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Abstract: The nonlinear conjugate gradient method is an effective iterative scheme that is widely employed for the solution of unconstrained large-scale optimization problems. Key to any conjugate gradient algorithm is the calculation of an ideal step length for which numerous strategies have been postulated. In this work, we assessed and compared the execution of the weak Wolfe line search technique on nine variants of non-linear conjugate gradient methods by carrying out a numerical test. Experiments revealed Dai-Yuan and Conjugate-Descent nonlinear conjugate gradient methods guaranteed faster convergence.

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Introduction

The nonlinear conjugate gradient method for solving optimization functions considers an unconstrained problem of the form;

$$\min f(x), x \in R^n \quad (1)$$

Where: R^n is n-dimensional Euclidean space and $f: R^n \rightarrow R$ is continuously differentiable.

The conjugate gradient method (CGM) was first made known by Hestenes & Stiefel (1952) and afterward expanded to the nonlinear CGM. Broad works have been done on nonlinear CGM by Daniel (1967), Beale (1971), Dixon *et al.* (1985), Yabe & Takano (2004), Hager & Zhang (2005), Yuan & Lu (2006), Andrei (2011), Ishaq *et al.* (2020) just to mention a few. The nonlinear CGMs constitute a diligent choice for effectively tackling (1), particularly when the dimension n is huge, due to the uncomplicated nature of its analysis, exceptionally low memory necessity, fast convergence and its great numerical execution, for engineers and mathematicians (Wang *et al.*, 2020; Sun *et al.*, 2018; Jinhong & Genjiao, 2013).

A nonlinear CGM creates a sequence of points $\{x^{(k)}\}$ with $k \geq 0$, by guessing a starting point $x^{(0)} \in R^n$, and utilizing the recurrence relation;

$$x^{(k+1)} = x^{(k)} + \alpha_k d^{(k)} \quad (2)$$

Where: α_k is the step-length that can be computed using various step-length techniques and $d^{(k)}$ is the search direction and can be generated using the relation:

$$d^{(k+1)} = -g^{(k+1)} + \beta_k d^{(k)}, d^{(0)} = -g^{(0)} \quad (3)$$

Where: $g^{(k)}$ = $-\nabla f(x^{(k)})$, which is the gradient of f at $x^{(k)}$ and β_k stipulates different nonlinear CGM which corresponds to a different choice of β_k (Zhang *et al.*, 2019; Hager & Zhang, 2006). The following are some well-known β_k parameters:

$$\beta_k^{HS} = \frac{g^{(k+1)T} y^{(k)}}{g^{(k)T} g^{(k)}}, \text{Hestenes \& Stiefel}(1952)(HS) \quad (4)$$

$$\beta_k^{FR} = \frac{\|g^{(k+1)}\|^2}{\|g^{(k)}\|^2}, \text{Fletcher \& Reeves }(1964)(FR) \quad (5)$$

$$\beta_k^{PR} = \frac{g^{(k+1)T} y^{(k)}}{\|g^{(k)}\|^2}, \text{Polak \& Ribiere }(1969)(PR) \quad (6)$$

$$\beta_k^{CD} = -\frac{\|g^{(k+1)}\|^2}{g^{(k)T} d^{(k)}}, \text{Fletcher }(1987)(CD) \quad (7)$$

$$\beta_k^{DY} = \frac{\|g^{(k+1)}\|^2}{y^{(k)T} d^{(k)}}, \text{Dai \& Yuan }(2000)(DY) \quad (8)$$

$$\beta_k^{LS} = -\frac{g^{(k+1)T} y^{(k)}}{g^{(k)T} d^{(k)}}, \text{Liu \& Storey }(1992)(LS) \quad (9)$$

$$\beta_k^{HZ} = \left(y^{(k)} - 2d^{(k)} \frac{\|y^{(k)}\|^2}{y^{(k)T} d^{(k)}} \right)^{(T)} \frac{g^{(k+1)T} d^{(k)}}{y^{(k)T} d^{(k)}},$$

Hager & Zhang (2005)(HZ) (10)

$$\beta_k^{BAN} = \frac{g^{(k+1)T} y^{(k)}}{g^{(k)T} y^{(k)}}, \text{Bamigbola et al. }(2010)(BAN) \quad (11)$$

$$\beta_k^{GSC} = \frac{g^{(k+1)T} g^{(k)}}{g^{(k)T} d^{(k)}}, \text{Gradient Search Conjugacy (GSC)} \quad (12)$$

Where: $y^{(k)} = (g^{(k+1)} - g^{(k)})$

Also one highlight of the nonlinear CGM is the inclusion of the line search procedures in its calculation. For an entirely quadratic function, the CG algorithm with exact or optimum line search merges limitedly (Rockafeller, 1970). Minimizing a non-quadratic (nonlinear) function, it is more suitable and cost-proficient to employ the inexact line search techniques in spite of the fact that in several cases, accuracy is yielded for global convergence.

It is more ideal in large scale issues to utilize β_k that does not need the assessment of the Hessian matrix which regularly require high computer storage. In the case of the optimum line search technique, similarities in the strategies can be instituted for strongly convex quadratic functions (Ishaq *et al.*, 2020; Adeleke *et al.*, 2013). For a distinctive class of functions, this importance highlight is misplaced. In such occurrence, the inexact line search strategies are utilized (Liu *et al.*, 2020).

Line search

This is a vital step in the conjugate gradient algorithm when solving unconstrained optimization problems. In every line search, the decision of procedure for determining α_k influences both the convergence and the speed of convergence of the algorithm. The two types of line search procedures basically in use are exact or optimum and Inexact line search.

Exact line search

Every line search rule aims to obtain a positive step-length α_k along the search direction $d^{(k)}$ to ensure an improving rate of convergence. Then to accomplish this, we first set $\alpha_k = \alpha^*$, such that,

$$\alpha^* = \operatorname{argmin}_{\alpha > 0} f(x^{(k)} + \alpha d^{(k)}) \quad (13)$$

i.e., α^* is the value of α_k which minimizes f along $d^{(k)}$.

Therefore, α^* in (13) can be calculated by obtaining the solution of the following equation,

$$\frac{d}{d\alpha} f(x^{(k)} + \alpha d^{(k)}) = 0 \quad (14)$$

The ideal adopted in (14) gives an exact or optimum value for α_k and is called an exact or optimum line search. However, Sun & Yuan (2006) stated that the exact or optimum line search is cost expensive, particularly when an initial point is

distant from the solution of the problem during the actual computation.

Inexact line search

It is vital to note that exact or optimum line search is very costly to carry out, as a result of the limitation of the exact or optimum line search there is a need for a line search technique that can recognize a step-length that produces a significant decrease in the value of f at a minimal cost. And for nonlinear unconstrained optimization problems, inexact line search rules are cost-efficient and more accurate to work with. Below are the framework of inexact line search rules:

- create a measure that guarantees the step-length α is neither as well long nor as well brief;
- pick a decent starting step-length to begin the algorithm; and
- develop a grouping of overhauls that fulfil the model characterized in the first framework after each step.

A lot has been done on the detailing of diverse criteria by several researchers. Among these are Goldstein (1965), Armijo (1966), Wolfe (1969), Wolfe (1971), Powell (1975), Dennis & Schnabel (1983), Boggs & Schnabel (1987), Fletcher (1987), Potra & Shi (1995), Hager & Zhang (2005), Andrei (2011), etc. The most widely used inexact line search techniques are Wolfe line search procedures (Andrei, 2011). In what follows, we provide more considerations to Wolfe line searches.

Weak Wolfe inexact line search rule

Wolfe (1969) first proposed that the step-size α_k is considered optimal if it fulfills the following criteria

$$f(x^{(k)} + \alpha_k d^{(k)}) \leq f(x^{(k)}) + v\alpha_k g^{(k)T} d^{(k)} \quad (15)$$

$$g(x^{(k)} + \alpha_k d^{(k)})^T \geq \vartheta |g^{(k)T} d^{(k)}| \quad (16)$$

and $\varphi(\alpha_k) = f(x^{(k)} + \alpha_k d^{(k)})$ from where $0 \leq v \leq \vartheta \leq 1$. The first inequality in (15) guarantees that the function decreased sufficiently whereas (16) avoids the steps from being as well little.

Algorithm: Weak Wolfe Inexact Line Search;

- Choose $v \in (0,1)$ and $\vartheta = 0.75, \gamma = 0.5$, set $\alpha = 1$
- If $f(x^{(k)} + \alpha_k d^{(k)}) \geq f(x^{(k)}) + v\alpha_k g^{(k)T} d^{(k)}$ and $|g(x^{(k)} + \alpha_k d^{(k)})^T| \leq \vartheta |g^{(k)T} d^{(k)}|$, take $\alpha = \gamma\alpha$
- Terminate loop with $\alpha_k = \alpha$

Strong Wolfe inexact line search rule

Wolfe (1971) noticed that there are cases where α_k may fulfill the general Wolfe condition without necessarily minimizing the function $\varphi(\alpha_k)$. As such, a stronger strict two-sided measure is placed on the gradient of φ . This forces α_k to lie at last in the neighbourhood of a local minimizer of φ . This measure is called the strong Wolfe conditions and can be obtained by the following equations

$$f(x^{(k)} + \alpha_k d^{(k)}) \leq f(x^{(k)}) + v\alpha_k g^{(k)T} d^{(k)} \quad (17)$$

$$|g(x^{(k)} + \alpha_k d^{(k)})^T| \leq \vartheta |g^{(k)T} d^{(k)}| \quad (18)$$

$$0 \leq v \leq \vartheta \leq 1$$

Approximate Wolfe inexact line search rule

Hager & Zhang (2005) developed a new inexact line search rule called an approximate Wolfe line search. This accepts any step-size $\alpha_k > 0$ if and only if it satisfies the following conditions:

$$(2\xi - 1)\varphi'(0) \geq \varphi'(\alpha_k) \geq v\varphi'(0) \quad (19)$$

Where $\varphi(\alpha_k) = f(x^{(k)} + \alpha_k d^{(k)})$ and $0 < \gamma < \frac{1}{2} < v < 1$.

Numerical experiments

Nonlinear CGM Algorithm

The algorithm below is a summary of the steps necessary for the implementation of the nonlinear CGM:

Algorithm: CGM Algorithm

- Pick the starting point, $x^{(0)} \in \mathbb{R}^n, \epsilon \geq 0$ (this is a small number called tolerance) and set $d^{(0)} = -g^{(0)}$.
- Terminate process if $\|g^{(0)}\| \leq \epsilon$, otherwise, go to the next step.

- Compute step-size α_k by an efficient step size rule:
- Set $x^{(k+1)} = x^{(k)} + \alpha_k d^{(k)}$; if $\|g^{(k+1)}\| \leq \epsilon$, then stop, otherwise, go to the next step
- Compute the search direction $d^{(k+1)} = -g^{(k+1)} + \beta_k d^{(k)}$.
- Where β_k is given by equation (4 – 12).
- Set $k = k + 1$, and go to step 3.

Computational details

We intend to execute the experiments using nonlinear CGMs to minimize large-scale unconstrained optimization problems. To achieve this, thirty nonlinear unconstrained optimization test functions by Andrei (2008) were used as numerical examples. Algorithm 3.1 was implemented with Algorithms 2.1 for a weak Wolfe inexact line search algorithm. It is sufficient to say here that the dimension of f was generally taken to be very huge (5000 and 10000). Also, we assumed $\epsilon = 10^{-6}$ for g^* (g^* is the gradient at the optimum value of the objective function f).

Computational examples

The following optimization test functions and initial values obtained from Andrei (1) are used as computational examples:

1. Diagonal 1 function

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n (\exp(x_i) - ix_i), x_0 = [1/n, 1/n, \dots, 1/n].$$

2. Full Hessian FH2 function

$$f(x) = (x_1 - 5)^2 + \sum_{i=2}^n (x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_i - 1)^2, x_0 = [0.01, 0.01, \dots, 0.01].$$

3. TRIDIA function(cute)

$$f(x) = \gamma(\delta x_1 - 1)^2 + \sum_{i=2}^n i(\alpha x_i - \beta x_{i-1})^2, \\ x_0 = [1, 1, \dots, 1], \alpha = 2, \beta = 1, \gamma = 1, \delta = 1.$$

4. Partial perturbed quadratic function

$$f(x) = x_1^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n \left(ix_i^2 + \frac{1}{100}(x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_i)^2 \right), x_0 = [0.5, 0.5, \dots, 0.5].$$

5. Power function(cute)

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n (ix_i)^2, x_0 = [1, 1, \dots, 1].$$

6. EXPLIN2 function(cute)

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^m \exp\left(\frac{ix_i x_{i+1}}{10m}\right) - 10 \sum_{i=1}^n (ix_i), x_0 = [0, 0, \dots, 0].$$

7. VARDIM function(cute)

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - 1)^2 + \left(\sum_{i=1}^n ix_i - \frac{n(n+1)}{2} \right)^2 \\ + \left(\sum_{i=1}^n ix_i - \frac{n(n+1)}{2} \right)^4, \\ x_0 = \left[1 - \frac{1}{n}, 1 - \frac{2}{n}, \dots, 1 - \frac{n}{n} \right].$$

8. Variably dimensioned function

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - 1)^2 + \left(\sum_{i=1}^n i(x_i - 1) \right)^2 \\ + \left(\sum_{i=1}^n i(x_i - 1) \right)^4, \\ x_0 = \left[1 - \frac{1}{n}, 1 - \frac{2}{n}, \dots, 1 - \frac{n}{n} \right].$$

9. INDEF function

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i) + \sum_{i=2}^{n-1} (\alpha \cos(2x_i - x_n - x_1)),$$

$$x_0 = \left[\frac{1}{n+1}, \frac{2}{n+1}, \dots, \frac{n}{n+1} \right], \quad \alpha = 0.5.$$

10. Liarwrd function

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n (4(x_i^2 - x_1)^2) + \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - 1)^2, \quad x_0 = [4, 4, \dots, 4].$$

11. McCormick function

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} (-1.5x_i + 2.5x_{i+1} + 1 + (x_i - x_{i+1})^2 + \sin(x_i + x_{i+1})), \quad x_0 = [1, 1, \dots, 1].$$

12. NONDIA function

$$f(x) = (x_1 - 1)^2 + \sum_{i=2}^n 100(x_1 - x_{i-1}^2)^2, \quad x_0 = [-1, -1, \dots, -1].$$

13. NONDQUAR function

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{n-2} (x_i + x_{i+1} + x_n)^4 + (x_1 - x_2)^2 + (x_{n-1} + x_n)^2, \quad x_0 = [-1, -1, \dots, -1].$$

14. NONSCOMP function

$$f(x) = (x_1 - 1)^2 + \sum_{i=2}^n 4(x_i - x_{i-1}^2)^2, \quad x_0 = [3, 3, \dots, 3].$$

15. maratosb extended function

$$f(x) = x_1 + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \frac{(x_i^2 + x_{i+1}^2 - 1)^2}{0.000001}, \quad x_0 = [0, 0, \dots, 0].$$

16. MDHOLE extended function

$$f(x) = x_1 + \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(\sin x_i - 10)^2}{0.01}, \quad x_0 = [10, 10, \dots, 10].$$

17. Logros extended function

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n \log(1 + 10000(1 - x_i^2)^2 + (1 - x_i)^2), \quad x_0 = [-1.2, -1.2, \dots, -1.2].$$

18. mexhat extended function

$$f(x) = -2(x_1 - 1)^2 + 10000,$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \left((x_i - 1)^2 + \frac{(x_{i+1} - x_i^2)^2}{10000} - 0.02 \right)^2$$

$$x_0 = [1 - 0.4 \times 1, 1 - 0.4 \times 2, \dots, 1 - 0.4 \times n].$$

19. nasty extended function

$$f(x) = 0.5 \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} ((1.0e^{10}x_i)^2 + x_{i+1}^2),$$

$$x_0 = [e^{-30}, 1, \dots, (2 - n)e^{-30} - 1 + n].$$

20. Biggs B1 function

$$f(x) = (x_1 - 1)^2 + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} (x_{i+1} - x_i)^2 + (1 - x_n)^2, \quad x_0 = [0, 0, \dots, 0].$$

21. Extended Beale function

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{n/2} (1.5 - x_{2i-1}(1 - x_{2i}))^2 + (2.25 - x_{2i-1}(1 - x_{2i}^2))^2 + (2.625 - x_{2i-1}(1 - x_{2i}^3))^2,$$

$$x_0 = [1, 0.8, \dots, 1, 0.8].$$

22. Extended Cliff function

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{n/2} ((x_{2i-1} - 3)0.01)^2 - (x_{2i-1}x_{2i}) + \exp(20(x_{2i-1} - x_{2i})),$$

$$x_0 = [0, -1, \dots, 0, -1].$$

23. Extended DenschnA function

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{n/2} (x_{2i-1}^4) + (x_{2i-1} + x_{2i})^2 + (-1 + \exp(x_{2i}))^2, \quad x_0 = [1, 1, \dots, 1].$$

24. Extended DenschnB function

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{n/2} (x_{2i-1} - 2)^2 + (x_{2i-1} - 2)^2 x_{2i}^2 + (x_{2i} + 1)^2, \quad x_0 = [1, 1, \dots, 1].$$

25. Extended DenschnF function

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{n/2} (2(x_{2i-1} + x_{2i})^2 + (x_{2i-1} - x_{2i})^2 - 8)^2 + (5x_{2i-1}^2 + (x_{2i} - 3)^2 - 9)^2,$$

$$x_0 = [2, 0, \dots, 2, 0].$$

26. Diagonal 7 function

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n \exp(x_i) - 2x_i - x_i^2, \quad x_0 = [1, 1, \dots, 1].$$

27. Diagonal 8 function

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \exp(x_i) - 2x_i - x_i^2, \quad x_0 = [1, 1, \dots, 1].$$

28. Browns function

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} (x_i - 1000000)^2 + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} (x_{i+1} - 0.000002)^2 + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} (x_i x_{i+1} - 2)^2, \quad x_0 = [1, 1, \dots, 1].$$

29. DQDRITC function

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{n-2} (x_i^2 + 100x_{i+1}^2 + 100x_{i+2}^2), \quad x_0 = [3, 3, \dots, 3].$$

30. HimmelBG function

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{n/2} (2x_{2i-1}^2 + 3x_{2i}^2) \exp(-x_{2i-1} - x_{2i}), \quad x_0 = [1.5, 1.5, \dots, 1.5].$$

Computational results

The CGM Algorithm 3.1 was implemented with the Algorithms 2.1 for nine variant of nonlinear CGMs stated in (4)-(12) using MATLAB 1.8.0347 [R2009a] on an HP laptop computer 620 with processor Pentium (R) Dual-core CPU T4500 @2.30GB to solve all the thirty computational examples above, and the results obtained were given in Tables 1 – 2 denoted by the following:

Dim (dimension), ITR (number of iterations), CPU (time taken), AWLS (strong Wolfe line search), AVE (average).

Table 1: CPU results for WWL

S/N	Test Function	DIM	BAN	FR	PR	HS	CD	DY	LS	HZ	GSC
1	Diagonal 1 Function	5000	0.0689	0.0652	0.0425	0.0491	0.0465	0.0427	0.0424	0.0576	0.0458
		10000	0.1190	0.1147	0.1700	0.1378	0.1174	0.1227	0.1266	0.1670	0.1113
2	Full Hessian FH2 Function	5000	69.854	61.070	57.622	87.899	68.403	87.755	54.567	55.738	54.614
		10000	161.93	169.11	170.02	187.82	181.41	154.36	153.25	148.84	149.44
3	TRIDIA Function (cute)	5000	0.0232	0.0219	0.0262	0.0266	0.0262	0.0224	0.0208	0.0196	0.0197
		10000	0.0170	0.0192	0.0186	0.0225	0.0193	0.0223	0.0197	0.0163	0.0132
4	Partial Perturbed Quadratic Function	5000	39.973	40.822	43.305	40.436	38.894	39.584	38.009	37.570	37.213
		10000	163.94	163.21	160.90	162.46	180.44	152.76	150.58	150.99	150.36
5	POWER Function (cute)	5000	0.0268	0.0091	0.0119	0.0124	0.0136	0.0127	0.0136	0.0152	0.0134
		10000	0.0062	0.0063	0.0080	0.0066	0.0077	0.0079	0.0080	0.0082	0.0072
6	EXPLIN2 Function (cute)	5000	0.0485	0.0511	0.0550	0.0556	0.0639	0.0507	0.0504	0.0927	0.0502
		10000	0.1700	0.1284	0.1384	0.1287	0.1408	0.1658	0.1386	0.2051	0.1365
7	VARDIM Function (cute)	5000	0.0146	0.0122	0.0148	0.0109	0.0130	0.0160	0.0159	0.0173	0.0163
		10000	0.0103	0.0094	0.0093	0.0104	0.0120	0.0115	0.0115	0.0095	0.0084
8	Variably Dimensioned Function	5000	0.0135	0.0135	0.0156	0.0162	0.0146	0.0160	0.0121	0.0146	0.0156
		10000	0.0100	0.0104	0.0099	0.0109	0.0088	0.0115	0.0100	0.0112	0.0092
9	INDEF Function	5000	39.863	38.387	15.835	15.762	15.700	18.603	15.372	41.115	16.217
		10000	98.284	33.790	26.718	21.555	36.009	40.098	21.882	61.369	22.562
10	Liarwhd Function	5000	0.0317	0.0313	0.0258	0.0233	0.0259	0.0218	0.0259	0.0251	0.0229
		10000	0.0265	0.0282	0.0261	0.0238	0.0230	0.0211	0.0164	0.0197	0.0189
11	mccormck Function	5000	0.2198	0.1081	0.1023	0.3740	0.1345	0.3241	0.1499	0.2150	0.2063
		10000	0.2625	0.2041	0.1709	0.6315	0.1693	0.4811	0.2234	0.2946	0.1813
12	NONDIA Function	5000	0.0274	0.0265	0.0252	0.0248	0.0266	0.0213	0.0217	0.0255	0.0236
		10000	0.0239	0.0190	0.0242	0.0202	0.0215	0.0208	0.0155	0.0192	0.0160
13	NONDQUAR Function	5000	0.0208	0.0266	0.0484	0.0180	0.0166	0.0191	0.0177	0.0104	0.0202
		10000	0.0165	0.0147	0.0153	0.0263	0.0166	0.0193	0.0174	0.0210	0.0173
14	NONSCOMP Function	5000	0.0284	0.0269	0.0260	0.0275	0.0269	0.0268	0.0234	0.0206	0.0199
		10000	0.0223	0.0218	0.0208	0.0181	0.0222	0.0241	0.0226	0.0201	0.0277
15	maratossb Extended Function	5000	0.0430	0.0366	0.0523	0.0229	0.0250	0.0229	0.0421	0.0287	0.0320
		10000	0.0208	0.0377	0.0420	0.0231	0.0231	0.0219	0.0454	0.0255	0.0319
16	MDHOLE Extended Function	5000	17.697	35.614	43.064	18.570	19.475	19.045	23.509	140.716	28.393
		10000	22.985	67.271	69.441	63.042	25.865	70.391	28.440	24.074	215.707
17	Logros Extended Function	5000	0.0954	32.2777	62.5864	0.0347	16.3779	16.1946	16.8946	16.7731	16.4521
		10000	0.6724	74.8414	21.8720	0.0950	21.8957	21.8149	22.0654	22.6362	21.7901
18	mexhat Extended Function	5000	0.0183	0.0201	0.0183	0.0178	0.0211	0.0209	0.0173	0.0153	0.0710
		10000	0.0153	0.0154	0.0178	0.0164	0.0171	0.0168	0.0161	0.0282	0.0150
19	nasty Extended Function	5000	0.0119	0.0169	0.0171	0.0168	0.0141	0.0127	0.0168	0.0164	0.0126
		10000	0.0110	0.0117	0.0118	0.0084	0.0177	0.0116	0.0100	0.0103	0.0110
20	Biggs B1 Function	5000	0.4311	0.1008	0.0831	0.3210	0.1376	0.3103	0.0760	0.1083	0.1373
		10000	0.3477	0.0951	0.0904	0.3623	0.1438	0.3513	0.0836	0.1320	0.1494
21	Extended Beale Function	5000	0.0335	0.0664	0.0630	0.0361	0.0374	0.0398	0.0373	0.0414	0.0345
		10000	0.0338	0.0349	0.0796	0.0430	0.0481	0.0429	0.0419	0.0454	0.0438
22	Extended Cliff Function	5000	0.6448	0.1772	0.3905	0.0672	1.4385	0.0800	0.2709	0.0695	0.0521
		10000	0.6329	0.3058	0.4897	0.0676	2.2862	0.1829	0.4248	0.0868	0.0321
23	Extended DenschnA Function	5000	0.0423	0.0407	0.0375	0.0530	0.0550	0.0541	0.0546	0.0636	0.0456
		10000	0.0505	0.0439	0.0431	0.0567	0.0961	0.0579	0.1004	0.1382	0.0478
24	Extended DenschnB Function	5000	0.1298	0.0946	0.1010	0.8269	0.0623	0.0583	0.1051	0.1452	0.0586
		10000	0.1936	0.1257	0.1351	0.2784	0.0722	0.0623	0.1495	0.1244	0.0730
25	Extended DenschnF Function	5000	0.0262	0.0556	0.0295	0.0316	0.0303	0.0303	0.0315	0.0358	0.0350
		10000	0.0253	0.0306	0.0482	0.0311	0.0324	0.0349	0.0328	0.0359	0.0380
26	Diagonal 7 Function	5000	0.3199	0.0792	0.0766	76.3290	0.9540	6.3645	0.3648	1.0721	50.5751
		10000	0.3751	0.1746	0.1531	18.9577	1.0303	6.7061	0.2907	0.9493	123.660
27	Diagonal 8 Function	5000	30.394	0.142	0.220	0.750	0.390	0.640	0.101	0.196	0.250
		10000	9.1197	0.2254	0.3246	3.9503	1.7793	0.5708	0.1167	0.1790	0.2909
28	Brownbs Function	5000	0.0285	0.0264	0.0254	0.0245	0.0252	0.0245	0.0291	0.0266	0.0266
		10000	0.0244	0.0243	0.0271	0.0209	0.0258	0.0219	0.0274	0.0214	0.0218
29	DQDRTIC Function	5000	0.0303	0.0423	0.0670	0.0493	0.0380	0.0617	0.0341	0.0353	0.0421
		10000	0.0340	0.0556	0.0601	0.0444	0.0391	0.0493	0.0329	0.0312	0.0436
30	HimmelBG Function	5000	16.731	16.9740	16.5350	16.9583	0.0363	0.4110	79.6854	0.0859	0.0540
		10000	23.255	22.6883	23.2200	23.0485	0.0352	0.6261	58.0938	0.0792	36.5200

Table 2: ITR results for WWL

S/N	Test Function	DIM	BAN	FR	PR	HS	CD	DY	LS	HZ	GSC
1	Diagonal 1 Function	5000 10000	2 2								
	Full Hessian FH2 Function	5000 10000	4 2	3 2	3 2	4 2	3 2	4 2	3 2	3 2	3 2
3	TRIDIA Function(cute)	5000 10000	2 2								
	Partial Perturbed Quadratic Function	5000 10000	2 2								
5	POWER Function(cute)	5000 10000	1 1								
	EXPLIN2 Function (cute)	5000 10000	2 2								
7	VARDIM Function (cute)	5000 10000	1 1								
	Variably Dimensioned Function	5000 10000	1 1								
9	INDEF Function	5000 10000	2000 2000								
	Liarwhd Function	5000 10000	2 2								
11	mccormck Function	5000 10000	11 12	7 9	7 8	22 23	13 13	22 21	9 9	13 11	13 13
	NONDIA Function	5000 10000	2 2								
13	NONDQUAR Function	5000 10000	1 1								
	NONSCOMP Function	5000 10000	2 2								
15	maratosb Extended Function	5000 10000	2 2	4 4	4 4	2 2	2 2	2 2	4 4	2 2	3 3
	MDHOLE extended function	5000 10000	2000 2000	2000 2000	2000 1919	2000 2000	2000 2000	2000 2000	2000 2000	2000 2000	2000 2000
17	Logros Extended Function	5000 10000	3 55	2000 2000	2000 2000	3 8	2000 2000	2000 2000	2000 2000	2000 2000	2000 2000
	methat Extended Function	5000 10000	1 1								
19	nasty Extended Function	5000 10000	1 1								
	Biggs B1 Function	5000 10000	25 25	6 6	6 6	25 25	11 11	25 25	7 7	11 11	13 13
21	Extended Beale Function	5000 10000	2 2								
	Extended Cliff Function	5000 10000	46 46	9 25	25 4	4 115	4 115	25 4	25 25	8 8	3 3
23	Extended DenschnA Function	5000 10000	4 4	3 3	3 3	4 4	3 3	4 4	3 3	3 3	3 3
	Extended DenschnB Function	5000 10000	8 8	6 6	8 8	34 14	5 5	5 5	8 8	7 6	5 5
25	Extended DenschnF Function	5000 10000	2 2								
	Diagonal 7 Function	5000 10000	42 42	4 4	4 4	2000 2000	13 13	86 88	4 4	14 14	2000 2000
27	Diagonal 8 Function	5000 10000	1959 312	5 5	6 6	36 201	20 20	7 7	7 7	15 15	28 27
	Brownbs Function	5000 10000	2 2								
29	DQDRTIC Function	5000 10000	4 4	3 3	3 3	4 4	3 3	5 5	3 3	3 3	3 3
	HimmelBG Function	5000 10000	2000 2000	2000 2000	2000 2000	2000 2000	3 3	44 54	2000 2000	2 2	6 2000

Table 3: Inference on CGMs with WWL by CPU

	BAN	FR	PRP	HS	CD	DY	LS	HZ	GSC
WWL-CPU-AVE	11.66	12.65	11.91	12.36	10.24	10.65	11.10	11.75	15.44
WWL-ITR-AVE	244.53	269.22	268.48	274.62	207.22	207.95	269.95	203.50	303.40

Remarks on computational results

For superior depiction and understanding of the Tables 1 – 2, the performance inference of all the nonlinear CGMs fo WWL are given in the Table 3.

It is clear from Table 3 that judging by CPU, the nonlinear CGMs of CD, DY and HZ perform better than other CG methods, while DY, BAN and CD perform better than other CG methods judging by ITR. Therefore, we can remark on the result that DY and CD performed better than all other CG methods judging by the CPU and ITR average.

Conclusion

In this work, nine (9) variants of CGMs namely BAN, FR, PR, HS, CD, DY, LS, HZ, GSC methods were considered in solving thirty unconstrained optimization test problems using weak Wolfe line search. DY and CD nonlinear CGMs gave better results compared to the rest of the nonlinear CGMs considered.

Conflict of Interest

Authors have declared that there is no conflict of interest reported in this work.

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