# An Efficient Nonlinear Acceleration method that Exploits Symmetry of the Hessian

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## Abstract

Nonlinear acceleration methods are powerful techniques to speed up fixed-point iterations. However, many acceleration methods require storing a large number of previous iterates and this can become impractical if computational resources are limited. In this paper, we propose a nonlinear Truncated Generalized Conjugate Residual method (nlTGCR) whose goal is to exploit the symmetry of the Hessian to reduce memory usage. The proposed method can be interpreted as either an inexact Newton or a quasi-Newton method. We show that, with the help of global strategies like residual check techniques, nlTGCR can converge globally for general nonlinear problems and that under mild conditions, nlTGCR is able to achieve superlinear convergence. We further analyze the convergence of nlTGCR in a stochastic setting. Numerical results demonstrate the superiority of nlTGCR when compared with several other competitive baseline approaches on a few problems. Our code will be available in the future.

# 1 Introduction

In this paper, we consider solving the fixed-point problem:

Find 
$$x \in \mathbb{R}^n$$
 such that  $x = H(x)$ . (1)

This problem has received a surge of interest due to its wide range of applications in mathematics, computational science and engineering. Most optimization algorithms are iterative, and their goal is to find a related fixed-point of the form (1), where  $H : \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^n$  is the iteration mapping which can potentially be nonsmooth or noncontractive. When the optimization problem is convex, H is typically nonexpansive, and the solution set of the fixed-point problem is the same as that of the original optimization problem, or closely related to it. Consider the simple fixed-point iteration  $x_{k+1} = H(x_k)$  which produces a sequence of iterates  $\{x_0, x_1, \dots, x_K\}$ . When the iteration converges, its limit is a fixed-point, i.e.,  $x^* = H(x^*)$ . However, an issue with fixed-point iteration is that it does not always converge, and when it does, it might reach the limit very slowly.

To address this issue, a number of acceleration methods have been proposed and studied over the years, such as the reduced-rank extrapolation (RRE) [58], minimal-polynomial extrapolation (MPE) [12], modified MPE (MMPE) [33], and the vector  $\epsilon$ -algorithms [8]. Besides these algorithms, Anderson Acceleration (AA) [1] has received enormous recent attention due to its nice properties and its success in machine learnin applications [56, 22, 57, 14, 60, 44, 25, 63]. In practice, since computing the Hessian of the objective function is commonly difficult or even unavailable, AA can be seen as a practical alternative to Newton's method [34]. Also, compared with the classical iterative methods

such as the nonlinear conjugate gradient (CG) method [24], no line-search or trust-region technique is performed in AA, and this is a big advantage in large-scale unconstrained optimization. Empirically, it is observed that AA is quite successful in accelerating convergence. We refer readers to [9] for a recent survey of acceleration methods.

However, classical AA has one undesirable disadvantage in that it is expensive in terms of memory as well as computational cost, especially in a nonconvex stochastic setting, where only sublinear convergence can be expected when only stochastic gradients can be accessed [3]. In light of this, a number of variants of AA have been proposed which aim at improving its performance and robustness (e.g., [39, 63, 62, 56, 67]). The above-cited works focus on improving the convergence behavior of AA, but they do not consider reducing the memory cost. In machine learning, we often encounter practical situations where the number of parameters is quite large and for this reason, it is not practical to use a large number of vectors in the acceleration methods. It is not clear whether or not the symmetric structure of the Hessian can be exploited in a scheme like AA to reduce the memory cost while still maintaining the convergence guarantees. In this paper, we will demonstrate how this can be accomplished with a new algorithm that is superior to AA in practice.

**Our contributions.** This paper develops a nonlinear acceleration method, nonlinear Truncated Generalized Conjugate Residual method (nlTGCR), that takes advantage of symmetry. This work is motivated by the observation that the Hessian of a nonlinear function, or the Jacobian of a gradient of a mapping, f is symmetric and therefore more effective, conjugate gradient-like schemes can be exploited.

We demonstrate that nonlinear acceleration methods can benefit from the symmetry property of the Hessian. In particular, we study both linear and nonlinear problems and give a systematic analysis of TGCR and nlTGCR. We show that TGCR is efficient and optimal for linear problems. By viewing the method from the angle of an inexact Newton approach, we also show that adding a few global convergence strategies ensures that nlTGCR can achieve global convergence guarantees.

We complement our theoretical results with numerical simulations on several different problems. The experimental results demonstrate advantages of our methods. To the best of our knowledge, this is still the first work to investigate and improve the AA dynamics by exploiting symmetry of the Hessian.

**Related work.** Designing efficient optimization methods has received much attention. Several recent works [65, 4, 40, 48, 18] consider second order optimization methods that employ sketching or approximation techniques. Different from these approaches, our method is a first-order method that utilizes symmetry of the Hessian instead of constructing it. A variant of inexact Newton method was proposed in [47] where the least-squares sub-problems are solved approximately using Minimum Residual method. Similarly, a new type of quasi Newton symmetric update [54] uses several secant equations in a least-squares sense. These approaches have the same goal as ours. However, they are more closely related to a secant or a multi-secant technique, and as will be argued it does a better job of capturing the nonlinearity of the problem. [63] proposed a short-term AA algorithm that is different from ours because it is still based on the parameter sequence instead of the gradient sequence and does not exploit symmetry of the Hessian.

# 2 Background

#### 2.1 Extrapolation, acceleration, and the Anderson Acceleration procedure

Consider a general fixed-point problem and the associated fixed-point iteration as shown in (1). Denote by  $r_j = H(x_j) - x_j$  the *residual* vector at the *j*th iteration. Classical extrapolation methods including RRE, MPE and the vector  $\epsilon$ -Algorithm, have been designed to accelerate the convergence of the original sequence by generating a new and independent sequence of the form:  $t_j^{(k)} = \sum_{i=0}^k \alpha_i x_{j+i}$ . An important characteristic of these classical extrapolation methods is that the two sequences are not mixed in the sense that no accelerated item  $t_j^{(k)}$ , is used to produce the iterate  $x_j$ . These *extrapolation* methods must be distinguished from *acceleration* methods such as the AA procedure which aim at generating their own sequences to find a fixed point of a certain mapping H.

AA was originally designed to solve a system of nonlinear equations written in the form F(x) = H(x) - x = 0 [1, 61, 41, 30]. Denote  $F_i = F(x_i)$ . AA starts with an initial  $x_0$  and sets  $x_1 =$ 

 $H(x_0) = x_0 + \beta F_0$ , where  $\beta > 0$  is a parameter. At step j > 1 we define  $X_j = [x_{j-m}, \dots, x_{j-1}]$ , and  $\overline{F}_j = [F_{j-m}, \dots, F_{j-1}]$  along with the differences:

$$\mathcal{X}_{j} = [\Delta x_{j-m} \cdots \Delta x_{j-1}] \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m},$$
  
$$\mathcal{F}_{j} = [\Delta F_{j-m} \cdots \Delta F_{j-1}] \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}.$$
(2)

We then define the next AA iterate as follows:

$$x_{j+1} = x_j + \beta F_j - (\mathcal{X}_j + \beta \mathcal{F}_j) \,\theta^{(j)} \quad \text{where:}$$
(3)

$$\theta^{(j)} = \operatorname{argmin}_{\theta \in \mathbb{R}^m} \|F_j - \mathcal{F}_j \theta\|_2.$$
(4)

To define the next iterate in (3) the algorithm uses the term  $F_{j+1} = F(x_{j+1})$  where  $x_{j+1}$  is the current accelerated iterate. AA belongs to the class of *multi-secant methods*. Indeed, the approximation (3) can be written as:

$$x_{j+1} = x_j - [-\beta I + (\mathcal{X}_j + \beta \mathcal{F}_j)(\mathcal{F}_j^T \mathcal{F}_j)^{-1} \mathcal{F}_j^T] F_j$$
  
$$\equiv x_j - G_j F_j.$$
(5)

Thus,  $G_i$  can be seen as an update to the (approximate) inverse Jacobian  $G_{i-m} = -\beta I$ 

$$G_j = G_{j-m} + (\mathcal{X}_j - G_{j-m}\mathcal{F}_j)(\mathcal{F}_j^T\mathcal{F}_j)^{-1}\mathcal{F}_j^T,$$
(6)

and is the minimizer of  $||G_i + \beta I||_F$  under the *multi-secant condition* of type II<sup>1</sup>

$$G_j \mathcal{F}_j = \mathcal{X}_j. \tag{7}$$

This link between AA and Broyden multi-secant type updates was first unraveled by Eyert [21] and expanded upon in [46].

## 2.2 Inexact and quasi-Newton methods

Given a nonlinear system of equations F(x) = 0. Inexact Newton methods [15, 10], start with an initial guess  $x_0$  and compute a sequence of iterates as follows

Solve 
$$J(x_j)\delta_j \approx -F(x_j)$$
 (8)

Set 
$$x_{j+1} = x_j + \delta_j$$
 (9)

Here,  $J(x_j)$  is the Jacobian of F at the current iterate  $x_j$ . In (8) the system is solved inexactly, typically by some iterative method. In quasi-Newton methods [17, 17, 54], the inverse of the Jacobian is approximated progressively. Because it is the inverse Jacobian that is approximated, the method is akin to Broyden's second (or type-II) update method. This method replaces Newtons's iteration:  $x_{j+1} = x_j - DF(x_j)^{-1}F(x_j)$  with  $x_{j+1} = x_j - G_jF(x_j)$  where  $G_j$  approximates the inverse of the Jacobian  $DF(x_j)$  at  $x_j$  by the update formula  $G_{j+1} = G_j + (\Delta x_j - G_j\Delta F(x_j))v_j^T$  in which  $v_j$  is defined in different ways see [46] for details.

# **3** Exploiting symmetry

In the following, we specifically consider the case where the nonlinear mapping F is the gradient of some objective function  $\phi : \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}$  to be minimized, i.e.,

$$F(x) = \nabla \phi(x).$$

In this situation, the Jacobian of F becomes  $\nabla^2 \phi$  the Hessian of  $\phi$ . An obvious observation here is that the symmetry of the Hessian is not taken into account in the approximate inverse Hessian update formula (6). This has only been considered in the literature (very) recently (e.g., [6, 55, 7]). In a 1983 report, [53] showed that the matrix  $G_j$  obtained by a multi-secant method that satisfies the secant condition (7) is symmetric iff the matrix  $\mathcal{X}_j^T \mathcal{F}_j$  is symmetric. It is possible to explicitly force symmetry by employing generalizations of the symmetric versions of Broyden-type methods. Thus, the authors of [6, 7] developed a multisecant version of the Powell Symmetric Broyden (PSB) update

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Type I Broyden conditions involve approximations to the Jacobian, while type II conditions deal with the inverse Jacobian.

due to Powell [45] while the article [55] proposed a symmetric multisecant method based on the popular Broyden-Fletcher-Goldfarb-Shanno (BFGS) approach as well as the Davidon-Fletcher-Powell (DFP) update. However, there are a number of issues with the symmetric versions of multisecant updates, some of which are discussed in [55].

We observe that when we are close to the limit, the condition  $\mathcal{X}_j^T \mathcal{F}_j = \mathcal{F}_j^T \mathcal{X}_j$  is nearly satisfied. This is because if  $x^*$  is the limit with  $F(x^*) = 0$  we can write

$$F(x_k) - F(x_{k-1}) = [F(x_k) - F(x^*)] - [F(x_{k-1}) - F(x^*)]$$

$$\approx \nabla^2 \phi(x^*)(x_k - x_{k-1}).$$
(10)

This translates to  $\mathcal{F}_j \approx \nabla^2 \phi(x^*) \mathcal{X}_j$  from which it follows that  $\mathcal{X}_j^T \mathcal{F}_j \approx \mathcal{X}_j^T \nabla^2 \phi(x^*) \mathcal{X}_j$  which is a symmetric matrix under mild smoothness conditions on  $\phi$ . Therefore, the issue of symmetry can be mitigated if we are able to develop nonlinear acceleration methods that take advantage of near-symmetry.

#### 3.1 The linear case: Truncated GCR (TGCR)

We first consider solving the linear system Ax = b with a general matrix A. The Generalized Conjugate Residual (GCR) algorithm, see, e.g., [19, 51], solves this linear system by building a sequence of search directions  $p_i$ , for  $i = 0, \dots, j$  at step j so that the vectors  $Ap_i$  are orthogonal to each other. With this property it is easy to generate iterates that minimize the residual at each step, and this leads to GCR, see [51, pp 195-196] for details.

Next we will make two changes to GCR. First, we will develop a truncated version in which any given  $Ap_j$  is orthogonal to the previous  $m Ap_i$ 's only. This is dictated by practical considerations, because keeping all  $Ap_i$  vectors may otherwise require too much memory. Second, we will keep a set of vectors for the  $p_i$ 's and another set for the vectors  $v_i \equiv Ap_i$ , for  $i = 1, \dots, j$  at step j in order to avoid unnecessary additional products of the matrix A with vectors. The Truncated GCR (TGCR) is summarized in Algorithm 1.

# Algorithm 1 TGCR (m)

1: **Input**: Matrix A, RHS b, initial  $x_0$ . 2: Set  $r_0 \equiv b - Ax_0$ ;  $v = Ar_0$ ; 3:  $v_0 = v/||v||; p_0 = r_0/||v||;$ 4: for  $j = 0, 1, 2, \cdots$ , Until convergence do 5:  $\alpha_j = (r_j, v_j)$ 6:  $x_{j+1} = x_j + \alpha_j p_j$ 7:  $r_{j+1} = r_j - \alpha_j v_j$ 8:  $p = r_{j+1}; v = Ap;$  $i_0 = \max(1, j - m + 1)$ 9: for  $i = i_0 : j$  do 10:  $\beta_{ij} := (v, Ap_i)$ 11:  $p := p - \beta_{ij} p_i;$   $v := v - \beta_{ij} v_i;$ 12: 13: end for 14: 15:  $p_{j+1} := p/||v||;$  $v_{i+1} := v / \|v\|;$ 16: end for

With  $m = \infty$  we obtain the non-restarted GCR method, which is equivalent to the non-restarted (i.e., full) GMRES. However, when A is symmetric, but not necessarily symmetric positive definite, then TGCR (1) is identical with TGCR (m) in exact arithmetic. This leads to big savings both in terms of memory and in computational costs.

**Theorem 3.1.** When the coefficient matrix A is symmetric, TGCR (m) generates the same iterates as TGCR (1) for any m > 0. In addition, when A is positive definite, the k-th residual vector  $r_k = b - Ax_k$  satisfies the following inequality where  $\kappa$  is the spectral condition number of A:

$$||r_k|| \le 2 \left[\frac{\sqrt{\kappa} - 1}{\sqrt{\kappa} + 1}\right]^k ||r_0||.$$
 (11)

#### 3.2 The nonlinear case: nITGCR

Assume now that we want to solve the nonlinear problem F(x) = 0. We need to make three major changes to Algorithm 1. First, any residual is now the negative of F(x) so Line 2 and Line 7 must be replaced by  $r_0 = -F(x_0)$  and  $r_{j+1} = -F(x_{j+1})$ , respectively. In addition, we originally need to calculate the products  $Ar_0$  and Ap in Line 2 and Line 8 respectively. Here A needs to be replaced by the Jacobian  $J(x_j)$  of F at the current iterate. We also use the notation  $P_j \equiv [p_{i_0}, \dots, p_j]$ , and  $V_j \equiv [J(x_{i_0})p_{i_0}, \dots, J(x_j)p_j]$ . The most important change is in lines 5-6 where  $\alpha_j$  of Algorithm 1 needs to be replaced by a vector  $y_j$ . This is because when we write the linear model used in the form of an inexact Newton method:

$$F(x_j + P_j y) \approx F(x_j) + [J]P_j y \quad \text{where} \\ [J]P_j \equiv [J(x_{i_0})p_{i_0}, \cdots, J(x_j)p_j] = V_j.$$

$$(12)$$

The projection method that minimizes the norm  $||F(x_j)+[J]P_jy|| = ||F(x_j)+V_jy||$  of the right-hand side determines y in such a way that

$$F(x_j) + V_j y \perp \operatorname{Span}\{V_j\} \to (V_j)^T [F(x_j) + V_j y] = 0$$
  
$$\to y = V_j^T r_j$$
(13)

where it is assumed the  $v_i$ 's are fully orthogonal. Note that in the linear case, it can be shown that  $V_j^T r_j$  has only one nonzero component when one assumes that the vectors  $J(x_i)p_i$  are fully orthogonal, i.e., that  $i_0 = 1$  always. The nonlinear version of TGCR (m) is summarized in Algorithm 2 where the indication 'Use Frechet' means that the vector v = J(x)u is to be computed as  $v = (F(x + \epsilon u) - F(x))/\epsilon$  for some small  $\epsilon$ .

## Algorithm 2 nlTGCR (m)

1: Input: F(x), initial  $x_0$ . 2: Set  $r_0 = -F(x_0)$ . 3: Compute  $v = J(x_0)r_0$ ; (Use Frechet) 4:  $v_0 = v/||v||, p_0 = r_0/||v||;$ 5: for  $j = 0, 1, 2, \cdots$ , Until convergence do  $\begin{array}{l} y_{j} = V_{j}^{T}r_{j} \\ x_{j+1} = x_{j} + P_{j}y_{j} \\ r_{j+1} = -F(x_{j+1}) \end{array}$ 6: 7: 8: Set:  $p := r_{j+1}$ ;  $i_0 = \max(1, j - m + 1)$ Compute  $v = J(x_{j+1})p$  (Use Frechet) 9: 10: 11: for  $i = i_0 : j$  do 12: 13:  $\beta_{ij} := (v, v_i)$  $p := p - \beta_{ij} p_i$  $v := v - \beta_{ij} v_i$ 14: 15: end for 16:  $v_{i+1} := v / \|v\|;$  $p_{j+1} := p/||v||;$ 17: 18: end for

**Remark.** *nlTGCR* (*m*) requires 2 function evaluations per step: one in Line 8 and the other in Line 11. In the situation when computing the Jacobian is inexpensive, then one can compute Jp in Line 11 as a matrix-vector product and this will reduce the number of function evaluations per step from 2 to 1. The inner loop in Line 12-16 corresponds to exploiting symmetry of Hessian. At a given step, *nlTGCR* (*m*) attempts to approximate a Newton step:  $x_{j+1} = x_j + \delta$  where  $\delta$  is an approximate solution to  $J(x_j)\delta + F(x_j) = 0$ .

**High-Level Clarification.** At this point, one might ask the question: why not just use an inexact Newton method whereby the Jacobian system is solved with the *linear* GCR or TGCR method? This is where AA provides an interesting insight on some weaknesses of Newton-Krylov method. A Newton-Krylov method generates a Krylov subspace  $\text{Span}\{r_0, Jr_0, \dots, J^kr_0\}$  at a current iterate

- say  $K = x_0 - (\text{so } J \equiv J(x_0) \equiv DF(x_0))$  and tries to minimize  $F(x_0 + \delta)$  where  $\delta \in K$ , by exploiting the linear model:  $F(x_0 + \delta) \approx F(x_0) + J\delta$ . If we generate a basis  $V = [v_1, \dots v_k]$  of K and express  $\delta$  as  $\delta = Vy$  then we would need to minimize  $||F(x_0) + JVy||$  which is a small least-squares problem. One usually adds to this a global convergence strategy, e.g., a linesearch or a trust-region technique to produce the next iterate  $x_1$ . The problem with this approach is this: *the approximate solution obtained after k steps of a Krylov subspace approach is based on the Jacobian at the initial point x\_0*. The intermediate calculation is entirely linear and based on  $J(x_0)$ . It is not exploited in any way to produce intermediate (nonlinear) iterates which in turn could be used to produce more accurate information on some local Jacobian. In contrast, a method like AA (or in fact any of the secant or multisecant methods) will do just this, i.e., it will use information on the nonlinear mapping near the most recent approximation to produce the new iterate. This distinction is rather important although if the problem is nearly linear, then it could make little difference.

In nITGCR, we try to improve on the Newton-Krylov approach, since our starting point is TGCR which is generalized to nonlinear problems. We also take the viewpoint of improving on AA or multisecant methods by not relying on the approximation  $F(x_{j+1}) - F(x_j) \approx J(x_{j+1} - x_j)$  mentioned above. This is achieved by adopting the projection viewpoint. Instead of minimizing  $||F(x_0) + JPy||$  as in the inexact Newton mode, we would like to now minimize  $||F(x_k) + JPy||$  where  $x_k$  is the most recent iterate. This initial idea leads to difficulty since there is not one but several J at previous points and a single one of them will not be satisfactory. Thus, we have a few directions  $p_i$  just like the differences  $\Delta x_i$  in Anderson, but now each  $p_i$  will lead to a  $J(x_i)p_i$  which - unlike in AA - is accurately computed and then saved. This feature is what we believe makes a difference in the performance of the algorithm, although this is something that is rather difficult to prove theoretically. We leave it as future work. Overall, the method described in this paper mixes a number of ideas coming from different horizons. A further high-level discussion and detailed complexity analysis are provided in Appendix A.

Next, we analyze two possible versions of nITGCR in the next two sections. In what follows we assume that all the  $Jp_i$ 's are computed exactly.

#### 3.2.1 Linearized update version

First, we consider a variant of Algorithm 2 which we call the "linearized update version" – whereby in Line 8 we update the residual by using the linear model, namely, we replace Line 8 by its linear analogue: 8a:  $r_{j+1} = r_j - V_j y_j$ . In addition, the matrix-vector product in Line 11 is performed with  $J(x_0)$  instead of  $J(x_{j+1})$ . When F is linear, it turns out that  $y_j$  has only one nonzero component, namely the last one and this will yield the standard truncated GCR algorithm. Assume that we perform k steps of the algorithm to produce  $x_k$ , i.e., that Line 5 is replaced by "for  $j = 0, 1, 2, \dots, k$  do". Then the algorithm is exactly equivalent to an *inexact Newton method* in which GMRES (or GCR) is invoked to solve the Jacobian linear system [10]. Indeed, in this situation Lines 4-15 of Algorithm 1 and Lines 5-17 of Algorithm 2 are identical. In other words, in Lines 5-17, Algorithm 2 performs k steps of the GCR algorithm for approximately solving the linear systems  $J(x_0)\delta = -F(x_0)$ . Note that while the update is written in progressive form as  $x_{j+1} = x_j + \alpha_j p_j$ , the right-hand side does not change during the algorithm and it is equal to  $r_0 = -F(x_0)$ . In effect  $x_k$  is updated from  $x_0$  by adding a vector from the span of  $P_k$ . See the related global convergence result shown in Theorem B.7 in the Appendix, for a version of this algorithm that includes a line-search. A weakness of this linear update version is that the Jacobian is not evaluated at the most recent update but at  $x_0$ , which in practice is the iterate at each restart.

## 3.2.2 Non-linear update version with residual check

Next we consider the 'nonlinear-update version' as described in Algorithm 2. This version explicitly enforces the linear optimality condition of GCR, as represented by the Equation (13). In this section, we will analyze the convergence of nlTGCR through the function  $\phi(x) = \frac{1}{2} ||F(x)||^2$ .

In order to prove the global convergence of nITGCR, we need to make a small modification to Algorithm 2 because as implemented in Algorithm 2  $P_j$  is fixed and the solution obtained at this step may not necessarily satisfy the following *residual check* condition which is often used in inexact Newton methods [15, 11, 20] to guarantee the global convergence:

$$||F(x_j) + [J]P_j y|| \le \eta ||F(x_j)||, \tag{14}$$

where  $\eta < 1$  is a parameter.

The residual norm on the left-hand side of (14) is readily available at no additional cost and this can help devise globally converging strategies, by monitoring to what extent (14) is satisfied. If (14) is not satisfied, we can either use a line-search technique 4 or restart the process and take the next iterate as the output of the fixed point iteration mapping H. When the residual check condition is implemented after Line 8 in Algorithm 2, we can prove the global convergence of nlTGCR in the next theorem. Similar global strategies have also been proposed in [68, 49, 23, 64, 59, 43].

**Theorem 3.2** (Global convergence of nlTGCR with residual check). Assume  $\phi$  is twice differentiable and F(x) is L-lipschitz. If the residual check is satisfied  $||J(x_n)P_ny_n + F(x_n)|| \le \eta_n ||F(x_n)||$ where  $0 \le \eta_n \le \eta < 1$  and  $J(x_n)$  is non-singular and its norm is bounded from above for all n, then  $P_ny_n$  produced in line 7 of Algorithm 2 is a descent direction and the iterates  $x_n$  produced by Algorithm 2will converge to the minimizer  $x^*$ :

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \phi(x_n) = \phi(x^*) = 0.$$

In the next theorem, we prove that nITGCR can achieve superlinear and quadratic convergence under mild conditions.

**Theorem 3.3** (Superlinear and quadratic convergence of nITGCR ). With the same setting as Theorem 3.2. Assume  $\nabla^2 \phi$  is L-lipschitz. Consider a sequence generated by Algorithm 2 such that residual check is satisfied  $||J(x_n)P_ny_n + F(x_n)|| \le \eta_n ||F(x_n)||$  where  $0 \le \eta_n \le \eta < 1$ . Moreover, if the following conditions hold

$$\phi(x_n + P_n y_n) \le \phi(x_n) + \alpha \nabla \phi(x_n)^T P_n y_n$$
  
$$\phi(x_n + P_n y_n) \ge \phi(x_n) + \beta \nabla \phi(x_n)^T P_n y_n$$

for  $\alpha < \frac{1}{2}$  and  $\beta > \frac{1}{2}$ . Then there exists a  $N_s$  such that  $x_n \to x^*$  superlinearly for  $n \ge N_s$  if  $\eta_n \to 0$ , as  $n \to \infty$ . Moreover, if  $\eta_n = O(||F(x_n)||^2)$ , the convergence is quadratic.

If the property of the function is bad (non-expansive/non-convex), it will be more difficult to satisfy the assumptions of Theorem 3.2 and 3.3. For example, in Theorem 3.2, the non-singularity and boundedness is required for J(x). If the function does not satisfy the assumption, say, degenerate at a point, then the algorithm may not converge to a stationary point.

**Remark.** This superlinear(quadratic) convergence of nlTGCR does not contradict with the linear convergence of TGCR shown in 3.1. 3.1 is obtained from the equivalence between TGCR and CG in that short-term recurrence holds for symmetric matrix. Like CG, TGCR can still have a superlinear convergence rate. In practice, the second stage of convergence of Krylov Space methods is typically well defined by the theoretical convergence bound with  $\sqrt{\kappa(A)}$  but may be super-linear, depending on a distribution of the spectrum of the matrix A and the spectral distribution of the error.

Finally, we analyze the convergence of nlTGCR when the gradient F is subsampled. In the analysis, we make the following five assumptions.

Assumptions for stochastic setting  $A_1$ : The variance of subsampled gradients is uniformly bounded by a constant C,  $tr(Cov(F(x))) \leq C^2$ ,  $\forall x$ .

**A**<sub>2</sub>: The eigenvalues of the Hessian matrix for any sample  $|\mathcal{H}| = \beta$  is bounded from below and above in Loewner order  $\mu_{\beta}I \leq J(x, \mathcal{H}) \leq L_{\beta}I$ . Further more, we require there is uniform lower and upper bound for all subsmaples. That is, there exists  $\hat{\mu}$  and  $\hat{L}$  such that  $0 \leq \hat{\mu} \leq \mu_{\beta}$  and  $L_{\beta} \leq \hat{L} < \infty$ ,  $\forall \beta \in \mathbb{N}$ . And the full Hessian is bounded below and above  $\mu I \leq J(x) \leq LI$ ,  $\forall x$ .

**A**<sub>3</sub> : Hessian is M-Lipschitz, that is  $||J(x) - J(y)|| \le M ||x - y||, \quad \forall x, y$ 

 $A_4$ : The variance of subsampled Hessian is bounded by a constant  $\sigma$ .

$$\|\mathbb{E}_{\mathcal{H}}[(J(x;\mathcal{H}) - J(x))]\| \le \sigma, \quad \forall x$$
(15)

 $\mathbf{A}_{5}$ : There exists a constant  $\gamma$  such that  $\mathbb{E}[\|x_{n} - x^{*}\|^{2}] \leq \gamma(\mathbb{E}[\|x_{n} - x^{*}\|])^{2}$ .

**Theorem 3.4** (Convergence of stochastic version of nITGCR ). Assume  $|\mathcal{H}_n| = \beta \geq \frac{16\sigma^2}{\mu}$ ,  $\forall n$ , residual check is satisfied for  $\eta_n \leq \eta \leq \frac{1}{4L}$  and assumptions A1 - A5 hold. The iterates generated by the stochastic version Algorithm 2 converge to  $x^*$  if  $||x_k - x^*|| \leq \frac{\mu}{2M\gamma}$  and

$$\mathbb{E}\|x_{n+1} - x^*\| \le \frac{3}{4}\mathbb{E}\|x_n - x^*\|.$$
(16)

#### **3.3** Connections with other methods

This section explores the connection between nITGCR with inexact Newton and AA. We provide the connection between nITGCR and quasi-Newton in A.1.

1) The inexact Newton viewpoint. Inexact Newton methods minimize  $||F(x_0) + J(x_0)P_jy||$  over y by using some iterative method and enforcing a condition like

$$||F(x_0) + J(x_0)P_jy|| \le \eta ||F(x_0)|$$

where  $\eta < 1$  is a parameter, see, e.g., [15, 10, 11, 20]. In nlTGCR, we are trying to solve a similar equation

$$F(x_i) + J(x_i)\delta = 0$$

by minimizing  $||F(x_i) + [J]P_iy||$ . We can prove the following properties of nlTGCR.

**Proposition 1.** As defined in Algorithm 2,  $\delta_j = x_{j+1} - x_j = Py_j$  minimizes  $||F(x_j) + \delta||$  over vectors of the form  $\delta = V_j y$ , where  $y \in \mathbb{R}^{n_j}$  and  $n_j = j - i_0 + 1$ .

As noted earlier, in the linear case, the vector  $y_j$  has only one nonzero component, namely the top one. In the general case, it is often observed that the other components are not zero but small. Let us then suppose that we replace the update in Lines 6-7 by the simpler form:  $\mu_j = v_j^T r_j$ , and  $x_{j+1} = x_j + \mu_j p_j$ . Then the direction  $\delta_j = x_{j+1} - x_j$  is a descent direction for  $\frac{1}{2} ||F(x)||^2$ .

**Proposition 2.** Assume that  $J(x_j)$  is nonsingular and that  $\mu_j \equiv v_j^T r_j \neq 0$ . Then  $\delta_j = \mu_j p_j$  is a descent direction for the function  $\frac{1}{2} ||F(x)||^2$  at  $x_j$ .

2) The quasi-Newton viewpoint. It is also possible to view the algorithm from the alternative angle of a quasi-Newton approach instead of inexact Newton. In nITGCR, the approximate inverse Jacobian  $G_j$  at step j is equal to

$$G_j = P_j V_j^T. (17)$$

If we apply this to the vector  $v_j$  we get  $G_j v_j = P_j V_j^T v_j = p_j = J(x_j)^{-1} v_j$ . So  $G_j$  inverts  $J(x_j)$  exactly when applied to  $v_j$ . It therefore satisfies the *secant* equation ([46, sec. 2.3])

$$G_j v_j = p_j. \tag{18}$$

This is equivalent to the secant condition  $G_j \Delta f_j = \Delta x_j$  used in Broyden's second update method. In addition, the update  $G_j$  satisfies the 'no-change' condition:

$$G_j q = 0 \quad \forall q \perp v_j. \tag{19}$$

The usual no-change condition for secant methods is of the form  $(G_j - G_{j-m})q = 0$  for  $q \perp \Delta f_j$ which in our case would be  $(G_j - G_{j-m})q = 0$  for  $q \perp v_j$ . One can therefore consider that we are updating  $G_{j-m} \equiv 0$ . In this sense, we can prove the optimality of nlTGCR(m).

**Theorem 3.5** (Optimality of nlTGCR). The matrix  $G_j$  in (24) is the best approximation to the inverse Jacobian  $J(x_j)^{-1}$  of F(x) at  $x_j$  among all the matrices G whose range  $\text{Range}(G) = \text{Span}\{V_j\}$  and satisfies the multisecant equation Equation  $GV_j = P_j$ . That is,

$$G_j = \operatorname*{arg\,min}_{\{G \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d} \mid \operatorname{Range}(G) = \operatorname{Span}\{V_j\}, GV_j = P_j\}} \|GJ(x_i) - I\|.$$
(20)

**3)** Comparison with Anderson Acceleration. Let us set  $\beta = 0$  in Anderson Acceleration. Without loss of generality and in an effort to simplify notation we also assume that  $i_0 = 1$  each time. According to (3–4), the *j*-th iterate becomes simply  $x_{j+1} = x_j - \mathcal{F}_j \theta_j$  where  $\theta_j$  is a vector that minimizes  $||F_j - \mathcal{F}_j \theta||$ . For nlTGCR, we have  $x_{j+1} = x_j + P_j y_j$  where  $y_j$  minimizes  $||F_j + V_j y||$ . So this is identical with Equation (3) when  $\beta = 0$  in which  $P_j \equiv \mathcal{X}_j$ , and  $\mathcal{F}_j$  is replaced by  $V_j$ .

The most important relation for both cases is the multi-secant relation. For Anderson, with  $G_{j-m} = 0$ , the multi-secant matrix in (6) becomes

$$G_j = \mathcal{X}_j (\mathcal{F}_j^T \mathcal{F}_j)^{-1} \mathcal{F}_j^T$$
(21)

which can be easily seen to minimizes  $||G||_F$  for matrices G that satisfy the multisecant condition  $G\mathcal{F}_j = \mathcal{X}_j$  and the no-change condition  $G_j^T(G_j - G) = 0$ . Therefore the two methods differ mainly

in the way in which the sets  $\mathcal{F}_j/V_j$ , and  $\mathcal{X}_j/P_j$  are defined. Let us use the more general notation  $V_j, P_j$  for the pair of subspaces.

In both cases, a vector  $v_j$  is related to the corresponding  $p_j$  by the fact that  $v_j \approx J(x_j)p_j$ . In the case of nlTGCR this relation is explicitly enforced by a Frechet differentiation (Line 10)– before we perform an orthogonalization - which combines this vector with others – without changing the span of the new  $P_i$  (and also  $V_i$ ).

In the case of AA, we have  $v_j = \Delta F_{j-1} = F_j - F_{j-1}$  and the relation exploited is that

$$f_{j} \approx F_{j-1} + J(x_{j-1})(x_{j} - x_{j-1}) \to \Delta f_{j-1} \\ \approx J(x_{j-1})\Delta x_{j-1}$$
(22)

However, the approximation  $v_j \approx J(x_j)p_j$  in nlTGCR is *more accurate*- because we use an additional function evaluation to explicitly obtain a more accurate approximation (ideally exact value) for  $J(x_j)p_j$ . In contrast when  $x_j$  and  $x_{j-1}$  are not close, then (22) can be a very rough approximation. This is a key difference between the two methods.

# **4** Experimental Results

This section compares our proposed algorithms TGCR and nITGCR to existing methods in the literature with the help of a few experiments. We first compare the convergence for linear problems and then for a softmax classification problem in the case where the gradients are either deterministic or stochastic. More experiments and experimental details are available in the Appendix C.

#### 4.1 Linear Problems

We first compare the performance on linear equations Ax = b with Conjugate Gradient [29], generalized minimal residual method (GMRES) [52] and Anderson Acceleration under different settings.

**Linear Systems.** The advantages of TGCR for linear systems are two-folds. **1**:) Theorem 3.1 shows that TGCR (1) is already optimal (equivalent to Conjugate Residual) when A is symmetric positive definite. A larger table size is unnecessary while AA and GMRES require more past iterates to converge fast. It can be observed from Figure 1a and 1b that TGCR (1) requires much less memory and computation overhead to converge compared to GMRES and AA. It also has the same convergence behavior and similar running time as CG. **2**:) It is easy to show that TGCR can converge for indefinite systems while CG fails. Figure 1c verifies our point. This can be helpful when it is not known in advance if the system is indefinite. The numerical results shown in Figure 1 demonstrate the power of TGCR as a variant of Krylov subspace methods. Figure 1 clearly verifies the correctness of Theorem 3.1 that TGCR (1) is identical with TGCR (m) in exact arithmetic, which leads to big savings both in terms of memory and in computational costs. We include more experimental results in the Appendix C.2.

#### 4.2 Nonlinear Problems: Softmax Classification

Next, we consider a softmax multi-class classification problem shown in (79) without regularization.

$$f = -\frac{1}{s} \sum_{i=1}^{s} \log \left( \frac{e^{w_{y_j}^T x^{(i)}}}{\sum_{j=1}^{k} e^{w_j^T x^{(i)}}} \right),$$
(23)

where s is the total number of sample, k is the total number of classes,  $x^{(i)}$  is vector of all features of sample i,  $w_j$  is the weights for the  $j^{th}$  class, and  $y_j$  is the correct class for the  $i^{th}$  sample. We compare nlTGCR with Gradient Descent (GD), Nonlinear Conjugate Gradient (NCG) [13], L-BFGS [38] and Anderson Acceleration using the MNIST dataset [16] and report results in Figure 2. Figure 2a and 2b plot the objective value vs. iteration number and wall-clock time respectively. It can be seen that nlTGCR converges significantly faster than baselines even without a line-search strategy. In addition, for this convex and symmetric problem, it is not surprising to observe that nlTGCR(1) exhibits a similar convergence rate with nlTGCR(m), which saves even more memory and computation time.



Figure 1: Linear Systems  $Ax = b, A \in \mathbb{R}^{1000 \times 1000}$ : 1a: Comparison in terms of iteration, TGCR [m, mv] means table size = m and moving window (no restart). 1b: Comparison in terms of time for problem in 1a. 1c: Indefinite System. It is well known that CG fails for indefinite systems. The gap between full GMRES and TGCR is due to the numerical issue. It can be concluded that TGCR is ideal for solving linear systems because of its nice convergence property (compared to CG and AA) as well as the memory-efficient design (compared to GMRES).



Figure 2: **Softmax Classification (MNIST Dataset):** 2a: Function Value vs. Iterations; 2b: Function Value vs. Time; 2c: Test Accuracy vs. Iterations. 2d: Function Value vs. Iterations Stochastic gradients are calculated using a batch size of 500.

Figure 2c shows that nlTGCR greatly outperforms baselines by achieving high test accuracy in the very early stage of training. Figure 2d shows the effectiveness of our method in the stochastic setting. 'S-' stands for a stochastic version. We use a step size of 0.2 for SGD and a batch size (B) of 500 for all stochastic algorithms. It can be observed that nlTGCR(1) with a small batch size is comparable with the full batch GD with line-search, which confirms that TGCR takes advantage of symmetry in a very effective way even in the case of stochastic gradients.

#### 4.3 Deep learning applications

We then evaluate nlTCGR on several widely-used deep learning applications using different frameworks. We run experiments on image classification using CNN [42] and ResNet [27], time series forecasting using LSTM [31], and node classification using GCN [35]. Due to space limitation, we provide full results in Appendix C.5. It shows that nlTGCR(1) outperforms baselines (SGD, Nesterov, and Adam) for the above DL experiments, highlighting its effectiveness in large-scale and stochastic non-convex optimization.

# 5 Conclusion

This paper describes an efficient nonlinear acceleration method that takes advantage of the symmetry of the Hessian. We studied the convergence properties of the proposed method and established a few connections with existing methods. The numerical results suggest that nITGCR can be a competitive iterative algorithm from both theoretical and practical perspectives. We plan to conduct a more detailed theoretical and experimental investigation of the method for a nonconvex stochastic setting.

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# Appendix A Additional Discussion

#### A.1 High-Level Clarification

The method described in this paper mixes a number of ideas coming from different horizons. Some of the high-level discussion provided below is expanding further in later sections.

**Linear case: TGCR.** Our initial idea was motivated by considering the linear case, in an attempt to exploit Conjugate-gradient like methods for solving a linear system Ax = b. When A is symmetric, it is known that it is possible to minimize the objective function  $f(x) = ||b - Ax||_2^2$  on the k-th Krylov subspace Span $\{r_0, Ar_0, \dots, A^{k-1}r_0\}$  by a nice algorithm that uses a short-term recurrence. This algorithm, called the Conjugate Residual algorithm, is quite similar to the Conjugate Gradient but its residual vectors are conjugate (instead of being orthogonal) and its search directions are  $A^T A$  – conjugate (instead of being A-conjugate). Its generalization to the nonsymmetric case, called the Generalized Conjugate Residual method, is easy to obtain by enforcing these two properties. Enforcing the  $A^T A$  conjugacy of the  $p_i$ 's is the same as enforcing the orthogonality of the vectors  $Ap_i$  and this is expensive when we have many vectors. For this reason, practical versions of the algorithm are *truncated*, i.e., the orthogonalization is enforced against only a few previous directions. The result is the TGCR(m) algorithm (Algorithm 1) – which has been known since the 1980s. It is clear that we expect that when the matrix A is nearly symmetric TGCR(m) will perform nearly as well as the full version GCR - because when A is symmetric, taking m = 1 will yield full orthogonality of the  $Ap_i$  s (Theorem B.2).

**Nonlinear case:** Newton Krylov. Suppose now that we have to solve the nonlinear system F(x) = 0(in optimization F is just the gradient of the objective function). At this point, we may ask the question: why not just use an inexact Newton method whereby the Jacobian system is solved with the linear GCR or TGCR method? This is where Anderson acceleration provides an interesting insight on some weaknesses of Newton-Krylov method. A Newton Krylov method generates a Krylov subspace Span{ $r_0, Jr_0, \dots, J^k r_0$ } at a current iterate – say  $K = x_0 - (\text{so } J \equiv J(x_0) \equiv DF(x_0))$  and tries to minimize  $F(x_0 + \delta)$  where  $\delta \in K$ , by exploiting the linear model:  $F(x_0 + \delta) \approx F(x_0) + J\delta$ . If we generate a basis  $V = [v_1, \cdots v_k]$  of K and express  $\delta$  as  $\delta = Vy$  then we would need to minimize  $||F(x_0) + JVy||$  which is a small least-squares problem. One usually adds to this a global convergence strategies, e.g., a linesearch or a trust-region technique to produce the next iterate  $x_1$ . The problem with this approach is this: the approximate solution obtained after k steps of a Krylov subspace approach is based on the Jacobian at the initial point  $x_0$ . The intermediate calculation is entirely linear and based on  $J(x_0)$ . It is not exploited in any way to produce intermediate (nonlinear) iterates which in turn could be used to produce more accurate information on some local Jacobian. In contrast, a method like Anderson acceleration (or in fact any of the secant or multisecant methods) will do just this, i.e., it will tend to use information on the nonlinear mapping near the most recent approximation to produce the new iterate. This distinction is rather important although if the problem is nearly linear, then it could make little difference.

Nonlinear case: Anderson and nITGCR. Anderson acceleration can be viewed as a form of Quasi-Newton method whereby the approximate inverse Jacobian is updated at each step by using the collection of the previous iterates  $x_k, x_{k-1}, \dots, x_{k-m+1}$  and the corresponding function values  $F_k, F_{k-1}, \dots, F_{k-m+1}$ . To be more accurate it uses the differences  $\Delta x_j = x_{j+1} - x_j$  and the corresponding  $\Delta F_j$  defined in the same way. Similarly to Newton-Krylov, it generates an approximation of the form  $x_k + Py$  where P is a basis of the subspace spanned by the  $\Delta x_j$ 's. Notice how the update now is on  $x_k$  the latest point generated. The previous iterates are used to essentially provide information on the nonlinear mapping and its differential. This information is constantly updated using the most recent iterate. Note that this is informally stated: Anderson does not formally get an approximation to the Jacobian. It is based implicitly on exploiting the relation  $F(x_{j+1}) - F(x_j) \approx J(x_{j+1} - x_j)$ . Herein lies a problem that nlTGCR aims at correcting: this relation is only vaguely verified. For example, if we take J to be  $J(x_j)$ , the Jacobian at  $x_j$ , the resulting linear model is bound to be extremely inaccurate at the beginning of the iteration.

In nlTGCR, we try to improve on the Newton-Krylov approach, since our starting point is TGCR which is generalized to nonlinear problems. We also take the viewpoint of improving on Anderson Acceleration or multisecant methods by not relying on the approximation  $F(x_{j+1}) - F(x_j) \approx J(x_{j+1} - x_j)$  mentioned above. This is achieved by adopting the projection viewpoint. Instead of minimizing  $||F(x_0) + JPy||$  as in the inexact Newton mode, we would like to now minimize

 $||F(x_k) + JPy||$  where  $x_k$  is the most recent iterate. This initial idea leads to a difficulty since there is not one J but several ones at previous points and a single one of them will not be satisfactory. Thus, we have a few directions  $p_i$  just like the differences  $\Delta x_i$  in Anderson, but now each  $p_i$  will lead to a  $J(x_i)p_i$  which - unlike in AA - is accurately computed and then saved. This feature is what we believe makes a difference in the performance of the algorithm – although this is something that would be rather difficult to prove theoretically.

**The Quasi-Newton viewpoint..** It is also possible to view the algorithm from the alternative angle of a Quasi-Newton approach instead of Inexact Newton. In this viewpoint, the inverse of the Jacobian is approximated progressively. Because it is the inverse Jacobian that is approximated, the method is akin to Broyden's second update method.

In our case, the approximate inverse Jacobian  $G_j$  at step j is equal to

$$G_j = P_j V_j^T. (24)$$

If we apply this to the vector  $v_j$  we get  $G_j v_j = P_j V_j^T v_j = p_j = J(x_j)^{-1} v_j$ . So  $G_j$  inverts  $J(x_j)$  exactly when applied to  $v_j$ . It therefore satisfies the *secant* equation ([46, sec. 2.3])

$$G_j v_j = p_j. (25)$$

This is the equivalent to the secant condition  $G_j \Delta f_j = \Delta x_j$  used in Broyden's second update method. Broyden type-II methods replace Newtons's iteration:  $x_{j+1} = x_j - Df(x_j)^{-1}f_j$  with  $x_{j+1} = x_j - G_j f_j$  where  $G_j$  approximates the inverse of the Jacobian  $Df(x_j)$  at  $x_j$  by the update formula  $G_{j+1} = G_j + (\Delta x_j - G_j \Delta f_j)v_j^T$  in which  $v_j$  is defined in different ways see [46] for details.

In addition, the update  $G_j$  satisfies the 'no-change' condition:

$$G_j q = 0 \quad \forall q \perp v_j. \tag{26}$$

The usual no-change condition for secant methods is of the form  $(G_j - G_{j-m})q = 0$  for  $q \perp \Delta f_j$ which in our case would be  $(G_j - G_{j-m})q = 0$  for  $q \perp v_j$ . One can therefore consider that we are updating  $G_{j-m} \equiv 0$ .

It is also possible to find a link between the method proposed herein and the Anderson acceleration, by unraveling a relation with multi-secant methods. Note that equation (25) is satisfied for (at most) m previous instances of j, i.e., at step j we have ( $i_0$  defined in the algorithm)  $G_j v_i = p_i$  for  $i = i_0, \dots, j$ . In other words we can also write

$$G_j V_j = P_j. (27)$$

This is similar to the multi-secant condition  $G_j \mathcal{F}_j = \mathcal{X}_j$  of Equation (7) – see also equation (13) of [46] where  $\mathcal{F}_j$  and  $\mathcal{X}_j$  are defined in (2). In addition, we clearly also have a multi secant version of the no-change condition (26) seen above, which becomes:

$$G_j q = 0 \quad \forall \quad q \perp \operatorname{Span}\{V_j\}.$$
<sup>(28)</sup>

This is similar to the no-change condition represented by eq. (15) of [46], which stipulates that  $(G_j - G_{j-m})q = 0$  for all q orthogonal to the span of the subspace  $\text{Span}\{\mathcal{F}_j\}$  mentioned above, provided we define  $G_{j-m} = 0$ .

#### A.2 Complexity Analysis

Assume that the iteration number is k and the model parameter size is d. The full memory AA stores all previous iterations, thus the additional memory is 2kd. To reduce the memory overhead, the limited-memory (Truncated) AA(m) maintains the most recent m iterations while discarding the older historical information. In comparison, TGCR and NLTGCR only requires **the most recent iterate** to achieve optimal performance, thus the additional memory is 2d. The reduced number of past iterates also saves the orthogonalization costs from TGCR and NLTGCR compared to AA(m). In TGCR and NLTGCR, only one orthogonalization is needed to performed which costs O(kd) while AA(m) requires  $O(k^2d)$ .

For TGCR(m), (2d - 1) flops are performed in Line 5, 4d flops are performed in Lines 6-7 and m(6d - 1) flops are performed in the for loop and 2d flops are performed in Line 15. If TGCR(m)

performs k iterations, the computational complexity is ((6m + 8)d - 1 - m)k. Thus, TGCR costs O(mdk). For symmetric problems, m = 1 is guaranteed to generate the same iterates as m > 1 and TGCR costs O(dk).

Then we analyze the complexity of nlTGCR(m). m(2d-1) flops are performed in Line 6, 2md flops are performed in Line 7, two evaluations of F are performed in Lines 8 and 11. The for loop costs m(6d-1) flops and 2d flops are performed in Line 15. When k iterations are performed, nlTGCR costs O(mdk) plus the costs of 2k function evaluations of F. When m = 1 is used in nonlinear problems, nlTGCR costs O(dk) plus the costs of 2k function evaluations of F.

## A.3 The Frechet derivative

In vector analysis, derivatives provide local linear approximations. Frechet differentiation can be used to calculate directional derivatives of gradients. We use Frechet Differentiation to compute the directional derivative of a gradient mapping f at x in direction h, which is  $v = J(x_{j+1})p$  in algorithm 2. We define Frechet derivative as follows,

**Definition 1.** Let  $(S, \|\cdot\|)$  and  $(T, \|\cdot\|)$  be two normed spaces and let X be an open set in  $(S, \|\cdot\|)$ . A function  $f : X \longrightarrow T$  is Fréchet differentiable at  $x_0$ , where  $x_0 \in X$ , if there exists a linear operator  $(D_X f)(x_0) : X \longrightarrow T$  such that

$$\lim_{h \to 0} \frac{\|f(x_0 + h) - f(x_0) - (D_x f)(x_0)(h)\|}{\|h\|} = 0$$

The operator  $(D_x f)(x_0): X \longrightarrow T$  is referred to the Fréchet derivative at  $x_0$ .

# Appendix B Proofs

## **B.1** Optimality for Linear Problem

We can write the Generalized Conjugate residual formally as follows

# Algorithm 3 GCR

1: Input: Matrix A, RHS b, initial  $x_0$ . 2: Set  $p_0 = r_0 \equiv b - Ax_0$ . 3: for  $j = 0, 1, 2, \cdots$ , Until convergence do 4:  $\alpha_j = (r_j, Ap_j)/(Ap_j, Ap_j)$ 5:  $x_{j+1} = x_j + \alpha_j p_j$ 6:  $r_{j+1} = r_j - \alpha_j Ap_j$ 7:  $p_{j+1} = r_{j+1} - \sum_{i=1}^{j} \beta_{ij} p_i$  where  $\beta_{ij} := (Ar_{j+1}, Ap_i)/(Ap_i, Ap_i)$ 8: end for

**Theorem B.1** (Lemma 6.21 in [51].). If  $\{p_0, \ldots, p_{n-1}\}$  is the basis of the Krylov space  $\mathcal{K}_n(A, r_0)$  which are also  $A^T A$  orthogonal. Then

$$x_n = x_0 + \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \frac{\langle r_0, Ap_i \rangle}{\langle Ap_i, Ap_i \rangle} p_i$$

minimizes the residual among all the iterates with form  $x_0 + \mathcal{K}_n(A, r_0)$ . Further more, we have

$$x_{n} = x_{n-1} + \frac{\langle r_{n-1}, Ap_{n-1} \rangle}{\langle Ap_{n-1}, Ap_{n-1} \rangle} p_{n-1}$$

*Proof.* We can write  $x_n = x_0 + \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \beta_i p_i$  and  $r_n = r_0 - \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \beta_i A p_i$ . Since  $x_n$  minimizes the residual, we know the following Petrov–Galerkin condition must hold

$$(r_n, Ap_j) = 0, \quad j = 0, \dots, n-1$$

The  $A^T A$  orthogonality gives us

$$\beta_i = \frac{\langle r_0, Ap_i \rangle}{\langle Ap_i, Ap_i \rangle}$$

Similarly, we can write  $x_n = x_{n-1} + \beta_{n-1}p_{n-1}$  and  $r_n = r_{n-1} - \beta_{n-1}Ap_{n-1}$ . Agagin, the optimality condition reads  $\langle r_n, p_{n-1} \rangle = 0$ 

which gives us

$$\frac{\langle r_{n-1}, Ap_{n-1} \rangle}{\langle Ap_{n-1}, Ap_{n-1} \rangle}$$

**Theorem B.2.** When the coefficient matrix A is symmetric, TGCR(m) generates exactly the same iterates as TGCR(1) for any m > 0.

*Proof.* Lines 8 to 14 in Algorithm 1 computes the new direction  $p_{j+1}$  – by ortho-normalizing the vector  $Ar_{j+1}$  against all previous  $Ap_i$ 's. In fact the loop of lines 9–13, implements a modified Gram-Schmidt procedure, which in exact arithmetic amounts simply to setting  $p_{j+1}$  to

$$\beta_{j+1,j}p_{j+1} := r_{j+1} - \sum_{i=i_0}^{j} \beta_{ij}p_i \quad \text{where} \quad \beta_{ij} = (Ar_{j+1}, Ap_i) \text{ for } i_0 \le i \le j.$$
(29)

In the above relation,  $\beta_{j+1,j}$  is the scaling factor ||v|| used to normalize p and v in Line 14. Then,  $v_{j+1} \equiv Ap_{j+1}$  is computed accordingly as is reflected in lines 12 and 14. The update relation  $Ap_{j+1} = Ar_{j+1} - \sum_{i=i_0,j} \beta_{ij}Ap_i$  (from Line 12) shows that  $Ap_{j+1} \perp Ap_i$  for  $i = i_0, ..., j$ . In addition, it can easily be shown that in this case  $(m = \infty)$  the residual vectors produced by the algorithm are A-conjugate in that  $(r_{j+1}, Ar_i) = 0$  for  $i \leq j$ . Indeed, this requires a simple induction argument exploiting the equality:

$$(r_{j+1}, Ar_i) = (r_j - \alpha_j Ap_j, Ar_i) = (r_j, Ar_i) - \alpha_j (Ap_j, Ar_i)$$

and relation (29) which shows that  $Ar_i = \sum \beta_{k,i-1} Ap_k$ .

When A is symmetric, exploiting the relation  $r_{i+1} = r_i - \alpha_i A p_i$ , we can see that the scalar  $\beta_{ij}$  in Line 11 of Algorithm 1 is

$$\beta_{ij} = (Ar_{j+1}, Ap_i) = \frac{1}{\alpha_i} (Ar_{j+1}, r_i - r_{i+1}) = \frac{1}{\alpha_i} (r_{j+1}, Ar_i - Ar_{i+1})$$

which is equal to zero for i < j. Therefore we need to orthogonalize  $Ar_{j+1}$  against vector  $Ap_j$  only in the loop of lines 9 to 13. This completes the proof.

**Theorem B.3.** Let  $\hat{\mathbf{x}}_t$  be the approximate solution obtained at the t-th iteration of TGCR being applied to solve  $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ , and denote the residual as  $\mathbf{r}_t = \mathbf{b} - \mathbf{A}\hat{\mathbf{x}}_t$ . Then,  $\mathbf{r}_t$  is of the form

$$\mathbf{r}_t = f_t(\mathbf{A})\mathbf{r}_0,\tag{30}$$

where

$$\|\mathbf{r}_t\|_2 = \|f_t(\mathbf{A})\mathbf{r}_0\|_2 = \min_{f_t \in \mathcal{P}_t} \|f_t(\mathbf{A})\mathbf{r}_0\|_2,$$
(31)

where  $\mathcal{P}_p$  is the family of polynomials with degree p such that  $f_p(0) = 1, \forall f_p \in \mathcal{P}_p$ , which are usually called residual polynomials.

**Theorem B.4** (Convergence of TGCR (Indefinite Case)). Suppose A is hermitian, invertible, and indefinite. Divide its eigenvalues into positive and negative sets  $\Lambda_+$  and  $\Lambda_-$ , and define

$$\kappa_{+} = \frac{\max_{\lambda \in \Lambda_{+}} |\lambda|}{\min_{\lambda \in \Lambda_{+}} |\lambda|}, \quad \kappa_{-} = \frac{\max_{\lambda \in \Lambda_{-}} |\lambda|}{\min_{\lambda \in \Lambda_{-}} |\lambda|}$$

Then  $x_m$ , the *m* th solution estimate of TGCR, satisfies

$$\frac{\|\mathbf{r}_m\|_2}{\|\mathbf{b}\|_2} \le 2\left(\frac{\sqrt{\kappa_+\kappa_-}-1}{\sqrt{\kappa_+\kappa_-}+1}\right)^{\lfloor m/2}$$

where |m/2| means to round m/2 down to the nearest integer.

*Proof.* When A is hermitian indefinite, an estimate on the min-max approximation

$$\frac{\|\mathbf{r}_m\|_2}{\|\mathbf{b}\|_2} \le \min_{p \in \mathcal{P}_m} \max_k |p(\lambda_k)|$$
(32)

that represents the worst-case TGCR convergence behavior, can be obtained by replacing the discrete set of the eigenvalues by the union of two intervals containing all of them and excluding the origin, say  $\Lambda_+$  and  $\Lambda_-$ . Then the classical bound for the min-max value can be used to obtain an estimate for the convergence of the residual [50]

$$\min_{p \in \mathcal{P}_m} \max_{k} |p(\lambda_k)| \le \min_{p \in \mathcal{P}_m} \max_{z \in \Lambda_+ \cup \Lambda_-} |p(z)|$$
$$\le 2 \left(\frac{\sqrt{\kappa_+ \kappa_-} - 1}{\sqrt{\kappa_+ \kappa_-} + 1}\right)^{\lfloor m/2 \rfloor}$$

where [m/2] denotes the integer part of m/2.

The optimality of TGCR(m) is proved in Theorem B.5.

**Theorem B.5.** Let r be the residual generated by the basic TGCR (m), the following relations hold:

- 1.  $Span\{p_0, \dots, p_{m-1}\} = Span\{r_0, \dots, A^{m-1}r_0\} \equiv K_m(r_0, A)$
- 2. If  $m \geq j$ , the set of vectors  $\{Ap_i\}_{i=1:j}$  is orthonormal.
- 3. More generally:  $(Ap_i, Ap_j) = \delta_{ij}$  for  $|i j| \le m 1$
- 4. If  $m \ge j$ , then  $||b Ax_j|| = \min\{||b Ax|| \mid x \in x_0 + K_m(r_0, A)\}$

**Proposition 3.** Assume that  $J(x_j)$  is nonsingular and that  $\mu_j \equiv v_j^T r_j \neq 0$ . Then  $\delta_j = \mu_j p_j$  is a descent direction for the function  $\phi(x) = \frac{1}{2} \|F(x)\|^2$  at  $x_j$ .

*Proof.* It is known [11] that the gradient of  $\phi(x)$  at x is  $\nabla \phi(x) = J(x)^T F(x)$ . In order for  $p_i$  to be a descent direction at  $x_j$  it is sufficient that the inner product of  $p_j$  and  $\nabla \phi(x_j)$  is negative. Consider this inner product

$$(\nabla \phi(x_j), \mu_j p_j) = \mu_j (J(x_j)^T F(x_j), p_j) = \mu_j (F(x_j), J(x_j) p_j) = \mu_j (-r_j, v_j) = -\mu_j^2 < 0.$$
(33)

which proves the result.

#### **B.2** Optimality from Quasi-Newton Viewpoint

**Theorem B.6** (Optimality of nltgcr(m) from Quasi-Newton Viewpoint). The matrix  $G_j$  is the best approximation to the inverse Jacobi  $J(x_i)^{-1}$  of F(x) at  $x_i$  among all the matrices G whose range  $\operatorname{Range}(G) = \operatorname{Span}\{V_i\}$ . That is,

$$G_{j} = \underset{\{G \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d} | GV_{j} = P_{j}\}}{\arg\min} \|GJ(x_{i}) - I\|.$$
(34)

*Proof.* Assume G is an arbitrary matrix satisfying the multisecant condition  $GV_j = P_j$ . We have  $(G_j - G)G_j^T = 0$  and Range(G) =  $V_j$ . This can be derived as follows

$$0 = P_j(P_j^T - P_j^T) = P_j V_j^T (G^T - G_j^T) = G_j (G^T - G_j^T).$$

We also have  $(G_j - G)V_j = 0$ . Then set  $\Delta = G - G_j$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|GJ(x_i) - I\| &= \|(G_j + \Delta)J(x_i) - I\| \\ &= \|G_jJ(x_i) - I\| + \|\Delta J(x_i)\| + 2\operatorname{Trace}((G_jJ(x_i) - I)^T \Delta J(x_i)) \\ &\geq \|G_jJ(x_i) - I\| + 2\operatorname{Trace}((G_jJ(x_i) - I)^T \Delta J(x_i)). \end{aligned}$$

Then we prove  $\operatorname{Trace}((G_j J(x_i) - I)^T \Delta J(x_i)) = 0$ . In order to prove this, we compute the trace explicitly. We will denote the natural basis in  $\mathbb{R}^d$  by  $\{e_l\}_{l=1}^d$  and l - th column of  $J(x_i)$  by  $J_l$ .

$$\operatorname{Trace}((G_j J(x_i) - I)^T \Delta J(x_i)) = \sum_{l=1}^d e_l^T ((G_j J(x_i) - I)^T \Delta J(x_i)) e_l$$
$$= \sum_{l=1}^d (J_l^T G_j^T - e_l^T) \Delta J_l$$

Recall we have  $\operatorname{Range}(G) = \operatorname{Range}(G_j) = \operatorname{Span}\{V_j\}$  and  $GV_j = G_jV_j = P_j$ , so

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{cc} \Delta J_l = 0 & J_l \in V_j \\ J_l^T G_j^T = 0, \ G J_l = 0 & J_l \in V_j^{\perp} \end{array} \right\}$$

#### **B.3** Convergence Analysis

Firstly, we will show the global convergence of the Algorithm 2 from inexact Newton perspective. Usually, some global strategies like line search or residue check are required for inexact Newton method to converge for  $\phi(x)$ . In [11], authors showed with the general line search algorithm 4,

Algorithm 4 Linesearch Algorithm

1:  $\beta = \max\{1, \epsilon^* \frac{|\nabla \phi(x_n)^T p_n|}{\|p_n\|^2}\}.$ 2: If  $\phi(x_n + \beta p_n) \le \phi(x_n) + \alpha \beta \nabla \phi(x_n)$ , then set  $\beta_n = \beta$  and exit. Else: 3: Shrink  $\beta$  to be  $\beta \in [\theta_{\min}\beta, \theta_{\max}\beta]$  where  $0 < \theta_{\min} \le \theta_{\max} < 1$ . Go back to Step. 2.

inexact Newton-Krylov method can converge globally under some mild conditions.

**Theorem B.7** (Global Convergence from Algorithm 2 with linearized update and line search). Assume  $\phi$  is continuously differentiable and F(x) is L-lipschitz. Further more, the residual check is satisfied  $||J(x_n)P_ny_n + F(x_n)|| \le \eta ||\nabla f(x_n)||$  where  $0 \le \eta_n \le \eta < 1$ . If  $J(x_n)$  is nonsingular and its norm is bounded from above for all n, then  $P_ny_n$  produced in line 7 of Algorithm 2 is a descent direction and the iterates  $x_n$  produced by Algorithm 2 with linearized update and line search in Algorithm 4 will converge to the minimizer:

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \phi(x_n) = 0$$

*Proof.* Since Algorithm 2 with linearized update is equivalent to inexact Newton Krylov method with TGCR as the solver for the Jacobian system  $J(x_n)p_n = -F(x_n)$ , the theorem is just a result of Theorem B.8.

**Theorem B.8** ([11]). Assume  $\phi$  is continuously differentiable and F(x) is L-Lipschitz and let  $p_n$  be such that  $||F(x_n) + J(x_n)p_n||_2 \leq \eta_n ||F(x_n)||_2$  for each  $\eta_n \leq \eta < 1$ . Further more, let the next iterate be decided by Algorithm 4 and  $J(x_n)$  is nonsingular and bounded from above for all n. Then

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \phi(x_n) = 0$$

The proof of this theorem depends on the following lemma in [11],

**Lemma B.9** (Lemma 3.8 of [11]). Assume  $\phi$  is differentiable and  $\nabla \phi$  is L-lipschitz. Let  $0 < \alpha < 1$ and  $p_n$  denote a descent direction. Then the iterates  $x_{n+1} = x_n + \beta p_n$  in Algorithm 4 will generated in finite backtracking steps and  $\beta_n$  satisfies

$$\beta_n \|p_n\|_2 \ge -\frac{\nabla \phi^T p_n}{\|p_n\|} \min\left(\epsilon^*, \frac{1-\alpha}{L} \theta_{\min}\right).$$

**Theorem B.10** (Global convergence of nlTGCR with residual check). Assume  $\phi$  is twice differentiable and F(x) is L-lipschitz. If the residual check is satisfied  $||J(x_n)P_ny_n+F(x_n)|| \le \eta_n ||F(x_n)||$ where  $0 \le \eta_n \le \eta < 1$  and  $J(x_n)$  is non-singular and the norm of its inverse is bounded from above for all n, then  $P_n y_n$  produced in line 7 of Algorithm 2 is a descent direction and the iterates  $x_n$  produced by Algorithm 4 will converge to the minimizer  $x^*$ :

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \phi(x_n) = \phi(x^*) = 0.$$

*Proof.* Denote  $P_n y_n$  by  $p_n$ ,  $J(x_n)p_n + F(x_n) = r_n$ . Since  $\nabla \phi(x_n) = J(x_n)^T F(x_n)$  and  $||r_n|| \le \eta_n ||F(x_n)||$ , we have  $\nabla \phi(x_n)^T p_n = F(x_n)^T r_n - F(x_n)^T F(x_n) \le (\eta - 1) \nabla ||F||^2 = -2(1 - \eta)\phi$  which implies  $p_n$  is a descent direction. To see the second part of the theorem, we have

$$\phi(x_n + \beta_n \alpha p_n) \le \phi(x_n) + \beta_n \alpha \nabla \phi(x_n)^T p_n \tag{35}$$

$$\leq \phi(x_n) - 2\beta_n \alpha(1-\eta)\phi(x_n) = [1 - 2\beta_n \alpha(1-\eta)]\phi(x_n).$$
(36)

Denote  $\min\left(\epsilon^*, \frac{1-\alpha}{L}\theta_{\min}\right)$  by C then,

$$-\beta_n \|p_n\| \le C \frac{\nabla \phi(x_n)^T p_n}{\|p_n\|_2}.$$

Inserting it back to Inequality (27), we have

$$\phi(x_{n+1}) \le \left(1 + 2\alpha(1-\eta)C\frac{\nabla\phi(x_n)^T p_n}{\|p_n\|_2^2}\right)\phi(x_n)$$
(37)

Denote  $2\alpha(1-\eta)C$  by  $\lambda$  and  $\frac{\nabla\phi(x_n)^T p_n}{\|p_n\|_2^2}$  by  $t_n$ , then  $\phi(x_{n+1}) \leq (1+\lambda t_n)\phi(x_n)$ . Since  $\phi(x_n)$  is bounded from below and non-increasing by the inequality. It must converge to a finite limit  $\phi^*$ . If  $\phi^* = 0$ , we 're done. Otherwise, dividing the Inequality 37 by  $\phi(x_n)$  on both sides, we have

$$\frac{\phi(x_{n+1})}{\phi(x_n)} \le (1 + \lambda t_n) \to 1, \quad \text{as } n \to \infty.$$
(38)

We also know  $1 + \lambda t_n \leq 1$ . Therefore,  $t_n \to 0$ , as  $n \to \infty$ . In the above discussion, we showed  $2(1-\eta)\phi(x_n) \leq |t_n| \|p_n\|_2^2$  which implies  $\|p_n\| \to \infty$ . Recall  $p_n = J(x_n)^{-1}(r_n - F(x_n))$ , we must have  $\|p_n\|$  bounded. This contradicts with the fact  $\|p_n\| \to \infty$ . Therefore,  $\phi^* = 0$   $\Box$ 

To proceed to the superlinear and quadratic convergence results, we need the following lemma from [20]

**Lemma B.11.** Assume F is continuously differentiable,  $\{x_k\}$  is a sequence such that  $F(x_k) \to 0$ , and for each k,

$$||F(x_{k+1})|| \le ||F(x_k)||$$
 and  $||F(x_k) + J(x_k)p_k|| \le \eta ||F(x_k)||$  (39)

where  $p_k = x_{k+1} - x_k$  and  $\eta > 0$  is independent of k. If  $x_*$  is a limit point of  $\{x_k\}$  such that  $J(x_*)$  is nonsingular, then  $F(x_*) = 0$  and  $x_k \to x_*$ . In this lemma, we don't require  $\eta < 1$ .

**Theorem B.12** (Superlinear and quadratic convergence of nlTGCR). With the same setting as Theorem B.10. Assume both  $\nabla \phi$  and  $\nabla^2 \phi$  are L-Lipschitz. Consider a sequence generated by Algorithm 2 such that residual check is satisfied  $||J(x_n)P_ny_n + F(x_n)|| \le \eta_n ||F(x_n)||$  where  $0 \le \eta_n \le \eta < 1$ . Moreover, if the following conditions hold

$$\phi(x_n + P_n y_n) \le \phi(x_n) + \alpha \nabla \phi(x_n)^T P_n y_n \tag{40}$$

$$\phi(x_n + P_n y_n) \ge \phi(x_n) + \beta \nabla \phi(x_n)^T P_n y_n \tag{41}$$

for  $\alpha < \frac{1}{2}$  and  $\beta > \frac{1}{2}$ . If  $x_n \to x_*$  with  $J(x_*)$  nonsingular, then  $F(x_*) = 0$ . Moreover, there exists  $N_s$  such that  $x_n \to x^*$  superlinearly for  $n \ge N_s$  if  $\eta_n \to 0$ , as  $n \to \infty$ . Furthermore, if  $\eta_n = O(||F(x_n)||^2)$ , the convergence is quadratic.

*Proof.* In the proof, we denote  $Pny_n$  by  $p_n$  for convenience and utilize the proof of Theorem 3.15 in [11]. According to assumptions,  $x_n \to x_*$  with  $J(x_*)$  nonsingular, then  $J(x_n)$  is nonsingular for  $n > n_J$  for some large enough  $n_J$ . Next, if  $F(x_n) = 0$  for some  $n \ge n_J$ , then residual check condition will imply  $p_n = 0$  which means  $x_m = x_n$  for all  $m \ge n$ . Then the results hold

automatically because the sequence converges in finite steps. Therefore, we can assume  $J(x_n)$  is nonsingular and  $F(x_n)$  is nonzero for all n.

The residual check condition implies  $p_n$  is a descent direction according to Lemma B.9. That is,  $\nabla \phi^{\top} p_n < 0$ . Then we can show

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{\nabla \phi_n^{+} p_n}{\|p_n\|} = 0$$

To show this notice that according to 40, the following inequality holds

$$\phi_n - \phi_{n+1} \ge -\alpha \nabla \phi(x_n + p_n)^\top (x_{n+1} - x_n) = \|p_n\| \frac{\nabla \phi_n^\top p_n}{\|p_n\|}$$

Since  $\phi_n$  is monotone decreasing, thus  $\|p_n\| \frac{\nabla \phi_n^\top p_n}{\|p_n\|} \to 0$  as  $n \to \infty$ . To show  $\lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{\nabla \phi_n^\top p_n}{\|p_n\|} \to 0$ . We also need to apply 41. Firstly, according to mean value theorem, there exists a  $\lambda \in (0, 1)$  such that

$$\phi_{n+1} - \phi_n = \nabla phi(x_n + \lambda p_n)^\top p_n.$$
(42)

According to 41,

$$\phi_{n+1} - \phi_n = \nabla \phi (x_n + \lambda p_n)^\top p_n \ge \beta \nabla \phi_n^\top p_n.$$
(43)

This yields

$$\nabla \phi(x_n + \lambda p_n) - \nabla \phi(x_n)]^\top p_n \ge (\beta - 1) \nabla \phi_n^\top p_n > 0.$$

According to Cauchy-Schwartz inequality,

$$(\beta - 1)\frac{\nabla\phi_n^{\perp}p_n}{\|p_n\|} \|p_n\| \le \|p_n\| \|\nabla\phi(x_n + \lambda p_n) - \nabla\phi(x_n)\| \le L\lambda \|p_n\|^2$$

$$\tag{44}$$

Therefore,

$$\|p_n\| \ge \frac{(\beta - 1)}{L\lambda} \frac{\nabla \phi_n^\top p_n}{\|p_n\|} > 0.$$
(45)

which means we can draw the conclusion that  $||p_n|| \frac{\nabla \phi_n^\top p_n}{||p_n||} \to 0$  implies  $\frac{\nabla \phi_n^\top p_n}{||p_n||} \to 0$ . If  $x_n \to x_*$  with  $J(x_*)$  nonsingular, then by Lemma B.11, we know  $F(x_*) = 0$ . According to the definition,

$$p_n = -J_n^{-1}F_n + J_n^{-1}(F_n + J_n p_n).$$
(46)

This implies

$$|p_n|| \le ||J_n^{-1}|| ||F_n|| + ||J_n^{-1}|| ||F_n + J_n p_n|| \le (1+\eta) ||J_n^{-1}|| ||F_n||.$$
(47)

We know  $||F_n|| \to 0$  as  $x_n \to x_*$ . The above inequality implies that  $||p_n|| \to 0$  as  $x_n \to x_*$  since  $J_n$  is nonsingular. Denote the residual  $F_n + J_n p_n$  by  $r_n$ . Then  $||r_n|| \le \eta ||F_n||$  and  $p_n = J_n^{-1}(r_n - F_n)$ . Therefore,

$$\nabla \phi_n^{\top} = (J_n^{\top} F_n)^{\top} J_n^{-1} (r_n - F_n) = F^{\top} r - F^{\top} F.$$
(48)

This implies

$$\frac{|\nabla \phi_n^\top p_n|}{\|p_n\|} = \frac{|F^\top r - F^\top F|}{\|J_n^{-1}(r_n - F_n)\|} \ge \frac{|F^\top F| - |F^\top r|}{\|J_n^{-1}(r_n - F_n)\|}.$$
(49)

Since  $||r_n|| \le ||F_n||$  implies  $|F^\top r| \le \eta ||F_n||^2$ , we have

$$F^{\top}F| - |F^{\top}r| \ge (1 - \eta)||F_n||^2.$$
(50)

Moreover,

$$\|J_n^{-1}(r_n - F_n)\| \le \|J_n^{-1}\| \|F_n\| + \|J_n^{-1}r\|_2 \le (1+\eta) \|J_n^{-1}\| \|F_n\|.$$
(51)

Finally, we have

$$\frac{|\nabla \phi_n^\top p_n|}{\|p_n\|} \ge \frac{(1-\eta)\|F_n\|^2}{(1+\eta)\|J_n^{-1}\|\|F_n\|} = \frac{(1-\eta)\|F_n\|}{(1+\eta)\|J_n^{-1}\|}.$$
(52)

Using  $\|\nabla \phi_n\| = \|J_n^{\top} F_n\| \le \|J_n\| \|F_n\|$ , we have

$$\frac{|\nabla \phi_n^\top p_n|}{\|\nabla \phi_n\| \|p_n\|} \ge \frac{(1-\eta)}{(1+\eta)M_n},\tag{53}$$

where  $M_n = \text{cond}_2(J_n)$ . Therefore, we have

$$\frac{-\nabla \phi_n^\top p_n}{\|p_n\|} \ge \frac{(1-\eta)}{(1+\eta)M_n} \|\nabla \phi_n\| \ge \frac{(1-\eta)}{(1+\eta)M_n} \|J_n\|^{-1} \|F_n\|,$$
(54)

This yields,

$$\|F_n\| \le \frac{(1+\eta)M_n}{(1-\eta)} \|J_n\| \frac{-\nabla \phi_n^\top p_n}{\|p_n\|}.$$
(55)

Hence,

$$\|F_n\|\|p_n\| \le \frac{(1+\eta)M_n}{(1-\eta)}\|J_n\|(-\nabla\phi_n^{\top}p_n) = -a_n\nabla\phi_n^{\top}p_n),$$
(56)

where  $a_n = \frac{(1+\eta)M_n}{(1-\eta)} \|J_n\|$  . Combining 47, we have

$$\|p_n\|^2 \le \frac{(1+\eta)^2 M_n^2}{(1-\eta)^2} (-\nabla \phi_n^\top p_n) = -b_n \nabla \phi_n^\top p_n),$$
(57)

where  $b_n = \frac{(1+\eta)^2 M_n^2}{(1-\eta)^2}$ . Next we show the convergence of the algorithm with the aid of the second order Taylor expansion. Notice

$$\nabla \phi(x) = J^{\top} F(x) = \left[ \nabla F_1(x) \dots \nabla F_n(x) \right] \begin{bmatrix} F_1(x) \\ \vdots \\ F_n(x) \end{bmatrix}$$
(58)

The Hessian can be computed as follows

$$\nabla^2 \phi(x) = J^T J + \sum_{i=1}^n \nabla^2 F_i(x) F_i(x) = J^T J + G(x),$$
(59)

where  $||G(x)|| = ||\sum_{i=1}^{n} \nabla^2 F_i(x) F_i(x)|| \to 0$  as  $x_n \to x_*$  since  $F(x_*) = 0$ . using second order Taylor expansion, we have

$$\phi_{n+1} - \phi_n - \frac{1}{2} \nabla \phi_n^\top p_n = \frac{1}{2} (\nabla \phi_n + \nabla^2 \phi(\bar{x}) p_n)^\top p_n.$$
(60)

where  $\bar{x} = \gamma x_n + (1 - \gamma) x_{n+1}$  for some  $\gamma \in (0, 1)$ . Then we can have

$$\begin{aligned} |\phi_{n+1} - \phi_n - \frac{1}{2} \nabla \phi_n^\top p_n| &= \frac{1}{2} |(\nabla \phi_n + \nabla^2 \phi(\bar{x}) p_n)^\top p_n| \\ &= \frac{1}{2} |(\nabla \phi_n + \nabla^2 \phi_n p_n)^\top p_n + p_n^\top (\nabla^2 \phi(\bar{x}) - \nabla^2 \phi_n) p_n| \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2} (\|J_n^\top (F_n + J_n p_n)\| \|p_n\| + \|G_n\| \|p_n\|^2 + L \|p_n\| \|p_n\|^2) \\ &\leq (\eta \|J_n\| \|F_n\| \|p_n\| + (\|G_n\| + L \|p_n\|) \|p_n\|^2) \\ &\leq -\frac{1}{2} (a_n \eta_n \|J_n\| + b_n (\|G_n\| + L \|p_n\|)) \nabla \phi_n^\top p_n \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} \epsilon_n \phi_n^\top p_n, \end{aligned}$$
(61)

where  $\epsilon_n = a_n \eta_n \|J_n\| + b_n (\|G_n\| + L\|p_n\|)$ . Therefore,

$$\frac{1}{2}(1+\epsilon_n)\nabla\phi_n^\top p_n \le \phi_{n+1} - \phi_n \le \frac{1}{2}(1-\epsilon_n)\nabla\phi_n^\top p_n \tag{62}$$

Notice that  $||J_n||$ ,  $a_n$  and  $b_n$  are all bounded from above and  $\eta_n$ ,  $||S_n||$  and  $||p_n||$  all converges to 0 as  $x_n \to x_*$ . Therefore  $\epsilon_n \to 0$  as  $x_n \to x_*$ . And choose lager enough N such that for all  $n \ge N$  the following holds

$$\epsilon_n \le \min\{1 - 2\alpha, 2\beta - 1\}. \tag{63}$$

Then for all  $n \ge N$ , the Goldsetin-Armijo condition is satisfied,  $\beta \phi_n^\top p_n$ 

$$\leq \phi_{n+1} - \phi_n \leq \alpha \phi_n^\top p_n. \tag{64}$$

We then finish the proof following Theorem 3.3 in [15]. It's easy to see

$$J(x_*)(x_{k+1} - x_*) = [I + J_*(J_k^{-1} - J_*^{-1})](r_k + [J_k - J_*](x_k - x_*) - [F_k - F_* - J_*(x_k - x_*)])$$
(65)

Taking norm yields

$$\begin{aligned} \|x_{k+1} - x_*\| &\leq [\|J_*^{-1}\| + \|J_*\| \|J_k^{-1} - J_*^{-1}\|] [\|r_k\| + \|J_k - J_*\| \|x_k - x_*\| + \\ \|F_k - F_* - J_*(x_k - x_*)\|] \\ &= [\|J_*^{-1}\| + \|J_*\| \|J_k^{-1} - J_*^{-1}\|] [\|r_k\| + \|J_k - J_*\| \|x_k - x_*\| \\ &+ \|F_k - F_* - J_*(x_k - x_*)\|] \\ &= [\|J_*^{-1}\| + o(1)] [o(F_k) + o(1)\|x_k - x_*\| + o(\|x_k - x_*\|)] \end{aligned}$$
(66)

Therefore,

$$\|x_{k+1} - x_*\| = o(F_k) + o(1)\|x_k - x_*\| + o(\|x_k - x_*\|), \quad k \to \infty.$$
(67)  
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where we used the fact that for sufficient small  $\|y\|$  $x_*\parallel$ 

$$\frac{1}{\alpha} \|y - x_*\| \le \|F(y)\| \le \alpha \|y - x_*\|.$$
(68)

which is Lemma 3.1 in [15]. Similarly, to show quadratic convergence, juts notice

$$\|F(y) - F(x_*) - F(x_*)(y - x_*)\| \le L' \|y - x_*\|^2$$
(69)

for some constant L' and sufficient small  $||y - x_*||$ . For more details, check Lemma 3.2 in [15].

## **B.4** Stochastic nITGCR

Denote the noisy gradient by  $F(x;\xi_{\mathcal{G}})$  and the noisy evaluation of Hessian along a vector p by  $J(x;\xi_{\mathcal{H}})p$ . The subsample exact Newton algorithm is defined in Algorithm 5. At k-th iteration, we uniformly subsample  $\mathcal{G}_k, \mathcal{H}_k$  from full sample set to estimate the noisy gradient and Hessian, so both of them are unbiased. Before we start the theoretical analysis, we need to make some assumptions

## Algorithm 5 subsmaple Exact Newton

1: for i = 1, ..., k do Estimate  $F(x_i; \mathcal{G}_i)$  and  $J(x_i; \mathcal{H}_i)$ 2:  $x_{i+1} \leftarrow x_i - s_i J^{-1}(x_i; \mathcal{H}_i) F(x_i; \mathcal{G}_i)$ 3: 4: end for

which are usual in stochastic setting.

#### Assumptions for stochastic setting

 $E_1$  The eigenvalues of Hessian matrix for any sample  $|\mathcal{H}| = \beta$  is bounded form below and above in Loewner order

$$\mu_{\beta}I \preceq J(x,\mathcal{H}) \preceq L_{\beta}I. \tag{70}$$

Further more, we require there is uniform lower and upper bound for all subsmaples. That is, there exists  $\hat{\mu}$  and  $\hat{L}$  such that

$$0 \le \hat{\mu} \le \mu_{\beta}$$
 and  $L_{\beta} \le \hat{L} < \infty, \quad \forall \beta \in \mathbb{N}.$  (71)

And the full Hessian is bounded below and above

$$\mu I \preceq J(x) \preceq LI, \quad \forall x. \tag{72}$$

 $E_2$  The variance of subsampled gradients is uniformly bounded by a constant C.

$$tr(Cov(F(x))) \le C^2, \quad \forall x \tag{73}$$

 $E_3$  Hessian is M-Lipschitz, that is

$$||J(x) - J(y)|| \le M ||x - y||, \quad \forall x, y$$
(74)

 $E_4$  The variance of subsampled Hessianis bounded by a constant  $\sigma$ .

$$\left\|\mathbb{E}_{\mathcal{H}}[(J(x;\mathcal{H}) - J(x))]\right\| \le \sigma, \quad \forall x$$
(75)

 $E_5$  There exists a constant  $\gamma$  such that

$$\mathbb{E}[\|x_n - x^*\|^2] \le \gamma(\mathbb{E}[\|x_n - x^*\|])^2.$$

Firstly, we recall the few results on subsample Newton method from [5].

**Theorem B.13** (Theorem 2.2 in [5]). Assume  $x_n$  is generated by Algorithm 5 with  $|\mathcal{G}_i| = \eta^i$  for some  $\eta > 1$ ,  $|\mathcal{H}| = \beta \ge 1$  and  $s_i = s = \frac{\mu_\beta}{L}$  and Assumptions E1-E2 hold, then

$$\mathbb{E}_k[\phi(x_k) - \phi(x^*)] \le \alpha \tau^k,\tag{76}$$

where

$$\alpha = \max\left\{\phi(x_0) - \phi(x^*), \frac{C^2 L_\beta}{\mu \mu_\beta}\right\} \quad and \quad \tau = \max\left\{1 - \frac{\mu \mu_\beta}{2LL_\beta}, \frac{1}{\eta}\right\}.$$

**Theorem B.14** (Lemma 2.3 form [5]). Assume  $x_n$  is generated by Algorithm 5 with  $s_i \equiv 1$  and Assumptions E1-E3 hold. Then

$$\mathbb{E}_{k}[\|x_{n+1} - x^{*}\|] \leq \frac{1}{\mu_{|\mathcal{H}_{n}|}} \Big[\frac{M}{2} \|x_{n} - x^{*}\|^{2} + \mathbb{E}_{k}[\|(J(x_{n};\xi_{\mathcal{H}_{n}}) - J(x_{n}))(x_{n} - x^{*})\|] + \frac{C}{\sqrt{|\mathcal{G}_{n}|}}\Big]$$

Lemma B.15 (Lemma 2.4 from [5]). Assume the assumption E1 and E4 hold. Then

$$\mathbb{E}_{k}[\|(J(x_{n};\xi_{\mathcal{H}_{n}}) - J(x_{n}))(x_{n} - x^{*})\|] \leq \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{\mathcal{H}_{n}}}\|x_{k} - x^{*}\|.$$
(77)

**Theorem B.16** (Convergence of stochastic version of nlTGCR ). Assume  $|\mathcal{H}_n| = \beta \geq \frac{16\sigma^2}{\mu}$ ,  $\forall n$ , residue check is satisfied for  $\eta_n \leq \eta \leq \frac{1}{4L}$  and assumptions E1-E5 hold. The iterates generated by the stochastic version Algorithm 2 converges to  $x^*$  if  $||x_k - x^*|| \leq \frac{\mu}{2M\gamma}$ .

$$\mathbb{E}\|x_{n+1} - x^*\| \le \frac{3}{4}\mathbb{E}\|x_n - x^*\|$$
(78)

Proof.

$$\mathbb{E}_{n}[\|x_{n+1} - x^{*}\|] = \mathbb{E}_{n}[\|x_{n} - x^{*} - J(x_{n})^{-1}F(x_{n})\|] + \mathbb{E}_{n}[\|J(x_{n})^{-1}F(x_{n}) + P_{n}V_{n}^{T}y_{n}\|]$$

The first term can be bounded using the Theorem B.14 and Lemma B.15,

$$\begin{split} \mathbb{E}_{n}[\|x_{n} - x^{*} - J(x_{n})^{-1}F(x_{n})\|] &\leq \frac{1}{\mu_{|\mathcal{H}_{k}|}} \Big[\frac{M}{2} \|x_{n} - x^{*}\|^{2} + \\ \mathbb{E}_{k}[\|(J(x_{n};\xi_{\mathcal{H}_{n}}) - J(x_{n}))(x_{n} - x^{*})\|] + \frac{C}{\sqrt{|\mathcal{G}_{n}|}}\Big] \\ &\leq \frac{1}{\mu} [\frac{M}{2} \|x_{n} - x^{*}\|^{2} + \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{\mathcal{H}_{n}}} \|x_{n} - x^{*}\|] \\ &= \frac{M}{2\mu} \|x_{n} - x^{*}\|^{2} + \frac{\sigma}{\mu\sqrt{\beta}} \|x_{n} - x^{*}\|] \end{split}$$

We can bound the second term through the line search, recall at each iteration we have

$$\mathbb{E}_{n}[\|J(x_{n})^{-1}F(x_{n}) + P_{n}V_{n}^{T}y_{n}\|] = \mathbb{E}_{n}[\|F(x_{n}) + J(x_{n})P_{n}V_{n}^{T}y_{n}\|] \leq \eta_{n}\mathbb{E}_{k}[\|F(x_{n})\|] \leq \eta_{n}L\|x_{n} - x^{*}\|.$$

The last inequality comes from the assumption that eigenvalues of J(x) is uniformly upper bounded by L. Finally, combining the above inequalities gives us

$$\mathbb{E}_{n}[\|x_{n+1} - x^{*}\|] \leq \frac{M}{2\mu} \|x_{n} - x^{*}\|^{2} + \frac{\sigma}{\mu\sqrt{\beta}} \|x_{n} - x^{*}\| + \eta_{n}L\|x_{n} - x^{*}\|$$

Taking the total expectation on both sides leads to

$$\mathbb{E}\mathbb{E}_{n}[\|x_{n+1} - x^{*}\|] = \mathbb{E}\|x_{n+1} - x^{*}\| \leq \frac{M}{2\mu}\mathbb{E}[\|x_{n} - x^{*}\|^{2} + (\frac{\sigma}{\mu\sqrt{\beta}} + \eta_{n}L)\mathbb{E}[\|x_{n} - x^{*}\|] \\ \leq \frac{M\gamma}{2\mu}\mathbb{E}\|x_{n} - x^{*}\|\mathbb{E}\|x_{n} - x^{*}\| + (\frac{\sigma}{\mu\sqrt{\beta}} + \eta_{n}L)\mathbb{E}[\|x_{n} - x^{*}\|]$$

We prove the convergence by induction, notice that

$$\begin{split} \mathbb{E} \|x_{1} - x^{*}\| &\leq \frac{M\gamma}{2\mu} \mathbb{E} \|x_{0} - x^{*}\| \mathbb{E} \|x_{0} - x^{*}\| + (\frac{\sigma}{\mu\sqrt{\beta}} + \eta_{n}L) \mathbb{E} [\|x_{0} - x^{*}\|] \\ &\leq \left(\frac{M\gamma}{2\mu} \mathbb{E} \|x_{0} - x^{*}\| + \frac{\sigma}{\mu\sqrt{\beta}} + \etaL\right) \mathbb{E} [\|x_{0} - x^{*}\|] \\ &\leq \left(\frac{M\gamma}{2\mu} * \frac{\mu}{2M\gamma} + \frac{\sigma}{\mu\sqrt{\frac{16\sigma^{2}}{\mu}}} + \frac{1}{4L} * L\right) \mathbb{E} \|x_{0} - x^{*}\| = \frac{3}{4} \mathbb{E} \|x_{0} - x^{*}\| \end{split}$$

Now assume inequality 78 holds for n - th iteration, we prove it for n + 1-th iteration

$$\mathbb{E}\mathbb{E}_{n}[\|x_{n+1} - x^{*}\|] \leq \left(\frac{M\gamma}{2\mu}\mathbb{E}\|x_{n} - x^{*}\| + \frac{\sigma}{\mu\sqrt{\beta}} + \eta L\right)\mathbb{E}[\|x_{n} - x^{*}\|] \leq \frac{3}{4}\mathbb{E}[\|x_{n} - x^{*}\|]$$

# Appendix C Experimental Details and More Experiments

In this section, we first include more experimental details that could not be placed in the main paper due to the space limitation. We then present more experimental results of NLTGCR for different settings and difficult problems.

#### C.1 Experimental Details

We provide codes implemented in both Matlab and Python. All experiments were run on a Dual Socket Intel E5-2683v3 2.00GHz CPU with 64 GB memory and NVIDIA GeForce RTX 3090.

For linear problems considered in Section 4.1,  $\mathbf{A}$ ,  $\mathbf{b}$ ,  $\mathbf{c}$ , and initial points are generated using normally distributed random number. We use  $\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A} + \alpha \mathbf{I}$  to generate symmetric matrices. The step size is set as 1 after rescaling  $\mathbf{A}$  to have the unit 2-norm. For solving linear equations, we depict convergence by use of the norm of residual, which is defined as  $\|\mathbf{b} - \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}\|$ . For solving bilinear games, we depict convergence by use of the norm of distance to optima, which is defined as  $\|\mathbf{w}^* - \mathbf{w}_t\|$ . For most baselines, we use the Matlab official implementation.

The softmax regression problem considered in Section 4.2 is defined as follows,

$$f = -\frac{1}{s} \sum_{i=1}^{s} \log\left(\frac{e^{w_{y_j}^T x^{(i)}}}{\sum_{j=1}^{k} e^{w_j^T x^{(i)}}}\right),\tag{79}$$

where s is the total number of sample, k is the total number of classes,  $x^{(i)}$  is vector of all features of sample i,  $w_j$  is the weights for the  $j^{th}$  class, and  $y_j$  is the correct class for the  $i^{th}$  sample.

#### C.2 TGCR(1) for linear system

We first test the robustness of TGCR(1) for solving linear systems by running with 50 different initials. Figure 3 indicates TGCR converge well regardless of initialization. We then compare the performance on bilinear games with Anderson Acceleration as [26] shows AA outperforms existing methods on such problems.



Figure 3: Linear Systems  $Ax = b, A \in \mathbb{R}^{100 \times 100}$ : Comparison in terms of iteration over 50 random runs. We can observe that TGCR(1) match full memory GMRES in the first stage and consistently converge faster than AA(10).

Minimax Optimization. Next, we test TGCR on the following zero-sum bilinear games:

$$\min_{\mathbf{x}\in\mathbb{R}^n}\max_{\mathbf{y}\in\mathbb{R}^n}f(\mathbf{x},\mathbf{y}) = \mathbf{x}^T\mathbf{A}\mathbf{y} + \mathbf{b}^T\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{c}^T\mathbf{y}, \quad \mathbf{A} \text{ is full rank.}$$
(80)

Bilinear games are often regarded as an important but simple class of problems for theoretically analyzing and understanding algorithms for solving general minimax problems [66, 2]. Here we consider simultaneous GDA mapping for minimax bilinear games  $\begin{pmatrix} I & -\eta A \\ \eta A^T & I \end{pmatrix}$  [26]. Although this mapping is skew-symmetric, TGCR can still exploit the short-term recurrence. It can be observed from Figure 4 that Krylov subspace methods such as TGCR and AA converge fast for bilinear problem when A is either SPD or random generated. More importantly, Figure 4 demonstrates that TGCR (1) exhibits a *superlinear* convergence rate and converges to optimal significantly faster than AA(m) in terms of both iteration number and computation time.



Figure 4: **Bilinear Problems:** 4a: Distance to optimal vs. Iterations; 4b: Distance to optimal vs. Time; 4c: Distance to optimal vs. Iterations. It can be observed that the short-term property (Theorem 3.1) holds as long as the mapping is symmetric or skew-symmetric.

#### C.3 TGCR(1) for nonsymmetric quadratic minimization and linear system

A quadratic form is simply a scalar, quadratic function of a vector with the form

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b}^T \mathbf{x} + c,$$
(81)

where A is a matrix, x and b are vectors, and c is a scalar constant. When A is symmetric and positive-definite, f(x) is minimized by the solution to Ax = b.



Figure 5: A is nonsymmetric. In Figure 5a, we can find TGCR (1) still converges fast because the Hessian of Equation 81 is  $\frac{1}{2}(A^T + A)$ , which is still symmetric. In Figure 5b, we can find TGCR(100) has the same convergence rate with GMRES. This shows that TGCR(m) can still converge for solving nonsymmetric linear systems with m > 1 and is mathematically equivalent to non-restart GMRES when m is equal to the matrix size.

## C.4 Investigation of Stochastic NLTGCR

In the main paper, we report the effectiveness of NLTGCR for softmax regression on MNIST. We give the result about using deterministic and stochastic gradients in Figure 2 and find that NLTGCR only requires a small batch size and table size (1). In this section, we further investigate the effectiveness of NLTGCR in a stochastic setting, provide additional experimental results in Figure 6 and Figure 7. From Figure 6, we can observe that using the same batch size and table size m = 1, stochastic NLTGCR consistently outperforms stochastic AA. Also, it can be observed from Figure 7 that stochastic NLTGCR outperforms stochastic AA for different table size using a fixed batch size of 1500. Although the short-term property does not strictly hold in a stochastic setting, we can still observe that NLTGCR outperforms AA with a smaller variance. In addition, it is worth noting that a smaller table size works better for both NLTGCR and AA. We suspect this is due to the accumulation of inaccurate gradient estimates.



Figure 6: Softmax Regression: Effects of batch size, m = 1

**Compatible with Momentum** Another important technique in optimization is momentum, which speeds up convergence significantly both in theory and in practice. We experimentally show that it is possible to further accelerate the convergence of NLTGCR by using Momentum. We run stochastic NLTGCR with different momentum term and present results in Figure 8. It suggests that by incorporating momentum into NLTGCR momentum further accelerates the convergence, although the



Figure 7: Softmax Regression: Effects of table size in a stochastic setting, B = 1000



variance gets larger for a large momentum term v. We leave the theoretical analysis of of NLTGCR with momentum for future work.

Figure 8: **Softmax Regression: Compatibile with momentum.** We further test the acceleration effect of momentum on stochastic NLTGCR. It shows that stochastic NLTGCR with momentum converges faster than the one without momentum.

#### C.5 Results for Deep learning applications

## C.5.1 Image classification using CNN

In a more realistic setting, we test our algorithm for neural networks on an image classification task. Particularly, we use the standard MNIST dataset <sup>2</sup>. The architecture of the network is based on the official PyTorch implementation <sup>3</sup>. We tried our best to ensure that the baselines had the best performance in the tests. Hyperparamters are selected after grid search. We use a batch size of 64. For SGD, Nestrov (v = 0.9), Adam (default  $\beta_1$  and  $\beta_2$ ), and NLTGCR (m = 1), we use a learning rate of  $1 \times 10^{-2}$ ,  $1 \times 10^{-1}$ ,  $1 \times 10^{-3}$ , and  $1 \times 10^{-3}$ , respectively. Figure 9a shows the curves of loss for training the neural network on MNIST. Figure 9b shows the curves of test accuracy on MNIST. It can be found that NLTGCR outperforms SGD and Nestrov and is comparable to Adam. In addition, we conduct experiments on the effects of table size for NLTGCR and present results in Figure 10. Although Figure 10b, shows m = 10 does slightly better, we found that m = 1 generally yields robust results. In addition, m = 1 significantly reduces the memory and computation overhead. As a result, we would like to suggest m = 1 for general experiments. These preliminary results provide insights of the effectiveness of our algorithm for training neural networks. Our algorithm is comparable with the widely used optimizer, Adam. In addition, our algorithm is more memory and computation efficient than other nonlinear acceleration methods including AA and RNA. As a result,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>http://yann.lecun.com/exdb/mnist/

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>implementation https://github.com/pytorch/examples/blob/master/mnist.

it is worth investigating the performance of NLTGCR for different tasks and more complex networks. We leave it for our future work.



Figure 9: Training on MNIST. Averaged on 5 runs, m = 1 for our algorithm.



Figure 10: Effects of table size m We run experiments with a fixed seed. It shows S-NLTGCR(10) does slightly better than Adam and S-NLTGCR(m < 10). We would suggest to use m = 1 for saving memory and computation.

## C.5.2 Image classification using ResNet

We now perform our tests on ResNet32 [28] <sup>4</sup> using CIFAR10 [37]. We randomly split the training set of all the datasets into two subsets, train and validation. The former is used to train the neural network, whereas the latter is used for measuring the performance of the learned model. Hyperparameters are selected after a grid search. We use a batch size of 128. For Nesterov (v = 0.9), Adam (default  $\beta_1$  and  $\beta_2$ ), and NLTGCR (m = 1), we use a learning rate of  $3 \times 10^{-4}$ ,  $1 \times 10^{-3}$ , and  $1 \times 10^{-1}$ , respectively. For better visualization, figure 11 shows the curves of training loss and validation accuracy using 50 epochs. It can be observed that nlTGCR(1) consistently outperforms baselines and has a smaller variance.

## C.5.3 Time series forecasting using LSTM

Next, we test our algorithm for Long Short-Term Memory [32] on time series forecasting task using Airplane Passengers and Shampoo Sales Dataset <sup>5</sup>. We use a learning rate of 0.04 and the mean squared error (MSE) as our loss function and evaluation metric. Figure 12 depicts the MSE on validation set during training. It shows TGCR converges better than baselines. It also suggests TGCR is capable of optimizing complex deep learning architectures.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>https://github.com/akamaster/pytorch\_resnet\_cifar10

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup>https://github.com/spdin/time-series-prediction-lstm-pytorch



Figure 11: Validation MSE of training ResNet32 on CIFAR10. Averaged on 5 runs (manual random seed 0 to 5 for all methods), m = 1 for our algorithm. nlTGCR(1) consistently outperforms baselines and has a smaller variance.



Figure 12: Validation MSE of LSTM on two datasets. Averaged on 5 runs, m = 1 for our algorithm. It can be observed that nlTGCR(1) outperforms baselines.

## C.5.4 Semi-supervised classification of graph data using GCN

We also test the effectiveness of nlTGCR on GCN [36] using Cora Dataset. It consists of 2708 scientific publications classified into one of seven different classes. The citation network consists of 5429 links. Each publication in the dataset is described by a 0/1-valued word vector indicating the absence/presence of the corresponding word from the dictionary. The objective is to accurately predict the subject of a paper given its words and citation network, as known as node classification. Hyperparameters are selected after a grid search. For Nesterov (v = 0.9), Adam (default  $\beta_1$  and  $\beta_2$ ), and NLTGCR (m = 1), we use a learning rate of  $1 \times 10^{-1}$ ,  $1 \times 10^{-2}$ , and  $1 \times 10^{-1}$ , respectively. Figure 13a and 13b depict the training loss and validation accuracy averaged on 5 runs. It shows TGCR converges faster and achieves higher accuracy than baselines, which demonstrates the effectiveness of TGCR optimizing complex deep learning architectures.



Figure 13: Validation accuracy on CORA using GCN. Averaged on 5 runs, m = 1 for our algorithm. It can be observed that nlTGCR(1) significantly outperforms baselines.