

Lecture 17 - FW convergence

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today : • convergence of FW alg.
• apply SVM struct obj.

Curvature constant C_f

$$\text{curvature constant } C_f \triangleq \sup_{\substack{\gamma \in [0,1] \\ x, s \in M \\ x_\gamma = (1-\gamma)x + \gamma s}} \frac{2}{\gamma^2} \left[f(x_\gamma) - (f(x) + \langle \nabla f(x), x_\gamma - x \rangle) \right]$$

potential FW step update

this is affine invariant
↓
 C_f is affine invariant

worst case deviation from linear approximation

* by descent lemma, if ∇f is L -Lipschitz

$$f(y) \leq f(x) + \langle \nabla f(x), y - x \rangle + \frac{L}{2} \|y - x\|^2 \quad \left[\|\nabla f(x) - \nabla f(y)\|_* \leq L \|x - y\| \right]$$

$$|\langle d, x \rangle| \leq \|d\|_* \|x\|$$

$$\Rightarrow C_f \leq \sup_{\gamma \in [0,1]} \frac{2}{\gamma^2} \frac{L}{2} \|x_\gamma - x\|^2$$

$x_\gamma = x + \gamma(s - x)$

$$\frac{L}{2} \frac{2}{\gamma^2} \frac{\gamma^2}{\gamma^2} \|s - x\|^2$$

$$C_f \leq L \cdot \sup_{x, s \in M} \|s - x\|^2$$

$$\text{diam}_{\|\cdot\|}(M) \triangleq \sup_{x, s \in M} \|x - s\|$$

$$C_f \leq L_{\|\cdot\|} (\text{diam}_{\|\cdot\|}(M))^2 \quad \text{for any } \|\cdot\|$$

affine invariant depends on $\|\cdot\|$

⊗ by def of C_f , we get affine invariant version of descent lemma

$$f(x_\gamma) \leq f(x) + \gamma \langle \nabla f(x), s - x \rangle + \frac{\gamma^2}{2} C_f \quad \forall \gamma \in [0,1] \quad \forall x, s \in M$$

let $x = x_t$ and $s = s_t$, FW corner $\langle \nabla f(x_t), s_t - x_t \rangle = -g_t$ FW gap

for FW step of size γ

$$(\dagger) \quad \left| f(x_\gamma) \leq f(x_t) - \gamma g_t + \frac{\gamma^2}{2} C_f \quad \forall \gamma \in [0,1] \right|$$

$$(†) \quad f(x_\gamma) \leq f(x_t) - \gamma g_t + \frac{\gamma^2}{2} C_f \quad \forall \gamma \in [0,1]$$

optimize step size for bound (RHS)

$$\gamma^* = \min \left\{ \frac{g_t}{C_f}, 1 \right\}$$

$$f(x_{\gamma^*}) \leq f(x_t) - \frac{g_t^2}{2C_f} \quad \left[\text{when } \frac{g_t}{C_f} \leq 1 \right]$$

↑ this gives you affine invariant adaptive step size

$$\text{let } \epsilon_t \triangleq f(x_t) - f^* \leq g_t$$

$$\leq f(x_t) - \frac{\epsilon_t^2}{2C_f}$$

Thm: FW alg. with γ_t chosen either as $\frac{g_t}{C_f}$ (when f is convex) or line search yields $\epsilon_t \leq \frac{2C_f}{t+2}$

Note:

- non-convex f
 $\min_{s \leq t} g_s \leq O\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{t}}\right)$
- f is concave, $C_f = 0$

$$\min_{s \leq t} g_s \leq O\left(\frac{1}{t}\right)$$

proof: let $x_\gamma = x_t + \gamma(s_t - x_t)$ } apply (†)

$$f(x_\gamma) \leq f(x_t) - \gamma g_t + \frac{\gamma^2}{2} C_f \quad \forall \gamma \in [0,1]$$

by convexity, $g_t \geq \epsilon_t$
 $-g_t \leq -\epsilon_t$

$$\underbrace{f(x_{t+1}) - f^*}_{\epsilon_{t+1}} \leq \underbrace{f(x_t) - f^*}_{\epsilon_t} - \gamma_t \epsilon_t + \frac{\gamma_t^2}{2} C_f$$

$$\boxed{\epsilon_{t+1} \leq (1 - \gamma_t) \epsilon_t + \frac{\gamma_t^2}{2} C_f}$$

* see notes 2017 for a cool ODE trick + induction

here, brute force approach to solve recurrence

$$\begin{aligned} \varepsilon_{t+1} &\leq (1-\alpha_t) \varepsilon_t + \frac{\alpha_t^2}{2} C_f \\ &\leq (1-\alpha_t) \left[(1-\alpha_{t-1}) \varepsilon_{t-1} + \frac{\alpha_{t-1}^2}{2} C_f \right] + \frac{\alpha_t^2}{2} C_f \end{aligned}$$

$$\varepsilon_{t+1} \leq \prod_{s=0}^t (1-\alpha_s) \varepsilon_0 + \frac{C_f}{2} \sum_{s=0}^t \alpha_s^2 \left(\prod_{u=s+1}^t (1-\alpha_u) \right)$$

initial condition

Lipschitz constant

use $(1+\delta) \leq e^\delta \quad \forall \delta$

$(1-\delta) \leq \exp(-\delta)$

loose!

$$\Rightarrow \varepsilon_{t+1} \leq \varepsilon_0 \exp\left(-\sum_{s=0}^t \alpha_s\right) + \frac{C_f}{2} \sum_{s=0}^t \alpha_s^2 \exp\left(-\sum_{u=s+1}^t \alpha_u\right)$$

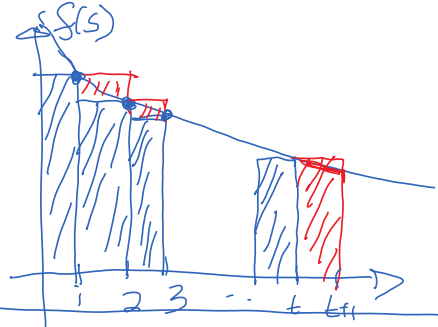
$\alpha_s \sim \frac{1}{s} \Rightarrow \sum_{s=1}^t \alpha_s \approx \log t$

$\exp\left(-\sum_{s=0}^t \alpha_s\right) \approx \exp(-\log t)$

$\exp(\log \frac{1}{t}) \approx O(\frac{1}{t})$

$\exp\left(-\sum_{u=s+1}^t \alpha_u\right) \approx \exp(-\log \frac{t}{s}) \approx O(\frac{s}{t})$

$\sum_{s=1}^t \alpha_s^2 \exp\left(-\sum_{u=s+1}^t \alpha_u\right) \approx \sum_{s=1}^t \frac{1}{s^2} \cdot \frac{s}{t} \approx \frac{1}{t} \sum_{s=1}^t \frac{1}{s} \rightarrow O\left(\frac{\log t}{t}\right)$



$\sum_{s=1}^{t+1} f(s) \leq \sum_{s=1}^t f(s) \leq \int_{s=0}^t f(s) ds$
 f decreasing

$\sum_{s=1}^t \frac{1}{s} = 1 + \sum_{s=2}^t \frac{1}{s} \leq 1 + \int_{s=1}^t \frac{1}{s} ds$

$= 1 + [\log s]^t$

$= 1 + \log t$

* in fact, if use $\alpha_t = \frac{1}{t+1}$, you do get $O(\frac{\log t}{t})$ rate

but if $\alpha_t = \frac{2}{t+2}$, here bound says $O(\frac{\log t}{t})$;

but a (tighter) direct analysis $O(\frac{1}{t})$

see notes in 2017, for $\alpha_t = \frac{\alpha}{t+q}$ ($O(\frac{1}{t})$ for $q \geq 2$)

[telescoping product]

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Linear rate for AFW :

"linear rate" constant

$$(1-p) \leq \exp(-p)$$

(terminology)

linear rate : $\epsilon_{t+1} \leq (1-p) \epsilon_t \leq (1-p)^t \epsilon_0 \leq \epsilon_0 \exp(-pt)$

(for gradient descent $p = \frac{\mu}{L} = \frac{1}{K \cdot \text{condition \#}}$)

sublinear rate: $\epsilon_t \leq O\left(\frac{1}{t^{\text{some power}}}\right)$

⊛ recall for FW with LS : $\epsilon_{t+1} \leq \epsilon_t - \frac{q_t^2}{4C_f}$

[aside : $-q_t^2 \leq -\epsilon_t^2$]

$\Rightarrow \epsilon_t (1 - \frac{\epsilon_t}{2C_f})$

$\rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow$ this is why you don't get linear rate

AFW paper, under some conditions

can show that $\left\{ \frac{q_t^2}{4C_f} \geq \frac{\mu_f}{4C_f} \epsilon_t \right\}$

$\Rightarrow \epsilon_{t+1} \leq \left(1 - \frac{\mu_f}{4C_f}\right) \epsilon_t$

ie. linear rate with $p = \frac{\mu_f}{4C_f}$

$\mu_f \rightarrow$ "geometric strong convexity constant"

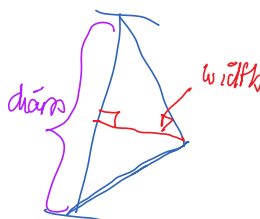
$\mu_f \geq \mu \cdot \text{pwidth}(M)^2$

f is μ -strongly convex

- a) FW with LS when α^* is in $\text{int}(M)$
- b) AFW and M is a polytope

linear rate : $p = \frac{\mu_f}{4C_f} \Rightarrow \frac{\mu \cdot \text{pwidth}(M)^2}{4 \cdot \frac{1}{K_f} \cdot \text{diam}(M)^2}$

$\frac{1}{K_f}$ "condition # of set M "



FW for SVM shunt dual

dual of SVM shunt :

max $\alpha_i \in \Delta(\beta_i)$

$\frac{\lambda \|A\alpha\|^2}{2} - b^T \alpha$

(ie. $M = \sum_{i=1}^n \Delta(\beta_i)$)

$A\alpha = \frac{1}{\sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{y}_i} \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i(\tilde{y}_i) y_i(\tilde{y}_i) = w(\alpha)$

let $\alpha_i^{(0)} = \delta_{y_i(\tilde{y}_i)} \Rightarrow w(\alpha^{(0)}) = 0$

$$\text{let } \alpha_i^{(0)} = \delta_{y(i)} \Rightarrow w(\alpha^{(0)}) = 0$$

FW step:

$$S_t = \operatorname{argmin}_{S \in \mathcal{M}} \langle S, \nabla f(\alpha_t) \rangle$$

$$\nabla f(\alpha_t) = \lambda A^T \alpha_t - b \quad w_t \triangleq w(\alpha_t) \quad w_t = A \alpha_t$$

$$\begin{aligned} (\nabla f(\alpha_t))_{i,y} &= \lambda \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \psi_i(y) w_t - \frac{l_i(y)}{n} \\ &= -\frac{1}{n} \left[\underbrace{l_i(y) - w_t^T \psi_i(y)}_{H_i(y; w_t)} \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$\min_{S \in \mathcal{M}} \langle S, \nabla f(\alpha_t) \rangle = \min_{\{S_i \in \mathcal{M}_i\}} \sum_i \langle S_i, \nabla f(\alpha_t) \rangle$$

$$= \sum_i \min_{S_i \in \mathcal{M}_i} \langle S_i, \nabla_i f(\alpha_t) \rangle \quad (\text{block-separation})$$

$$\alpha_t = \sum_u \alpha_u^t s_u$$

$$\mathcal{M}_i = \Delta(\mathcal{S}_i) \quad \min_y \langle \delta_y, \nabla_i f(\alpha_t) \rangle = \min_y \langle \delta_y, \nabla_{i,y} f(\alpha_t) \rangle = -\frac{1}{n} H_i(y; w_t)$$

$$\text{thus } S_t \triangleq (\hat{S}_i)_{i=1}^n \text{ where } \hat{S}_i = \delta_{\hat{y}_i(w_t)} \quad \text{where } \hat{y}_i(w_t) = \operatorname{argmax}_{\tilde{y} \in \mathcal{Y}_i} H_i(\tilde{y}; w_t)$$

$$\hat{S}_i(y) = \mathbb{1}\{y = \hat{y}_i\} \quad [\text{loss-augmented decoding}]$$

$$\alpha^{(t)} \xrightarrow{A} w^{(t)}$$

$$\alpha_i^{(t+1)} = (1-\gamma) \alpha_i^{(t)} + \gamma \hat{S}_i^{(t)}$$

[here, need to maintain active set $\{\hat{S}_i^{(t)} : u_i \in \mathcal{U}, 0 \leq u_i \leq 1\}$]

$$\alpha^{(t+1)} = (1-\gamma) \alpha^{(t)} + \gamma S^{(t)}$$

$$w^{(t+1)} = (1-\gamma) \underbrace{A \alpha^{(t)}}_{w^{(t)}} + \gamma \underbrace{A S^{(t)}}_{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \psi_i(\hat{y}_i^{(t)})}$$

you can choose via analytic L.S. on dual obj.

recall primal obj:

$$p(w) = \frac{\lambda \|w\|^2}{2} + \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n H_i(w)$$

$$p(w_t) = \lambda w_t - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \psi_i(\hat{y}_i^{(t)})$$

$$w^{(t+1)} = w^{(t)} - \beta p'(w^{(t+1)})$$

$$= (1-\beta) w^{(t)} + \beta \sum_{i=1}^n \psi_i(\hat{y}_i^{(t)})$$

$$p(w_t) = \lambda w_t - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \eta_i (y_i^{(t)})$$

$$= (1 - \frac{\gamma}{\lambda}) w^{(t)} + \frac{\gamma}{\lambda} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \eta_i (y_i^{(t)})$$

if we set $\beta = \frac{\gamma}{\lambda}$

then batch subgradient step on primal
is equivalent
to a batch FW step on dual
with $\beta = \frac{\gamma}{\lambda}$ step-size relationship

$$w^{(t)} = A \alpha^{(t)}$$

② FW perspective gives you "adaptive stepsize"
for batch subgradient method?