

# CGD: Algorithm

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## Algorithm zero

Intuitive original algorithm from theory:

$\Rightarrow$  Initial  $x^{(0)}$ ,  $P_0 = -\nabla\phi(x^{(0)})$  (where  $\beta_0 = 0$ )  
 $\Rightarrow$  Do initial stepping in  $P_0$  directions

$$\alpha_0 = \frac{-\nabla\phi(x^{(0)})^T P_0}{P_0^T A P_0} \quad \begin{matrix} \mathcal{O}(n) \\ \mathcal{O}(n^2) \end{matrix}$$

Step in initial direction  
 $x^{(1)} = x^{(0)} + \alpha_0 P_0$

First step

$\Rightarrow$  For  $t = 0, \dots, n-1$ :  
 Pick a direction and how much to step

$$\beta_t = \frac{P_{t-1}^T A \nabla\phi(x^{(t)})}{P_{t-1}^T A P_{t-1}}$$

Figure out where to step towards next (new direction)  
 $P_t = -\nabla\phi(x^{(t)}) + \beta_t P_{t-1}$

We do it again with  $\alpha_t$

$$\alpha_t = \frac{-\nabla\phi(x^{(t)})^T P_t}{P_t^T A P_t}$$

$x^{(t+1)} = x^{(t)} + \alpha_t P_t$       Step in new direction

Pick new direction based on gradient at previous  $x^t$  and previous  $P_t$

Theorem: Algorithm 0 Converges in at most  $n$  steps, Very Powerful  
 This is actually not that much more expensive than previously  
 Multiply  $A$  is the most expensive operation ( $\mathcal{O}(n^2)$ )

## Algorithm one

More efficient fix to the  $\mathcal{O}(n^2)$  situation:

$\Rightarrow$  Initial  $x^{(0)}$ ,  $r_0 = Ax^{(0)} - b = \nabla\phi(x^{(0)})$       Same thing as Alg-0  
 $P_0 = -r_0$   
 $r$  is the residual (looking for  $x$  where  $Ax = b$ , if not, it would be non-zero)  
 - It captures how wrong your guess is  
 - Go in the negative residual direction

$\Rightarrow$  For  $t = 0, \dots, n$ :

$\Rightarrow \alpha_t = \frac{r_t^T r_t}{P_t^T A P_t}$       ← just once  
 original is  $-\nabla\phi(x^{(t)})^T P_t$   
 Notice that some  $A$  went away because residual implies  $Ax = b$   
 Update with out having to write  $Ax$   
 just only vector multiplication, one  $\mathcal{O}(n^2)$  step, compare to Alg-0 6  $\mathcal{O}(n^2)$

$\Rightarrow x^{(t+1)} = x^{(t)} + \alpha_t P_t$   
 $\Rightarrow r_{t+1} = r_t + \alpha_t A P_t$   
 $\quad \quad \quad \underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{Ax^{(t+1)} - b}$

$\Rightarrow \beta_{t+1} = \frac{r_{t+1}^T r_{t+1}}{r_t^T r_t}$       Like RL, re-using current residual

$\Rightarrow P_{t+1} = -r_{t+1} + \beta_{t+1} P_t$

$$\begin{aligned}
 r_t &= Ax^{(t)} - b, \text{ then } r_{t+1} = Ax^{(t+1)} - b \\
 &= A(x^{(t)} + \alpha_t P_t) - b \\
 &= (Ax^{(t)} - b) + \alpha_t A P_t \\
 \text{Thus } r_{t+1} &= r_t + \alpha_t A P_t
 \end{aligned}$$

↑  
This is just  $r_t$

There can be extensions to general convex function, though hard to find conjugate

## Computational Complexity

Guarantee of not performing worst than GD on complexity's perspective

- ①  $A P_t$  is  $\mathcal{O}(n^2)$ , only compute once and store it
- ②  $P_t^T (A P_t)$  is then just vector multiplication  $\mathcal{O}(n)$
- ③  $r^T r$  is  $\mathcal{O}(n)$

GD on convex requires  $Ax$  as well, so nothing here is more expensive

$$\mathcal{O}(n^2) + 7 \mathcal{O}(n)$$