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Abstract

There are a number of algorithms in the literature which both theoretically and empirically are known to be only locally convergent. These include such well known algorithms as secant, Newton, quasi-Newton and primal-dual algorithms. Locally, these algorithms tend to be highly efficient. Consequently, it is very desirable to find ways of extending, or modifying, these algorithms, so that they become globally convergent while retaining their attractive local properties. This paper describes a set of techniques which have recently emerged for stabilizing such algorithms and illustrates their application by means of a number of examples.

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## 1. Introduction.

As one examines the literature on optimization and solution of equations, one comes across a number of locally convergent algorithms with very attractive properties. In this category, we find such well known algorithms as the classical Newton method [ 7 ] the more recent extensions of Newton's method to the solution of simultaneous, nonsquare, systems of equations and inequalities [13], [14], various versions of secant and quasi-Newton methods [ 2 ], [ 3 ], [ 4 ], and multiplier methods [ 6 ], [12], [ 5 ], [ 1 ]. The first set of these algorithms converge super-linearly, provided a sufficiently good initial guess is available, while the methods of multipliers reduce a constrained optimization problem to an unconstrained one and converge, some superlinearly, provided a suitable convexification parameter has been found.

Over the last few years, a number of papers have been written such as [7a] [ 8 ] [ 9 ] [11], in which these locally convergent algorithms have been stabilized, i.e., made globally convergent, without loss of their local properties. An examination of these papers reveals a certain pattern in the manner in which the stabilization has been accomplished. In this paper we shall formalize this pattern into a set of theorems which we shall then illustrate by examples from the literature.

## 2. Abstract Stabilization Schemes.

We begin by stating an abstract problem.

Problem 1: Given a closed set  $F$  of feasible points in a Banach space  $X$ , find a point  $z^* \in \Delta \subset F$ , where  $\Delta$ , a closed set, is the set of desirable points.

As a reference point, we need the following algorithm model (1.3.9 in [10]) for solving Problem 1, with  $A: F \rightarrow 2^F$  an iteration map and  $c: F \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^1$  an abstract cost.

Algorithm Model 1.

Data:  $z_0 \in F$ .

Step 1: Compute  $y \in A(z_1)$ .

Step 3: If  $c(y) < c(z_1)$ , set  $z_{i+1} = y$ ,  $i = i+1$  and go to step 1; else, stop.  $\square$

We shall also need the following result (Theorem (1.3.10) in

Theorem 1: Suppose (i)  $c(\cdot)$  is continuous and (ii) for every  $z \in F$ ,  $z \notin \Delta$ , there exist  $\epsilon(z) > 0$  and  $\delta(z) < 0$  such that

$$2.1. \quad c(z'') - c(z') \leq \delta(z) \quad \forall z' \in B(z, \epsilon(z)), \quad \forall z'' \in A(z'),$$

where

$$2.2. \quad B(z, \epsilon(z)) \triangleq \{z' \mid \|z' - z\| \leq \epsilon(z)\}$$

Under these assumptions, (i), if Algorithm Model 1 constructs an infinite sequence  $\{z_i\}_{i=0}^{\infty}$ , then every accumulation point is in  $\Delta$ ; (ii) if  $\{z_i\}$  is finite, then its last element is in  $\Delta$ .  $\square$

Our first, and simplest, extension of Algorithm Model 1 is directed to the stabilization of a locally convergent algorithm of the form  $z_{i+1} \in A_1(z_i)$ ,  $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ , where  $A_1: F_1 \rightarrow 2^{F_1}$ , with  $\Delta \subset F_1 \subset F$ . We assume that in addition to  $A_1$  we also have an iteration map  $A_2: F \rightarrow 2^F$  and an abstract cost function  $c: F \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^1$ , both satisfying the assumptions of Theorem 1 (with  $A = A_2$ ).

### Algorithm Model 2

Data:  $z_0 \in F$ .

Step 0: Set  $i = 0$ .

Step 1: If  $z_i \in F_1$  compute a  $y \in A_1(z_i)$  and go to step 2; else compute a  $y \in A_2(z_i)$  and go to step 2.

Step 2: If  $c(y) < c(z_i)$ , set  $z_{i+1} = y$  and go to step 1; else stop.  $\square$

Theorem 2: (i) Suppose that the map  $A: F \rightarrow 2^F$  defined by  $A(z) = A_1(z)$  if  $z \in F_1$ ,  $A(z) = A_2(z)$  otherwise, together with  $c(\cdot)$  satisfy the assumptions of Theorem 1, then the conclusions of Theorem 1 apply to Algorithm Model 2. (ii) In addition, suppose there exists an open subset  $F_\Delta$ , whose closure  $\overline{F}_\Delta \subset F_1$ , such that  $\Delta \subset F_\Delta$ , and  $A_1(\overline{F}_\Delta) \subset \overline{F}_\Delta$ , and that Algorithm Model 2 constructs a compact infinite sequence  $\{z_i\}_{i=0}^\infty$ . Then there exists an integer  $N$  such that  $z_{i+1} \in A_1(z_i)$  for all  $i \geq N$ .

Proof: Part (i) is obvious. (ii) Since by (i) every accumulation point of  $\{z_i\}$  is in  $\Delta$ , and  $\Delta \subset F_\Delta$ , with  $F_\Delta$  an open set, there exist an  $N$  such that  $z_N \in F_\Delta$ . But this implies that  $z_i \in \overline{F}_\Delta$  for all  $i \geq N$ .  $\square$

Our next model is significantly different and is directed to the stabilization of superlinearly converging algorithms of the form  $x_{i+1} \in A_1(x_i)$ ,  $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ , where  $A_1: F_1 \rightarrow 2^F$ , with  $\Delta \subset F_1 \subset F$ , with an associated abstract cost  $c_1: F_1 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ . Again we assume that we have a map  $A_2: F \rightarrow 2^F$  and a  $c_2: F \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^1$ , satisfying the assumptions of Theorem 1 (with  $c = c_2$ ,  $A = A_2$ ).

### Algorithm Model 3

Data:  $\gamma \in (0,1)$ ,  $x_0 \in F$ .

Step 0: Set  $i = 0$ ,  $j = 0$ .

Step 1: If  $x_i \in F_1$  and  $c_1(x_i) \leq \gamma^j$  go to step 2; else go to step 3.

Step 2: Compute an  $x_{i+1} \in A_1(x_i)$ , set  $z_j = x_i$ , set  $j = j+1$ , set  $i = i+1$ , and go to step 1.

Step 3: Compute a  $y \in A_2(x_i)$ .

Step 4: If  $c_2(y) < c_2(x_i)$ , set  $x_{i+1} = y$ ,  $i = i+1$  and go to step 1; else, stop.  $\square$

Theorem 3: Suppose (i)  $A_2(\cdot)$ ,  $c_2(\cdot)$  satisfy the assumptions of Theorem 1; (ii)  $c_1(\cdot)$  is continuous; (iii)  $\forall \gamma \in (0,1)$  there exist an open set  $F_{\gamma\Delta}$  such that  $\Delta \subset F_{\gamma\Delta} \subset \bar{F}_{\gamma\Delta} \subset F_1$ ,  $A_1(F_{\gamma\Delta}) \subset F_{\gamma\Delta}$  and

$$2.3. \quad c_1(x') \leq \gamma c_1(x) \quad \forall x \in F_{\gamma\Delta}, \quad \forall x' \in A_1(x).$$

(iv) if  $c_1(x^*) = 0$ , then  $x^* \in \Delta$ .

Under these assumptions, (i) if Algorithm Model 3 constructs a compact infinite sequence  $\{x_i\}$ , then every accumulation point of  $\{x_i\}$  is in  $\Delta$ ; (ii) if  $\{x_i\}$  is finite, then its last element is in  $\Delta$ ; (iii) if  $\{x_i\}$  is infinite and compact, then there exists an integer  $N$  such that  $x_{i+1} \in A_1(x_i)$  for all  $i \geq N$ .

Proof: (ii) is obvious. Hence we only need to prove (i) and (iii).

(i) (a) Suppose that there is an  $N'$  such that  $x_{i+1} \in A_2(x_i)$  for all  $i \geq N'$ . Then by Theorem 1, all accumulation points of  $\{x_i\}$  are in  $\Delta$ .

(b) Suppose that there exists an infinite subset  $K$  of  $\{0,1,2,\dots\}$  such that  $x_{i+1} \in A_1(x_i)$  for  $i \in K$ . Then we must have  $c_1(z_j) \rightarrow 0$  as  $j \rightarrow \infty$ . Since  $\{z_j\}$  is a subsequence of  $\{x_i\}$  and  $\{x_i\}$  is compact, there exist a  $z^* \in F$ , and a subsequence  $\{z_j\}_{j \in K_1}$  such that  $z_j \rightarrow z^*$  and hence we must have  $c_1(z^*) = 0$ , which implies that  $z^* \in \Delta$ . But  $F_{\gamma\Delta}$  is an open set and

$z_j \rightarrow z^*$ . Hence there exist an  $N$  and a  $j_N$  such that  $z_{j_N} = x_N \in F_{\gamma\Delta}$ .  
 Now  $c_1(z_{j_N}) \leq \gamma^{j_N}$ , by construction of  $z_{j_N}$ ; it now follows from the fact  
 that  $A_1(F_{\gamma\Delta}) \subset F_{\gamma\Delta}$ , that  $x_{i+1} \in A_1(x_i)$  for all  $i \geq N$ ,  $x_i \in F_{\gamma\Delta}$  for all  
 $i \geq N$ , and  $c_1(x_i) \rightarrow 0$  as  $i \rightarrow \infty$ . Consequently, any accumulation point  
 $x^*$  of  $\{x_i\}$  satisfies  $c_1(x^*) = 0$ , i.e.  $x^* \in \Delta$ .

(iii) To show that (a) above cannot occur, suppose  $j_N$  is the last  
 value of  $j$ . Hence, since  $\{x_i\}$  is compact, and by (i) it has accumulation  
 points  $x^* \in \Delta$ , there must exist an  $N$  such that  $x_N \in F_{\gamma\Delta}$  and  $c_1(x_N) \leq \gamma^{j_N}$ .  
 But this immediately implies that  $x_i \in F_{\gamma\Delta}$  for all  $i \geq N$ , i.e., that  $x_{i+1}$   
 $\in A_1(x_i)$  for all  $i \geq N$ .  $\square$

We now turn to the stabilization of algorithms whose convergence  
 depends upon the correct choice of a parameter and there is no practical  
 a priori way for selecting this parameter. We model a scheme for  
 automatically selecting the required parameter, as follows. We assume we  
 are given sequences of iteration maps  $A_j: F \rightarrow 2^F$ , of abstract costs  $c_j:$   
 $F \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^1$ , of tests  $t_j: F \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^1$  and subsets  $\Delta_j \subset F$ , with  $j = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ .

#### Algorithm Model 4

Data:  $x_0 \in F$ .

Step 0: Set  $i = 0, j = 0$ .

Step 1: If  $t_j(x_i) \leq 0$ , go to step 2; else go to step 4.

Step 2: Compute a  $y \in A_j(x_i)$ .

Step 3: If  $c_j(y) < c_j(x_i)$  set  $x_{i+1} = y$ ,  $i = i+1$  and go to step 1; else  
 stop.

Step 4: Set  $z_j = x_i$ , set  $j = j+1$  and go to step 1.  $\square$

Theorem 4: Suppose that (i) for each  $j, j = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ ,  $c_j, A_j, \Delta_j$   
 satisfy the assumptions of Theorem 1, (with  $c, A, \Delta$  replaced by  $c_j, A_j,$

$\Delta_j$ ); (ii)  $t_j(\cdot)$  is continuous for  $j = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ , (iii) for  $j = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ ,  $\{z \in \Delta_j \mid t_j(z) \leq 0\} \subset \Delta$ ; (iv) for every  $z^* \in F$  there exists a  $j^*$  and an  $\epsilon^* > 0$  such that  $t_j(z) \leq 0$  for all  $j \geq j^*$ , for all  $z \in B(z^*, \epsilon^*)$ . Under these assumptions, (i) if Algorithm Model 4 constructs a finite sequence  $\{z_j\}$ , and  $\{x_i\}$  is infinite, then every accumulation point of  $\{x_i\}$  is in  $\Delta$ ; (ii) if  $\{z_j\}$  is finite and  $\{x_i\}$  is finite, then the last element of  $\{x_i\}$  is in  $\Delta$ ; (iii) if  $\{z_j\}$  is infinite, then  $\{z_j\}$  has no accumulation points.

Proof: Again (ii) is obvious and we only need to prove (i) and (iii).

(i) Suppose that  $\{z_j\}$  is finite, with last element  $z_{j^*}$ . Then, by Theorem 1, all accumulation points of  $\{x_i\}$  are in  $\Delta_{j^*}$ . Furthermore, since  $t_{j^*}(\cdot)$  is continuous and  $t_{j^*}(x_i) \leq 0$  for all  $i \geq i'$ , for some finite  $i'$ , if  $x^*$  is an accumulation point of  $\{x_i\}$  it must also satisfy  $t_{j^*}(x^*) \leq 0$ . Hence  $x^* \in \Delta$ . (iii) Suppose  $\{z_j\}$  is infinite and that it has an accumulation point  $z^*$ . Then there exists an infinite subsequence  $\{z_j\}_{j \in K}$  such that  $z_j \rightarrow z^*$ . Now, by assumption, there exist integers  $j^*$  and  $N$  such that  $t_k(z_j) \leq 0$  for all  $k \geq j^*, j \geq N, j \in K$ . Hence, given any  $j \in K, j \geq \max\{N, j^*\}$ , we find that the Algorithm Model 4 would not increment  $j$  to  $j+1$  at  $x_i = z_j$ , which is a contradiction. Hence  $\{z_j\}$  has no accumulation points. □

### 3. Applications

We present applications without proof. Those interested, will find the proofs in the corresponding references. Our first application is to the stabilization of Newton's method for the problem

$$3.1 \quad \min\{f^0(z) \mid z \in \mathbb{R}^n\}$$

where  $f^0(\cdot)$  is three times continuously differentiable, but not necessarily convex. For this case, we introduce three parameters:  $\alpha \in (0,1)$ ,  $\beta \in (0,1)$ , and  $\gamma > 0$  large, and the notation  $H(z) \equiv \frac{\partial^2 f^0(z)}{\partial z^2}$ . We now define  $F = \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $c(\cdot) = f^0(\cdot)$ ,

$$3.2a \quad \Delta = \{z \mid \nabla f^0(z) = 0\}$$

$$3.2b \quad F_1 = \{z \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid \|H(z)^{-1}\|_\infty \leq \gamma, f^0(z - H(z)^{-1} \nabla f^0(z)) - f^0(z) \leq -\alpha \langle \nabla f^0(z), H(z)^{-1} \nabla f^0(z) \rangle\}$$

and  $A_1: F_1 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  by

$$3.3 \quad A_1(z) = z - H(z)^{-1} \nabla f^0(z)$$

and  $A_2: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  by

$$3.4 \quad A_2(z) = z - \beta^{k(z)} \nabla f^0(z)$$

where (with  $Z = \{0,1,2,3,\dots\}$ )

$$3.5 \quad k(z) = \arg \min\{k \in Z \mid f^0(z - \beta^k \nabla f^0(z)) - f^0(z) \leq -\beta^k \alpha \|\nabla f^0(z)\|^2\}$$

The stabilized algorithm is obtained by direct substitution into Algorithm Model 2 (see [9] for a more complicated application).

Next we consider an application of Algorithm Model 3 to the stabilization of the Pshenichnyi-Robinson [13], [14] extension of Newton's algorithm (see [11]).

This algorithm solves problems of the form: find  $z \in \Delta \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  with

$$3.6 \quad \Delta \triangleq \{z \mid g(z) = 0, f(z) \leq 0\},$$

where  $g: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ ,  $f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^q$  are continuously differentiable functions. We use superscripts to denote components of  $f$ ,  $g$ ,  $z$ , etc.

After selecting some  $b \gg 1$  we define,  $\bar{f}: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{q+1}$  by

$$3.7 \quad \bar{f}^j(z) \triangleq \begin{cases} f^j(z) & j = 1, \dots, q \\ \|z\|^2 - b & j = q + 1 \end{cases}$$

$$3.8 \quad G(z) \triangleq \frac{\partial g(z)}{\partial z}, \quad \bar{F}(z) \triangleq \frac{\partial \bar{f}(z)}{\partial z}$$

$$3.9 \quad \bar{f}^{j+}(z) \triangleq \max\{0, \bar{f}^j(z)\}, \quad j = 1, 2, \dots, q+1,$$

Next we define  $F = \mathbb{R}^n$ , and the cost function  $c_2: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^1$  by

$$3.10 \quad c_2(z) \triangleq \frac{1}{2} \|g(z)\|^2 + \frac{1}{2} \|\bar{f}^+(z)\|^2$$

It is not difficult to see that  $c_2(\cdot)$  is continuously differentiable.

Using a given initial guess,  $z_0$ , we define

$$3.11 \quad C(z_0) = \{z \mid c_2(z) \leq c_2(z_0)\}$$

The functions  $A_1$ ,  $A_2$  and  $c_1$  and the set  $F_1$  will be defined in the algorithm; but first we state assumptions which ensure that our algorithm is globally convergent.

Assumption 3.1: The derivative matrices  $G(\cdot)$  and  $F(\cdot)$  are Lipschitz continuous.

Assumption 3.2: The pair  $(\bar{F}(z), G(z))$  satisfies the Robinson LI condition [14] for all  $z \in C(z_0)$ , where  $z_0$  is the initial guess to a solution for (1) and  $b$  is sufficiently large to ensure that the set  $C(z_0)$  contains at least one such solution; i.e. for all  $z \in C(z_0)$

$$u^T \bar{F}(z) + v^T G(z) = 0$$

and  $u \geq 0$ , implies that  $u = 0$  and  $v = 0$ . □

### Algorithm

Data:  $z_0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $b \gg \|z_0\|^2$ ,  $\alpha \in (0, 1/2)$ ,  $\beta \in (0, 1)$ ,  $\hat{\lambda} > 1$ ,  $\gamma \in (0, 1)$ .

Step 0: Set  $i = 0$ ,  $j = 0$ ,  $x_0 = z_0$ .

Step 1: Compute  $g(x_i)$ ,  $\bar{f}(x_i)$ ,  $c_2(x_i)$ ,  $G(x_i)$ , and  $\bar{F}(x_i)$ . Stop if  $c_2(x_i) = 0$ .

Step 2: Compute a vector  $v_i$  which solves the problem

$$3.12 \quad c_1(x_i) \triangleq \min\{\|v\|_\infty \mid g(x_i) + G(x_i)v = 0, \bar{f}(x_i) + \bar{F}(x_i)v \leq 0\}$$

where  $\|v\|_\infty \triangleq \max_r |v^r|$

Comment: Due to Assumption 3.2, the linearized problem (3.12) always has a solution, obtainable by linear programming techniques.

Step 3: If  $c_1(x_i) \leq \gamma^j$  and  $x_i + v_i \in C(z_0)$ , set  $x_{i+1} = x_i + v_i$ , set  $z_j = x_i$ , set  $j = j + 1$ , set  $i = i + 1$  and go to step 1; else go to step 4.

Note:  $F_1 = \{x_i \in C(z_0) \mid x_i + v_i \in C(z_0)\}$ ,  $A_1(x_i) = \{x_i + v_i \mid v_i \in \text{Arg} \min\{\|v\|_\infty \mid g(x_i) + G(x_i)v = 0, \bar{f}(x_i) + \bar{F}(x_i)v \leq 0\}\}$ . Steps 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 define a map  $A_2': F_2 \rightarrow 2 \mathbb{R}^n$ , where  $F_2 \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  and steps 9, 10, 11, 12 define a map  $A_2'': \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow 2 \mathbb{R}^n$ .

Step 4: Set  $w_i = v_i$ ,  $\phi(x_i) = -c_2(z_i)$ .

Step 5: Set  $\ell = 0$ .

Step 6: Compute  $c_2(x_i + \beta^\ell w_i)$ .

Step 7: If

$$3.1 \quad c_2(x_i + \beta^\ell w_i) - c_2(x_i) \leq \beta^\ell \alpha \phi(x_i)$$

set  $\ell_i = \ell$ , set  $x_{i+1} = x_i + \beta^{\ell_i} w_i \in A_2^{\ell_i}(x_i)$ , set  $i = i + 1$  and go to step 13; else go to step 8.

Step 8: If  $\ell < \hat{\ell}$  set  $\ell = \ell + 1$  and go to step 6; else go to step 9.

Step 9: Compute  $\nabla c_2(x_i)$ , set  $w_i = -\nabla c_2(x_i)$  and set  $\phi(x_i) = -\|\nabla c_2(x_i)\|^2$ .

Step 10: Set  $\ell = 0$ .

Step 11: Compute  $c_2(x_i + \beta^\ell w_i)$ .

Step 12: If (3.13) is satisfied, set  $\ell_i = \ell$ , set  $x_{i+1} = x_i + \beta^{\ell_i} w_i \in A_2^{\ell_i}(x_i)$  set  $i = i + 1$  and go to step 1; else set  $\ell = \ell + 1$  and go to step 11.  $\square$

Thus, in the algorithm above,  $A_2(x) = A_2^{\ell}(x)$  if (3.13) is satisfied at  $x$ , otherwise  $A_2(x) = A_2^{\ell}(x)$ .

Finally, we present an algorithm [ 8 ] which corresponds to Algorithm Model 4. This algorithm is of the primal-dual type and it solves problems of the form

$$3.14 \quad \min\{f^0(z) \mid g(z) = 0\}$$

where  $f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^1$  and  $g: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ , with  $m \leq n$ , are three times continuous differentiable and, for any  $z \in \mathbb{R}^n$  the matrix  $\frac{\partial g(z)}{\partial z}$  has maximum rank. This algorithm uses a family of convexified Lagrangians

$c_j: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^1$ , defined (as by Fletcher [ 5]) by

$$3.15 \quad c_j(x) = f^0(x) + \langle y(x), g(x) \rangle + \frac{1}{2} \gamma_j \|g(x)\|^2, \quad j = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

where for  $j = 0, 1, 2, \dots$   $\gamma_{j+1} > \gamma_j > 0$ , and  $\gamma_j \rightarrow \infty$  as  $j \rightarrow \infty$  is a pre-selected sequence and

$$3.16 \quad y(x) = - \left( \frac{\partial g(x)}{\partial x} \frac{\partial g(x)^T}{\partial x} \right)^{-1} \frac{\partial g(x)}{\partial x} \nabla f(x).$$

The algorithm uses a Gauss-Newton type approximation  $H_j(x)$  to the matrices  $\frac{\partial^2 c_j(x)}{\partial x^2}$ , defined by

$$3.17 \quad H_j(x) = \frac{\partial^2 \ell(x, y(x))}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial g(x)^T}{\partial x} \frac{\partial y(x)}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial y(x)^T}{\partial x} \frac{\partial g(x)}{\partial x} + \gamma_j \frac{\partial g(x)^T}{\partial x} \frac{\partial g(x)}{\partial x}$$

where  $\ell(x, y(x)) = f^0(x) + \langle y(x), g(x) \rangle$ . It is shown in [ 8 ] that

$H_j(x) = \frac{\partial^2 c_j(x)}{\partial x^2}$  for all  $x$  such that  $g(x) = 0$ ,  $j = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ . We define  $\Delta = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid g(x) = 0, \nabla_x \ell(x, y(x)) = 0\}$ ,  $\Delta_j = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid \nabla c_j(x) = 0\}$ ; the maps  $A_j, t_j$ , will be defined in the algorithm, with  $F = \mathbb{R}^n$ .

Algorithm: Parameters:  $\alpha \in (0, \frac{1}{2})$ ,  $\beta \in (0, 1)$ ,  $0 < \epsilon_0 \ll 1$ ,  $0 < \epsilon_1 \ll 1$ ,  $\gamma \geq 1$ ,  $\{\gamma_j\}_{j=0}^\infty$ . Initial guess:  $z_0 = x_0$ .

Step 0: Set  $i = 0$ ,  $j = 0$ .

Step 1: If  $\nabla c_j(x_i) \neq 0$ , go to step 3; else go to step 2.

Step 2: If  $g(x_i) = 0$ , stop ( $x_i \in \{x \in \Delta_i \mid t_j(x) \leq 0\} \subset \Delta$ ); else go to step 3 (since  $t_j(x_i) > 0$  by inspection).

Step 3: If  $t_j(x_i) \triangleq - \left\langle \frac{\partial g(x_i)^T}{\partial x} \left( \frac{\partial g(x_i)}{\partial x} \frac{\partial g(x_i)^T}{\partial x} \right)^{-1} g(x_i), \nabla c_j(x_i) \right\rangle + \|g(x_i)\|^2 \leq 0$ , go to step 4; else go to step 9.

Comment: The test in step 3, roughly, is on the angle between  $\nabla c_j(x_i)$  and the Newton direction  $v(x_i) \triangleq \frac{\partial g(x_i)^T}{\partial x} \left( \frac{\partial g(x_i)}{\partial x} \frac{\partial g(x_i)^T}{\partial x} \right)^{-1} g(x_i)$ , for solving  $g(x) = 0$ , defined by  $v(x_i) = \arg \min\{\|v\|^2 | g(x_i) + \frac{\partial g(x_i)}{\partial x} v = 0\}$ .

Step 4: If  $|\det H_j(x_i)| \geq \epsilon_0$ , go to step 5; else go to step 6.

Step 5: If

$$\langle \nabla c_j(x_i), H_{c_j}(x_i)^{-1} \nabla c_j(x_i) \rangle \geq$$

$$3.18 \quad \min\{\epsilon_1, \|\nabla c_j(x_i)\|^Y\} \|\nabla c_j(x_i)\| \|H_j(x_i)^{-1} \nabla c_j(x_i)\|,$$

set  $h(x_i) = -H_j(x_i)^{-1} \nabla c_j(x_i)$  and go to step 7; else go to step 6.

Step 6: Set  $h(x_i) = -\nabla c_j(x_i)$ .

Note: The two alternatives for  $h(x_i)$  (step 5 or step y) define two maps  $A'_j, A''_j$  which combine to form a single map  $A_j$ , in accordance with the rules governing Algorithm Model 2.

Step 7: Compute the smallest nonnegative integer  $\ell_i \geq 0$  such that

$$3.20 \quad c_j(x_i + \beta^{\ell_i} h(x_i)) - c_j(x_i) \leq \beta^{\ell_i} \alpha \langle \nabla c_j(x_i), h(x_i) \rangle$$

Step 8: Set  $x_{i+1} = x_i + \beta^{\ell_i} h(x_i) \in A_j(x_i)$ , set  $i = i+1$ , and go to step 1.

Step 9: Set  $z_{j+1} = x_i$ , set  $j = j + 1$  and go to step 1.  $\square$

Another example conforming to Algorithm Model 4 can be found in [7a].

## Conclusion

We have presented in this paper two models for stabilizing algorithms with good local convergence properties and are model for stabilizing an algorithm which requires the automatic selection of a parameter. An examination of the original proofs given for the algorithms which we selected as applications, shows that they satisfy the corresponding assumptions stated in the theorems in this paper.

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