

Extending GMRES to Nonlinear Optimization, with Application to Tensor Optimization

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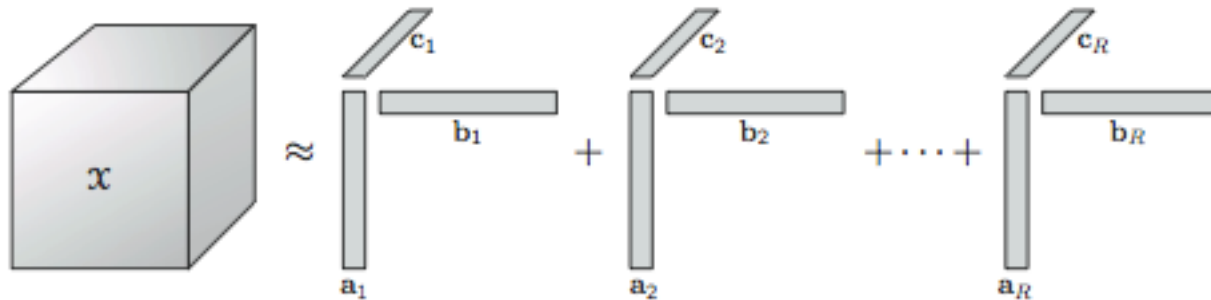
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1. introduction

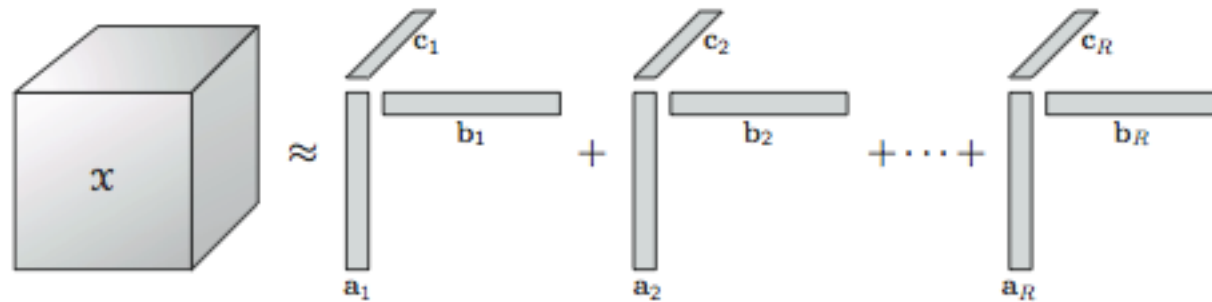
- tensor = N -dimensional array
- $N=3$:



(from "Tensor Decompositions and Applications", Kolda and Bader, SIAM Rev., 2009 [1])

- canonical decomposition: decompose tensor in sum of R rank-one terms (approximately)

introduction



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OPTIMIZATION PROBLEM

given tensor $\mathcal{T} \in \mathbb{R}^{I_1 \times \dots \times I_N}$, find rank- R
canonical tensor $\mathcal{A}_R \in \mathbb{R}^{I_1 \times \dots \times I_N}$ that minimizes

$$f(\mathcal{A}_R) = \frac{1}{2} \|\mathcal{T} - \mathcal{A}_R\|_F^2.$$

FIRST-ORDER OPTIMALITY EQUATIONS

$$\nabla f(\mathcal{A}_R) = \mathbf{g}(\mathcal{A}_R) = 0.$$

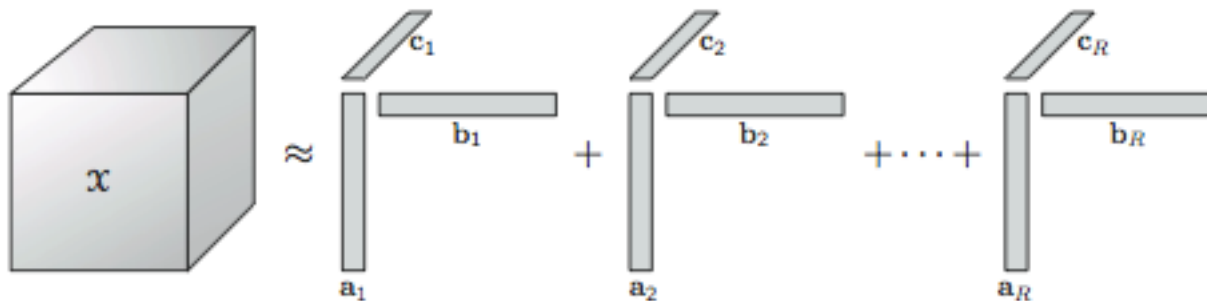
(problem is non-convex, multiple (local) minima, solution may not exist, ... ; but smooth, and assume there is a local minimum)

link with singular value decomposition

- SVD of $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ $m \geq n$

$$A = U \Sigma V^t = \sigma_1 u_1 v_1^T + \dots + \sigma_n u_n v_n^T$$

- canonical decomposition of tensor



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a difference with the SVD

truncated SVD is best rank- R approximation:

$$A = \sigma_1 u_1 v_1^T + \dots + \sigma_R u_R v_R^T + \sigma_{R+1} u_{R+1} v_{R+1}^T + \dots + \sigma_n u_n v_n^T$$

$$\arg \min_{B \text{ with rank } \leq R} \|A - B\|_F = \sigma_1 u_1 v_1^T + \dots + \sigma_R u_R v_R^T$$

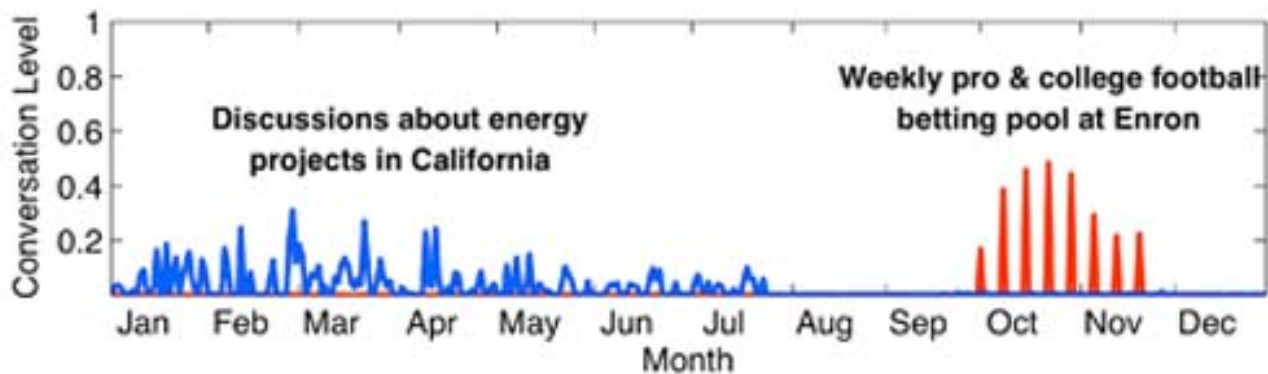
BUT best rank- R tensor cannot be obtained by truncation: different optimization problems for different R !

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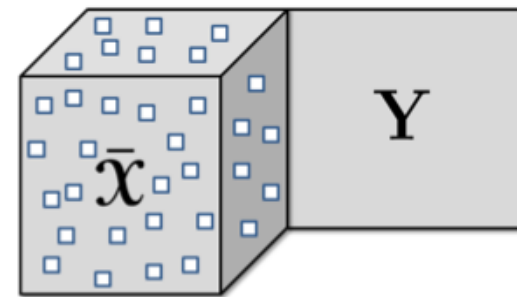
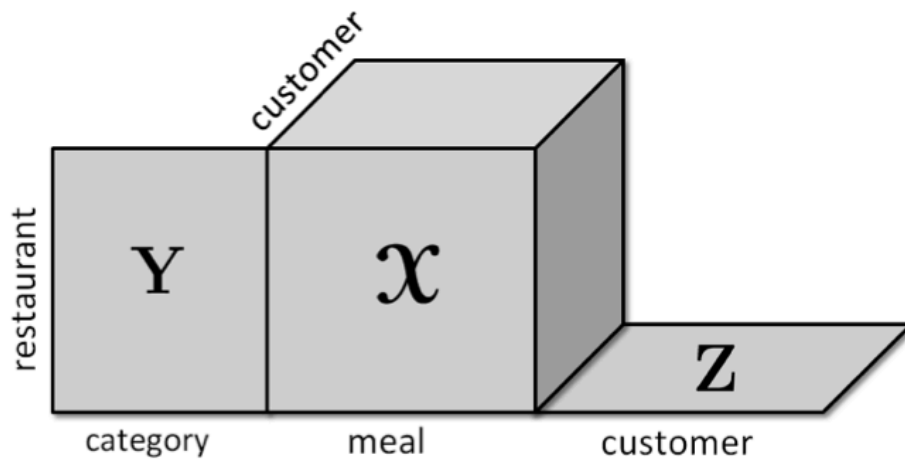
2. tensor approximation applications

- (1) “Discussion Tracking in Enron Email Using PARAFAC” by Bader, Berry and Browne (2008) (sparse, nonnegative)



tensor approximation applications

(2) “All-at-once Optimization for Coupled Matrix and Tensor Factorizations” by Acar, Kolda and Dunlavy (2011)



$$\left\| \mathcal{W} * (\bar{\mathcal{X}} - \llbracket \mathbf{A}^{(1)}, \dots, \mathbf{A}^{(N)} \rrbracket) \right\|^2 + \frac{1}{2} \left\| \mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{A}^{(n)} \mathbf{V}^T \right\|^2$$

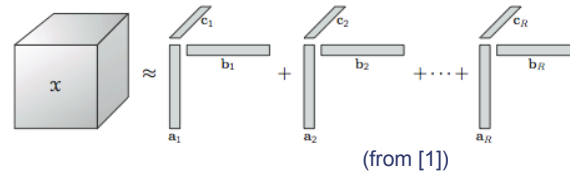
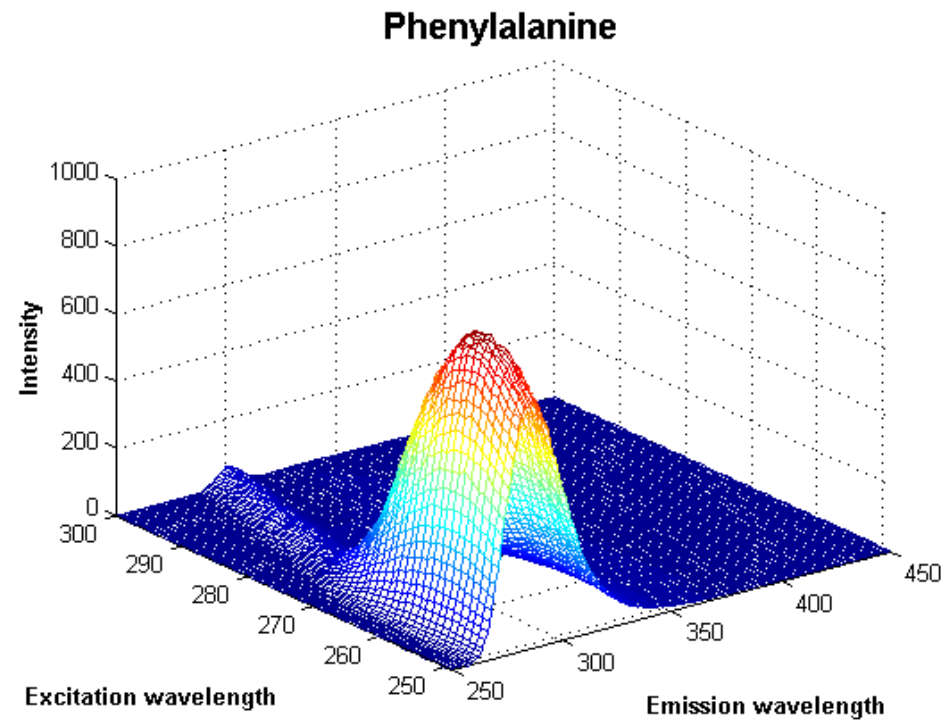
$$f(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}, \mathbf{C}, \mathbf{V}) = \left\| \bar{\mathcal{X}} - \llbracket \mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}, \mathbf{C} \rrbracket \right\|^2 + \left\| \mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{A} \mathbf{V}^T \right\|^2$$

tensor approximation applications

(3) chemometrics: analyze spectrofluorometer data (dense) (Bro et al.,

<http://www.models.life.ku.dk/nwaydata1>)

- 5 x 201 x 61 tensor: 5 samples (with different mixtures of three amino acids), 61 excitation wavelengths, 201 emission wavelengths
- goal: recover emission spectra of the three amino acids (to determine what was in each sample, and in which concentration)
- also: psychometrics, ...



3. alternating least squares (ALS)

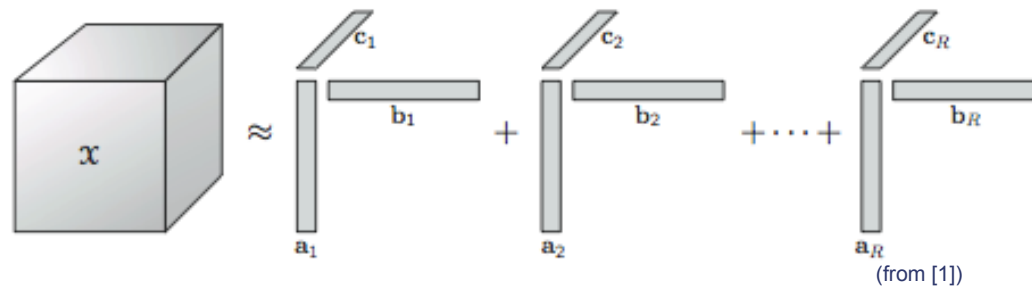
$$f(\mathcal{A}_R) = \frac{1}{2} \left\| \mathcal{T} - \sum_{r=1}^R a_r^{(1)} \circ a_r^{(2)} \circ a_r^{(3)} \right\|_F^2$$

(1) freeze all $a_r^{(2)}, a_r^{(3)}$, compute optimal $a_r^{(1)}$ via a least-squares solution (linear, overdetermined)

(2) freeze $a_r^{(1)}, a_r^{(3)}$, compute $a_r^{(2)}$

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• repeat



alternating least squares (ALS)

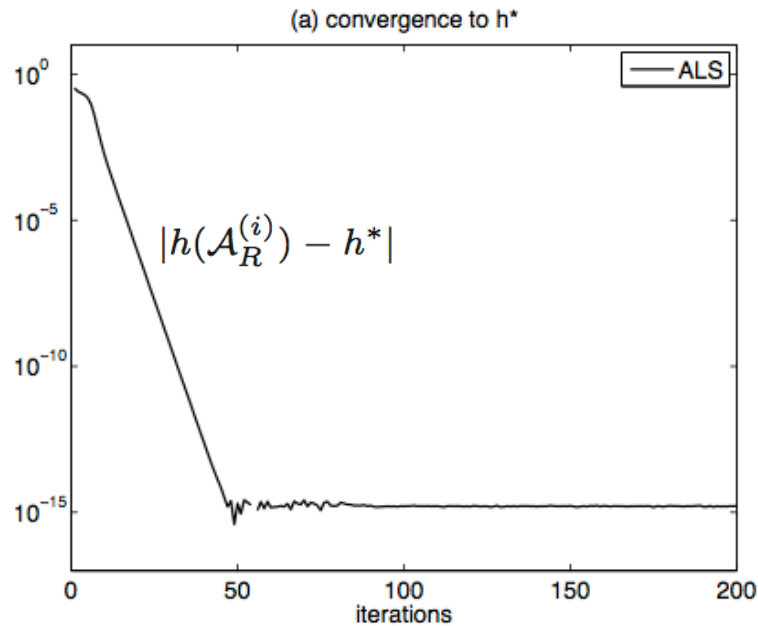
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- ALS is monotone
- ALS is sometimes fast, but can also be extremely slow (depending on problem and initial condition)
- ALS is block nonlinear Gauss-Seidel

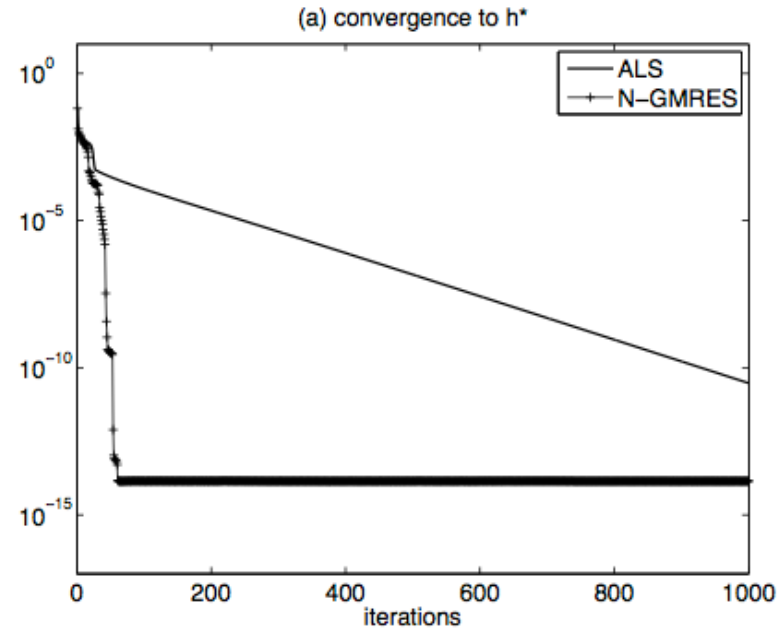
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$$h(\mathcal{A}_R^{(i)}) = \frac{\|\mathcal{T} - \mathcal{A}_R^{(i)}\|_F}{\|\mathcal{T}\|_F}$$

fast case



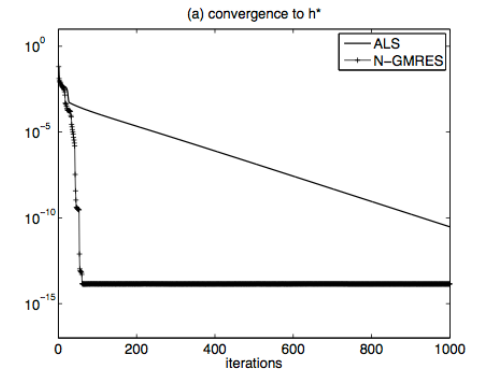
slow case



(we used Matlab with Tensor Toolbox (Bader and Kolda) and Poblano Toolbox (Dunlavy et al.) for all computations)

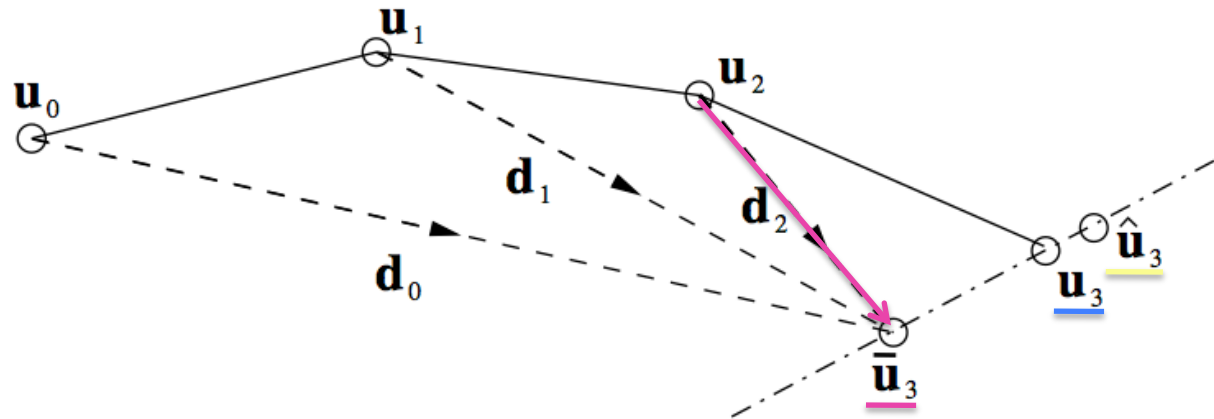
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- for linear systems $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{b}$, when a simple iterative method is slow, we accelerate it with
 - GMRES
 - CG, multigrid, etc.
- the simple iterative method is called the ‘preconditioner’
- **BUT:** for optimization problems, general approaches to accelerate simple iterative methods are uncommon (do not exist?)
- let’s try to accelerate ALS for the tensor optimization problem (this talk: GMRES, Killian’s talk: multigrid)
- issues: nonlinear, optimization context

4. nonlinear GMRES acceleration of ALS



Algorithm 1: N-GMRES optimization algorithm (window size w)

Input: w initial iterates $\mathbf{u}_0, \dots, \mathbf{u}_{w-1}$.

$i = w - 1$

repeat

STEP I: (generate preliminary iterate by one-step update process $M(\cdot)$)

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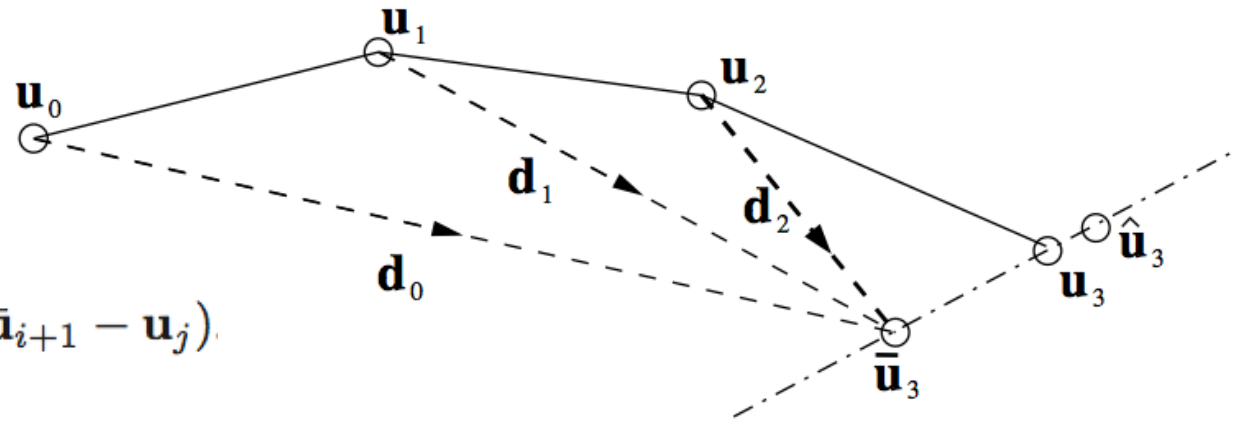
(Moré-Thuente line search,
satisfies Wolfe conditions)

$i = i + 1$

until convergence criterion satisfied

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step II: N-GMRES acceleration: $\nabla f(\mathcal{A}_R) = \mathbf{g}(\mathcal{A}_R) = 0$



$$\hat{\mathbf{u}}_{i+1} = \bar{\mathbf{u}}_{i+1} + \sum_{j=0}^i \alpha_j (\bar{\mathbf{u}}_{i+1} - \mathbf{u}_j)$$

$$\mathbf{g}(\hat{\mathbf{u}}_{i+1}) \approx \mathbf{g}(\bar{\mathbf{u}}_{i+1}) + \sum_{j=0}^i \left. \frac{\partial \mathbf{g}}{\partial \mathbf{u}} \right|_{\bar{\mathbf{u}}_{i+1}} \alpha_j (\bar{\mathbf{u}}_{i+1} - \mathbf{u}_j)$$

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find coefficients $(\alpha_0, \dots, \alpha_i)$ that minimize

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history of nonlinear acceleration mechanism for nonlinear systems (steps I and II)

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- Washio and Oosterlee, ETNA, 1997 (FAS multigrid for nonlinear PDEs)
- GMRES, Saad and Schultz, 1986 (also flexible GMRES, Saad, 1993)
- Anderson mixing, 1965; DIIS (direct inversion in the iterative subspace), Pulay, 1980

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in the context of fixed-point iterations

for nonlinear algebraic equations:

- can be interpreted as a specific

Broyden-type multi-secant method for

$\mathbf{g}(\mathbf{u}) = 0$ (and there are many ‘families’ of variants) (Fang and Saad, 2009)

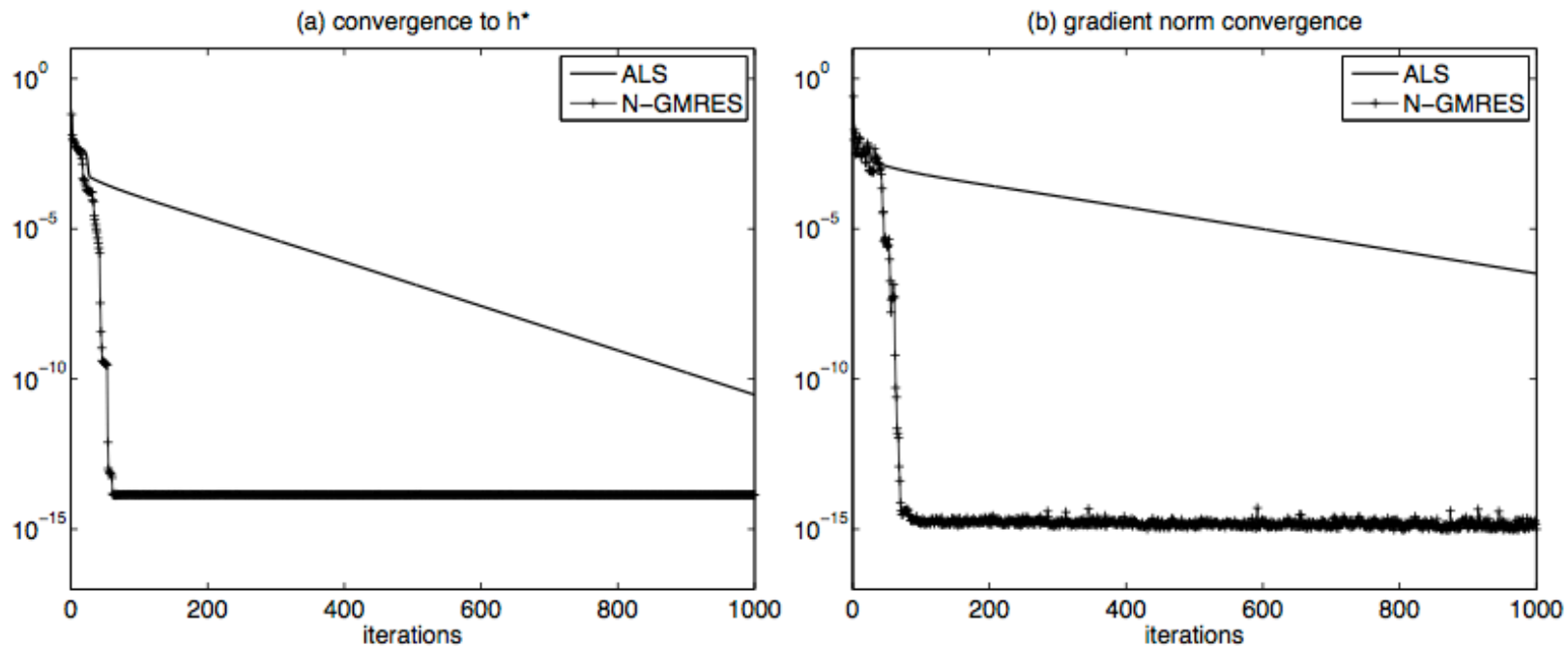
- formal equivalence with GMRES, Arnoldi (linear case) (Walker and Ni, 2011)
- **BUT:** apparently not used systematically yet for optimization (or not common)
- this looks like a generally applicable continuous optimization method ...

find coefficients $(\alpha_0, \dots, \alpha_i)$ that minimize

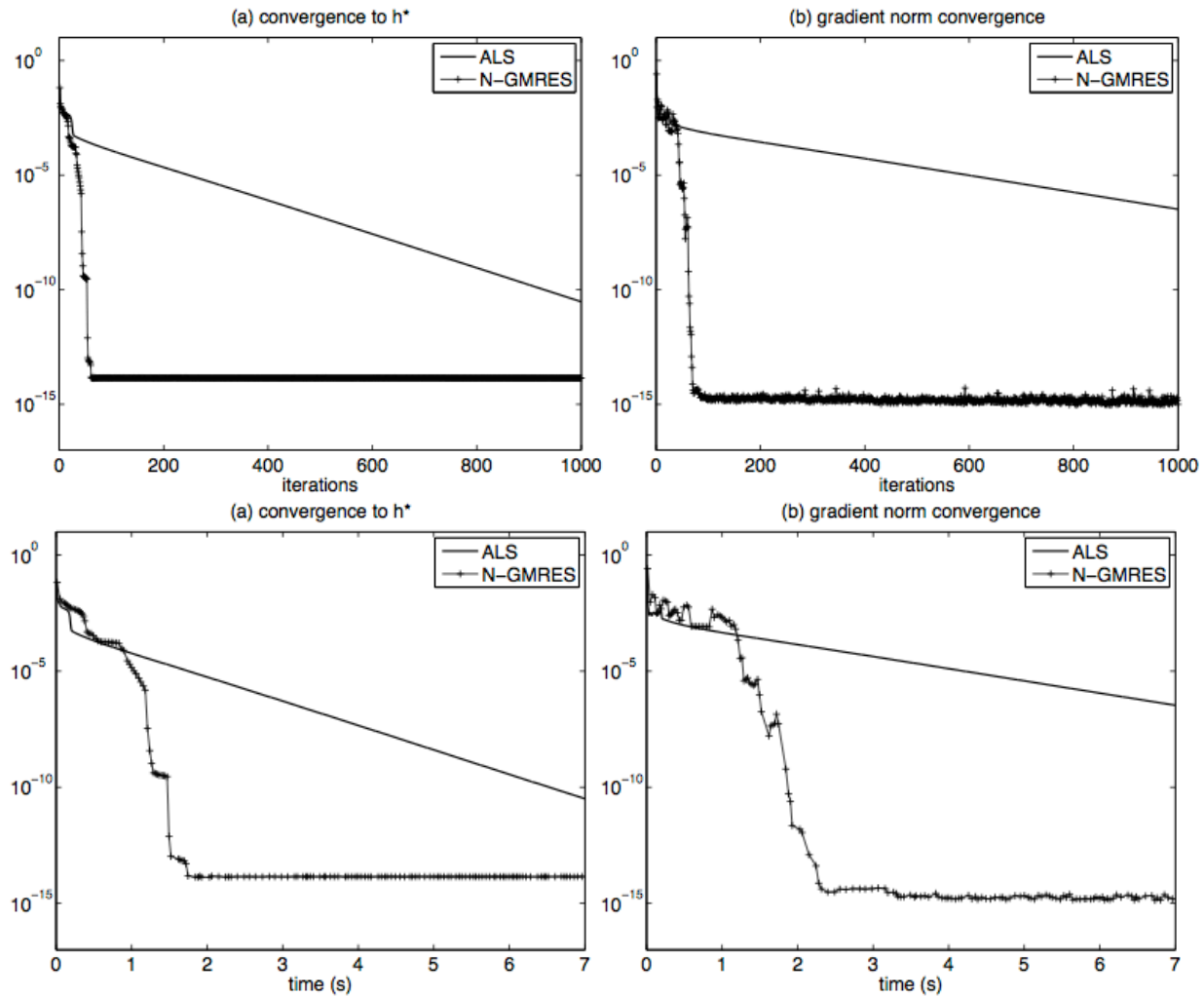
$$\|\mathbf{g}(\bar{\mathbf{u}}_{i+1}) + \sum_{j=0}^i \alpha_j (\mathbf{g}(\bar{\mathbf{u}}_{i+1}) - \mathbf{g}(\mathbf{u}_j))\|_2.$$

5. numerical results for ALS-preconditioned N-GMRES applied to tensor problem

- dense test problem (from Tomasi and Bro; Acar et al.): random rank- R tensor modified to obtain specific column collinearity, with added noise

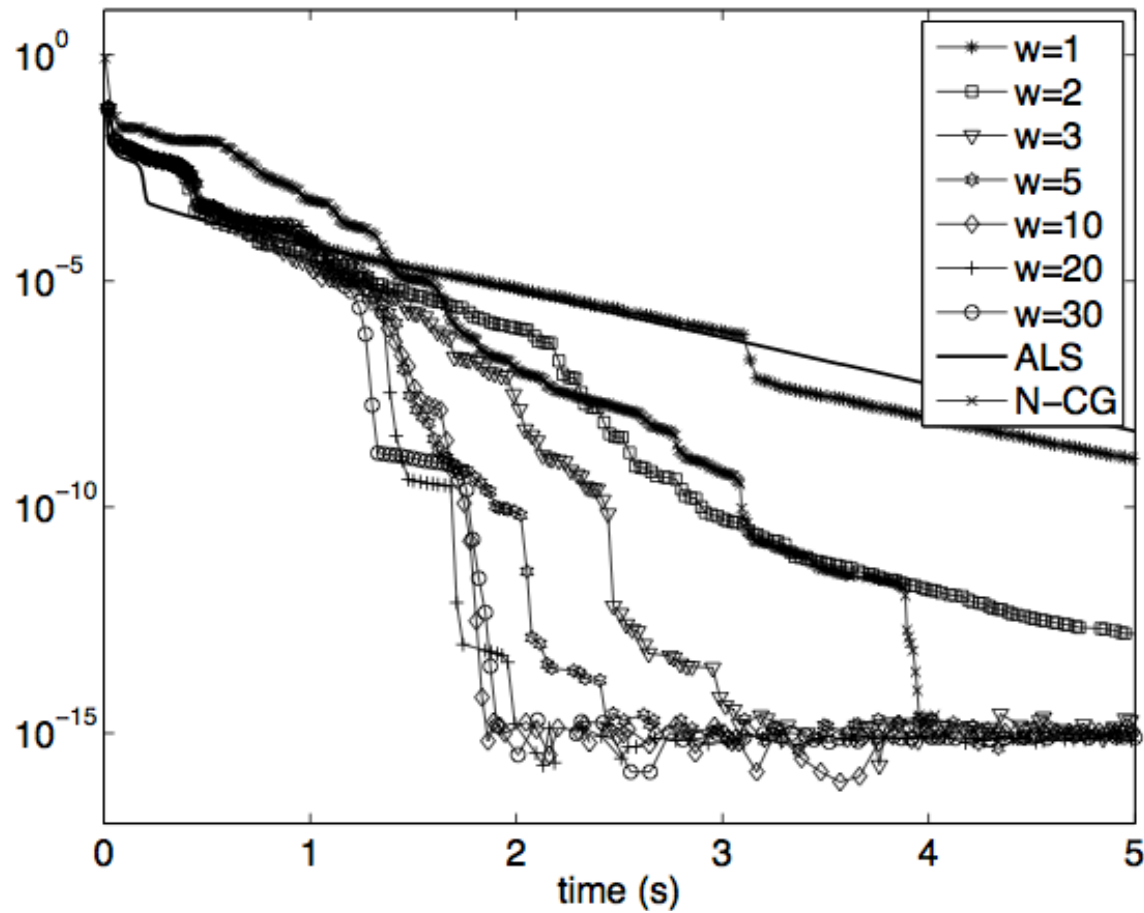


numerical results: dense test problem



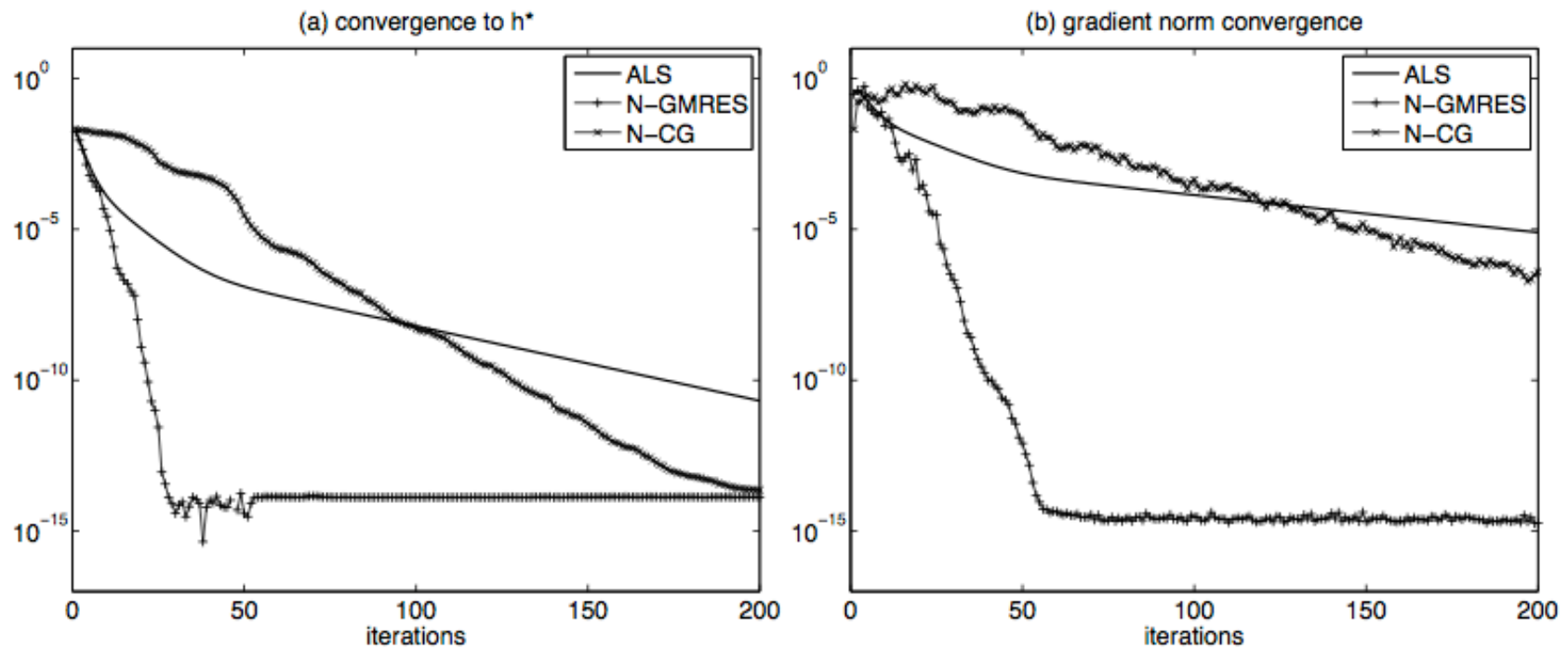
dense test problem: optimal window size

(a) convergence to h^*



numerical results: sparse test problem

- sparse test problem: d-dimensional finite difference Laplacian (2 d-way tensor)



6. why does this work: linear case

GMRES for linear systems: $\mathbf{A} \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{b}$,

- stationary iterative method $\mathbf{u}_{i+1} = \mathbf{u}_i + \mathbf{M}^{-1} \mathbf{r}_i$
- generates residuals recursively: $\mathbf{r}_i = \mathbf{b} - \mathbf{A} \mathbf{u}_i$
 $= (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A} \mathbf{M}^{-1}) \mathbf{r}_{i-1}$
 $= (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A} \mathbf{M}^{-1})^i \mathbf{r}_0$.
- define Krylov space $K_{i+1}(\mathbf{A} \mathbf{M}^{-1}, \mathbf{r}_0)$

$$V_{1,i+1} = \text{span}\{\mathbf{r}_0, \dots, \mathbf{r}_i\},$$

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$$= K_{i+1}(\mathbf{A} \mathbf{M}^{-1}, \mathbf{r}_0),$$

(Washio and
Oosterlee, ETNA,
1997)

$$V_{3,i+1} = \text{span}\{\mathbf{M}(\mathbf{u}_1 - \mathbf{u}_0), \mathbf{M}(\mathbf{u}_2 - \mathbf{u}_1), \dots, \mathbf{M}(\mathbf{u}_{i+1} - \mathbf{u}_i)\},$$

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LEMMA 2.1. $V_{1,i+1} = V_{2,i+1} = V_{3,i+1} = V_{4,i+1}$

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comparing N-GMRES to GMRES

(Washio and Oosterlee,
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generates preconditioned residuals that build Krylov space

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$$= K_{i+1}(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{M}^{-1}, \mathbf{r}_0),$$

- GMRES: take optimal linear combination of residuals in Krylov space to minimize the residual $\|\hat{\mathbf{r}}_{i+1}\|_2$

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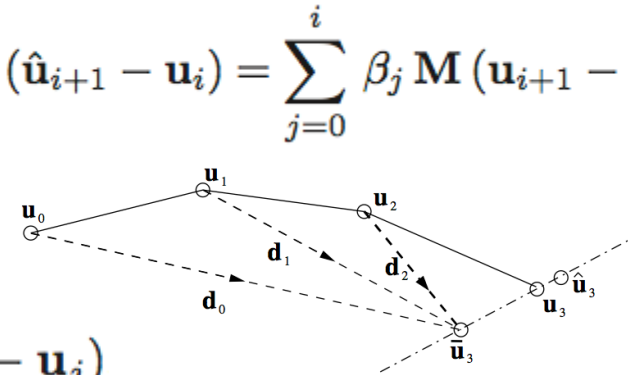
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- GMRES: minimize $\|\hat{\mathbf{r}}_{i+1}\|_2$
- seek optimal approximation $\mathbf{M}(\hat{\mathbf{u}}_{i+1} - \mathbf{u}_i) = \sum_{j=0}^i \beta_j \mathbf{M}(\mathbf{u}_{i+1} - \mathbf{u}_j)$

$$\hat{\mathbf{u}}_{i+1} = \mathbf{u}_i + \sum_{j=0}^i \beta_j (\mathbf{u}_{i+1} - \mathbf{u}_j)$$

$$= \mathbf{u}_{i+1} - (\mathbf{u}_{i+1} - \mathbf{u}_i) + \sum_{j=0}^i \beta_j (\mathbf{u}_{i+1} - \mathbf{u}_j)$$



$$\hat{\mathbf{u}}_{i+1} = \mathbf{u}_{i+1} + \sum_{j=0}^i \alpha_j (\mathbf{u}_{i+1} - \mathbf{u}_j) \text{ same as for N-GMRES}$$

convergence speed of GMRES

$$\mathbf{A} \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{b}$$

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- GMRES: minimize $\|\hat{\mathbf{r}}_{i+1}\|_2$
- polynomial method: convergence determined by optimal polynomial (for diagonalizable matrix, $A=V\Lambda V^{-1}$)

$$\|r_n\| \leq \inf_{p \in P_n} \|p_n(A)\| \leq \kappa_2(V) \inf_{p \in P_n} \max_{\lambda \in \sigma(A)} |p(\lambda)|$$

convergence speed of N-GMRES

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- GMRES (linear case): convergence determined by optimal polynomial
- convergence speed of N-GMRES for optimization: open

7. general N-GMRES optimization method

general methods for nonlinear optimization (smooth, unconstrained)
("Numerical Optimization", Nocedal and Wright, 2006)

1. steepest descent with line search
2. Newton with line search
3. nonlinear conjugate gradient (N-CG) with line search
4. trust-region methods
5. quasi-Newton methods (includes Broyden–Fletcher–Goldfarb–Shanno (BFGS) and limited memory version L-BFGS)
6. N-GMRES as a general optimization method?

general N-GMRES optimization method

- first question: what would be a general preconditioner?

OPTIMIZATION PROBLEM

find \mathbf{u}^* that minimizes $f(\mathbf{u})$

FIRST-ORDER OPTIMALITY EQUATIONS

$$\nabla f(\mathbf{u}) = \mathbf{g}(\mathbf{u}) = 0$$

- idea: general N-GMRES preconditioner $\bar{\mathbf{u}}_{i+1} = M(\mathbf{u}_i)$
= update in direction of steepest descent
(or: use N-GMRES to accelerate steepest descent)

8. steepest-descent preconditioning

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STEEPEST DESCENT PRECONDITIONING PROCESS:

$$\bar{\mathbf{u}}_{i+1} = \mathbf{u}_i - \beta \frac{\nabla f(\mathbf{u}_i)}{\|\nabla f(\mathbf{u}_i)\|} \quad \text{with}$$

OPTION A: $\beta = \beta_{sdls},$

OPTION B: $\beta = \beta_{sd} = \min(\delta, \|\nabla f(\mathbf{u}_i)\|)$

- option A: steepest descent with line search
- option B: steepest descent with predefined small step
- claim: steepest descent is the ‘natural’ preconditioner for N-GMRES

steepest-descent preconditioning

- claim: steepest descent is the ‘natural’ preconditioner for N-GMRES optimization
- example: consider simple quadratic optimization problem

$$f(\mathbf{u}) = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{u}^T A \mathbf{u} - \mathbf{b}^T \mathbf{u} \quad \text{where } A \text{ is SPD}$$

- we know $\nabla f(\mathbf{u}_i) = A \mathbf{u}_i - \mathbf{b} = -\mathbf{r}_i$ so

$$\bar{\mathbf{u}}_{i+1} = \mathbf{u}_i - \beta \frac{\nabla f(\mathbf{u}_i)}{\|\nabla f(\mathbf{u}_i)\|} \quad \text{becomes} \quad \bar{\mathbf{u}}_{i+1} = \mathbf{u}_i + \beta \frac{\mathbf{r}_i}{\|\mathbf{r}_i\|}$$

- this gives the same residuals as $\mathbf{u}_{i+1} = \mathbf{u}_i + \mathbf{M}^{-1} \mathbf{r}_i$

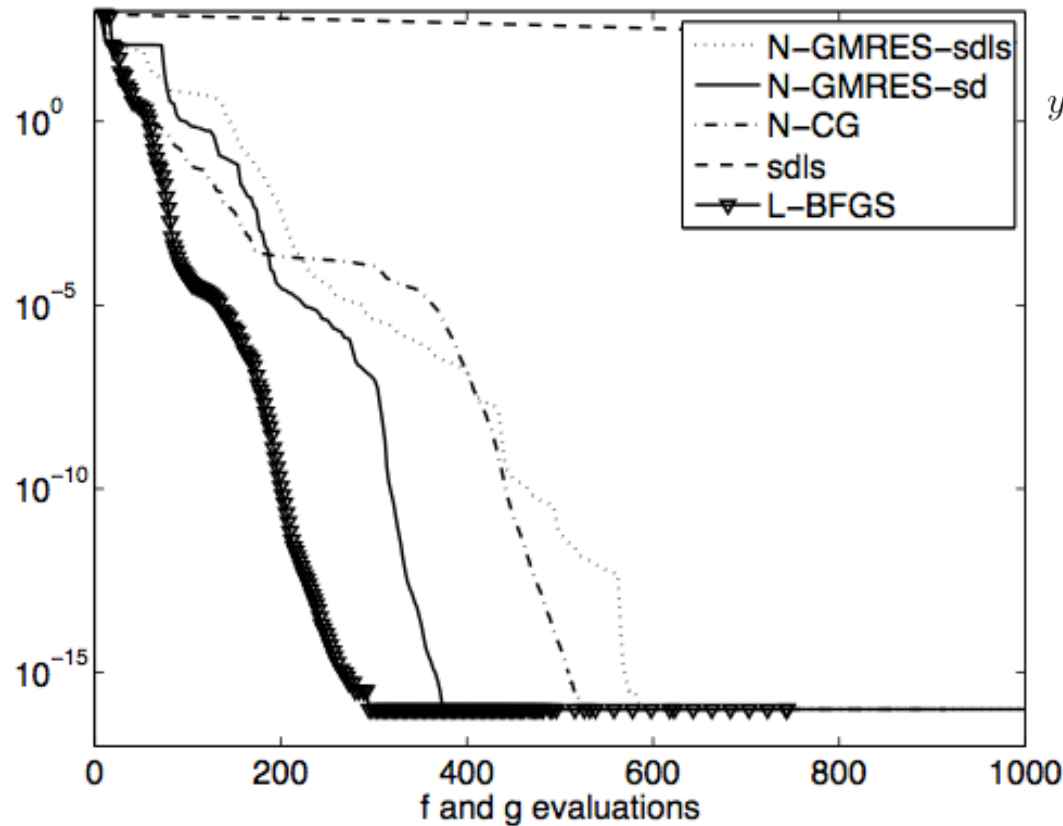
with $\mathbf{M} = \mathbf{I}$: steepest-descent N-GMRES preconditioner corresponds to identity preconditioner for linear GMRES

(and: small step is sufficient)



9. numerical results: steepest-descent preconditioning

(c) convergence to f^*

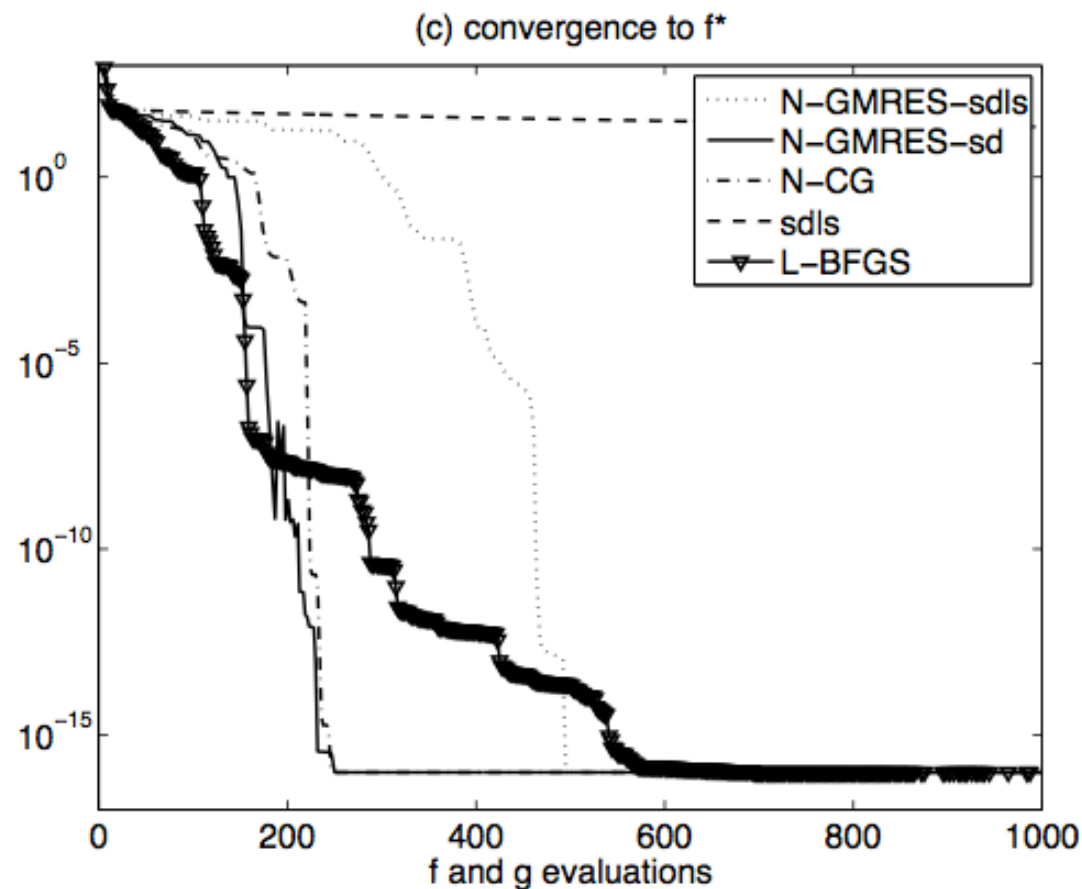


$$f(\mathbf{u}) = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{y}(\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{u}^*)^T D \mathbf{y}(\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{u}^*) + 1,$$

with $D = \text{diag}(1, 2, \dots, n)$ and $\mathbf{y}(\mathbf{x})$ given by $y_1(\mathbf{x}) = x_1$ and $y_i(\mathbf{x}) = x_i - 10x_1^2$ ($i = 2, \dots, n$).

- steepest descent by itself is slow
- N-GMRES with steepest descent preconditioning is competitive with N-CG and L-BFGS
- option A slower than option B (small step)

numerical results: steepest-descent preconditioning



$$f(\mathbf{u}) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^n t_j^2(\mathbf{u}), \text{ with } n \text{ even and}$$

$$t_j = 10(u_{j+1} - u_j^2) \quad (j \text{ odd}),$$

$$t_j = 1 - u_{j-1} \quad (j \text{ even}).$$

- extended Rosenbrock function
- steepest descent by itself is slow
- N-GMRES with steepest descent preconditioning is competitive with N-CG and L-BFGS

10. convergence of steepest-descent preconditioned N-GMRES optimization

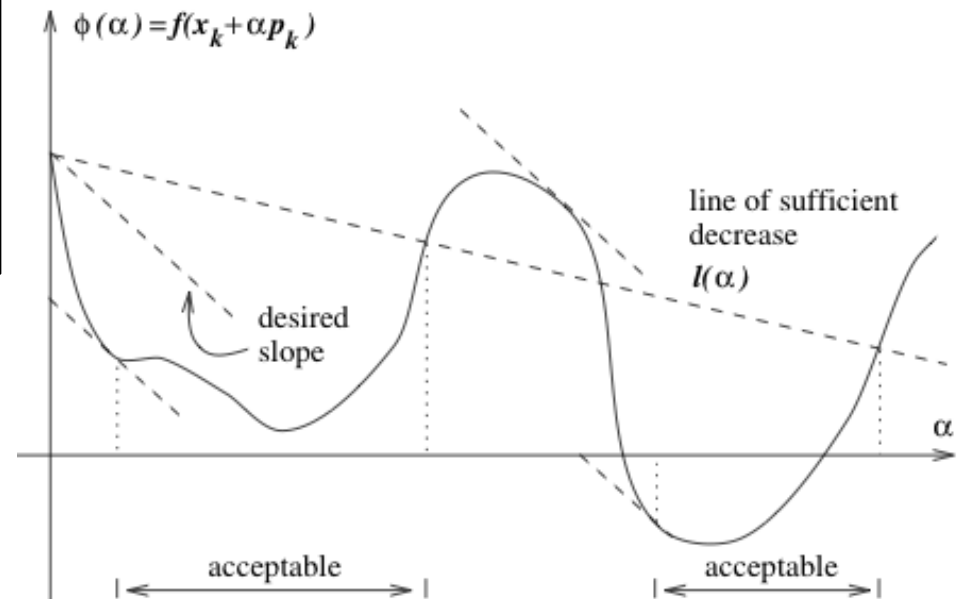
- assume line searches give solutions that satisfy Wolfe conditions:

SUFFICIENT DECREASE CONDITION:

$$f(\mathbf{u}_i + \beta_i \mathbf{p}_i) \leq f(\mathbf{u}_i) + c_1 \beta_i \nabla f(\mathbf{u}_i)^T \mathbf{p}_i,$$

CURVATURE CONDITION:

$$\nabla f(\mathbf{u}_i + \beta_i \mathbf{p}_i)^T \mathbf{p}_i \geq c_2 \nabla f(\mathbf{u}_i)^T \mathbf{p}_i,$$

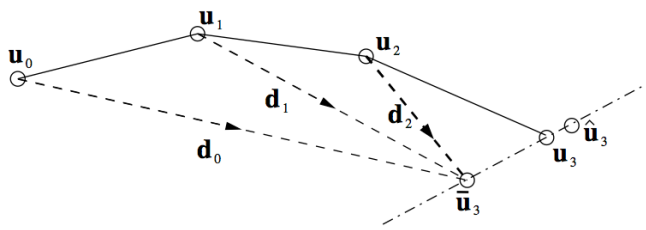


(Nocedal and
Wright, 2006)

convergence of steepest-descent preconditioned N-GMRES optimization

THEOREM 2.1 (Global convergence of N-GMRES optimization algorithm with steepest descent line search preconditioning). Consider N-GMRES Optimization Algorithm 1 with steepest descent line search preconditioning (2.1) for Optimization Problem I, and assume that all line search solutions satisfy the Wolfe conditions, (2.11) and (2.12). Assume that objective function f is bounded below in \mathbb{R}^n and that f is continuously differentiable in an open set \mathcal{N} containing the level set $\mathcal{L} = \{\mathbf{u} : f(\mathbf{u}) \leq f(\mathbf{u}_0)\}$, where \mathbf{u}_0 is the starting point of the iteration. Assume also that the gradient ∇f is Lipschitz continuous on \mathcal{N} , that is, there exists a constant L such that $\|\nabla f(\mathbf{u}) - \nabla f(\hat{\mathbf{u}})\| \leq L\|\mathbf{u} - \hat{\mathbf{u}}\|$ for all $\mathbf{u}, \hat{\mathbf{u}} \in \mathcal{N}$. Then the sequence of N-GMRES iterates $\{\mathbf{u}_0, \mathbf{u}_1, \dots\}$ is convergent to a fixed point of Optimization Problem I in the sense that

$$\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \|\nabla f(\mathbf{u}_i)\| = 0. \tag{2.13}$$



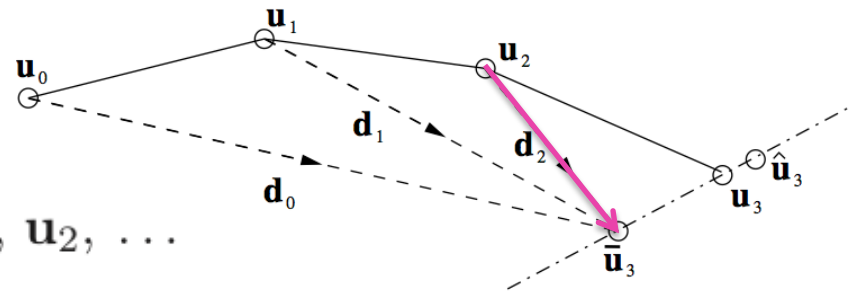
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- STEP I: (generate preliminary iterate by one-step update process $M(\cdot)$)
 $\bar{\mathbf{u}}_{i+1} = M(\mathbf{u}_i)$
- STEP II: (generate accelerated iterate by nonlinear GMRES step)
 $\hat{\mathbf{u}}_{i+1} = \text{gmres}(\mathbf{u}_{i-w+1}, \dots, \mathbf{u}_i; \bar{\mathbf{u}}_{i+1})$
- STEP III: (generate new iterate by line search process)
 $\mathbf{u}_{i+1} = \text{linesearch}(\bar{\mathbf{u}}_{i+1} + \beta(\hat{\mathbf{u}}_{i+1} - \bar{\mathbf{u}}_{i+1}))$

convergence of steepest-descent preconditioned N-GMRES optimization

sketch of (simple!) proof

- Consider the sequence $\{\mathbf{v}_0, \mathbf{v}_1, \dots\}$ formed by the iterates $\mathbf{u}_0, \bar{\mathbf{u}}_1, \mathbf{u}_1, \bar{\mathbf{u}}_2, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots$



- use Zoutendijk's theorem: $\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \cos^2 \theta_i \|\nabla f(\mathbf{v}_i)\|^2 < \infty$
with $\cos \theta_i = \frac{-\nabla f(\mathbf{v}_i)^T \mathbf{p}_i}{\|\nabla f(\mathbf{v}_i)\| \|\mathbf{p}_i\|}$ and thus $\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \cos^2 \theta_i \|\nabla f(\mathbf{v}_i)\|^2 = 0$

- all u_i are followed by a steepest descent step, so

$$\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \|\nabla f(\mathbf{u}_i)\| = 0.$$

- global convergence to a stationary point for general $f(u)$

general N-GMRES optimization method

general methods for nonlinear optimization (smooth, unconstrained)
("Numerical Optimization", Nocedal and Wright, 2006)

1. steepest descent with line search
2. Newton with line search
3. nonlinear conjugate gradient (N-CG) with line search
4. trust-region methods
5. quasi-Newton methods (includes Broyden–Fletcher–Goldfarb–Shanno (BFGS) and limited memory version L-BFGS)
6. N-GMRES as a general optimization method

11. conclusions

- we have proposed the N-GMRES optimization method: a (new?, uncommon) general, convergent method (with steepest-descent preconditioning), appears competitive with N-CG, L-BFGS
- ‘preconditioned GMRES’ ideas can be extended to nonlinear optimization! (can use powerful nonlinear preconditioners) (ALS in tensor case)

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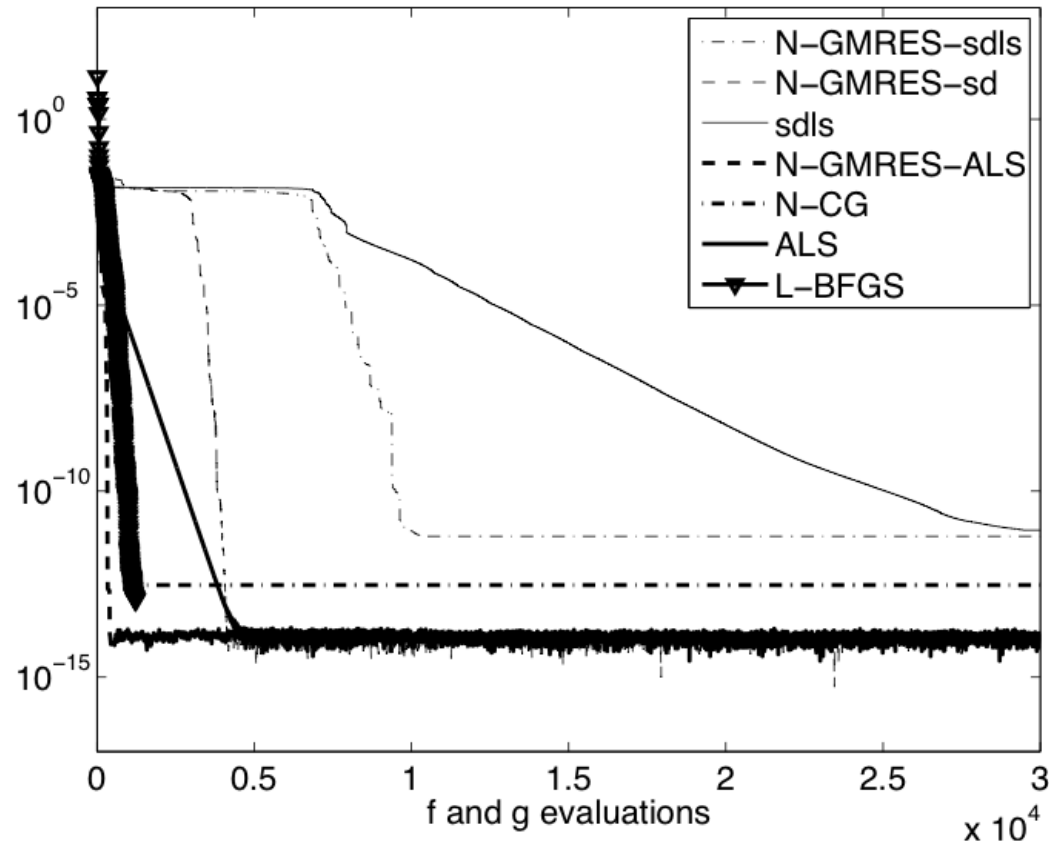
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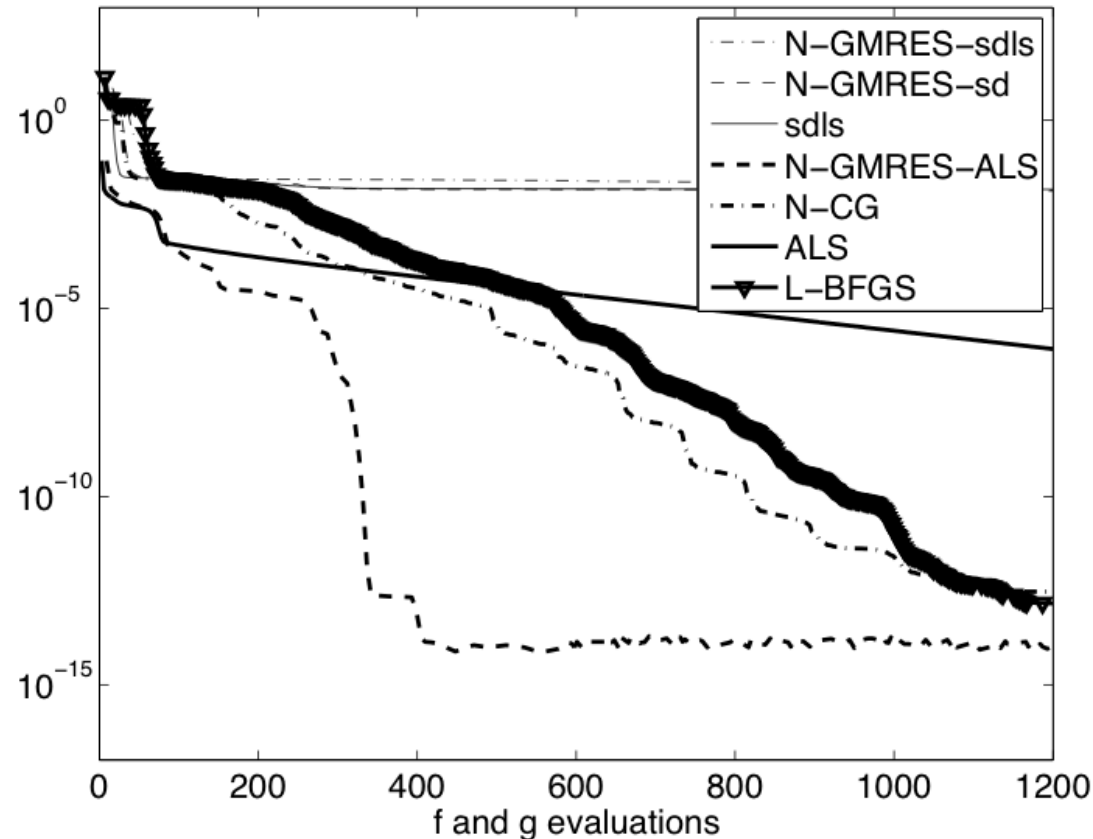
the power of N-GMRES optimization (tensor problem)

(a) convergence to f^*



the power of N-GMRES optimization

(b) convergence to f^*



nonlinear 'preconditioned GMRES' for nonlinear optimization! (using powerful nonlinear preconditioners)

- thank you
- questions?

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