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Chapter Four



Conjugate Direction Methods

Lecture 4

Example:

Given the objective *function* $f(X) = x_1^2 + 2x_2^2$. Compute the first two iterations for

1: *Fletcher Reeves Method.*

2: *Dixon Method.*

3: *Polak and Ribiere Method.*

Using the initial point $X_0 = [1, 1]^T$.

Solution:

1: *Fletcher Reeves method.*

First, we compute the gradient vector $g(X)$ as follows:

$$g(X) = \left[\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_2} \right]^T = [2x_1, 4x_2]^T .$$

$$\therefore g_0 = g(X_0) = [2, 4]^T .$$

$$\therefore p_0 = -g_0 = [-2, -4]^T .$$

We find α and X_1 as follows:



$$X_1 = X_0 + \alpha p_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + \alpha \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 - 2\alpha \\ 1 - 4\alpha \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$\therefore f(X_1) = (1 - 2\alpha)^2 + 2(1 - 4\alpha)^2.$$

Now, we set $\frac{df(X_1)}{d\alpha} = 0 \rightarrow 2(1 - 2\alpha)(-2) + 4(1 - 4\alpha)(-4) = 0 \rightarrow$
 $-4 + 8\alpha - 16 + 64\alpha = 0 \rightarrow 72\alpha = 20 \rightarrow \alpha = \frac{20}{72} = 0.2777.$

Since $\frac{d^2f(X_1)}{d\alpha^2} = 72 > 0 \rightarrow \alpha = 0.2777$ is a minimizer of $f(X_1)$.

$$\therefore X_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 - 2\alpha \\ 1 - 4\alpha \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.4446 \\ -0.1108 \end{bmatrix}.$$

We compute g_1 as follows:

$$g_1 = g(X_1) = [0.8892, -0.4432]^T.$$

We compute β_0 and p_1 as follows:

$$\beta_0 = \frac{g_1^T g_1}{g_0^T g_0}.$$



$$g_1^T g_1 = [0.8892, -0.4432] \begin{bmatrix} 0.8892 \\ -0.4432 \end{bmatrix} = (0.8892)^2 + (-0.4432)^2 \\ = 0.9871$$

$$g_0^T g_0 = [2, 4] \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} = 4 + 16 = 20.$$

$$\therefore \beta_0 = \frac{g_1^T g_1}{g_0^T g_0} = \frac{0.9871}{20} = 0.0494.$$

$$\therefore p_1 = -g_1 + \beta_0 p_0 \\ = \begin{bmatrix} -0.8892 \\ 0.4432 \end{bmatrix} + 0.0494 \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -0.8892 \\ 0.4432 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -0.0988 \\ -0.1976 \end{bmatrix} \\ = \begin{bmatrix} -0.988 \\ 0.2456 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Now, we find X_2 as follows:

$$X_2 = X_1 + \alpha p_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.4446 \\ -0.1108 \end{bmatrix} + \alpha \begin{bmatrix} -0.988 \\ 0.2456 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.4446 - 0.988\alpha \\ -0.1108 + 0.2456\alpha \end{bmatrix}.$$



$$\therefore f(X_2) = (0.4446 - 0.988\alpha)^2 + 2(-0.1108 + 0.2456\alpha)^2$$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{df}{d\alpha} &= 2(0.4446 - 0.988\alpha)(-0.988) + 4(-0.1108 + 0.2456\alpha)(0.2456) \\ &= -0.87875296 + 1.952288\alpha - 0.10884992 + 0.201708774\alpha \\ &= -0.98760288 + 2.15399677\alpha.\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Set } \frac{df}{d\alpha} = 0 \rightarrow -0.98760288 + 2.15399677\alpha = 0$$

$$\therefore \alpha = \frac{0.98760288}{2.15399677} = 0.4585.$$

Since $\frac{d^2f(X_1)}{d\alpha^2} > 0 \rightarrow \alpha = 0.4585$ is a minimizer of $f(X_2)$.

$$\therefore X_2 = X_1 + \alpha p_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.4446 - 0.988\alpha \\ -0.1108 + 0.2456\alpha \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -0.0084 \\ 0.0018 \end{bmatrix}.$$



2: Dixon Method

We know that the difference between *Fletcher Reeves method* and *Dixon Method* the value of β_k .

$$\therefore \beta_0 = -\frac{g_0^T g_0}{p_0^T g_0}.$$

$$g_0^T g_0 = 20 \text{ (as in the first part).}$$

$$p_0^T g_0 = [-2, -4] \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} = -4 - 16 = -20.$$

$$\therefore \beta_0 = -\frac{g_0^T g_0}{p_0^T g_0} = -\frac{20}{-20} = 1.$$

$$\therefore p_1 = -g_1 + \beta_0 p_0 = \begin{bmatrix} -0.8892 \\ 0.4432 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2.8892 \\ -3.5568 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$\therefore X_2 = X_1 + \alpha p_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.4446 \\ -0.1108 \end{bmatrix} + \alpha \begin{bmatrix} -2.8892 \\ -3.5568 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.4446 - 2.8892\alpha \\ -0.1108 - 3.5568\alpha \end{bmatrix}.$$



$$\therefore f(X_2) = (0.4446 - 2.8892\alpha)^2 + 2(-0.1108 - 3.5568\alpha)^2$$

$$\frac{df}{d\alpha} =$$

$$\begin{aligned} & 2(0.4446 - 2.8892\alpha)(-2.8892) + 4(-0.1108 - 3.5568\alpha)(-3.5568) \\ &= -2.56907664 + 16.69495328\alpha + 1.57637376 + 50.60330496\alpha \\ &= -0.99270288 + 67.29825824\alpha \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Set } \frac{df}{d\alpha} = 0 \rightarrow -0.99270288 + 67.29825824\alpha = 0 \rightarrow \alpha = 0.0148.$$

Since $\frac{d^2f(X_1)}{d\alpha^2} > 0 \rightarrow \alpha = 0.0148$ is a minimizer of $f(X_2)$.

$$\therefore X_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.4446 - 2.8892\alpha \\ -0.1108 - 3.5568\alpha \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.4018 \\ -0.1634 \end{bmatrix}.$$



3: Polak and Ribiere Method.

We know that the difference between *Fletcher Reeves Method* and *Polak and Ribiere Method* the value of β_k .

$$\therefore \beta_0 = \frac{g_1^T (g_1 - g_0)}{g_0^T g_0}.$$

$$\therefore g_1 - g_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.8892 \\ -0.4432 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1.1108 \\ -4.4432 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$\begin{aligned} g_1^T (g_1 - g_0) &= [0.8892, -0.4432] \begin{bmatrix} -1.1108 \\ -4.4432 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= (0.8892)(-1.1108) + (-0.4432)(-4.4432) \\ &= -0.98772336 + 1.96922624 = 0.9815. \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \beta_0 = \frac{g_1^T (g_1 - g_0)}{g_0^T g_0} = \frac{0.9815}{20} = 0.0491.$$

$$\therefore p_1 = -g_1 + \beta_0 p_0 = \begin{bmatrix} -0.8892 \\ 0.4432 \end{bmatrix} + 0.0491 \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -0.9874 \\ 0.2468 \end{bmatrix}.$$



$$\therefore X_2 = X_1 + \alpha p_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.4446 \\ -0.1108 \end{bmatrix} + \alpha \begin{bmatrix} -0.9874 \\ 0.2468 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.4446 - 0.9874\alpha \\ -0.1108 + 0.2468\alpha \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore f(X_2) = (0.4446 - 0.9874\alpha)^2 + 2(-0.1108 + 0.2468\alpha)^2$$

$$\frac{df}{d\alpha} =$$

$$\begin{aligned} & 2(0.4446 - 0.9874\alpha)(-0.9874) + 4(-0.1108 + 0.2468\alpha)(0.2468\alpha) \\ & = -0.87799608 + 1.94991752\alpha - 0.10938176 + 0.24364096\alpha \\ & = -0.98737784 + 2.19355848\alpha. \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Set } \frac{df}{d\alpha} = 0 \rightarrow \alpha = 0.4501.$$

Since $\frac{d^2f(X_1)}{d\alpha^2} > 0 \rightarrow \alpha = 0.4501$ is a minimizer of $f(X_2)$.

$$\therefore X_2 = X_1 + \alpha p_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.4446 \\ -0.1108 \end{bmatrix} + 0.4501 \begin{bmatrix} -0.9874 \\ 0.2468 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.00017 \\ 0.00028 \end{bmatrix}.$$



H.W.:

Given the objective *function*

$$f(X) = 4x_1^2 + 3x_2^2 - 5x_1x_2 - 8x_1 .$$

Compute the first two iterations for

1: *Fletcher Reeves Method.*

2: *Dixon Method.*

3: *Polak and Ribiere Method.*

Using the initial point $X_0 = [0, 0]^T$.

