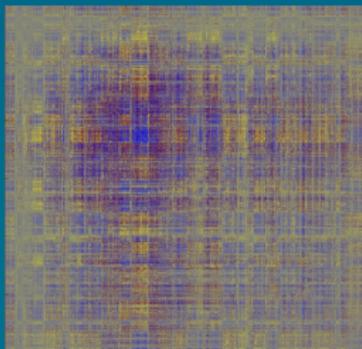


Quadratically Converging Control Sequence Optimisation Algorithms

Newton-GRAPE; Hessian Calculations & Regularisation



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$$\frac{\partial^2 J}{\partial c_{n_2}^{(k)} \partial c_{n_1}^{(k)}} = \langle \sigma | \hat{\mathcal{P}}_N \hat{\mathcal{P}}_{N-1} \cdots \frac{\partial}{\partial c_{n_2}^{(k)}} \hat{\mathcal{P}}_{n_2} \cdots \frac{\partial}{\partial c_{n_1}^{(k)}} \hat{\mathcal{P}}_{n_1} \cdots \hat{\mathcal{P}}_2 \hat{\mathcal{P}}_1 | \psi_0 \rangle \quad (1)$$

$$\exp \begin{pmatrix} -i\hat{L}\Delta t & -i\hat{H}_{n_1}^{(k_1)}\Delta t & 0 \\ 0 & -i\hat{L}\Delta t & -i\hat{H}_{n_2}^{(k_2)}\Delta t \\ 0 & 0 & -i\hat{L}\Delta t \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} e^{-i\hat{L}\Delta t} & \frac{\partial}{\partial c_{n_1}^{(k_1)}} e^{-i\hat{L}\Delta t} & \frac{\partial^2}{\partial c_{n_1}^{(k_1)} \partial c_{n_2}^{(k_2)}} e^{-i\hat{L}\Delta t} \\ 0 & e^{-i\hat{L}\Delta t} & \frac{\partial}{\partial c_{n_2}^{(k_2)}} e^{-i\hat{L}\Delta t} \\ 0 & 0 & e^{-i\hat{L}\Delta t} \end{pmatrix} \quad (2)$$

01 Newton-Raphson method

02 GRAPE; gradient and Hessian

03 Van Loan's Augmented Exponentials

04 Regularisation

Abstract

We report an efficient algorithm for computing the full Hessian of the optimal control objective function in a large class of practically relevant cases, and use it to analyze the convergence properties of Newton-Raphson optimization methods using the full Hessian matrix.

Newton-Raphson method

Taylor's Theorem

- ▶ Taylor series approximated to second order^[1].

- ▶ If f is continuously differentiable

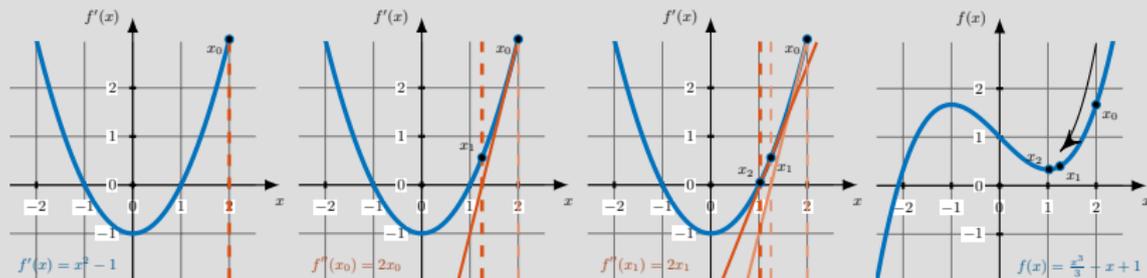
$$f(x + p) = f(x) + \nabla f(x + tp)^T p$$

- ▶ If f is twice continuously differentiable

$$f(x + p) = f(x) + \nabla f(x)^T p + \frac{1}{2} p^T \nabla^2 f(x + \alpha p) p$$

- ▶ 1st order necessary condition: $\nabla f(x^*) = 0$
- ▶ 2nd order necessary condition: $\nabla^2 f(x^*)$ is positive semidefinite

Finding a minimum to the function using tangents of the gradient



[1] B. Taylor. Inny, 1717, J. Nocedal and S. J. Wright. 1999.

The Newton step: $p_k^N = -\mathbf{H}_k^{-1} \nabla f_k$

- ▶ $\nabla^2 f_k = \mathbf{H}_k$ is the Hessian matrix, one of second order partial derivatives^[2]:

$$\mathbf{H} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_1^2} & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_1 \partial x_2} & \cdots & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_1 \partial x_n} \\ \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_2 \partial x_1} & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_2^2} & \cdots & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_2 \partial x_n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_n \partial x_1} & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_n \partial x_2} & \cdots & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_n^2} \end{pmatrix}$$

- ▶ The steepest descent method results from the same equation when we set \mathbf{H} to the identity matrix.
- ▶ Quasi-Newton methods initialise \mathbf{H} to the identity matrix, then to approximate it from an update formula using a gradient history.
- ▶ The Hessian proper must be positive definite (an quite well conditioned) to make an inverse; an indefinte Hessian results in non-descent search directions.

^[2]L. O. Hesse. Chelsea, 1972.

GRAPE; gradient and Hessian

- ▶ Split Liouvillian to controllable and uncontrollable parts^[3],

$$\hat{L}(t) = \hat{H}_0 + \sum_k c^{(k)}(t) \hat{H}_k$$

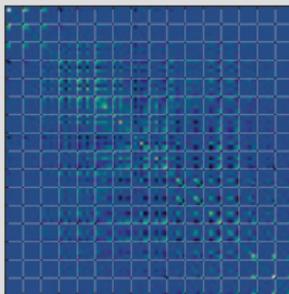
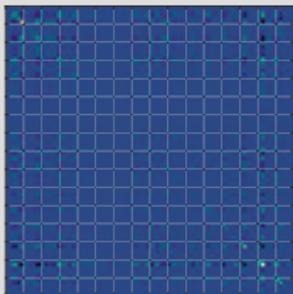
- ▶ Maximise the fidelity measure, $J = \Re \langle \hat{\sigma} | \exp_{(0)} \left[-i \int_0^T \hat{L}(t) dt \right] | \hat{\rho}(0) \rangle$
- ▶ Optimality conditions, $\frac{\partial J}{\partial c_k(t)} = 0$ at a minimum, and the Hessian matrix should be positive definite
- ▶ Gradient found from forward and backward propagation

$$\frac{\partial J}{\partial c_n^{(k)}} = \langle \sigma | \hat{\mathcal{P}}_N \hat{\mathcal{P}}_{N-1} \cdots \frac{\partial}{\partial c_n^{(k)}} \hat{\mathcal{P}}_n \cdots \hat{\mathcal{P}}_2 \hat{\mathcal{P}}_1 | \psi_0 \rangle$$

- ▶ Propagator over a time slice:

$$\hat{\mathcal{P}}_n = \exp \left[-i \left(\hat{H}_0 + \sum_k c_n^{(k)} \hat{H}_k \right) \Delta t \right]$$

^[3]N. Khaneja et al. In: *Journal of Magnetic Resonance* 172.2 (2005), pp. 296 –305.



- ▶ (block) diagonal elements

$$\frac{\partial^2 J}{\partial c_n^{(k)2}} = \langle \sigma | \hat{\mathcal{P}}_N \hat{\mathcal{P}}_{N-1} \cdots \frac{\partial^2}{\partial c_n^{(k)2}} \hat{\mathcal{P}}_n \cdots \hat{\mathcal{P}}_2 \hat{\mathcal{P}}_1 | \psi_0 \rangle$$

- ▶ non-diagonal elements

$$\frac{\partial^2 J}{\partial c_{n_2}^{(k)} \partial c_{n_1}^{(k)}} = \langle \sigma | \hat{\mathcal{P}}_N \hat{\mathcal{P}}_{N-1} \cdots \frac{\partial}{\partial c_{n_2}^{(k)}} \hat{\mathcal{P}}_{n_2} \cdots \frac{\partial}{\partial c_{n_1}^{(k)}} \hat{\mathcal{P}}_{n_1} \cdots \hat{\mathcal{P}}_2 \hat{\mathcal{P}}_1 | \psi_0 \rangle$$

- ▶ All propagators of the non-diagonal blocks have been calculated within a gradient calculation, and can be reused. Only need to find the diagonal blocks.

Van Loan's Augmented Exponentials

- ▶ Among the many complicated functions encountered in magnetic resonance simulation context, chained exponential integrals involving square matrices A_k and B_k occur particularly often:

$$\int_0^t dt_1 \int_0^{t_1} dt_2 \cdots \int_0^{t_{n-2}} dt_{n-1} \left\{ e^{A_1(t-t_1)} B_1 e^{A_2(t_1-t_2)} B_2 \cdots e^{A_{n-1}(t-t_1)} B_{n-1} e^{A_n t_{n-1}} \right\}$$

- ▶ A method for computing some of the integrals of the general type shown in Equation of this type was proposed by Van Loan in 1978^[4] (pointed out by Sophie Schirmer^[5])
- ▶ Using this augmented exponential technique, we can write an upper-triangular block matrix exponential as

$$\exp \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{A} & \mathbf{B} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{A} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} e^{\mathbf{A}t} & \int_0^t e^{\mathbf{A}(t-s)} \mathbf{B} e^{\mathbf{A}s} ds \\ \mathbf{0} & e^{\mathbf{A}t} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} e^{\mathbf{A}} & \int_0^1 e^{\mathbf{A}(1-s)} \mathbf{B} e^{\mathbf{A}s} ds \\ \mathbf{0} & e^{\mathbf{A}} \end{pmatrix}$$

^[4]C. F. Van Loan. In: *Automatic Control, IEEE Transactions on* 23.3 (1978), pp. 395–404.

^[5]F. F. Floether, P. de Fouquieres and S. G. Schirmer. In: *New Journal of Physics* 14.7 (2012), p. 073023.

- ▶ Find the derivative of the control pulse at a specific time point
- ▶ set

$$\int_0^1 e^{\mathbf{A}(1-s)} \mathbf{B} e^{\mathbf{A}s} ds = D_{c_n}(t) \exp(-i\hat{L}\Delta t) \Rightarrow \mathbf{B} = -i\hat{H}_n^{(k)} \Delta t$$

- ▶ leading to an efficient calculation of the gradient element

$$\exp \begin{pmatrix} -i\hat{L}\Delta t & -i\hat{H}_n^{(k)} \Delta t \\ \mathbf{0} & -i\hat{L}\Delta t \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} e^{-i\hat{L}\Delta t} & \frac{\partial}{\partial c_n^{(k)}} e^{-i\hat{L}\Delta t} \\ \mathbf{0} & e^{-i\hat{L}\Delta t} \end{pmatrix}$$

Augmented Exponentials

- ▶ second order derivatives can be calculated with a 3×3 augmented exponential^[6]

- ▶ set

$$\int_0^1 \int_0^s e^{\mathbf{A}(1-s)} \mathbf{B}_{n_1} e^{\mathbf{A}(s-r)} \mathbf{B}_{n_2} e^{\mathbf{A}r} dr ds = D_{c_{n_1} c_{n_2}}^2(t) \exp(-i\hat{L}\Delta t) \Rightarrow \mathbf{B}_n = -i\hat{H}_n^{(k)} \Delta t$$

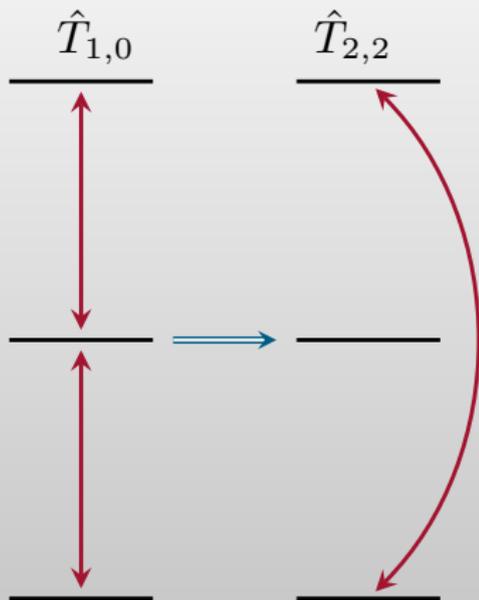
- ▶ Giving the efficient Hessian element calculation

$$\exp \begin{pmatrix} -i\hat{L}\Delta t & -i\hat{H}_{n_1}^{(k_1)} \Delta t & 0 \\ 0 & -i\hat{L}\Delta t & -i\hat{H}_{n_2}^{(k_2)} \Delta t \\ 0 & 0 & -i\hat{L}\Delta t \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} e^{-i\hat{L}\Delta t} & \frac{\partial}{\partial c_{n_1}^{(k_1)}} e^{-i\hat{L}\Delta t} & \frac{\partial^2}{\partial c_{n_1}^{(k_1)} \partial c_{n_2}^{(k_2)}} e^{-i\hat{L}\Delta t} \\ 0 & e^{-i\hat{L}\Delta t} & \frac{\partial}{\partial c_{n_2}^{(k_2)}} e^{-i\hat{L}\Delta t} \\ 0 & 0 & e^{-i\hat{L}\Delta t} \end{pmatrix}$$

^[6] T. F. Havel, I Najfeld and J. X. Yang. In: *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences* 91.17 (1994), pp. 7962–7966, I. Najfeld and T. Havel. In: *Advances in Applied Mathematics* 16.3 (1995), pp. 321–375.

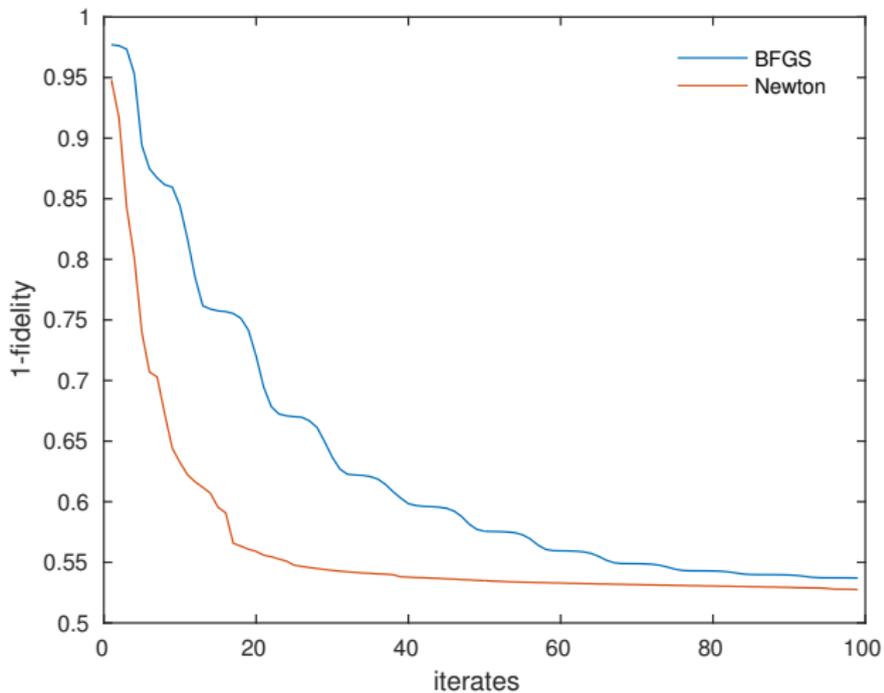
Overtone excitation Simulation

- ▶ Excite ^{14}N from a state $\hat{T}_{1,0} \rightarrow \hat{T}_{2,2}$.
- ▶ Solid state powder average, with objective functional weighted over the crystalline orientations (rank 17 Lebedev grid - 110 points).
- ▶ Nuclear quadrupolar interaction.
- ▶ 400 time points for total pulse duration of $40\mu\text{s}$



Overtone excitation

Comparison of BFGS and Newton-Raphson



Regularisation

- ▶ BFGS (using the DFP formula) is guaranteed to produce a positive definite Hessian update
- ▶ The Newton-Raphson method does not:

$$p_k^N = -\mathbf{H}_k^{-1} \nabla f_k$$

- ▶ Properties of the Hessian matrix:
 1. Must be symmetric: $\frac{\partial^2}{\partial c^{(i)} \partial c^{(j)}} = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial c^{(j)} \partial c^{(i)}}$; not if control operators commute
 2. Must be sufficiently positive definite; non-singular; invertible.
 3. The Hessian is diagonally dominant.

Avoiding Singularities

- ▶ Common when we have negative eigenvalues, regularise the Hessian to be positive definite^[7].
- ▶ Check eigenvalues performing an eigendecomposition of the Hessian matrix:

$$\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{Q}\Lambda\mathbf{Q}^{-1}$$

- ▶ Add the smallest negative eigenvalue to all eigenvalues, then reform the Hessian with initial eigenvectors:

$$\lambda_{\min} = \max [0, -\min(\Lambda)]$$

$$\mathbf{H}_{\text{reg}} = \mathbf{Q}(\Lambda + \lambda_{\min}\hat{I})\mathbf{Q}^{-1}$$

TRM Introduce a constant δ ; region of a radius we trust to give a sufficiently positive definite Hessian.

$$\mathbf{H}_{\text{reg}} = \mathbf{Q}(\Lambda + \delta\lambda_{\min}\hat{I})\mathbf{Q}^{-1}$$

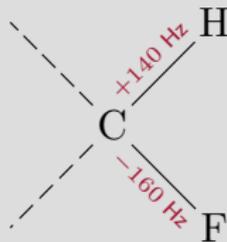
However, if δ is too small, the Hessian will become ill-conditioned.

RFO The method proceeds to construct an augmented Hessian matrix

$$\mathbf{H}_{\text{aug}} = \begin{bmatrix} \delta^2\mathbf{H} & \delta\vec{g} \\ \delta\vec{g} & \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{Q}\Lambda\mathbf{Q}^{-1}$$

^[7]X. P. Resina. PhD thesis. Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, 2004.

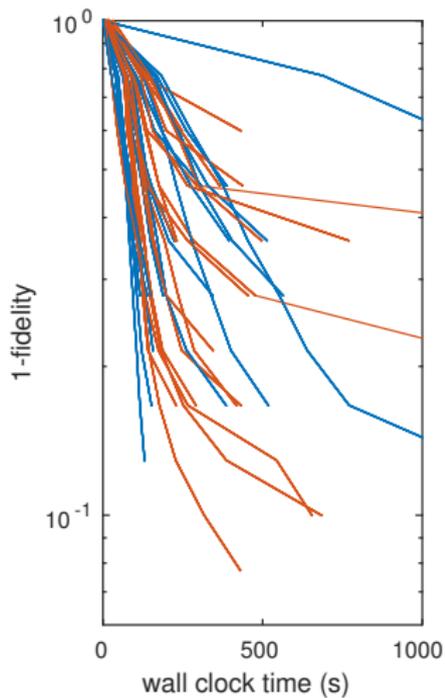
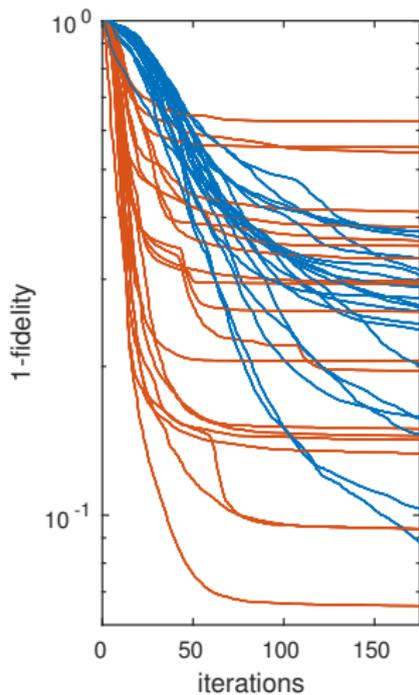
- ▶ Controls := $\left\{ \hat{L}_x^{(H)}, \hat{L}_y^{(H)}, \hat{L}_x^{(C)}, \hat{L}_y^{(C)}, \hat{L}_x^{(F)}, \hat{L}_y^{(F)} \right\}$
- ▶ valid vs. invalid parametrisation of Lie groups.



Interaction parameters of a hydroflouorocarbon molecular group used in state transfer simulations, with a magnetic induction of 9.4 Tesla

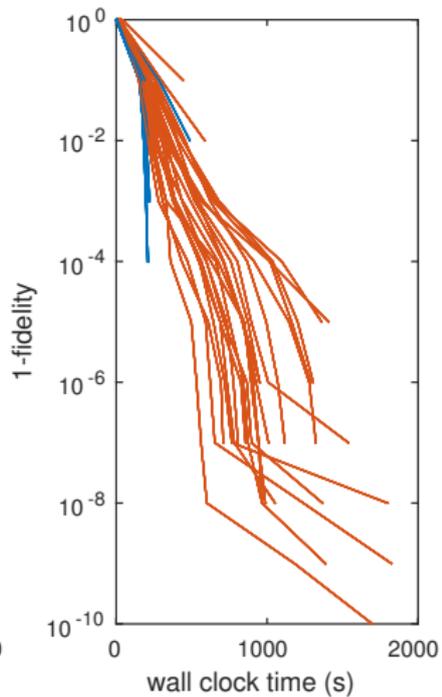
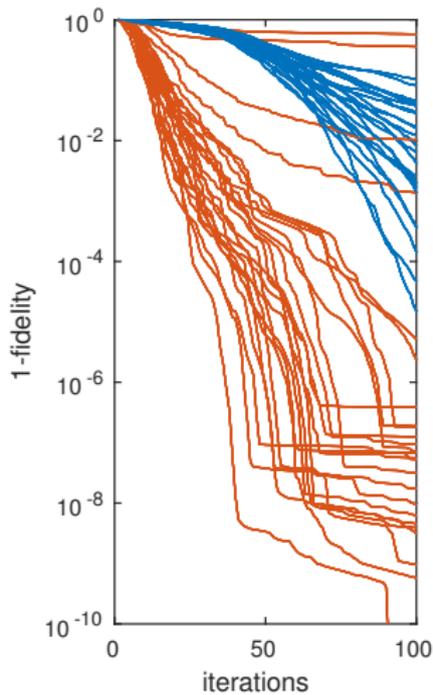
State transfer

Comparison of BFGS and Newton-Raphson I



State transfer

Comparison of BFGS and Newton-Raphson II



- ▶ Hessian calculation that scales with $O(n)$ computations.
- ▶ Efficient directional derivative calculation with augmented exponentials
- ▶ better regularisation and conditioning
- ▶ infeasible start points?
- ▶ Different line search methods?
- ▶ forced symmetry of a Hessian