

Monotone Operators: Introduction, Relations

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Introduction: structure: [1] Relations

- [1] Lipschitz constants, nonexpansive and contractive operators
- [2] Monotone operator & generalized idea of monotone increasing functions (e.g. subdifferential mappings)
- [3] Fixed point iteration algorithm & finds the fixed points of Lipschitz monotone operators
- [4] Basic results for resolvent and Cayley operators.
- [5] Proximal point method & finds zeros of general monotone operators
- [6] Operator splitting methods & better than proximal point methods

[1] Relation other names: point-to-set mapping, set-valued mapping, multi-valued function

R: Relation on \mathbb{R}^n is subset on $\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n$

$R = \{(x, y) : y \in R(x)\}$ // set of all pairs such that $y \in R(x)$

$R(x)$ // overloaded function notation = $\{y | (x, y) \in R\}$

$R(x) = \emptyset$ singleton $\forall x \Rightarrow R$ is function // in such case $y=R(x)$ is written also called operator // though technically correct is $R(x)=\{y\}$

Set-image notation for functions to relations

$$R(S) = \bigcup_{x \in S} R(x)$$

S is a set of n-dimensional points, \mathbb{R}^n

if R is a relation over input finite set, i.e. \exists finite point element $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$, then the resultant union of all such output sets for each of those points

Example: • Empty relation, $R = \emptyset$

- Full relation, $R = \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n$
- Zero relation in function too, $R = \{(x, 0) | x \in \mathbb{R}^n\}$
- Identity relation, $I = \{(x, x) | x \in \mathbb{R}^n\}$
overloaded
This is a function too
- of subdifferential $\partial f = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n | \forall z \in \mathbb{R}^n, f(z) \geq f(x) + y^T(z-x)\}$ // technically $x \in \text{dom } f$ for $\partial f \neq \emptyset$
if $f \in \mathbb{R}^n, C \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n, \text{CSR} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$

$$(x, y) \in \partial f \Leftrightarrow x \in C \wedge y \in C \wedge \forall z \in C, f(z) \geq f(x) + y^T(z-x)$$

subgradient

Operations on relations: Say $R: A \rightarrow B$

• dom $R = \{x | R(x) \neq \emptyset\} = \{a \in A | \exists b \in B, (a, b) \in R\}$, range $R = \{b \in B | \exists a \in A, (a, b) \in R\}$, $\text{inv}(R) = R^{-1} = \{(b, a) \in B \times A | (a, b) \in R\}$ # Note: $\emptyset + R = \emptyset$ if empty set annihilates any other set during (overloaded) set addition

• composition

{ R relation, S relation }

$R \circ S = \{(x, z) | \exists y, (x, y) \in S, (y, z) \in R\}$ // Veilman notation: $xRy \wedge ySz \Rightarrow xRz$

Similar to matrix multiplication: the relation to be applied first is innermost, the second relation to be applied is the left of the first relation and so on...

by: sum of relation law:

$$\tilde{R}_1 + \tilde{R}_2 = \{(x, y) | (x, y) \in \tilde{R}_1 \vee (x, y) \in \tilde{R}_2\}$$

so,

$$\exists (x, y) \in (\tilde{R}_1 + \tilde{R}_2) \Leftrightarrow (x, y) \in \tilde{R}_1 \vee (x, y) \in \tilde{R}_2 \Leftrightarrow \exists y_1, y_2, \exists y_1 \in \tilde{R}_1(x), \exists y_2 \in \tilde{R}_2(x), y = y_1 + y_2$$

$\Leftrightarrow \exists y_1, y_2, y = y_1 + y_2 \in \tilde{R}_1(x) + \tilde{R}_2(x)$ # by overloaded set addition

$\therefore (\tilde{R}_1 + \tilde{R}_2)(x) = \tilde{R}_1(x) + \tilde{R}_2(x)$ [So the overloaded sum operator for relation has additivity]

statement: overloaded sum operator for relations has additivity

if sum of relations = $\{(x, y) | (x, y) \in R_1(x) \vee (x, y) \in R_2(x)\}$ // eg. for a function: $u = F(v), v = \tilde{F}(u)$ then $(F + \tilde{F})(x) = F(x) + \tilde{F}(x) = u + v \Rightarrow F + \tilde{F} = \{(x, u+v) | u = F(x), v = \tilde{F}(x)\}$
this is an overloaded
 $= \{(x, y) | \exists z, y = z + \tilde{z}\}$ (eq: Sum of relations)

$\{ (y \in R(x), z \in \tilde{R}(x)) \Rightarrow y + z \in (R + \tilde{R})(x) = R(x) + \tilde{R}(x)$

Zero of a relation: $0 \in R(x) \Leftrightarrow x$ is a zero of R

extension to zero of a function: $0 = f(x) \Leftrightarrow x$ is a zero of f

zero set of a relation: $R^{-1}(\{0\}) = \{x | (x, 0) \in R\}$ // set of all zeros of a relation R
 // i.e. $x \in R^{-1}(\{0\}) \Leftrightarrow 0 \in R(x)$

Example RESOLVENT: # Resolvent of Cayley operator is going to play an important role later on, so let's try to get used to it gradually

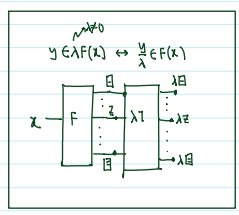
$R = (I + \lambda F)^{-1}$ // let's find out what is this
 // Here I is identity matrix
 // F is another relation/point to set mapping

$(u, v) \in R = (I + \lambda F)^{-1} \Leftrightarrow (u, v) \in R^{-1} = (I + \lambda F)$

$u = \begin{bmatrix} u \\ \vdots \\ u \end{bmatrix} \Leftrightarrow u \in (I + \lambda F)v \Leftrightarrow (x, y) \in R \Leftrightarrow xRy$
 $= Iv + \lambda F(v)$
 $= v + \lambda F(v)$
 $= v + \lambda \{ \pi : v F \pi \}$
 $= \{ v + \lambda \pi : v F \pi \}$
 $\Leftrightarrow \exists \pi (u = v + \lambda \pi \wedge v F \pi)$
 $\pi = \frac{1}{\lambda} (u - v)$
 $\Leftrightarrow v F \left(\frac{1}{\lambda} (u - v) \right)$ // $\exists \pi$ always there

$\lambda F = \{(x, y) | (x, y) \in F\}$
 $\lambda \tilde{F} = \{(x, z) | (x, z) \in \tilde{F}\}$
 $F + \tilde{F} = \{(x, y+z) | (x, y) \in F, (x, z) \in \tilde{F}\}$
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 $\lambda(F + \tilde{F}) = \{(x, \lambda(y+z)) | (x, y) \in F, (x, z) \in \tilde{F}\}$
 $= \{(x, \lambda y + \lambda z) | (x, y) \in F, (x, z) \in \tilde{F}\}$

distributive property of relations



$y = \lambda \text{Lambdas } F(x) \Leftrightarrow y = \lambda \text{Lambdas } (x) F(x)$

$\frac{1}{\lambda}(u-v) \in F(v)$ // this shows how $(u,v) \in R$ is related to the setvalued mapping in F

So for any output c (operator/resolvent) (input) h a scaled version of the input output difference will belong to operator (output)
 % Let's make up a story suppose aliens are sending us some signal x but while it hits earth it changes into y by going through a resolvent of some space-time operator (alien technology). All we get to see is y , now we want to find out what is the original x , now suppose constraining F is cheap, so we take that y input it through F and find out that one element (we are in luck and F is a function) is $(1/\lambda)(x-y)$, from which we can reconstruct original alien message y .

* Inverse of subdifferential: $(\partial f)^{-1}$

$$(u,v) \in (\partial f)^{-1} \Leftrightarrow v \in (\partial f)^{-1}u$$

We are going to show something amazing: we will show that if a pair belong to inverse of a subdifferential, then those pairs are tight in Young's inequality with the input being the argument of the conjugate function and the output being the argument of the function itself.

$(v,u) \in \partial g$
 v is some point u is the subgradient of g at v

$$\forall x \quad f(x) \geq f(v) + u^T(x-v)$$

$$f(x) - u^T x \geq f(v) - u^T v \quad // \text{ so } v \text{ minimizes } f(x) - u^T x \text{ over all } x$$

$$v \in \operatorname{argmin}_x (f(x) - u^T x)$$

$$\therefore v \in (\partial f)^{-1}(u) \Leftrightarrow v \in \operatorname{argmin}_x (f(x) - u^T x)$$

$$(\partial f)^{-1}(u) = \operatorname{argmin}_x (f(x) - u^T x) = \operatorname{argmax}_x (u^T x - f(x)) \quad // \because \forall x \quad f(x) = -\lambda(-f(x)) \therefore \operatorname{argmin}_x f(x) = \operatorname{argmax}_x -f(x)$$

We can relate this to conjugate function f^* , where $f^*(u) = \sup_x (u^T x - f(x))$ # from the defn we can immediately obtain Young's inequality:
 $\forall u, x \quad f^*(u) = \sup_x (u^T x - f(x)) \geq u^T x - f(x) \Rightarrow \forall u, x \quad f^*(u) + f(x) \geq u^T x$

$$= \max_{x \in \operatorname{argmax}_x (u^T x - f(x))} (u^T x - f(x))$$

$$// \text{ as } v \in \operatorname{argmax}_x (u^T x - f(x))$$

$$= u^T v - f(v)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow f^*(u) + f(v) = u^T v$$

$$\therefore (u,v) \in (\partial f)^{-1} \Leftrightarrow f^*(u) + f(v) = u^T v$$

$(u,v) \in (\partial f)^{-1} \Leftrightarrow u,v$ are tight in Young's inequality

def: CCP

* Another important result: For a CCP (Closed, Convex, Proper) function f , $(\partial f)^{-1} = \partial f^*$

$\{f \in \text{CCP} = \{\text{Closed, Convex, Proper}\}\} \Rightarrow f^{**} = f$ # So, applying conjugate operator twice on a CCP function is the function itself.

$$\operatorname{epi} f = \{(x,t) \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \mid x \in \operatorname{dom} f, f(x) \leq t\}$$

$$\operatorname{dom} f^* = \mathbb{R}^n$$

now for $f \in \text{CCP}$

$$(u,v) \in (\partial f)^{-1} \Leftrightarrow \underbrace{f^*(u)}_{\Phi(u)} + \underbrace{f(v)}_{\Phi(v)} = u^T v$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \underbrace{f^*(u)}_{\Phi(u)} + \underbrace{f^*(v)}_{\Phi(v)} = \underbrace{u^T v}_{\Phi(v)}$$

Remember conjugate function is always convex

$$\Leftrightarrow (v,u) \in (\partial \Phi)^{-1} = (\partial f^*)^{-1}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (u,v) \in \partial f^*$$

$$\therefore (u,v) \in (\partial f)^{-1} \Leftrightarrow (u,v) \in \partial f^*$$

$$\stackrel{k}{=} (\partial f)^{-1} = (\partial f^*)$$

conjugate_function(input) + normal_function(output) = input^T output \Leftrightarrow (input, output) \in (partial function)^{-1}