

# Trust region methods

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Have trust region

$$N_\delta(x) = \{y : \|y-x\| \leq \delta\}$$

choose

$$s = \underset{\|w\| \leq \delta}{\operatorname{argmin}} \|F + Jw\| \quad , \quad \begin{aligned} F &= F(x) \\ J &= F'(x) \end{aligned}$$

-  $x$  is a stationary point for  $F$  if  $\|F + Js\| \geq \|F\|$  for all  $s$

- Saw:  $\|s^H\| \leq \delta \Rightarrow s = s^H$   
 $\|s^H\| > \delta \Rightarrow \|s\| = \delta$

etc.

- If  $J$  nonsingular, then  $s = s(\mu) = -[J^T J + \mu I]^{-1} J^T F$   
 for unique  $\mu \geq 0$

$$\|s^H\| \leq \delta \Rightarrow \mu = 0$$

$$\|s^H\| > \delta \Rightarrow \mu > 0 \text{ and such that } \|s(\mu)\| = \delta$$

Also,  $s(\mu)$  and  $\varphi(\mu) = \|s(\mu)\|^2$  are differentiable and  
 $\varphi'(\mu) < 0 \Rightarrow \|s(\mu)\|$  monotone decreasing

See:  $\mu = 0 \Rightarrow s(\mu) = s^H$

for  $\mu$  large,  $s(\mu) \approx -\frac{1}{\mu} J^T F$  - steepest descent direction

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$$f(x) = \frac{1}{2} \|F(x)\|^2 = \frac{1}{2} F^T F$$

$$\nabla f = J^T F$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(x+s) &= \frac{1}{2} F(x+s)^T F(x+s) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \|F\|^2 + \underbrace{F^T J s}_{(J^T F)^T s} + o(s) \end{aligned}$$

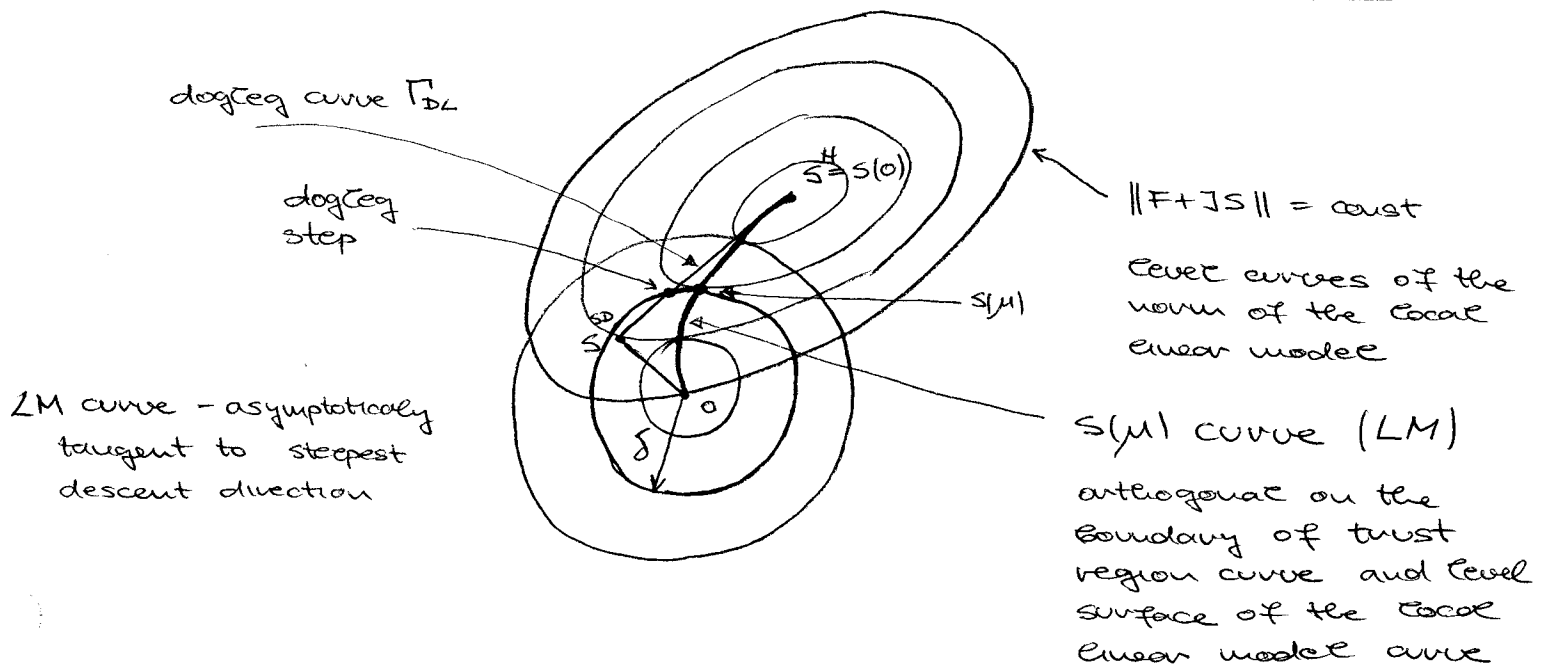
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Assuming  $\|\cdot\| = \|\cdot\|_2$  throughout

Fundamental practical difficulty:

can't compute  $s(\mu)$  such that  $\|s(\mu)\| = \delta$  both accurately and efficiently

Approach 1 (the Levenberg - Marquardt approach)



Compute  $s(\mu)$  exactly on LM curve such that  $\|s(\mu)\|$  approximately equals  $\delta$

$$\text{Set } \Phi(\mu) = \|s(\mu)\| - \delta$$

want  $\mu_*$  such that  $\Phi(\mu_*) = 0$

Problem: Computing  $s(\mu) = -[J^T J + \mu I]^{-1} J^T F$

cost up to  $O(n^3)$  arithmetic to factor  $J^T J + \mu I$  each time we change  $\mu$

Consider Newton's method. Have

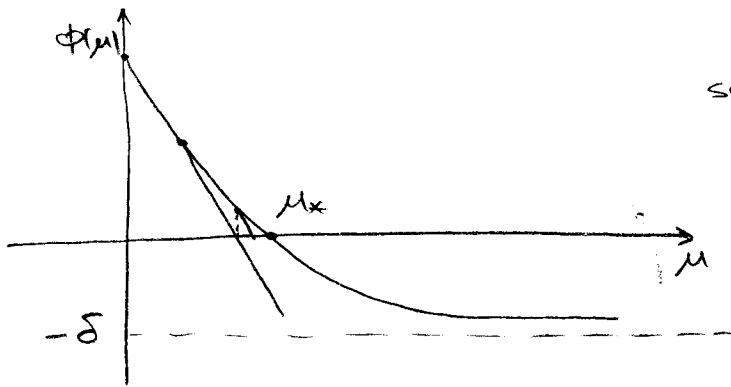
$$\Phi'(\mu) = \frac{-s(\mu)^T [J^T J + \mu I]^{-1} s(\mu)}{\|s(\mu)\|}$$

In computing  $s(\mu)$  already have factored  $J^T J + \mu I$   
 so can evaluate  $[J^T J + \mu I]^{-1} s(\mu)$  and  $\phi'(\mu)$  in  
 $\mathcal{O}(n^2)$  arithmetic.

- Already know  $\|s(\mu)\|$  is monotone decreasing

$\Rightarrow \Phi(\mu)$  is monotone decreasing

Also, can show  $|\Phi'(\mu)|$  is monotone decreasing



see: Newton step always  
undershoots  $\mu_*$

Newton step takes local linear model  $\Phi + \Phi s$  to zero

Consider new model

$$w(\zeta) = \frac{\alpha}{\zeta + \mu + \delta} - \delta$$

choose  $\alpha, \zeta$  such that

$$w(0) = \Phi(\mu)$$

$$w'(0) = \Phi'(\mu)$$

Get:

$$\alpha = - \frac{[\Phi(\mu) + \delta]^2}{\Phi'(\mu)}$$

$$\zeta = \frac{-\Phi(\mu) + \delta}{\Phi'(\mu)} - \mu$$

choose  $\delta$  such that  $w(\delta) = 0$

Get

$$\delta = \frac{\alpha}{\delta} - (\zeta + \mu) = \frac{\|s(\mu)\|}{\delta} \underbrace{\left\{ - \frac{\Phi(\mu)}{\Phi'(\mu)} \right\}}_{\text{Newton step } \delta^H}$$

see this has desired effect of

$$\delta = \begin{cases} \text{longer than } \delta^H & \text{if } \mu < \mu^* \\ \text{shorter than } \delta^H & \text{if } \mu > \mu^* \end{cases}$$

Also as  $\mu \rightarrow \mu^*$   $\frac{\|s(\mu)\|}{\delta} \rightarrow 1$  and  $\delta \rightarrow \delta^H$   
can show quadratic convergence to  $\mu^*$

- Dennis & Schnabel recommend stopping once

$$\frac{3}{4} \delta \leq \|s(\mu)\| \leq \frac{3}{2} \delta$$

## Approach 2 (The dogleg approach)

- Find step  $s$  such that  $\|s\| = \delta$  exactly but  $s$  is only approximately on the  $s(\mu)$ -curve
- Construct dogleg curve connecting  $s=0$ ,  $s=s^{SD}$ ,  $s=s^H$

Here  $s^{SD}$  - "steepest descent step"

$$s^{SD} \text{ minimizer of } \|F + Js\| \text{ for } s = \lambda \left( -\nabla \frac{1}{2} \|F\|^2 \right) \\ = -\lambda \underbrace{J^T F}_{\substack{\text{steepest} \\ \text{descent} \\ \text{dir. for } \|F\|}}$$

$$\text{see: } \psi(\lambda) = \frac{1}{2} \|F + J(\lambda s)\|^2, \quad s = -J^T F \\ = \frac{1}{2} \|F\|^2 + \lambda F^T J s + \frac{1}{2} \lambda^2 \|J s\|^2$$

$$0 = \psi'(\lambda) = F^T J s + \lambda \|J s\|^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = - \frac{F^T J s}{\|J s\|^2} \sim \text{easy to compute}$$

see:  $\Gamma_{DL}$  ends at  $s^H$

- A short step (corresponding to small  $\delta$ ) along  $\Gamma_{DL}$  is in steepest-descent direction (similar to  $s(\mu)$  for large  $\mu$ )

Can show, as  $S$  traverses  $\Gamma_{DL}$  from  $0$  to  $S^{SD}$  to  $S^H$

(1)  $\|S\|$  is monotone increasing

(2)  $\|F+JS\|$  is monotone decreasing

So  $\exists$  unique point  $S^{DL}$  (the dogleg step) where  $\Gamma_{DL}$  intersects the TR boundary and

$$S^{DL} = \underset{S \in \Gamma_{DL}}{\operatorname{argmin}} \|F+JS\|$$

$$\|S\| \leq \delta$$

Computing  $S^{DL}$

(1) if  $\|S^H\| \leq \delta \Rightarrow S^{DL} = S^H$

(2) if  $\|S^H\| > \delta$ , compute  $S^{SD}$

(3) if  $\|S^{SD}\| > \delta$ , then  $S^{DL} = \frac{\delta}{\|S^{SD}\|} S^{DL}$

(4) if  $\|S^{SD}\| < \delta$ , then compute  $S^{DL} = S^{SD} + \tau(S^H - S^{SD})$   
for unique  $\tau$  in  $(0,1)$  such  
that  $\|S^{DL}\| = \delta$

Finding  $\tau$ : want

$$\|S^{SD} + \tau(S^H - S^{SD})\|^2 - \delta^2 = 0$$

$$(\|S^{SD}\|^2 - \delta^2) + 2S^{SDT}(S^H - S^{SD})\tau + \|S^H - S^{SD}\|\tau^2 = 0$$

or

$$a\tau^2 + 2b\tau + c = 0$$

see

$c < 0$ ,  $b > 0$  since  $\|S\|$  is monotone decreasing  
as  $S$  goes from  $0$  to  $S^{SD}$  to  $S^H$

and  $a > 0$

$$\text{So } \tau_{\pm} = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - ac}}{a}$$

want  $\tau = \tau_+$  since we want  $0 < \tau < 1$

$$\tau = \frac{-b + \sqrt{b^2 - ac}}{a}$$

to avoid cancellation, use

$$\tau = \frac{-b + \sqrt{b^2 - ac}}{a} \cdot \frac{b + \sqrt{b^2 - ac}}{b + \sqrt{b^2 - ac}} = \frac{-b^2 + b^2 - ac}{a(b + \sqrt{b^2 - ac})}$$

$$\tau = \frac{-c}{b + \sqrt{b^2 - ac}}$$

## Considerations for optimization

- Want to minimize  $f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

Use Newton + globalization to solve  $\nabla f(x) = 0$

- Want to reduce  $f$  at each step so base acceptability etc. on local quadratic model

$$\mathcal{Q}(s) = f(x) + \nabla f(x)^T s + \frac{1}{2} s^T \nabla^2 f(x) s$$

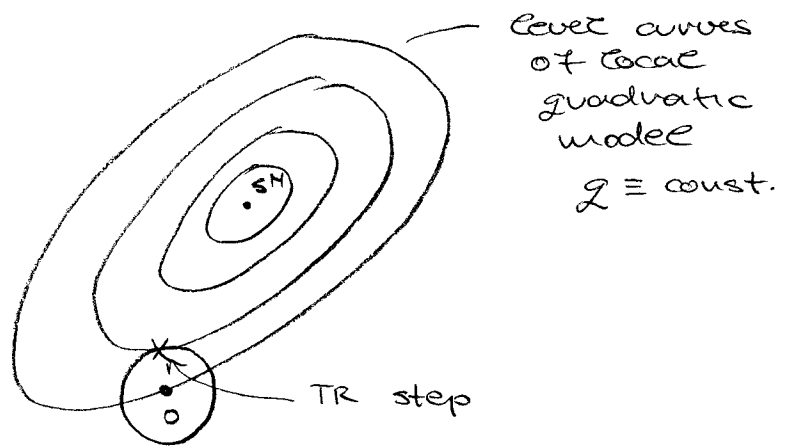
recall:  $s^H = -\nabla^2 f \nabla f$  is guaranteed to be descent step (for local quadratic model) only if  $\nabla^2 f$  is SPD. If necessary perturb  $\nabla^2 f$  to  $B = \nabla^2 f + \mu I$  where  $\mu > 0$  such that  $B$  is SPD and well-conditioned

For a TR method, choose

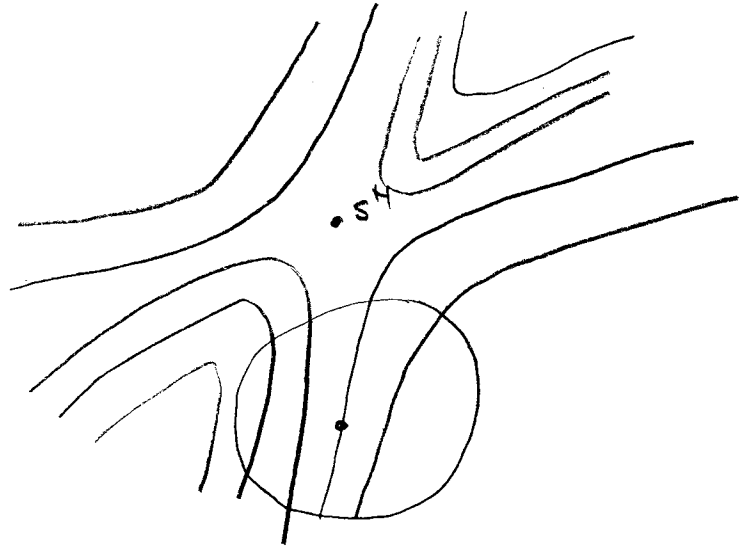
$$s = \underset{\|w\| \leq \delta}{\operatorname{argmin}} \mathcal{Q}(w)$$

New issue: If  $\nabla^2 f$  indefinite (negative curvature - some of the eigenvalues are negative) then  $\mathcal{Q}$  has no global minimizer and local minimization within TR may be complicated

$\nabla^2 f$  - SPD



$\nabla^2 f$  - has one negative and one positive eigenvalue



Can show: TR step =  $-(\nabla^2 f + \mu I)^{-1} \nabla f$   
 where  $\mu \geq 0$  is such that  $\nabla^2 f + \mu I$  is SPD

Traditional approach (see Dennis & Moré)

- Perturb if necessary to get  $B = \nabla^2 f + \mu I$ ,  $\mu \geq 0$  that is "safely" SPD.

Then take  $g(s) = f + \nabla f^T s + \frac{1}{2} s^T B s$

Then have as before

LM step  $s(\mu) = -(B + \mu I)^{-1} \nabla f$

steepest descent step does not depend on Hessian just on first order derivative



Dogleg curve:  $0 \rightarrow S = \underset{SD}{\operatorname{argmin}} \mathcal{L}(s)$

$$s = -\lambda \nabla f$$

for  $\lambda \gg 0$

$$\rightarrow s^B$$

(same important properties as before)

So as before, can compute

- LM step  $s(\mu)$  such that  $\|s(\mu)\| \approx \delta$
- dogleg step:  $S$  on dogleg curve with  $\|S\| = \delta$

But this ( $\nabla^2 f \leftarrow B = \nabla^2 f + \mu I$ ) doesn't take advantage of negative curvature

How to do this?

- still have  $s = s(\mu) = -(\nabla^2 f + \mu I)^{-1} \nabla f$  for  $\mu \gg 0$  such that  $\nabla^2 f + \mu I$  is SPD and  $\|s(\mu)\| = \delta$

- since  $\nabla^2 f$  is symmetric, have  $\nabla^2 f = U \Lambda U^T$  where  $\Lambda = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \lambda_n \end{pmatrix}$ ;  $U^T U = I$  and  $\lambda_1 > \dots > \lambda_n$

$\lambda_n$  - the most negative eigenvalue

$$\text{Have } \nabla^2 f + \mu I = U \Lambda U^T + \underbrace{\mu U U^T}_I$$

$$= U(\Lambda + \mu I)U^T$$

$$\Rightarrow (\nabla^2 f + \mu I)^{-1} = U \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\lambda_1 + \mu} & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & \frac{1}{\lambda_n + \mu} \end{pmatrix} U^T$$

$$\Rightarrow s(\mu) = -(\nabla^2 f + \mu I)^{-1} \nabla f = U \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\delta_1}{\lambda_1 + \mu} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\delta_n}{\lambda_n + \mu} \end{pmatrix}$$

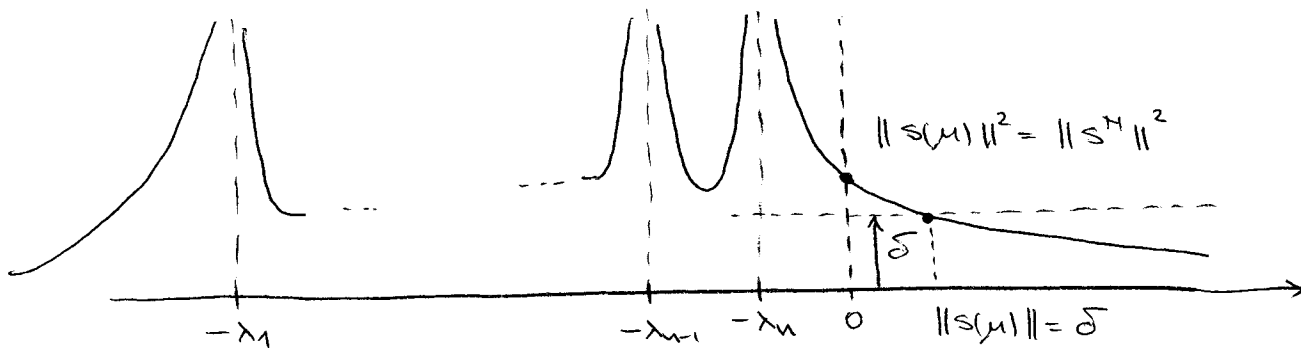
$$\text{where } \begin{pmatrix} \delta_1 \\ \vdots \\ \delta_n \end{pmatrix} = -U^T \nabla f$$

So  $\delta_i$  is component of gradient in direction of  $i^{\text{th}}$  column of  $U$

$$\|S(\mu)\|^2 = \left\| U \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\delta_1}{\lambda_1 + \mu} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\delta_n}{\lambda_n + \mu} \end{pmatrix} \right\|^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\delta_i^2}{(\lambda_i + \mu)^2}$$

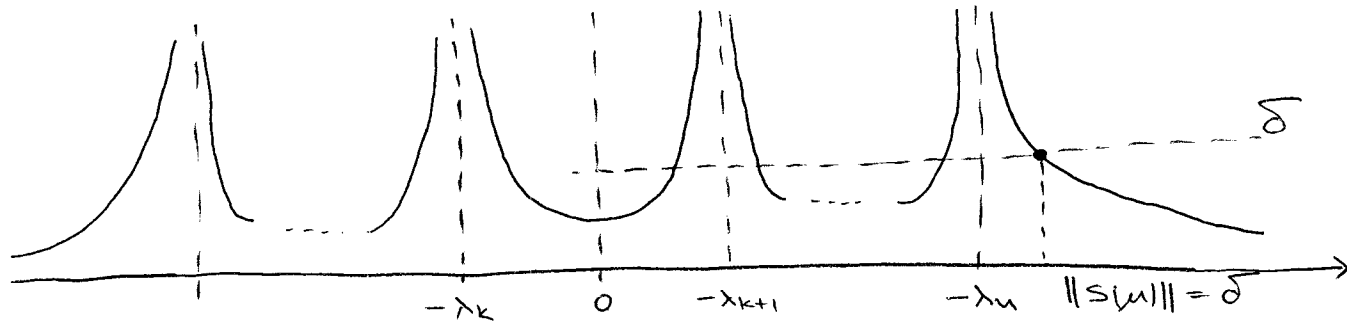
Suppose  $\nabla^2 \phi$  is SPD. Then  $\lambda_1 > \dots > \lambda_n > 0$  and

$\|S(\mu)\|^2$  is a nice (analytic) function of  $\mu$  for  $\mu \geq 0$  but has poles at  $-\lambda_n \dots -\lambda_1$



Suppose  $\nabla^2 \phi$  is indefinite

$$\lambda_1 > \dots > \lambda_k > 0 > \lambda_{k+1} > \dots > \lambda_n$$



Can compute  $S(\mu)$  accurately but may be undesirably expensive