

# On signal recovery and blurry image reconstruction via a double parameter Hager-Zhang type iterative scheme for monotone nonlinear equations

Kabiru Ahmed (✉ [kabiruhungu16@gmail.com](mailto:kabiruhungu16@gmail.com))

Bayero university, Kano

Mohammed Yusuf Waziri

Bayero university, Kano

Abubakar Sani Halilu

Sule lamido university, Nigeria

---

## Research Article

**Keywords:** Line search, Projection method, Signal processing, Convex constraint, Image de-blurring

**Posted Date:** August 22nd, 2022

**DOI:** <https://doi.org/10.21203/rs.3.rs-1968255/v1>

**License:**  This work is licensed under a Creative Commons Attribution 4.0 International License.

[Read Full License](#)

---

# On signal recovery and blurry image reconstruction via a double parameter Hager-Zhang type iterative scheme for monotone nonlinear equations

Kabiru Ahmed<sup>1,3</sup> \*Mohammed Yusuf Waziri<sup>1,3</sup> Abubakar Sani Halilu<sup>2,3</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Mathematics department, Bayero university, Kano, Nigeria

<sup>2</sup>Mathematics department, Sule Lamido University, Kafin Hausa, Nigeria

## Abstract

The one parameter scheme by Hager and Zhang (Pac. J. Optim. 2(1) 35-58(2006)) represents a group of descent iterative schemes for large-dimension minimization problems. The nonnegative parameter of the scheme determines the weight of conjugacy and descent, and by extension, the scheme's effectiveness. The scheme, however, only converges globally for the traditional strongly convex quadratic functions. Other approaches have to be applied to ensure this attribute holds for general functions. Moreover, when the parameter approaches 0, the scheme reduces to the method by Hestenes and Stiefel (J. Research Nat. Bur. Standards. 49(1952)409-436), which in practical sense does not perform well due to the jamming phenomenon. By carrying out eigenvalue analysis of an adaptive two parameter Hager-Zhang type method, a new scheme is presented, which ensures global convergence for monotone functions without any condition for the type of linesearch procedure. The proposed scheme was driven by attributes exhibited by the Hager-Zhang scheme and various schemes designed with double parameters. The scheme is also applicable to non-smooth problems since it doesn't require derivatives. Using fundamental assumptions, we proved global convergence of the scheme and preliminary report of numerical experiments carried out with the scheme and some recent methods indicate it is more effective and efficient.

**Mathematics Subject Classification:** 90C30, 90C26

**Keywords:** Line search; Projection method; Signal processing; Convex constraint; Image de-blurring

## 1. INTRODUCTION

By virtue of its less storage requirement and strong global convergence property, conjugate gradient method (CG) has become a perfect choice for large dimension unconstrained problems of the form

---

\*Corresponding author kabiruhungu16@gmail.com, Bayero University Kano, Nigeria

$$\min_{x \in \mathbf{R}^n} f(x). \quad (1.1)$$

In (1.1),  $f$  represents a smooth nonlinear mapping whose gradient at  $x_k$  is given as  $\nabla f(x_k)$ . Iterates of the scheme are obtained using the update formula

$$x_{k+1} = x_k + s_k, \quad s_k = x_{k+1} - x_k = \sigma_k d_k, \quad k \geq 1, \quad (1.2)$$

with  $x_k$  being the last iterate,  $\sigma_k$  a step-size that, in most cases, is calculated using the following popular Wolfe line strategy:

$$f(x_k + \alpha_k d_k) \leq f(x_k) + \delta_k \sigma_k \nabla f(x_k)^T d_k, \quad (1.3)$$

$$\nabla f(x_{k+1})^T d_k \geq \vartheta \nabla f(x_k)^T d_k, \quad (1.4)$$

where  $0 < \delta < \vartheta < 1$ .

Furthermore,  $d_k$  in (1.2), (1.3) and (1.4) is the CG search direction, which is generally defined as

$$d_0 = -\nabla f(x_0), \quad d_{k+1} = -\nabla f(x_k) + \beta_k d_k. \quad (1.5)$$

In (1.4),  $\beta_k$  is a scalar parameter, which not only identifies a particular CG method, but also influences its performance. By considering a variant of the standard conjugacy condition, Dai and Liao [29] developed an essential CG method with update parameter  $\beta_k$  defined as

$$\beta_k^{DL} = \frac{y_k^T \nabla f(x_{k+1})}{y_k^T d_k} - t_k \frac{s_k^T \nabla f(x_{k+1})}{y_k^T d_k}, \quad y_k = \nabla f(x_k) - \nabla f(x_{k-1}). \quad (1.6)$$

Remarkably, if  $t_k = 0$ , (1.6) becomes precisely the update parameter due to Hestenes and Stiefel [35], i.e.,

$$\beta_k^{HS} = \frac{y_k^T \nabla f(x_{k+1})}{y_k^T d_k}. \quad (1.7)$$

Similarly, if  $t_k = \tau_k \frac{\|y_k\|^2}{y_k^T s_k} - \frac{y_k^T s_k}{\|s_k\|^2}$ , (1.6) reduces to the scheme by Dai and Kou [17], i.e.,

$$\beta_k^{DK+} = \frac{\nabla f(x_{k+1})^T y_k}{d_k^T y_k} - \left( \tau_k + \frac{\|y_k\|^2}{s_k^T y_k} - \frac{s_k^T y_k}{\|s_k\|^2} \right) \frac{\nabla f(x_{k+1})^T s_k}{d_k^T y_k}, \quad (1.8)$$

where  $\tau$  is exactly the parameter in the scaled memoryless *BFGS* scheme and  $\|\cdot\|$  represents the Euclidean norm. Also, taking  $t_k = 2 \frac{\|y_k\|^2}{y_k^T d_k}$  reduces (1.6) to the scheme by Hager and Zhang [14], namely

$$\beta_k^{HZ} = \frac{y_k^T \nabla f(x_{k+1})}{y_k^T d_k} - 2 \frac{\|y_k\|^2}{y_k^T d_k} \frac{d_k^T \nabla f(x_{k+1})}{y_k^T d_k}. \quad (1.9)$$

By replacing 2 in the second term of (1.9) with a nonnegative parameter  $\theta_k$ , Hager and Zhang [15] obtained the generalized form as

$$\beta_k^\theta = \frac{y_k^T \nabla f(x_{k+1})}{y_k^T d_k} - \theta_k \frac{\|y_k\|^2}{y_k^T d_k} \frac{d_k^T \nabla f(x_{k+1})}{y_k^T d_k}. \quad (1.10)$$

As proven in [15], a CG method with the update parameter (1.10) satisfies the sufficient descent condition, namely

$$d_k^T \nabla f(x_{k+1}) \leq - \left(1 - \frac{1}{4\theta_k}\right) \|\nabla f(x_{k+1})\|^2, \quad (1.11)$$

for  $\theta_k > \frac{1}{4}$ . Note: the condition (1.11) is satisfied irrespective of the line search strategy applied. That notwithstanding, the scheme only converges globally for strongly convex functions, when the linesearch conditions (1.3) and (1.4) are used or the Goldstein [16] approach is employed. In an effort to address the aforementioned shortfall, the authors in [15] suggested the following truncated version:

$$\beta_k^{\theta+} = \max\{\beta_k^\theta, \zeta_k\}, \quad \zeta_k = \frac{-1}{\|d_k\| \min\{\zeta, \|\nabla f(x_{k+1})\|\}}, \quad (1.12)$$

where  $\zeta$  denotes a positive constant. It can easily be verified that when  $\tau_k = \frac{s_k^T y_k}{\|s_k\|^2}$  in (1.8), we obtain

$$\beta_k = \frac{y_k^T \nabla f(x_{k+1})}{y_k^T d_k} - \frac{\|y_k\|^2 d_k^T \nabla f(x_{k+1})}{y_k^T d_k}, \quad (1.13)$$

which clearly corresponds to (1.10) with  $\theta_k = 1$ . It is important to note here that the HZ version in (1.13) has been shown to be less effective than the first variant in (1.9).

Following the above discussion, we now introduce adaptations of the CG schemes for finding solutions of the following problem:

$$F(\bar{x}) = 0, \quad \bar{x} \in \mathbf{R}^n, \quad (1.14)$$

where the vector valued mapping  $F$  is continuous and monotone. The latter assumption indicates that  $F$  satisfies

$$(F(x) - F(y))^T (x - y) \geq 0, \quad \forall x, y \in \mathbf{R}^n. \quad (1.15)$$

The version of (1.14) that is of interest in this paper is where the solution lies in a closed convex set  $\bar{x} \in \Phi \subset \mathbf{R}^n$ . This constrained form often arises in real life problems like the economic equilibrium system and chemical equilibrium problems in [1,2]. It is also an important feature in compressed sensing [3–6].

In recent decade, the Hager-Zhang (HZ) scheme [14] has been modified to solve (1.14) and with the version with constraint. To realize this, modified HZ directions are employed together with the projection technique designed in [13]. In [4], Xiao and Zhu presented a modified HZ-type projection method to solve (1.14) with convex constraint. The scheme converges globally and is employed to solve the  $\ell_1$  - norm optimization problem in compressed sensing. In the same vain, Liu and Li [3] combined a modified form of the HZ scheme in [14] with the strategy designed in [13] to propose another HZ-type scheme to solve (1.14) with convex constraint. A vital attribute of the scheme, which makes it appropriate for non-smooth functions is its derivative-free and low memory structure. The authors also applied the scheme in compressive sensing to restore disturbed signals. In an attempt to further develop other HZ-type schemes for

solving (1.14), Waziri et al. [20] obtained two appropriate choices for the HZ parameter in [15]. The authors applied both values to obtain new modified HZ directions, which, together with the strategy in [13], produced algorithm of the scheme. In furtherance of the work in [20], Sabi'u et al. [25] obtained still, different approximations for the HZ parameter in [15], which are subsequently used to present other HZ variants. More detail are available in [7–12, 19, 21–24, 28].

In this work, the interest is to apply a different approach from the ones discussed above to develop an efficient Hager-Zhang type scheme for the constrained form of (1.14) and demonstrate its application in reconstructing disturbed signals and blurry images. We are motivated by the following facts:

- Few number of modified HZ type schemes exists for problem (1.14) and the constrained variant. And the ones that exists are either modified versions of (1.9), as presented in [3,4] or modified adaptations of (1.10) as presented in [11,20,24–26].
- The HZ scheme based on the update parameter (1.10) is not convergent for general nonlinear functions, only its truncated version has that attribute.
- The scheme defined in (1.9), where  $\theta_k = 2$  has been tested to be the most efficient in the family of HZ methods.

We intend to develop a new HZ-type scheme that will address the aforementioned limitations as follows:

- Another HZ-type method will be presented to add to the few of its kind in the literature. We intend to apply a different approach from the ones adopted by previous researchers.
- The scheme will converge globally irrespective of the type of line search procedure applied.
- The scheme will be compared with modified versions of the efficient method in (1.9) and two recent HZ-type methods.

In addition to the above, the new scheme will be applied to reconstruct sparse signals and de-blur noisy images in compressed sensing.

The article is prepared as follows: Preliminaries and derivation of the new scheme are presented in the next section. The third section deals with convergence analysis of the scheme. Results of numerical experiments carried out on the scheme and four other methods are discussed in section four. Application of the proposed scheme to highlight its effectiveness is given in section five. We make conclusions in section six.

## 2. PRELIMINARIES AND DERIVATION OF THE NEW SCHEME

First, we give an important definition that will be recalled frequently in the rest of the manuscript.

**Definition 2.1** *Given that  $j_1$  and  $j_2$  are vectors in an inner product space, then*

$$|\langle j_1, j_2 \rangle| \leq \|j_1\| \|j_2\|. \quad (2.1)$$

In the past decade, iterative schemes for solving (1.14) with double parameters have been presented. For example, by modifying the classical *BFGS* scheme, namely

$$B_k = B_{k-1} - \frac{B_{k-1}s_{k-1}s_{k-1}^T B_{k-1}}{s_{k-1}^T B_{k-1} s_{k-1}} + \frac{y_{k-1}y_{k-1}^T}{s_{k-1}^T y_{k-1}}, \quad (2.2)$$

Liao [30], proposed a two parameter modified *BFGS* scheme with update given by

$$B_k = B_{k-1} - \bar{\sigma}_k \frac{B_{k-1}s_{k-1}s_{k-1}^T B_{k-1}}{s_{k-1}^T B_{k-1} s_{k-1}} + \bar{\gamma}_k \frac{y_{k-1}y_{k-1}^T}{s_{k-1}^T y_{k-1}}. \quad (2.3)$$

The idea behind incorporating  $\bar{\sigma}_k$  and  $\bar{\gamma}_k$  in the second and last term of (2.2) is to better correct the eigenvalues of the iteration matrix associated with scheme's direction. Numerical experiments with more than 80 benchmark functions proves a tremendous improvement of (2.3) over the classical *BFGS* scheme. In another development, Andrei [31] proposed a double parameter *BFGS* scheme with the update for the approximation Hessian matrix given by

$$B_k = \bar{\sigma}_k \left[ B_{k-1} - \frac{B_{k-1}s_{k-1}s_{k-1}^T B_{k-1}}{s_{k-1}^T B_{k-1} s_{k-1}} \right] + \bar{\gamma}_k \frac{y_{k-1}y_{k-1}^T}{s_{k-1}^T y_{k-1}}, \quad (2.4)$$

with  $\bar{\sigma}_k$  and  $\bar{\gamma}_k$  denoting positive parameters. Recently, Babaie-Kafaki [32] proposed a two-parameter *BFGS* scheme as an extension of the one proposed in [30]. The update of the scheme is given by

$$H_k = \theta_k I - \theta_k \frac{s_{k-1}y_{k-1}^T + y_{k-1}s_{k-1}^T}{s_{k-1}^T y_{k-1}} + \left( 1 + \bar{\gamma}_k \frac{\|y_{k-1}\|^2}{s_{k-1}^T y_{k-1}} \right) \frac{s_{k-1}s_{k-1}^T}{s_{k-1}^T y_{k-1}}, \quad (2.5)$$

where  $\theta_k$  and  $\bar{\gamma}_k$  denote two parameters. The authors proved that the condition necessary for global convergence of the method holds, namely

$$\nabla f(x_k)^T d_k \leq -\psi \|\nabla f(x_k)\|^2, \quad \forall k \geq 0, \quad \psi > 0, \quad (2.6)$$

and in addition, the author showed that the condition number associated with the scheme's iteration matrix is well-conditioned. A modification of (2.5) was proposed in [33], namely

$$H_k = \frac{1}{\bar{\delta}_k} \left[ H_{k-1} - \frac{H_{k-1}y_{k-1}s_{k-1}^T + s_{k-1}y_{k-1}^T H_{k-1}}{s_{k-1}^T y_{k-1}} + \left( \frac{\bar{\delta}_k}{\bar{\gamma}_k} + \frac{y_{k-1}^T H_{k-1} y_{k-1}}{s_{k-1}^T y_{k-1}} \right) \frac{s_{k-1}s_{k-1}^T}{s_{k-1}^T y_{k-1}} \right], \quad (2.7)$$

with the parameters  $\bar{\delta}_k$  and  $\bar{\gamma}_k$  determined by employing the scheme in [34].

In an attempt to improve the numerical performance of the classical one-parameter HZ scheme [15], Babaie-Kafaki [18] introduced its variant by scaling the second and third terms of the scheme's search direction, namely

$$d_k = -\nabla f(x_k) + \gamma \beta_k^\theta d_{k-1}, \quad (2.8)$$

where

$$\beta_k^\theta = \frac{\nabla f(x_k)^T y_{k-1}}{d_{k-1}^T y_{k-1}} - \theta_k \frac{\|y_{k-1}\|^2 \nabla f(x_k)^T d_{k-1}}{(d_{k-1}^T y_{k-1})^2}, \quad k \geq 1, \quad (2.9)$$

with  $\gamma \in [0, 1]$ . From (2.8) and (2.9), the scheme's direction is re-written as

$$d_k = -G_k \nabla f(x_k), \quad (2.10)$$

where

$$G_k = I - \frac{\gamma s_{k-1} y_{k-1}^T}{s_{k-1}^T y_{k-1}} + \frac{\gamma \theta_k \|y_{k-1}\|^2 s_{k-1} s_{k-1}^T}{(s_{k-1}^T y_{k-1})^2}. \quad (2.11)$$

It was proven in [18] that for  $\theta_k \geq \bar{\theta} > \frac{1}{4}$ , the new HZ scheme in (2.8) satisfies the condition

$$d_k^T \nabla f(x_k) \leq -\left(1 - \frac{\gamma}{4\theta_k}\right) \|\nabla f(x_k)\|^2, \quad \forall k \geq 1. \quad (2.12)$$

As discussed in section one, a few number of modified HZ type schemes exists for problem (1.14) and the constrained variant. Now, based on the discussion in section 2 and inspired by the HZ method in (1.13), we present a two parameter version of the HZ scheme in (1.13), which not only satisfies the vital condition for global convergence, but outperforms two adaptive variants of the efficient scheme in (1.9) and a recent HZ-type solver. The scheme's search direction is given by

$$d_k = -\mu_k F_k + \frac{\mu_k F_k^T \bar{y}_{k-1}}{s_{k-1}^T \bar{y}_{k-1}} s_{k-1} - \gamma \mu_k \frac{\|\bar{y}_{k-1}\|^2 F_k^T s_{k-1}}{(s_{k-1}^T \bar{y}_{k-1})^2} s_{k-1}, \quad d_0 = -F_0, \quad (2.13)$$

where

$$\bar{y}_{k-1} = y_{k-1} + \zeta s_{k-1}, \quad y_{k-1} = F_k - F_{k-1}, \quad F_k = F(x_k), \quad F_{k-1} = F(x_{k-1}), \quad \zeta > 0. \quad (2.14)$$

From (2.14), and by monotonicity of  $F$ , we have

$$s_{k-1}^T \bar{y}_{k-1} = s_{k-1}^T y_{k-1} + \zeta \|s_{k-1}\|^2 \geq \zeta \|s_{k-1}\|^2 > 0, \quad \zeta > 0. \quad (2.15)$$

Hence, (2.13) is well-defined.

**Lemma 2.2** *The sequence  $\{d_k\}$  of directions defined by (2.13) satisfy the inequality*

$$d_k^T F_k \leq -\psi \|F_k\|^2, \quad \mu_k \in (0, \infty), \quad \gamma \geq 1, \quad (2.16)$$

where  $\psi = \mu_k \left(1 - \frac{1}{4\gamma}\right)$ .

**Proof** Interestingly, the search direction (2.13) can be reformulated as

$$d_k = -M_k F_k, \quad \forall k \geq 1, \quad (2.17)$$

where  $M_k$  denotes the iteration matrix of the scheme, i.e,

$$M_k = \mu_k I - \frac{\mu_k s_{k-1} \bar{y}_{k-1}^T}{s_{k-1}^T \bar{y}_{k-1}} + \frac{\gamma \mu_k \|\bar{y}_{k-1}\|^2 s_{k-1} s_{k-1}^T}{(s_{k-1}^T \bar{y}_{k-1})^2}. \quad (2.18)$$

Clearly, the matrix  $M_k$  is nonsymmetric and positive definite. A symmetric form of (2.18) can be obtained as

$$\bar{M}_k = \frac{1}{2} [M_k^T + M_k], \quad (2.19)$$

or more precisely, as

$$\bar{M}_k = \mu_k I - \frac{\mu_k s_{k-1} \bar{y}_{k-1}^T}{2s_{k-1}^T \bar{y}_{k-1}} - \frac{\mu_k \bar{y}_{k-1} s_{k-1}^T}{2s_{k-1}^T \bar{y}_{k-1}} + \frac{\gamma \mu_k \|\bar{y}_{k-1}\|^2 s_{k-1} s_{k-1}^T}{(s_{k-1}^T \bar{y}_{k-1})^2}. \quad (2.20)$$

Now, considering (2.17), we can write

$$d_k^T F_k = -F_k^T M_k F_k = -F_k^T \bar{M}_k F_k, \quad \forall k \geq 1. \quad (2.21)$$

Next, we analyze eigenvalues of the matrix  $\bar{M}_k$  and their structures. As proven in (2.15)  $s_{k-1}^T \bar{y}_{k-1} > 0$ , hence,  $s_{k-1} \neq 0$  and  $\bar{y}_{k-1} \neq 0$ . We now consider two possibilities:

(i).  $s_{k-1} \nparallel \bar{y}_{k-1}$ . The consequence of this is that a set of mutually orthogonal vectors  $\{v_{k-1}^i\}_{i=1}^{n-2} \subset \mathcal{S}^\perp$  exists for which

$$s_{k-1}^T v_{k-1}^i = \bar{y}_{k-1}^T v_{k-1}^i = 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, n-2, \quad (2.22)$$

where  $\mathcal{S}^\perp$  represents the orthogonal complement of the space  $\mathcal{S} \in \mathbf{R}^n$  spanned by the vectors  $s_{k-1}$  and  $\bar{y}_{k-1}$ . By applying (2.22) in (2.20), and for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n-2$ , we get

$$\bar{M}_k v_{k-1}^i = \bar{M}_k^T v_{k-1}^i = \mu_k v_{k-1}^i, \quad (2.23)$$

which confirms  $\mu_k$  up to  $n-2$  as eigenvalues of  $\bar{M}_k$ , with  $\{v_{k-1}^i\}_{i=1}^{n-2}$  representing its eigenvectors. Next, we seek to obtain the two eigenvalues of  $\bar{M}_k$  that are left, namely,  $\chi_k^+$  and  $\chi_k^-$  respectively.

Now from (2.23), trace of  $\bar{M}_k$  can be obtained as

$$\begin{aligned} \text{trace}(\bar{M}_k) &= n\mu_k - \mu_k + \frac{\gamma \mu_k \|\bar{y}_{k-1}\|^2 \|s_{k-1}\|^2}{(s_{k-1}^T \bar{y}_{k-1})^2} \\ &= \underbrace{\mu_k + \dots + \mu_k}_{(n-2) \text{ times}} + \chi_k^+ + \chi_k^-, \end{aligned} \quad (2.24)$$

which ultimately yields

$$\chi_k^+ + \chi_k^- = \mu_k + \frac{\gamma \mu_k \|\bar{y}_{k-1}\|^2 \|s_{k-1}\|^2}{(s_{k-1}^T \bar{y}_{k-1})^2}. \quad (2.25)$$



Also, using properties of Frobenius norm, and setting  $\Lambda_k = \frac{\|\bar{y}_{k-1}\| \|s_{k-1}\|}{(s_{k-1}^T \bar{y}_{k-1})}$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|\bar{M}_k\|_F^2 &= \text{trace}(\bar{M}_k^T \bar{M}_k) \\ &= n\mu_k^2 - \frac{3}{2}\mu_k^2 + \frac{\mu_k^2 \Lambda_k^2}{2} + \gamma^2 \mu_k^2 \Lambda_k^4 \\ &= \underbrace{\mu_k^2 + \dots + \mu_k^2}_{(n-2) \text{ times}} + \chi_k^{+2} + \chi_k^{-2}, \end{aligned} \quad (2.26)$$

which subsequently yields

$$\chi_k^{+2} + \chi_k^{-2} = \frac{\mu_k^2}{2} + \frac{\mu_k^2 \Lambda_k^2}{2} + \gamma^2 \mu_k^2 \Lambda_k^4. \quad (2.27)$$

And from (2.25) and (2.27) we get

$$\chi_k^- \chi_k^+ = \frac{\mu_k^2}{4} + \gamma \mu_k^2 \Lambda_k^2 - \frac{\mu_k^2 \Lambda_k^2}{4}. \quad (2.28)$$

Now, from (2.25) and (2.28),  $\chi_k^+$  and  $\chi_k^-$  as just solutions to the polynomial equation

$$\chi^2 - (\mu_k + \gamma \mu_k \Lambda_k^2) \chi + \frac{\mu_k^2}{4} + \gamma \mu_k^2 \Lambda_k^2 - \frac{\mu_k^2 \Lambda_k^2}{4} = 0. \quad (2.29)$$

Therefore, the two remaining eigenvalues can be obtained using the quadratic formula as

$$\chi_k^\pm = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \mu_k + \gamma \mu_k \Lambda_k^2 \pm \sqrt{(\mu_k + \gamma \mu_k \Lambda_k^2)^2 - 4 \left( \frac{\mu_k^2}{4} + \gamma \mu_k^2 \Lambda_k^2 - \frac{\mu_k^2 \Lambda_k^2}{4} \right)} \right], \quad (2.30)$$

or a more precise form after some rearrangements as

$$\chi_k^\pm = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \mu_k + \gamma \mu_k \Lambda_k^2 \pm \sqrt{(\mu_k \Lambda_k - \mu_k \gamma \Lambda_k)^2 + \mu_k^2 \gamma^2 \Lambda_k^4 - \mu_k^2 \gamma^2 \Lambda_k^2} \right]. \quad (2.31)$$

From (2.31) and Cauchy Schwartz inequality,  $\chi_k^+ > 0$ . Also, to establish  $\chi_k^- > 0$ , we define the following function:

$$Q(\eta) = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \mu_k + \gamma \mu_k \eta^2 \pm \sqrt{(\mu_k \eta - \mu_k \gamma \eta)^2 + \mu_k^2 \gamma^2 \eta^4 - \mu_k^2 \gamma^2 \eta^2} \right]. \quad (2.32)$$

It can easily be proven that  $Q(\eta)$  represents a strictly decreasing function on  $[1, +\infty)$  for  $\mu_k \in (0, +\infty)$ . Also, since  $\gamma \in [1, \infty)$  and  $\mu_k \in (0, \infty)$ , then taking limits as  $\eta$  approaches infinity of  $Q(\eta)$ , we have

$$\chi_k^- > \lim_{\eta \rightarrow \infty} Q(\eta) = \mu_k - \frac{\mu_k}{4\gamma} = \mu_k \left( 1 - \frac{1}{4\gamma} \right) > 0. \quad (2.33)$$

(ii).  $s_{k-1} \parallel \bar{y}_{k-1}$ . This possibility implies that there exists a constant  $\tau$  which is nonzero for which  $\bar{y}_{k-1} = \tau s_{k-1}$ . Applying this in (2.18) or (2.20) leads to

$$M_k = \bar{M}_k = \mu_k I - \frac{\mu_k s_{k-1} s_{k-1}^T}{\|s_{k-1}\|^2} + \frac{\gamma \mu_k s_{k-1} s_{k-1}^T}{\|s_{k-1}\|^2}. \quad (2.34)$$

As stated earlier,  $s_{k-1} \neq 0$ , so a set of mutually orthogonal vectors  $\{v_{k-1}^i\}_{i=1}^{n-1} \subset \mathcal{S}^\perp$  exist for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n-1$ , for which

$$s_{k-1}^T v_{k-1}^i = 0, \quad \|v_{k-1}^i\| = 1, \quad (2.35)$$

which consequently leads to

$$\bar{M}_k v_{k-1}^i = \mu_k v_{k-1}^i, \quad i = 1, \dots, n-1, \quad (2.36)$$

which implies that  $\bar{M}_k$  has  $n-1$  eigenvalues with multiplicity  $\theta_k$  each with  $\{v_{k-1}^i\}_{i=1}^{n-1}$  representing eigenvectors of  $\bar{M}_k$ . In addition,

$$\bar{M}_k s_{k-1} = \mu_k s_{k-1} - \frac{\mu_k s_{k-1} s_{k-1}^T}{\|s_{k-1}\|^2} s_{k-1} + \frac{\gamma \mu_k s_{k-1} s_{k-1}^T}{\|s_{k-1}\|^2} s_{k-1} = (\gamma \mu_k) s_{k-1}, \quad (2.37)$$

implying that  $s_{k-1}$  represents eigenvector of  $\bar{M}_k$  with eigenvalue  $\bar{\chi}_k$ , namely

$$\bar{\chi}_k = \gamma \mu_k. \quad (2.38)$$

Now, considering the fact that the parameter  $\mu_k > 0$  and  $\gamma \in [1, \infty)$ , it can be proven that

$$\bar{\chi}_k = \mu_k \gamma > \mu_k \left(1 - \frac{1}{4\gamma}\right) > 0, \quad \forall k. \quad (2.39)$$

Furthermore, suppose  $\chi_s$  is the least eigenvalue of  $\bar{M}_k$ , then going by the two possibilities analyzed above, we can obtain

$$\chi_s \geq \mu_k \left(1 - \frac{1}{4\gamma}\right) > 0. \quad (2.40)$$

Therefore, the above analysis proves positive-definiteness of  $\bar{M}_k$ . Hence, using (2.21), we obtain

$$d_k^T F_k = -F_k^T \bar{M}_k F_k \leq -\chi_s \|F_k\|^2 \leq -\mu_k \left(1 - \frac{1}{4\gamma}\right) \|F_k\|^2. \quad (2.41)$$

On the other hand, setting  $\Delta_k = s_{k-1}^T \bar{y}_{k-1}$ , and by direct computation, we have

$$\begin{aligned} d_k^T F_k &= -\mu_k \|F_k\|^2 + \frac{\mu_k F_k^T \bar{y}_{k-1}}{\Delta_k} F_k^T s_{k-1} - \gamma \mu_k \frac{\|\bar{y}_{k-1}\|^2 (F_k^T s_{k-1})^2}{\Delta_k^2} \\ &= \frac{\mu_k F_k^T \bar{y}_{k-1} \Delta_k F_k^T s_{k-1} - \mu_k \Delta_k^2 \|F_k\|^2 - \gamma \mu_k \|\bar{y}_{k-1}\|^2 (F_k^T s_{k-1})^2}{\Delta_k^2}. \end{aligned} \quad (2.42)$$

By setting  $v_1 = \frac{\Delta_k \sqrt{\mu_k} F_k}{\sqrt{2\gamma}}$ ,  $v_2 = \sqrt{2\gamma \mu_k} (F_k^T s_{k-1}) \bar{y}_{k-1}$  and employing the identity

$$v_1^T v_2 \leq \frac{1}{2} (\|v_1\|^2 + \|v_2\|^2),$$

we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} d_k^T F_k &\leq \frac{\frac{\mu_k \Delta_k^2 \|F_k\|^2}{4\gamma} + \gamma \mu_k \|\bar{y}_{k-1}\|^2 (F_k^T s_{k-1})^2 - \mu_k \Delta_k^2 \|F_k\|^2 - \gamma \mu_k \|\bar{y}_{k-1}\|^2 (F_k^T s_{k-1})^2}{\Delta_k^2} \\ &= -\mu_k \|F_k\|^2 + \frac{\mu_k}{4\gamma} \|F_k\|^2 \\ &= -\mu_k \left(1 - \frac{1}{4\gamma}\right) \|F_k\|^2. \end{aligned} \quad (2.43)$$

Therefore, if  $\mu_k = \bar{\mu} \in (0, +\infty)$  for each  $k \geq 1$  with  $\gamma \in [1, \infty)$ , the new method satisfies (2.16). Hence, setting  $\psi = \bar{\mu} \left(1 - \frac{1}{4\gamma}\right)$ , we have

$$d_k^T F_k \leq \psi \|F_k\|^2, \quad (2.44)$$

which completes the proof. ■

In line with previous work [20, 24–26], we proceed to obtain appropriate value for the parameter  $\mu_k$  of the modified HZ scheme. To achieve this, we employ the idea developed in [27] for analyzing convergence of quasi-Newton schemes. By considering a set of matrices, which are positive-definite, the authors in [27] proposed the following function:

$$\Psi(H) = \text{tr}(H) - \ln(\det(H)),$$

where  $H$  represents a symmetric matrix whose eigenvalues are all positive real numbers, namely,  $\chi_1 \geq \chi_2 \geq \dots \geq \chi_n > 0$ , and  $\text{tr}(H), \ln(\det(H))$  are trace of  $H$  and natural logarithm of determinant of the matrix  $H$  respectively. The authors also noted that the function  $\Psi(H)$  represents a measure of how close  $H$  is to an identity matrix such that  $\Psi(I) = n$ . Moreover, the authors also show that the matrix  $H$  is ill-conditioned when  $\Psi(H)$  is large. In view of this, the parameter  $\mu_k$  can be computed as the minimizer of the function  $\Psi(\bar{M}_k)$ .

From (2.25) and (2.28), with some algebraic simplifications, we have

$$\mu_k = \arg \min_{\mu} \Psi(\bar{M}_k) = \frac{2(s_{k-1}^T \bar{y}_{k-1})^2}{(s_{k-1}^T \bar{y}_{k-1})^2 + \gamma \|\bar{y}_{k-1}\|^2 \|s_{k-1}\|^2}.$$

Before stating the steps for the scheme's algorithm, we present the projection operator  $\Gamma_{\Phi}[x]$ , that is formulated as

$$\Gamma_{\Phi}(x) = \arg \min \|x - y\| : y \in \Phi, \quad \forall x \in \mathbf{R}^n. \quad (2.45)$$

Also,  $\Gamma_{\Phi}[\cdot]$  is nonexpansive, namely,

$$\|\Gamma_{\Phi}(x) - \Gamma_{\Phi}(y)\| \leq \|x - y\|, \quad \forall x, y \in \mathbf{R}^n, \quad (2.46)$$

with

$$\|\Gamma_{\Phi}(x) - y\| \leq \|x - y\|, \quad \forall y \in \Phi. \quad (2.47)$$

Following the above discussions, steps of the algorithm for solving (1.14) are presented below:

---

**Algorithm 1:**

---

**Input:** From an guess  $x_0 \in \Phi$ , tolerance  $\varepsilon > 0$ , parameters  $\beta \in (0,1), \rho \in (0,1), \phi > 0$ . Set  $k = 0$  and  $d_0 = -F_0$ .

1: Calculate  $F(x_k)$  and stop the process if  $\|F(x_k)\| \leq \varepsilon$ , if not, proceed to 2.

2: Find a trial point  $\alpha_k = x_k + \sigma_k d_k$ , where  $\sigma_k = \max\{\beta \rho^\iota : \iota = 0, 1, 2, \dots\}$ , for which

$$-F(\alpha_k)^T d_k \geq \phi \sigma_k \|d_k\|^2, \quad (2.48)$$

is satisfied.

3: If  $\alpha_k \in \Phi$  and  $\|F(\alpha_k)\| \leq \varepsilon$  stop, else determine

$$x_{k+1} = \Gamma_\Phi [x_k - \varphi_k F(\alpha_k)], \quad (2.49)$$

where

$$\varphi_k = \frac{F(\alpha_k)^T (x_k - \alpha_k)}{\|F(\alpha_k)\|^2}. \quad (2.50)$$

4: Generate direction  $d_{k+1}$  by (2.13).

5: Set  $k = k + 1$  and proceed to 1.

---

### 3. THE SCHEME'S GLOBAL CONVERGENCE

We require the following assumptions to proceed with our analysis:

(i). For the underlying mapping  $F(\cdot)$ , there exists  $\bar{x} \in \Phi$  for which  $F(\bar{x}) = 0$ .

(ii). The underlying mapping  $F(\cdot)$  is Lipschitz continuous, namely, for  $0 < L < \infty$  the following is satisfied:

$$\|F(x) - F(y)\| \leq L \|x - y\|, \quad \forall x, y \in \mathbf{R}^n. \quad (3.1)$$

Next, we employ the following Lemma to prove that when the solution of (1.14) is not obtained, a steplength  $\sigma_k$  exists such that (2.48) is satisfied.

**Lemma 3.1** *Let (i) hold. Then  $\forall k \geq 0$ , a positive constant  $\sigma_k$  exists such that (2.48) is satisfied.*

**Proof** By contradiction, suppose a constant  $k_0$  exists for which (2.48) does not hold for each integer  $i \geq 0$ , namely

$$-F(x_{k_0} + \beta \rho^i d_{k_0})^T d_{k_0} < \phi \beta \rho^i \|d_{k_0}\|^2. \quad (3.2)$$

Utilizing (i) and letting the integer  $i$  grow to infinity i.e,  $i \rightarrow \infty$ , yields

$$-F(x_{k_0})^T d_{k_0} \leq 0. \quad (3.3)$$

From (2.44), we obtain

$$-F(x_{k_0})^T d_{k_0} \geq \psi \|F(x_{k_0})\|^2 > 0. \quad (3.4)$$

Considering (3.3) and (3.4), a contradiction is obtained, which establishes the proof. ■

**Lemma 3.2** *Given that (i) and (ii) holds. Let  $\bar{x}$  be an arbitrary solution of (1.14) in  $\Phi$ . Then the sequences  $\{x_k\}$  and  $\{\alpha_k\}$  that **Algorithm 1** generates are bounded and*

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|x_k - \alpha_k\| = 0. \quad (3.5)$$

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|x_{k+1} - \alpha_k\| = 0. \quad (3.6)$$

**Proof .** Firstly, we prove that the sequences  $\{x_k\}$  and  $\{\alpha_k\}$  are bounded. Suppose  $\bar{x} \in \Phi$  denotes solution of (1.14). From the property of  $F$  in (1.15), we get

$$(x_k - \bar{x})^T F(\alpha_k) \geq (x_k - \alpha_k)^T F(\alpha_k). \quad (3.7)$$

From (2.48) and definition of  $\alpha_k$ , we get

$$(x_k - \alpha_k)^T F(\alpha_k) \geq \phi \sigma_k^2 \|d_k\|^2. \quad (3.8)$$

Using (2.47) and (2.49), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \|x_{k+1} - \bar{x}\|^2 &= \|\Gamma_{\Phi}(x_k - \varphi_k F(\alpha_k)) - \bar{x}\|^2 \\ &\leq \|x_k - \varphi_k F(\alpha_k) - \bar{x}\|^2 \\ &= \|x_k - \bar{x}\|^2 - 2\varphi_k F(\alpha_k)^T (x_k - \bar{x}) + \varphi_k^2 \|F(\alpha_k)\|^2 \\ &\leq \|x_k - \bar{x}\|^2 - 2\varphi_k F(\alpha_k)^T (x_k - \alpha_k) + \varphi_k^2 \|F(\alpha_k)\|^2 \\ &= \|x_k - \bar{x}\|^2 - \frac{F(\alpha_k)^T (x_k - \alpha_k)}{\|F(\alpha_k)\|^2} \\ &\leq \|x_k - \bar{x}\|^2, \end{aligned} \quad (3.9)$$

which reduces to

$$\|x_{k+1} - \bar{x}\| \leq \|x_k - \bar{x}\|, \quad \forall k \geq 0. \quad (3.10)$$

In a recursive manner, (3.10) shows that  $\|x_k - \bar{x}\| \leq \|x_0 - \bar{x}\|$ ,  $\forall k$ . Hence,  $\{\|x_k - \bar{x}\|\}$  represents a sequence, which is decreasing sequence, hence bounded. Consequently, this implies that  $\{x_k\}$  is also bounded. From Assumption (i), (3.1) and (3.10) we get

$$\|F(x_k)\| = \|F(x_k) - F(\bar{x})\| \leq L\|x_k - \bar{x}\| \leq L\|x_0 - \bar{x}\|. \quad (3.11)$$

Setting  $C = L\|x_0 - \bar{x}\|$  implies that the sequence  $\{F(x_k)\}$  is bounded. Namely,

$$\|F(x_k)\| \leq C. \quad (3.12)$$

By definition of  $\alpha_k$  in step 2, (3.7), (1.15), and (2.1), we get

$$\phi \|x_k - \alpha_k\| = \frac{\phi \|\sigma_k d_k\|^2}{\|x_k - \alpha_k\|} \leq \frac{F(\alpha_k)^T (x_k - \alpha_k)}{\|x_k - \alpha_k\|} \leq \frac{F(x_k)^T (x_k - \alpha_k)}{\|x_k - \alpha_k\|} \leq \|F(x_k)\|. \quad (3.13)$$

Also, from boundedness of  $\{x_k\}$ , (3.12) and (3.13), we see that  $\{\alpha_k\}$  is also bounded. Similarly, the boundedness of  $\{\alpha_k\}$ , for any solution  $\bar{x} \in \Phi$ , implies that  $\{\|\alpha_k - \bar{x}\|\}$  is bounded, namely

$$\|\alpha_k - \bar{x}\| \leq B, \quad B > 0. \quad (3.14)$$

Moreover, from (3.1) we obtain

$$\|F(\alpha_k)\| = \|F(\alpha_k) - F(\bar{x})\| \leq L\|\alpha_k - \bar{x}\| \leq LB. \quad (3.15)$$

Hence from (3.9), we obtain

$$\frac{\phi^2}{(LB)^2} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \|x_k - \alpha_k\|^4 \leq \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(F(\alpha_k)^T(x_k - \alpha_k))^2}{\|F(\alpha_k)\|^2} \leq \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (\|x_k - \bar{x}\|^2 - \|x_{k+1} - \bar{x}\|^2) < \infty. \quad (3.16)$$

From (3.16) and property of convergent series, we have

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|x_k - \alpha_k\| = 0. \quad (3.17)$$

Then, by (2.47), (2.50) and (2.1), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|x_{k+1} - x_k\| &= \|\Gamma_{\Phi}[x_k - \varphi_k F(\alpha_k)] - x_k\| \\ &\leq \|x_k - \varphi_k F(\alpha_k) - x_k\| \\ &= \|\varphi_k F(\alpha_k)\| \\ &\leq \|x_k - \alpha_k\|. \end{aligned} \quad (3.18)$$

Taking limit of both sides of (3.18), we obtain

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|x_{k+1} - x_k\| = 0. \quad (3.19)$$

Moreover, from (3.5) and the fact that  $\alpha_k = \sigma_k d_k$ , we obtain

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \sigma_k \|d_k\| = 0. \quad (3.20)$$

■

**Theorem 3.3** Suppose (i) and (ii) holds. Consider the sequences  $\{x_k\}$  and  $\{\alpha_k\}$  generated by Algorithm 1. Then

$$\liminf_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|F(x_k)\| = 0. \quad (3.21)$$

**Proof .** The proof is by contradiction. Let the conclusion (3.21) be false, then there exists  $v_1 > 0$  such that

$$\|F_k\| \geq v_1, \quad \forall k \geq 0. \quad (3.22)$$

Now, using (2.1) and (2.16) leads to

$$\|d_k\| \geq \psi \|F_k\| \geq v_1, \quad \forall k \geq 0. \quad (3.23)$$

Also, by (2.1)

$$\|s_{k-1}\|^2 \|\bar{y}_{k-1}\|^2 \geq (s_{k-1}^T \bar{y}_{k-1})^2,$$

and

$$\frac{1}{\|s_{k-1}\|^2 \|\bar{y}_{k-1}\|^2} \leq \frac{1}{(s_{k-1}^T \bar{y}_{k-1})^2}. \quad (3.24)$$

From (2.28) and (3.24), we have

$$|\mu_k| = \left| \frac{2(s_{k-1}^T \bar{y}_{k-1})^2}{(s_{k-1}^T \bar{y}_{k-1})^2 + \gamma \|s_{k-1}\|^2 \|\bar{y}_{k-1}\|^2} \right| \leq \left| \frac{2(s_{k-1}^T \bar{y}_{k-1})^2}{(s_{k-1}^T \bar{y}_{k-1})^2 (1 + \gamma)} \right| = \frac{2}{1 + \gamma}. \quad (3.25)$$

Setting  $\frac{2}{1+\gamma} = a_2$  we get

$$|\mu_k| \leq v_2. \quad (3.26)$$

From (2.14) and (3.1), we obtain

$$\|\bar{y}_{k-1}\| \leq \|y_{k-1}\| + \varsigma \|s_{k-1}\| \leq L \|s_{k-1}\| + \varsigma \|s_{k-1}\| = (L + \varsigma) \|s_{k-1}\|. \quad (3.27)$$

Hence, using (2.13), (2.15), (3.26), (3.27), and (2.1) yields

$$\begin{aligned} \|d_k\| &\leq |\mu_k| \|F_k\| + |\mu_k| \frac{\|F_k\| \|\bar{y}_{k-1}\| \|s_{k-1}\|}{s_{k-1}^T \bar{y}_{k-1}} + |\mu_k| \frac{|\gamma| \|\bar{y}_{k-1}\|^2 \|F_k\| \|s_{k-1}\|^2}{(s_{k-1}^T \bar{y}_{k-1})^2} \\ &\leq v_2 \|F_k\| + v_2 \frac{(L + \varsigma) \|F_k\| \|s_{k-1}\|^2}{\varsigma \|s_{k-1}\|^2} + v_2 \frac{\gamma (L + \varsigma)^2 \|F_k\| \|s_{k-1}\|^4}{\varsigma^2 \|s_{k-1}\|^4} \\ &= a_2 \|F_k\| + v_2 \frac{(L + \varsigma) \|F_k\|}{\varsigma} + v_2 \frac{\gamma (L + \varsigma)^2 \|F_k\|}{\varsigma^2} \\ &\leq v_2 C + v_2 \frac{(L + \varsigma) C}{\varsigma} + v_2 \frac{\gamma (L + \varsigma)^2 C}{\varsigma^2} \end{aligned} \quad (3.28)$$

Setting  $\Pi = v_2 C + v_2 \frac{(L + \varsigma) C}{\varsigma} + v_2 \frac{\gamma (L + \varsigma)^2 C}{\varsigma^2}$ , we have that

$$\|d_k\| \leq \Pi, \quad \forall k \geq 0. \quad (3.29)$$

Now, assuming  $\sigma_k \neq \beta$ , then going by definition of the step-size  $\sigma_k$ ,  $\frac{\sigma_k}{\rho}$  will not satisfy (2.48), i.e.,

$$-F(x_k + \frac{\sigma_k}{\rho} d_k)^T d_k < \phi \frac{\sigma_k}{\rho} \|d_k\|^2.$$

So, applying the inequality (2.44), (2.1), and (3.1), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \psi \|F_k\|^2 &\leq F_k^T d_k = \left( F(x_k + \frac{\sigma_k}{\rho} d_k) - F_k \right)^T d_k - F \left( x_k + \frac{\sigma_k}{\rho} d_k \right)^T d_k \\ &\leq L \frac{\sigma_k}{\rho} \|d_k\|^2 + \phi \frac{\sigma_k}{\rho} \|d_k\|^2. \end{aligned} \quad (3.30)$$

Consequently, the second inequality implies that

$$\sigma_k \geq \frac{\psi \rho}{(L + \phi)} \frac{\|F_k\|^2}{\|d_k\|^2}. \quad (3.31)$$

Therefore, using (3.22) and (3.29), we get

$$\sigma_k \|d_k\| \geq \frac{\psi \rho}{(L + \phi)} \frac{\|F_k\|^2}{\|d_k\|} \geq \frac{\psi \rho}{(L + \phi)} \frac{v_1^2}{\pi} > 0. \quad (3.32)$$

Clearly, (3.32), shows a contradiction with (3.20). ■

#### 4. RESULTS OF COMPUTATIONAL EXPERIMENTS AND DISCUSSIONS

In this section, the effectiveness of Algorithm 1 which we call *NHZIS* scheme is investigated by comparing its performance with that of the four Hager-Zhang type iterative methods presented in [3,4,25], which, for simplicity, we denote as *MHZM2*, *CGD* and *PCG* respectively. For the implementation of the four schemes, the same parameter choices used by the authors were also applied in our experiments. For the *NHZIS* scheme, the line search parameters are set as  $\rho = 0.65$ ,  $\beta = 0.9$ ,  $\phi = 10^{-6}$ . In addition, we set  $\zeta = 0.01$ ,  $\gamma = 1$ . The implementation codes were generated with Matlab R2015a on a PC with configuration (2.30GHZCPU,4GBRAM) running windows operating system. The iterations for all the five algorithms are set to terminate if the inequality  $\|F(x_k)\| \leq 10^{-8}$  or  $\|F(\alpha_k)\| \leq 10^{-8}$  is attained or the iterations exceed 1000.

Furthermore, Tables 1 – 5, were drawn to display results from the experiments conducted. In the tables, "Pnum" and "Nvars" denote test problem number and dimension, "Iguess" and "Inum" represent initial starting point and number of iterations respectively. Also, "Fvalue" and "Ptime" denote function evaluations and CPU time recorded. The final norm recorded, when the process terminates and failure to obtain a solution after 1000 iterations are represented by "*Norm*" and "–" respectively.

For the underlisted problems,  $F(x) = (F_1(x), F_2(x), \dots, F_n(x))^T$ .

**Problem 4.1.** [39].

$$F_i(x) = e^{x_i} - 1, \quad 2 \leq i \leq n, \quad i \in \mathbb{Z}_+,$$

with  $\Phi = \mathbf{R}_+^n$ .

**Problem 4.2.** [38].

$$F_1(x) = e^{x_1} - 1,$$

$$F_i(x) = \frac{i}{10}(e^{x_i} + x_{i-1} - 1), \quad 2 \leq i \leq n, \quad i \in \mathbb{Z}_+,$$

with  $\Phi = \mathbf{R}_+^n$ .

**Problem 4.3.** [4].

$$F_i(x) = x_i - \sin|x_i - 1|, \quad 1 \leq i \leq n, \quad i \in \mathbb{Z}_+,$$

with  $\Phi = \left\{ x \in \mathbf{R}^n : \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \leq n, \quad x_i \geq -1, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n \right\}$ .

**Problem 4.4.** [40].

$$F_i(x) = x_i - 2 \sin|x_i - 1|, \quad 1 \leq i \leq n, \quad i \in \mathbb{Z}_+,$$

with  $\Phi = \left\{ x \in \mathbf{R}^n : \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \leq n, \quad x_i \geq -1, \quad 1 \leq i \leq n, \quad i \in \mathbb{Z}_+ \right\}$ .

**Problem 4.5.** [3].

$$F_1(x) = x_1 - e^{\left(\cos \frac{x_1 + x_2}{n+1}\right)},$$

$$F_i(x) = x_i - e^{\left(\cos \frac{x_{i-1} + x_i + x_{i+1}}{n+1}\right)}, \quad 2 \leq i \leq n-1, \quad i \in \mathbb{Z}_+,$$

$$F_n(x) = x_n - e^{\left(\cos \frac{x_{n-1} + x_n}{n+1}\right)}.$$

with  $\Phi = \mathbf{R}_+^n$ .

**Problem 4.6** [38].



$$\begin{aligned}
F_1(x) &= e^{x_1} - 1, \\
F_i(x) &= e^{x_i} + x_i - 1, \quad 2 \leq i \leq n, \quad i \in \mathbb{Z}_+, \\
\text{with } \Phi &= \mathbf{R}_+^n.
\end{aligned}$$

**Problem 4.7** [42].

$$\begin{aligned}
F_1(x) &= -2x_1 - x_2 + e^{x_1} - 1, \\
F_i(x) &= 2x_i - x_{i-1} - x_{i+1} + e^{x_i} - 1, \quad 2 \leq i \leq n-1, \quad i \in \mathbb{Z}_+, \\
F_n(x) &= 2x_n - x_{n-1} + e^{x_n} - 1.
\end{aligned}$$

with  $\Phi = \left\{ x \in \mathbf{R}^n : \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \leq n, \quad x_i \geq 0, \quad 1 \leq i \leq n, \quad i \in \mathbb{Z}_+ \right\}$ .

**Problem 4.8.** [41].

$$\begin{aligned}
F_1(x) &= 3x_1^3 + 2x_2 - 5 + \sin(x_1 - x_2) \sin(x_1 + x_2), \\
F_i(x) &= -x_{i-1}e^{x_{i-1}-x_i} + x_i(4 + 3x_i^2) + 2x_{i+1} + \sin(x_i - x_{i+1}) \sin(x_i + x_{i+1}) - 8, \\
2 \leq i &\leq n-1, \quad i \in \mathbb{Z}_+, \\
F_n(x) &= -x_{n-1}e^{x_{n-1}-x_n} + 4x_n - 3.
\end{aligned}$$

with  $\Phi = \mathbf{R}_+^n$ .

**Problem 4.9.** [40].

$$\begin{aligned}
F_i(x) &= 2x_i - \sin|x_i|, \quad 1 \leq i \leq n, \quad i \in \mathbb{Z}_+, \\
\text{with } \Phi &= \mathbf{R}_+^n.
\end{aligned}$$

**Problem 4.10.** [38].

$$\begin{aligned}
F_i(x) &= \log(x_i + 1) - \frac{x_i}{n}, \quad 2 \leq i \leq n, \quad i \in \mathbb{Z}_+, \\
\text{with } \Phi &= \mathbf{R}_+^n.
\end{aligned}$$

Initial points for the experiments are as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
x1 &= \left( 2, 1, \dots, -\frac{[(-1)^n - 3]}{2} \right)^T, \quad x2 = \left( 1, \frac{1}{2}, \dots, \frac{1}{n} \right)^T, \quad x3 = \left( \frac{n-1}{n}, \frac{n-2}{n}, \dots, 0 \right)^T, \\
x4 &= (1.5, 1.5, \dots, 1.5)^T, \quad x5 = \left( \frac{1}{n}, \frac{2}{n}, \dots, 1 \right)^T, \quad x6 = \left( \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4}, \dots, \frac{1}{2^n} \right)^T, \quad x7 = \left( \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{9}, \dots, \frac{1}{3^n} \right)^T, \\
x8 &= \left( \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{16}, \dots, \frac{1}{4^n} \right)^T.
\end{aligned}$$

Table 1: Detailed results of problems 4.1-4.2

Pnum	Nvars	Iguess	NHZIS				MHZM2				CGDESCENT				PCG			
			Inum	Fvalue	Ptime	Norm	Inum	Fvalue	Ptime	Norm	Inum	Fvalue	Ptime	Norm	Inum	Fvalue	Ptime	Norm
4.1	1000	x1	11	19	0.0437	1.59E-09	77	79	0.0702	8.97E-09	89	181	0.1357	9.33E-09	31	59	0.0253	6.86E-09
	1000	x2	13	26	0.0395	6.38E-09	66	68	0.0554	8.78E-09	80	163	0.0870	8.99E-09	27	32	0.0185	6.39E-09
	1000	x3	25	49	0.0238	1.06E-09	76	78	0.0582	7.80E-09	88	179	0.0800	8.98E-09	30	50	0.0260	6.38E-09
	1000	x4	8	12	0.0098	8.73E-09	78	80	0.0578	7.65E-09	89	181	0.0782	9.71E-09	2	16	0.0077	0
	1000	x5	22	45	0.0212	4.24E-09	76	78	0.0627	7.81E-09	88	179	0.0844	8.98E-09	30	50	0.0295	6.38E-09
	1000	x6	8	12	0.0102	4.86E-09	64	66	0.0462	8.27E-09	78	159	0.0843	8.69E-09	27	29	0.0182	6.25E-09
	1000	x7	8	11	0.0090	1.07E-09	62	64	0.0421	9.49E-09	76	155	0.0746	9.58E-09	26	28	0.0209	8.30E-09
	1000	x8	7	10	0.0102	7.01E-09	61	63	0.0391	9.55E-09	75	153	0.0627	9.46E-09	26	28	0.0193	6.68E-09
	10000	x1	11	19	0.0577	5.03E-09	81	83	0.3072	9.40E-09	92	187	0.4449	9.94E-09	2	16	0.0216	0
	10000	x2	16	32	0.0746	5.18E-09	66	68	0.2330	8.78E-09	80	163	0.3354	9.00E-09	27	32	0.1056	6.41E-09
	10000	x3	14	25	0.0682	5.19E-09	80	82	0.2522	8.18E-09	91	185	0.3381	9.55E-09	30	45	0.1036	6.49E-09
	10000	x4	9	13	0.0400	2.76E-09	82	84	0.3026	8.01E-09	93	189	0.3619	8.24E-09	2	16	0.0207	0
	10000	x5	25	50	0.1080	2.23E-09	80	82	0.3108	8.18E-09	91	185	0.3466	9.55E-09	30	45	0.1618	6.54E-09
	10000	x6	8	12	0.0608	4.86E-09	64	66	0.2057	8.27E-09	78	159	0.2595	8.69E-09	27	29	0.0863	6.25E-09
	10000	x7	8	11	0.0357	1.07E-09	62	64	0.1856	9.49E-09	76	155	0.3081	9.58E-09	26	28	0.0928	8.30E-09
	10000	x8	7	10	0.0501	7.01E-09	61	63	0.2185	9.55E-09	75	153	0.2783	9.46E-09	26	28	0.0881	6.68E-09
	50000	x1	12	20	0.1607	1.12E-09	84	86	1.1027	9.17E-09	95	193	1.5887	8.45E-09	2	16	0.0850	0
	50000	x2	18	36	0.2674	1.59E-09	66	68	0.9565	8.78E-09	80	163	1.3172	9.00E-09	28	32	0.2940	6.41E-09
	50000	x3	20	36	0.2595	1.43E-09	83	85	1.1818	7.98E-09	94	191	1.5762	8.11E-09	2	15	0.0780	0
	50000	x4	9	13	0.1519	6.17E-09	85	87	1.1934	7.82E-09	95	193	1.5961	8.74E-09	2	16	0.1125	0
50000	x5	20	38	0.3012	1.53E-09	83	85	1.1148	7.98E-09	94	191	1.5714	8.11E-09	2	15	0.0713	0	
50000	x6	8	12	0.1102	4.86E-09	64	66	0.8121	8.27E-09	78	159	1.0910	8.69E-09	27	29	0.3563	6.25E-09	
50000	x7	8	11	0.1195	1.07E-09	62	64	0.7561	9.49E-09	76	155	1.0564	9.58E-09	26	28	0.4061	8.30E-09	
50000	x8	7	10	0.0985	7.01E-09	61	63	0.7125	9.55E-09	75	153	1.0219	9.46E-09	26	28	0.2948	6.68E-09	
4.2	1000	x1	2	14	0.0084	0	2	14	0.0070	0	-	-	-	-	2	25	0.0092	0
	1000	x2	3	26	0.0099	0	3	26	0.0104	0	-	-	-	-	2	25	0.0076	0
	1000	x3	2	25	0.0088	0	2	14	0.0075	0	-	-	-	-	3	26	0.0092	0
	1000	x4	2	14	0.0062	0	2	14	0.0068	0	-	-	-	-	2	25	0.0095	0
	1000	x5	2	14	0.0080	0	2	14	0.0075	0	-	-	-	-	2	25	0.0098	0
	1000	x6	4	38	0.0112	0	4	38	0.0106	0	-	-	-	-	2	25	0.0109	0
	1000	x7	4	38	0.0123	0	3	26	0.0106	0	-	-	-	-	2	25	0.0086	0
	1000	x8	4	38	0.0123	0	4	38	0.0119	0	-	-	-	-	2	25	0.0069	0
	10000	x1	2	14	0.0349	0	2	14	0.0337	0	-	-	-	-	2	14	0.0683	0
	10000	x2	3	26	0.0407	0	3	26	0.0498	0	-	-	-	-	3	26	0.0446	0
	10000	x3	2	14	0.0441	0	2	14	0.0292	0	-	-	-	-	2	14	0.0297	0
	10000	x4	2	14	0.0260	0	2	14	0.0288	0	-	-	-	-	2	14	0.0258	0
	10000	x5	2	14	0.0326	0	2	14	0.0608	0	-	-	-	-	2	14	0.0269	0
	10000	x6	4	38	0.0667	0	2	25	0.0651	0	-	-	-	-	2	25	0.0482	0
	10000	x7	4	38	0.0625	0	2	25	0.0489	0	-	-	-	-	2	25	0.0389	0
	10000	x8	4	38	0.0598	0	2	25	0.0526	0	-	-	-	-	2	25	0.0527	0
	50000	x1	2	14	0.1110	0	2	14	0.1635	0	-	-	-	-	2	14	0.1007	0
	50000	x2	2	25	0.1649	0	2	14	0.1100	0	-	-	-	-	3	26	0.1824	0
	50000	x3	2	14	0.1121	0	2	14	0.1417	0	37	366	2.2160	0	2	14	0.0978	0
	50000	x4	2	14	0.0918	0	2	14	0.0940	0	-	-	-	-	2	14	0.0854	0
50000	x5	2	14	0.1136	0	2	14	0.0985	0	-	-	-	-	2	14	0.1132	0	
50000	x6	2	25	0.1479	0	2	25	0.1491	0	84	840	4.8101	0	2	25	0.1981	0	
50000	x7	2	25	0.1401	0	2	25	0.1919	0	15	146	0.8798	0	2	25	0.1358	0	
50000	x8	2	25	0.1465	0	2	25	0.1513	0	95	961	5.5266	0	2	25	0.1638	0	

Table 2: Detailed results of problems 4.3-4.4

Pnum	Nvars	Iguess	NHZIS				MHZM2				CGDESCENT				PCG			
			Inum	Fvalue	Ptime	Norm	Inum	Fvalue	Ptime	Norm	Inum	Fvalue	Ptime	Norm	Inum	Fvalue	Ptime	Norm
4.3	1000	x1	23	77	0.0296	8.28E-09	57	130	0.0604	5.52E-09	45	93	0.0595	7.44E-09	21	57	0.0300	5.61E-09
	1000	x2	17	55	0.0236	6.93E-09	37	39	0.0357	5.72E-09	43	89	0.0640	8.33E-09	25	59	0.0289	6.35E-10
	1000	x3	17	55	0.0223	3.17E-09	36	38	0.0340	5.49E-09	42	87	0.0608	9.09E-09	23	54	0.0316	1.85E-09
	1000	x4	17	53	0.0220	3.41E-09	37	39	0.0343	5.95E-09	43	89	0.0828	8.13E-09	18	36	0.0223	4.52E-09
	1000	x5	17	55	0.0266	3.16E-09	36	38	0.0392	5.49E-09	42	87	0.0662	9.09E-09	23	56	0.0222	4.80E-09
	1000	x6	17	55	0.0217	7.03E-09	37	39	0.0367	5.79E-09	43	89	0.0700	8.39E-09	19	49	0.0263	2.61E-09
	1000	x7	17	55	0.0221	7.03E-09	37	39	0.0399	5.80E-09	43	89	0.0609	8.40E-09	19	47	0.0260	7.77E-09
	1000	x8	17	55	0.0230	7.03E-09	37	39	0.0369	5.80E-09	43	89	0.0780	8.40E-09	19	46	0.0262	6.48E-09
	10000	x1	24	80	0.1513	7.55E-09	58	131	0.3156	9.56E-09	46	95	0.2743	9.08E-09	23	72	0.1510	7.81E-09
	10000	x2	18	58	0.1260	6.40E-09	39	41	0.1967	5.50E-09	45	93	0.2941	6.31E-09	27	96	0.2528	9.50E-09
	10000	x3	18	58	0.1674	2.88E-09	37	39	0.1677	9.51E-09	44	91	0.2972	6.86E-09	23	62	0.1765	5.58E-09
	10000	x4	18	56	0.1173	3.10E-09	39	41	0.1921	5.65E-09	44	91	0.3021	9.89E-09	20	48	0.1481	8.35E-09
	10000	x5	18	58	0.1284	2.88E-09	37	39	0.1688	9.51E-09	44	91	0.2884	6.86E-09	20	55	0.1478	4.86E-09
	10000	x6	18	58	0.1140	6.41E-09	39	41	0.1636	5.51E-09	45	93	0.2703	6.32E-09	22	62	0.1887	7.25E-09
	10000	x7	18	58	0.1235	6.41E-09	39	41	0.1923	5.51E-09	45	93	0.2662	6.32E-09	21	63	0.1481	4.70E-09
	10000	x8	18	58	0.1023	6.41E-09	39	41	0.2092	5.51E-09	45	93	0.3025	6.32E-09	19	59	0.1500	5.46E-09
	50000	x1	25	83	0.6126	4.86E-09	60	133	1.2978	6.42E-09	47	97	1.2084	9.00E-09	35	133	0.9522	8.26E-09
	50000	x2	19	61	0.4737	4.13E-09	40	42	0.7400	6.75E-09	45	93	1.1176	9.98E-09	-	-	-	-
	50000	x3	18	58	0.4377	6.45E-09	39	41	0.7351	6.39E-09	45	93	1.0997	6.78E-09	52	273	1.5657	5.65E-09
	50000	x4	18	56	0.4322	6.94E-09	40	42	0.7015	6.92E-09	45	93	1.1187	9.80E-09	19	41	0.4665	5.04E-09
50000	x5	18	58	0.4570	6.45E-09	39	41	0.6967	6.39E-09	45	93	1.0927	6.78E-09	42	191	1.3390	5.60E-09	
50000	x6	19	61	0.4808	4.13E-09	40	42	0.7626	6.75E-09	45	93	1.1226	9.98E-09	-	-	-	-	
50000	x7	19	61	0.4685	4.13E-09	40	42	0.7543	6.75E-09	45	93	1.2419	9.98E-09	-	-	-	-	
50000	x8	19	61	0.4615	4.13E-09	40	42	0.7240	6.75E-09	45	93	1.1485	9.98E-09	-	-	-	-	
4.4	1000	x1	25	99	0.0320	6.18E-09	74	178	0.0764	3.43E-09	43	127	0.0393	5.76E-09	28	92	0.0203	2.41E-09
	1000	x2	22	90	0.0221	3.93E-09	50	136	0.0564	9.95E-09	36	112	0.0306	8.05E-09	23	81	0.0307	4.12E-09
	1000	x3	17	73	0.0229	6.31E-09	-	-	-	-	35	109	0.0348	6.97E-09	22	76	0.0289	2.18E-09
	1000	x4	18	74	0.0253	5.50E-09	22	24	0.0112	3.12E-09	35	107	0.0312	9.76E-09	18	56	0.0235	9.82E-09
	1000	x5	17	73	0.0223	6.29E-09	389	852	0.2847	8.27E-09	35	109	0.0352	6.95E-09	23	81	0.0296	2.50E-09
	1000	x6	16	68	0.0244	8.30E-09	307	713	0.2826	6.23E-09	36	112	0.0362	8.13E-09	22	81	0.0294	5.77E-09
	1000	x7	16	68	0.0221	7.31E-09	237	608	0.1821	3.83E-09	36	112	0.0333	8.14E-09	23	84	0.0307	1.97E-09
	1000	x8	16	68	0.0224	6.81E-09	49	128	0.0532	5.91E-09	36	112	0.0252	8.14E-09	21	79	0.0283	7.58E-09
	10000	x1	26	103	0.1721	5.60E-09	90	205	0.4107	5.97E-09	44	130	0.2411	9.80E-09	30	111	0.2193	3.54E-09
	10000	x2	26	100	0.1725	4.20E-09	537	1323	2.3917	5.13E-09	38	118	0.1935	7.44E-09	34	155	0.2544	3.21E-09
	10000	x3	18	77	0.1240	5.71E-09	-	-	-	-	37	115	0.2002	6.37E-09	28	110	0.1853	1.38E-09
	10000	x4	19	78	0.1421	4.98E-09	22	24	0.0726	9.85E-09	37	113	0.1766	8.93E-09	21	77	0.1259	7.16E-09
	10000	x5	18	77	0.1127	5.70E-09	518	1150	2.4209	4.72E-09	37	115	0.2118	6.37E-09	27	109	0.1798	6.90E-09
	10000	x6	17	72	0.1468	4.40E-09	53	142	0.2457	7.10E-09	38	118	0.1897	7.46E-09	36	169	0.2939	3.17E-09
	10000	x7	17	72	0.1188	4.23E-09	47	117	0.2395	4.96E-09	38	118	0.1824	7.46E-09	42	193	0.2766	3.74E-09
	10000	x8	17	72	0.1307	4.15E-09	60	120	0.3041	5.34E-09	38	118	0.2269	7.46E-09	34	163	0.2474	4.65E-09
	50000	x1	27	107	0.6477	3.59E-09	94	231	1.8354	6.62E-09	46	136	0.8992	6.35E-09	53	297	1.4816	8.91E-09
	50000	x2	22	91	0.5649	3.52E-09	58	134	1.1106	4.85E-09	39	121	0.7286	8.97E-09	50	277	1.4649	1.92E-09
	50000	x3	19	81	0.4780	3.65E-09	376	904	8.3981	5.68E-09	38	118	0.8026	7.67E-09	-	-	-	-
	50000	x4	20	82	0.4799	3.19E-09	23	25	0.4307	6.68E-09	39	119	0.7810	5.78E-09	38	203	1.1162	6.73E-09
50000	x5	19	81	0.4917	3.65E-09	453	973	9.1964	7.34E-09	38	118	0.7089	7.67E-09	-	-	-	-	
50000	x6	17	72	0.4896	8.86E-09	402	850	7.2700	4.10E-09	39	121	0.8192	8.97E-09	60	226	1.3299	8.12E-09	
50000	x7	17	72	0.5008	8.78E-09	121	226	2.1876	3.24E-09	39	121	0.7479	8.97E-09	31	136	0.8315	5.22E-09	
50000	x8	17	72	0.4042	8.74E-09	67	146	1.2304	5.10E-09	39	121	0.7309	8.97E-09	29	143	0.7974	8.35E-09	

Table 3: Detailed results of problems 4.5-4.6

Pnum	Nvars	Iguess	NHZIS				MHZM2				CGDESCENT				PCG			
			Inum	Fvalue	Ptime	Norm	Inum	Fvalue	Ptime	Norm	Inum	Fvalue	Ptime	Norm	Inum	Fvalue	Ptime	Norm
4.5	1000	x1	9	11	0.0147	4.14E-09	80	82	0.0969	9.40E-09	92	187	0.1557	8.55E-09	28	43	0.0391	5.83E-09
	1000	x2	9	11	0.0140	8.53E-09	83	85	0.1026	8.45E-09	94	191	0.1452	8.61E-09	28	44	0.0378	7.69E-09
	1000	x3	9	11	0.0154	7.04E-09	82	84	0.0999	9.19E-09	93	189	0.1265	9.54E-09	30	50	0.0407	8.49E-09
	1000	x4	9	11	0.0131	3.83E-09	80	82	0.0952	8.70E-09	92	187	0.1425	8.14E-09	26	42	0.0388	6.64E-09
	1000	x5	9	11	0.0149	7.03E-09	82	84	0.0941	9.19E-09	93	189	0.1195	9.54E-09	30	50	0.0403	8.44E-09
	1000	x6	9	11	0.0151	8.54E-09	83	85	0.0894	8.47E-09	94	191	0.1265	8.62E-09	27	43	0.0397	5.45E-09
	1000	x7	9	11	0.0147	8.55E-09	83	85	0.0883	8.47E-09	94	191	0.1610	8.63E-09	26	42	0.0374	9.11E-09
	1000	x8	9	11	0.0169	8.55E-09	83	85	0.0775	8.47E-09	94	191	0.1385	8.63E-09	26	42	0.0348	8.67E-09
	10000	x1	10	12	0.0801	1.32E-09	84	86	0.5362	9.86E-09	95	193	0.7440	9.03E-09	31	65	0.2756	1.00E-08
	10000	x2	10	12	0.0742	2.72E-09	87	89	0.4946	8.88E-09	97	197	0.7037	9.10E-09	-	-	-	-
	10000	x3	10	12	0.0811	2.24E-09	86	88	0.5155	9.64E-09	97	197	0.7666	8.06E-09	55	259	0.4277	9.10E-09
	10000	x4	10	12	0.0734	1.22E-09	84	86	0.5073	9.12E-09	95	193	0.7074	8.60E-09	32	64	0.2432	8.91E-09
	10000	x5	10	12	0.0760	2.24E-09	86	88	0.5225	9.64E-09	97	197	0.7596	8.06E-09	-	-	-	-
	10000	x6	10	12	0.1018	2.72E-09	87	89	0.5151	8.88E-09	97	197	0.7352	9.10E-09	-	-	-	-
	10000	x7	10	12	0.0779	2.72E-09	87	89	0.5439	8.88E-09	97	197	0.7641	9.10E-09	-	-	-	-
	10000	x8	10	12	0.1020	2.72E-09	87	89	0.5095	8.88E-09	97	197	0.7283	9.10E-09	-	-	-	-
	50000	x1	10	12	0.2709	2.94E-09	87	89	2.0665	9.62E-09	97	197	3.3644	9.57E-09	54	259	2.0027	5.81E-09
	50000	x2	10	12	0.3288	6.08E-09	90	92	2.1089	8.67E-09	99	201	3.4485	9.64E-09	-	-	-	-
	50000	x3	10	12	0.3268	5.00E-09	89	91	2.1548	9.41E-09	99	201	3.4445	8.53E-09	25	99	1.0005	9.33E-09
	50000	x4	10	12	0.2969	2.72E-09	87	89	2.1146	8.90E-09	97	197	3.3608	9.11E-09	42	141	1.4550	5.76E-09
50000	x5	10	12	0.2649	5.00E-09	89	91	2.1115	9.41E-09	99	201	3.4566	8.53E-09	37	110	1.2113	9.27E-09	
50000	x6	10	12	0.4087	6.08E-09	90	92	2.1271	8.67E-09	99	201	3.4122	9.64E-09	52	229	2.2771	8.14E-09	
50000	x7	10	12	0.3253	6.08E-09	90	92	2.1145	8.67E-09	99	201	3.4097	9.64E-09	45	182	1.6631	8.29E-09	
50000	x8	10	12	0.2863	6.08E-09	90	92	2.3402	8.67E-09	99	201	3.4322	9.64E-09	56	225	2.0426	7.51E-09	
4.6	1000	x1	16	56	0.0210	6.21E-09	49	51	0.0443	9.95E-09	62	127	0.0814	8.49E-09	2	17	0.0075	0
	1000	x2	13	43	0.0194	9.76E-09	63	65	0.0559	8.91E-09	77	157	0.1052	9.11E-09	26	55	0.0286	1.94E-09
	1000	x3	16	55	0.0194	7.49E-09	51	53	0.0462	9.84E-09	63	129	0.0992	8.44E-09	28	73	0.0300	4.71E-09
	1000	x4	15	50	0.0197	6.06E-09	48	50	0.0433	9.99E-09	56	115	0.0724	9.47E-09	2	17	0.0079	0
	1000	x5	16	55	0.0189	7.34E-09	33	35	0.0272	7.17E-09	39	81	0.0505	9.33E-09	27	70	0.0294	3.88E-09
	1000	x6	15	48	0.0203	2.77E-09	62	64	0.0508	8.51E-09	76	155	0.0801	9.15E-09	22	40	0.0205	8.82E-09
	1000	x7	24	77	0.0272	9.30E-09	61	63	0.0481	9.86E-09	76	155	0.0708	8.06E-09	29	56	0.0274	3.84E-09
	1000	x8	16	52	0.0190	6.07E-09	61	63	0.0405	8.30E-09	75	153	0.0737	8.56E-09	26	47	0.0236	5.58E-09
	10000	x1	17	59	0.1103	4.60E-09	45	47	0.1903	9.60E-09	56	115	0.3216	9.70E-09	2	17	0.0422	0
	10000	x2	13	43	0.1078	9.76E-09	63	65	0.2921	8.90E-09	77	157	0.3585	9.11E-09	27	56	0.1479	3.69E-09
	10000	x3	17	58	0.1191	5.59E-09	47	49	0.2576	9.24E-09	57	117	0.2906	9.37E-09	2	16	0.0254	0
	10000	x4	16	53	0.1006	4.58E-09	44	46	0.2123	9.85E-09	51	105	0.2603	9.23E-09	2	17	0.0380	0
	10000	x5	17	58	0.1383	5.58E-09	35	37	0.1730	6.06E-09	41	85	0.2173	6.79E-09	2	16	0.0320	0
	10000	x6	15	48	0.1295	2.77E-09	62	64	0.2290	8.51E-09	76	155	0.3210	9.15E-09	22	40	0.1187	8.82E-09
	10000	x7	24	77	0.1161	9.30E-09	61	63	0.1950	9.86E-09	76	155	0.3273	8.06E-09	29	56	0.1165	3.84E-09
	10000	x8	16	52	0.1024	6.07E-09	61	63	0.2396	8.30E-09	75	153	0.3212	8.56E-09	26	47	0.1261	5.58E-09
	50000	x1	18	62	0.4290	2.46E-09	43	45	0.6814	8.13E-09	53	109	1.1438	8.07E-09	2	17	0.1052	0
	50000	x2	13	43	0.3043	9.77E-09	63	65	0.8742	8.90E-09	77	157	1.5811	9.11E-09	25	54	0.4758	7.08E-09
	50000	x3	18	61	0.3605	2.99E-09	44	46	0.7131	9.87E-09	53	109	1.1384	9.60E-09	2	16	0.1110	0
	50000	x4	17	56	0.3869	2.45E-09	42	44	0.6969	8.68E-09	48	99	1.0114	8.10E-09	2	17	0.0736	0
50000	x5	18	61	0.4246	2.99E-09	36	38	0.6230	7.00E-09	42	87	0.9030	6.55E-09	2	16	0.1375	0	
50000	x6	15	48	0.3197	2.77E-09	62	64	0.7913	8.51E-09	76	155	1.3809	9.15E-09	22	40	0.3367	8.82E-09	
50000	x7	24	77	0.4841	9.30E-09	61	63	0.8011	9.86E-09	76	155	1.3528	8.06E-09	29	56	0.5220	3.84E-09	
50000	x8	16	52	0.2966	6.07E-09	61	63	0.8123	8.30E-09	75	153	1.3346	8.56E-09	26	47	0.3475	5.58E-09	

Table 4: Detailed results of problems 4.7-4.8

Pnum	Nvars	Iguess	NHZIS				MHZM2				CGDESCENT				PCG			
			Inum	Fvalue	Ptime	Norm	Inum	Fvalue	Ptime	Norm	Inum	Fvalue	Ptime	Norm	Inum	Fvalue	Ptime	Norm
4.7	1000	x1	87	441	0.1514	8.21E-09	11	90	0.0325	0	255	844	0.3549	3.61E-09	7	53	0.0214	0
	1000	x2	39	199	0.0669	8.52E-09	5	39	0.0173	0	235	953	0.3679	3.71E-09	63	230	0.1015	8.85E-09
	1000	x3	126	832	0.2160	8.79E-09	20	82	0.0343	0	231	883	0.3468	5.96E-09	2	15	0.0095	0
	1000	x4	4	34	0.0140	0.00E+00	16	28	0.0181	0	305	1166	0.4449	6.79E-09	4	29	0.0129	0
	1000	x5	119	548	0.1656	9.88E-09	20	77	0.0295	0	115	304	0.1817	8.14E-09	3	16	0.0088	0
	1000	x6	25	119	0.0416	9.19E-09	3	15	0.0093	0	113	461	0.2143	9.54E-09	40	139	0.0628	5.22E-09
	1000	x7	22	103	0.0365	5.37E-09	6	18	0.0119	0	453	1706	0.5561	9.78E-09	33	118	0.0538	3.30E-09
	1000	x8	24	113	0.0406	5.20E-09	10	26	0.0181	0	213	861	0.2916	5.17E-09	31	110	0.0463	8.59E-09
	10000	x1	94	479	0.7508	9.32E-09	9	80	0.1419	0	314	1079	2.7157	8.65E-09	5	47	0.0950	0
	10000	x2	36	189	0.3581	2.60E-09	5	39	0.0859	0	393	1458	3.3117	3.47E-09	63	230	0.6034	8.62E-09
	10000	x3	5	27	0.0760	0	21	55	0.1604	0	-	-	-	-	2	15	0.0481	0
	10000	x4	4	33	0.1088	0	26	67	0.2260	0	368	1361	3.0579	6.43E-09	3	28	0.0808	0
	10000	x5	4	19	0.0591	0	23	72	0.2229	0	162	470	1.3090	9.75E-09	3	27	0.0628	0
	10000	x6	25	119	0.2481	9.19E-09	3	15	0.0623	0	140	554	1.1333	9.84E-09	40	139	0.4146	5.22E-09
	10000	x7	22	103	0.2100	5.37E-09	6	18	0.0546	0	334	1271	2.6037	8.60E-09	33	118	0.2501	3.30E-09
	10000	x8	24	113	0.1947	5.20E-09	10	26	0.1043	0	-	-	-	-	31	110	0.2506	8.59E-09
	50000	x1	119	602	4.2610	8.18E-09	12	83	0.7555	0	415	1382	16.8871	9.64E-09	4	35	0.2882	0
	50000	x2	59	299	2.1593	9.10E-09	5	39	0.3283	0	230	987	10.2286	5.15E-09	63	230	2.2702	8.60E-09
	50000	x3	4	19	0.2026	0	23	35	0.7827	0	318	1279	13.7600	8.61E-09	2	15	0.1362	0
	50000	x4	6	30	0.3112	0	30	76	0.9848	0	223	842	9.4006	6.60E-09	3	28	0.2392	0
50000	x5	4	19	0.1774	0	25	59	0.7794	0	172	596	7.0977	8.61E-09	3	16	0.2036	0	
50000	x6	25	119	0.8913	9.19E-09	3	15	0.1735	0	140	554	5.5291	9.84E-09	40	139	1.3840	5.22E-09	
50000	x7	22	103	0.7852	5.37E-09	6	18	0.1983	0	334	1271	12.7385	8.60E-09	33	118	1.1869	3.30E-09	
50000	x8	24	113	0.8855	5.20E-09	10	26	0.3821	0	-	-	-	-	31	110	1.0766	8.59E-09	
4.8	1000	x1	20	170	0.0895	4.36E-09	-	-	-	-	146	442	0.2897	9.26E-09	-	-	-	-
	1000	x2	25	209	0.0948	3.34E-09	-	-	-	-	125	378	0.3076	9.60E-09	-	-	-	-
	1000	x3	30	248	0.1271	5.95E-09	-	-	-	-	148	447	0.3350	9.07E-09	-	-	-	-
	1000	x4	29	245	0.1201	3.53E-09	-	-	-	-	163	493	0.3696	9.25E-09	-	-	-	-
	1000	x5	22	182	0.0940	9.53E-09	-	-	-	-	73	222	0.1708	9.07E-09	-	-	-	-
	1000	x6	41	350	0.1629	9.70E-09	-	-	-	-	130	393	0.2785	9.85E-09	-	-	-	-
	1000	x7	24	199	0.0956	3.95E-09	-	-	-	-	131	396	0.2991	9.04E-09	-	-	-	-
	1000	x8	29	240	0.1237	5.72E-09	-	-	-	-	131	396	0.2680	9.21E-09	-	-	-	-
	10000	x1	21	178	0.5454	3.69E-09	-	-	-	-	141	427	2.0766	9.83E-09	-	-	-	-
	10000	x2	28	218	0.6600	6.35E-09	-	-	-	-	126	381	1.8704	9.65E-09	-	-	-	-
	10000	x3	34	278	0.7939	3.42E-09	-	-	-	-	143	432	2.1556	9.19E-09	-	-	-	-
	10000	x4	29	242	0.6756	9.70E-09	-	-	-	-	159	481	2.3330	9.16E-09	-	-	-	-
	10000	x5	35	292	0.8568	7.48E-09	-	-	-	-	72	219	1.1251	7.30E-09	-	-	-	-
	10000	x6	28	226	0.6560	7.55E-09	-	-	-	-	127	384	1.8708	9.28E-09	-	-	-	-
	10000	x7	33	266	0.7093	8.21E-09	-	-	-	-	127	384	1.9210	9.30E-09	-	-	-	-
	10000	x8	27	224	0.6036	9.00E-09	-	-	-	-	127	384	1.9438	9.31E-09	-	-	-	-
	50000	x1	21	178	2.2351	8.08E-09	-	-	-	-	138	418	10.2030	9.85E-09	-	-	-	-
	50000	x2	27	211	2.6728	4.68E-09	-	-	-	-	124	375	8.9295	9.61E-09	-	-	-	-
	50000	x3	36	296	3.5900	5.88E-09	-	-	-	-	140	423	10.1424	9.35E-09	-	-	-	-
	50000	x4	34	287	3.3311	7.07E-09	-	-	-	-	156	472	11.2268	9.31E-09	-	-	-	-
50000	x5	38	317	3.7876	7.53E-09	-	-	-	-	73	222	5.3837	8.50E-09	-	-	-	-	
50000	x6	32	253	3.0237	5.22E-09	-	-	-	-	124	375	8.9426	9.78E-09	-	-	-	-	
50000	x7	31	248	2.9911	6.28E-09	-	-	-	-	124	375	8.9103	9.78E-09	-	-	-	-	
50000	x8	38	321	3.7862	4.29E-09	-	-	-	-	124	375	8.9495	9.78E-09	-	-	-	-	

Table 5: Detailed results of problems 4.9-4.10

Pnum	Nvars	Iguess	NHZIS				MHZM2				CGDESCENT				PCG			
			Inum	Fvalue	Ptime	Norm	Inum	Fvalue	Ptime	Norm	Inum	Fvalue	Ptime	Norm	Inum	Fvalue	Ptime	Norm
4.9	1000	x1	13	21	0.0140	1.49E-09	80	82	0.0621	8.39E-09	91	185	0.0949	9.80E-09	25	42	0.0253	9.59E-09
	1000	x2	31	69	0.0279	1.94E-09	67	69	0.0540	9.74E-09	81	165	0.0943	9.70E-09	26	29	0.0235	8.49E-09
	1000	x3	29	62	0.0274	7.36E-09	77	79	0.0632	8.82E-09	89	181	0.1073	9.50E-09	28	43	0.0267	9.46E-09
	1000	x4	9	12	0.0102	8.71E-09	80	82	0.0654	8.62E-09	91	185	0.1174	9.99E-09	2	15	0.0077	0
	1000	x5	27	56	0.0255	4.31E-09	77	79	0.0783	8.83E-09	89	181	0.1154	9.51E-09	29	44	0.0265	6.96E-09
	1000	x6	11	18	0.0140	4.64E-09	65	67	0.0568	8.04E-09	79	161	0.0816	8.54E-09	26	29	0.0233	7.83E-09
	1000	x7	9	13	0.0113	1.45E-09	63	65	0.0510	8.66E-09	77	157	0.0986	8.98E-09	26	29	0.0240	5.38E-09
	1000	x8	7	9	0.0091	2.30E-09	62	64	0.0482	8.38E-09	76	155	0.0802	8.60E-09	25	28	0.0234	7.72E-09
	10000	x1	13	21	0.0598	4.72E-09	84	86	0.3594	8.79E-09	95	193	0.4860	8.27E-09	2	15	0.0453	0
	10000	x2	13	22	0.0750	1.04E-09	67	69	0.3826	9.74E-09	81	165	0.4193	9.70E-09	26	29	0.1147	8.50E-09
	10000	x3	19	35	0.0938	8.87E-09	81	83	0.3685	9.24E-09	93	189	0.4776	8.04E-09	28	47	0.1428	6.66E-09
	10000	x4	10	13	0.0503	2.75E-09	84	86	0.2699	9.03E-09	95	193	0.4927	8.43E-09	2	15	0.0531	0
	10000	x5	17	31	0.0845	4.79E-09	81	83	0.3561	9.24E-09	93	189	0.4943	8.04E-09	28	47	0.1926	6.21E-09
	10000	x6	11	18	0.0674	4.64E-09	65	67	0.2610	8.04E-09	79	161	0.3925	8.54E-09	26	29	0.1025	7.83E-09
	10000	x7	9	13	0.0403	1.45E-09	63	65	0.2935	8.66E-09	77	157	0.3356	8.98E-09	26	29	0.1111	5.38E-09
	10000	x8	7	9	0.0658	2.30E-09	62	64	0.2564	8.38E-09	76	155	0.3308	8.60E-09	25	28	0.1219	7.72E-09
	50000	x1	14	22	0.2315	1.06E-09	87	89	1.3498	8.58E-09	97	197	1.9527	8.76E-09	2	15	0.1023	0
	50000	x2	24	52	0.3761	6.26E-09	67	69	1.0582	9.74E-09	81	165	1.6124	9.70E-09	26	29	0.4034	8.50E-09
	50000	x3	20	36	0.3646	1.76E-09	84	86	1.3215	9.02E-09	95	193	1.8766	8.52E-09	2	15	0.0961	0
	50000	x4	10	13	0.1794	6.16E-09	87	89	1.4059	8.81E-09	97	197	1.9082	8.93E-09	2	15	0.0901	0
50000	x5	25	49	0.3738	1.95E-09	84	86	1.3558	9.02E-09	95	193	1.8480	8.52E-09	2	15	0.0921	0	
50000	x6	11	18	0.1961	4.64E-09	65	67	0.8741	8.04E-09	79	161	1.3785	8.54E-09	26	29	0.3797	7.83E-09	
50000	x7	9	13	0.1653	1.45E-09	63	65	0.8055	8.66E-09	77	157	1.3413	8.98E-09	26	29	0.3890	5.38E-09	
50000	x8	7	9	0.1304	2.30E-09	62	64	0.8852	8.38E-09	76	155	1.3495	8.60E-09	25	28	0.3558	7.72E-09	
4.10	1000	x1	11	13	0.0132	2.22E-09	85	87	0.0772	7.69E-09	92	186	0.1186	8.40E-09	-	-	-	-
	1000	x2	11	14	0.0141	1.08E-09	69	71	0.0635	9.22E-09	80	162	0.0926	8.19E-09	27	29	0.0281	7.733E-09
	1000	x3	17	28	0.0209	1.20E-09	79	81	0.0805	8.65E-09	87	176	0.1248	8.97E-09	-	-	-	-
	1000	x4	11	13	0.0166	1.61E-09	84	86	0.0712	8.60E-09	91	184	0.1278	8.98E-09	-	-	-	-
	1000	x5	16	27	0.0189	7.11E-09	79	81	0.0572	8.66E-09	87	176	0.1291	8.98E-09	-	-	-	-
	1000	x6	16	29	0.0193	1.07E-09	66	68	0.0656	8.26E-09	75	152	0.0884	9.17E-09	27	28	0.0245	5.894E-09
	1000	x7	17	30	0.0198	5.80E-09	64	66	0.0582	8.20E-09	72	146	0.1032	9.56E-09	26	27	0.0190	5.425E-09
	1000	x8	18	35	0.0203	2.04E-09	62	64	0.0551	9.98E-09	70	142	0.1055	9.30E-09	24	26	0.0233	5.461E-09
	10000	x1	11	13	0.0734	6.45E-09	89	91	0.4078	7.86E-09	95	192	0.5705	8.65E-09	-	-	-	-
	10000	x2	16	28	0.0909	7.76E-09	69	71	0.3386	9.04E-09	80	162	0.4342	8.07E-09	27	29	0.1521	7.699E-09
	10000	x3	26	49	0.1446	9.62E-09	83	85	0.4028	8.86E-09	90	182	0.5010	9.45E-09	-	-	-	-
	10000	x4	11	13	0.0581	4.67E-09	88	90	0.4804	8.80E-09	94	190	0.5528	9.26E-09	-	-	-	-
	10000	x5	24	45	0.1464	2.41E-09	83	85	0.3980	8.86E-09	90	182	0.5481	9.45E-09	-	-	-	-
	10000	x6	10	15	0.0721	3.79E-09	66	68	0.2884	8.11E-09	75	152	0.3701	9.05E-09	27	28	0.1653	5.844E-09
	10000	x7	11	17	0.0579	1.32E-09	64	66	0.1993	8.06E-09	72	146	0.3780	9.45E-09	26	27	0.1130	5.384E-09
	10000	x8	18	35	0.0983	8.14E-09	62	64	0.2717	9.81E-09	70	142	0.3451	9.21E-09	25	26	0.1455	5.412E-09
	50000	x1	12	14	0.2481	1.43E-09	92	94	1.6103	7.65E-09	97	196	2.3656	9.14E-09	-	-	-	-
	50000	x2	17	30	0.3221	3.70E-09	69	71	1.1508	9.03E-09	80	162	1.8310	8.06E-09	27	29	0.4653	7.696E-09
	50000	x3	23	41	0.4715	7.13E-10	86	88	1.5249	8.63E-09	93	188	2.2503	8.03E-09	-	-	-	-
	50000	x4	12	14	0.2513	1.04E-09	91	93	1.5784	8.57E-09	96	194	2.3540	9.79E-09	-	-	-	-
50000	x5	17	28	0.3314	9.17E-09	86	88	1.4917	8.63E-09	93	188	2.2688	8.03E-09	-	-	-	-	
50000	x6	10	15	0.1953	3.80E-09	66	68	0.9394	8.09E-09	75	152	1.4898	9.04E-09	27	28	0.4465	5.839E-09	
50000	x7	14	23	0.2584	4.04E-09	64	66	0.8862	8.04E-09	72	146	1.4080	9.44E-09	26	27	0.4140	5.380E-09	
50000	x8	18	36	0.3405	8.72E-09	62	64	0.8574	9.80E-09	70	142	1.3635	9.20E-09	25	26	0.4335	5.408E-09	

Table 6: Summarized report

Solver	Inum	Percent	Fvalue	Percent	Ptime	Percent
NHZIS	152	52.78%	95	32.99%	160	55.56%
MHZM2	9	3.12%	35	12.15%	25	8.68%
CGDESCENT	0	0%	23	7.99%	0	0%
PCG	14	4.86%	34	11.81%	46	15.97%
TIES	91	31.60%	68	23.6%	0	0

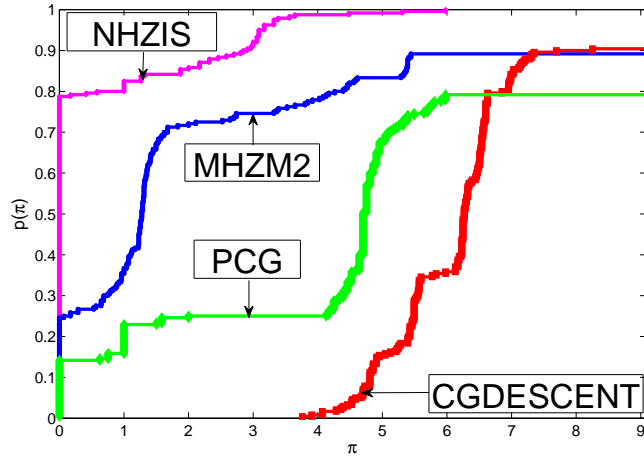


Figure 1: Dolan and Moré plot for iterations metric

Furthermore, a summary of results from Tables 1 – 5 based on three of the metrics considered in the experiments is drawn in Table 6 to give more insight into the numerical performance of all the four methods. It can be seen from Table 6, that *NHZIS* algorithm yields better results than the *MHZM2*, *CGDESCENT* and *PCG* methods in all three metrics. Based on problems solved with least number of iterations, Table 6 showed that the *NHZIS* algorithm recorded 58.33% as against 5%, 0% and 12.5% recorded by the *MHZM2*, *CGDESCENT* and *PCG* solvers respectively. Interestingly, the summary table reveals that 24.17% of the problems were solved by the *NHZIS* and *MHZM2* algorithms with equal number of the iteration metric denoted as "TIES". Also, with respect to least function evaluations, Table 6 indicated that 32.08% of the problems were solved by the *NHZIS* algorithm compared to the *MHZM2*, *CGDESCENT* and *PCG* solvers that solved 17.5%, 0% and 0% of the problems considered. In addition, it is indicated in Table 6 that *NHZIS* and *MHZM2* algorithms solved 50.42% with the same value of the metric. Regarding least processing time metric, Table 6 indicated that 67.92% of the problems were solved by the *NHZIS* algorithm compared to the other three solvers that recorded 10%, 0% and 22.08% respectively.

Moreover, the data reported in Tables 1 – 5 was plotted in figs 1 – 3 by adopting the performance tool in [37]. All the three figures indicated that the *NHZIS* algorithm

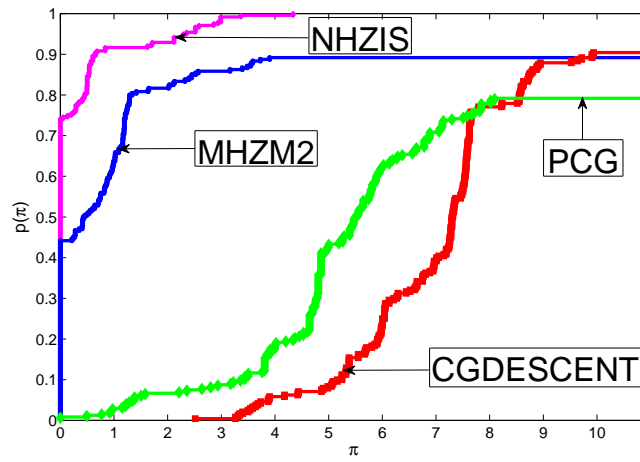


Figure 2: Dolan and Moré plot for function evaluations metric

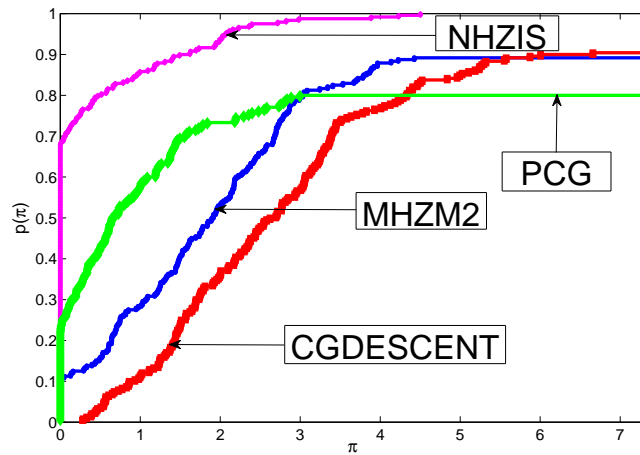


Figure 3: Dolan and Moré plot for processing time metric



displays the best performance regarding the three performance metrics considered. Top curve in all the three figures represented the algorithm with the best performance in the experiments, which is clearly the *NHZIS* scheme. Hence, based on the above discussions, it is concluded that the *NHZIS* scheme outperforms the other three algorithms as it yields better performance regarding the three performance metrics outlined. Therefore, the proposed *NHZIS* algorithm is more effective for solving constrained variant of (1.14) than *MHZM2*, *CGDESCENT* and *PCG* algorithms.

## 5. APPLICATION OF NHZIS IN COMPRESSED SENSING

### 5.1 An insight of the concept

The concept of digital image processing, where the goal is to improve the quality of images under consideration, has become a popular trend over the years in different applications (see Ref. [43–45]). A typical example is in compressed sensing, where the main concern is on the  $\ell_1 - \ell_2$  norm problem

$$\min_x \frac{1}{2} \|Nx - q\|_2^2 + \omega \|x\|_1, \quad (5.1)$$

where  $\omega$  represents a nonnegative parameter,  $x \in \mathbf{R}^n$ , and  $q \in \mathbf{R}^m$ , and  $N \in \mathbf{R}^{m \times n}$  ( $m \ll n$ ) denotes a mapping, while  $\|x\|_1$ ,  $\|x\|_2$  are  $\ell_1$ ,  $\ell_2$  norms respectively. It can easily be seen that (5.1) represents the unconstrained optimization problem. Numerous methods exists for (5.1) [46–48], of which the most popular are gradient based methods. In [49], Figueiredo et al. reformulated (5.1)  $x \in \mathbf{R}^n$  as

$$x = u - w, \quad u \geq 0, \quad w \geq 0, \quad u, w \in \mathbf{R}^n. \quad (5.2)$$

Let  $u_i = (x_i)_+$ ,  $w_i = (-x_i)_+$   $\forall i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ , where  $(\cdot)_+$  denotes a positive operator defined as  $(\cdot)_+ = \max\{0, x\}$ . Using the  $\ell_1 - norm$  definition yields  $\|x\|_1 = A_n^T u + A_n^T w$ , where  $A_n = (1, 1, \dots, 1)^T \in \mathbf{R}^n$ . By employing this representation, (5.1) is reformulated as

$$\min_{u, w} \frac{1}{2} \|N(u - w) - q\|_2^2 + \omega A_n^T u + \omega A_n^T w, \quad u, w \geq 0. \quad (5.3)$$

Applying the idea in [49], (5.3) becomes

$$\min_{\alpha} \frac{1}{2} \alpha^T W \alpha + D^T \alpha, \quad \alpha \geq 0, \quad (5.4)$$

where

$$\alpha = \begin{pmatrix} u \\ w \end{pmatrix}, \quad D = \omega A_{2n} + \begin{pmatrix} -h \\ h \end{pmatrix}, \quad h = N^T q, \quad W = \begin{pmatrix} N^T N & -N^T N \\ -N^T N & N^T N \end{pmatrix}, \quad (5.5)$$

with  $N$  a positive semi-definite matrix. Therefore, (5.4) is equivalent to

$$F(\alpha) = \min\{\alpha, W\alpha + D\} = 0, \quad (5.6)$$

where the function  $F$  is monotone and Lipschitz continuous. Hence by ([47, 50]), the *NHZIS* scheme can be used to solve it.

## 5.2 EXPERIMENTS

Here, we explain further the performance of *NHZIS* algorithm by conducting two other experiments. A sparse signal with  $n$  lengths from  $m$  observed values is restored or reconstructed in the first experiment. For measuring the quality of restoration, the mean of square error (MSE) to the original signal  $\tilde{x}$ , given by

$$MSE = \frac{1}{n} \|\tilde{x} - \bar{x}\|^2, \quad (5.7)$$

is employed, where  $\bar{x}$  represents the signal restored. Also, we chose  $n = 2^{12}$  and  $m = 2^{10}$ , with the measurement  $q$  given as

$$q = N\bar{x} + \omega, \quad (5.8)$$

where  $\omega$  stands for the Gaussian noise, distributed as  $\bar{N}(0, 10^{-4})$ , while  $N$  is the Gaussian matrix initiated using `randn(m,n)` in Matlab. Moreover, we use  $f(x) = \frac{1}{2} \|Nx - q\|_2^2 + \omega \|x\|_1$  as merit function.

Also, the measurement signal namely,  $x_0 = N^T m$ , is employed to start the experiment, which ends for

$$\frac{\|f_k - f_{k-1}\|}{\|f_{k-1}\|} < 10^{-4}, \quad (5.9)$$

where  $f_k$  represents function value at  $x_k$ .

Furthermore, to analyze effectiveness of the *NHZIS* algorithm, it is tested against the *PCG* [3] solver, which was developed to solve monotone equations and reconstruct disturbed signals in compressive sensing. As in the earlier experiment, parameters for the *NHZIS* scheme are the same for the sparse signal experiment with  $\zeta = 1$ . Also, a total of fifteen experiments were conducted with the *NHZIS* and *PCG* algorithms for varying noise samples. Results of the experiments are reported in table 7, while figures 4 and 5 are drawn to provide visual representation of the results. While figure 4 displays the actual sparse signal, estimation, as well signal recovered by the two algorithms, figure 5 exhibits convergence behavior of the two algorithms through the metrics discussed in the last experiment as well as the *MSE*. From figure 5, it can be seen that the rate of descent for *MSE* as well as function evaluations obtained for *NHZIS* scheme is faster than that of the *PCG* scheme. The figure equally showed that *NHZIS* reconstructed the actual signal with less iterations and processing time compared to the *PCG* algorithm. The above experiments and analysis, therefore, proves that the *NHZIS* scheme performs much better than the *PCG* scheme in signal reconstruction.

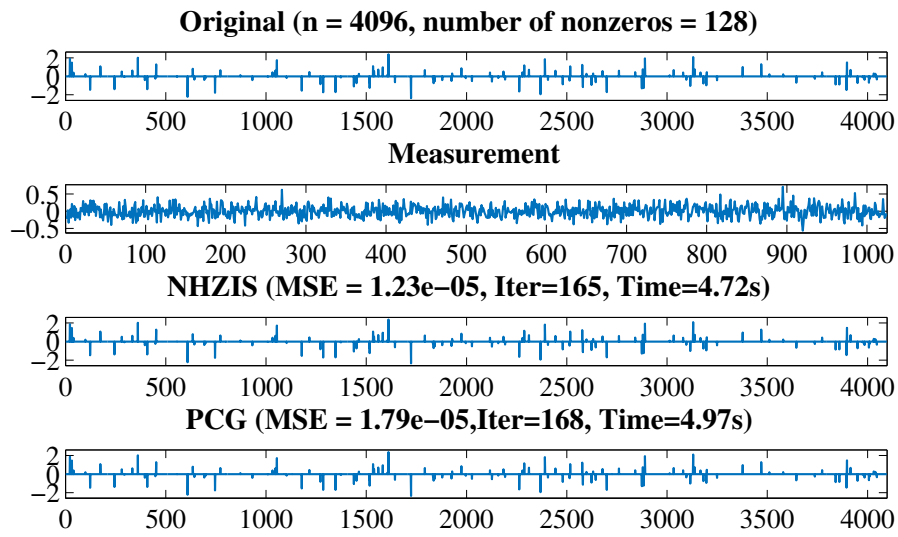


Figure 4: Actual signal, measurement and the reconstructed one by the *NHZIS* and *EPGM* algorithms.

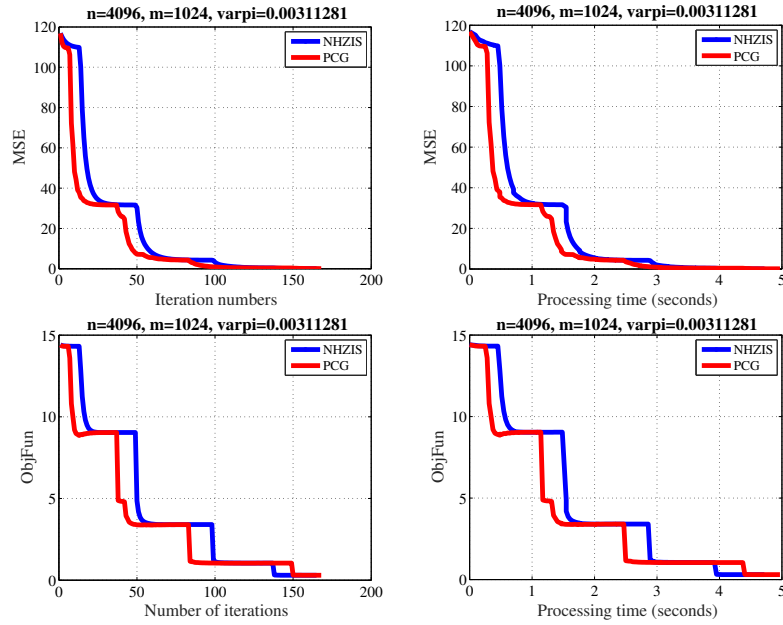


Figure 5: Results obtained by comparing the *NHZIS* with *PCG* solver. Iterations and cpu time are depicted on the horizontal axis of the four figures, while MSE and objective function values are depicted on the vertical axes respectively.

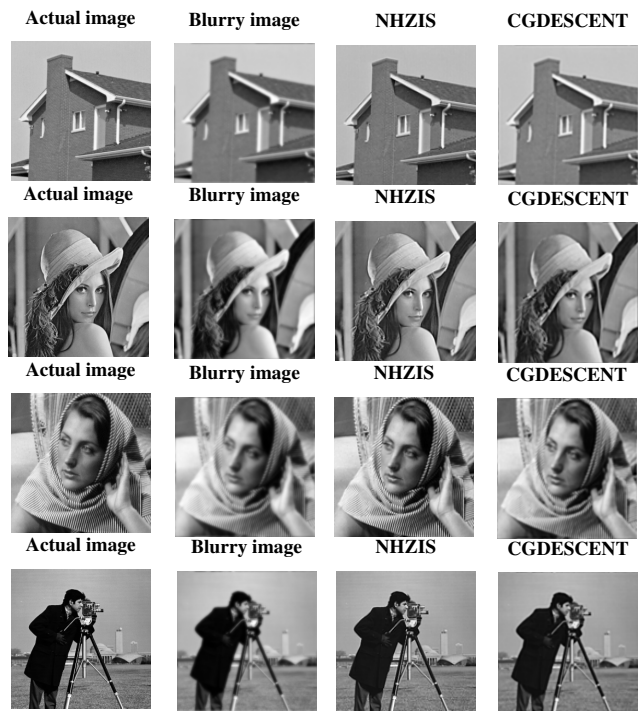


Figure 6: The first two rows from the top represents actual, blurry and restored images by *NHZIS* and *CGD* schemes for House and Lena images, while the last two rows represent the same thing for Barbara and Cameraman images).

Table 7: Detailed results of *NHZIS* and *PCG* [3] schemes for the  $\ell_1 - norm$  problem

NHZIS				PCG				
MSE	Cpt	Niter	ObjFun	MSE	Cpt	Niter	ObjFun	
$2.002 \times 10^{-5}$	3.98	135	$4.070 \times 10^{-1}$	$4.350 \times 10^{-5}$	4.45	147	$4.081 \times 10^{-1}$	
$1.817 \times 10^{-5}$	3.70	125	$3.769 \times 10^{-1}$	$2.494 \times 10^{-5}$	4.31	141	$3.769 \times 10^{-1}$	
$1.577 \times 10^{-5}$	3.22	108	$4.368 \times 10^{-1}$	$2.231 \times 10^{-5}$	3.91	127	$4.368 \times 10^{-1}$	
$1.647 \times 10^{-5}$	3.67	124	$4.448 \times 10^{-1}$	$2.412 \times 10^{-5}$	2.48	81	$5.164 \times 10^{-1}$	
$2.017 \times 10^{-5}$	3.31	117	$4.684 \times 10^{-1}$	$2.521 \times 10^{-5}$	4.19	143	$4.680 \times 10^{-1}$	
$1.023 \times 10^{-5}$	3.44	121	$3.728 \times 10^{-1}$	$1.094 \times 10^{-5}$	4.45	147	$3.724 \times 10^{-1}$	
$1.053 \times 10^{-5}$	2.97	103	$3.190 \times 10^{-1}$	$1.430 \times 10^{-5}$	4.34	139	$3.190 \times 10^{-1}$	
$1.003 \times 10^{-5}$	4.00	141	$2.502 \times 10^{-1}$	$1.631 \times 10^{-5}$	4.47	148	$2.504 \times 10^{-1}$	
$1.903 \times 10^{-5}$	3.33	116	$4.746 \times 10^{-1}$	$2.582 \times 10^{-5}$	4.23	140	$4.746 \times 10^{-1}$	
$8.615 \times 10^{-6}$	2.98	102	$3.170 \times 10^{-1}$	$1.418 \times 10^{-5}$	3.44	118	$3.172 \times 10^{-1}$	
$2.470 \times 10^{-5}$	3.67	123	$4.707 \times 10^{-1}$	$4.218 \times 10^{-5}$	3.98	128	$4.713 \times 10^{-1}$	
$1.486 \times 10^{-5}$	3.53	124	$4.392 \times 10^{-1}$	$1.732 \times 10^{-5}$	4.00	133	$4.387 \times 10^{-1}$	
$1.610 \times 10^{-5}$	3.59	119	$4.113 \times 10^{-1}$	$2.528 \times 10^{-5}$	4.33	140	$4.115 \times 10^{-1}$	
$1.136 \times 10^{-5}$	4.23	142	$3.026 \times 10^{-1}$	$1.652 \times 10^{-5}$	5.23	167	$3.027 \times 10^{-1}$	
$1.480 \times 10^{-5}$	3.58	120	$3.995 \times 10^{-1}$	$2.296 \times 10^{-5}$	3.75	120	$3.994 \times 10^{-1}$	
AVERAGE	$1.54 \times 10^{-5}$	3.547	121.3	$3.92 \times 10^{-1}$	$2.31 \times 10^{-5}$	4.104	134.6	$3.97 \times 10^{-1}$

The next experiment is conducted to exhibit the performance of the *NHZIS* scheme in image de-blurring problems. For this process, four images are employed, namely House, Lena, Barbara, and Cameraman. Also, values for the parameters are set as for the previous experiment. In addition, the performance of the *CGDESCENT* [4] solver, which performs well in image de-blurring problems is compared with that of the *NHZIS* scheme. The parameters for the *CGDESCENT* scheme remain as used in the article. Performance of the two schemes considered is observed using the metrics of Functions evaluations, cpu time, MSE, SNR, which is signal to noise ratio, namely

$$SNR = 20 \times \log_{10} \left( \frac{\|\bar{x}\|}{\|x - \bar{x}\|} \right),$$

with  $\bar{x}$ , and  $x$  representing de-blurred and actual images, and structural similarity index (SSIM). For the experiment conducted, the codes were implemented with  $x_0 = N^T q$ .  $N$  denotes (DWT) matrix, with  $m$  rows selected at random from the  $n \times n$  DWT matrix. Table 8 presents results of the experiments conducted, while the original, blurry, and restored images by the *NHZIS* and *CGDESCENT* schemes are presented in figure 6 respectively. Careful observation of the results displayed in Table 8 indicates that for the exception of Lena, where the *CGDESCENT* has a slight edge, the *NHZIS* outperformed the *CGDESCENT* solver under the metrics considered. Figure 6 also indicated that reconstructed images by *NHZIS* algorithm are slightly better than the ones by *CGDESCENT* scheme. Therefore, taking everything into consideration, it is clear that the *NHZIS* method is effective for image de-blurring. Lastly, the MATLAB implementation of the SSIM index is available at <http://www.cns.nyu.edu/~lcv/ssim/>.

Table 8: Results of the image de-blurring experiments conducted for *NHZIS* and *CGDESCENT* schemes

Image	ObjFun		MSE		SNR		SSIM	
	NHZIS	CGDESCENT	NHZIS	CGDESCENT	NHZIS	CGDESCENT	NHZIS	CGDESCENT
House	$1.593 \times 10^6$	$1.651 \times 10^6$	$4.7442 \times 10^1$	$5.7550 \times 10^1$	26.49	25.65	0.89	0.86
Lena	$1.437 \times 10^6$	$1.513 \times 10^6$	$7.8551 \times 10^1$	$9.0026 \times 10^1$	23.52	22.93	0.90	0.87
Barbara	$1.486 \times 10^6$	$1.585 \times 10^6$	$1.1010 \times 10^2$	$2.0627 \times 10^2$	22.27	19.55	0.85	0.75
Cameraman	$1.390 \times 10^6$	$1.473 \times 10^6$	$1.2062 \times 10^2$	$1.7757 \times 10^2$	21.73	20.05	0.88	0.83

## 6. CONCLUDING REMARKS

By taking the parameter of the Hager-Zhang scheme in [15] as 1, we designed its adaptation for constrained form of (1.14) as well as signal and image reconstruction. The scheme can also be considered as a two parameter scaled variant of the method in [15]. By conducting eigenvalue analysis, it has been proven that the new scheme satisfied the vital condition for global convergence. Following this, and by employing the idea developed by Byrd and Nocedal [34], a proper and reasonable choice for one of the parameters  $\mu_k$  was obtained leading to a revised search direction of the scheme. Due to its derivative-free attribute, the new scheme proved to be ideal for solving non-smooth problems. Preliminary numerical experiments with three HZ-type schemes, indicated that the proposed scheme is effective. Furthermore, as part of its novelty, the scheme has been applied to decode disturbed signals and restore blurry images. It was indicated in the experiments conducted that the scheme competes well and produces better results than three other methods. As a further research, we intend to explore application of the scheme in other areas

**Conflict of interest** The authors declare that they have no conflict of interest.

**Ethical Approval and Consent to participate** Not applicable.

**Consent for publication** The authors consent to publication of the work.

**Human and Animal Ethics** Not applicable.

**Funding** Not applicable.

**Authors' contributions** **Kabiru Ahmed:** Methodology, Software, Data curation, Writing - original draft, Writing - review & editing. **Mohammed Yusuf Waziri:** Conceptualization, Methodology, Validation, Formal analysis, Investigation, Writing - review & editing, Supervision. **Abubakar Sani Halilu:** Conceptualization, Methodology, Validation, Writing - review & editing, Supervision.

### Data Availability Statements

The datasets generated and analysed during the current study and not included in the manuscript can be assessed publicly at <https://github.com/hungugida/hungugida/blob/main/Tables1-10SignalandImage.pdf> and <http://www.cns.nyu.edu/~lcv/ssim/>.

**Acknowledgments** Not applicable

## REFERENCES

- [1] Dirkse, S.P Ferris, M.C.: A collection of nonlinear mixed complementarity problems. *Optim. Methods Softw.* **5**, 319-345(1995)
- [2] Meintjes, K. Morgan, A.P.: A methodology for solving chemical equilibrium systems. *Appl. Math. Comput.* **22**, 333-361(1987)
- [3] Liu, J.K., Li, S.J.: A projection method for convex constrained monotone nonlinear equations with applications. *Comput. Math. Appl.* **70**(10), (2015)2442-2453
- [4] Xiao, Y., Zhu, H.: A conjugate gradient method to solve convex constrained monotone equations with applications in compressive sensing. *J. Math. Anal. Appl.* **405**(1), 310-319 (2013)
- [5] Halilu, A.S. Majumder, A., Waziri, M.Y., Ahmed, K.: Signal recovery with convex constrained nonlinear monotone equations through conjugate gradient hybrid approach. *Math. comput. Simulation*, <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.matcom.2021.03.020> (2021)
- [6] Halilu, A.S., Majumder, A., Waziri, M.Y., Awwal, A.M., Ahmed, K.: On solving double direction methods for convex constrained monotone nonlinear equations with image restoration, *Comput. Appl. Math.* **40**:239 (2021)
- [7] Waziri, M.Y., Ahmed, K.: Two descent Dai-Yuan conjugate gradient methods for systems of monotone nonlinear equations. *J. Sci. Comput.* **90**(36) (2022) <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10915-021-01713-7>.
- [8] Waziri, M.Y., Ahmed, K., Halilu, A.S., Awwal, A.M.: Modified Dai-Yuan iterative scheme for nonlinear systems and its Application. *Numer. Alg. Control Optim.* <https://doi:10.3934/naco.2021044>.
- [9] Halilu, A.S., Majumder, A., Waziri, M.Y., Ahmed, K., Awwal, A.M.: Motion control of the two joint planar robotic manipulators through accelerated Dai-Liao method for solving system of nonlinear equations. *Eng. Comput.* <https://doi.org/10.1108/EC-06-2021-0317>
- [10] Halilu, A.S., Majumder, A., Waziri, M.Y., Awwal, A.M., Ahmed, K.: On solving double direction methods for convex constrained monotone nonlinear equations with image restoration. *Comput. Appl. Math.* **40**(239), (2021)
- [11] Waziri, M.Y., Ahmed, K., Halilu, A.S., Sabiu, J.: Two new Hager-Zhang iterative schemes with improved parameter choices for monotone nonlinear systems and their applications in compressed sensing. *Rairo Oper. Res.* <https://doi.org/10.1051/ro/2021190>.
- [12] Waziri, M.Y., Ahmed, K., Halilu, A.S.: *J. Comput. Appl. Math.* <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.cam.2021.114035>

- [13] Solodov, M.V., Svaiter, B.F.: A globally convergent inexact Newton method for systems of monotone equations. in: M. Fukushima, L. Qi (Eds.), *Reformulation: Nonsmooth, Piecewise Smooth, Semismooth and Smoothing Methods*, Kluwer Academic Publishers, 1998, pp. 355-369.
- [14] Hager, W.W. Zhang, H.: A new conjugate gradient method with guaranteed descent and an efficient line search. *SIAM J. Optim.* **16**(1)170-192(2005)
- [15] Hager, W.W. Zhang, H.: A survey of nonlinear conjugate gradient methods. *Pac. J. Optim.* **2**(1) 35-58(2006)
- [16] Goldstein, A.A.: On steepest descent. *SIAM J. Control*, **3**, 147151(1965)
- [17] Dai, Y.H., Kou, C.X.: A nonlinear conjugate gradient algorithm with an optimal property and an improved wolfe line search. *SIAM J. Optim.* **23**, 296-320(2013)
- [18] Babai-Kafaki, S.: On the sufficient descent condition of the Hager-Zhang conjugate gradient methods. *40R-Q. J. Oper. Res.* <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10288-014-0255-6>(2014).
- [19] Halilu, A.S., Waziri, M.Y.: An improved derivative-free method via double direction approach for solving systems of nonlinear equations. *J. Ramanujan Math. Soc.* **33**(1), 75-89(2018)
- [20] Waziri, M.Y., Ahmed, K., Sabi'u, J.: A family of Hager-Zhang conjugate gradient methods for system of monotone nonlinear equations. *Appl. Math. Comput.* **361**, 645-660(2019)
- [21] Waziri, M.Y., Ahmed, K., Sabi'u, J.: A Dai-Liao conjugate gradient method via modified secant equation for system of nonlinear equations, *Arab. J. Math.* **9**, 443-457(2020)
- [22] Waziri, M.Y., Ahmed, K., Sabi'u, J.: Descent Perry conjugate gradient methods for systems of monotone nonlinear equations. *Numer. Algor.* **85**, 763-785(2020)
- [23] Waziri, M.Y., Ahmed, K., Sabi'u, J., Halilu, A.S.: Enhanced Dai-Liao conjugate gradient methods for systems of monotone nonlinear equations. *SeMA J.* **78**, 15-51(2020)
- [24] Sabi'u, J., Shah, A., Waziri, M.Y.: Two optimal Hager-Zhang conjugate gradient methods for solving monotone nonlinear equations. *Appl. Numer. Math.* **153**, 217-233(2020)
- [25] Sabi'u, J., Shah, A., Waziri, M.Y., Ahmed, K.: Modified Hager-Zhang conjugate gradient methods via singular value analysis for solving monotone nonlinear equations with convex constraint, *Int. J. Comput. Meth.* (2021) 2050043.
- [26] Sabi'u, J., Shah, A., Waziri, M.Y.: A modified Hager-Zhang conjugate gradient method with optimal choices for solving monotone nonlinear equations. *Int. J. Comput. Math.* <https://doi.org/10.1080/00207160.2021.1910814> (2021).



- [27] Byrd, R.H., Nocedal, J.: A tool for the analysis of quasi-Newton methods with application to unconstrained minimization. *SIAM J. Numer. Anal.* **26**, 727-739(1989)
- [28] Waziri, M.Y., Usman, H.: A.S. Halilu, K. Ahmed, Modified matrix-free methods for solving systems of nonlinear equations. *Optimization*, **70**, 23212340(2021)
- [29] Dai, Y.H. Liao, L.Z.: New conjugacy conditions and related nonlinear conjugate gradient methods. *Appl. Math. Optim.* **43**(1), 87-101(2001)
- [30] Liao, A.: Modifying BFGS method. *Oper. Res. Letters* **20**, 171-177(1997)
- [31] Andrei, N.: A double parameter scaled BFGS method for unconstrained optimization. *J. Comput. Appl. Math.*(2017) <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.cam.2017.10.009>.
- [32] Babaie-Kafaki, S., Aminifard, Z.: Two parameter scaled memoryless BFGS methods with a nonmonotone choice for the initial step length. *Numer. Algor.* <https://doi.org/10.1007/s11075-019-00658-1> (2019).
- [33] Andrei, N.: A double-parameter scaling BroydenFletcherGoldfarbShanno method based on minimizing the measure function of Byrd and Nocedal for Unconstrained Optimization. *J. Optim. Theory Appl.* <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10957-018-1288-3>.
- [34] Byrd, R.J., Nocedal, J A tool for the analysis of quasi-Newton methods with application to unconstrained minimization. *SIAM J. Numer. Anal.* **26**, 727-739(1989)
- [35] Hestenes, M.R., Stiefel, E.L.: Methods of conjugate gradients for solving linear systems. *J. Research Nat. Bur. Standards*, **49**, 409-436(1952)
- [36] Perry, A.: A modified conjugate gradient algorithm. *Oper. Res. Tech. Notes.* **26**(6), 1073-1078(1978)
- [37] Dolan, E.D., Moré, J.J.: Benchmarking optimization software with performance profiles, *Math. Program.* **91**, 201-2013(2002)
- [38] La Cruz, W., Martinez, J.M., Raydan, M.: Spectral residual method without gradient information for solving large-scale nonlinear systems of equations. Theory and experiments, Technical Report RT-04-08, 2004.
- [39] Wang, C.W., Wang, Y.J., Xu, C.L.: A projection method for a system of nonlinear monotone equations with convex constraints. *Math. Meth. Oper. Res.* **66**, 33-46(2007)
- [40] La cruz, W.: A Spectral algorithm for large-scale systems of nonlinear monotone equations. *Numer. Algor.* **76**, 1109-1130(2017)
- [41] Gomes-Ruggiero, M.A., Mart´ınez, J.M., Moretti, A.C.: Comparing algorithms for solving sparse nonlinear systems of equations. *SIAM J. Sci. Stat. Comput.* **13**(2), 459-483(1992)
- [42] Peiting, G., Chuanjiang, H.: A derivative-free three-term projection algorithm involving spectral quotient for solving nonlinear monotone equations. *Optimization, J. Math. Prog. Oper. Res.* **118**(2018)

- [43] Banham, M.R., Katsaggelos, A.K.: Digital image restoration. *IEEE Signal Process, Mag.* **14**(2), 24-41(1997)
- [44] Chan, C.L., Katsaggelos, A.K., Sahakian, A.V.: Image sequence filtering in quantum-limited noise with applications to low-dose fluoroscopy. *IEEE Trans. Med. Imaging* **12**(3), 610-621 (1993)
- [45] Slump, C.H.: Real-time image restoration in diagnostic X-ray imaging, the effects on quantum noise. in: *Proceedings., 11th IAPR International Conference on Pattern Recognition. Vol.II. Conference B: Pattern Recognition Methodology and Systems.* 693-696(1992)
- [46] Elaine, T., Wotao, Y., Yin, Z.: A fixed-point continuation method for  $\ell_1$ -regularized minimization with applications to compressed sensing. *CAAM TR07-07, Rice University*, 43-44(2007)
- [47] Pang, J.S.: Inexact Newton methods for the nonlinear complementarity problem. *Math. Program.* **36** 54-71(1986)
- [48] Mario, A.T., Figueiredo, R., Nowak, D., An EM algorithm for wavelet-based image restoration. *IEEE Transactions on Image Processing*, **12**(8), 906-916(2003)
- [49] Figueiredo, M., Nowak, R., Wright, S.J.: Gradient projection for sparse reconstruction, application to compressed sensing and other inverse problems. *IEEE J-STSP IEEE Press, Piscataway, NJ.* 586-597(2007)
- [50] Xiao, Y., Wang, Q., Hu, Q.: Non-smooth equations based method for  $\ell_1 - norm$  problems with applications to compressed sensing. *Nonlinear Anal. Theory Methods Appl.* **74**(11), 3570-3577(2011)
- [51] Hu, Y., Wang, Y.: An efficient projected gradient method for convex constrained monotone equations with applications in compressive sensing. *J. Appl. Math. Phy.* **8**, 983-998(2020)