + \beta_d(v; y)]$$

$$\forall y: g(y) + \beta_d(v; y) \geq g(v^+) + \beta_d(v; v^+) + \underbrace{\beta_d(v^+; y)}_{\geq 0}$$

Sequences of points:

$\{v_k\}_{k \geq 0}$ - "prox centers"

$\{x_k\}_{k \geq 0}$ - "main iterates"

Coefficients $A_n \geq 0 \nearrow A_0 = 0$

A_0, A_1, A_2

$$a_{k+1} = A_{k+1} - A_k \geq 0 \quad (\Rightarrow) \quad A_k = \sum_{i=1}^k a_i$$

Define the rate of convergence

Contracting coeff:

$$\boxed{q_k = \frac{a_{k+1}}{A_{k+1}}}$$

Let's try to satisfy: For every iteration $k \geq 0$:

$$\textcircled{*} \quad \beta_d(x_0; x) + A_k f(x) \geq \underbrace{\beta_d(v_k; x)}_{\geq 0} + A_k f(x_k) \quad \forall x$$

Plug in $x := x^*$: $f(x_k) - f^* \leq \frac{\beta_d(x_0; x^*)}{A_k}$.

$$k=0: A_k = 0, x_0 = v_0.$$

Assume it holds for $k \geq 0$. For next iterate:

$$\beta_d(x_0; x) + A_{k+1} f(x) = \beta_d(x_0; x) + A_k f(x) + \underbrace{A_{k+1} f(x)}_{\text{"progress of step"}} \geq$$

Induction

$$\geq \beta_d(v_k; x) + A_k f(x_k) + A_{k+1} f(x)$$

Convexity of f

$$\geq \beta_d(v_k; x) + A_{k+1} f(\gamma_k x + (1-\gamma_k)x_k) \rightarrow \min_{v_{k+1}}$$

Assume:

$$v_{k+1} := \underset{x}{\operatorname{argmin}} \left[\beta_d(v_k; x) + A_{k+1} f(\gamma_k x + (1-\gamma_k)x_k) \right]$$

$$\geq \underbrace{\beta_d(v_k; v_{k+1})}_{\geq 0} + \underbrace{A_{k+1} f(\gamma_k v_{k+1} + (1-\gamma_k)x_k)}_{\text{Opt}} + \underbrace{\beta_d(v_{k+1}; x)}$$

Algorithm (Contracting-Point Scheme for Acceleration)

Initialization: $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $A_0 = 0$, $x_0 = 0$, $d(\cdot)$.

Iterate $k \geq 0$:

- Choose $a_{k+1} > 0$. Set $A_{k+1} = A_k + a_{k+1}$. Set $\gamma_k = \frac{a_{k+1}}{A_{k+1}}$.
- Form the contracted objective with Fregman regularization:

$$h_k(x) = \underbrace{A_{k+1} f(\gamma_k x + (1-\gamma_k)x_k)}_{g_k(x)} + \beta_d(V_k; x)$$

- Compute $V_{k+1} \approx \underset{x}{\operatorname{argmin}} h_k(x)$

- Set $x_{k+1} = \gamma_k V_{k+1} + (1-\gamma_k)x_k$.

FGM:
linearize
 $g_k(x)$ around
point V_k

Theorem We assume $V_{k+1} = \underset{x}{\operatorname{argmin}} h_k(x)$:

$$f(x_k) - f^* \leq \frac{\beta_d(x_0; x^*)}{A_k}.$$

If $\|h'_k(V_{k+1})\|$ is "small" $\Rightarrow f(x_k) - f^* \leq \frac{\beta_d(x_0; x^*)}{A_k} + \delta$.

Example

How to select a_n ?

$$d(x) = \frac{1}{2} \|x\|_2^2$$

$$h_n(x) = A_n f(\gamma_n x + (1-\gamma_n)x_n) + \frac{1}{2} \|x - v_n\|^2$$

① Strongly convex, $\mu = 1$

② f has Lipschitz gradient L_f :

$$h'_k(x) = A_n \gamma_n f'(\gamma_n x + (1-\gamma_n)x_n) + (x - v_n)$$

$$h''_n(x) = A_n \gamma_n^2 \underbrace{f''(\gamma_n x + (1-\gamma_n)x_n)}_{\approx L_f I} + I$$

$$L_k = 1 + A_n \gamma_n^2 L_f = 1 + \frac{a_{k+1}^2}{A_n} L_f$$

③ Gradient method on Strongly Convex Smooth Func?

$$h_n(\cdot) \rightarrow \min \quad h_n(\bar{x}) - h_n^* \leq \delta$$

$$t = O\left(\frac{L_k}{\mu_k} \log \frac{1}{\delta}\right) = O\left(\underbrace{\left(1 + \frac{a_{k+1}^2}{A_n} L_f\right)}_{\text{let's make it const!}} \log \frac{1}{\delta}\right)$$

$$\frac{a_{k+1}^2}{A_{k+1}} L_f = 1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad A_k \approx \frac{k^2}{L_f}$$

Finally: For the outer: $f(x_k) - f^* \approx \frac{R^2}{A_n} = \frac{L_f R^2}{k^2}$
inner iteration: $\tilde{O}(1)$.

Second-order methods

Acceleration of
Cubic Newton.

$$d(x) = \frac{1}{3} \|x\|^3.$$

$$\Rightarrow A_k \approx \frac{k^3}{L_2}$$

$$\Rightarrow f(x_k) - f^* \leq \frac{L_2 R^3}{k^3}.$$