



# ICLR Socials

## Optimization in ML and DL - A discussion on theory and practice

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### Machine Learning and Fitness

Mon 25 Apr @ 8:00pm - 10:00pm PST



Speaker : **Jacob Rafati**

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**Machine Learning and Fitness:** Personal training and fitness processes are difficult to optimize manually without using machine learning methods. In this session, Jacob Rafati will talk about the fitness problems and the optimization methods that he is implementing at Workout Vision INC. [More Details...](#)

### Second-order Optimization in ML/DL

Wed 27 Apr @ 8:00pm - 10:00pm PST



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**Second-order Optimization in ML/DL:** Optimization plays an important role in machine learning and deep learning. While first-order gradient-based methods are predominantly used as the first choice in ML and DL, second-order quasi-Newton (QN) methods are not commonly used despite their fast convergences. In this social, we will go through the effectiveness of second order methods in training neural networks and further look into its acceleration using Nesterov's gradient.



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# Second-order Optimization for Training Neural Networks

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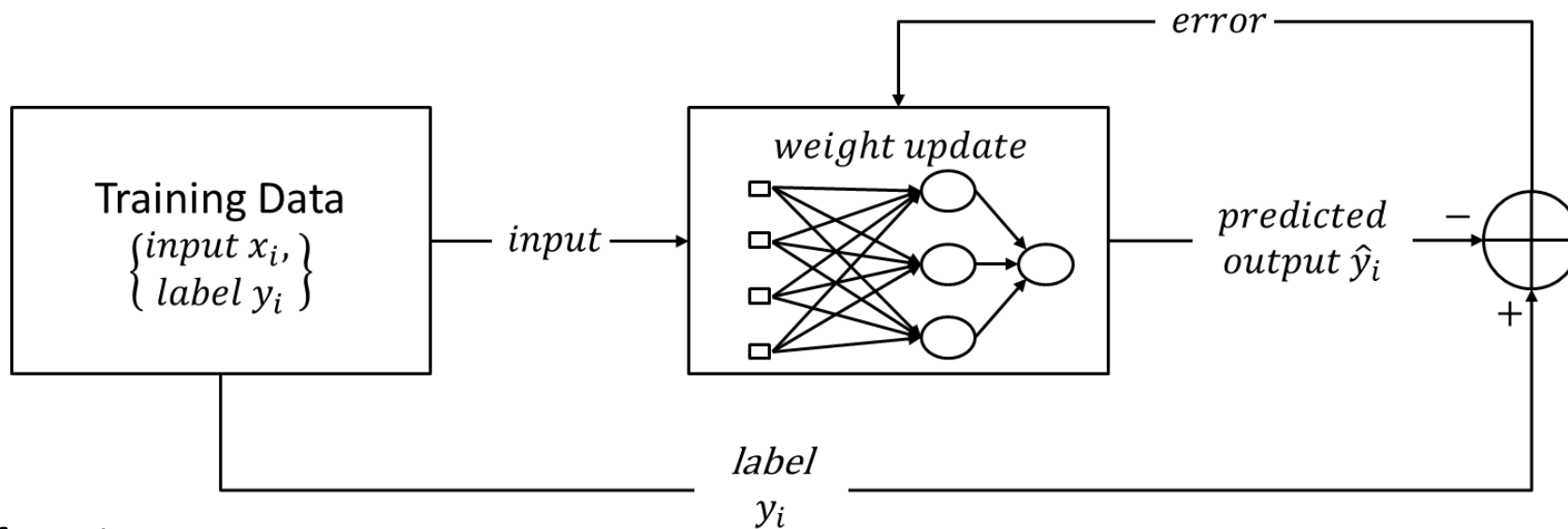
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# Outline

- Introduction
- Gradient Based Training
  - First Order Methods
  - Second Order Methods
- Nesterov's Accelerated quasi-Newton Methods

# OPTIMIZATION IN SUPERVISED LEARNING

- Given a dataset  $(x_i, y_i)$
- Neural network : Parameterized model to map function  $f_w(x) \rightarrow y$



- Objective function

$$\min_{w \in \mathbb{R}^d} E(w) = \frac{1}{|T_r|} \sum_{i \in T_r} E_i(w) \quad \text{where} \quad E_i(w) = \frac{1}{2} \|y_i - \hat{y}_i\|^2 \quad (\text{Eg. MSE})$$

# GRADIENT BASED ALGORITHMS

## FIRST ORDER METHODS

- Slow convergence in highly non-linear problems
- Simple and low complexity

$$\mathbf{w} := \mathbf{w} - \alpha \frac{\partial E}{\partial \mathbf{w}} \quad \searrow \text{Gradient } \nabla E(\mathbf{w})$$

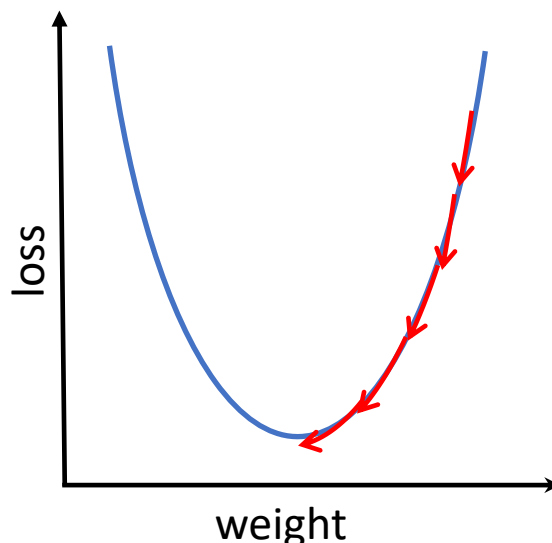
Classical Momentum  
Nesterov's Accelerated Gradient (NAG)  
AdaGrad, RMSProp, Adam

## SECOND/APPROXIMATED SECOND ORDER METHODS

- Faster convergence
- Suitable for highly non-linear problems
- High computational cost

$$\mathbf{w} := \mathbf{w} - \alpha \mathbf{H} \nabla E(\mathbf{w}) \quad \xrightarrow{\text{Hessian}}$$

Newton Method  
Quasi-Newton Method (QN)  
Nesterov's Accelerated quasi-Newton (NAQ)



# FIRST ORDER ALGORITHMS

The weight vector is updated by the update vector  $\mathbf{v}_{k+1}$  as

$$\mathbf{w}_{k+1} = \mathbf{w}_k + \mathbf{v}_{k+1} \quad \dots (Eq. 1)$$

Steepest gradient descent(SGD) with a step size  $\alpha_k$

$$\mathbf{v}_{k+1} = -\alpha_k \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_k) \quad \dots (Eq. 2)$$

Normal Gradient

Classical momentum (CM) method

$$\mathbf{v}_{k+1} = \mu \mathbf{v}_k - \alpha_k \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_k) \quad \dots (Eq. 3)$$

Momentum term

Nesterov's Accelerated Gradient (NAG) method

$$\mathbf{v}_{k+1} = \mu \mathbf{v}_k - \alpha_k \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_k + \mu \mathbf{v}_k) \quad \dots (Eq. 4)$$

Momentum term

+

Nesterov's Accelerated  
Gradient (NAG)



# QUASI-NEWTON METHOD

The weight is updated with update vector  $\mathbf{v}_{k+1}$  as:

$$\mathbf{w}_{k+1} = \mathbf{w}_k + \mathbf{v}_{k+1} \quad \dots (Eq. 5)$$

The weight update of quasi-Newton (QN) method is given as

$$\mathbf{v}_{k+1} = -\alpha_k \mathbf{H}_k \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_k) \quad \dots (Eq. 6)$$

Normal Gradient

The matrix  $\mathbf{H}_k$  is iteratively approximated by BFGS formula

$$\mathbf{H}_{k+1} = (\mathbf{I} - \rho_k \mathbf{s}_k \mathbf{y}_k^T) \mathbf{H}_k (\mathbf{I} - \rho_k \mathbf{y}_k \mathbf{s}_k^T) + \rho_k \mathbf{s}_k \mathbf{s}_k^T \quad \dots (Eq. 7)$$

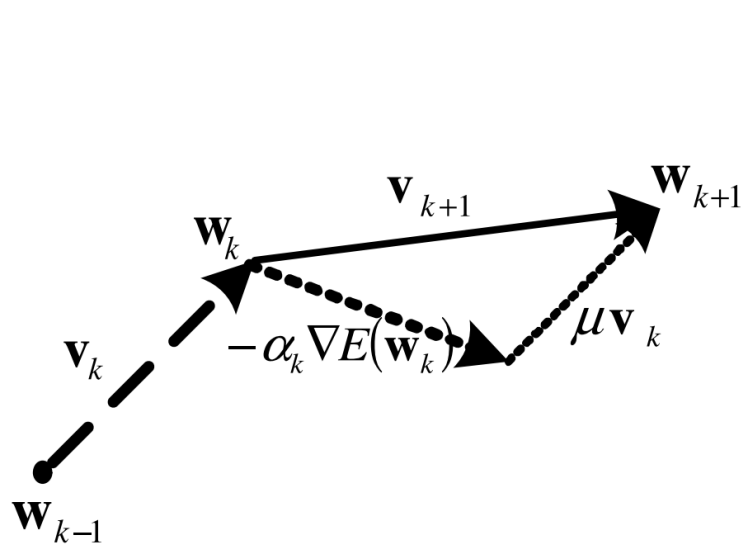
$$\rho_k = \frac{1}{\mathbf{y}_k^T \mathbf{s}_k}, \quad \mathbf{s}_k = \mathbf{w}_{k+1} - \mathbf{w}_k \text{ and } \mathbf{y}_k = \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_{k+1}) - \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_k) \quad \dots (Eq. 8)$$

Normal Gradients

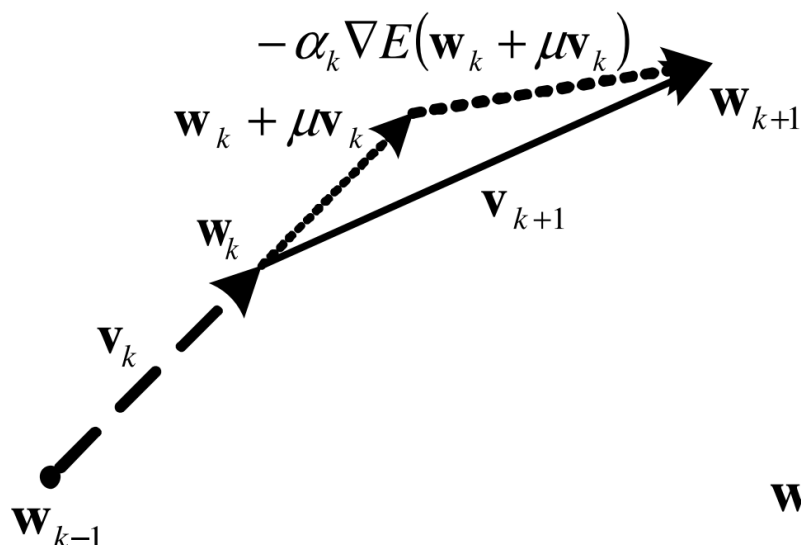




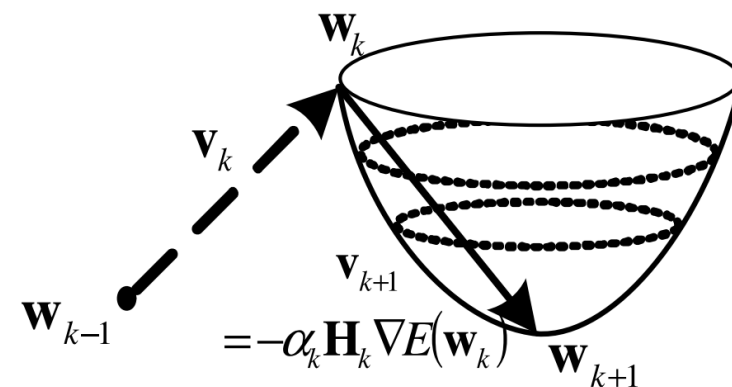
# GEOMETRIC VIEWS



(a) CM



(b) NAG



(c) QN

**Source:** H. Ninomiya, "A novel quasi-Newton-Optimization for neural network training incorporating Nesterov's accelerated gradient", IEICE NOLTA Journal, Oct. 2017.



# NESTEROV'S ACCELERATED QUASI-NEWTON METHOD (NAQ)

The update vector of NAQ

$$\mathbf{w}_{k+1} = \mathbf{w}_k + \mu \mathbf{v}_k - \alpha_k \mathbf{H}_k \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_k + \mu \mathbf{v}_k) \quad \dots (Eq. 9)$$

Momentum term

Nesterov's Accelerated  
Gradient(NAG)

The matrix  $\mathbf{H}_k$  is iteratively approximated by

$$\mathbf{H}_{k+1} = (\mathbf{I} - \rho_k \mathbf{p}_k \mathbf{q}_k^T) \mathbf{H}_k (\mathbf{I} - \rho_k \mathbf{q}_k \mathbf{p}_k^T) + \rho_k \mathbf{p}_k \mathbf{p}_k^T \quad \dots (Eq. 10)$$

$$\rho_k = \frac{1}{\mathbf{q}_k^T \mathbf{p}_k}, \quad \mathbf{p}_k = \mathbf{w}_{k+1} - (\mathbf{w}_k + \mu \mathbf{v}_k) \text{ and } \mathbf{q}_k = \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_{k+1}) - \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_k + \mu \mathbf{v}_k)$$

Two gradient computations  
per iteration

Normal Gradient

Nesterov's Accelerated  
Gradient(NAG)

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# MOMENTUM QUASI-NEWTON METHOD (MOQ)

The update vector of NAQ

$$\mathbf{w}_{k+1} = \mathbf{w}_k + \mu \mathbf{v}_k - \alpha_k \mathbf{H}_k \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_k + \mu \mathbf{v}_k) \quad \dots (Eq. 11)$$

Momentum term

Nesterov's Accelerated  
Gradient(NAG)

**Nesterov's accelerated gradient approximation**

$$\nabla E(\mathbf{w}_k + \mu \mathbf{v}_k) \approx (1 + \mu_k) \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_k) - \mu_k \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_{k-1}) \quad \dots (Eq. 12)$$

and the Hessian matrix  $\mathbf{H}_k$  is updated as

$$\mathbf{H}_{k+1} = (\mathbf{I} - \rho_k \mathbf{p}_k \mathbf{q}_k^T) \mathbf{H}_k (\mathbf{I} - \rho_k \mathbf{q}_k \mathbf{p}_k^T) + \rho_k \mathbf{p}_k \mathbf{p}_k^T \quad \dots (Eq. 13)$$

$$\rho_k = \frac{1}{\mathbf{q}_k^T \mathbf{p}_k}, \quad \mathbf{p}_k = \mathbf{w}_{k+1} - (\mathbf{w}_k + \mu \mathbf{v}_k) \text{ and } \mathbf{q}_k = \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_{k+1}) - \{(1 + \mu_k) \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_k) - \mu_k \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_{k-1})\}$$

Shahrzad Mahboubi, S. Indrapriyadarsini, Hiroshi Ninomiya, Hideki Asai, "Momentum acceleration of quasi-Newton Training for Neural Networks", 16th Pacific Rim International Conference on Artificial Intelligence, PRICAI 2019, (pp. 268-281). Springer, Cham.



# OBJECTIVES

- Study behavior of first and second order methods in training neural networks
- Investigate and propose Nesterov and momentum accelerated second order methods for training neural networks
- Demonstrate robustness and efficiency of Nesterov and momentum accelerated quasi-Newton methods



# QUASI-NEWTON METHOD

- $E(\mathbf{w}_k + \mathbf{d}) \approx m_k(\mathbf{d}) \approx E(\mathbf{w}_k) + \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_k)^T \mathbf{d} + \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{d}^T \nabla^2 E(\mathbf{w}_k) \mathbf{d}. \quad \dots (Eq. 14)$

- The minimizer  $\mathbf{d}_k$  is given as

$$\mathbf{d}_k = -\nabla^2 E(\mathbf{w}_k)^{-1} \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_k) = -\mathbf{B}_k^{-1} \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_k). \quad \dots (Eq. 15)$$

- The new iterate  $\mathbf{w}_{k+1}$  is given as,

$$\mathbf{w}_{k+1} = \mathbf{w}_k - \alpha_k \mathbf{B}_k^{-1} \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_k), \quad \dots (Eq. 16)$$

and the quadratic model at the new iterate is given as

$$E(\mathbf{w}_{k+1} + \mathbf{d}) \approx m_{k+1}(\mathbf{d}) \approx E(\mathbf{w}_{k+1}) + \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_{k+1})^T \mathbf{d} + \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{d}^T \mathbf{B}_{k+1} \mathbf{d} \dots (Eq. 17)$$



# QUASI-NEWTON METHOD + NESTEROV'S ACCELERATION

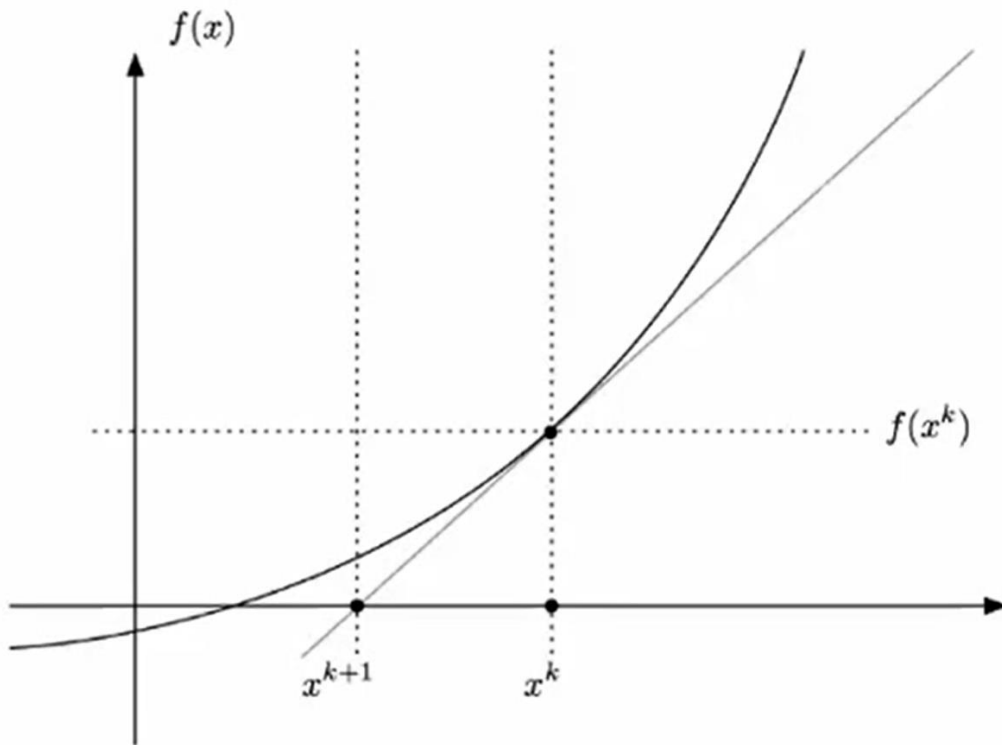
- The Nesterov's acceleration approximates the quadratic model at  $\mathbf{w}_k + \mu \mathbf{v}_k$  instead of the iterate at  $\mathbf{w}_k$

The new iterate  $\mathbf{w}_{k+1}$  is given as,

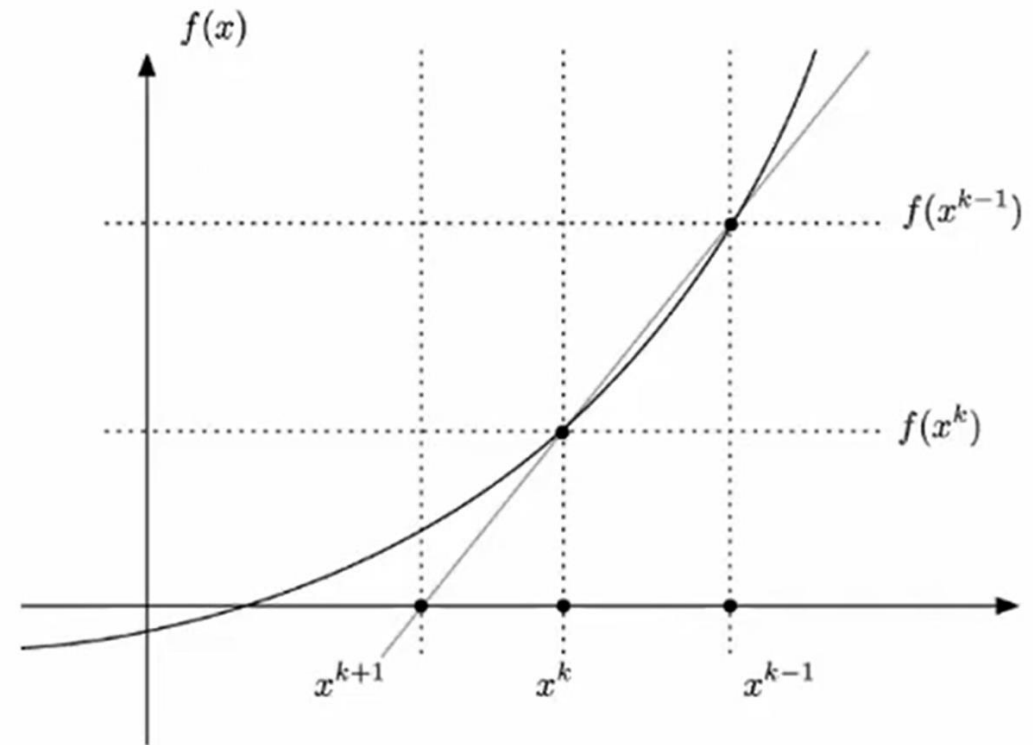
$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{w}_{k+1} &= \mathbf{w}_k + \mu_k \mathbf{v}_k - \alpha_k \mathbf{B}_k^{-1} \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_k + \mu_k \mathbf{v}_k) \\ &= \mathbf{w}_k + \mu_k \mathbf{v}_k + \alpha_k \mathbf{d}_k.\end{aligned}$$



# QUASI-NEWTON METHOD : SECANT CONDITION



Newton:  $B^k = DF(x^k)$



Direct:  $B^k(x^k - x^{k-1}) = F(x^k) - F(x^{k-1})$

Dual:  $x^k - x^{k-1} = H^k(F(x^k) - F(x^{k-1}))$



# QUASI-NEWTON METHOD + NESTEROV'S ACCELERATION

We have

$$E(\mathbf{w}_k + d) \approx m_k(d)$$

$$E(\mathbf{w}_{k+1} + d) \approx m_{k+1}(d)$$

**Require:**

$m_{k+1}$  matches the gradient at the previous **two** iterations, i.e.,

$$1. \quad \nabla m_{k+1}|_{\mathbf{d}=0} = \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_{k+1} + \mathbf{d})|_{\mathbf{d}=0} = \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_{k+1}).$$

$$2. \quad \nabla m_{k+1}|_{\mathbf{d}=-\alpha_k \mathbf{d}_k} = \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_{k+1} + \mathbf{d})|_{\mathbf{d}=-\alpha_k \mathbf{d}_k} = \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_{k+1} - \alpha_k \mathbf{d}_k) = \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_k + \mu_k \mathbf{v}_k)$$





# QUASI-NEWTON METHOD + NESTEROV'S ACCELERATION

**Proof:**  $E(\mathbf{w}_{k+1} + d) \approx m_{k+1}(d) = E(\mathbf{w}_{k+1}) + \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_{k+1})^T d + \frac{1}{2} d^T \nabla^2 E(\mathbf{w}_{k+1}) d$

**Condition 1:**  $\nabla m_{k+1}|_{d=0} = \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_{k+1} + d)|_{d=0} = \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_{k+1})$ .

$$\nabla m_{k+1}(d) = \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_{k+1}) + \nabla^2 E(\mathbf{w}_{k+1}) d$$

$$\nabla m_{k+1}(0) = \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_{k+1}) + \nabla^2 E(\mathbf{w}_{k+1}) d \big|_{d=0} \Rightarrow \text{*satisfied*}$$

**Condition 2:**  $\nabla m_{k+1}|_{d=-\alpha_k d_k} = \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_{k+1} + d)|_{d=-\alpha_k d_k} = \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_{k+1} - \alpha_k d_k) = \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_k + \mu_k v_k)$

$$\nabla m_{k+1}(-\alpha d_k) = \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_{k+1}) - \alpha \nabla^2 E(\mathbf{w}_{k+1}) d_k$$

$$\nabla m_{k+1}(-\alpha d_k) = \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_{k+1}) - \alpha \nabla^2 E(\mathbf{w}_{k+1}) d_k = \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_{k+1} - \alpha d_k) = \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_k + \mu v_k)$$

$$\nabla E(\mathbf{w}_{k+1}) - \alpha \nabla^2 E(\mathbf{w}_{k+1}) d_k = \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_k + \mu v_k)$$

$$\nabla E(\mathbf{w}_{k+1}) - \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_k + \mu v_k) = B_{k+1}(\mathbf{w}_{k+1} - (\mathbf{w}_k + \mu v_k))$$

$$q_k = B_{k+1} p_k \Rightarrow \text{*Secant Condition*}$$

$$(p_k, q_k) \Rightarrow \text{*Curvature Information Pair*}$$

S. Indrapriyadarsini, Shahrzad Mahboubi, Hiroshi Ninomiya, Takeshi Kamio, Hideki Asai, "Accelerating Symmetric Rank 1 Quasi-Newton Method with Nesterov's Gradient", Algorithms 2022, 15(1), 6;



# BEALE FUNCTION

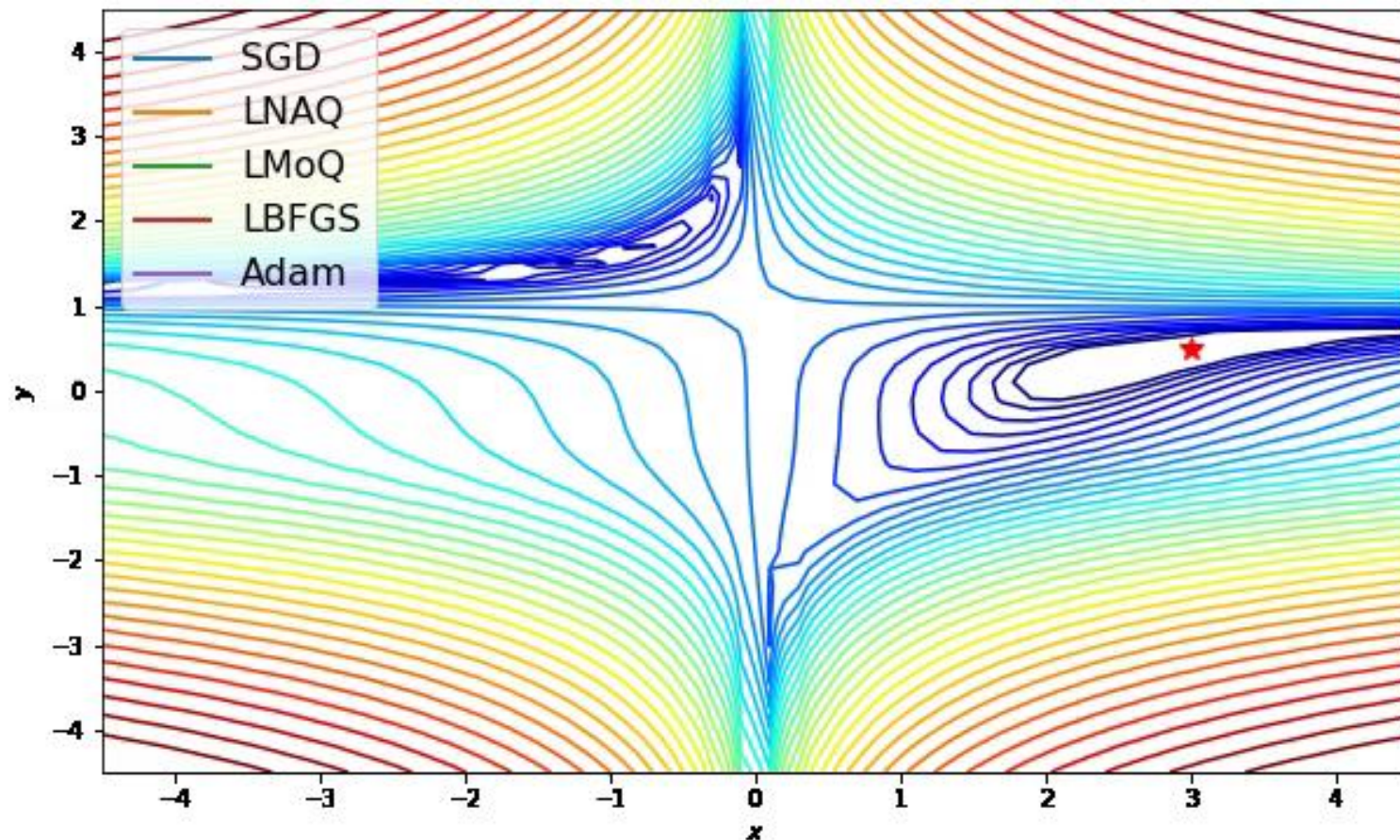
The Beale function is multimodal, with sharp peaks at the corners of the input domain

## Unconstrained test function

$$f(x) = (1.5 - x_1 + x_1 x_2)^2 \\ + (2.25 - x_1 + x_1 x_2^2)^2 \\ + (2.625 - x_1 + x_1 x_2^3)^2$$

## Global minimum

$$f(x^*) = 0 \text{ at } x^* = (3, 0.5)$$



Global Optimization Test Problems. Retrieved June 2013, from [http://www-optima.amp.i.kyoto-u.ac.jp/member/student/hedar/Hedar\\_files/TestGO.htm](http://www-optima.amp.i.kyoto-u.ac.jp/member/student/hedar/Hedar_files/TestGO.htm).

# Modified Nesterov's Accelerated BFGS quasi-Newton – mNAQ

1) Incorporating an additional  $\hat{\xi}_k p_k$  term for better convergence

$$p_k = w_{k+1} - (w_k + \mu v_k)$$

$$q_k = \nabla E(w_{k+1}) - \nabla E(w_k + \mu v_k) + \hat{\xi}_k p_k = \varepsilon_k + \hat{\xi}_k p_k \Rightarrow \text{Modified Secant Condition}$$

$$\hat{H}_{k+1} = (I - \rho_k p_k q_k^T) \hat{H}_k (I - \rho_k q_k p_k^T) + \rho_k p_k p_k^T$$

convergence term

2) Eliminating linesearch

*Determine step size  $\alpha_k$  using the explicit formula*

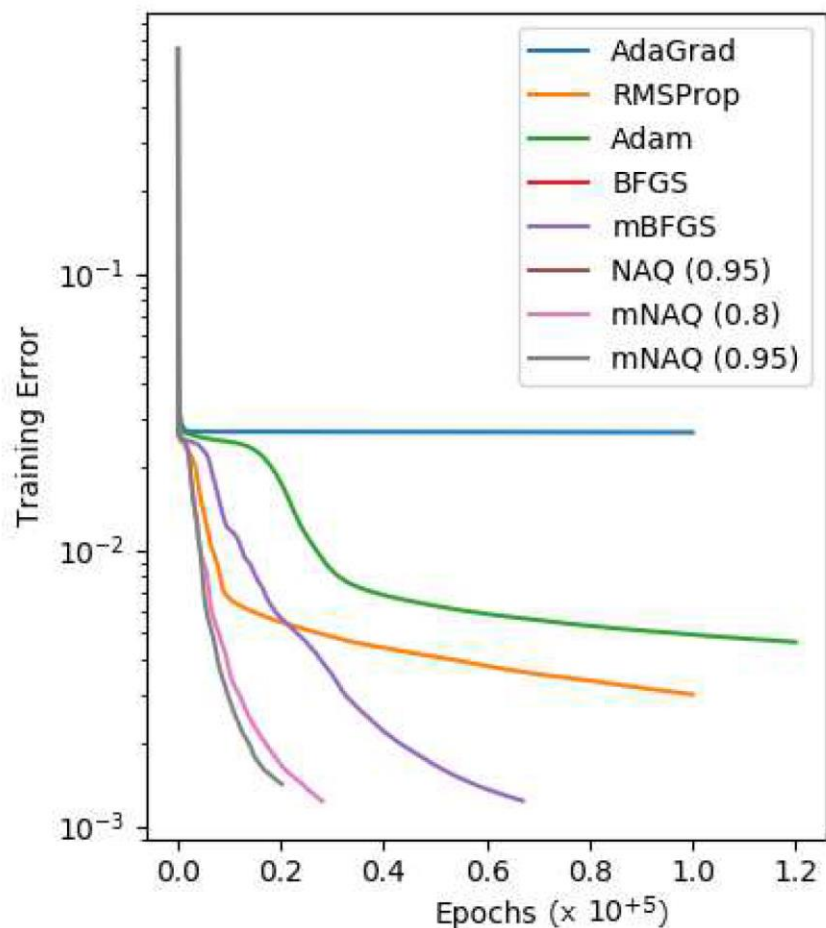
$$\alpha_k = - \frac{\delta \nabla E(w_k + \mu v_k)^T \hat{g}_k}{\|\hat{g}_k\|_{Q_k}^2} \dots (Eq. 18)$$

Linesearch -> more number of function evaluations -> increased computation time

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# Function Modeling Example



$$f(a, x, b) = 1 + (x + 2x^2)\sin(-ax^2 + b)$$

- Input nodes = 1
- Hidden neurons = 7
- Output nodes = 1
- Parameters = 22
- Training data : 400
- Test data: 10000

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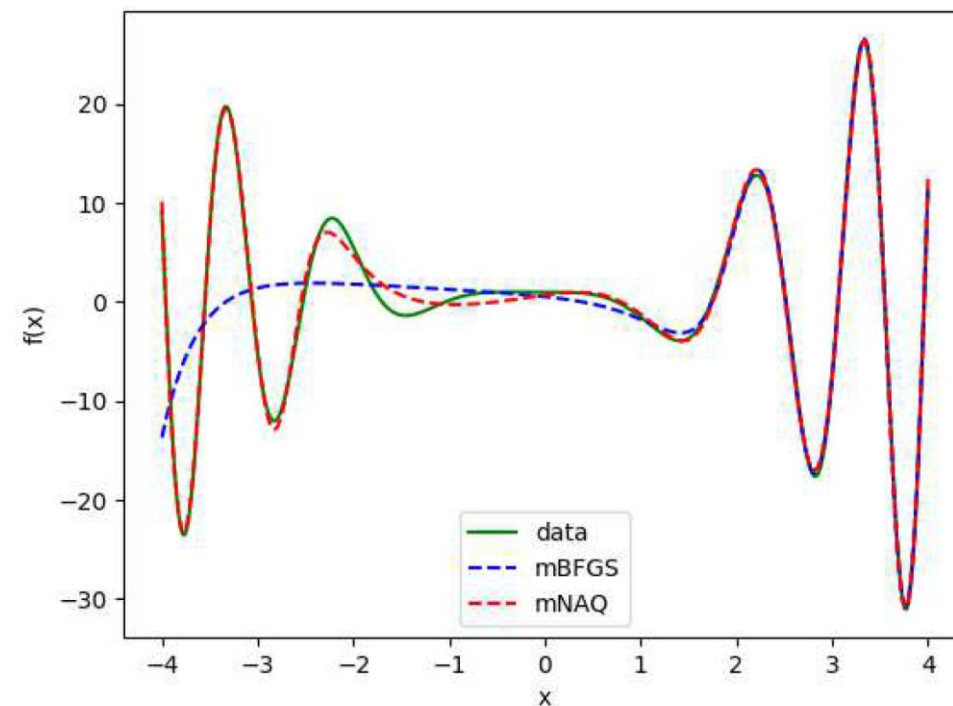


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SUMMARY OF SIMULATION RESULTS OF EXAMPLE 1.

Algorithm	$\mu$	$E(\mathbf{w})(\times 10^{-3})$ Ave/Best/Worst	Time (s)	Iteration count	$E_{test}(\mathbf{w})(\times 10^{-3})$ Ave/Best/Worst
AdaGrad	-	59.8 / 58.6 / 60.2	40	100,000	59.03 / 57.69 / 59.48
RMSprop	-	3.34 / 0.564 / 7.89	41	100,000	3.35 / 0.409 / 8.16
Adam	-	4.15 / 0.324 / 14.3	42	100,000	4.14 / 0.359 / 14.53
BFGS	-	15.14 / 0.650 / 31.80	4.9	3,204	15.14 / 0.650 / 30.66
mBFGS	-	5.24 / 0.194 / 17.8	58	31,370	5.26 / 0.233 / 17.80
mNAQ	0.8	1.94 / 0.307 / 6.33	23	9,006	1.94 / 0.307 / 6.33
	0.85	0.974 / 0.307 / 5.00	19	7,549	0.980 / 0.315 / 5.00
	0.9	1.53 / 0.194 / 13.8	15	5,931	1.53 / 0.194 / 13.80
	0.95	1.30 / 0.195 / 6.31	11	4,461	1.30 / 0.233 / 6.31

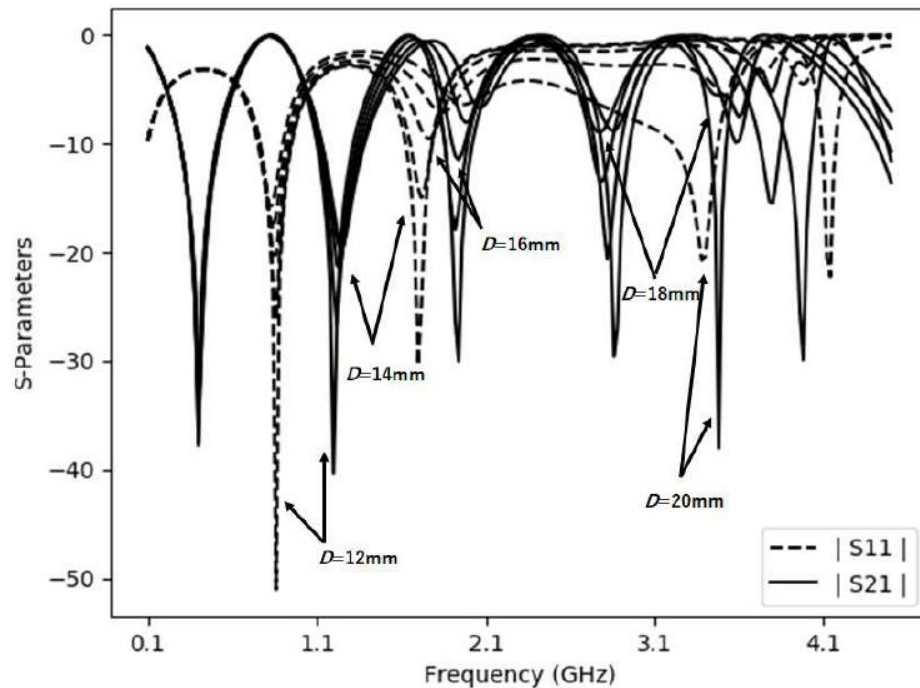


# MICROSTRIP LOW PASS FILTER MODELING PROBLEM

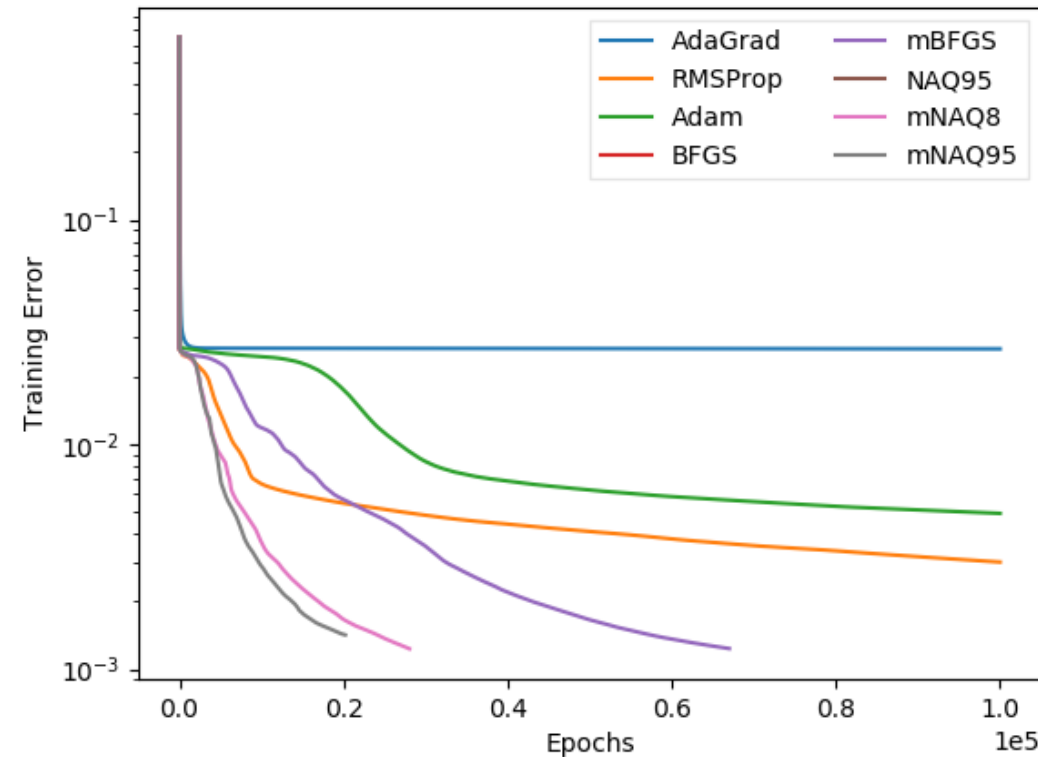
Inputs :  $D=12,14,16,18,20\text{mm}$

Input frequency  $f = 0.1 - 4.5\text{GHz}$

Outputs: S parameters  $|s_{11}|$  and  $|s_{21}|$



Average training error vs epoch over 15 trials



- Input nodes = 2
- Hidden neurons = 45
- Output nodes = 2
- Parameters = 227
- Training data : 1105
- Test data: 884

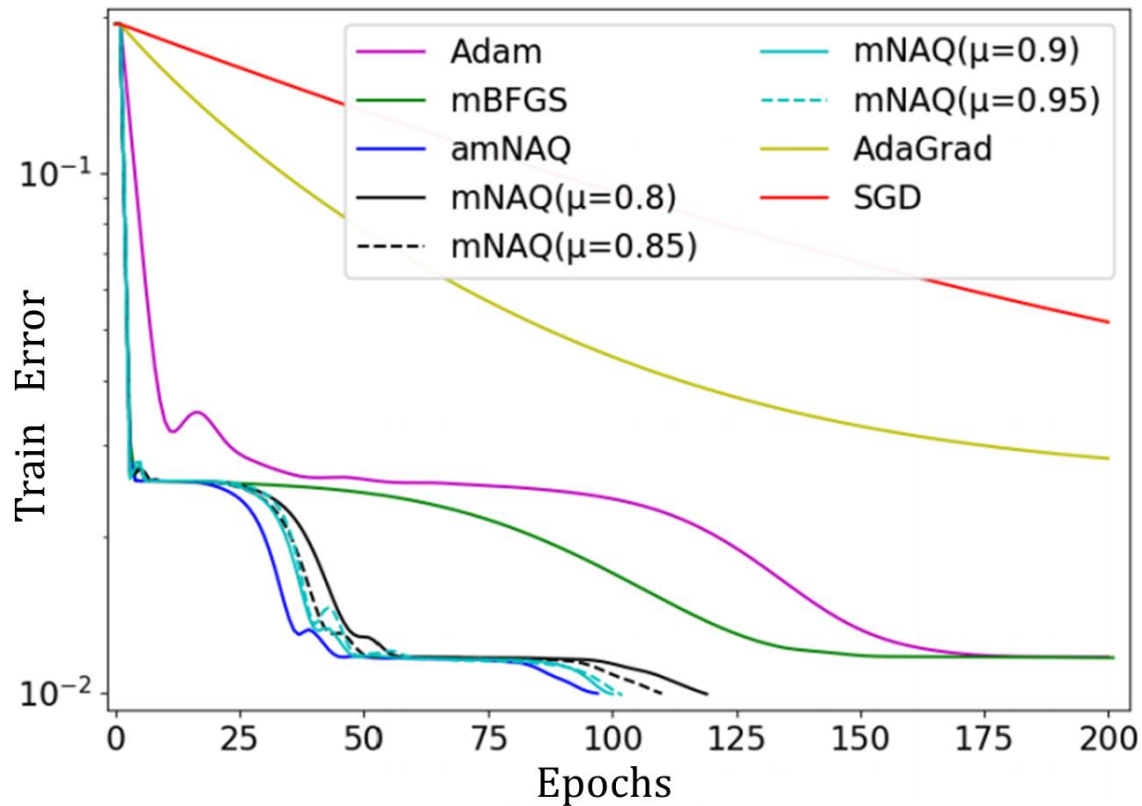
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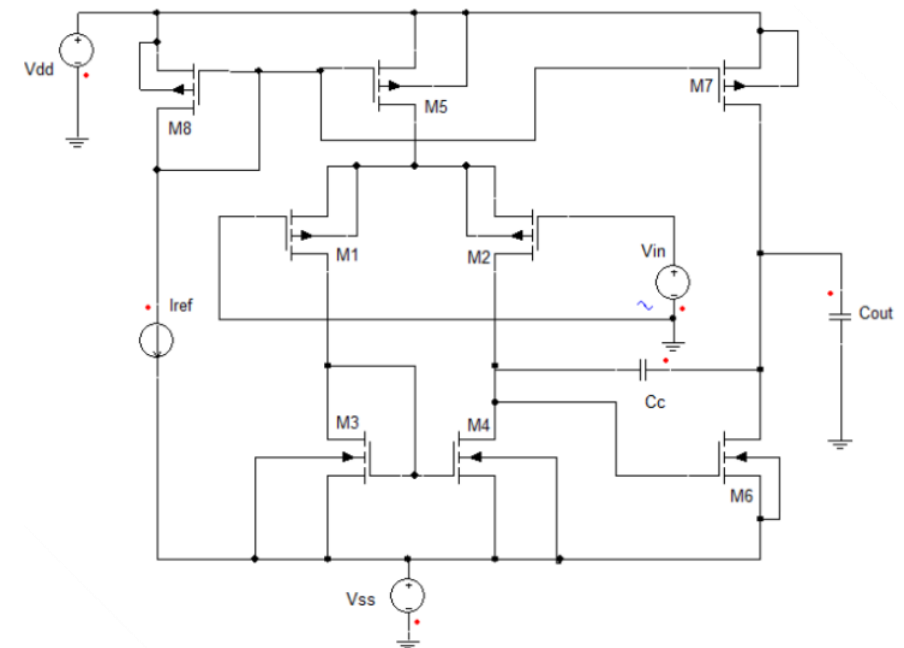
Algorithm	$\mu$	$E(\mathbf{w})(\times 10^{-3})$ Ave/Best/Worst	Time (s)	Iteration count	$E_{test}(\mathbf{w})(\times 10^{-3})$ Ave/Best/Worst
AdaGrad	-	26.6 / 26.4 / 26.7	112	100,000	22.4 / 22.3 / 22.5
RMSprop	-	2.99 / 2.44 / 4.07	113	100,000	7.00 / 1.88 / 36.0
Adam	-	4.63 / 3.67 / 5.60	137	100,000	37.0 / 3.41 / 212.5
mBFGS	-	1.04 / 0.834 / 1.46	493	81,457	1.01 / 0.529 / 3.52
mNAQ	0.8	0.93 / 0.827 / 1.37	303	38,470	0.744 / 0.534 / 1.07
	0.85	1.02 / 0.756 / 1.62	314	39,678	7.32 / 5.75 / 87.8
	0.9	1.00 / 0.716 / 1.46	242	30,619	0.842 / 0.558 / 1.87
	0.95	1.24 / 0.834 / 1.85	209	26,547	2.08 / 0.600 / 13.7

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# CIRCUIT DESIGN OPTIMIZATION



DESIGN SPECIFICATION	
Parameter	Value
Supply Voltage	$\pm 2.5V$
$\mu_n C_{ox}$	$160\mu A/V^2$
$\mu_p C_{ox}$	$40\mu A/V^2$
Unity GBW	$> 1\text{ MHz}$
Open Loop Gain $A_o$ (dB)	$> 50\text{ dB}$
Phase Margin	$> 60\text{ deg}$



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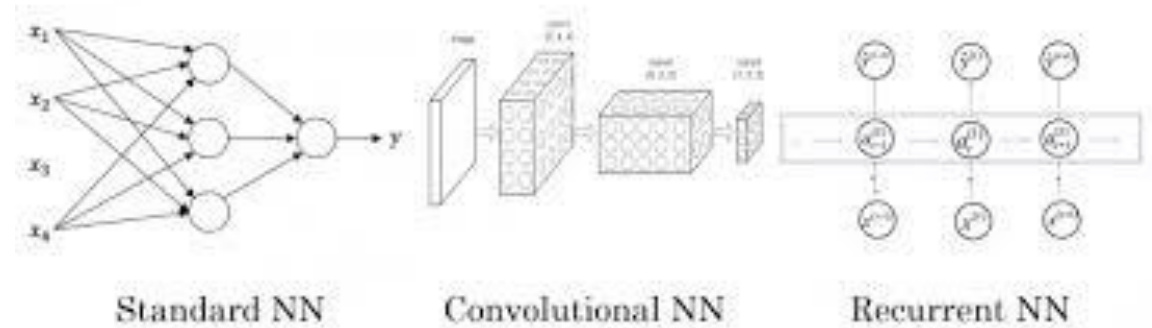
# CIRCUIT DESIGN OPTIMIZATION

SUMMARY OF THE RESULTS OVER 30 TRIALS

Algorithm	$\mu_k$	$E_{train}(\mathbf{w})(\times 10^{-3})$ Ave/Best/Worst	CR (%)	Average epochs	$E_{test}(\mathbf{w})(\times 10^{-3})$ Ave/Best/Worst
SGD	-	66.402 / 43.153 / 113.334	-	200	68.428 / 45.852 / 118.620
AdaGrad	-	35.102 / 26.927 / 53.736	-	200	36.784 / 29.450 / 57.535
Adam	-	11.777 / 11.288 / 16.394	-	200	13.576 / 13.103 / 17.860
BFGS	-	11.354 / 11.287 / 11.464	-	200	13.193 / 13.142 / 13.261
mNAQ	0.8	10.010 / 9.892 / 11.194	90	161	11.862 / 11.610 / 13.008
	0.85	10.005 / 9.889 / 11.097	93.3	156	11.859 / 11.616 / 12.907
	0.9	9.966 / 9.880 / 10.478	93.3	156	11.813 / 11.603 / 12.416
	0.95	10.305 / 9.874 / 11.328	63.3	178	12.098 / 11.477 / 13.154
amNAQ	-	9.997 / 9.849 / 11.285	96.7	146	11.799 / 11.546 / 13.105

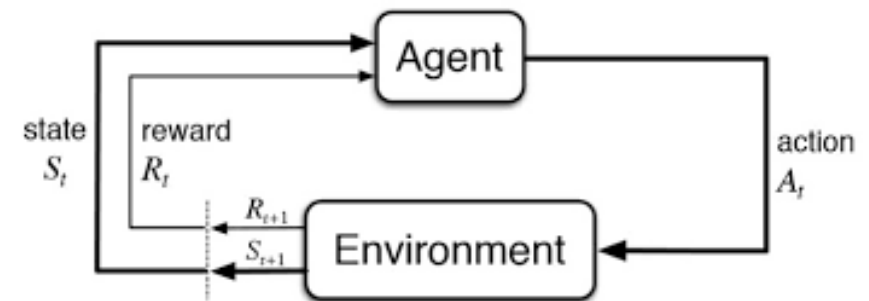
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# Optimization in Large Scale Problems



## Require

- Fast training
- Good accuracy
- Reduce computation cost



# STOCHASTIC NESTEROV'S ACCELERATED QUASI-NEWTON

- The update vector of stochastic quasi-Newton (QN) method

$$v_{k+1} = -\alpha_k H_k \nabla E(w_k + \mu v_k, X_k)$$

NAQ computes two gradients per iteration (on same mini-batch)

$$p_k = w_{k+1} - (w_k + \mu v_k)$$

$$q_k = \nabla E(w_{k+1}, X_k) - \nabla E(w_k + \mu v_k, X_k) + \lambda p_k$$

$$\hat{H}_{k+1} = (I - \rho_k p_k q_k^T) \hat{H}_k (I - \rho_k q_k p_k^T) + \rho_k p_k p_k^T$$

Reduced sampling  
noise

Same  
computational cost  
as o(L)BFGS +  
faster convergence

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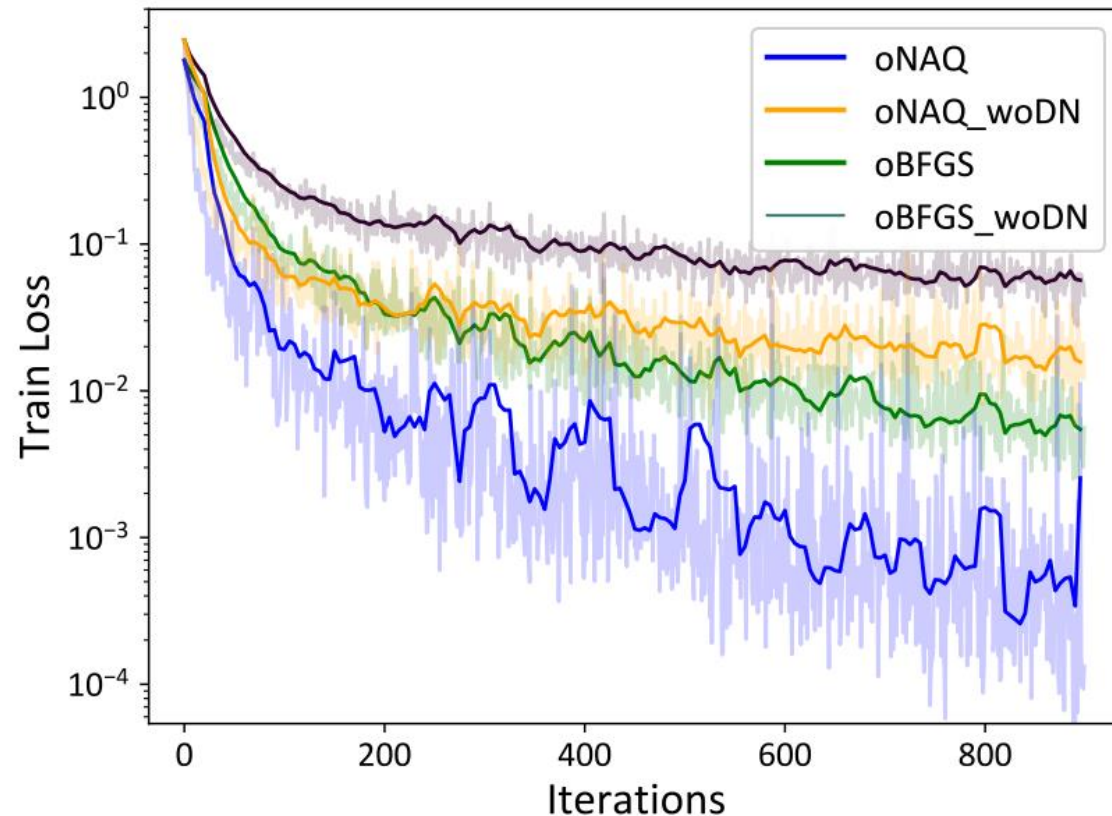
## Direction Normalization

Further to improve the stability, direction normalization is introduced.

$$\hat{\mathbf{g}}_k \leftarrow -\hat{\mathbf{H}}_k \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_k + \mu \mathbf{v}_k, \mathbf{X}_k)$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{g}}_k = \frac{\hat{\mathbf{g}}_k}{\|\hat{\mathbf{g}}_k\|_2}$$

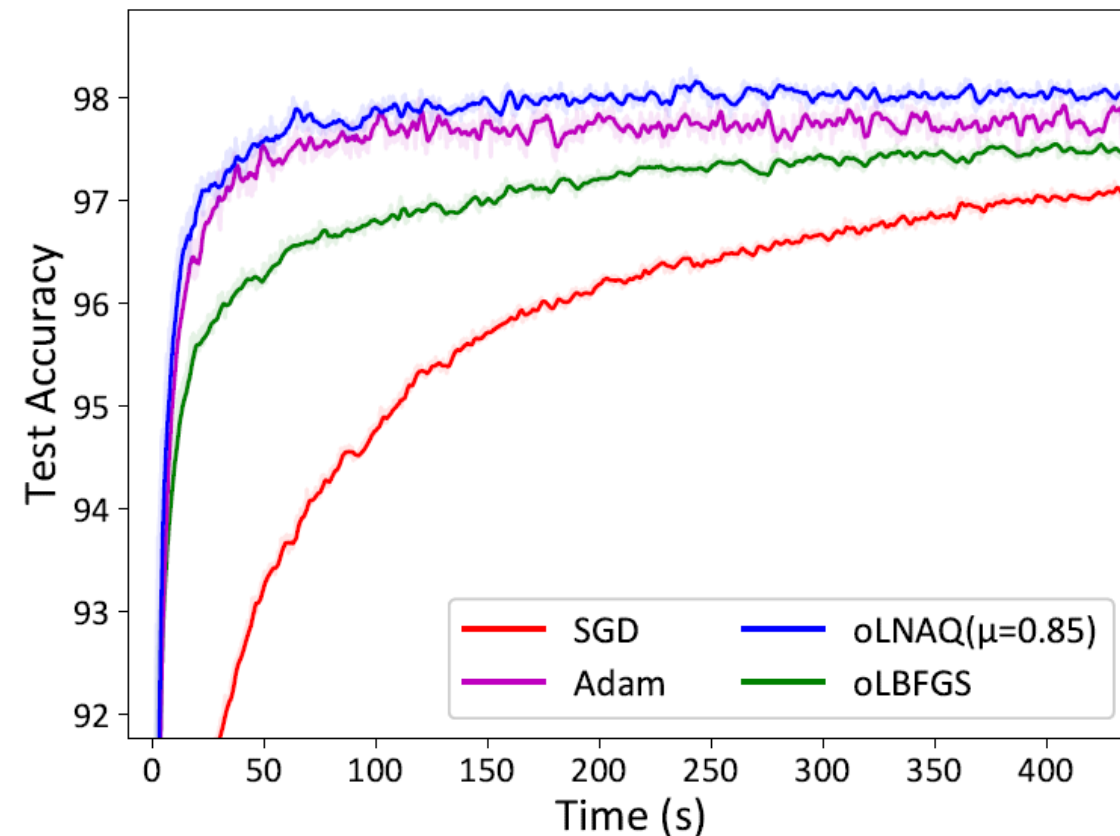
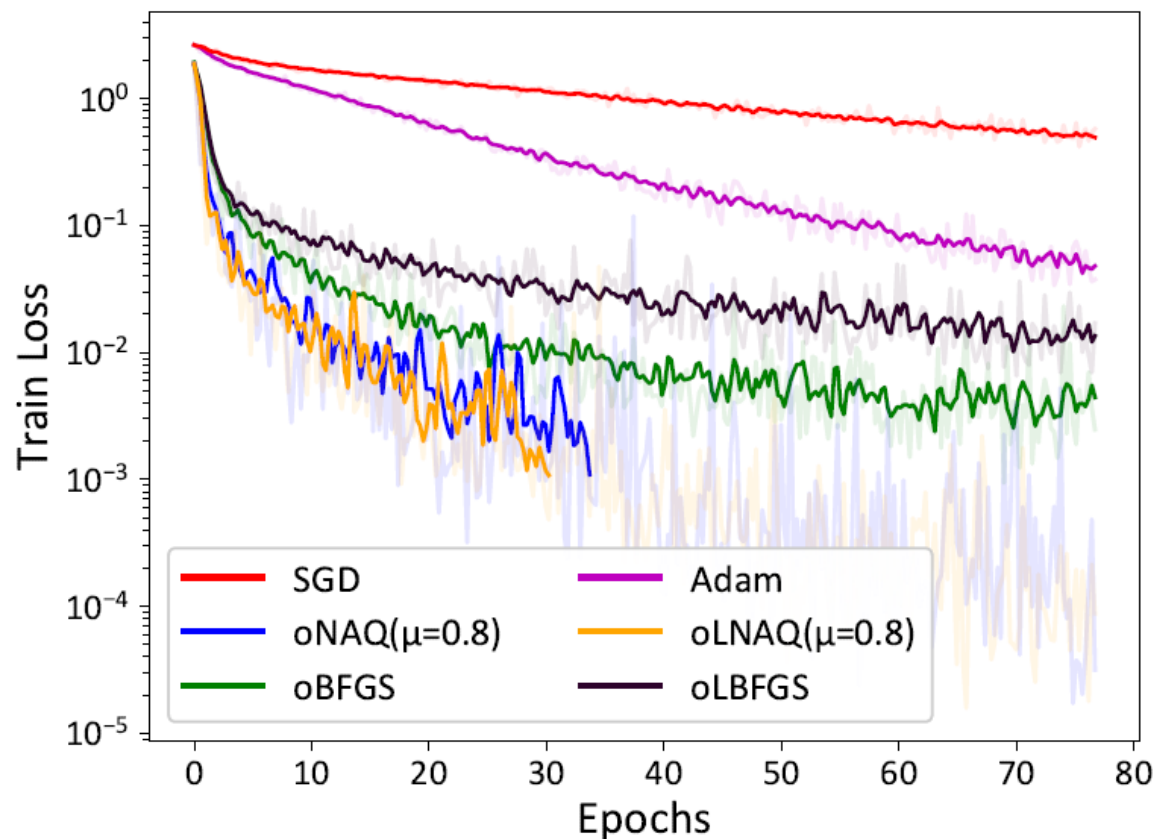
Normalizing the search direction at each iteration ensures that the algorithm does not move too far away from the current objective



**Effect of direction normalization**

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# Stochastic Nesterov's Accelerated quasi-Newton – oNAQ



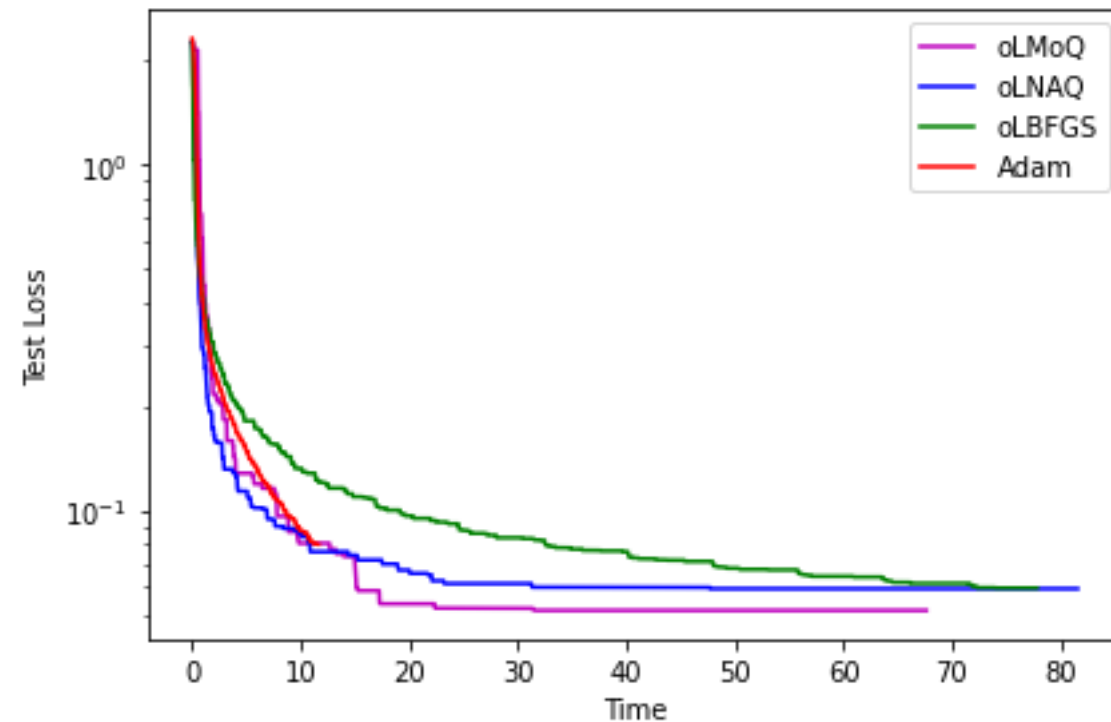
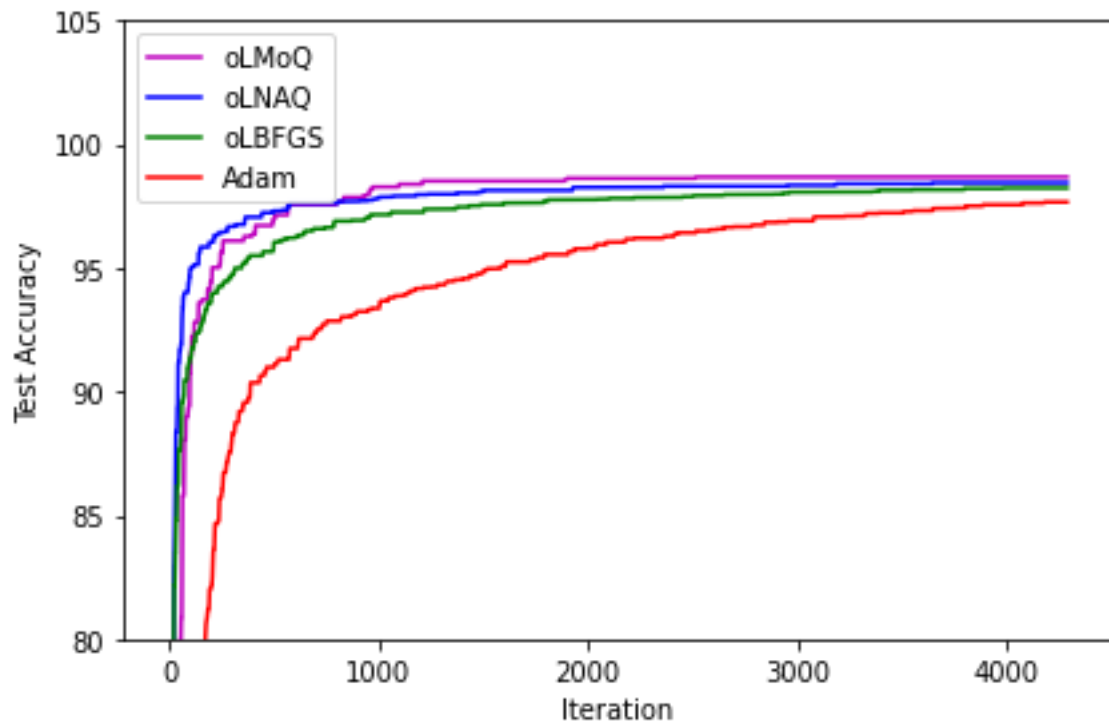
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# Stochastic Momentum Accelerated quasi-Newton – oMoQ

$$\nabla E(\mathbf{w}_k + \mu \mathbf{v}_k) \approx (1 + \mu_k) \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_k) - \mu_k \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_{k-1})$$



Results on MNIST Classification on LeNet-5

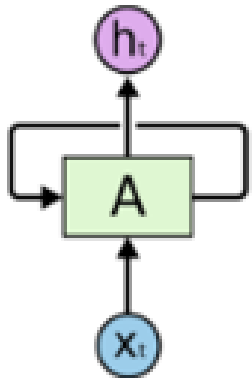
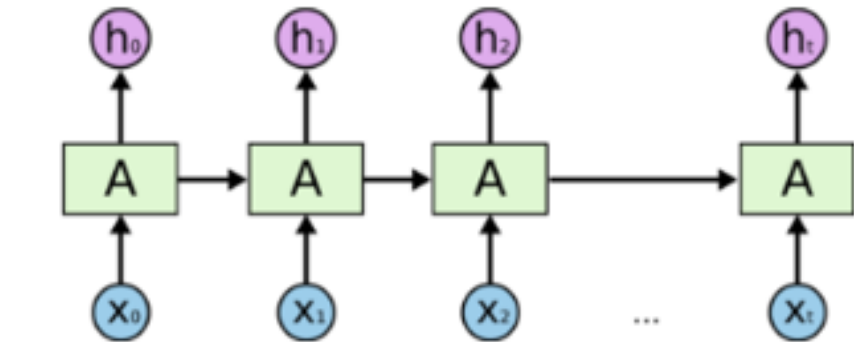
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# Stochastic Momentum / Nesterov's Accelerated quasi-Newton

Summary of Computational Cost and Storage

	Algorithm	Computational Cost	Storage
full batch	BFGS	$nd + d^2 + \zeta nd$	$d^2$
	NAQ	$2nd + d^2 + \zeta nd$	$d^2$
	MoQ	$nd + d^2 + \zeta nd$	$d^2 + d$
	LBFGS	$nd + 4md + 2d + \zeta nd$	$2md$
	LNAQ	$2nd + 4md + 2d + \zeta nd$	$2md$
	LMoQ	$nd + 4md + 2d + \zeta nd$	$(2m + 1)d$
online	oBFGS	$2bd + d^2$	$d^2$
	oNAQ	$2bd + d^2$	$d^2$
	oMoQ	$bd + d^2$	$d^2 + d$
	oLBFGS	$2bd + 6md$	$2md$
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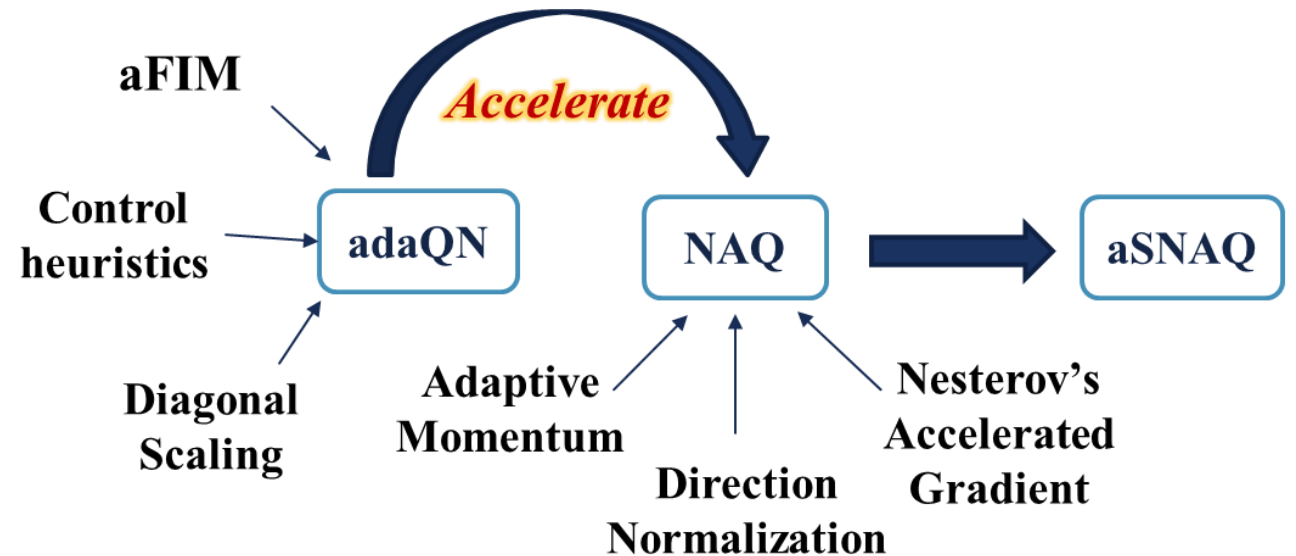
# Adaptive Stochastic Nesterov's Accelerated quasi-Newton – aSNAQ



Recurrent Neural Networks

- Backpropagation through time
- Vanishing/exploding gradient
- Difficult training long sequences
- Suitable for dynamic problems

➤ Builds on the algorithmic framework of SQN and adaQN



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# Adaptive Stochastic Nesterov's Accelerated quasi-Newton – aSNAQ

## ➤ Nesterov's Accelerated Gradient

Faster convergence by incorporating the Nesterov's accelerated gradient

$$\mathbf{g}_k \leftarrow H_k \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_k + \mu \mathbf{v}_k)$$

**Nesterov's Accelerated Gradient**

## ➤ Direction Normalization

Direction normalization scales the search direction in each iteration by its  $l_2$  norm

$$\mathbf{g}_k = \frac{\mathbf{g}_k}{\|\mathbf{g}_k\|_2}$$

## ➤ Initial Hessian scaling

$$[H_k^{(0)}]_{ii} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\sum_{j=0}^k \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_j)_i^2 + \varepsilon}}$$

# Adaptive Stochastic Nesterov's Accelerated quasi-Newton – aSNAQ

## ➤ Curvature information matrix

QN methods generate high-quality steps even with crude curvature information.

**Fisher Information matrix** (FIM) yields a better estimate of the curvature.

A FIFO memory buffer  $\mathbf{F}$  of size  $m_F$  accumulates at each iteration the FIM as

$$F_i = \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_k) \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_k)^T$$

This accumulated FIM is used in the computation of the  $\mathbf{y}$  vector

$$\mathbf{y} \leftarrow \frac{1}{|\mathbf{F}|} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{|\mathbf{F}|} F_i \cdot \mathbf{s} \right) \quad \text{where } \mathbf{s} \leftarrow \mathbf{w}_n - \mathbf{w}_o$$



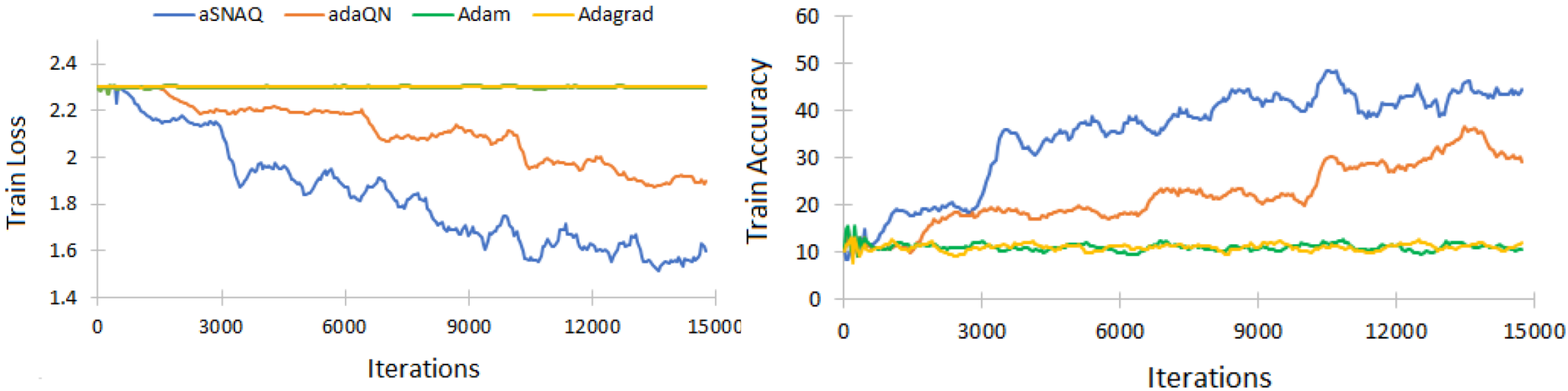
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Summary of Computational and Storage Cost.

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NAQ	$2nd + d^2 + \zeta nd$	$d^2$
adaQN	$bd + (4m_L + m_F + 2)d + (b + 4)d/L$	$(2m_L + m_F)d$
aSNAQ	$2bd + (4m_L + m_F + 3)d + (b + 4)d/L$	$(2m_L + m_F)d$



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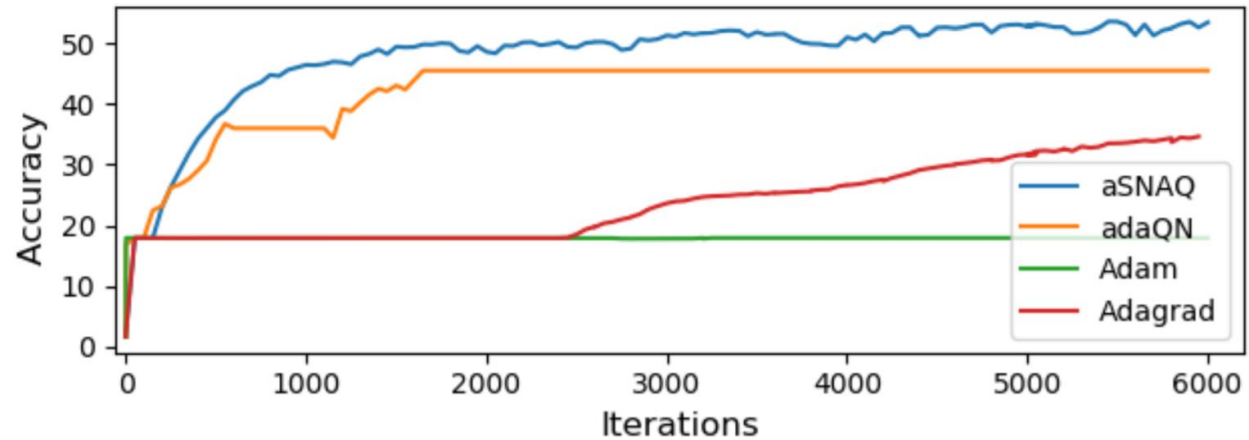
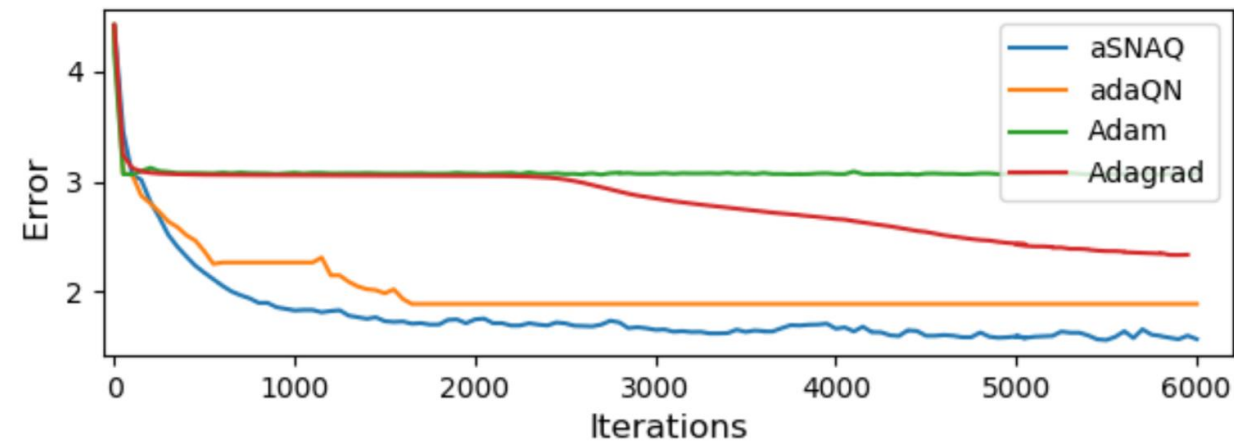


**Train loss and train accuracy of MNIST pixel-by-pixel sequence**

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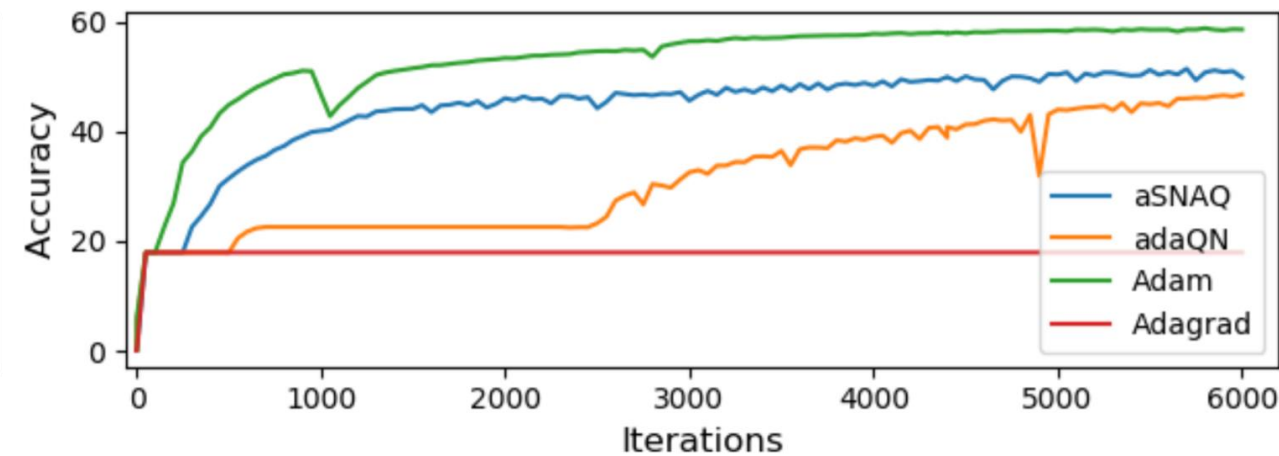
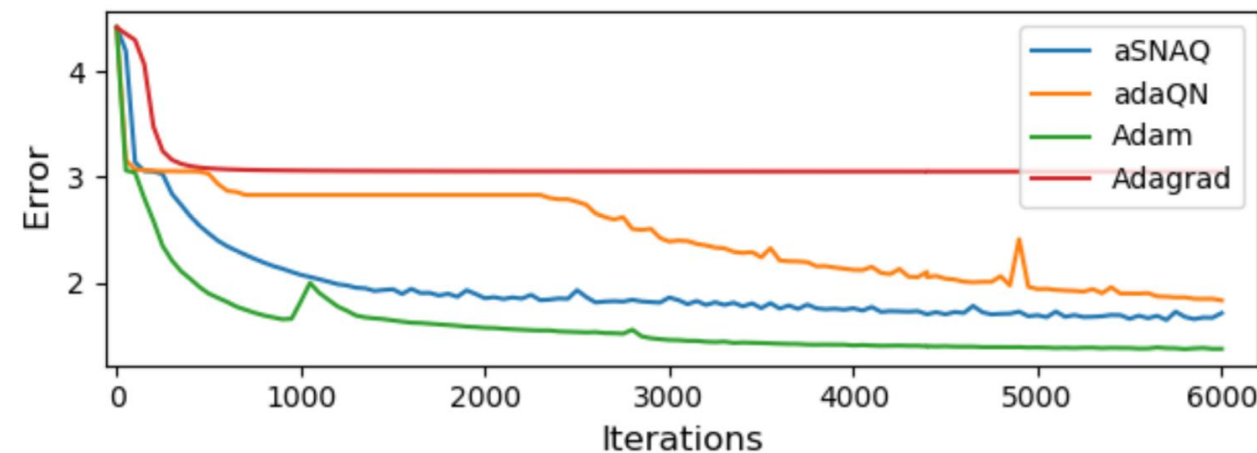
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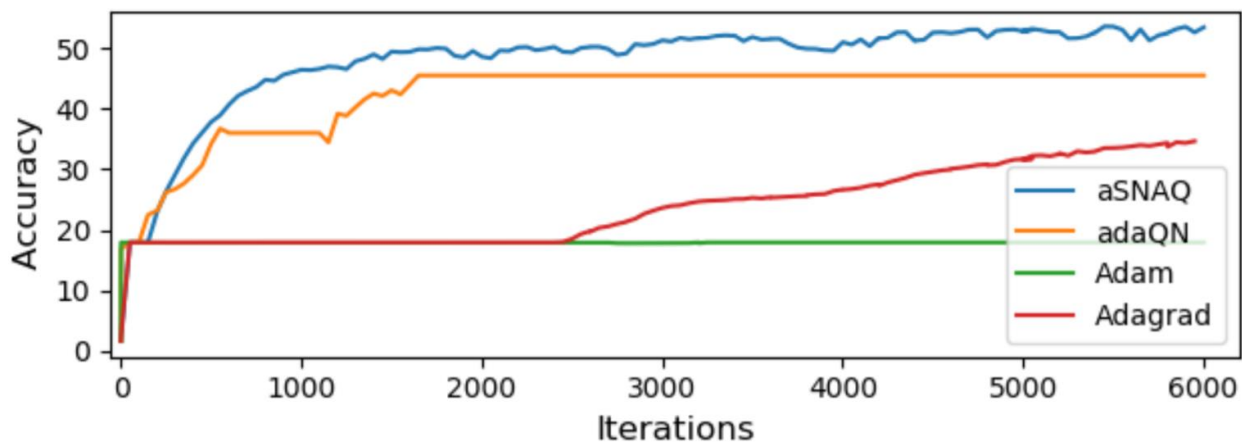
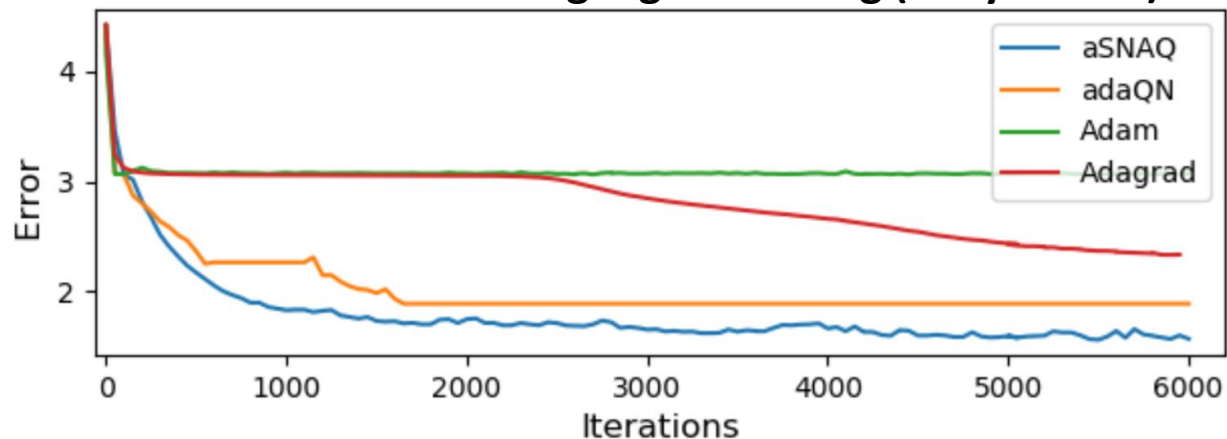
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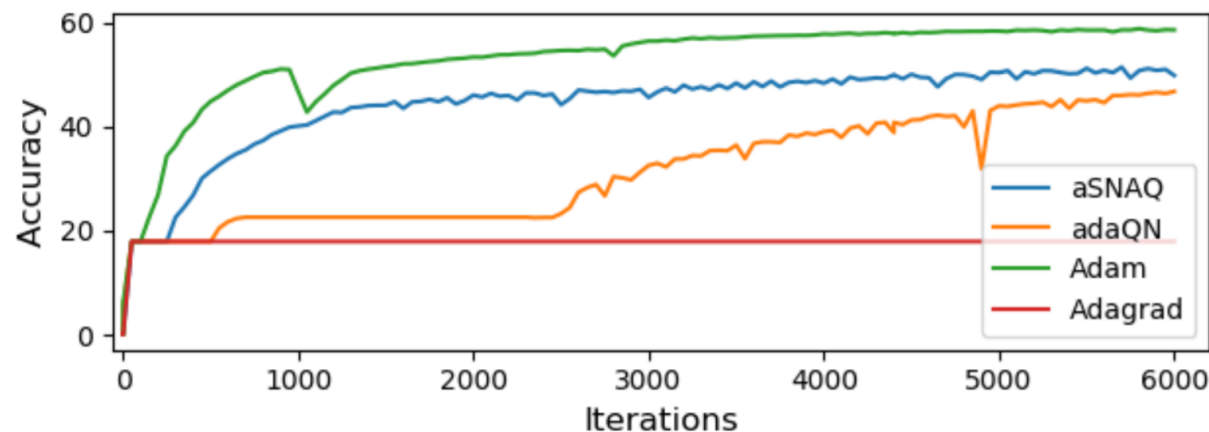
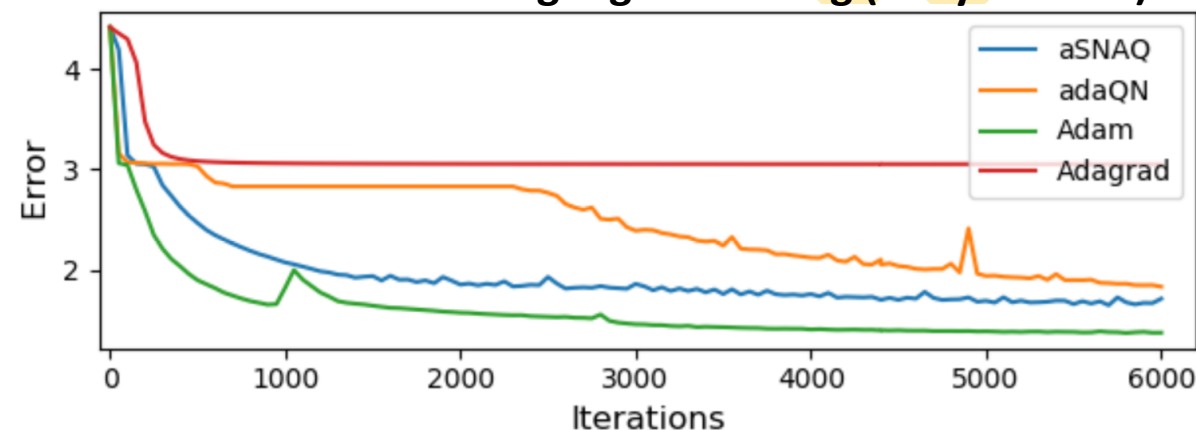
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# PCB ROUTING USING REINFORCEMENT LEARNING

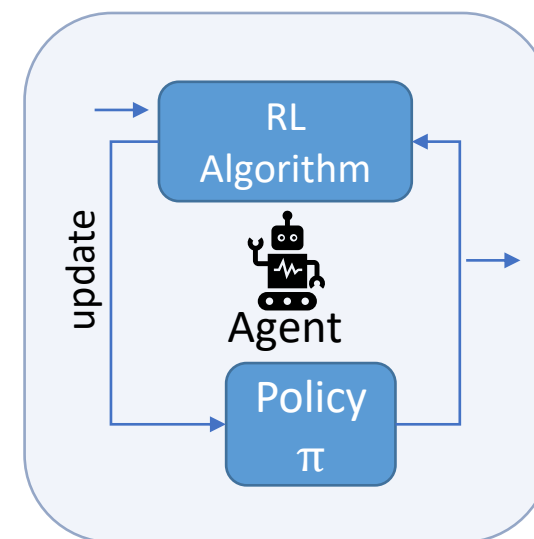
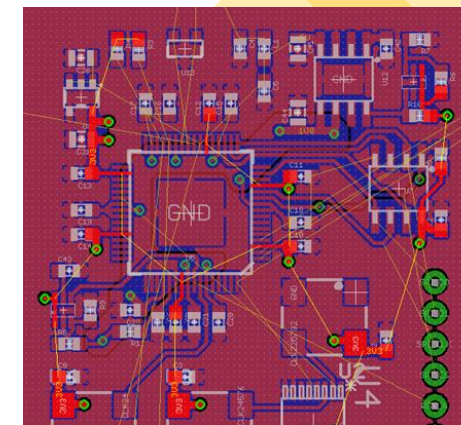
Synthesis and physical design optimizations are the core tasks of the VLSI / ASIC design flow. **Global routing** has been a challenging problem in IC physical design.

## Objective

Given a netlist with the description of all the components, their connections and position, the goal of the global router is to determine the path of all the connections without violating the constraints and design rules.

- Route all pins and nets
- Minimize total wirelength (WL)
- Minimize total overflows

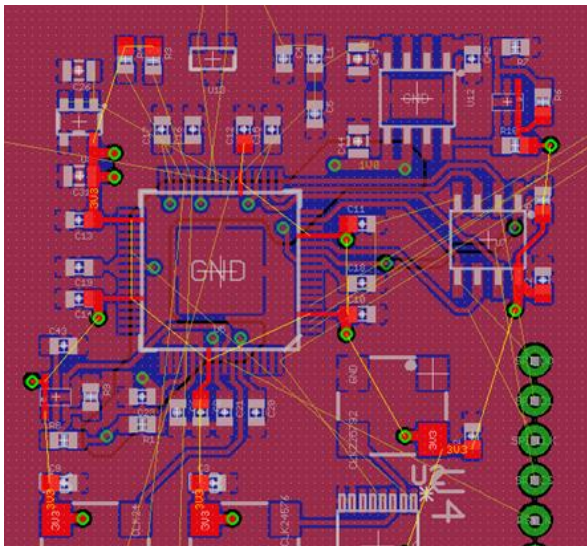
Conventional routing automation tools are usually based on analytical and path search algorithms which are **NP complete**.



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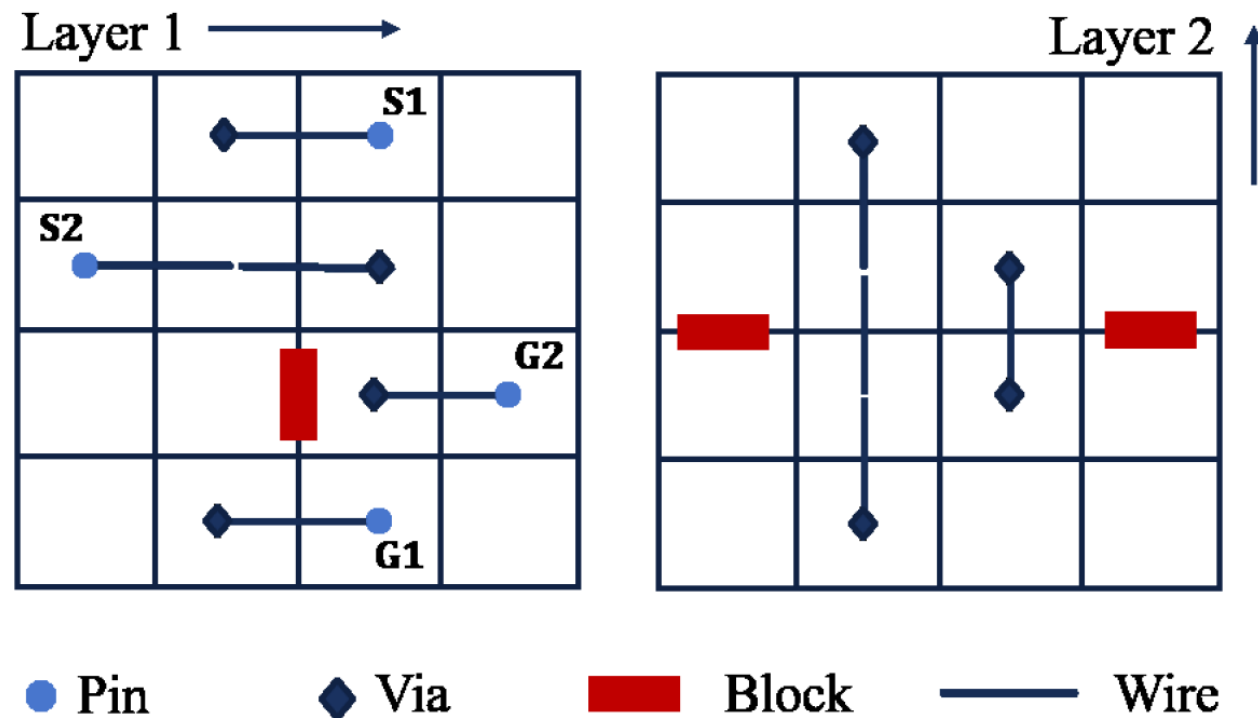


Objective function:

$$L(w) = E_{(s,a) \sim \zeta} [(Y - Q_w(s, a))^2]$$

where

$$Y = E_{s' \sim \zeta} [R + \gamma Q_w(s', \argmax_{a'} Q_w(s', a'))]$$



## Key Takeaways

- In RL the training set is dynamically populated
- DQNs use mean-squared Bellman (non-convex function)
- Second order methods – aSNAQ show better convergence

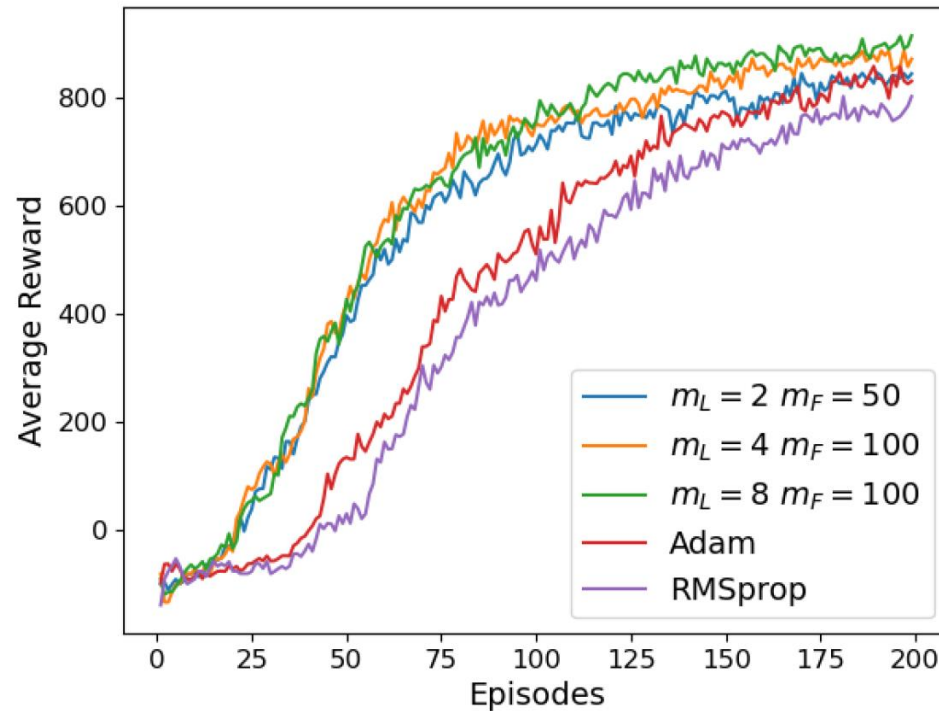


Fig. 4. Average reward over 25 benchmarks with 10 two-pin nets.

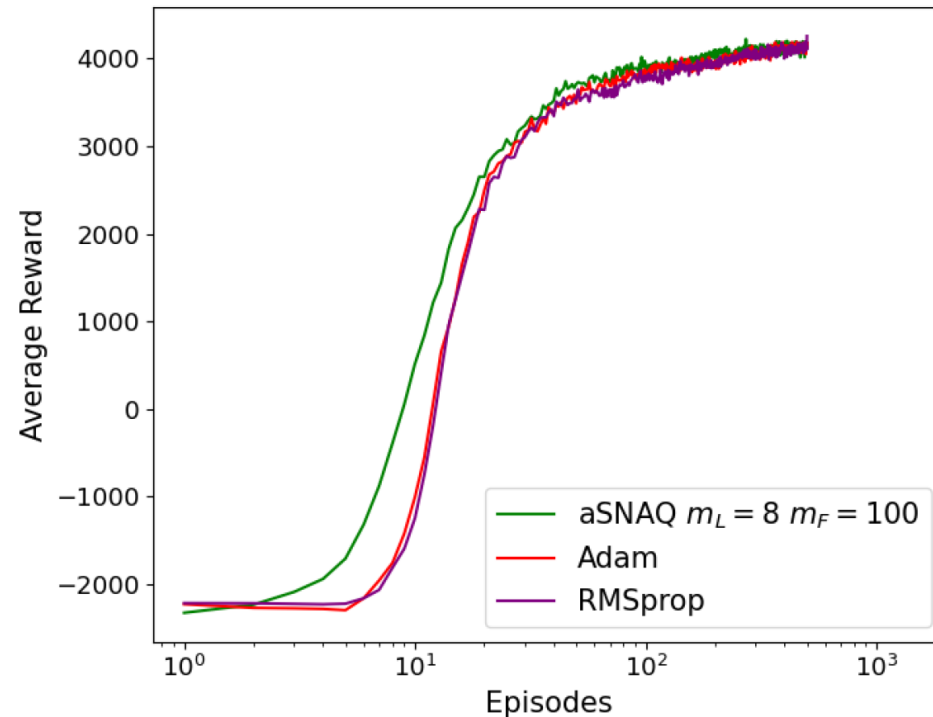


Fig. 5. Average reward over 30 benchmarks with 50 two-pin nets.

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Total 50 Netlists  
Max episode  $\mathcal{E} = 500$

— indicates could not be routed within 500 episodes  
*diff* is wirelength reduction compared to A\*

Trial Num	A* WL	WL	diff	Adam $\mathcal{R}_{best}$	$\mathcal{E}$	Pins	WL	diff	RMSprop $\mathcal{R}_{best}$	$\mathcal{E}$	Pins	WL	diff	aSNAQ $\mathcal{R}_{best}$	$\mathcal{E}$	Pins
1	390	-	-	4386	465	48	-	-	4363	490	48	<b>368</b>	-22	4667	231	50
2	386	-	-	4505	399	49	-	-	4513	483	49	<b>376</b>	-10	4610	148	50
3	379	-	-	4234	478	47	-	-	4533	401	49	-	-	4382	344	48
4	369	348	-21	4690	288	50	350	-19	4685	492	50	<b>345</b>	-24	4699	75	50
5	366	362	-4	4679	422	50	<b>361</b>	-5	4681	430	50	369	+3	4656	458	50
6	352	348	-4	4691	437	50	344	-8	4697	296	50	<b>335</b>	-17	4701	157	50
7	430	-	-	4053	485	46	-	-	4322	393	48	-	-	4324	285	48
8	398	-	-	4522	205	49	-	-	4513	455	49	<b>377</b>	-21	4663	361	50
9	369	369	0	4669	497	50	<b>347</b>	-22	4687	252	50	348	-21	4693	189	50
10	366	359	-7	4674	112	50	375	+9	4660	327	50	<b>357</b>	-9	4683	480	50
11	379	380	+1	4660	252	50	380	+1	4658	429	50	-	-	4523	428	49
12	351	<b>346</b>	-5	4692	293	50	351	0	4689	340	50	348	-3	4692	93	50
13	395	411	+16	4616	456	50	397	+2	4645	422	50	<b>394</b>	-1	4640	193	50
14	340	343	+3	4700	409	50	<b>338</b>	-2	4706	381	50	341	+1	4699	49	50
15	375	374	-1	4659	319	50	384	9	4660	313	50	<b>371</b>	-4	4668	490	50

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# OTHER QUASI-NEWTON METHOD + NESTEROV'S ACCELERATION ?

Method	$B_{k+1} =$	$H_{k+1} = B_{k+1}^{-1} =$
BFGS	$B_k + \frac{y_k y_k^T}{y_k^T \Delta x_k} - \frac{B_k \Delta x_k (B_k \Delta x_k)^T}{\Delta x_k^T B_k \Delta x_k}$	$\left( I - \frac{\Delta x_k y_k^T}{y_k^T \Delta x_k} \right) H_k \left( I - \frac{y_k \Delta x_k^T}{y_k^T \Delta x_k} \right) + \frac{\Delta x_k \Delta x_k^T}{y_k^T \Delta x_k}$
Broyden	$B_k + \frac{y_k - B_k \Delta x_k}{\Delta x_k^T \Delta x_k} \Delta x_k^T$	$H_k + \frac{(\Delta x_k - H_k y_k) \Delta x_k^T H_k}{\Delta x_k^T H_k y_k}$
Broyden family	$(1 - \varphi_k) B_{k+1}^{\text{BFGS}} + \varphi_k B_{k+1}^{\text{DFP}}, \quad \varphi \in [0, 1]$	
DFP	$\left( I - \frac{y_k \Delta x_k^T}{y_k^T \Delta x_k} \right) B_k \left( I - \frac{\Delta x_k y_k^T}{y_k^T \Delta x_k} \right) + \frac{y_k y_k^T}{y_k^T \Delta x_k}$	$H_k + \frac{\Delta x_k \Delta x_k^T}{\Delta x_k^T y_k} - \frac{H_k y_k y_k^T H_k}{y_k^T H_k y_k}$
SR1	$B_k + \frac{(y_k - B_k \Delta x_k)(y_k - B_k \Delta x_k)^T}{(y_k - B_k \Delta x_k)^T \Delta x_k}$	$H_k + \frac{(\Delta x_k - H_k y_k)(\Delta x_k - H_k y_k)^T}{(\Delta x_k - H_k y_k)^T y_k}$

\*Wikipedia

# ACCELERATING SR1 WITH NESTEROV'S GRADIENT

- Quasi-Newton + Nesterov's acceleration **satisfies secant condition**
- The Hessian is updated using the Symmetric rank-1 update formula given as

$$\mathbf{H}_{k+1} = \mathbf{H}_k + \frac{(\mathbf{s}_k - \mathbf{H}_k \mathbf{y}_k)(\mathbf{s}_k - \mathbf{H}_k \mathbf{y}_k)^T}{(\mathbf{s}_k - \mathbf{H}_k \mathbf{y}_k)^T \mathbf{y}_k},$$

where,

$$\mathbf{y}_k = \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_{k+1}) - \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_k + \mu_k \mathbf{v}_k) \text{ and } \mathbf{s}_k = \mathbf{w}_{k+1} - (\mathbf{w}_k + \mu_k \mathbf{v}_k)$$

- Ensure positive semi-definiteness by performing the update only if

$$|\mathbf{s}_k^T (\mathbf{y}_k - \mathbf{B}_k \mathbf{s}_k)| \geq \rho \|\mathbf{s}_k\| \|\mathbf{y}_k - \mathbf{B}_k \mathbf{s}_k\|$$

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# ACCELERATING SR1 WITH NESTEROV'S GRADIENT : CONVERGENCE

*Assumption 1:* The sequence of iterates  $\mathbf{w}_k$  and  $\hat{\mathbf{w}}_k$  remains in the closed and bounded set  $\Omega$  on which the objective function is twice continuously differentiable and has Lipschitz continuous gradient, i.e. there exists a constant  $L > 0$  such that

$$\|\nabla E(\mathbf{w}_{k+1}) - \nabla E(\hat{\mathbf{w}}_k)\| \leq L \|\mathbf{w}_{k+1} - \hat{\mathbf{w}}_k\| \quad \forall \mathbf{w}_{k+1}, \hat{\mathbf{w}}_k \in \mathbb{R}^d$$

If *Assumption 1* holds true, then it implies that the objective function satisfies,

$$E(\mathbf{w}_{k+1}) \leq E(\mathbf{w}_k + \mu \mathbf{v}_k) + \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_k + \mu \mathbf{v}_k)^T \mathbf{d} + \frac{L}{2} \|\mathbf{w}_{k+1} - (\mathbf{w}_k + \mu \mathbf{v}_k)\|_2^2$$

*Assumption 2:* The Hessian matrix is bounded and well-defined, i.e, there exists constants  $\rho$  and  $M$ , such that

$$\rho \leq \|\mathbf{B}_k\| \leq M \quad \forall k$$

and for each iteration

$$|\mathbf{s}_k^T (\mathbf{y}_k - \mathbf{B}_k \mathbf{s}_k)| \geq \rho \|\mathbf{s}_k\| \|\mathbf{y}_k - \mathbf{B}_k \mathbf{s}_k\|$$

*Assumption 2* ensures Hessian matrix is symmetric positive semidefinite and bounded



# ACCELERATING SR1 WITH NESTEROV'S GRADIENT : CONVERGENCE

*Assumption 3:* Let  $\mathbf{B}_k$  be any  $n \times n$  symmetric matrix and  $\mathbf{s}_k$  be an optimal solution to the trust region subproblem,

$$\min_{\mathbf{d}} m_k(\mathbf{d}) = E(\hat{\mathbf{w}}_k) + \mathbf{d}^T \nabla E(\hat{\mathbf{w}}_k) + \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{d}^T \mathbf{B}_k \mathbf{d},$$

where  $\hat{\mathbf{w}}_k + \mathbf{d}$  lies in the trust region. Then for all  $k \geq 0$ ,

$$|\nabla E(\hat{\mathbf{w}}_k)^T \mathbf{s}_k + \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{s}_k^T \mathbf{B}_k \mathbf{s}_k| \geq \frac{1}{2} \|\nabla E(\hat{\mathbf{w}}_k)\| \min \left\{ \Delta_k, \frac{\|\nabla E(\hat{\mathbf{w}}_k)\|}{\|\mathbf{B}_k\|} \right\}$$

*Assumption 3* ensures that the subproblem solved by the trust region method is sufficiently optimal at each iteration.

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**Lemma** : If Assumptions 1 to 3 holds true, and  $\mathbf{s}_k$  be an optimal solution to the trust region subproblem, and if the initial Hessian  $\mathbf{H}_{k+1} = \gamma_k$  is bounded (i.e.,  $\mathbf{0} \leq \gamma_k \leq \hat{\gamma}_k$ ) then for all  $k \geq 0$ , the Hessian update given by the SR1+N algorithm is bounded

$$||\mathbf{B}_{k+1}|| \leq \left(1 + \frac{1}{\rho}\right)^{m_L} \gamma_k + \left[\left(1 + \frac{1}{\rho}\right)^{m_L} - 1\right] M$$

**Theorem** : Given a level set  $\Omega = \{\mathbf{w} \in \mathbb{R}^d : E(\mathbf{w}) < E(\mathbf{w}_0)\}$  that is bounded, let  $\{\mathbf{w}_k\}$  be the sequence of iterates generated by the SR1+N algorithm. If Assumptions 1 to 3 holds true, then,

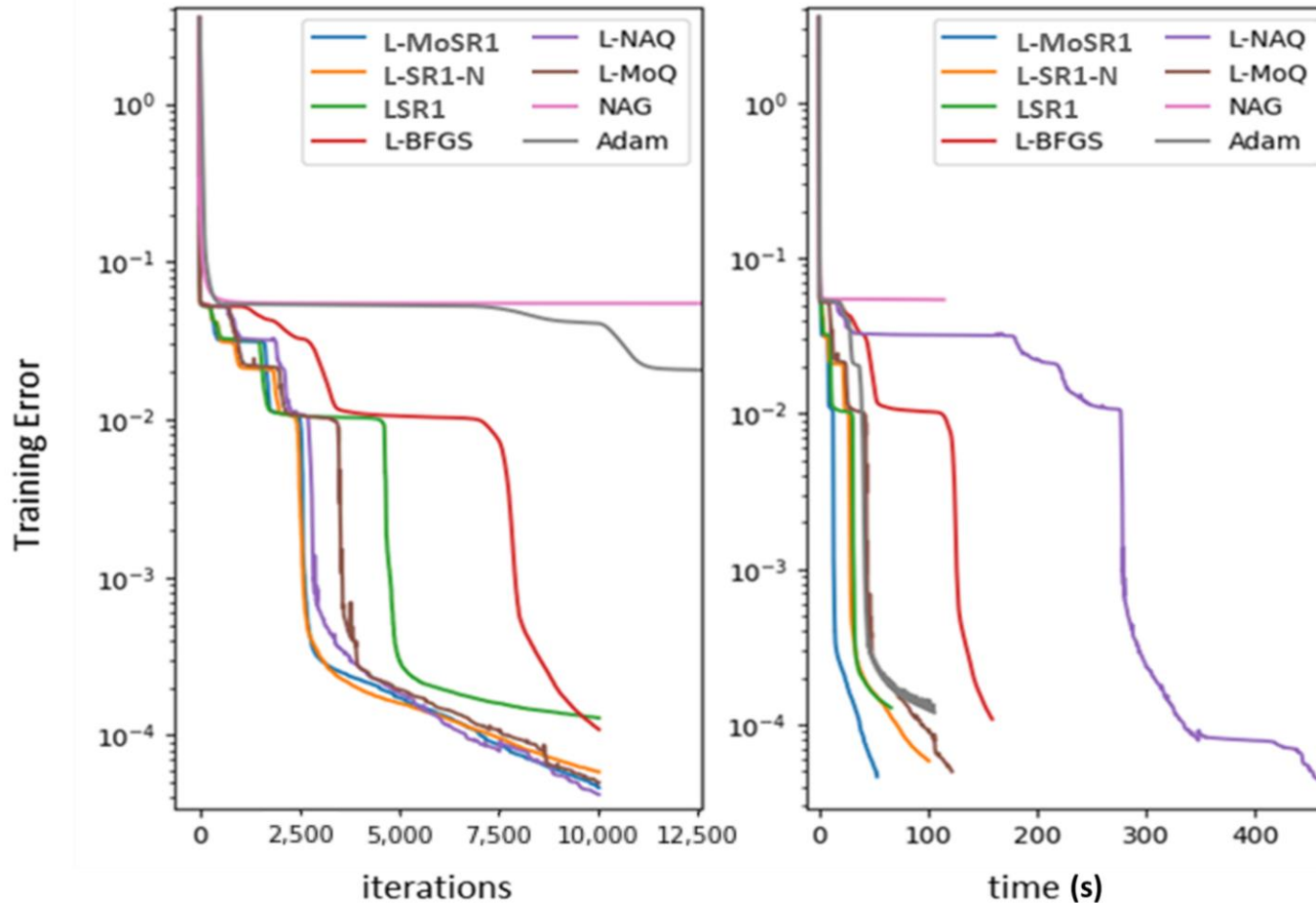
$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} ||\nabla E(\mathbf{w}_k)|| = 0.$$

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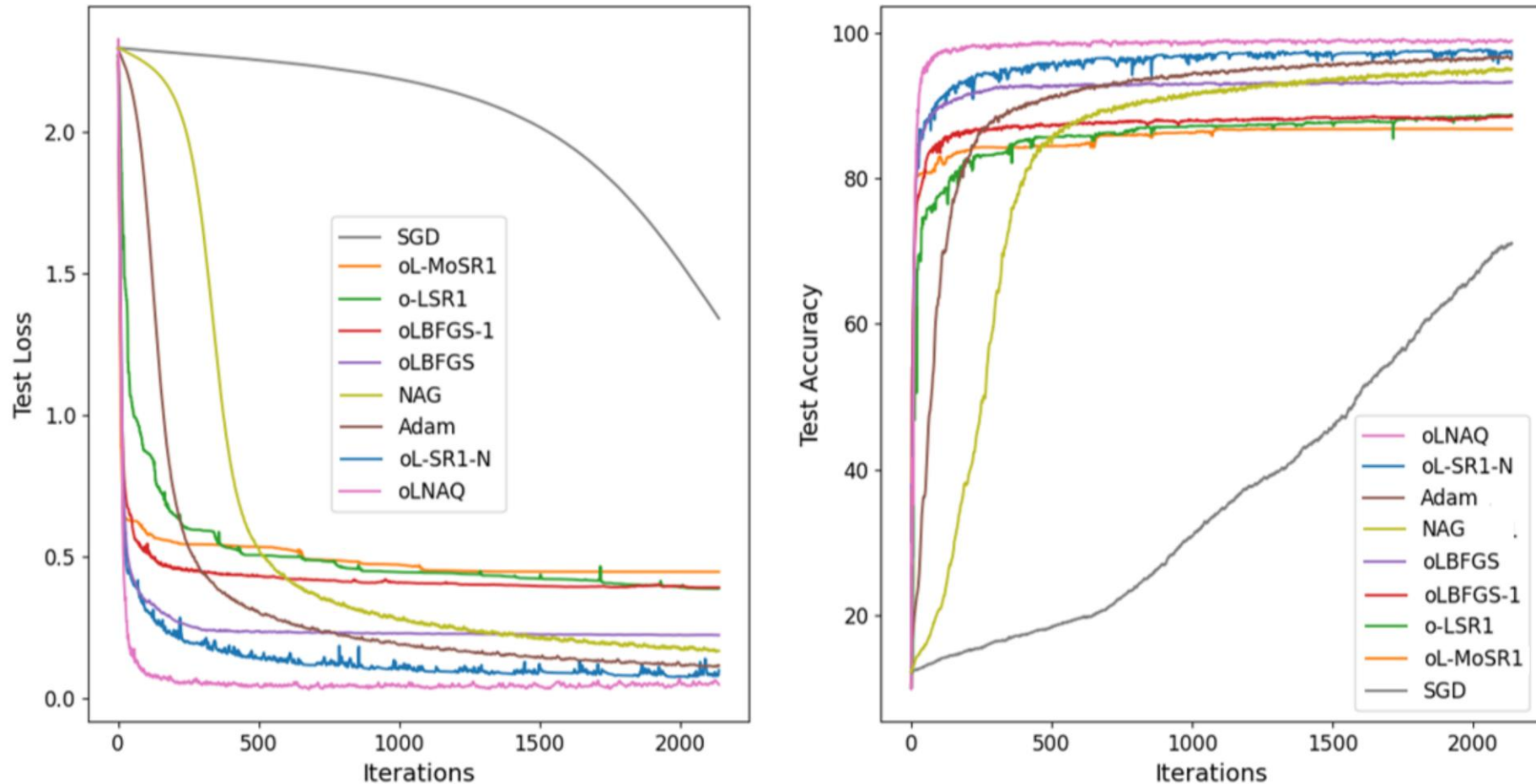
# SR1 + NESTEROV'S ACCELERATION (FULL BATCH)

Average results on levy function approximation problem with  $mL=10$  (full batch).



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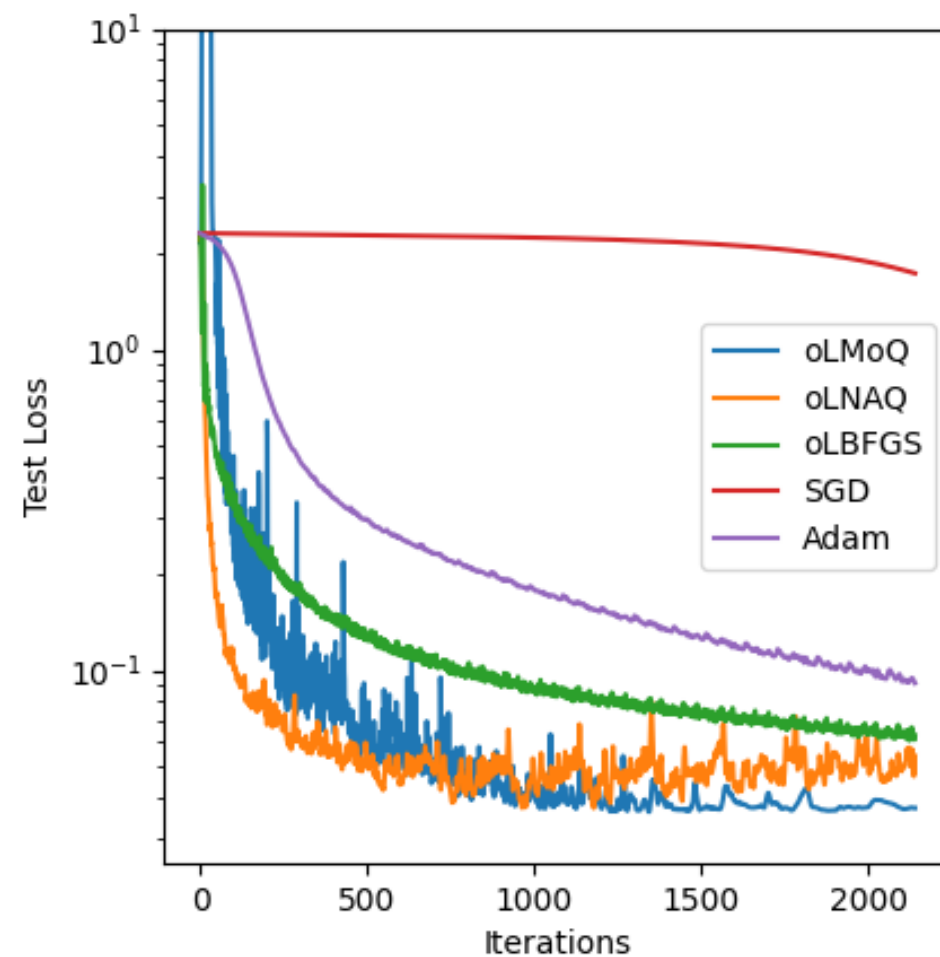
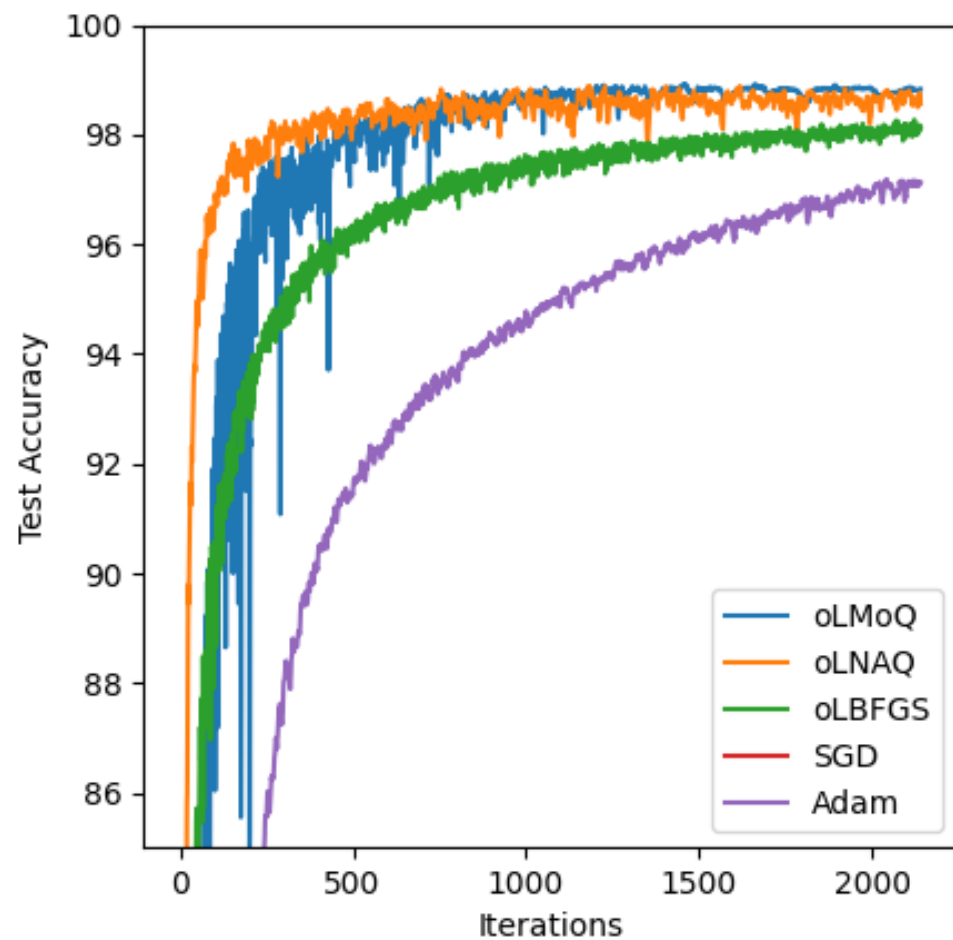
# SR1 + NESTEROV'S ACCELERATION (STOCHASTIC)



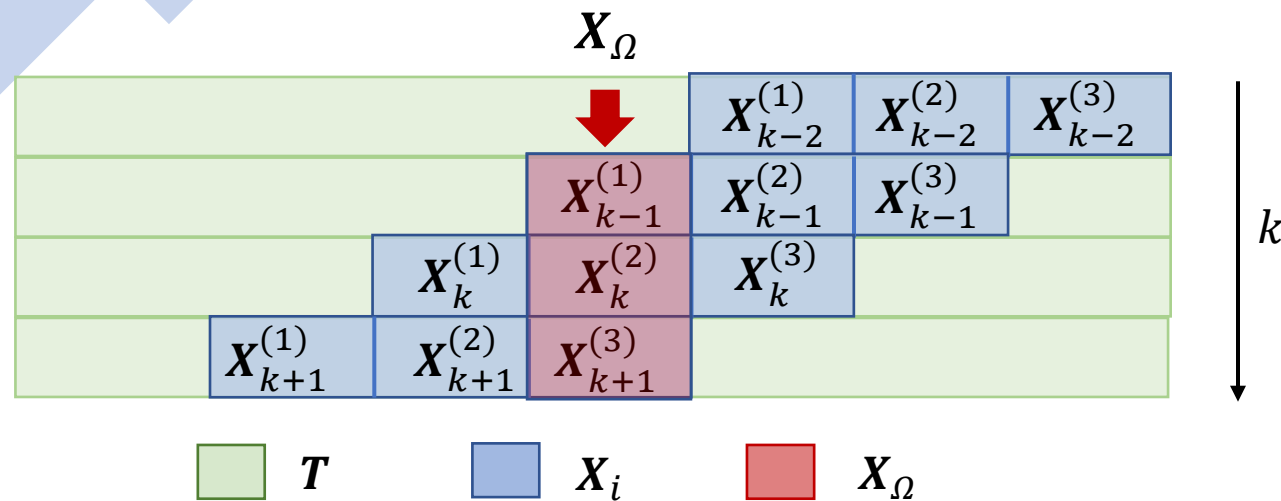
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Future Work : oLMoQ stochastic noise reduction



# Multi-batch strategy $\rightarrow$ to MoQ + distributed



$$\nabla E(\mathbf{w}_k, X_k) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_k, X_i) \text{ where } X_i \in T$$

$$= \underbrace{\frac{1}{3n} \sum_{i=1}^{n/3} \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_k, X_i)}_{X_k^{(1)}} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{3n} \sum_{i=n/3+1}^{2n/3} \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_k, X_i)}_{X_k^{(2)}} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{3n} \sum_{i=2n/3+1}^n \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_k, X_i)}_{X_k^{(3)}}$$

$$\mathbf{y}_k = \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_{k+1}, X_{k+1}^{(3)}) - \left\{ (1 + \mu) \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_k, X_k^{(2)}) - \mu \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_{k-1}, X_{k-1}^{(1)}) \right\}$$

$$= \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_{k+1}, X_\Omega) - \left\{ (1 + \mu) \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_k, X_\Omega) - \mu \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_{k-1}, X_\Omega) \right\}$$

**Algorithm 4** oBFGS Method

**Require:** minibatch  $X_k$ ,  $k_{max}$  and  $\lambda \geq 0$ ,  
**Initialize:**  $\mathbf{w}_k \in \mathbb{R}^d$ ,  $\mathbf{H}_k = \epsilon \mathbf{I}$  and  $\mathbf{v}_k = 0$

- 1:  $k \leftarrow 1$
- 2: **while**  $k < k_{max}$  **do**
- 3:  $\nabla \mathbf{E}_1 \leftarrow \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_k, X_k)$
- 4:  $\mathbf{g}_k \leftarrow -\mathbf{H}_k \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_k, X_k)$
- 5:  $\mathbf{g}_k = \mathbf{g}_k / \|\mathbf{g}_k\|_2$
- 6: Determine  $\alpha_k$  using (12)
- 7:  $\mathbf{v}_{k+1} \leftarrow \alpha_k \mathbf{g}_k$
- 8:  $\mathbf{w}_{k+1} \leftarrow \mathbf{w}_k + \mathbf{v}_{k+1}$
- 9:  $\nabla \mathbf{E}_2 \leftarrow \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_{k+1}, X_k)$
- 10:  $\mathbf{s}_k \leftarrow \mathbf{w}_{k+1} - \mathbf{w}_k$
- 11:  $\mathbf{y}_k \leftarrow \nabla \mathbf{E}_2 - \nabla \mathbf{E}_1 + \lambda \mathbf{s}_k$
- 12: Update  $\mathbf{H}_k$  using (4)
- 13:  $k \leftarrow k + 1$
- 14: **end while**

**Algorithm 5** Proposed oNAQ Method

**Require:** minibatch  $X_k$ ,  $0 < \mu < 1$  and  $k_{max}$   
**Initialize:**  $\mathbf{w}_k \in \mathbb{R}^d$ ,  $\hat{\mathbf{H}}_k = \epsilon \mathbf{I}$  and  $\mathbf{v}_k = 0$

- 1:  $k \leftarrow 1$
- 2: **while**  $k < k_{max}$  **do**
- 3:  $\nabla \mathbf{E}_1 \leftarrow \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_k + \mu \mathbf{v}_k, X_k)$
- 4:  $\hat{\mathbf{g}}_k \leftarrow -\hat{\mathbf{H}}_k \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_k + \mu \mathbf{v}_k, X_k)$
- 5:  $\hat{\mathbf{g}}_k = \hat{\mathbf{g}}_k / \|\hat{\mathbf{g}}_k\|_2$
- 6: Determine  $\alpha_k$  using (17)
- 7:  $\mathbf{v}_{k+1} \leftarrow \mu \mathbf{v}_k + \alpha_k \hat{\mathbf{g}}_k$
- 8:  $\mathbf{w}_{k+1} \leftarrow \mathbf{w}_k + \mathbf{v}_{k+1}$
- 9:  $\nabla \mathbf{E}_2 \leftarrow \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_{k+1}, X_k)$
- 10:  $\mathbf{p}_k \leftarrow \mathbf{w}_{k+1} - (\mathbf{w}_k + \mu \mathbf{v}_k)$
- 11:  $\mathbf{q}_k \leftarrow \nabla \mathbf{E}_2 - \nabla \mathbf{E}_1 + \lambda \mathbf{p}_k$
- 12: Update  $\hat{\mathbf{H}}_k$  using (9)
- 13:  $k \leftarrow k + 1$
- 14: **end while**

## Algorithm 1: Stochastic MoQ

**Require:** learning rate schedule,  $0 < \mu < 1$  and  $k_{max}$

**Ensure:**  $\mathbf{w}_k \in \mathbb{R}^d$ ,  $\mathbf{H}_k = \epsilon \mathbf{I}$  and  $\mathbf{v}_k = 0$

- 1: Calculate  $\nabla \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{w}_k, X_k)$
- 2: **while**  $\|\nabla \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{w}_k)\| > \epsilon$  and  $k < k_{max}$  **do**
- 3: Determine learning rate  $\alpha_k$
- 4:  $\nabla \mathbf{E}_1 = (1 + \mu) \nabla \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{w}_k, X_k) - \mu \nabla \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{w}_{k-1}, X_{k-1})$
- 5:  $\mathbf{g}_k \leftarrow -\mathbf{H}_k \nabla \mathbf{E}_1$
- 6:  $\mathbf{g}_k = \mathbf{g}_k / \|\mathbf{g}_k\|_2$
- 7:  $\mathbf{v}_{k+1} \leftarrow \mu \mathbf{v}_k + \alpha_k \mathbf{g}_k$
- 8:  $\mathbf{w}_{k+1} \leftarrow \mathbf{w}_k + \mathbf{v}_{k+1}$
- 9: Store  $\nabla \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{w}_k, X_k)$
- 10: Select mini-batch  $X_{k+1}$
- 11: Calculate  $\nabla \mathbf{E}_2 = \nabla \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{w}_{k+1}, X_{k+1})$
- 12:  $\mathbf{s}_k \leftarrow \mathbf{w}_{k+1} - (\mathbf{w}_k + \mu \mathbf{v}_k)$
- 13:  $\mathbf{y}_k \leftarrow \nabla \mathbf{E}_2 - \nabla \mathbf{E}_1 + \lambda \mathbf{s}_k$
- 14: Update  $\mathbf{H}_k$  using (10)
- 15: **end while**

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# Stochastic Nesterov's Accelerated quasi-Newton – oNAQ

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## Algorithm 4 oBFGS Method

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**Require:** minibatch  $X_k$ ,  $k_{max}$  and  $\lambda \geq 0$ ,

**Initialize:**  $\mathbf{w}_k \in \mathbb{R}^d$ ,  $\mathbf{H}_k = \epsilon \mathbf{I}$  and  $\mathbf{v}_k = 0$

1:  $k \leftarrow 1$

2: **while**  $k < k_{max}$  **do**

3:    $\nabla \mathbf{E}_1 \leftarrow \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_k, X_k)$

4:    $\mathbf{g}_k \leftarrow -\mathbf{H}_k \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_k, X_k)$

5:    $\mathbf{g}_k = \mathbf{g}_k / \|\mathbf{g}_k\|_2$

6:   Determine  $\alpha_k$  using (12)

7:    $\mathbf{v}_{k+1} \leftarrow \alpha_k \mathbf{g}_k$

8:    $\mathbf{w}_{k+1} \leftarrow \mathbf{w}_k + \mathbf{v}_{k+1}$

9:    $\nabla \mathbf{E}_2 \leftarrow \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_{k+1}, X_k)$

10:    $\mathbf{s}_k \leftarrow \mathbf{w}_{k+1} - \mathbf{w}_k$

11:    $\mathbf{y}_k \leftarrow \nabla \mathbf{E}_2 - \nabla \mathbf{E}_1 + \lambda \mathbf{s}_k$

12:   Update  $\mathbf{H}_k$  using (4)

13:    $k \leftarrow k + 1$

14: **end while**

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## Algorithm 5 Proposed oNAQ Method

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**Require:** minibatch  $X_k$ ,  $0 < \mu < 1$  and  $k_{max}$

**Initialize:**  $\mathbf{w}_k \in \mathbb{R}^d$ ,  $\hat{\mathbf{H}}_k = \epsilon \mathbf{I}$  and  $\mathbf{v}_k = 0$

1:  $k \leftarrow 1$

2: **while**  $k < k_{max}$  **do**

3:    $\nabla \mathbf{E}_1 \leftarrow \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_k + \mu \mathbf{v}_k, X_k)$

4:    $\hat{\mathbf{g}}_k \leftarrow -\hat{\mathbf{H}}_k \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_k + \mu \mathbf{v}_k, X_k)$

5:    $\hat{\mathbf{g}}_k = \hat{\mathbf{g}}_k / \|\hat{\mathbf{g}}_k\|_2$

6:   Determine  $\alpha_k$  using (17)

7:    $\mathbf{v}_{k+1} \leftarrow \mu \mathbf{v}_k + \alpha_k \hat{\mathbf{g}}_k$

8:    $\mathbf{w}_{k+1} \leftarrow \mathbf{w}_k + \mathbf{v}_{k+1}$

9:    $\nabla \mathbf{E}_2 \leftarrow \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_{k+1}, X_k)$

10:    $\mathbf{p}_k \leftarrow \mathbf{w}_{k+1} - (\mathbf{w}_k + \mu \mathbf{v}_k)$

11:    $\mathbf{q}_k \leftarrow \nabla \mathbf{E}_2 - \nabla \mathbf{E}_1 + \lambda \mathbf{p}_k$

12:   Update  $\hat{\mathbf{H}}_k$  using (9)

13:    $k \leftarrow k + 1$

14: **end while**

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# Adaptive Stochastic Nesterov's Accelerated quasi-Newton – aSNAQ

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**Algorithm 2** Proposed method - aSNAQ

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**Require:** minibatch  $X_k$ ,  $\mu_{min}, \mu_{max}$ ,  $k_{max}$ , aFIM buffer  $F$  of size  $m_F$  and curvature pair buffer  $(S, Y)$  of size  $m_L$ , momentum update factor  $\phi$

**Initialize:**  $\mathbf{w}_k \in \mathbb{R}^d$ ,  $\mu = \mu_{min}$ ,  $\mathbf{v}_k$ ,  $\mathbf{w}_o$ ,  $\mathbf{v}_o$ ,  $\mathbf{w}_s$ ,  $\mathbf{v}_s$ ,  $k$  &  $t = 0$

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1: while  $k < k_{max}$  do
2:   Calculate  $\nabla E(\mathbf{w}_k + \mu \mathbf{v}_k)$ 
3:   Determine  $\mathbf{g}_k$  using Algorithm 1
4:    $\mathbf{g}_k = \mathbf{g}_k / \|\mathbf{g}_k\|_2$   $\triangleright$  Direction normalization
5:    $\mathbf{v}_{k+1} \leftarrow \mu \mathbf{v}_k + \alpha_k \mathbf{g}_k$ 
6:    $\mathbf{w}_{k+1} \leftarrow \mathbf{w}_k + \mathbf{v}_{k+1}$ 
7:   Calculate  $\nabla E(\mathbf{w}_{k+1})$  and store in  $F$ 
8:    $\mathbf{w}_s = \mathbf{w}_s + \mathbf{w}_k$ 
9:    $\mathbf{v}_s = \mathbf{v}_s + \mathbf{v}_k$ 
10:  if  $\text{mod}(k, L) = 0$  then
11:    Compute average  $\mathbf{w}_n = \mathbf{w}_s / L$  and  $\mathbf{v}_n = \mathbf{v}_s / L$ 
12:     $\mathbf{w}_s = 0$  and  $\mathbf{v}_s = 0$ 
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13:   if  $t > 0$  then
14:     if  $E(\mathbf{w}_n) > \gamma E(\mathbf{w}_o)$  then
15:       Clear  $(S, Y)$  and  $F$  buffers
16:       Reset  $\mathbf{w}_k = \mathbf{w}_o$  and  $\mathbf{v}_k = \mathbf{v}_o$ 
17:       Update  $\mu = \max(\mu / \phi, \mu_{min})$ 
18:       continue
19:     end if
20:      $\mathbf{s} = \mathbf{w}_n - \mathbf{w}_o$ 
21:      $\mathbf{y} = \frac{1}{|F|} (\sum_{i=1}^{|F|} F_i \cdot \mathbf{s})$ 
22:     Update  $\mu = \min(\mu \cdot \phi, \mu_{max})$ 
23:     if  $\mathbf{s}^T \mathbf{y} > \epsilon \cdot \mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{y}$  then
24:       Store curvature pairs  $(\mathbf{s}, \mathbf{y})$  in  $(S, Y)$ 
25:     end if
26:   end if
27:   Update  $\mathbf{w}_o = \mathbf{w}_n$  and  $\mathbf{v}_o = \mathbf{v}_n$ 
28:    $t \leftarrow t + 1$ 
29: end if
30:  $k \leftarrow k + 1$ 
31: end while
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# DERIVATION OF NAQ

- $\mathbf{w}_{k+1} = (\mathbf{w}_k + \mu \mathbf{v}_k) - \nabla^2 E(\mathbf{w}_k + \mu \mathbf{v}_k)^{-1} \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_k + \mu \mathbf{v}_k)$  ... (Eq. 12)
- By approximation of the Hessian  $\nabla^2 E(\mathbf{w}_k + \mu \mathbf{v}_k)$  using  $\hat{\mathbf{B}}_{k+1}$ ,
- **Secant Condition**

$$\mathbf{q}_k = \hat{\mathbf{B}}_{k+1} \mathbf{p}_k \quad \dots (\text{Eq. 13})$$

$$\mathbf{p}_k = \mathbf{w}_{k+1} - (\mathbf{w}_k + \mu \mathbf{v}_k), \quad \mathbf{q}_k = \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_{k+1}) - \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_k + \mu \mathbf{v}_k)$$

- From secant condition the rank-2 updating formula of this matrix is derived as follows:
- <The update formula of  $\hat{\mathbf{B}}_{k+1}$ >
  - The matrix  $\hat{\mathbf{B}}_{k+1}$  is defined using arbitrary vectors  $\mathbf{x}$  and  $\mathbf{y}$  and constants  $a$  and  $b$  as

$$\hat{\mathbf{B}}_{k+1} = \hat{\mathbf{B}}_k + \hat{\mathbf{B}}_k + a \mathbf{x} \mathbf{x}^T + b \mathbf{y} \mathbf{y}^T \quad \dots (\text{Eq. 14})$$

- By substituting (14) into the secant condition, arbitrary vectors  $\mathbf{x}$  and  $\mathbf{y}$  and constants  $a$  and  $b$  are obtained as

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{q}_k, \mathbf{y} = -\hat{\mathbf{B}}_k \mathbf{p}_k \text{ and } a = 1/\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{p}_k, b = 1/\mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{p}_k \quad \dots (Eq. 15)$$

- As a result, the rank-2 updating formula for NAQ can be obtained as

$$\hat{\mathbf{B}}_{k+1} = \hat{\mathbf{B}}_k + \mathbf{q}_k \mathbf{q}_k^T / \mathbf{q}_k^T \mathbf{p}_k - \hat{\mathbf{B}}_k \mathbf{p}_k \mathbf{p}_k^T \hat{\mathbf{B}}_k / \mathbf{p}_k^T \hat{\mathbf{B}}_k \mathbf{p}_k \quad \dots (Eq. 16)$$

- Convergence properties of NAQ -> Proof is omitted here.
  - a.  $\hat{\mathbf{B}}_{k+1}$  of (16) satisfies the secant condition  $\mathbf{q}_k = \hat{\mathbf{B}}_{k+1} \mathbf{p}_k$ .
  - b. If  $\hat{\mathbf{B}}_k$  is symmetry,  $\hat{\mathbf{B}}_{k+1}$  is also symmetry.
  - c. If  $\hat{\mathbf{B}}_k$  is the positive definite matrix,  $\hat{\mathbf{B}}_{k+1}$  is also the positive definite.

# Modified Nesterov's Accelerated quasi-Newton - mNAQ

1) Incorporating an additional  $\hat{\xi}_k p_k$  term for global convergence

$$p_k = w_{k+1} - (w_k + \mu v_k)$$

$$q_k = \nabla E(w_{k+1}) - \nabla E(w_k + \mu v_k) + \hat{\xi}_k p_k = \varepsilon_k + \hat{\xi}_k p_k \quad \dots (Eq. 10)$$

$$\hat{\xi}_k = \omega \|\nabla E(w_k + \mu v_k)\| + \max \left\{ -\frac{\varepsilon_k^T p_k}{\|p_k\|^2}, 0 \right\}$$

global convergence term

$$\begin{cases} \omega = 2 & \text{if } \|\nabla E(w_k + \mu v_k)\|^2 > 10^{-2} \\ \omega = 100 & \text{if } \|\nabla E(w_k + \mu v_k)\|^2 < 10^{-2} \end{cases}$$

$$\hat{H}_{k+1} = (I - \rho_k p_k q_k^T) \hat{H}_k (I - \rho_k q_k p_k^T) + \rho_k p_k p_k^T \quad \dots (Eq. 11)$$

# Modified Nesterov's Accelerated quasi-Newton - mNAQ

## 2) Eliminating line search

*Determine step size  $\alpha_k$  using the explicit formula*

$$\alpha_k = - \frac{\delta \nabla E(w_k + \mu v_k)^T \hat{g}_k}{\|\hat{g}_k\|_{Q_k}^2} \quad \dots (Eq. 12)$$

*Armijo Line search Condition:*

$$E(w_k + \mu v_k + \alpha_k g_k) \leq E(w_k + \mu v_k) + \eta \alpha_k \nabla E(w_k + \mu v_k)^T g_k$$

$$\text{where } g_k = -\hat{H}_k \nabla E(w_k + \mu v_k)$$

