Optimisation on Riemannian manifolds for uncertainty quantification ETICS

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I. Introduction

Evaluate the robustness of

$$G(X) = Y$$

w.r.t. distributions of vector X

Define the following function (called PLI [Lemaître, 2015])

$$\mathcal{S}_{ heta} = rac{\mathsf{Qol}(Y^{ heta}) - \mathsf{Qol}(Y^{ heta_0})}{\mathsf{Qol}(Y^{ heta_0})},$$

where $\theta_0\in\Theta$ is a fixed reference parameter

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 $\min_{\theta \in B_{\delta}(\theta_0)} S_{\theta} \quad \text{and} \quad \max_{\theta \in B_{\delta}(\theta_0)} S_{\theta} \quad (\star),$ where $B_{\delta}(\theta_0) \subset \Theta$ is a closed ball centered at θ_0 with radius $\delta > 0$ for the Fisher-Rao distance d

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Figure: Fisher ball for $\{\mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma)\}_{(\mu, \sigma) \in \Theta}$

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In this setting, (\star) is an optimization problem on a Riemannian manifold

 \rightarrow This leads us to consider Riemannian optimization algorithms

Starting point

Our work is in the continuation of the paper "An information geometry approach to robustness analysis for the uncertainty quantification of computer codes" [Gauchy et al., 2022]

The Fisher distance presents good properties (invariance under reparametrization, measures dissimilarity,...) and gives more interpretability than previously used robustness analysis methods

Our main goals are:

- in depth study of the induced geometry from the Fisher matrices,
- develop adapted optimization algorithms for problem (\star)

The problem

 $\min_{x\in E} f(x)$

is a **Riemannian optimization** problem when E is a Riemannian manifold and f is a differentiable function on E

A manifold M is a "curved" space that locally "looks" flat



Some simple optimization problems are naturally manifold optimization

1st example (N. Boumal, 2014) : Finding eigenvector v_1 with smallest eigenvalue λ_1 of a symmetric matrix A

Eigenvector v_1 minimizes the Rayleigh quotient

$$r: \mathbb{R}^d \setminus \{0\} o \mathbb{R}: r(x) = rac{\langle Ax, x
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r is invariant under scaling, v_1 (normalized) solves

$$\min_{x\in\mathbb{S}^{d-1}}\langle Ax,x\rangle$$

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It can be endowed with a metric g (Frobenius inner product), PCA is an optimization problem on a Riemannian quotient manifold

III. Riemannian optimization algorithms

Examples of Riemannian optimization algorithms for

$$\min_{x\in E} f(x),$$

where E is a manifold and f is differentiable

1. Gradient descent : we choose a starting point x₀ and define

$$x_{n+1} := \exp_{x_n} \big(-\varepsilon_n \cdot \nabla_x f(x_n) \big),$$

where $\varepsilon_n > 0$ are the step sizes and ∇f is the Riemannian gradient

III. Riemannian optimization algorithms

2. Newton's method : if *f* is twice differentiable, then we can define

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3. Stochastic gradient descent : if f is given by

$$f(x) = \mathbb{E}_{Z \sim \mu}[h(x, Z)],$$

we can build the following algorithm

$$x_{n+1} = \exp_{x_n} \big(-\varepsilon_n \cdot \nabla_x h(x_n, Z_{n+1}) \big),$$

where $Z_i \in \mathcal{Z}$ are iid samples from μ

IV. Riemannian barycenter estimation on \mathbb{S}^2

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Rewrite this problem as

$$\min_{x\in\mathbb{S}^2} \mathbb{E}_U\left[\frac{1}{2}d(x,y_U)^2\right]$$

where U is uniform on $\{1, ..., K\}$ and apply the stochastic gradient descent algorithm

$$x_{n+1} = \exp_{x_n} \left(-\varepsilon_n \cdot \nabla_x \frac{1}{2} d(x_n, y_{U_{n+1}})^2 \right),$$

where $(U_i)_i \sim \mathcal{U}(\{1, ..., K\})$ and $\varepsilon_n = \frac{cst}{n}$



Figure: Barycenter estimation of 3 points on \mathbb{S}^2



Figure: Barycenter estimation of 5 points on \mathbb{S}^2

Conclusion and works in progress

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1. Asymptotic/Non-asymptotic confidence intervals

We established a non-asymptotic confidence interval for $q^{lpha}_{ heta}$: given s>0 and $heta\in\Theta$

$$\mathbb{P}(q_{\theta}^{\alpha} \in [q^{-}(\alpha), q^{+}(\alpha)]) \geq 1 - 2N^{r}\varepsilon_{s,\theta},$$

where q^- and q^+ depend on the sample $X_1, ..., X_N \sim P_{\theta_0}$

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2. Geometry of truncated distributions

Implement physical constraints on inputs on the Robustness Analysis method

For instance, for an input $X_i \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma)$ with constraint $X_i \in [a, b]$, we studied the family of truncated Gaussian distributions

$$q_{(\mu,\sigma)}(x) = \frac{1}{P_{(\mu,\sigma)}([a,b])} p_{(\mu,\sigma)}(x) \mathbf{1}_{x \in [a,b]},$$

namely:

- Fisher matrices \rightarrow defines a new geometry on \mathbb{H} ,
- numerically compute geodesics and spheres

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Appendix

Convergence theorem for the Riemannian version of **Newton's** method

$$x_{n+1} := \exp_{x_n} \left(- \left(\operatorname{Hess}_{x_n} f \right)^{-1} \cdot \nabla_x f(x_n) \right).$$

Theorem (S.T. Smith, 2014)

Assume that

► (E, d) is a complete metric space (geodesically complete),

• there exists x_{∞} nondegenerate critical point,

then there exists a neighborhood U of x_{∞} (domain of attraction) such that if $x_0 \in U$, then x_n converges quadratically to x_{∞} :

$$d(x_n,x_\infty) \underset{n\to\infty}{=} \mathcal{O}(n^{-2}).$$

Convergence theorem for **Riemannian stochastic gradient descent** algorithm i.e. when the function *f* is given by $f(x) = \mathbb{E}_{Z \sim \mu}[h(x, Z)]$. The iteration is given by

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Theorem (S. Bonnabel, 2013)

Assume that:

- the manifold E is connected with injectivity radius I > 0,
- the step size ε_n verify $\sum_n \varepsilon_n = \infty$ and $\sum_n \varepsilon_n^2 < \infty$,
- we have $\nabla f(x) = \mathbb{E}_{Z \sim \mu}[\nabla_x h(x, Z)],$
- there exists $K \subset E$ compact such that $x_n \in K$ for all n,
- ▶ $\nabla_x h$ is bounded on K i.e. $\sup_{x \in K, z \in \mathcal{Z}} |\nabla_x h(x, z)| < \infty$.

Therefore, we have

$$(f(x_n))_{n\geq 0}$$
 converges a.s. and $\nabla f(x_n) \xrightarrow[n \to \infty]{} 0$ a.s..

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3rd example (S.-I. Amari 1998) : In our context, the manifold is given by $M = \{P_{\theta}\}_{\theta \in \Theta}$ endowed with the Fisher information metric

$$(I_{ heta})_{ij} = \mathbb{E}_{X \sim P_{ heta}} ig[\partial_i \log p_{ heta}(X) \partial_j \log p_{ heta}(X) ig]$$

To estimate a parameter θ^* , minimize the KL divergence of P_{θ^*} from P_{θ} :

$$heta^* \in \operatorname*{argmin}_{ heta \in \Theta} \ \mathbb{E}_{X \sim heta^*} \left[\log \left(rac{p_{ heta^*}(X)}{p_{ heta}(X)}
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But the following update called natural gradient descent

$$\widehat{\theta}_{n+1} = \widehat{\theta}_n + \frac{1}{n} I_{\widehat{\theta}_n}^{-1} \nabla_{\theta} \log p_{\widehat{\theta}_n}(X_{n+1}) \qquad (\star),$$

gives a Fisher efficient estimator [Amari, 1998] i.e.

$$\lim_{N\to\infty} N \, \mathbb{E}[(\widehat{\theta}_N - \theta_*)(\widehat{\theta}_N - \theta_*)^{\mathsf{T}}] = I_{\theta}^{-1}$$