

OrthoLowRankAdam: Combining Orthogonal Gradient Processing and Layer-wise Adaptation for Transformer Optimization

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Abstract

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1 Method

The OrthoLowRankAdam algorithm proceeds as follows:

1. Compute gradients $G_t = \nabla_{\theta} L_t$ for all parameters
2. For attention layer parameters, perform low-rank orthogonal projection: $G_t^{proj} = U_t[:, :k] \Sigma_t[:, :k] V_t[:, :k]^T$ where $k = \lfloor r \cdot \min(m, n) \rfloor$
3. Compute momentum terms m_t, v_t following standard Adam update rules
4. Apply layer-specific learning rates $\eta_l = \eta_{base} \cdot (1 + \alpha l)^{-\beta}$
5. Update parameters: $\theta_{t+1} = \theta_t - \eta_l m_t / (\sqrt{v_t} + \epsilon)$

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