# Optimisation on Riemannian manifolds for uncertainty quantification <br> <br> ETICS 

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## I. Introduction

Evaluate the robustness of

$$
G(X)=Y
$$

w.r.t. distributions of vector $X$

- $\left\{P_{\theta}\right\}_{\theta \in \Theta}=$ possible distributions for $X$
- $\operatorname{Qol}\left(Y^{\theta}\right)=$ quantity of interest on $Y^{\theta}:=G\left(X^{\theta}\right)$ where $X^{\theta} \sim P_{\theta}$

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

$$
S_{\theta}=\frac{\operatorname{Qol}\left(Y^{\theta}\right)-\operatorname{Qol}\left(Y^{\theta_{0}}\right)}{\operatorname{Qol}\left(Y^{\theta_{0}}\right)},
$$

where $\theta_{0} \in \Theta$ is a fixed reference parameter

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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 ( $\star$ )


## II. Why Riemannian optimization ?

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


Figure: Manifold and tangent space

## II. Why Riemannian optimization ?

Some simple optimization problems are naturally manifold optimization

1st example (N. Boumal, 2014) : Finding eigenvector $v_{1}$ with smallest eigenvalue $\lambda_{1}$ of a symmetric matrix $A$

Eigenvector $v_{1}$ minimizes the Rayleigh quotient

$$
r: \mathbb{R}^{d} \backslash\{0\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}: r(x)=\frac{\langle A x, x\rangle}{\langle x, x\rangle}
$$

$r$ is invariant under scaling, $v_{1}$ (normalized) solves

$$
\min _{x \in \mathbb{S}^{d-1}}\langle A x, x\rangle
$$

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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 $x_{0}$ and define

$$
x_{n+1}:=\exp _{x_{n}}\left(-\varepsilon_{n} \cdot \nabla_{x} f\left(x_{n}\right)\right)
$$

where $\varepsilon_{n}>0$ are the step sizes and $\nabla f$ is the Riemannian gradient

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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}}\left(-\varepsilon_{n} \cdot \nabla_{x} h\left(x_{n}, Z_{n+1}\right)\right),
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where $Z_{i} \in \mathcal{Z}$ are iid samples from $\mu$

## 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 $\{1, \ldots, K\}$ and apply the stochastic gradient descent algorithm

$$
x_{n+1}=\exp _{x_{n}}\left(-\varepsilon_{n} \cdot \nabla_{x} \frac{1}{2} d\left(x_{n}, y u_{n+1}\right)^{2}\right)
$$

where $\left(U_{i}\right)_{i} \sim \mathcal{U}(\{1, \ldots, K\})$ and $\varepsilon_{n}=\frac{c s t}{n}$


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 $q_{\theta}^{\alpha}$ : given $s>0$ and $\theta \in \Theta$

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

where $q^{-}$and $q^{+}$depend on the sample $X_{1}, \ldots, X_{N} \sim P_{\theta_{0}}$

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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

$$
x_{n+1}:=\exp _{x_{n}}\left(-\left(\operatorname{Hess}_{x_{n}} f\right)^{-1} \cdot \nabla_{x} f\left(x_{n}\right)\right) .
$$

Theorem (S.T. Smith, 2014)
Assume that

- $(E, d)$ is a complete metric space (geodesically complete),
- there exists $x_{\infty}$ nondegenerate critical point,
then there exists a neighborhood $U$ of $x_{\infty}$ (domain of attraction) such that if $x_{0} \in U$, then $x_{n}$ converges quadratically to $x_{\infty}$ :

$$
d\left(x_{n}, x_{\infty}\right) \underset{n \rightarrow \infty}{=} \mathcal{O}\left(n^{-2}\right)
$$

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

$$
x_{n+1}=\exp _{x_{n}}\left(-\varepsilon_{n} \cdot \nabla_{x} h\left(x_{n}, Z_{n+1}\right)\right)
$$

where $\left(Z_{i}\right)_{i}$ are iid samples from $\mu$.
Theorem (S. Bonnabel, 2013)
Assume that:

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

$$
\left(f\left(x_{n}\right)\right)_{n \geq 0} \text { converges a.s. and } \nabla f\left(x_{n}\right) \underset{n \rightarrow \infty}{\rightarrow} 0 \text { a.s.. }
$$

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

$$
\left(I_{\theta}\right)_{i j}=\mathbb{E}_{X \sim P_{\theta}}\left[\partial_{i} \log p_{\theta}(X) \partial_{j} \log p_{\theta}(X)\right]
$$

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

$$
\theta^{*} \in \underset{\theta \in \Theta}{\operatorname{argmin}} \mathbb{E}_{X \sim \theta^{*}}\left[\log \left(\frac{p_{\theta^{*}}(X)}{p_{\theta}(X)}\right)\right]
$$

this is the same problem as

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But the following update called natural gradient descent

$$
\widehat{\theta}_{n+1}=\widehat{\theta}_{n}+\frac{1}{n} l_{\widehat{\theta}_{n}}^{-1} \nabla_{\theta} \log p_{\widehat{\theta}_{n}}\left(X_{n+1}\right) \quad(\star)
$$

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

$$
\lim _{N \rightarrow \infty} N \mathbb{E}\left[\left(\widehat{\theta}_{N}-\theta_{*}\right)\left(\hat{\theta}_{N}-\theta_{*}\right)^{\top}\right]=I_{\theta}^{-1}
$$

