

# Q-MM Documentation

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Q-MM is a small Python toolbox to optimize differentiable objective functions

$$\hat{x} = \arg \min_{x \in \mathbb{R}} J(x)$$

by Majorization-Minimization with quadratic surrogate function. In particular, **no linesearch** is necessary and **close form formula for the step** are used with guaranteed convergence without sub-iteration. The explicit step formula allows fast convergence of the algorithm to a minimizer with minimal tuning parameters. However, the objective function must meet conditions, see *Background*.



## FEATURES

- The `mmmg` (or *3mg*), Majorize-Minimize Memory Gradient algorithm.
- The `mmcg`, Majorize-Minimize Conjugate Gradient algorithm.
- *No linesearch*: the step is obtained from a close form formula.
- *No conjugacy choice*: a conjugacy strategy is not necessary thanks to the subspace nature of the algorithms. The `mmcg` algorithm use a Polak-Ribière formula.
- Generic and flexible: there is no restriction on the number of regularizer, their type, ..., as well as for data adequacy.
- Provided base class for objective allowing easier and fast implementation.
- Just one file if you like quick and dirty installation, but available with `pip`.
- Comes with examples of implemented linear operator.





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```
@software{francois_orieux_2022_6373070,
  author      = {François Orieux and Ralph Abirizk},
  title       = {Q-MM: The Quadratic Majorize-Minimize Python
  →toolbox},
  month       = mar,
  year        = 2022,
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  version     = {0.12.0},
  doi         = {10.5281/zenodo.6373069},
  url         = {https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.6373069}
}
```

and associated publications, see *Background*.

## 5.1 Background

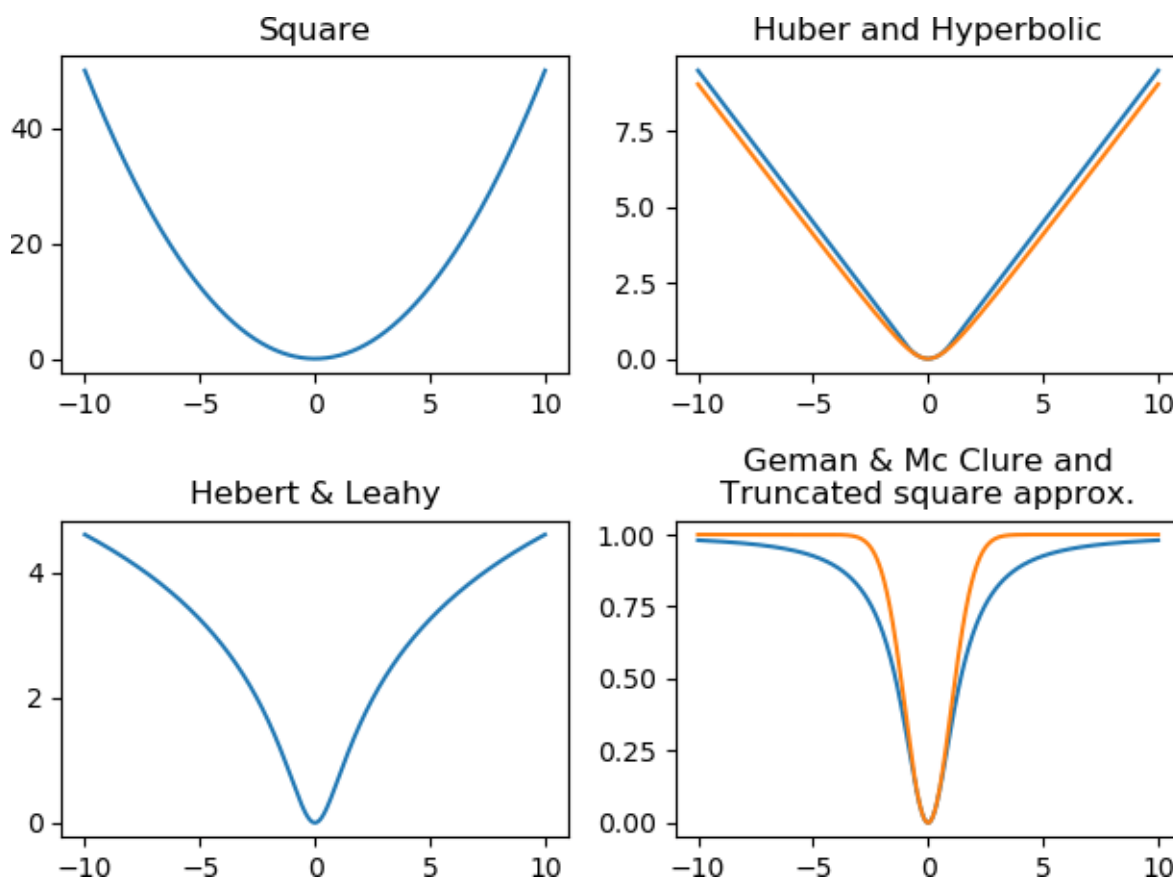
Q-MM is Python toolbox to optimise objective functions like

$$J(x) = \sum_k \mu_k \Psi_k(V_k x - \omega_k)$$

where  $x$  is the unknown of size  $N$ ,  $V_k$  a matrix or linear operator of size  $M_k \times N$ ,  $\omega_k$  a data fixed vector of size  $M_k$ ,  $\mu_k$  a scalar hyperparameter, and  $\Psi_k(u) = \sum_i \varphi_k(u_i)$ . Q-MM suppose that the scalar functions  $\varphi$  are differentiable, even, coercive,  $\varphi(\sqrt{\cdot})$  concave, and  $0 < \dot{\varphi}(u)/u < +\infty$ .

The optimization is done thanks to quadratic surrogate function. In particular, **no linesearch** is necessary and **close form formula for the step** are used with guaranteed convergence. The explicit step formula allows fast convergence of the algorithm to a minimizer of the objective function without tuning parameters. On the contrary, the objective must meet the conditions above.

The losses implemented in the toolbox, in addition to the square function, are illustrated below. The Geman & Mc Clure and the truncated square approximation are not coercive.



## 5.2 Example

A classical example is the resolution of an inverse problem with the minimization of

$$J(x) = \|y - Hx\|_2^2 + \mu\Psi(Vx)$$

where  $H$  is a low-pass forward model,  $V$  a regularization operator that approximate object gradient (kind of high-pass filter) and  $\Psi$  an edge preserving function like Huber. The above objective is obtained with  $k \in \{1, 2\}$ ,  $\Psi_1(\cdot) = \|\cdot\|_2^2$ ,  $V_1 = H$ ,  $\omega_1 = y$ , and  $\omega_2 = 0$ .

## 5.3 References

The toolbox is funded on following papers. The papers [a], [b], and [c] are historical foundations. The implemented algorithms in the toolbox come from [d] and [e]. If you use this toolbox please cite these last two papers and this toolbox as

```
@software{qmm,
  title = {Q-MM: The Quadratic Majorize-Minimize Python toolbox},
  author = {Orieux, Fran\c{c}ois},
  url = {https://github.com/forieux/qmm},
}
```



## 5.4 Installation

Q-MM only depends on `numpy` and requires Python 3.6. The recommended way is to use `poetry`

```
poetry add qmm
```

but you can also use `pip` to install in system path

```
pip install qmm
```

or user's home

```
pip install --user qmm
```

Finally, since the toolbox is essentially just one file, and if `numpy` is installed, you can also just copy the `qmm` directory from [Github release](#) (or by cloning) where your code can find it, or copy the `qmm.py` file and do, and do in both case

```
import qmm
```

## 5.5 Tutorial

The toolbox is just one file, the `qmm.py` module. The module contains essentially three part.

- The optimization algorithms, implemented as functions, that minimize

$$J(x) = \sum_k \mu_k \Psi_k(V_k x - \omega_k).$$

- The `Objective` class that implements

$$\mu \Psi(Vx - \omega) \quad \text{with} \quad \Psi(u) = \sum_i \varphi(u_i)$$

where  $u$  is a vector and  $\varphi$  a scalar function.

- The `Loss` class that implements  $\varphi$ .

### 5.5.1 Operators

The first thing to do is to implement the forward operator  $V$  and adjoint  $V^T$ . User is in charge of it. They are callable that could be Python functions or methods of objects.

```
def forward(array):
    # ...
    # do computation
    # ...
    return out # An array or a list of array
```

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```
def adjoint(out):  
    # ...  
    # do computation  
    # ...  
    return array
```

The forward parameter must accept a `numpy.ndarray`  $x$ , of any shape, as unique parameter. I recommend using `partial` in the `functools` of the standard library, or using object oriented programming. The output of the forward operator must be

- a `ndarray` of any shape,
- or a list of `ndarray` (of any shape also).

Consequently, the adjoint operator must accept a `ndarray` or a list of `ndarray` as parameter, and returns a unique `ndarray`, of any shape, as output.

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**Note:** The list of array allows mixed operators, like combination of data observation models, or multiple regularization.

Everything is internally vectorized. Therefore, the use of list of array implies memory copies of arrays.

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### 5.5.2 Losses

The second step is to instantiate loss function  $\varphi$ , *Huber* for instance

```
from qmm import Huber, Objective, QuadObjective, mmmg  
phi = Huber(delta=10)
```

Several losses are implemented, see *Background* and the *qmm* module.

### 5.5.3 Objectives

Then, a *Objective*  $\mu\Psi(Vx)$  named `prior` can be instanced

```
prior = Objective(forward, adjoint, phi, hyper=0.01)
```

If a quadratic objective like  $\|y - Hx\|_2^2$  is needed, the specific class *QuadObjective* can be used

```
data_adeq = QuadObjective(H, Ht, data=data)
```

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**Note:** In the example above, the hyperparameter value is set to  $\mu = 1$  and the data term is different than 0. For the prior term, the data is 0 by default and the hyperparameter is set to 0.01.

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## 5.5.4 Optimization algorithms

Then you can run the algorithm, `mmmng()` for instance,

```
result = mmmng([data_adeq, prior], init, max_iter=200)
```

where the list `[data_adeq, prior]` means that the two objective functions are summed. The output `result` is an instance of `OptimizeResult`.

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**Note:** `BaseObjective` can be summed returning a `MixedObjective` that behave like a list with additional functionalities. The above is equivalent to

```
fun = data_adeq + prior
result = mmmng(fun, init, max_iter=200)
```

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Two algorithms are proposed :

- `mmcg()` that implements a Polak-Ribière Conjugate Gradient.
- `mmmng()` that implements a subspace by Memory-Gradient with 2D step (that, therefore, include the conjugacy parameter).

Both algorithms have close form formula for the 1D or 2D step by Majorization-Minimization Quadratic.

In addition a Linear Conjugate Gradient `lcg()` is implemented for quadratic objective.

## 5.6 API references (qmm module)

All the functionalities are provided by the unique `qmm` module described below.

### 5.6.1 Optimization algorithms

Three algorithms are implemented.

1. `mmcg()` that use the Majorize-Minimize Conjugate Gradient (MM-CG),
2. `mmmng()` that use the Majorize-Minimize Memory Gradient (3MG), and
3. `lcg()` that use the Linear Conjugate Gradient (CG) for quadratic objective `QuadObjective` only, with exact optimal step and conjugacy parameters.

The 3MG algorithm is usually faster but use more memory. The MM-CG can be faster and use less memory.

### Majorize-Minimize Conjugate Gradient

**mmcg** (*objv\_list*, *x0*, *tol=0.0001*, *max\_iter=500*, *min\_iter=0*, *precond=None*, *callback=None*, *calc\_objv=False*)

The Majorize-Minimize Conjugate Gradient (MM-CG) algorithm.

The MM-CG is a nonlinear conjugate gradient (NL-CG) optimization algorithm with an explicit step formula based on Majorize-Minimize Quadratic approach<sup>1</sup>.

#### Parameters

- **objv\_list** (list of *BaseObjective*) – A list of *BaseObjective* objects that each represents a  $\mu \psi(Vx - \omega)$ . The objectives are summed.
- **x0** (*ndarray*) – The initial point.
- **tol** (*float, optional*) – The stopping tolerance. The algorithm is stopped when the gradient norm is inferior to  $x0.size * tol$ .
- **max\_iter** (*int, optional*) – The maximum number of iterations.
- **min\_iter** (*int, optional*) – The minimum number of iterations.
- **precond** (*callable, optional*) – A callable that must implement a preconditioner, that is  $Px$ . Must be a callable with a unique input parameter  $x$  and unique output like  $x$ .
- **callback** (*callable, optional*) – A function that receive the *OptimizeResult* at the end of each iteration.
- **calc\_objv** (*boolean, optional*) – If True, objective function is computed at each iteration with low overhead. False by default. Not used by the algorithm.

#### Returns result

Return type *OptimizeResult*

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<sup>1</sup> C. Labat and J. Idier, “Convergence of Conjugate Gradient Methods with a Closed-Form Stepsize Formula,” J Optim Theory Appl, p. 18, 2008.

## References

### Majorize-Minimize Memory Gradient

**mmmng** (*objv\_list*, *x0*, *tol=0.0001*, *max\_iter=500*, *min\_iter=0*, *precond=None*, *callback=None*, *calc\_objv=False*)

The Majorize-Minimize Memory Gradient (3MG) algorithm.

The *mmmng* (3MG) algorithm is a subspace memory-gradient optimization algorithm with an explicit step formula based on Majorize-Minimize Quadratic approach<sup>2</sup>.

#### Parameters

- **objv\_list** (list of *BaseObjective*) – A list of *BaseObjective* objects that each represents a  $\mu \psi(Vx - \omega)$ . The objectives are summed.
- **x0** (*array*) – The initial point.
- **tol** (*float, optional*) – The stopping tolerance. The algorithm is stopped when the gradient norm is inferior to  $x0.size * tol$ .
- **max\_iter** (*int, optional*) – The maximum number of iterations.
- **min\_iter** (*int, optional*) – The minimum number of iterations.
- **precond** (*callable, optional*) – A callable that must implement a preconditioner, that is  $Px$ . Must be a callable with a unique input parameter  $x$  and unique output like  $x$ .
- **callback** (*callable, optional*) – A function that receive the *OptimizeResult* at the end of each iteration.
- **calc\_objv** (*boolean, optional*) – If True, objective function is computed at each iteration with low overhead. False by default. Not used by the algorithm.

#### Returns result

**Return type** *OptimizeResult*

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<sup>2</sup> E. Chouzenoux, J. Idier, and S. Moussaoui, “A Majorize-Minimize Strategy for Subspace Optimization Applied to Image Restoration,” *IEEE Trans. on Image Process.*, vol. 20, no. 6, pp. 1517–1528, Jun. 2011, doi: 10.1109/TIP.2010.2103083.

## References

### Linear Conjugate Gradient

`lcg(objv_list, x0, tol=0.0001, max_iter=500, min_iter=0, precondition=None, callback=None, calc_objv=False)`

Linear Conjugate Gradient (CG) algorithm.

Linear Conjugate Gradient optimization algorithm for quadratic objective.

#### Parameters

- **objv\_list** (list of *QuadObjective*) – A list of *QuadObjective* objects that each represents a  $\frac{1}{2} \mu \|Vx - \omega\|_B^2$ . The objectives are summed.
- **x0** (*ndarray*) – The initial point.
- **precond** (*callable, optional*) – A callable that must implement a preconditioner, that is  $Px$ . Must be a callable with a unique input parameter  $x$  and unique output like  $x$ .
- **tol** (*float, optional*) – The stopping tolerance. The algorithm is stopped when the gradient norm is inferior to  $x0.size * tol$ .
- **max\_iter** (*int, optional*) – The maximum number of iterations.
- **min\_iter** (*int, optional*) – The minimum number of iterations.
- **callback** (*callable, optional*) – A function that receive the *OptimizeResult* at the end of each iteration.
- **calc\_objv** (*boolean, optional*) – If True, objective function is computed at each iteration with low overhead. False by default. Not used by the algorithm.

#### Returns result

Return type *OptimizeResult*

## 5.6.2 Optimization results

The output are instance of *OptimizeResult* that behave like *OptimizeResult* of *scipy*. They behave like Python dictionary and are implemented to avoid dependency to *scipy*.

**class OptimizeResult** (*\*args, \*\*kwargs*)

Represents the optimization result.

**x: array** The solution of the optimization, with same shape than *x0*.

**success: bool** Whether or not the optimizer exited successfully.

**status: int** Termination status of the optimizer. Its value depends on the underlying solver. Refer to message for details.

**message: str** Description of the cause of the termination.

**nit: int** Number of iterations performed by the optimizer.

**diff: list of float** The value of  $\|x_{k+1} - x_k\|^2$  at each iteration

**time: list of float** The time at each iteration, starting at 0, in seconds.

**fun: float** The value of the objective function.

**objv\_val: list of float** The objective value at each iteration

**jac: array** The gradient of the objective function.

**grad\_norm: list of float** The gradient norm at each iteration

## Notes

*OptimizeResult* mimics *OptimizeResult* of *scipy* for compatibility.

**\_\_init\_\_** (\*args, \*\*kwargs)  
Initialize self. See help(type(self)) for accurate signature.

### 5.6.3 Objective classes

Objective functions are defined from the abstract class *BaseObjective* that have three abstract methods that must be implemented by the subclass. If users want to implements it's own objective, he is encouraged to subclass *BaseObjective*.

Four generic concrete classes of *BaseObjective* can be used. The *Objective* class is the more general and preferred way, and *QuadObjective* is a specialized subclass that allows simplification and slightly faster computation. *Vmax* and *Vmin* are for bound penalties.

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**Note:** The property `lastgv` is used by algorithms to compute the objective function value at each iteration with low overhead, if the flag `calc_fun` is set to `True` (`False` by default). It is not required by the algorithms.

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**class BaseObjective** (*hyper=1, name=""*)  
An abstract base class for objective function

$$J(x) = \mu\Psi(Vx - \omega)$$

with  $\Psi(u) = \sum_i \varphi(u_i)$ .

**calc\_objv**

If true, compute the objective value when gradient is computed and store in *lastgv* attribute (`False` by default).

**Type** boolean

**name**

The name of the objective.

**Type** str

**hyper**

The hyperparameter value  $\mu$ .

**Type** float

**lastv**

The last evaluated value of the objective (0 by default).

**Type** float

**lastgv**

The value of objective obtained during gradient computation (0 by default).

**Type** float

**\_\_init\_\_** (*hyper=1, name=""*)

Initialize self. See help(type(self)) for accurate signature.

**abstract operator** (*point*)

Compute the output of  $Vx$ .

**abstract value** (*point*)

Compute the value at current point.

**abstract gradient** (*point*)

Compute the gradient at current point.

**abstract norm\_mat\_major** (*vecs, point*)

Return the normal matrix of the quadratic major function.

Given vectors  $W = V \cdot S$ , return  $W^T \text{diag}(b) \cdot W$

where  $S$  are the vectors defining a subspace and  $b$  are Geman & Reynolds coefficients at given *point*.

**Parameters**

- **vecs** (*array*) – The  $W$  vectors.
- **point** (*array*) – The given point where to compute Geman & Reynolds coefficients  $b$ .

**Returns out** – The normal matrix

**Return type** array



## Main objective

**class Objective** (*operator, adjoint, loss, data=None, hyper=1, name=""*)

An objective function defined as

$$J(x) = \mu \Psi(Vx - \omega)$$

with  $\Psi(u) = \sum_i \varphi(u_i)$ .

The instance attributes are:

**data** [array] The *data* array, or the vectorized list of array given at init.

**hyper** [float] The hyperparameter value  $\mu$ .

**loss** [Loss] The loss  $\varphi$ .

**\_\_init\_\_** (*operator, adjoint, loss, data=None, hyper=1, name=""*)

A objective function  $\mu \psi(Vx - \omega)$ .

### Parameters

- **operator** (*callable*) – A callable that compute the output  $Vx$ .
- **adjoint** (*callable*) – A callable that compute  $V^T e$ .
- **loss** (**Loss**) – The loss  $\varphi$ .
- **data** (*array or list of array, optional*) – The data vector  $\omega$ .
- **hyper** (*float, optional*) – The hyperparameter  $\mu$ .
- **name** (*str, optional*) – The name of the objective.

### Notes

If *data* is a list of array, *operator* must return a similar list with arrays of same shape, and *adjoint* must accept a similar list also.

In that case, however, and for algorithm purpose, everything is internally stacked as a column vector and values are therefore copied, by using a *Stacked* object. This is not efficient but flexible. Users are encouraged to do the vectorization themselves and use this “list of array” feature.

**operator** (*point*)

Compute the output of  $Vx$ .

**value** (*point*)

The value of the objective function at given point

Return  $\mu \psi(Vx - \omega)$ .

**gradient** (*point*)

The gradient and value at given point

Return  $\mu V^T \varphi'(Vx - \omega)$ .

**norm\_mat\_major** (*vecs*, *point*)

Return the normal matrix of the quadratic major function.

Given vectors  $W = V \cdot S$ , return  $W^T \cdot \text{diag}(b) \cdot W$

where  $S$  are the vectors defining a subspace and  $b$  are Geman & Reynolds coefficients at given *point*.

### Parameters

- **vecs** (*array*) – The  $W$  vectors.
- **point** (*array*) – The given point where to compute Geman & Reynolds coefficients  $b$ .

**Returns out** – The normal matrix

**Return type** array

**gr\_coeffs** (*point*)

The Geman & Reynolds coefficients at given point

Given  $x$  return  $\varphi'(Vx - \omega) / (Vx - \omega)$ .

**gy\_coeffs** (*point*)

The Geman & Yang coefficients at given point

Given  $x$  return  $Vx - \varphi'(Vx - \omega)$ .

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**Note:** The *Objective* class implements `__call__` interface allowing objects to behave like callable (function), returning the objective value

```
identity = lambda x: x

objv = qmm.Objective(identity, identity, qmm.Square())
x = np.random.standard_normal((100, ))
objv(x) == objv.value(x)
```

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## Quadratic objective

This class implements specific properties or methods associated to quadratic objective function.

**class QuadObjective** (*operator*, *adjoint*, *hessp=None*, *data=None*, *hyper=1*, *invcovp=None*, *name=""*)

A quadratic objective function

$$\begin{aligned} J(x) &= \frac{1}{2} \mu \|Vx - \omega\|_B^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \mu (Vx - \omega)^t B (Vx - \omega) \end{aligned} \tag{5.1}$$

The instance attributes are:

**hyper** [float] The hyperparameter value  $\mu$ .

**ht\_data** [array] The retroprojected data  $\mu V^T B \omega$ .

**constant** [float] The constant value  $\mu \omega^T B \omega$ .

**\_\_init\_\_** (*operator, adjoint, hessp=None, data=None, hyper=1, invcovp=None, name=""*)

A quadratic objective  $\frac{1}{2} \mu \|Vx - \omega\|_B^2$

### Parameters

- **operator** (*callable*) – A callable that compute the output  $Vx$ .
- **adjoint** (*callable*) – A callable that compute  $V^T e$ .
- **hessp** (*callable, optional*) – A callable that compute  $Qx$  as  $Qx = V^T B V x$ . Must take a parameter like *operator* and return a parameter like *adjoint* ( $x$ -like in both case).
- **data** (*array or list of array, optional*) – The data vector  $\omega$ .
- **hyper** (*float, optional*) – The hyperparameter  $\mu$ .
- **invcovp** (*callable, optional*) – A callable, that take a parameter like *adjoint* and return like *operator* ( $\omega$ -like in both case), that apply the inverse covariance, or metric,  $B = \Sigma^{-1}$ . Equivalent to Identity if *None*.
- **name** (*str, optional*) – The name of the objective.

### Notes

The *hessp* ( $Q$ ) callable is used for gradient computation as  $\nabla = \mu (Qx - b)$  where  $b = V^T B \omega$  instead of  $\nabla = \mu V^T B (Vx - \omega)$ . This is optional and in some case can be more efficient. Use it only in that case.

The variable  $b = V^T B \omega$  is computed at object initialisation.

#### property **VtB\_data**

The second term  $b = \mu \sum_i V_i^T B_i \omega_i$

#### property **constant**

The constant  $c = \mu \sum_i \omega_i^T B_i \omega_i$

#### **operator** (*point*)

Compute the output of  $Vx$ .

#### **value** (*point*)

The value of the objective function at given point

Return  $\frac{1}{2} \mu \|Vx - \omega\|_B^2$ .

#### **gradient** (*point*)

The gradient and value at given point

Return  $\nabla = \mu (Qx - b) = \mu V^T B (Vx - \omega)$ .

### Notes

Objective value is always computed with low overhead thanks to the relation

$$J(x) = \frac{1}{2} (x^T \nabla - x^T b + \mu \omega^T B \omega).$$

**value\_hessp** (*point*, *hessp*)

Return  $J(x)$  value at low cost given  $x$  and  $q = Qx$

thanks to the relation

$$J(x) = \frac{1}{2} (x^T q - 2 x^T b + \mu \omega^T B \omega).$$

**value\_residual** (*point*, *residual*)

Return  $J(x)$  value at low cost given  $x$  and  $r = b - Qx$

thanks to the relation

$$J(x) = \frac{1}{2} (x^T (-b - r) + \mu \omega^T B \omega).$$

**norm\_mat\_major** (*vecs*, *point*)

Return the normal matrix of the quadratic major function.

Given vectors  $W = V \cdot S$ , return  $W^T \text{diag}(b) \cdot W$

where  $S$  are the vectors defining a subspace and  $b$  are Geman & Reynolds coefficients at given *point*.

#### Parameters

- **vecs** (*array*) – The  $W$  vectors.
- **point** (*array*) – The given point where to compute Geman & Reynolds coefficients  $b$ .

**Returns out** – The normal matrix

**Return type** array

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**Note:** The `operator` argument for *Objective* and *QuadObjective* must be a callable that accept an `array` as input. The operator can return an `array` as output but **can also return** a `list` of `array` (for data fusion for instance). However, for needs of optimization algorithm implementation, everything must be an `array` internally. In case of `list` or `arrays`, all these `arrays` are handled by a *Stacked* class, internally vectorized and the data are therefore memory copied, at each iteration.

If `operator` returns a `list` of `array`, the `adjoint` **must** accept a `list` of `array` also. Again, everything is vectorized and *Objective* rebuild the `list` of `array` internally.

*QuadObjective* handle this `list` of `array` more efficiently since data is not stored internally by the class but only  $\mu V^T B \omega$ , that is an `array` like  $x$ .

If given, the `hessp` callable argument for *QuadObjective* must accept an `array` and returns an `array`.

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## Specific objective classes

**class Vmin** (*vmin*, *hyper*, *name*="")

A minimum value objective function

$$J(x) = \frac{1}{2}\mu\|P_{[-\infty, m]}(x) - m\|_2^2.$$

**vmin** [float] The minimum value  $m$ .

**hyper** [float] The hyperparameter value  $\mu$ .

**\_\_init\_\_** (*vmin*, *hyper*, *name*="")

A minimum value objective function

$$J(x) = \frac{1}{2}\mu\|P_{[m, +\infty]}(x) - m\|_2^2.$$

### Parameters

- **vmin** (*float*) – The minimum value  $m$ .
- **hyper** (*float*) – The hyperparameter value  $\mu$ .
- **name** (*str*) – The name of the objective.

**operator** (*point*)

Compute the output of  $Vx$ .

**value** (*point*)

Return the value at current point.

**gradient** (*point*)

Compute the gradient at current point.

**norm\_mat\_major** (*vecs*, *point*)

Return the normal matrix of the quadratic major function.

Given vectors  $W = V \cdot S$ , return  $W^T \cdot \text{diag}(b) \cdot W$

where  $S$  are the vectors defining a subspace and  $b$  are Geman & Reynolds coefficients at given *point*.

### Parameters

- **vecs** (*array*) – The  $W$  vectors.
- **point** (*array*) – The given point where to compute Geman & Reynolds coefficients  $b$ .

**Returns out** – The normal matrix

**Return type** array

**class Vmax** (*vmax*, *hyper*, *name*="")

A maximum value objective function

$$J(x) = \frac{1}{2}\mu\|P_{[M, +\infty]}(x) - M\|_2^2.$$

**vmax** [float] The maximum value  $M$ .

**hyper** [float] The hyperparameter value  $\mu$ .

**\_\_init\_\_** (*vmax*, *hyper*, *name*=")

A maximum value objective function

Return  $J(x) = \frac{1}{2}\mu \|P_{[M, +\infty]}(x) - M\|^2$ .

### Parameters

- **vmax** (*float*) – The maximum value  $M$ .
- **hyper** (*float*) – The hyperparameter value  $\mu$ .
- **name** (*str*) – The name of the objective.

**operator** (*point*)

Compute the output of  $Vx$ .

**value** (*point*)

Return the value at current point.

**gradient** (*point*)

Compute the gradient at current point.

**norm\_mat\_major** (*vecs*, *point*)

Return the normal matrix of the quadratic major function.

Given vectors  $W = V \cdot S$ , return  $W^T \cdot \text{diag}(b) \cdot W$

where  $S$  are the vectors defining a subspace and  $b$  are Geman & Reynolds coefficients at given *point*.

### Parameters

- **vecs** (*array*) – The  $W$  vectors.
- **point** (*array*) – The given point where to compute Geman & Reynolds coefficients  $b$ .

**Returns out** – The normal matrix

**Return type** array

## Sum of objectives

The *MixedObjective* is a convenient (not required) list-like class that represent the sum of *BaseObjective*. Moreover, *BaseObjective* and *MixedObjective* support the “+” operator and returns a *MixedObjective* instance, or update the instance, respectively. Since *MixedObjective* is a list, it can be used with *optimization algorithms*.

```
likelihood = QuadObjective(...)
prior1 = Objective(...)
prior2 = Objective(...)

# Equivalent to objective = MixedObjective([likelihood, prior1])
objective = likelihood + prior1
```

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```
# Equivalent to objective.append(prior2)
objective = objective + prior2

# Equivalent to res = mmmg([likelihood, prior1, prior2], ...)
res = mmmg(objective, ...)
```

**class MixedObjective** (*objv\_list*)

Represents a mixed objective function

$$J(x) = \sum_k \mu_k \Psi_k (V_k x - \omega_k)$$

This is a *Sequence* (or list-like) and instance of this class can be used in optimization algorithms.

**\_\_init\_\_** (*objv\_list*)

A mixed objective function

$$J(x) = \sum \mu \psi (V \cdot x - \omega).$$

**Parameters** *objv\_list* (list of *BaseObjective*) –

**property lastv**

Return the value of objectives obtained during gradient computation.

**insert** (*index, value*)

S.insert(index, value) – insert value before index

**value** (*point*)

The value  $J(x)$

**gradient** (*point*)

The gradient  $\nabla J(x)$

## 5.6.4 Losses classes

The class *Loss* is an abstract base class and serve as parent class for all losses. At that time, the provided concrete loss functions are *Square*, *Huber*, *Hyperbolic*, *HebertLeahy*, *GemanMcClure*, and *TruncSquareApprox*.

**Note:** The *Loss* class implements `__call__` interface allowing objects to behave like callable (function), returning the function value

```
u = np.linspace(-5, 5, 1000)
pot = qmm.Huber(1)
plt.plot(u, pot(u))
```

**class Loss** (*inf, convex=False, coercive=False*)

An abstract base class for loss  $\varphi$ .

The class has the following attributes.

**inf** [float] The value of  $\lim_{u \rightarrow 0} \varphi'(u) / u$ .

**convex** [boolean] A flag indicating if the loss is convex (not used).

**coercive** [boolean] A flag indicating if the loss is coercive (not used).

**\_\_init\_\_** (*inf*, *convex=False*, *coercive=False*)

The loss  $\varphi$

### Parameters

- **inf** (*float*) – The value of  $\lim_{u \rightarrow 0} \varphi'(u) / u$ .
- **convex** (*boolean*) – A flag indicating if the loss is convex.
- **coercive** (*boolean*) – A flag indicating if the loss is coercive.

**abstract value** (*point*)

The value  $\varphi(\cdot)$  at given point.

**abstract gradient** (*point*)

The gradient  $\varphi'(\cdot)$  at given point.

**gr\_coeffs** (*point*)

The Geman & Reynolds  $\varphi'(\cdot) / \cdot$  coefficients at given point.

**gy\_coeffs** (*point*)

The Geman & Yang  $\cdot - \varphi'(\cdot)$  coefficients at given point.

## Square

**class Square**

The Square loss

$$\varphi(u) = \frac{1}{2}u^2.$$

**\_\_init\_\_** ()

The Square loss  $\varphi(u) = \frac{1}{2}u^2$ .

**value** (*point*)

The value  $\varphi(\cdot)$  at given point.

**gradient** (*point*)

The gradient  $\varphi'(\cdot)$  at given point.



## Huber

**class** `Huber` (*delta*)

The convex coercive Huber loss

$$\varphi(u) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2}u^2, & \text{if } u \leq \delta, \\ \delta|u| - \frac{\delta^2}{2}, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

**\_\_init\_\_** (*delta*)

The Huber loss.

**value** (*point*)

The value  $\varphi(\cdot)$  at given point.

**gradient** (*point*)

The gradient  $\varphi'(\cdot)$  at given point.

## Hyperbolic or Pseudo-Huber

**class** `Hyperbolic` (*delta*)

The convex coercive hyperbolic loss

$$\varphi(u) = \delta^2 \left( \sqrt{1 + \frac{u^2}{\delta^2}} - 1 \right)$$

This is sometimes called Pseudo-Huber.

**\_\_init\_\_** (*delta*)

The hyperbolic loss.

**value** (*point*)

The value  $\varphi(\cdot)$  at given point.

**gradient** (*point*)

The gradient  $\varphi'(\cdot)$  at given point.

## Hebert & Leahy

**class** `HebertLeahy` (*delta*)

The non-convex coercive Hebert & Leahy loss

$$\varphi(u) = \log \left( 1 + \frac{u^2}{\delta^2} \right)$$

**\_\_init\_\_** (*delta*)

The Hebert & Leahy loss.

**value** (*point*)

The value  $\varphi(\cdot)$  at given point.

**gradient** (*point*)  
The gradient  $\varphi'(\cdot)$  at given point.

### Geman & Mc Clure

**class GemanMcClure** (*delta*)  
The non-convex non-coervice Geman & Mc Clure loss

$$\varphi(u) = \frac{u^2}{2\delta^2 + u^2}$$

**\_\_init\_\_** (*delta*)  
The Geman & Mc Clure loss.

**value** (*point*)  
The value  $\varphi(\cdot)$  at given point.

**gradient** (*point*)  
The gradient  $\varphi'(\cdot)$  at given point.

### Truncated Square approximation

**class TruncSquareApprox** (*delta*)  
The non-convex non-coercive truncated square approximation

$$\varphi(u) = 1 - \exp\left(-\frac{u^2}{2\delta^2}\right)$$

**\_\_init\_\_** (*delta*)  
The truncated square approximation.

**value** (*point*)  
The value  $\varphi(\cdot)$  at given point.

**gradient** (*point*)  
The gradient  $\varphi'(\cdot)$  at given point.

## 5.7 operators module

Implements high level interface to manipulate linear operators. This module is not required by Q-MM, is basic, but can serve as guide or for reuse.

**dft2** (*obj*)  
Return the orthogonal real 2D fft.

**Parameters** *obj* (*array-like*) – The array on which to perform the 2D DFT.

**Returns out**

**Return type** array

## Notes

This function is a wrapper of `numpy.fft.rfft2`. The DFT is made on the two last axis.

**idft2** (*obj, shape*)

Return the orthogonal real 2D ifft.

### Parameters

- **obj** (*array-like*) – The array on which to perform the inverse 2D DFT.
- **shape** (*tuple*) – The output shape.

**Returns out**

**Return type** array

## Notes

This function is a wrapper of `numpy.fft.irfft2`. The DFT is made on the two last axis.

**class Operator**

An abstract base class for linear operators.

**abstract forward** (*point*)

Return  $H \cdot x$

**abstract adjoint** (*point*)

Return  $H^T \cdot e$

**fwback** (*point*)

Return  $H^T H \cdot x$

**T** (*point*)

Return  $H^T \cdot e$

**class Conv2** (*ir, shape*)

2D convolution on image.

Does not suppose periodic or circular condition.

**imp\_resp**

The impulse response.

**Type** array

**shape**

The shape of the input image.

**Type** tuple of int

**freq\_resp**

The frequency response of shape *shape*.

**Type** array

### Notes

Use `fft` internally for fast computation. The `forward` methods is equivalent to `convolve2d` with “valid” boundary condition and `adjoint` is equivalent to `convolve2d` with “full” boundary condition with zero filling.

**\_\_init\_\_** (*ir, shape*)

2D convolution on image.

#### Parameters

- **ir** (*array*) – The impulse response.
- **shape** (*tuple of int*) – The shape of the input image.

**forward** (*point*)

Return  $H \cdot x$

**adjoint** (*point*)

Return  $H^T e$

**fwback** (*point*)

Return  $H^T H x$

**class Diff** (*axis*)

Difference operator.

Compute the first-order differences along an axis.

**axis**

The axis along which the differences is performed.

**Type** int

### Notes

Use `numpy.diff` and implement the correct adjoint, with `numpy.diff` also.

**\_\_init\_\_** (*axis*)

First-order differences operator.

**Parameters** **axis** (*int*) – the axis along which to perform the diff.

**response** (*ndim*)

Return the equivalent impulse response.

The result of `forward` method is equivalent with “valid” convolution with this impulse response. The adjoint operator corresponds the “full” convolution with the flipped impulse response.

**freq\_response** (*ndim, shape*)

The frequency response.

**forward** (*point*)

Return  $H \cdot x$

**adjoint** (*point*)

Return  $H^T \cdot e$

**ir2fr** (*imp\_resp, shape, center=None, real=True*)

Return the frequency response from impulse responses.

This function make the necessary correct zero-padding, zero convention, correct DFT etc. to compute the frequency response from impulse responses (IR).

The IR array is supposed to have the origin in the middle of the array.

The Fourier transform is performed on the last  $len(shape)$  dimensions.

### Parameters

- **imp\_resp** (*array*) – The impulse responses.
- **shape** (*tuple of int*) – A tuple of integer corresponding to the target shape of the frequency responses, without hermitian property.  $len(shape) \geq ndarray.ndim$ . The DFT is performed on the  $len(shape)$  last axis of ndarray.
- **center** (*tuple of int, optional*) – The origin index of the impulse response. The middle by default.
- **real** (*boolean, optional*) – If True, *imp\_resp* is supposed real, the hermitian property is used with rfft DFT and the output has  $shape[-1] / 2 + 1$  elements on the last axis.

**Returns out** – The frequency responses of shape *shape* on the last  $len(shape)$  dimensions.

**Return type** array

### Notes

- The output is returned as C-contiguous array.
- For convolution, the result have to be used with unitary discrete Fourier transform for the signal (*norm="ortho"* of fft).
- DFT are always performed on last axis for efficiency (C-order array).

### 5.8 How to extend Q-MM

To extend Q-MM you must subclass `qmm.BaseObjective` or `qmm.Loss`. Then `qmm.mmmg()` and `qmm.mmCG()` should work as expected.

Feel free to [contribute](#) with issues or pull request.

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