

Riemannian Diffusion Adaptation for Distributed Optimization on Manifolds

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Distributed optimization on manifolds

Multi-agent optimization problem:

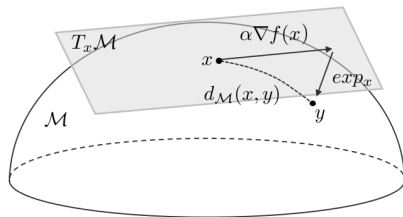
$$\min_{w \in \mathcal{M}} \sum_{k=1}^K J_k(w), \quad J_k(w) = \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x}_k} \{ Q(w; \mathbf{x}_k) \}. \quad (1)$$

A wide range of applications can be written in the form of (1), including

- principal component analysis (PCA);
- Gaussian mixture models (GMM);
- low-rank matrix completion;
- deep neural networks with orthogonal constraints.

This work focuses on fully intrinsic methods and thus can be applied to general manifolds.

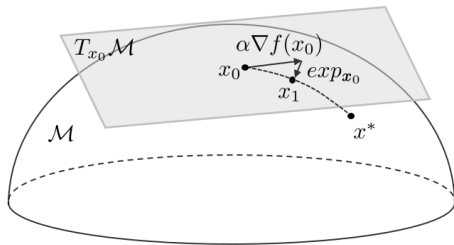
Riemannian optimization: main tools



A few important tools:

- Riemannian gradient: $\nabla f(x) \in T_x\mathcal{M}$;
- exponential mapping: $\exp_x : T_x\mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathcal{M}$ (maps a vector in the tangent space back to the manifold);
- geodesic distance: $d_{\mathcal{M}}$ (length of the shortest path between two points on \mathcal{M}).

Riemannian optimization: R-SGD, basic structure



Considering a cost $f(\mathbf{x})$, $\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{M}$ we proceed as¹:

- compute a stochastic approximation of $\nabla f(\mathbf{x})$ at \mathbf{x} ;
- “take a step in the negative gradient direction” on \mathcal{M} using the exponential mapping.

¹Silvère Bonnabel. “Stochastic gradient descent on Riemannian manifolds”. In: *IEEE Transactions on Automatic Control* 58.9 (2013), pp. 2217–2229.

Riemannian Diffusion adaptation

One can encourage *consensus* ($\mathbf{w}_k = w, \forall k$) on manifolds with a penalty:

$$\min_{\mathbf{w} \in \mathcal{M}^K} J(\mathbf{w}) \quad s.t. \quad P(\mathbf{w}) = 0, \quad (2)$$

where $J(\mathbf{w}) \triangleq \frac{1}{K} \sum_{k=1}^K J_k(\mathbf{w}_k)$ and $P(\mathbf{w}) \triangleq \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{\ell=1}^K c_{\ell k} d^2(\mathbf{w}_k, \mathbf{w}_\ell)$.

The proposed algorithm:

$$\phi_{k,t} = \exp_{\mathbf{w}_{k,t-1}} \left(-\mu \widehat{\nabla} J_k(\mathbf{w}_{k,t-1}) \right), \quad (3)$$

$$\mathbf{w}_{k,t} = \exp_{\phi_{k,t}} \left(\alpha \sum_{\ell=1}^K c_{\ell k} \exp_{\phi_{k,t}}^{-1}(\phi_{\ell,t}) \right). \quad (4)$$

A special case: our algorithm reduces to the standard diffusion adaptation^{2,3} when $\mathcal{M} = \mathbb{R}^n$.

²Jianshu Chen et al. "Diffusion adaptation strategies for distributed optimization and learning over networks". In: *IEEE Transactions on Signal Processing* 60.8 (2012), pp. 4289–4305.

³Ali H Sayed et al. "Diffusion strategies for adaptation and learning over networks: an examination of distributed strategies and network behavior". In: *IEEE Signal Processing Magazine* 30.3 (2013), pp. 155–171.

Theorem

Under some mild assumptions including *geodesic convexity and smoothness*, suppose $\alpha \in (0, h_{\max}^{-1}]$. The sequence $\{P(\phi_t)\}_{t \geq 0}$ satisfies the following relation:

$$\mathbb{E}\{P(\phi_t)\} \leq \frac{11\mu^2}{2\alpha\tau} G^2 + \frac{3\mu^2}{\alpha\tau} \sigma^2, \quad (5)$$

after sufficient iterations s_o , given by

$$s_o = \frac{2 \log(\mu)}{\log(1 - \tau)} + O(1) = O(\mu^{-1}), \quad (6)$$

where $\tau = \min\{\frac{1}{2\zeta}, \alpha h_{\min}\}$, the last equality holds for sufficiently small μ .

Non-asymptotic convergence

To handle the manifold curvature, we design a Lyapunov function⁴ of \mathbf{w}_t as $\Delta'_t \triangleq J(\mathbf{w}'_t) - J(\mathbf{w}^*)$, we study the convergence of $\{\mathbf{w}_{s_o+1}, \dots, \mathbf{w}_t\}$ by auxiliary variables $\{\mathbf{w}'_{s_o+1}, \dots, \mathbf{w}'_t\}$:

- $\mathbf{w}'_{s_o+1} = \mathbf{w}_{s_o+1}$
- $\mathbf{w}'_{s+1} = \exp_{\mathbf{w}'_s} \left(\frac{1}{s-s_o+1} \exp_{\mathbf{w}'_s}^{-1}(\mathbf{w}_{s+1}) \right)$ for $s_o + 1 \leq s \leq t-2$
- $\mathbf{w}'_t = \exp_{\mathbf{w}'_{t-1}} \left(\frac{2\zeta}{2\zeta+t-s_o-1} \exp_{\mathbf{w}'_{t-1}}^{-1}(\mathbf{w}_t) \right)$

For example, when $\mathcal{M} = \mathbb{R}^n$, the streaming average reduces to

- $\mathbf{w}'_{s_o+1} = \mathbf{w}_{s_o+1}$
- $\mathbf{w}'_{s+1} = \mathbf{w}'_s + \frac{1}{s-s_o-1}(\mathbf{w}'_s - \mathbf{w}_{s+1})$ for $s_o + 1 < s \leq t-2$
- $\mathbf{w}'_t = \mathbf{w}'_{t-1} + \frac{2\zeta}{2\zeta+t-s_o-1}(\mathbf{w}'_{t-1} - \mathbf{w}_t)$

⁴Hongyi Zhang et al. "First-order methods for geodesically convex optimization". In: *Conference on Learning Theory*. 2016, pp. 1617–1638.

Non-asymptotic convergence

Theorem

Under some mild assumptions including *geodesic convexity and smoothness*, suppose $\alpha \in (0, h_{\max}^{-1}]$ and $\mu \in (0, L^{-1}]$. The sequence $\{J(\mathbf{w}'_t)\}_{t \geq s_o+1}$ satisfies the following relation:

$$\mathbb{E}\Delta'_t \leq \frac{\zeta LD^2 + (t - s_o) \left(\frac{231\zeta\alpha\mu}{2\tau} G^2 + \frac{63\zeta\alpha\mu}{\tau} \sigma^2 \right)}{2\zeta + t - s_o - 1}, \quad (7)$$

where $\Delta'_t = J(\mathbf{w}'_t) - J(\mathbf{w}^*)$.

Applications and experiment setups

We apply our strategy to two manifolds as examples:

- PCA: the Grassmann manifold \mathcal{G}_n^p ;
- GMM inference: the manifold of SPD matrices \mathcal{S}_n^{++} .

Baselines:

- Distributed PCA: DRSGD⁵;
- Distributed GMM inference: ECGMM^{6,7}.

⁵Shixiang Chen et al. "Decentralized Riemannian gradient descent on the Stiefel manifold". In: *International Conference on Machine Learning*. PMLR. 2021, pp. 1594–1605.

⁶Angelia Nedic et al. "Constrained consensus and optimization in multi-agent networks". In: *IEEE Transactions on Automatic Control* 55.4 (2010), pp. 922–938.

⁷Xiangru Lian et al. "Can decentralized algorithms outperform centralized algorithms? a case study for decentralized parallel stochastic gradient descent". In: *Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems* 30 (2017).

Multi-agent system

We selected $K = 20$ agents, the weights in matrix \mathbf{A} with Metropolis rule⁸.

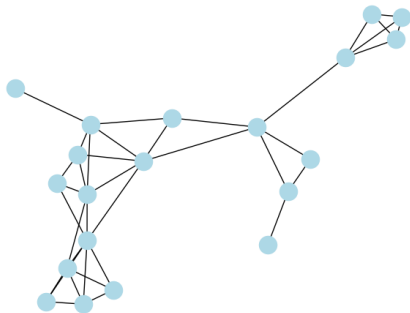


Figure: Graph topology.

⁸Lin Xiao et al. "A space-time diffusion scheme for peer-to-peer least-squares estimation". In: *Proceedings of the 5th International Conference on Information Processing in Sensor Networks*. 2006, pp. 168–176.

Distributed PCA

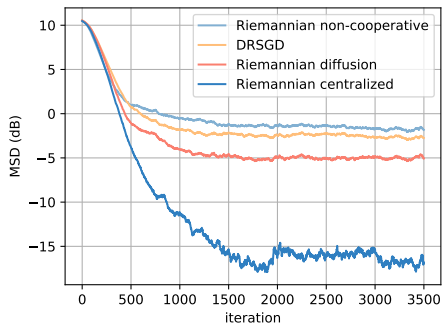
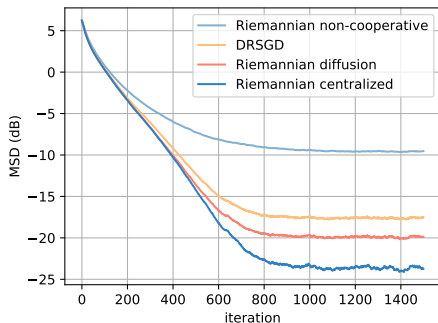


Figure: Illustration of MSD performance of the algorithms for distributed PCA on synthetic (left) and real (right) data.

Distributed GMM inference

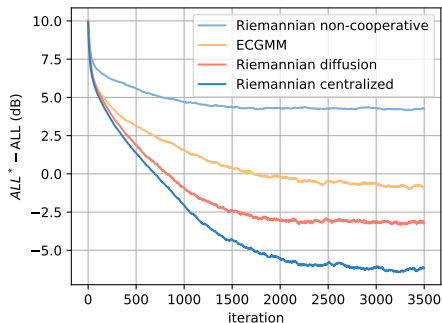
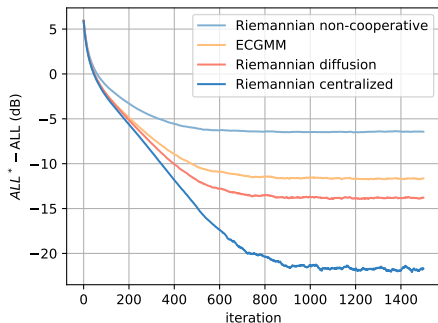


Figure: Illustration of ALL differences of the algorithms for distributed GMM inference on synthetic (left) and real (right) data.

Thanks for watching!