

A Modified Super-linear QN-Algorithm for Unconstrained Optimization

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ABSTRACT

In this paper, we have proposed a modified QN-algorithm for solving a self-scaling large scale unconstrained optimization problems based on a new QN-update. The performance of the proposed algorithm is better than that used by Wei, Li, Yuan algorithm. Our numerical tests show that the new proposed algorithm seems to converge faster as compared with a standard similar algorithm in many situations .

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1. Introduction

This paper analyzes the convergence properties of self-scaling QN-methods for solving the unconstrained optimization problem

$$\text{Min } f(x) \quad x \in \mathfrak{R}^n, \quad (1)$$

where f is twice continuously differentiable function. The convergence of QN-methods for unconstrained Optimization has been the subject of much analysis. The Broyden-Fletcher-Goldfarb-Shanno (BFGS) method is generally considered to be the most effective among other variable metric methods for unconstrained Optimization problem. One interesting property of BFGS method is its self correcting mechanism (A detailed explanation for example, in Nocedal (see [11]) with this self correcting property, Powell see[13] shows that the BFGS method with an inexact line search satisfies Wolfe conditions is globally super-linearly convergent for convex problem, and Byrd, Nocedal and Yuan (see [5]) extend Powell's analysis to the restricted Broyden class excluding the DFP method. AL-Bayati's (see [1]) presented a new self-scaling variable-metric algorithm which was based on a known two-parameter family of rank-two updating formulae. The best of these algorithm are also modified to employ inexact line searches with marginal effect thus Wei, Li and Qi (see [15]) have proposed some modified BFGS that the average performance of their algorithm was better than standard BFGS algorithm.

Wei, et al. (see [14]) proved the super-linear convergence of Wei,

Li and Qi (see [15]) algorithm under some suitable conditions. In this paper, a new modified QN-algorithm is proposed. The Basic idea is based on the new QN-equation $V_k = H_k y_k^*$ where y_k^* is the sum of y_k and $A_k V_k$ and A_k is some matrix.

This paper is organized as follows in the next section; we represent some basic properties of the modified BFGS algorithm. In section3 we prove the super-linear convergence for the modified QN-algorithm under some reasonable conditions. The search direction in a VM-method is the solution of the system of equations

$$d_k = -H_k g_k \quad (2)$$

where the matrix H_k is an approximate to G_k^{-1} the new approximation H_{k+1} is chosen to take account of this new curvature information which is done by satisfying the condition

$$H_{k+1} y_k = \zeta_k V_k \quad (\text{called QN-like condition}) \quad (3)$$

where ζ_k is a scalar, generally for the QN-methods $\zeta_k = 1$ and hence equation (3) reduces to

$$H_{k+1} y_k = V_k \quad (\text{called the QN-condition}) \quad (4)$$

since information has been gained about f only in one dimension (along d_k), H_{k+1} is allowed to differ from H_k by a correction matrix C_k of at most rank two, i.e.

$$H_{k+1} = H_k + C_k \quad (5)$$

the matrix C_k is therefore the update to H_k there are an infinite number of possible rank-two updates which satisfy the QN-condition but our main interest is in updates which form the Broyden one-parametric class (see [3]). The matrix H_{k+1} is defined by:

$$H_{k+1} = H_k - \frac{H_k y_k y_k^T H_k}{y_k^T H_k y_k} + \theta_k W_k W_k^T + \frac{V_k V_k^T}{V_k^T y_k} \quad (6)$$

with

$$W_k = (y_k^T H_k y_k)^{1/2} \left[\frac{V_k}{V_k^T y_k} - \frac{H_k y_k}{y_k^T H_k y_k} \right] \quad (7)$$

where θ_k is a scalar chosen such that $\theta_k \in [0,1]$ different choice of θ_k then defined different updates. the Davidon-Fletcher-Powell (DFP) update (see [7]) is defined as equation (4) with $\theta_k = 0$ where the Broyden-Fletcher-Goldfarb-Shanno (BFGS) update corresponds to $\theta_k = 1$ (see [6] and [9]). Oren (see [13]) found that a proper scaling of the objective function improve the performance of algorithms that use Broyden family of updated. Hence Oren's family of self-scaling VM-updates can be expressed as:

$$H_{k+1} = \left[H_k - \frac{H_k y_k y_k^T H_k}{y_k^T H_k y_k} + \theta_k W_k W_k^T \right] \eta_k + \frac{V_k V_k^T}{V_k^T y_k} \quad (8)$$

where

$$\eta_k = \frac{y_k^T V_k}{y_k^T H_k y_k} \quad (9)$$

This choice for the scalar parameter η_k was made primarily because in this case η_k requires the quotient of two quantities which are already computed in the updating formula. Al-Bayati (see [2]) found another interesting family of VM-updates by further scaling of Oren's family of updates with a scalar

$$\delta_k = \frac{1}{\eta_k} \quad (10)$$

So that the updating formulas becomes

$$H_{k+1} = H_k - \frac{H_k y_k y_k^T H_k}{y_k^T H_k y_k} + W_k W_k^T + \sigma_k \left(\frac{V_k V_k^T}{V_k^T y_k} \right) \quad (11)$$

For more details see[8]

2. Modified BFGS Algorithm:

Wei, Li and Qi proposed a new QN-equation (see[15])

$$B_{k+1} V_k = y_k^* \quad (12)$$

where $B_k = H_k^{-1}$ where $y_k^* = y_k + A_k V_k$ and A_k is some matrix. By using equation(12) they gave BFGS type updates

$$B_{k+1} = B_k - \frac{B_k V_k V_k^T B_k}{V_k^T B_k V_k} + \frac{y_k^* y_k^{*T}}{V_k^T y_k^*} \quad (13)$$

where $y_k^* = y_k + A_k V_k$ and $A_k = \frac{2(f(x_k) - f(x_{k+1})) + (g(x_{k+1}) - g(x_k))^T}{\|V_k\|^2} I$ using equation(13) and the following Wolf Powell step-size rule

$$f(x_k + \alpha_k d_k) \leq f(x_k) + \delta \alpha_k g(x_k)^T d_k \quad (14)$$

where $\delta \in (0, 1/2)$ and $\sigma \in (\delta, 1)$ and

$$g(x_k + \alpha_k d_k)^T d_k \geq \sigma g(x_k)^T d_k \quad (15)$$

2.1. Outline of the Modified BFGS Algorithm (MBFGS):

Corresponding (MBFGS) the outliers of MBFGS algorithms may be listed

Step1: choose an initial point $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and an initial positive definite matrix B_1 set $K = 1$.

Step2: if $\|g_k\| = 0$ then stop! Go to step2.

Step3: solve $H_k d_k + g_k = 0$ to obtain a search direction d_k

Step4: find d_k by Wolf-Powell step-size rule

$f(x_k + \alpha_k d_k) \leq f(x_k) + \delta \alpha_k g(x_k)^T d_k$ and $g(x_k + \alpha_k d_k)^T d_k \geq \sigma g(x_k)^T d_k$ where $\delta \in (0, 1/2)$ and $\sigma \in (\delta, 1)$ and

Step5: set $x_{k+1} = x_k + \alpha_k d_k$. calculate A_k and update B_{k+1} by formula

$$B_{k+1} = B_k - \frac{B_k V_k V_k^T B_k}{V_k^T B_k V_k} + \frac{y_k^* y_k^{*T}}{V_k^T y_k^*}$$

$$\text{where } y_k^* = y_k + A_k V_k \text{ and } A_k = \frac{2(f(x_k) - f(x_{k+1})) + (g(x_{k+1}) - g(x_k))^T}{\|V_k\|^2} I$$

Step6: set $k = k + 1$, go to step1

2.2. Some Properties of the MBFGS Algorithm:

The global convergence of the MBFGS algorithm needs the following three assumptions

Assumption2.2.1: The level set $\Omega = \{x | f(x) \leq f(x_0)\}$ is contained in a bounded convex set D

Assumption2.2.2: The function f is continuously differentiable on D and there exists constant $L \geq 0$ such that $\|g(x) - g(y)\| \leq L\|x - y\|$, for all $x, y \in D$.

Assumption2.2.3: The function f is uniformly convex that is there are positive constants m_1 and m_2 such that

$$m_1 \|z\|^2 \leq z^T G(x) z \leq m_2 \|z\|^2 \quad (16)$$

for all $x, z \in \mathbb{R}^n$, where G denotes the Hessian matrix of f .

Theorem2.1: Let $\{x_k\}$ be generated by MBFGS algorithm then we have (see[11])

$$\liminf_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|g_k\| = 0. \quad (17)$$

The super-linear convergence analysis of the MBFGS algorithm needs the following assumptions:

Assumption2.2.4: $x_k \rightarrow x^*$ at which $g(x^*) = 0$ and $G(x^*)$ is positive definite.

Assumption2.2.5: G is holder continuous at x^* that is, there exists constant $r \in (0,1)$ and $M > 0$ such that

$$\|G(x) - G(x^*)\| \leq M \|x - x^*\|^r \quad (18)$$

for all x in neighborhood of x^* since $\{f(x_k)\}$ is a decreasing sequence also the sequence $\{x_k\}$ generated by MBFGS is contained in Ω and there exists a constant f^* such that

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} f(x_k) = f^* \quad (19)$$

3. A new Modified QN- Algorithm:

In this section we propose a new QN-method based on the following QN-condition

$$V_k = H_k y_k^* \quad (20)$$

where $y_k^* = y_k + A_k V_k$ and A_k is some matrix defined by $A_k = \frac{y_k^T V_k}{y_k^T H_k y_k} I$ using equation(20) and taking H_{k+1} as Al-Bayati update (see[1]).

$$H_{k+1} = H_k - \frac{H_k y_k y_k^T H_k}{y_k^T H_k y_k} + W_k W_k^T + \sigma_k \left(\frac{V_k V_k^T}{V_k^T y_k} \right)$$

where

$$\delta_k = \frac{y_k^T H_k y_k}{y_k^T V_k}, \quad W_k = (y_k^T H_k y_k)^{1/2} \left[\frac{V_k}{V_k^T y_k} - \frac{H_k y_k}{y_k^T H_k y_k} \right]$$

and using also the following Armijo condition

$$f_k - f_{k+1} \geq c_1 \|V_k^T y_k\|, \quad V_k^T y_k \geq (1 - c_2)(V_k^T y_k) \quad (21)$$

where $c_1 \in (0, 1/2)$, $c_2 \in (c_1, 1)$ in (MBFGS) yields a new QN-algorithm given as below:

3.1. Outline of the Modified QN- Algorithm (NEW):

The outliers of the new algorithm may be given as:

Step1: choose an initial point $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and use-update positive definite matrix H_1 set $K = 1$.

Step2: if $\|g_k\| = 0$ then stop! Go to step2.

Step3: solve $H_k d_k + g_k = 0$ to obtain a search direction d_k

Step4: find d_k by Armijo line search step-size rule

$$f_k - f_{k+1} \geq c_1 \|V_k^T y_k\|, \quad V_k^T y_k \geq (1 - c_2)(V_k^T y_k)$$

where $c_1 \in (0, 1/2)$, $c_2 \in (c_1, 1)$

Step5: set $x_{k+1} = x_k + \alpha_k d_k$. calculate a new A_k and update H_{k+1} by the following formula

$$H_{k+1} = H_k - \frac{H_k y_k^* y_k^{*\top} H_k}{y_k^{*\top} H_k y_k^*} + W_k W_k^\top + \sigma_k \left(\frac{V_k V_k^\top}{V_k^\top y_k^*} \right) \quad (22)$$

where

$$\delta_k = \frac{y_k^{*\top} H_k y_k^*}{y_k^{*\top} V_k}, W_k = (y_k^{*\top} H_k y_k^*)^{1/2} \left[\frac{V_k}{V_k^\top y_k^*} - \frac{H_k y_k^*}{y_k^{*\top} H_k y_k^*} \right]$$

$$\text{and } y_k^* = y_k + A_k V_k \text{ and } A_k = \frac{y_k^\top V_k}{y_k^\top H_k y_k} I \quad (\text{newly defined}) \quad (23)$$

Step6: set $k = k + 1$, go to step1.

3.2. Some Theoretical Properties of the New Algorithm:

To show the global and super-linear convergence of the new algorithm use the same assumption 2.2.1, 2.2.2, 2.2.3 and 2.2.4 where used for all x in neighborhood of x^* since $\{f(x_k)\}$ is a decreasing sequence also the sequence $\{x_k\}$ generated by new algorithm is contained in Ω and that there exists a constant f^* such that

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} f(x_k) = f^* \quad (24)$$

lemma3.2.1: let $(\alpha_k, x_{k+1}, g_{k+1}, d_{k+1})$ be generated by the new algorithm then H_{k+1}^{-1} is positive definite for all k provided that $V_k^\top y_k^* > 0$.

Proof:-

The new algorithm has the following QN-condition

$$H_{k+1} V_k = y_k \quad (25)$$

and preserve positive definiteness of the matrices $\{H_k\}$ if α_k is chosen to satisfy the Armijo condition

$$f_k - f_{k+1} \geq c_1 \|V_k^T y_k\|, \quad V_k^T y_k \geq (1 - c_2)(V_k^T y_k)$$

where f_k denoted $f(x_k)$, $c_1 \in (0, 1/2)$, $c_2 \in (c_1, 1)$. Note that the second condition in (21) guarantees that $V_k^T y_k^* > 0$ whenever $g_k \neq 0$.

lemma3.2.2: let $\{x_k\}$ be generated by the new algorithm then we have

$$m_1 \|V_k\|^2 \leq V_k^T y_k^* \leq m_2 \|V_k\|^2, \quad k = 1, 2, \dots \quad (26)$$

and

$$\|y_k^*\| \leq (2L + m_2) \|V_k\|, \quad k = 1, 2, \dots \quad (27)$$

Proof:-

Using assumption 2.2.2 and equation (16)

$$m_1 \|z\|^2 \leq z^T G(x) z \leq m_2 \|z\|^2$$

and tailors formula we have

$$\begin{aligned} y_k^{*T} V_k &= (g_{k+1} - g_k)^T V_k \\ &= V_k^T G(\zeta_1) V_k \end{aligned}$$

where $\zeta_1 \in (x_k, x_{k+1})$ thus (26) holds

$$m_1 \|V_k\|^2 \leq V_k^T y_k^* \leq m_2 \|V_k\|^2.$$

To prove (27) using the equation (26)

$$V_k^T y_k^* \leq m_2 \|V_k\|^2$$

therefore

$$\|y_k^*\| \leq m_2 \|V_k\|^2 \quad (28)$$

also use assumption 2.2.2

$$\|g(x) - g(y)\| \leq L\|x - y\|, \text{ for all } x, y \in D.$$

Thus

$$\|y_k^*\| \leq L\|V_k\| \quad (29)$$

from equation (28),(29) we get

$$\|y_k^*\| \leq (2L + m_2)\|V_k\|.$$

Theorem3.1 let $\{x_k\}$ be generated by the new algorithm then x_k tends to x super-linearly.(see[2])

lemma3.2.3: suppose that $(\alpha_k, x_{k+1}, g_{k+1}, d_{k+1})$ be generated by the new algorithm and that G is continuous at x^* then we have

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|A\| = 0 \quad (30)$$

Proof:-

By using Taylor's formula, we have

$$\begin{aligned} y_k^{*T} V_k &= (g_{k+1} - g_k)^T V_k \\ &= V_k^T G(\zeta_1) V_k \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} f_k - f_{k+1} &= (g_{k+1} - g_k)^T V_k \\ &= V_k^T G(\zeta_2) V_k \end{aligned}$$

and

$$f_k - f_{k+1} = -g_{k+1}^T V_k + \frac{1}{2} V_k^T G(\zeta_2) V_k$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \zeta_1 &= x_k + \theta_{1k} (x_{k+1} - x_k) \\ \zeta_2 &= x_k + \theta_{2k} (x_{k+1} - x_k) \end{aligned}$$

and $\theta_{1k}, \theta_{2k} \in (0,1)$. from the definition of A and lemma3.2.1 we get

$$A = \frac{V_k^T H_{k+1}^{-1} V_k - V_k^T G(\zeta_1) V_k}{y_k^T H_k y_k}$$

and

$$V_k^T H_{k+1}^{-1} V_k = V_k^T G(\zeta_1) V_k$$

hence

$$\|A_k\| \leq \|G(\zeta_1) - G(\zeta_2)\| \text{ Therefore (30) holds.}$$

lemma3.2.4: let $\{x_k\}$ be generated by the new algorithm denoted $Q = G(x^*)^{-1/2}$ then there are positive constants $b_i, i=1,2,3,4$ and $\eta \in (0,1)$ such that for all large k

$$\|H_{k+1}^{-1} G(x^*)^{-1}\| \leq \left(\sqrt{1 - \rho W_k^2} + b_1 \tau_k + b_2 \|A\| \right) \|H_k - G(x^*)^{-1}\| + b_3 \tau_k + b_4 \|A_k\| \quad (31)$$

where

$\|A\| = \|Q^T A Q\|_F$, $\|\cdot\|_F$ is the forbenius norm of a matrix and W_k is defined as

$$W_k = \frac{\|Q^{-1}(H_k - G(x^*)^{-1}y_k^*)\|}{\|H_k - G(x^*)^{-1}\| \|Qy_k^*\|} \quad (32)$$

In particular $\|H_k\|$, $\|H_k^{-1}\|$ are bounded

Proof:-

To prove (32)

$$\begin{aligned} H_{k+1} &= H_k + \frac{(V_k - H_k y_k^*)V_k^T + V_k(V_k - H_k y_k^*)^T}{y_k^{*T}V_k} + \frac{(y_k^{*T})(V_k - H_k y_k^*)V_k V_k^T}{(y_k^{*T}V_k)^2} \\ &= \left(I - \frac{V_k y_k^{*T}}{y_k^{*T}V_k}\right) H_k \left(I - \frac{y_k^* V_k^T}{y_k^{*T}V_k}\right) + \frac{V_k V_k^T}{y_k^{*T}V_k} \end{aligned}$$

It is the dual form of the DFP type algorithm in the sense that $H_{k+1} \rightarrow H_{k+1}^{-1}$ and $V_k \rightarrow y_k$ we also have

$$\begin{aligned} \|Qy_k^* - Q^{-1}V_k\| &\leq \|Q\| \|y_k^* - Q^{-2}V_k\| \\ &= \|Q\| \|y_k^* - G(x^*)V_k\| \\ &\leq \|Q\| \left(\left\| \int_0^1 G(x_k + \eta V_k)V_k d\eta - G(x^*)V_k \right\| + \|AV_k\| \right) \\ &\leq \|Q\| \|V_k\| \left(\left\| \int_0^1 G(x_k + \eta V_k)V_k - G(x^*) d\eta \right\| + \|A\| \right) \\ &\leq \|Q\| \|V_k\| \left(M_2 \int_0^1 \|G(x_k + \eta V_k)V_k - G(x^*)\| d\eta + \|A\| \right) \\ &\leq \|Q\| \|V_k\| \left(M_2 \int_0^1 (\|x_k - x^* + \eta V_k\|^r) d\eta + \|A\| \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\leq \|Q\| \|V_k\| \left(M_2 \int_0^1 (\eta \|x_k - x^*\| + (1-\eta) \|x_k - x^*\|)^r d\eta + \|A\| \right) \\ &\leq \|Q\| \|V_k\| (M_2 \tau_k + \|A\|) \end{aligned}$$

since $\tau_k \rightarrow 0$ and $\|A\| \rightarrow 0$ it is clear that when k is large enough

$$\|Qy_k^* - Q^{-1}V_k\| \leq \beta \|QV_k\|,$$

for some constant $\beta \in (0, 1/2)$, therefore from lemma 3.2.1 (with identification $V \rightarrow y_k$, $y \rightarrow V_k$, $H^{-1} \rightarrow H_k$, $A \rightarrow G(x^*)^{-1}$ and $M \rightarrow Q^{-1}$ there are constants $p \in (0, 1)$ and $b_5, b_6 > 0$ such that

$$\|H_{k+1} - G(x^*)^{-1}\| \leq \left(\sqrt{1 - \rho W_k^2} + b_5 \frac{\|Q^{-1}V_k - Qy_k^*\|}{\|Qy_k^*\|} \right) \|H_k - G(x^*)^{-1}\| + b_6 \frac{\|V_k - G(x^*)^{-1}y_k^*\|}{\|Qy_k^*\|}$$

where W_k is defined as more over, there exists a constant b_7 such that for all k large enough

$$\begin{aligned} \|y_k^*\| &= \|Qg_{k+1} - g_k + AV_k\| \\ &\geq \|Qg_{k+1} - g_k\| - \|A\| \|QV_k\| \\ &\geq b_7 \|x_{k+1} - x_k\| - \|A\| \|Q\| \|V_k\| \\ &= (b_7 - \|A\| \|Q\|) \|V_k\| \end{aligned}$$

using $\|A\| \rightarrow 0$ the above inequality implies that there is a constant C such that when k is sufficiently large

$$\|Qy_k^*\| \geq C \|V_k\|$$

so we may obtain that

$$\frac{\|Qy_k^* - Q^{-1}V_k\|}{\|Qy_k^*\|} \leq C^{-1}\|Q\|(M_2\tau_k + \|A\|) \quad (33)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\|V_k - G(x^*)^{-1}y_k^*\|}{\|Qy_k^*\|} &= \frac{\|V_k - Q^2y_k^*\|}{\|Qy_k^*\|} \\ &= \frac{\|Q(Qy_k^* - Q^{-1}V_k)\|}{\|Qy_k^*\|} \\ &\leq \frac{\|Q\|\|Qy_k^* - Q^{-1}V_k\|}{C\|V_k\|} \\ &\leq C^{-1}\|Q\|^2(M_2\tau_k + \|A\|) \end{aligned}$$

from which and (33), we get (31)

lemma3.2.5: Let $\{x_k\}$ be generated by the new algorithm then the following Dennis More condition holds for the new technique

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\|H_k^{-1} - G(x^*)V_k\|}{\|V_k\|} = 0 \quad (34)$$

Proof:-

Using $\tau_k \rightarrow 0$, $\|A\| \rightarrow 0$ and $\|H_k\|$ is bounded and following inequality

$$\sqrt{1-\tau} \leq 1 - \frac{1}{2}\tau, \quad \forall \tau \in (0,1)$$

we can deduce that there are positive constants M_1 and M_2 such that for all large k]

$$\|H_k - G(x^*)^{-1}\| \leq (1 - \frac{1}{2}\rho W_k^2)\|H_k - G(x^*)^{-1}\| + M_1\tau_k + M_2\|A_k\|$$

that is

$$\frac{1}{2} \rho W_k^2 \|H_k - G(x^*)^{-1}\| \leq \|H_k - G(x^*)^{-1}\| - \|H_{k+1} - G(x^*)^{-1}\| + M_1 \tau_k + M_2 \|A_k\|$$

summing the above inequality over k , we get

$$\frac{1}{2} \rho \sum_{k=k_0}^{\infty} W_k^2 \|H_k - G(x^*)^{-1}\| < +\infty$$

where k_0 is sufficiently large index such that (31) holds for all $k \geq k_0$. In particular, we have

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} W_k^2 \|H_k - G(x^*)^{-1}\| = 0$$

that is

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\|Q^{-1}(H_k - G(x^*)^{-1})y_k^*\|}{\|Qy_k^*\|} = 0 \quad (35)$$

Moreover we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|Q^{-1}(H_k - G(x^*)^{-1})y_k^*\| &= \|Q^{-1}(H_k(G(x^*) - H_k^{-1}))\| \|G(x^*)^{-1}y_k^*\| \\ &\geq \|Q^{-1}(H_k(G(x^*) - H_k^{-1})V_k)\| - \|Q^{-1}(H_k(G(x^*) - H_k^{-1})(V_k - G(x^*)^{-1})y_k^*)\| \\ &\geq \|Q^{-1}(H_k(G(x^*) - H_k^{-1})V_k)\| - \|Q^{-1}(H_k(G(x^*) - H_k^{-1})(V_k - G(x^*)^{-1})y_k^*)\| - \\ &\quad \|A\| \|Q^{-1}(H_k(G(x^*) - H_k^{-1})G(x^*)^{-1}V_k)\| \end{aligned}$$

using the fact that $\|H_k\|$ and $\|H_{k+1}\|$ are bounded and that $G(x)$ is continuous, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \|Q^{-1}(H_k(G(x^*) - H_k^{-1})V_k - G(x^*)^{-1}y_k^*)\| \\
&= \|Q^{-1}(H_k(G(x^*) - H_k^{-1})G(x^*)^{-1}(G(x^*)V_k - y_k^*)\| \\
&= \|Q^{-1}(H_k(G(x^*) - H_k^{-1})G(x^*)^{-1}[(G(x^*) - G(x_k))V_k + (G(x_k)V_k - y_k^*)]\| \\
&\leq \|Q^{-1}(H_k(G(x^*) - H_k^{-1})G(x^*)^{-1})\| \|G(x^*) - G(x_k)\| \|V_k\| \|G(x_k)V_k - y_k^*\| \\
&= O(\|V_k\|)
\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
& \|A\| \|Q^{-1}(H_k(G(x^*) - H_k^{-1})V_k)\| \\
&\leq \|A\| \|Q^{-1}(H_k(G(x^*) - H_k^{-1})G(x^*)^{-1})\| \|V_k\| \\
&= O(\|V_k\|)
\end{aligned} \tag{36}$$

therefore, there exists a positive constant $k > 0$ such that

$$\|Q^{-1}(H_k - G(x^*)^{-1})y_k^*\| \geq K \|G(x^*) - H_k^{-1}\| V_k - O(\|V_k\|)$$

on the other hand, from equation (36) and lemma 3.2 we have

$$\|Qy_k^*\| \leq \|Q\| \|y_k^*\| \leq (2L + m_2) \|Q\| \|V_k\|$$

from the above inequality (35) and (36) we conclude that the Dennis-More condition holds. \square

Theorem 3.2

Let $\{x_k\}$ be a sequence generated by the new algorithm then the x_k tends to x super-linearly.

Proof:-

We will verify that $\alpha_k = 1$ for large k . since the sequence H_k is bounded we have

$$\|d_k\| = \|H_k g_k\| \leq \|H_k\| \|g_k\| \rightarrow 0$$

by Taylor's expansion, we get

$$\begin{aligned} f_{k+1} - f_k - \delta g_k^T d_k &= (1-\delta) g_k^T d_k + \frac{1}{2} d_k^T G(x_k + \theta d_k) d_k \\ &= -(1-\delta) d_k^T H^{-1} d_k + \frac{1}{2} d_k^T G(x_k + \theta d_k) d_k \\ &= -(\frac{1}{2} - \delta) d_k^T H^{-1} d_k - \frac{1}{2} d_k^T (H_k^{-1} - G(x_k + \theta d_k)) d_k \\ &= -(\frac{1}{2} - \delta) d_k^T G(x^*) d_k + O(\|d_k\|^2) \end{aligned}$$

where $\theta \in (0,1)$ and the last equality follows the Dennis More condition(34) thus

$$f_{k+1} - f_k - \delta g_k^T d_k \leq 0$$

for all large k . In other words $\alpha_k = 1$ the first inequality of the Armijo equation(21) for all k sufficiently large on the other hand

$$\begin{aligned} g_{k+1}^T d_k - \delta g_k^T d_k &= (g_{k+1} - g_k)^T d_k + (1-\delta) g_k^T d_k \\ &= d_k^T G(x_k + \theta d_k) d_k - (1-\delta) g_k^T H_k^{-1} d_k \\ &= d_k^T G(x_k + \theta d_k) d_k - (1-\delta) d_k^T G(x_k) d_k + O(\|d_k\|^2) \\ &= \delta d_k^T G(x_k) d_k + O(\|d_k\|^2) \end{aligned}$$

where $\theta \in (0,1)$ so we have

$$g_{k+1}^T d_k \geq \delta g_k^T d_k$$

which means that $\alpha_k = 1$ satisfies the Armijo equation(21) for all sufficiently large k . Therefore we assert that $\alpha_k = 1$ for large k . Consequently, we can deduce that x_k converges super-linearly.

4. Numerical Results:

In this section, we compare the numerical behavior of the new algorithm with the MBFGS algorithm for different dimensions of test functions. Comparative tests were performed with (41)(specified in the Appendices 1 and 2) well-known test functions (see [10]). All the results are show in Table (1), (2) while Table (3) give the percentage of NOI and NOF. All the results are obtained with newly-programmed FORTRAN routines which employ double precision. The comparative performances of the algorithms taken in the usual way by considering both the total number of function evolutions (NOF) and the total number of iterations required to solve the problem (NOI) .In each case the convergence criterion is that the value of $\|g_k\| < 1 \times 10^{-5}$ the Armijo fitting by Frandsen (see [2]) and Powell line search (see [3]) used as the common linear search subprogram.

Each of the function was solved using the following algorithms

(1) MBFGS Algorithm :

(2)The new algorithm

The important thing is that the new algorithm needs less iteration, fewer evaluations of $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ than MBFGS. We can see that other algorithm may fail in some cases while the new algorithm always converges. Moreover numerical experiments also show that the new algorithm always convergence stables. Namely

there are about (60-87) % improvements of NOI for all dimensions
Also there are (30 -78) % improvements of NOF for all test functions.

Table (1): Comparison between the New algorithm and MBFGS algorithms using different value of $12 < N < 4320$ for 1st test function.

N. OF Test	TEST FUNCTIO N	MBFGS NOI(NO F)					NEW NOI(NO F)				
		12	36	360	1080	4320	12	36	360	1080	4320
1	GEN- Shallow	33	79	108	188	354	15	15	15	15	15
		11	26	26	52	101	11	11	11	11	11
2	GEN-Beal	26	33	53	463	103	15	15	15	16	16
		14	14	21	226	28	12	12	12	13	13
3	Arwhad	17	24	42	31	75	27	14	17	17	17
		7	8	13	9	16	23	9	11	10	10
4	GEN-Edger	17	23	34	34	62	11	11	11	12	12
		8	10	8	8	12	8	8	8	9	9
5	Digonal4	13	14	22	30	36	12	12	12	12	12
		2	2	5	4	5	8	8	8	8	8
6	EX- Denschnb	45	47	53	55	57	27	28	30	31	32
		21	22	25	26	27	24	25	27	28	29
7	EX-BD1	384	372	1954	508	508	68	70	76	79	82
		181	185	938	253	253	64	66	72	75	78
8	Digonal5	5	6	6	6	6	5	6	6	6	6
		3	4	4	4	4	3	4	4	4	4
9	GEN-Strail	43	68	103	114	321	15	15	15	15	16
		13	16	21	21	44	10	10	10	10	11
10	Digonal6	7	8	8	8	8	7	7	8	8	8

		5	6	6	6	6	5	5	6	6	6
11	Digonal7	12	12	13	13	13	12	12	13	13	13
		7	7	8	8	8	7	7	8	8	8
12	EX-Denschf	16	25	61	72	116	12	12	12	13	13
		7	8	15	16	24	8	8	8	9	9
13	GEN-PSC1	32	34	36	36	38	29	30	30	33	33
		14	15	16	16	18	25	26	26	28	28
14	GEN-Quadratic	39	40	62	123	117	12	15	17	17	21
		22	19	24	49	42	9	12	14	14	18
15	Digonal8	7	7	8	8	8	7	7	8	8	8
		4	4	5	5	5	4	4	5	5	5
16	GEN-penal1	19	25	139	527	527	7	7	32	32	32
		8	11	52	180	180	4	4	26	26	26
17	GEN-TRI	37	101	78	222	252	19	19	20	19	20
		17	45	76	87	89	15	16	16	15	16
General TOTAL of first 17 functions		752	918	2780	2438	2601	300	295	337	346	356
		344	402	1263	970	862	240	235	272	279	289

Table (2): Comparison between the New algorithm and MBFGS algorithms using different value of $12 < N < 4320$ for 2nd test function .

N. OF Test	TEST FUNCTI ON	MBFGS NOI(NOF)					NEW NOI(NOF)				
		12	36	360	1080	4320	12	36	360	1080	4320
1	EX- freudenst	F	F	F	F	F	26	26	27	27	27
							20	20	21	21	21
2	Shanno	F	F	F	F	F	44	19	24	25	29
							34	13	17	17	21
3	Liarwhd	F	F	F	F	F	402	1078	22	70	70
							395	1071	16	64	64
4	EX-BD2	F	F	F	F	F	23	24	25	25	25
							16	17	18	18	18
5	WX- Powell	F	F	F	F	F	56	57	58	59	59
							50	51	52	53	53
6	Engval	F	F	F	F	F	117	114	97	81	80
							113	110	93	77	76
7	Cosin	F	F	F	F	F	26	17	27	87	16
							20	13	22	75	12
8	Biggs	F	F	F	F	F	17	33	233	669	669
							14	30	230	660	660
9	GEN- Cubic	F	F	F	F	F	39	39	40	40	40
							34	34	35	35	35
10	EX- Himmebil	F	F	F	F	F	17	18	18	18	18
							8	9	9	9	9
11	EX-Host	F	F	F	F	F	39	39	40	40	40

							34	34	35	35	35
12	EX-three expontial	F	F	F	F	F	7 4	8 5	8 5	8 5	8 5
13	dquadratic	F	F	F	F	F	25 20	21 16	17 12	17 12	18 13
14	Perturbed	F	F	F	F	F	23 18	19 14	16 11	16 11	16 11
15	Raydan1	F	F	F	F	F	15 13	28 25	98 93	164 163	169 165
16	GEN- Helical	F	F	F	F	F	46 39	46 39	47 40	47 40	47 40
17	EX-Fred	F	F	F	F	F	24 16	24 16	24 16	24 16	24 16
18	GEN-Non digonal	F	F	F	F	F	71 55	74 57	70 54	65 50	83 61
19	Maratos	F	F	F	F	F	158 122	166 125	161 121	158 124	158 124
20	Full Hessian	F	F	F	F	F	8 4	7 3	8 3	9 3	9 3
21	Sincos	F	F	F	F	F	224 220	234 230	256 252	266 262	266 262
22	GQ2	F	F	F	F	F	86 79	62 54	55 47	73 68	73 68
23	Raydon2	F	F	F	F	F	7 5	7 5	8 6	8 6	8 6

Table(3): Percentage performance of the new algorithm against MBFGS algorithm for 100% in both NOI and NOF.

N	Costs	NEW
12	NOI	60.11
	NOF	30.23
36	NOI	67.87
	NOF	41.54
360	NOI	87.88
	NOF	78.46
1080	NOI	85.81
	NOF	71.24
4320	NOI	86.31
	NOF	66.47

5. Conclusions:

In this Paper, a new modified QN-algorithm for solving a self-scaling algorithm for solving large-scale unconstrained optimization problems is proposed .The new algorithm is a self-scaling QN- algorithm. The basic idea is based on a new QN-update proved to have super-linear convergence property. Our numerical results supports our claim and also indicate that the new algorithm may be competitive with the MBFGS algorithm in most cases of test function.

Appendix1:

All the test functions used in Table (1) for this paper are from general literature:

1. Generalized Shallow Function:

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{n/2} (x_{2i-1}^2 - x_{2i})^2 + (1 - x_{2i-1})^2,$$

$$x_0 = [-2., -2., \dots, -2., -2.].$$

2. Generalized Beale Function:

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{n/2} [1.5 - x_{2i} + (1 - x_{2i})]^2 + [2.25 - x_{2i-1}(1 - x_{2i}^2)]^2 + [2.625 - x_{2i-1}(1 - x_{2i}^2)]^2$$

$$, \quad x_0 = [-1., -1., \dots, -1., -1.].$$

3. Arwhead Function (CUTE):

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} (-4x_i + 3) + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} (x_i^2 + x_n^2)^2,$$

$$x_0 = [1., 1., \dots, 1., 1.].$$

4. Generalized Edger Function:

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{n/2} (x_{2i-1} - 2)^4 + (x_{2i-1} - 2)^2 x_{2i}^2 + (x_{2i} + 1)^2,$$

$$x_0 = [1., 0., \dots, 1., 0.].$$

5. Diagonal4Function:

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{n/2} \frac{1}{2} (x_{2i-1}^2 + c x_{2i}^2),$$

$$x_0 = [1., 1., \dots, 1., 1.] , \quad c = 100.$$

6. Extended Denschnb Function (CUTE):

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{n/2} (x_{2i-1} - 2)^2 + (x_{2i-1} - 2)^2 x_{2i}^2 + (x_{2i} + 1)^2 ,$$

$$x_0 = [0.1, 0.1, \dots, 0.1, 0.1] .$$

7. Extended Diagonal BDI Function:

$$f(x) = i = 1 \sum_{i=1}^{n/2} (x_{2i-1}^2 + x_{2i}^2 - 2)^2 + (\exp(x_{2i-1} - 1) - x_{2i})^2 ,$$

$$x_0 = [0.1, 0.1, \dots, 0.1, 0.1] .$$

8. Diagonal5 Function:

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n \log(\exp(x_i) + \exp(-x_i)),$$

$$x_0 = [1.1, 1.1, \dots, 1.1, 1.1] .$$

9. Generalized Strait Function:

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{n/2} (x_{2i-1}^2 - x_{2i})^2 + 100(1 - x_{2i-1})^2 ,$$

$$x_0 = [-2., \dots, -2.] .$$

10. Diagonal 6 Function:

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n (\exp(x_i) - (1 + x_i)),$$

$$x_0 = [1., 1., \dots, 1., 1.] .$$

11. Diagonal 7 Function:

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n (\exp(x_i) - 2x_i - x_i^2), \quad x_0 = [1., 1., \dots, 1., 1.].$$

12. Extended Denschnf Function (CUTE):

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{n/2} \left(2(x_{2i-1} + x_{2i})^2 + (x_{2i-1} - x_{2i})^2 - 8 \right)^2 + \left(5x_{2i-1}^2 + (x_{2i} - 3)^2 - 9 \right)^2,$$

$$x_0 = [2., 0., 2., 0., \dots, 2., 0.].$$

13. Generalized pscl Function:

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=2}^{n-1} (x_i^2 + x_{i+1}^2 + x_i x_{i+1})^2 + \sin^2(x_i) + \cos^2(x_i),$$

$$x_0 = [3., 0.1, \dots, 3., 0.1].$$

14. Generalized quartic Function GQ1

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} x_i^2 + (x_{i+1} + x_i^2)^2,$$

$$x_0 = [1., 1., \dots, 1., 1.].$$

15. Diagonal 8 Function:

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \exp(x_i) - 2x_i - x_i^2,$$

$$x_0 = [1., 1., \dots, 1., 1.].$$

16. Generalized Penal1 Function:

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - 1)^2 + eps(x_i^2 - 0.25)^2 ,$$

$$x_0 = [1., 2., \dots, n] , \text{ eps} = 1.E-5 .$$

17. Generalized Tridiagonal-1 Function:

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} (x_{2i-1} + x_{2i} - 3)^2 + (x_{2i-1} - x_{2i} + 1)^4 ,$$

$$x_0 = [2., 2., \dots, 2., 2.] .$$

Appendix2:

All the test functions used in Table (2) for this paper are from general literature:

1. Extended Freudenstein & Roth Function:

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{n/2} (-13 + x_{2i-1} + ((5 - x_{2i})x_{2i} - 2)x_{2i})^2 + (-29 + x_{2i-1} + ((x_{2i} + 1)x_{2i} - 14)x_{2i})^2$$

,

$$x_0 = [0.5., -2., 0.5., -2., \dots, 0.5., -2.] .$$

2. Nondia (Shanno-78) Function (Cute):

$$f(x) = (x_i - 1)^2 + \sum_{i=2}^n 100(x_1 - x_{i-1}^2)^2 ,$$

$$x_0 = [-1., -1., \dots, -1., -1.] .$$

3. Liarwhd Function (cute):

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n 4(-x_i + x_i^2)^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - 1)^2,$$

$$x_0 = [4., 4., \dots, 4.].$$

4. Extended Block-Diagonal BD2 Function:

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{n/2} (x_{2i-1}^2 + x_{2i}^2 - 2.)^2 + (\exp(x_{2i-1} - 1.) + x_{2i}^3 - 2.)^2,$$

$$x_0 = [1.5, 2., \dots, 1.5, 2.].$$

5. Extended Powell Function:

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{n/4} (x_{4i-3} + 10x_{4i-2})^2 + 5(x_{4i-2} - 2x_{4i-1})^4 + 10(x_{4i-3} - x_{4i})^4,$$

$$x_0 = [3, -1, 0, 1, \dots, 3, -1, 0, 1].$$

6. Engval1 Function (CUTE):

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} (x_i^2 + x_{i+1}^2)^2 + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} (-4x_i + 3),$$

$$x_0 = [2., 2., \dots, 2.].$$

7. Cosine Function (CUTE):

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \cos(-0.5x_{i+1} + x_i^2),$$

$$x_0 = [1., 1., \dots, 1., 1.].$$

8. Biggsb1 Function (CUTE):

$$f(x) = (x_i - 1)^2 + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} (x_{i+1} - x_i)^2 + (1 - x_n)^2 ,$$

$$x_0 = [1, 1, \dots, 1, 1].$$

9. Generalized Cubic function:

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{n/2} [100 (x_{2i} - x_{2i-1}^3)^2 + (1 - x_{2i-1})^2] ,$$

$$x_0 = [-1.2, 1, \dots, -1.2, 1].$$

10. Extended Himmelblau Function:

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{n/2} (x_{2i-1}^2 + x_{2i} - 11)^2 + (x_{2i-1} + x_{2i}^2 - 7)^2 ,$$

$$x_0 = [1.1, 1.1, \dots, 1.1, 1.1].$$

11. Extended White & Holst Function:

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{n/2} c(x_{2i} - x_{2i-1}^3)^2 + (1 - x_{2i-1})^2 ,$$

$$x_0 = [-1.2, 1, \dots, -1.2, 1] , \quad c = 100 .$$

12. Extended Three Exponential Terms Function:

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{n/2} (\exp(x_{2i-1} + 3x_{2i} - 0.1) + \exp(x_{2i-1} - 3x_{2i} - 0.1) + \exp(-x_{2i-1} - 0.1)) ,$$

$$x_0 = [0.1, 0.1, \dots, 0.1, 0.1].$$

13. Dqudrtic Function (CUTE):

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{n-2} (x_i^2 + cx_{i+1}^2 + dx_{i+2}^2),$$

$$x_0 = [3., 3., \dots, 3., 3.] , \quad c = 100, d = 100 .$$

14. Perturbed Penalty Function:

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n ix_i^2 + \frac{1}{100} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i \right)^2 ,$$

$$x_0 = [0.5, 0.5, \dots, 0.5, 0.5] .$$

15. Raydan 1 Function:

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{i}{10} (\exp(x_i) - x_i) ,$$

$$x_0 = [1., 1., \dots, 1., 1.] .$$

16. General Helical Function:

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{n/3} (100x_{3i} - 10 * H_i)^2 + 100(R_i - 1)^2 + x_{3i}^2 ,$$

$$\text{where } R_i = \sqrt{x_{3i-2}^2 + x_{3i-1}^2}, H_i = \begin{cases} (2\pi)^{-1} \tan^{-1} \frac{x_{3i-1}}{x_{3i-2}} & \text{if } x_{3i-2} > 0 \\ 0.5 + (2\pi)^{-1} \tan^{-1} \frac{x_{3i-1}}{x_{3i-2}} & \text{if } x_{3i-2} < 0 \end{cases}$$

$$x_0 = [-1., 0., 0., \dots, -1., 0.], 0. .$$

17. Extended Fred Function:

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{n/2} (-13 + x_{2i-1} + (5 - x_{2i}) + (x_{2i} - 2)(x_{2i}))^2 + \sum_{j=1}^{n/2} (-29 + x_{2i-1} + (1 - x_{2i}) + (x_{2i} - 14)(x_{2i}))^2 ,$$

$$x_0 = [1., 2., \dots, n]$$

18. Generalized Non diagonal function:

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=2}^n [100(x_1 - x_i^2)^2 + (1 - x_i)^2],$$

$$x_0 = [-1., \dots, -1.].$$

19. Extended Martos Function:

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{n/2} x_{2i-1} + 100(x_{2i-1}^2 + x_{2i}^2 - 1)^2,$$

$$x_0 = [1.1, 0.1, \dots, 1.1, 0.1].$$

20. Full Hessian Function:

$$f(x) = \left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i \right)^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i \exp(x_i) - 2x_i - x_i^2),$$

$$x_0 = [1., 1., \dots, 1., 1.].$$

21. SINCOS Function:

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=2}^{n/2} (x_{2i-1}^2 + x_{2i}^2 + x_{2i-1}x_{2i})^2 + \sin^2(x_{2i-1}) + \cos^2(x_{2i}),$$

$$x_0 = [3., 0.1, \dots, 3., 0.1].$$

22. Generalized Quartic Function GQ2:

$$f(x) = (x_1^2 - 1)^2 + \sum_{i=2}^n (x_i^2 - x_{i-1} - 2)^2, \quad x_0 = [1., 1., \dots, 1., 1.].$$

23. Raydan 2 Function:

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n (\exp(x_i) - x_i), \quad x_0 = [1., 1., \dots, 1., 1.].$$

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