

# Trust Region Method

Lectures for PHD course on  
Unconstrained Numerical Optimization

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- Newton and quasi-Newton methods approximate a solution iteratively by choosing at each step a search direction and minimize in this direction.
- An alternative approach is to find a direction and a step-length, then if the step is successful in some sense the step is accepted. Otherwise another direction and step-length is chosen.
- The choice of the step-length and direction is algorithm dependent but a successful approach is the one based on trust region.

- Newton and quasi-Newton at each step (approximately) solve the minimization problem

$$\arg \min_{\mathbf{s}} m_k(\mathbf{s})$$

$$m_k(\mathbf{s}) = f(\mathbf{x}_k) + \nabla f(\mathbf{x}_k)\mathbf{s} + \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{s}^T \mathbf{H}_k \mathbf{s}$$

in the case  $\mathbf{H}_k$  is symmetric and positive definite (SPD).

- If  $\mathbf{H}_k$  is SPD the minimum is

$$\mathbf{s} = -\mathbf{H}_k^{-1} \mathbf{g}_k, \quad \mathbf{g}_k = \nabla f(\mathbf{x}_k)^T$$

and  $\mathbf{s}$  is the quasi-Newton step.

- If  $\mathbf{H}_k = \nabla^2 f(\mathbf{x}_k)$  and is SPD, then  $\mathbf{s} = -\nabla^2 f(\mathbf{x}_k)^{-1} \nabla f(\mathbf{x}_k)^T$  is the Newton step.

- If  $\mathbf{H}_k$  is not positive definite, the search direction  $-\mathbf{H}_k^{-1}\mathbf{g}_k$  may fail to be a descent direction and the previous minimization problem can have no solution.
- The problem is that the model  $m_k(\mathbf{s})$  is an approximation of  $f(\mathbf{x})$

$$m_k(\mathbf{s}) \approx f(\mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{s})$$

and this approximation is valid only in a small neighbors of  $\mathbf{x}_k$ .

- So that an alternative minimization problem is the following

$$\arg \min_{\mathbf{s}} m_k(\mathbf{s}) \quad \text{subject to } \|\mathbf{s}\| \leq \Delta_k$$

$\Delta_k$  is the radius of the trust region of the model  $m_k(\mathbf{s})$ , i.e. the region where we trust the model is valid.



## Algorithm (Generic trust region algorithm)

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x assigned;  $\Delta$  assigned;  
while  $\|\nabla f(\mathbf{x})\| > \epsilon$  do  
  — setup the model  
   $m(\mathbf{s}) = f(\mathbf{x}) + \nabla f(\mathbf{x})\mathbf{s} + \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{s}^T \mathbf{H} \mathbf{s};$   
  — compute the step  
   $\mathbf{s} \leftarrow \arg \min_{\|\mathbf{s}\| \leq \Delta} m(\mathbf{s});$   
   $\mathbf{x}_{new} \leftarrow \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{s};$   
  — check the reduction  
  if is  $\mathbf{x}_{new}$  acceptable? then  
     $\mathbf{x} \leftarrow \mathbf{x}_{new};$   
    update  $\Delta$ ;  
  else  
    reduce  $\Delta$ ;  
  end if  
end while
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# When accept the step?

- The point  $\mathbf{x}_{new}$  in the previous algorithm can be accepted or rejected. The acceptance criterium can be the Armijo criterium of sufficient decrease

$$f(\mathbf{x}_{new}) \leq f(\mathbf{x}) + \beta_0 \nabla f(\mathbf{x})(\mathbf{x}_{new} - \mathbf{x})$$

where  $\beta_0 \in (0, 1)$  is a small constant (typically  $10^{-4}$ ).

- Alternatively compute the expected and actual reduction with the ratio  $\rho$ :

$$p_{red} = m(\mathbf{0}) - m(\mathbf{s}), \quad a_{red} = f(\mathbf{x}) - f(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{s}),$$

$$\rho = a_{red}/p_{red}$$

If the ratio  $\rho$  is near 1 the match of the model with the real function is good. We accept the step if  $\rho > \beta_1$  where  $\beta_1 \in (0, 1)$  normally  $\beta_1 \approx 0.1$ .

# If the step is rejected how to reduce the trust radius ?

- We construct the parabola  $p(t)$  such that ( $\mathbf{s} = \mathbf{x}_{new} - \mathbf{x}$ )

$$p(0) = f(\mathbf{x}), \quad p'(0) = \nabla f(\mathbf{x})\mathbf{s}, \quad p(\Delta) = f(\mathbf{x}_{new}),$$

the solution is

$$p(t) = f(\mathbf{x}) + (\nabla f(\mathbf{x})\mathbf{s})t + Ct^2$$

$$C = \frac{f(\mathbf{x}_{new}) - f(\mathbf{x}) - (\nabla f(\mathbf{x})\mathbf{s})\Delta}{\Delta^2}$$

- The new radius is on the minimum of the parabola:

$$\Delta_{new} = -\frac{(\nabla f(\mathbf{x})\mathbf{s})}{2C} = \frac{\Delta^2(\nabla f(\mathbf{x})\mathbf{s})}{2[f(\mathbf{x}) + (\nabla f(\mathbf{x})\mathbf{s})\Delta - f(\mathbf{x}_{new})]}$$

- A safety interval is normally assumed; if the new radius is outside  $[\Delta/10, \Delta/2]$  then it is put again in this interval.



# If the step is accepted how to modify the trust radius ?

- Compute the expected and actual reduction

$$p_{red} = m(\mathbf{0}) - m(\mathbf{s})$$

$$a_{red} = f(\mathbf{x}) - f(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{s})$$

- Compute the ratio of expected and actual reduction

$$\rho = \frac{a_{red}}{p_{red}}$$

- Compute the new radius

$$\Delta_{new} = \begin{cases} \max\{2\|\mathbf{s}\|, \Delta\} & \text{if } \rho \geq \beta_2 \\ \Delta & \text{if } \rho \in (\beta_1, \beta_2) \\ \|\mathbf{s}\| / \Delta & \text{if } \rho \leq \beta_1 \end{cases}$$



## Algorithm (Check reduction algorithm)

*CheckReduction*( $\mathbf{x}$ ,  $\mathbf{s}$ ,  $\Delta$ );

$$\mathbf{x}_{new} \leftarrow \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{s}$$

$$\alpha \leftarrow \nabla f(\mathbf{x})\mathbf{s}$$

$$a_{red} \leftarrow f(\mathbf{x}) - f(\mathbf{x}_{new})$$

$$p_{red} \leftarrow -\alpha - \mathbf{s}^T \mathbf{H} \mathbf{s} / 2$$

$$\rho \leftarrow a_{red} / p_{red}$$

$$r_{new} \leftarrow \begin{cases} \max\{2 \|\mathbf{s}\|, r\} & \text{if } \rho \geq \beta_2 \\ r & \text{if } \rho \in (\beta_1, \beta_2) \\ \|\mathbf{s}\| / 2 & \text{if } \rho \leq \beta_1 \end{cases}$$

**if**  $\rho < \beta_1$  **then**

— *reject the step*

$$\mathbf{x}_{new} \leftarrow \mathbf{x}$$

**end if**

## Lemma

Consider the following constrained quadratic problem where  $\mathbf{H} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  *symmetric and positive definite*.

$$\text{Minimize} \quad f(\mathbf{s}) = f_0 + \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{s} + \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{s}^T \mathbf{H} \mathbf{s},$$

$$\text{Subject to} \quad \|\mathbf{s}\| \leq \Delta$$

Then the following curve

$$\mathbf{s}(\mu) \doteq -(\mathbf{H} + \mu \mathbf{I})^{-1} \mathbf{g},$$

for any  $\mu \geq 0$  defines a descent direction for  $f(\mathbf{s})$ . Moreover

- there exists a unique  $\mu_*$  such that  $\|\mathbf{s}(\mu_*)\| = \Delta$  and  $\mathbf{s}(\mu_*)$  is the solution of the constrained problem;
- or  $\|\mathbf{s}(0)\| < \Delta$  and  $\mathbf{s}(0)$  is the solution of the constrained problem.

## Proof.

(1/2).

If  $\|s(0)\| \leq \Delta$  then  $s(0)$  is the global minimum of  $f(s)$  which is inside the trust region. Otherwise consider the Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L}(s, \mu) = f_0 + \mathbf{g}^T s + \frac{1}{2} s^T \mathbf{H} s + \frac{1}{2} \mu (s^T s - \Delta^2),$$

Then we have

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial s}(s, \mu) = \mathbf{H} s + \mu s + \mathbf{g} = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad s = -(\mathbf{H} + \mu \mathbf{I})^{-1} \mathbf{g}$$

and  $s^T s = \Delta^2$ . Remember that if  $\mathbf{H}$  is SPD then  $\mathbf{H} + \mu \mathbf{I}$  is SPD for all  $\mu \geq 0$ . Moreover the inverse of an SPD matrix is SPD. From

$$\mathbf{g}^T s = -\mathbf{g}^T (\mathbf{H} + \mu \mathbf{I})^{-1} \mathbf{g} < 0 \quad \text{for all } \mu \geq 0$$

follows that  $s(\mu)$  is a descent direction for all  $\mu \geq 0$ .



## Proof.

(2/2).

To prove the uniqueness expand the gradient  $\mathbf{g}$  with the eigenvectors of  $\mathbf{H}$

$$\mathbf{g} = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i \mathbf{u}_i$$

$\mathbf{H}$  is SPD so that  $\mathbf{u}_i$  can be chosen orthonormal. It follows

$$(\mathbf{H} + \mu \mathbf{I})^{-1} \mathbf{g} = (\mathbf{H} + \mu \mathbf{I})^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i \mathbf{u}_i = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\alpha_i}{\lambda_i + \mu} \mathbf{u}_i$$

$$\|(\mathbf{H} + \mu \mathbf{I})^{-1} \mathbf{g}\|^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\alpha_i^2}{(\lambda_i + \mu)^2}$$

and  $\|(\mathbf{H} + \mu \mathbf{I})^{-1} \mathbf{g}\|$  is a monotonically decreasing function of  $\mu$ . □



## Remark

*As a consequence of the previous Lemma we have:*

- as the radius of the trust region becomes smaller as the scalar  $\mu$  becomes larger. This means that the search direction become more and more oriented toward the gradient direction.*
- as the radius of the trust region becomes larger as the scalar  $\mu$  becomes smaller. This means that the search direction become more and more oriented toward the Newton direction.*

*Thus a trust region technique not only change the size of the step-length but also its direction. This results in a more robust numerical technique. The price to pay is that the solution of the minimization is more costly than the inexact line search.*

but what happen when  $\mathbf{H}$  is not positive definite ?

## Lemma

Consider the following constrained quadratic problem where  $\mathbf{H} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is *symmetric* with  $\lambda_1 \leq \lambda_2 \leq \dots \leq \lambda_n$  its eigenvalues.

$$\arg \min_{\|\mathbf{s}\| \leq \Delta} f(\mathbf{s}), \quad f(\mathbf{s}) = f_0 + \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{s} + \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{s}^T \mathbf{H} \mathbf{s},$$

Then the following curve

$$\mathbf{s}(\mu) \doteq -(\mathbf{H} + \mu \mathbf{I})^{-1} \mathbf{g},$$

for any  $\mu > -\lambda_1$  defines a descent direction for  $f(\mathbf{s})$  and  $\mathbf{H} + \mu \mathbf{I}$  is positive definite. Moreover

- or  $\|\mathbf{s}(0)\| < \Delta$  with  $\mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{s}(0) < 0$  and  $\mathbf{s}(0)$  is a *local minima* of the problem;
- or there exists a  $\mu_* > -\lambda_n$  such that  $\|\mathbf{s}(\mu_*)\| = \Delta$  and  $\mathbf{s}(\mu_*)$  is a *local minima* of the problem;

Proof.

(1/6).

Consider the Lagrangian

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{s}, \mu, \epsilon) = & f_0 + \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{s} + \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{s}^T \mathbf{H} \mathbf{s} \\ & + \frac{1}{2} \mu (\mathbf{s}^T \mathbf{s} + \epsilon^2 - \Delta^2) + \omega (\mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{s} + \delta^2), \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\mathbf{s}^T \mathbf{s} + \epsilon^2 - \Delta^2$$

is the constraint  $\|\mathbf{s}\| \leq \Delta$  on the length of the step and

$$\mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{s} + \delta^2$$

is the constraint  $\mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{s} \leq 0$  on the step that must be descent



Proof.

(2/6).

Then we must solve the nonlinear system:

$$\partial_{\mathbf{s}}\mathcal{L}(\mathbf{s}, \mu, \omega, \epsilon, \delta) = \mathbf{H}\mathbf{s} + \mu\mathbf{s} + (1 + \omega)\mathbf{g} = 0$$

$$2\partial_{\mu}\mathcal{L}(\mathbf{s}, \mu, \omega, \epsilon, \delta) = \mathbf{s}^T\mathbf{s} + \epsilon^2 - \Delta^2 = 0$$

$$\partial_{\omega}\mathcal{L}(\mathbf{s}, \mu, \omega, \epsilon, \delta) = \mathbf{g}^T\mathbf{s} + \delta^2 = 0$$

$$\partial_{\epsilon}\mathcal{L}(\mathbf{s}, \mu, \omega, \epsilon, \delta) = \mu\epsilon = 0$$

$$\partial_{\delta}\mathcal{L}(\mathbf{s}, \mu, \omega, \epsilon, \delta) = 2\delta\omega = 0$$

from the first equation we have:

$$\mathbf{s} = \frac{-1}{1 + \omega}(\mathbf{H} + \mu\mathbf{I})^{-1}\mathbf{g}$$

and if we want a descent direction  $\mathbf{g}^T\mathbf{s} < 0$  which imply  $\omega = 0$ .

Proof.

(3/6).

So that we must solve the reduced non linear system

$$\mathbf{s} = -(\mathbf{H} + \mu\mathbf{I})^{-1}\mathbf{g}$$

$$\mathbf{s}^T \mathbf{s} + \epsilon^2 - \Delta^2 = 0$$

$$\mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{s} = -\delta^2$$

$$\mu\epsilon = 0$$

combining the first and third equation we have

$$\mathbf{g}^T (\mathbf{H} + \mu\mathbf{I})^{-1} \mathbf{g} = \delta^2 \geq 0$$

## Proof.

(4/6).

If  $\epsilon \neq 0$  then we must have  $\mu = 0$  and

$$\|-\mathbf{H}^{-1}\mathbf{g}\| = \|\mathbf{s}\| \leq \Delta$$

with  $\mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{H}^{-1} \mathbf{g} \geq 0$ . If  $\epsilon = 0$  then we must have

$$\|-(\mathbf{H} + \mu\mathbf{I})^{-1}\mathbf{g}\| = \|\mathbf{s}\| = \Delta$$

with  $\mathbf{g}^T (\mathbf{H} + \mu\mathbf{I})^{-1} \mathbf{g} \geq 0$ . Expand  $\mathbf{g} = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i \mathbf{u}_i$  with an orthonormal base of eigenvectors of  $\mathbf{H}$  it follows

$$\|(\mathbf{H} + \mu\mathbf{I})^{-1}\mathbf{g}\| = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\alpha_i^2}{(\lambda_i + \mu)^2}$$

$$\mathbf{g}(\mathbf{H} + \mu\mathbf{I})^{-1}\mathbf{g} = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\alpha_i^2}{\lambda_i + \mu}$$

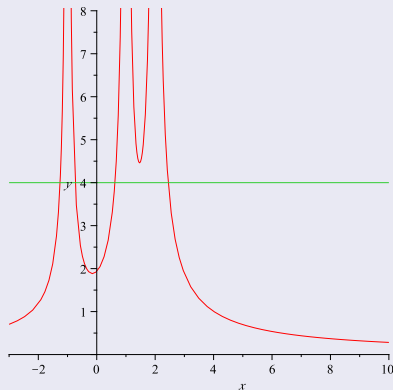


Proof.

(5/6).

$\|(\mathbf{H} + \mu\mathbf{I})^{-1}\mathbf{g}\|$  is a monotonically decreasing function of  $\mu$  for  $\mu > -\lambda_k$  where  $k$  is the first index such that  $\alpha_k \neq 0$ . For example

$$\|(\mathbf{H} + \mu\mathbf{I})^{-1}\mathbf{g}\| = (\mu + 1)^{-2} + 2(\mu - 1)^{-2} + 3(\mu - 2)^{-2}$$



Proof.

(6/6).

Thus, or

$$\|-\mathbf{H}^{-1}\mathbf{g}\| = \|\mathbf{s}\| \leq \Delta \text{ with } \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{H}^{-1} \mathbf{g} > 0.$$

or let be  $k$  the first index such that  $\alpha_k \neq 0$ , we can find a  $\mu > -\lambda_k$  such that

$$\|-(\mathbf{H} + \mu\mathbf{I})^{-1}\mathbf{g}\| = \sum_{i=k}^n \frac{\alpha_i^2}{(\lambda_i + \mu)^2} = \Delta$$

$$\mathbf{g}(\mathbf{H} + \mu\mathbf{I})^{-1}\mathbf{g} = \sum_{i=k}^n \frac{\alpha_i^2}{\lambda_i + \mu} > 0$$

□

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## Algorithm (Basic trust region algorithm)

$\mathbf{x}_0$  assigned;  $\Delta_0$  assigned;  $k \leftarrow 0$ ;

**while**  $\|\nabla f(\mathbf{x}_k)\| \neq 0$  **do**

$m_k(\mathbf{s}) = f(\mathbf{x}_k) + \nabla f(\mathbf{x}_k)\mathbf{s} + \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{s}^T \mathbf{H}_k \mathbf{s}$ ;   — *setup the model*

$\mathbf{s}_k \leftarrow \arg \min_{\|\mathbf{s}\| \leq \Delta_k} m_k(\mathbf{s})$ ;   — *compute the step*

$\mathbf{x}_{k+1} \leftarrow \mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{s}_k$ ;

$\rho_k \leftarrow (f(\mathbf{x}_k) - f(\mathbf{x}_{k+1})) / (m_k(0) - m_k(\mathbf{s}_k))$ ;

— *check the reduction*

**if**  $\rho_k > \beta_2$  **then**

$\Delta_{k+1} \leftarrow 2\Delta_k$ ;   — *very successful*

**else if**  $\rho_k > \beta_1$  **then**

$\Delta_{k+1} \leftarrow \Delta_k$ ;   — *successful*

**else**

$\Delta_{k+1} \leftarrow \Delta_k/2$ ;  $\mathbf{x}_{k+1} \leftarrow \mathbf{x}_k$ ;   — *failure*

**end if**

$k \leftarrow k + 1$ ;

**end while**



# Cauchy point

## Definition

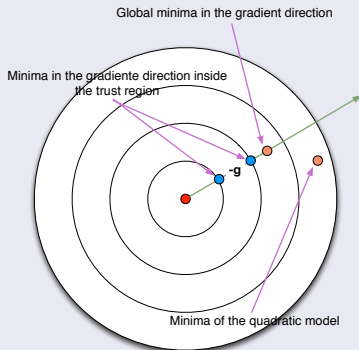
Consider the quadratic

$$m(\mathbf{s}) = f_0 + \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{s} + \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{s}^T \mathbf{H} \mathbf{s}$$

and the minimization problem

$$\mathbf{s}^c(\Delta) = \arg \min_{\mathbf{s} \in \{-t\mathbf{g} \mid t \geq 0, \|\mathbf{s}\| \leq \Delta\}} m(\mathbf{s})$$

The point  $\mathbf{s}^c(\Delta)$  is called  
Cauchy point or step.





# Estimate the length of the Cauchy step

## Lemma

For the Cauchy step the following characterization is valid:

$$s^c(\Delta) = -\tau(\Delta) \frac{\mathbf{g}}{\|\mathbf{g}\|}$$

$$\tau(\Delta) = \begin{cases} \Delta & \text{if } \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{H} \mathbf{g} \leq 0 \\ \min \left\{ \frac{\|\mathbf{g}\|^3}{\mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{H} \mathbf{g}}, \Delta \right\} & \text{if } \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{H} \mathbf{g} > 0 \end{cases}$$

Moreover

$$\tau(\Delta) \geq \min \left\{ \frac{\|\mathbf{g}\|}{\varrho(\mathbf{H})}, \Delta \right\}$$

where  $\varrho(\mathbf{H})$  is the spectral radius of  $\mathbf{H}$

## Proof.

Consider

$$h(t) = m(-t\mathbf{g}/\|\mathbf{g}\|) = f_0 - t\|\mathbf{g}\| + \frac{t^2}{2} \frac{\mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{H} \mathbf{g}}{\|\mathbf{g}\|^2}$$

$h(t)$  is a parabola in  $t$  and if  $\mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{H} \mathbf{g} \leq 0$  then the parabola decrease monotonically for  $t \geq 0$ . In this case the point is on the boundary of the trust region ( $t = \Delta$ ).

If  $\mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{H} \mathbf{g} > 0$  the parabola is decreasing until the global mimima at

$$t = \frac{\|\mathbf{g}\|^3}{\mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{H} \mathbf{g}}$$

Otherwise we separate the case if the minimum of the parabola is inside or outside the trust region. (cont.)

## Proof.

Consider an orthonormal base of eigenvectors for  $\mathbf{H}$  and write  $\mathbf{g}$  in this coordinate:

$$\mathbf{g} = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i \mathbf{u}_i$$

so that

$$\frac{\mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{H} \mathbf{g}}{\mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{g}} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i \alpha_i^2}{\sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i^2} \leq \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n |\lambda_i| \alpha_i^2}{\sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i^2} \leq \rho(\mathbf{H})$$

and finally

$$\frac{\|\mathbf{g}\|^3}{\mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{H} \mathbf{g}} = \|\mathbf{g}\| \frac{\mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{g}}{\mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{H} \mathbf{g}} \geq \frac{\|\mathbf{g}\|}{\rho(\mathbf{H})}$$



# Estimate the reduction obtained by the Cauchy step

In the convergence analysis is important to obtain estimation of the reduction of the function to be minimized.

A first step in this direction is the estimation of the reduction of the model quadratic function.

## Lemma

*Consider the quadratic*

$$m(\mathbf{s}) = f_0 + \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{s} + \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{s}^T \mathbf{H} \mathbf{s}$$

*then for the Cauchy step we have:*

$$m(\mathbf{0}) - m(\mathbf{s}^c(\Delta)) \geq \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{g}\| \min \left\{ \Delta, \frac{\|\mathbf{g}\|}{\varrho(\mathbf{H})} \right\}$$

## Proof.

Compute

$$m(\mathbf{0}) - m(\mathbf{s}^c(\Delta)) = \tau(\Delta) \|\mathbf{g}\| - \frac{\tau(\Delta)^2}{2 \|\mathbf{g}\|^2} \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{H} \mathbf{g}$$

If  $\mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{H} \mathbf{g} \leq 0$  for lemma on slide N.25 we have  $\tau(\Delta) = \Delta$ 

$$\begin{aligned} m(\mathbf{0}) - m(\mathbf{s}^c(\Delta)) &= \Delta \|\mathbf{g}\| - \frac{\Delta^2}{2 \|\mathbf{g}\|^2} \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{H} \mathbf{g} \\ &= \Delta \left( \|\mathbf{g}\| - \frac{\Delta \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{H} \mathbf{g}}{2 \|\mathbf{g}\|^2} \right) \\ &\geq \Delta \|\mathbf{g}\| \end{aligned}$$

(cont.)



## Proof.

If  $\mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{H} \mathbf{g} >$  we have

$$\tau(\Delta) = \min \left\{ \|\mathbf{g}\|^3 / (\mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{H} \mathbf{g}), \quad \Delta \right\}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} m(\mathbf{0}) - m(\mathbf{s}^c(\Delta)) &= \tau(\Delta) \left( \|\mathbf{g}\| - \frac{1}{2} \min \left\{ \|\mathbf{g}\|, \Delta \frac{\mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{H} \mathbf{g}}{\|\mathbf{g}\|^2} \right\} \right) \\ &\geq \tau(\Delta) \left( \|\mathbf{g}\| - \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{g}\| \right) \\ &\geq \tau(\Delta) \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{g}\| \end{aligned}$$

so that in general  $m(\mathbf{0}) - m(\mathbf{s}^c(\Delta)) \geq \tau(\Delta) \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{g}\|$ . □

- A successful step in trust region algorithm imply that the ratio

$$\rho_k = \frac{f(\mathbf{x}_k) - f(\mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{s}_k)}{m_k(\mathbf{0}) - m_k(\mathbf{s}_k)}$$

is greater than a constant  $\beta_1 > 0$ .

- Any reasonable step in a trust region algorithm should be no (asymptotically) worse than a Cauchy step. So we require

$$m_k(\mathbf{0}) - m_k(\mathbf{s}_k) \geq \eta [m_k(\mathbf{0}) - m_k(\mathbf{s}^c(\Delta_k))]$$

for a constant  $\eta > 0$ .

- Using lemma on slide N.28

$$\begin{aligned} f(\mathbf{x}_k) - f(\mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{s}_k) &= \rho_k(m_k(\mathbf{0}) - m_k(\mathbf{s}_k)) \\ &\geq \rho_k \eta [m_k(\mathbf{0}) - m_k(\mathbf{s}^c(\Delta_k))] \\ &\geq \frac{\eta \beta_1}{2} \|\nabla f(\mathbf{x}_k)\| \min \left\{ \Delta_k, \frac{\|\nabla f(\mathbf{x}_k)\|}{\varrho(\mathbf{H}_k)} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

- Thus any reasonable trust region numerical scheme satisfy

$$f(\mathbf{x}_k) - f(\mathbf{x}_{k+1}) \geq \frac{\eta\beta_1}{2} \|\nabla f(\mathbf{x}_k)\| \min \left\{ \Delta_k, \frac{\|\nabla f(\mathbf{x}_k)\|}{\rho(\mathbf{H}_k)} \right\}$$

for any successful step (for unsuccessful step  $\mathbf{x}_{k+1} = \mathbf{x}_k$ ).

- Let  $\mathcal{S}$  the index set of successful step, then

$$f(\mathbf{x}_0) - \lim_{k \in \mathcal{S}} f(\mathbf{x}_k) \geq \frac{\eta\beta_1}{2} \sum_{k \in \mathcal{S}} \|\nabla f(\mathbf{x}_k)\| \min \left\{ \Delta_k, \frac{\|\nabla f(\mathbf{x}_k)\|}{\rho(\mathbf{H}_k)} \right\}$$

thus we can use arguments similar to Zoutendijk theorem to prove convergence.

- To complete the argument we must set conditions that guarantees that  $\Delta_k \not\rightarrow 0$  as  $k \rightarrow \infty$  and that cardinality of  $\mathcal{S}$  is not finite.



# Technical assumption

The following assumptions permits to characterize a class of convergent trust region algorithm.

## Assumption

For any *successful* step in trust region algorithm, the ratio

$$\rho_k = \frac{f(\mathbf{x}_k) - f(\mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{s}_k)}{m_k(\mathbf{0}) - m_k(\mathbf{s}_k)}$$

is greater than a constant  $\beta_1 > 0$ .

## Assumption

For any step in trust region algorithm, the model reduction for a constant  $\eta > 0$  satisfy the inequality:

$$m_k(\mathbf{0}) - m_k(\mathbf{s}_k) \geq \eta [m_k(\mathbf{0}) - m_k(\mathbf{s}^c(\Delta_k))]$$



The following lemma permits to estimate the reduction ratio  $\rho_k$  and conclude that there exists a positive trust ray  $\Delta_k$  for which the step is accepted!.

## Lemma

Let be  $f \in C^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$  with Lipschitz continuous gradient

$$\|\nabla f(\mathbf{x}) - \nabla f(\mathbf{y})\| \leq \gamma \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}\|$$

and apply basic trust region algorithm of slide N.23 with assumption of slide N.33 then we have

$$\Delta_k \geq \frac{(1 - \beta_2)\eta \|\nabla f(\mathbf{x}_k)\|}{2(\varrho(\mathbf{H}_k) + \gamma)}$$

for any accepted step.



## Proof.

By using Taylor's theorem

$$f(\mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{s}_k) = f(\mathbf{x}_k) + \nabla f(\mathbf{x}_k) \mathbf{s}_k + \int_0^1 [\nabla f(\mathbf{x}_k + t\mathbf{s}_k) - \nabla f(\mathbf{x}_k)] \mathbf{s}_k dt$$

so that

$$m_k(\mathbf{s}_k) - f(\mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{s}_k) = (\mathbf{s}_k^T \mathbf{H}_k \mathbf{s}_k) / 2 - \int_0^1 [\nabla f(\mathbf{x}_k + t\mathbf{s}_k) - \nabla f(\mathbf{x}_k)] \mathbf{s}_k dt$$

and

$$|m_k(\mathbf{s}_k) - f(\mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{s}_k)| \leq \frac{\mathbf{s}_k^T \mathbf{H}_k \mathbf{s}_k}{2} + \frac{\gamma}{2} \|\mathbf{s}_k\|^2 \leq \frac{\rho(\mathbf{H}_k) + \gamma}{2} \|\mathbf{s}_k\|^2$$

(cont.)



## Proof.

using these inequalities we can estimate the ratio

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{f(\mathbf{x}_k) - f(\mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{s}_k)}{m_k(\mathbf{0}) - m_k(\mathbf{s}_k)} - 1 \right| &= \frac{|m_k(\mathbf{s}_k) - f(\mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{s}_k)|}{|m_k(\mathbf{0}) - m_k(\mathbf{s}_k)|} \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2\eta} \frac{(\varrho(\mathbf{H}_k) + \gamma) \|\mathbf{s}_k\|^2}{|m_k(\mathbf{0}) - m_k(\mathbf{s}^c(\Delta))|} \\ &\leq \frac{(\varrho(\mathbf{H}_k) + \gamma) \Delta^2}{\eta \|\nabla f(\mathbf{x}_k)\| \min \left\{ \Delta, \frac{\|\nabla f(\mathbf{x}_k)\|}{\varrho(\mathbf{H}_k)} \right\}} \end{aligned}$$

(cont.)



## Proof.

If  $\Delta \leq \|\nabla f(\mathbf{x}_k)\| / \varrho(\mathbf{H}_k)$  we obtain

$$|\rho_k - 1| \leq \frac{(\varrho(\mathbf{H}_k) + \gamma)\Delta}{\eta \|\nabla f(\mathbf{x}_k)\|}$$

so that when  $\Delta_k \leq \Delta$ :

$$\Delta = \frac{(1 - \beta_2)\eta \|\nabla f(\mathbf{x}_k)\|}{(\varrho(\mathbf{H}_k) + \gamma)}$$

than  $\rho_k \geq 1 - \beta_2$  and the step is accepted □

## Corollary

Apply basic trust region algorithm of slide N.23 with assumption of slide N.33 to  $f \in C^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$  with Lipschitz continuous gradient

$$\|\nabla f(\mathbf{x}) - \nabla f(\mathbf{y})\| \leq \gamma \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}\|$$

then we have

$$f(\mathbf{x}_0) - \lim_{k \in \mathcal{S}} f(\mathbf{x}_k) \geq \frac{\eta^2 \beta_1 (1 - \beta_2)}{4} \sum_{k \in \mathcal{S}} \frac{\|\nabla f(\mathbf{x}_k)\|^2}{\varrho(\mathbf{H}_k) + \gamma}$$

moreover if  $\varrho(\mathbf{H}_k) \leq C$  for all  $k$  we have

$$f(\mathbf{x}_0) - \lim_{k \in \mathcal{S}} f(\mathbf{x}_k) \geq \frac{\eta^2 \beta_1 (1 - \beta_2)}{4(C + \gamma)} \sum_{k \in \mathcal{S}} \|\nabla f(\mathbf{x}_k)\|^2$$



# Convergence theorem

## Theorem (Convergence to stationary points)

Apply basic trust region algorithm of slide N.23 with assumption of slide N.33 to  $f \in C^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$  with Lipschitz continuous gradient

$$\|\nabla f(\mathbf{x}) - \nabla f(\mathbf{y})\| \leq \gamma \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}\|$$

if the set

$$\mathcal{K} = \{\mathbf{x} \mid f(\mathbf{x}) \leq f(\mathbf{x}_0)\}$$

is compact and  $\rho(\mathbf{H}_k) \leq C$  for all  $k$  we have

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \nabla f(\mathbf{x}_k) = \mathbf{0}$$

Proof.

A trivial application of previous corollary. □



# Convergence theorem

## Theorem (Convergence to minima)

Apply basic trust region algorithm of slide N.23 with assumption of slide N.33 to  $f \in C^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . If  $\mathbf{H}_k = \nabla^2 f(\mathbf{x}_k)$  and the set

$$\mathcal{K} = \{\mathbf{x} \mid f(\mathbf{x}) \leq f(\mathbf{x}_0)\}$$

is compact then:

- 1 Or the iteration terminate at  $\mathbf{x}_k$  which satisfy second order necessary condition.
- 2 Or the limit point  $\mathbf{x}_* = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \mathbf{x}_k$  satisfy second order necessary condition.



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# Solving the constrained minimization problem

As for the line-search problem we have many alternative for solving the constrained minimization problem:

- We can solve **accurately** the constrained minimization problem. For example by an iterative method.
- We can **approximate** the solution of the constrained minimization problem.

as for the line search the accurate solution of the constrained minimization problem is not paying while a good cheap approximations is normally better performing.



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# The Newton approach

(1/7)

- Consider the Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L}(\mathbf{s}, \mu) = a + \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{s} + \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{s}^T \mathbf{H} \mathbf{s} + \frac{1}{2} \mu (\mathbf{s}^T \mathbf{s} - \Delta^2),$$

where  $a = f(\mathbf{x})$  and  $\mathbf{g} = \nabla f(\mathbf{x})^T$ .

- Then we can try to solve the nonlinear system

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial (\mathbf{s}, \mu)}(\mathbf{s}, \mu) = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{H} \mathbf{s} + \mu \mathbf{s} + \mathbf{g} \\ (\mathbf{s}^T \mathbf{s} - \Delta^2)/2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{0} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

- Using Newton method we have

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{s}_{k+1} \\ \mu_{k+1} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{s}_k \\ \mu_k \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{H} + \mu \mathbf{I} & \mathbf{s} \\ \mathbf{s}^T & 0 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{H} \mathbf{s}_k + \mu_k \mathbf{s}_k + \mathbf{g} \\ (\mathbf{s}_k^T \mathbf{s}_k - \Delta^2)/2 \end{pmatrix}$$



# The Newton approach

(2/7)

## Lemma

let be  $s(\mu)$  the solution of  $(\mathbf{H} + \mu\mathbf{I})s(\mu) = -\mathbf{g}$  than we have

$$s'(\mu) = -(\mathbf{H} + \mu\mathbf{I})^{-1}s(\mu) \quad \text{and} \quad s''(\mu) = 2(\mathbf{H} + \mu\mathbf{I})^{-2}s(\mu)$$

## Proof.

It enough to differentiate the relation

$$\mathbf{H}s(\mu) + \mu s(\mu) = \mathbf{g}$$

two times:

$$\mathbf{H}s'(\mu) + \mu s'(\mu) + s(\mu) = \mathbf{0}$$

$$\mathbf{H}s''(\mu) + \mu s''(\mu) + 2s'(\mu) = \mathbf{0}$$



# The Newton approach

(3/7)

- A better approach to compute  $\mu$  is given by solving  $\Phi(\mu) = 0$  where

$$\Phi(\mu) = \|\mathbf{s}(\mu)\| - \Delta, \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{s}(\mu) = -(\mathbf{H} + \mu\mathbf{I})^{-1}\mathbf{g}$$

- To build Newton method we need to evaluate

$$\Phi'(\mu) = \frac{\mathbf{s}(\mu)^T \mathbf{s}'(\mu)}{\|\mathbf{s}(\mu)\|}, \quad \mathbf{s}'(\mu) = -(\mathbf{H} + \mu\mathbf{I})^{-1}\mathbf{s}(\mu)$$

- Putting all in a Newton step we obtain

$$\mu_{k+1} = \mu_k + \frac{\Delta - \|\mathbf{s}(\mu_k)\|}{\mathbf{s}(\mu_k)^T \mathbf{s}'(\mu_k)} \|\mathbf{s}(\mu_k)\|$$



# The Newton approach

(4/7)

- Newton step can be reorganized as follows

$$\mathbf{a} = (\mathbf{H} + \mu_k \mathbf{I})^{-1} \mathbf{g}$$

$$\mathbf{b} = (\mathbf{H} + \mu_k \mathbf{I})^{-1} \mathbf{a}$$

$$\beta = \|\mathbf{a}\|$$

$$\mu_{k+1} = \mu_k + \beta \frac{\beta - \Delta}{\mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{b}}$$

- Thus Newton step require **two** linear system solution per step. However the coefficient matrix is the same so that only **one** *LU* factorization, thus the cost per step is essentially due to the *LU* factorization.



# The Newton approach

(5/7)

## Lemma

If  $\mathbf{H}$  is SPD for all  $\mu > 0$  we have:

$$\Phi'(\mu) < 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \Phi''(\mu) > 0$$

## Proof.

If  $\mu > 0$  then  $\mathbf{s}(\mu) \neq \mathbf{0}$ . Evaluating  $\Phi'(\mu)$  and using lemma of slide N.44 we have

$$\|\mathbf{s}(\mu)\| \Phi'(\mu) = \mathbf{s}(\mu)^T \mathbf{s}'(\mu) = -\mathbf{s}(\mu)^T (\mathbf{H} + \mu \mathbf{I})^{-1} \mathbf{s}(\mu) < 0$$

Evaluating  $\Phi''(\mu)$  and using lemma of slide N.44 we have

$$\Phi''(\mu) = \frac{\mathbf{s}'(\mu)^T \mathbf{s}'(\mu) + \mathbf{s}(\mu)^T \mathbf{s}''(\mu)}{\|\mathbf{s}(\mu)\|} - \frac{(\mathbf{s}(\mu)^T \mathbf{s}'(\mu))^2}{\|\mathbf{s}(\mu)\|^3}$$

(cont.)



## The Newton approach

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Proof.

Using Cauchy–Schwartz inequality

$$\begin{aligned}\Phi''(\mu) &\geq \frac{\mathbf{s}'(\mu)^T \mathbf{s}'(\mu) + \mathbf{s}(\mu)^T \mathbf{s}''(\mu)}{\|\mathbf{s}(\mu)\|} - \frac{\|\mathbf{s}(\mu)\|^2 \|\mathbf{s}'(\mu)\|^2}{\|\mathbf{s}(\mu)\|^3} \\ &= \frac{\mathbf{s}(\mu)^T \mathbf{s}''(\mu)}{\|\mathbf{s}(\mu)\|} \\ &= 2 \frac{\mathbf{s}(\mu)^T (\mathbf{H} + \mu \mathbf{I})^{-2} \mathbf{s}(\mu)}{\|\mathbf{s}(\mu)\|} > 0\end{aligned}$$

□

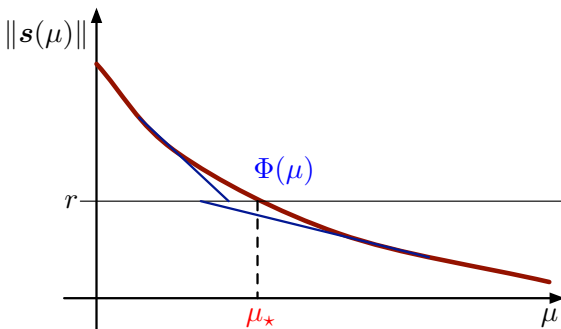




# The Newton approach

(7/7)

- From  $\Phi''(\mu) > 0$  we have that Newton is monotonically convergent and steps underestimates  $\mu$ .



- If we develop the vector  $\mathbf{g}$  with the orthonormal bases given by the eigenvectors of  $\mathbf{H}$  we have

$$\mathbf{g} = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i \mathbf{u}_i$$

- Using this expression to evaluate  $\mathbf{s}(\mu)$  we have

$$\mathbf{s}(\mu) = -(\mathbf{H} + \mu\mathbf{I})^{-1}\mathbf{g} = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\alpha_i}{\mu + \lambda_i} \mathbf{u}_i$$

$$\|\mathbf{s}(\mu)\| = \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\alpha_i^2}{(\mu + \lambda_i)^2} \right)^{1/2}$$

- This expression suggest to use as a model for  $\Phi(\mu)$  the following expression

$$m_k(\mu) = \frac{\alpha_k}{\beta_k + \mu} - \Delta$$

- The model consists of **two** parameter  $\alpha_k$  and  $\beta_k$ . To set this parameter we can impose

$$m_k(\mu_k) = \frac{\alpha_k}{\beta_k + \mu_k} - \Delta = \Phi(\mu_k)$$

$$m'_k(\mu_k) = -\frac{\alpha_k}{(\beta_k + \mu_k)^2} = \Phi'(\mu_k)$$

- solving for  $\alpha_k$  and  $\beta_k$  we have

$$\alpha_k = -\frac{(\Phi(\mu_k) + \Delta)^2}{\Phi'(\mu_k)} \quad \beta_k = -\frac{\Phi(\mu_k) + \Delta}{\Phi'(\mu_k)} - \mu_k$$

where

$$\Phi(\mu_k) = \|\mathbf{s}(\mu_k)\| - \Delta \quad \Phi'(\mu_k) = -\frac{\mathbf{s}(\mu_k)^T (\mathbf{H} + \mu_k \mathbf{I})^{-1} \mathbf{s}(\mu_k)}{\|\mathbf{s}(\mu_k)\|^2}$$

- Having  $\alpha_k$  and  $\beta_k$  it is possible to solve  $m_k(\mu) = 0$  obtaining

$$\mu_{k+1} = \frac{\alpha_k}{\Delta} - \beta_k$$

- Substituting  $\alpha_k$  and  $\beta_k$  the step become

$$\mu_{k+1} = \mu_k - \frac{\Phi(\mu_k)}{\Phi'(\mu_k)} - \frac{\Phi(\mu_k)^2}{\Phi'(\mu_k)\Delta} = \mu_k - \frac{\Phi(\mu_k)}{\Phi'(\mu_k)} \left( 1 + \frac{\Phi(\mu_k)}{\Delta} \right)$$

- Comparing with the Newton step

$$\mu_{k+1} = \mu_k - \frac{\Phi(\mu_k)}{\Phi'(\mu_k)}$$

we see that this method perform larger step by a factor  $1 + \Phi(\mu_k)\Delta^{-1}$ .

- Notice that  $1 + \Phi(\mu_k)\Delta^{-1}$  converge to 1 as  $\mu_k \rightarrow \mu_*$ . So that this iteration become the Newton iteration as  $\mu_k$  becomes near the solution.



## Algorithm (Exact trust region algorithm)

*exact\_trust\_region*( $\Delta, \mathbf{g}, \mathbf{H}$ )

$\mu \leftarrow 0;$

$\mathbf{s} \leftarrow \mathbf{H}^{-1}\mathbf{g};$

**while**  $\| \|\mathbf{s}\| - \Delta \| > \epsilon$  and  $\mu \geq 0$  **do**

— *compute the model*

$\mathbf{s}' \leftarrow -(\mathbf{H} + \mu\mathbf{I})^{-1}\mathbf{s};$

$\Phi \leftarrow \|\mathbf{s}\| - \Delta;$

$\Phi' \leftarrow (\mathbf{s}^T \mathbf{s}') / \|\mathbf{s}\|$

— *update  $\mu$  and  $\mathbf{s}$*

$\mu \leftarrow \mu - \frac{\Phi}{\Phi'} \frac{\|\mathbf{s}\|}{\Delta};$

$\mathbf{s} \leftarrow -(\mathbf{H} + \mu\mathbf{I})^{-1}\mathbf{g};$

**end while**

**if**  $\mu < 0$  **then**

$\mathbf{s} \leftarrow -\mathbf{H}^{-1}\mathbf{g};$

**end if**

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# The DogLeg approach

(1/3)

- The computation of the  $\mu$  such that  $\|s(\mu)\| = \Delta$  of the **exact** trust region computation can be very expensive.
- An alternative was proposed by Powell:



M.J.D. Powell

A hybrid method for nonlinear equations  
in: Numerical Methods for Nonlinear Algebraic Equations  
ed. Ph. Rabinowitz, Gordon and Breach, pages 87-114,  
1970.

where instead of computing exactly the curve  $s(\mu)$  a piecewise linear approximation  $s_{dl}(\mu)$  is used in computation.

- This approximation also permits to solve  $\|s_{dl}(\mu)\| = \Delta$  explicitly.

# The DogLeg approach

(2/3)

- Form the definition of  $s(\mu) = -(\mathbf{H} + \mu\mathbf{I})^{-1}\mathbf{g}$  and the relation  $s'(\mu) = (\mathbf{H} + \mu\mathbf{I})^{-2}\mathbf{g}$  it follows

$$s(0) = -\mathbf{H}^{-1}\mathbf{g}, \quad \lim_{\mu \rightarrow \infty} \mu^2 s'(\mu) = -\mathbf{g}$$

i.e. the curve start from the Newton step and reduce to zero in the direction opposite to the gradient step.

- The direction  $-\mathbf{g}$  is a descent direction, so that a first piece of the piecewise approximation should be a straight line from  $\mathbf{x}$  to the minimum of  $m_k(-\lambda\mathbf{g})$ . The minimum  $\lambda_*$  is found at

$$\lambda_* = \frac{\|\mathbf{g}\|^2}{\mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{H} \mathbf{g}}$$

- Having reached the minimum if the  $-\mathbf{g}$  direction we can now go to the point  $\mathbf{x} + s(0) = \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{H}^{-1}\mathbf{g}$  with another straight line.





# The DogLeg approach

(3/3)

- We denote by

$$\mathbf{s}_g = -\mathbf{g} \frac{\|\mathbf{g}\|^2}{\mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{H} \mathbf{g}}, \quad \mathbf{s}_n = -\mathbf{H}^{-1} \mathbf{g}$$

respectively the step due to the unconstrained minimization in the gradient direction and in the Newton direction.

- The piecewise linear curve connecting  $\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{s}_n$ ,  $\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{s}_g$  and  $\mathbf{x}$  is the **DogLeg** curve<sup>1</sup>  $\mathbf{x}_{dl}(\mu) = \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{s}_{dl}(\mu)$  where

$$\mathbf{s}_{dl}(\mu) = \begin{cases} \mu \mathbf{s}_g + (1 - \mu) \mathbf{s}_n & \text{for } \mu \in [0, 1] \\ (2 - \mu) \mathbf{s}_g & \text{for } \mu \in [1, 2] \end{cases}$$

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<sup>1</sup>notice that  $\mathbf{s}(\mu)$  is parametrized in the interval  $[0, \infty]$  while  $\mathbf{s}_{dl}(\mu)$  is parametrized in the interval  $[0, 2]$

## Lemma (Kantorovich)

Let  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  an SPD matrix then the following inequality is valid

$$1 \leq \frac{(\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x})(\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{A}^{-1} \mathbf{x})}{(\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x})^2} \leq \frac{(M + m)^2}{4 M m}$$

for all  $\mathbf{x} \neq \mathbf{0}$ . Where  $m = \lambda_1$  is the smallest eigenvalue of  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $M = \lambda_n$  is the biggest eigenvalue of  $\mathbf{A}$ .

this lemma can be improved a little bit for the first inequality

## Lemma (Kantorovich (bis))

Let  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  an SPD matrix then the following inequality is valid

$$1 < \frac{(\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x})(\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{A}^{-1} \mathbf{x})}{(\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x})^2}$$

for all  $\mathbf{x} \neq \mathbf{0}$  and  $\mathbf{x}$  not an eigenvector of  $\mathbf{A}$ .

By using Kantorovich we can prove:

## Lemma

We denote by

$$s_g = -g \frac{\|g\|^2}{g^T H g}, \quad s_n = -H^{-1} g, \quad \gamma_* = \frac{\|s_g\|^2}{s_n^T s_g}$$

then  $\gamma_* \leq 1$ , moreover if  $s_n$  is not parallel to  $s_g$  then  $\gamma_* < 1$ .

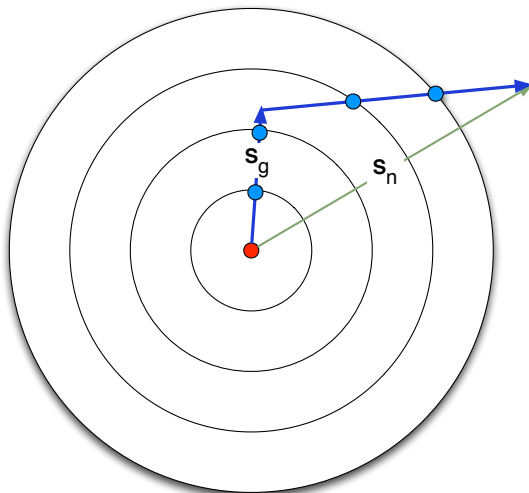
## Proof.

Using

$$s_n^T s_g = \|g\|^2 \frac{g^T H^{-1} g}{g^T H g} \quad \text{and} \quad s_g^2 = \frac{\|g\|^6}{(g^T H g)^2}$$

we have  $\gamma_* = \|g\|^4 / [(g^T H g)(g^T H^{-1} g)]$  and using Kantorovich inequality the lemma is proved. □

## the Dogleg piecewise curve



## Lemma

Consider the *dogleg* curve connecting  $\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{s}_n$ ,  $\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{s}_g$  and  $\mathbf{x}$ . The curve can be expressed as  $\mathbf{x}_{dl}(\mu) = \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{s}_{dl}(\mu)$  where

$$\mathbf{s}_{dl}(\mu) = \begin{cases} \mu \mathbf{s}_g + (1 - \mu) \mathbf{s}_n & \text{for } \mu \in [0, 1] \\ (2 - \mu) \mathbf{s}_g & \text{for } \mu \in [1, 2] \end{cases}$$

for this curve if  $\mathbf{s}_g$  is not parallel to  $\mathbf{s}_n$  we have that the function

$$d(\mu) = \|\mathbf{x}_{dl}(\mu) - \mathbf{x}\| = \|\mathbf{s}_{dl}(\mu)\|$$

is strictly monotone decreasing, moreover the direction  $\mathbf{s}_{dl}(\mu)$  is a descent direction for all  $\mu \in [0, 2]$ .

Proof.

(1/4).

In order to have a unique solution to the problem  $\|\mathbf{s}_{dl}(\mu)\| = \Delta$  we must have that  $\|\mathbf{s}_{dl}(\mu)\|$  is a monotone decreasing function:

$$\|\mathbf{s}_{dl}(\mu)\|^2 = \begin{cases} \mu^2 \mathbf{s}_g^2 + (1 - \mu)^2 \mathbf{s}_n^2 + 2\mu(1 - \mu) \mathbf{s}_g^T \mathbf{s}_n & \mu \in [0, 1] \\ (2 - \mu)^2 \mathbf{s}_g^2 & \mu \in [1, 2] \end{cases}$$

To check monotonicity we take first derivative

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{d}{d\mu} \|\mathbf{s}_{dl}(\mu)\|^2 \\ &= \begin{cases} 2\mu \mathbf{s}_g^2 - 2(1 - \mu) \mathbf{s}_n^2 + (2 - 4\mu) \mathbf{s}_g^T \mathbf{s}_n & \mu \in [0, 1] \\ (2\mu - 4) \mathbf{s}_g^2 & \mu \in [1, 2] \end{cases} \\ &= \begin{cases} 2\mu(\mathbf{s}_g^2 + \mathbf{s}_n^2 - 2\mathbf{s}_g^T \mathbf{s}_n) - 2\mathbf{s}_n^2 + 2\mathbf{s}_g^T \mathbf{s}_n & \mu \in [0, 1] \\ (2\mu - 4) \mathbf{s}_g^2 & \mu \in [1, 2] \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$



Proof.

(2/4).

Notice that  $(2\mu - 4) < 0$  for  $\mu \in [1, 2]$  so that we need only to check that

$$2\mu(\mathbf{s}_g^2 + \mathbf{s}_n^2 - 2\mathbf{s}_g^T \mathbf{s}_n) - 2\mathbf{s}_n^2 + 2\mathbf{s}_g^T \mathbf{s}_n < 0 \quad \text{for } \mu \in [0, 1]$$

moreover

$$\mathbf{s}_g^2 + \mathbf{s}_n^2 - 2\mathbf{s}_g^T \mathbf{s}_n = \|\mathbf{s}_g - \mathbf{s}_n\|^2 \geq 0$$

Then it is enough to check the inequality for  $\mu = 1$

$$2(\mathbf{s}_g^2 + \mathbf{s}_n^2 - 2\mathbf{s}_g^T \mathbf{s}_n) - 2\mathbf{s}_n^2 + 2\mathbf{s}_g^T \mathbf{s}_n = 2\mathbf{s}_g^2 - 2\mathbf{s}_g^T \mathbf{s}_n$$

i.e. we must check  $\mathbf{s}_g^2 - \mathbf{s}_g^T \mathbf{s}_n < 0$ .

Proof.

(3/4).

By using

$$\gamma_* = \frac{\|\mathbf{s}_g\|^2}{\mathbf{s}_n^T \mathbf{s}_g} < 1$$

of the previous lemma

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{s}_g^2 - \mathbf{s}_g^T \mathbf{s}_n &= \|\mathbf{s}_g\|^2 \left( 1 - \frac{\mathbf{s}_n^T \mathbf{s}_g}{\|\mathbf{s}_g\|^2} \right) \\ &= \|\mathbf{s}_g\|^2 \left( 1 - \frac{1}{\gamma_*} \right) < 0 \end{aligned}$$





## Proof.

(4/4).

To prove that  $s_{dl}(\mu)$  is a descent direction it is enough to notice that

- for  $\mu \in [0, 1]$  the direction  $s_{dl}(\mu)$  is a convex combination of  $s_g$  and  $s_n$ .
- for  $\mu \in [1, 2)$  the direction  $s_{dl}(\mu)$  is parallel to  $s_g$ .

so that it is enough to verify that  $s_g$  and  $s_n$  are descent directions. For  $s_g$  we have

$$s_g^T g = -\lambda_* g^T g < 0$$

For  $s_n$  we have

$$s_n^T g = -g^T H^{-1} g < 0$$



Using the previous Lemma we can prove

### Lemma

*If  $\|s_{dl}(0)\| \geq \Delta$  then there is unique point  $\mu \in [0, 2]$  such that  $\|s_{dl}(\mu)\| = \Delta$ .*

### Proof.

It is enough to notice that  $s_{dl}(2) = \mathbf{0}$  and that  $\|s_{dl}(\mu)\|$  is strictly monotonically descendent.  $\square$

The approximate solution of the constrained minimization can be obtained by this simple algorithm

- 1 if  $\Delta \leq \|s_g\|$  we set  $s_{dl} = \Delta s_g / \|s_g\|$ ;
- 2 if  $\Delta \leq \|s_n\|$  we set  $s_{dl} = \alpha s_g + (1 - \alpha) s_n$ ; where  $\alpha$  is the root in the interval  $[0, 1]$  of:

$$\alpha^2 \|s_g\|^2 + (1 - \alpha)^2 \|s_n\|^2 + 2\alpha(1 - \alpha) s_g^T s_n = \Delta^2$$

- 3 if  $\Delta > \|s_n\|$  we set  $s_{dl} = s_n$ ;

## Solving

$$\alpha^2 \|\mathbf{s}_g\|^2 + (1 - \alpha)^2 \|\mathbf{s}_n\|^2 + 2\alpha(1 - \alpha)\mathbf{s}_g^T \mathbf{s}_n = \Delta^2$$

we have that if  $\|\mathbf{s}_g\| \leq \Delta \leq \|\mathbf{s}_n\|$  the root in  $[0, 1]$  is given by:

$$\Delta = \|\mathbf{s}_g\|^2 + \|\mathbf{s}_n\|^2 - 2\mathbf{s}_g^T \mathbf{s}_n = \|\mathbf{s}_g - \mathbf{s}_n\|^2$$

$$\alpha = \frac{\|\mathbf{s}_n\|^2 - \mathbf{s}_g^T \mathbf{s}_n - \sqrt{(\mathbf{s}_g^T \mathbf{s}_n)^2 - \|\mathbf{s}_g\|^2 \|\mathbf{s}_n\|^2 + \Delta^2 \Delta}}{\Delta}$$

to avoid cancellation the computation formula is the following

$$\alpha = \frac{1}{\Delta} \frac{\|\mathbf{s}_n\|^4 - 2\mathbf{s}_g^T \mathbf{s}_n \|\mathbf{s}_n\|^2 + \|\mathbf{s}_g\|^2 \|\mathbf{s}_n\|^2 - \Delta^2 \Delta}{\|\mathbf{s}_n\|^2 - \mathbf{s}_g^T \mathbf{s}_n + \sqrt{(\mathbf{s}_g^T \mathbf{s}_n)^2 - \|\mathbf{s}_g\|^2 \|\mathbf{s}_n\|^2 + \Delta^2 \Delta}}$$

$$= \frac{\|\mathbf{s}_n\|^2 - \Delta^2}{\|\mathbf{s}_n\|^2 - \mathbf{s}_g^T \mathbf{s}_n + \sqrt{(\mathbf{s}_g^T \mathbf{s}_n)^2 - \|\mathbf{s}_g\|^2 \|\mathbf{s}_n\|^2 + \Delta^2} \|\mathbf{s}_g - \mathbf{s}_n\|^2}$$



## Algorithm (Computing DogLeg step)

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DoglegStep( $\mathbf{s}_g$ ,  $\mathbf{s}_n$ ,  $\Delta$ );
if  $\Delta \leq \|\mathbf{s}_g\|$  then
     $\mathbf{s} \leftarrow \Delta \frac{\mathbf{s}_g}{\|\mathbf{s}_g\|}$ ;
else if  $\Delta \geq \|\mathbf{s}_n\|$  then
     $\mathbf{s} \leftarrow \mathbf{s}_n$ ;
else
     $a \leftarrow \|\mathbf{s}_g\|^2$ ;
     $b \leftarrow \|\mathbf{s}_n\|^2$ ;
     $c \leftarrow \|\mathbf{s}_g - \mathbf{s}_n\|^2$ ;
     $d \leftarrow (a + b - c)/2$ ;
     $\alpha \leftarrow \frac{b - \Delta^2}{b - d + \sqrt{d^2 - ab + \Delta^2 c}}$ ;
     $\mathbf{s} \leftarrow \alpha \mathbf{s}_g + (1 - \alpha) \mathbf{s}_n$ ;
end if
return  $\mathbf{s}$ ;

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# The Double DogLeg approach

- We denote by

$$\mathbf{s}_g = -\mathbf{g} \frac{\|\mathbf{g}\|^2}{\mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{H} \mathbf{g}}, \quad \mathbf{s}_n = -\mathbf{H}^{-1} \mathbf{g}, \quad \gamma_* = \frac{\|\mathbf{s}_g\|^2}{\mathbf{s}_g^T \mathbf{s}_n}$$

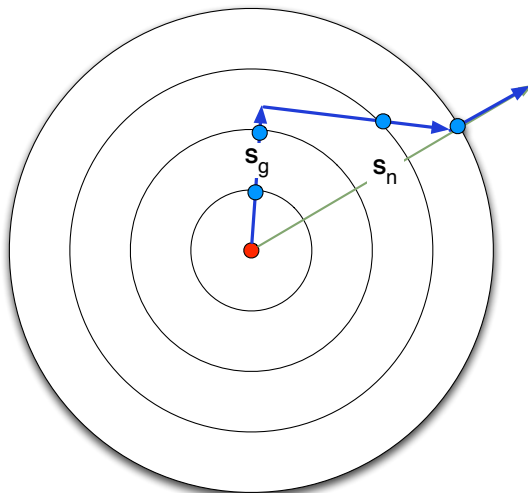
respectively the step due to the unconstrained minimization in the gradient direction and in the Newton direction.

- The piecewise linear curve connecting  $\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{s}_n$ ,  $\mathbf{x} + \gamma_* \mathbf{s}_n$ ,  $\mathbf{x} + \gamma_* \mathbf{s}_g$  and  $\mathbf{x}$  is the **Double Dogleg** curve  $\mathbf{x}_{ddl}(\mu) = \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{s}_{ddl}(\mu)$  where

$$\mathbf{s}_{ddl}(\mu) = \begin{cases} (1 - \mu) \gamma_* \mathbf{s}_n & \text{for } \mu \in [0, 1] \\ (\mu - 1) \mathbf{s}_g + (2 - \mu) \gamma_* \mathbf{s}_n & \text{for } \mu \in [1, 2] \\ (3 - \mu) \mathbf{s}_g & \text{for } \mu \in [2, 3] \end{cases}$$



# The Double Dogleg piecewise curve



## Lemma

Consider the *double dogleg* curve connecting  $\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{s}_n$ ,  $\mathbf{x} + \gamma_* \mathbf{s}_n$ ,  $\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{s}_g$  and  $\mathbf{x}$ . The curve can be expressed as  $\mathbf{x}_{ddl}(\mu) = \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{s}_{ddl}(\mu)$  where

$$\mathbf{s}_{ddl}(\mu) = \begin{cases} (1 - \mu)\gamma_* \mathbf{s}_n & \text{for } \mu \in [0, 1] \\ (\mu - 1)\mathbf{s}_g + (2 - \mu)\gamma_* \mathbf{s}_n & \text{for } \mu \in [1, 2] \\ (3 - \mu)\mathbf{s}_g & \text{for } \mu \in [2, 3] \end{cases}$$

for this curve if  $\mathbf{s}_g$  is not parallel to  $\mathbf{s}_n$  we have that the function

$$d(\mu) = \|\mathbf{s}_{ddl}(\mu)\|$$

is strictly monotone decreasing, moreover the direction  $\mathbf{s}_{ddl}(\mu)$  is a descent direction for all  $\mu \in [0, 3]$ .



Proof.

(1/2).

In order to have a unique solution to the problem  $\|\mathbf{s}_{ddl}(\mu)\| = \Delta$  we must have that  $\|\mathbf{s}_{ddl}(\mu)\|$  is a monotone decreasing function. It is enough to prove for  $\mu \in [1, 2]$ :

$$\|\mathbf{s}_{ddl}(1 + \alpha)\|^2 = \alpha^2 \mathbf{s}_g^2 + (1 - \alpha)^2 \gamma_*^2 \mathbf{s}_n^2 + 2\alpha(1 - \alpha) \gamma_* \mathbf{s}_g^T \mathbf{s}_n$$

To check monotonicity we take first derivative

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{d\alpha} \|\mathbf{s}_{ddl}(1 + \alpha)\|^2 &= 2\alpha \mathbf{s}_g^2 - 2(1 - \alpha) \gamma_*^2 \mathbf{s}_n^2 + (2 - 4\alpha) \gamma_* \mathbf{s}_g^T \mathbf{s}_n \\ &= 2\alpha (\mathbf{s}_g^2 + \gamma_*^2 \mathbf{s}_n^2 - 2\gamma_* \mathbf{s}_g^T \mathbf{s}_n) - 2\gamma_*^2 \mathbf{s}_n^2 + 2\gamma_* \mathbf{s}_g^T \mathbf{s}_n \end{aligned}$$



Proof.

(2/2).

Notice that

$$\mathbf{s}_g^2 + \gamma_*^2 \mathbf{s}_n^2 - 2\gamma_* \mathbf{s}_g^T \mathbf{s}_n = \|\mathbf{s}_g - \gamma_* \mathbf{s}_n\|^2 > 0$$

because  $\mathbf{s}_g$  and  $\mathbf{s}_n$  are not parallel. Then it is enough to check the inequality for  $\alpha = 1$

$$\begin{aligned} 2(\mathbf{s}_g^2 + \gamma_*^2 \mathbf{s}_n^2 - 2\gamma_* \mathbf{s}_g^T \mathbf{s}_n) - 2\gamma_*^2 \mathbf{s}_n^2 + 2\gamma_* \mathbf{s}_g^T \mathbf{s}_n &= 2\mathbf{s}_g^2 - 2\gamma_* \mathbf{s}_g^T \mathbf{s}_n \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

The rest of the proof is similar as for the single dogleg step.  $\square$

Using the previous Lemma we can prove

### Lemma

*If  $\|s_{ddl}(0)\| \geq \Delta$  then there is unique point  $\mu \in [0, 3]$  such that  $\|s_{ddl}(\mu)\| = \Delta$ .*

The approximate solution of the constrained minimization can be obtained by this simple algorithm

- 1 if  $\Delta \leq \|s_g\|$  we set  $s_{ddl} = \Delta s_g / \|s_g\|$ ;
- 2 if  $\Delta \leq \gamma_* \|s_n\|$  we set  $s_{ddl} = \alpha s_g + (1 - \alpha)\gamma_* s_n$ ; where  $\alpha$  is the root in the interval  $[0, 1]$  of:

$$\alpha^2 \|s_g\|^2 + \gamma_*^2 (1 - \alpha)^2 \|s_n\|^2 + 2\gamma_* \alpha (1 - \alpha) s_g^T s_n = \Delta^2$$

- 3 if  $\Delta \leq \|s_n\|$  we set  $s_{ddl} = \Delta s_n / \|s_n\|$ ;
- 4 if  $\Delta > \|s_n\|$  we set  $s_{ddl} = s_n$ ;

## Solving

$$\alpha^2 \|\mathbf{s}_g\|^2 + \gamma_*^2(1 - \alpha)^2 \|\mathbf{s}_n\|^2 + 2\gamma_*\alpha(1 - \alpha)\mathbf{s}_g^T \mathbf{s}_n = \Delta^2$$

we have that if  $\|\mathbf{s}_g\| \leq \Delta \leq \gamma_* \|\mathbf{s}_n\|$  the root in  $[0, 1]$  is given by:

$$A = \gamma_*^2 \|\mathbf{s}_n\|^2 - \|\mathbf{s}_g\|^2$$

$$B = \Delta^2 - \|\mathbf{s}_g\|^2$$

$$\alpha = \frac{A - B}{A + \sqrt{AB}}$$



## Algorithm (Computing Double DogLeg step)

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DoubleDoglegStep( $s_g, s_n, \Delta$ );
 $\gamma_* \leftarrow \|s_g\|^2 / (s_g^T s_n)$ ;
if  $\Delta \leq \|s_g\|$  then
     $s \leftarrow \Delta s_g / \|s_g\|$ ;
else if  $\Delta \leq \gamma_* \|s_n\|$  then
     $A \leftarrow \gamma_*^2 \|s_n\|^2 - \|s_g\|^2$ ;
     $B \leftarrow \Delta^2 - \|s_g\|^2$ ;
     $\alpha \leftarrow (A - B) / (A + \sqrt{AB})$ ;
     $s \leftarrow \alpha s_g + (1 - \alpha) s_n$ ;
else if  $\Delta \leq \|s_n\|$  then
     $s \leftarrow \Delta s_n / \|s_n\|$ ;
else
     $s \leftarrow s_n$ ;
end if
return  $s$ ;

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# Two dimensional subspace minimization

- When  $\mathbf{H}$  is positive definite the dogleg step can be improved by widening the search subspace

$$\mathbf{s} = \underset{\|\alpha\mathbf{s}_g + \beta\mathbf{s}_n\| \leq \Delta}{\operatorname{arg\,min}} f(\alpha\mathbf{s}_g + \beta\mathbf{s}_n)$$

i.e. we must solve a two dimensional constrained problem.

- The 2D problem results:

$$\begin{aligned} f(\alpha\mathbf{s}_g + \beta\mathbf{s}_n) &= f_0 + \mathbf{g}^T(\alpha\mathbf{s}_g + \beta\mathbf{s}_n) \\ &+ \frac{1}{2}(\alpha\mathbf{s}_g + \beta\mathbf{s}_n)^T \mathbf{H}(\alpha\mathbf{s}_g + \beta\mathbf{s}_n) \\ &= f_0 + \alpha\mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{s}_g + \beta\mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{s}_n \\ &+ \frac{1}{2}\alpha^2 \mathbf{s}_g^T \mathbf{H} \mathbf{s}_g + \frac{1}{2}\beta^2 \mathbf{s}_n^T \mathbf{H} \mathbf{s}_n + \alpha\beta \mathbf{s}_g^T \mathbf{H} \mathbf{s}_n \end{aligned}$$



# Two dimensional subspace minimization

The 2D problem written in matrix form:

$$f(\alpha, \beta) = f_0 + \mathbf{b}^T \begin{pmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{pmatrix} + \frac{1}{2} (\alpha \quad \beta) \mathbf{A} \begin{pmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{s}_g \\ \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{s}_n \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{s}_g^T \mathbf{H} \mathbf{s}_g & \mathbf{s}_g^T \mathbf{H} \mathbf{s}_n \\ \mathbf{s}_n^T \mathbf{H} \mathbf{s}_g & \mathbf{s}_n^T \mathbf{H} \mathbf{s}_n \end{pmatrix}$$

and the constraint

$$\|\alpha \mathbf{s}_g + \beta \mathbf{s}_n\|^2 = (\alpha \quad \beta) \mathbf{D} \begin{pmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{D} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{s}_g^T \mathbf{s}_g & \mathbf{s}_g^T \mathbf{s}_n \\ \mathbf{s}_n^T \mathbf{s}_g & \mathbf{s}_n^T \mathbf{s}_n \end{pmatrix}$$





## Lemma

Consider the following constrained quadratic problem where  $\mathbf{H} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ ,  $\mathbf{D} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  are *symmetric and positive definite*.

$$\text{Minimize} \quad f(\mathbf{s}) = f_0 + \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{s} + \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{s}^T \mathbf{H} \mathbf{s},$$

$$\text{Subject to} \quad \mathbf{s}^T \mathbf{D} \mathbf{s} \leq r^2$$




Then the following curve

$$\mathbf{s}(\mu) \doteq -(\mathbf{H} + \mu \mathbf{D})^{-1} \mathbf{g},$$

for any  $\mu \geq 0$  defines a descent direction for  $f(\mathbf{s})$ . Moreover

- there exists a unique  $\mu_*$  such that  $\|\mathbf{s}(\mu_*)\| = \Delta$  and  $\mathbf{s}(\mu_*)$  is the solution of the constrained problem;
- or  $\|\mathbf{s}(0)\| < \Delta$  and  $\mathbf{s}(0)$  is the solution of the constrained problem.

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