

- Review eigenvectors/eigenvalues \leftarrow
- optimization: quadratic functions w linear const.

OPTIMIZATION: (UNCONSTRAINED)

$$\min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} f(x)$$

objective function:

$$f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

f : differentiable

\hookrightarrow encodes what we want to minimize.

OPTIMALITY COND: $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = 0$

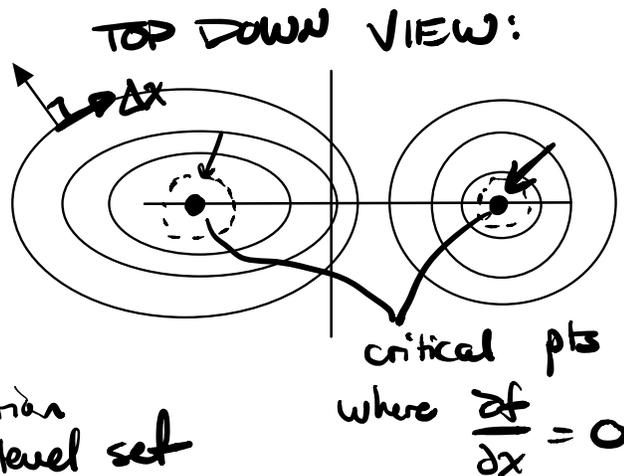
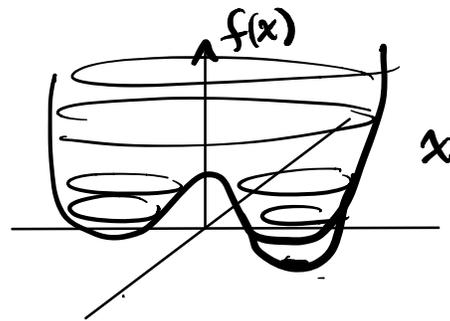
local optimality

Gradient points directly up hill...

$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \perp$ to level sets

$$\frac{\Delta f}{\Delta x} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \Delta x = 0$$

\hookrightarrow perturbation along level set

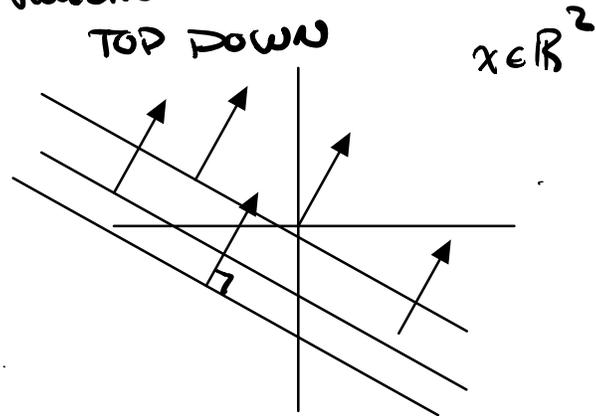


Simple objective functions:

Linear obj.

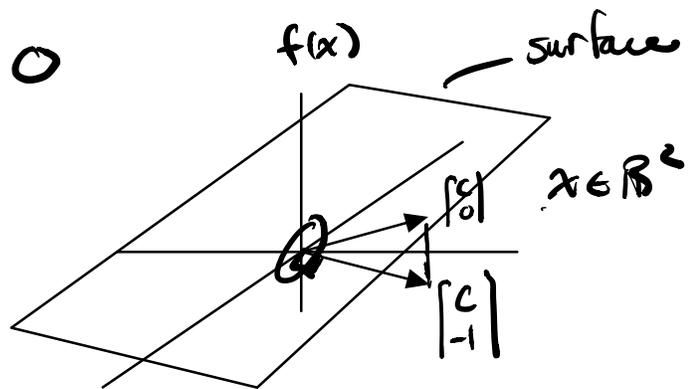
$$f(x) = c^T x$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = c^T \quad \leftarrow$$



$$\begin{bmatrix} c^T & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ f \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$$\min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} c^T x$$



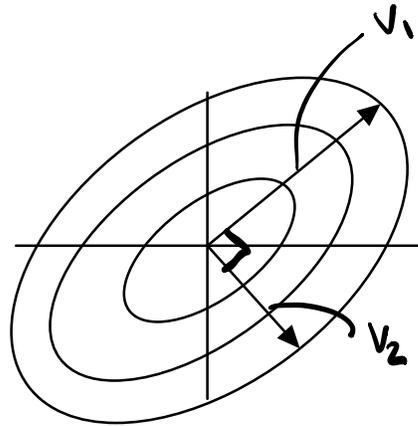
Quadratic Objective (canonical convex objective)

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{2} x^T Q x + \underline{c^T x}$$

No linear term:

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{2} x^T Q x$$

ellipsoid shapes
are determined by
eigenvectors & eigenvalues
of Q



for $f(x) = x^T Q x$ always assume Q is symmetric.

(if not: $x^T \left(\frac{1}{2} \underbrace{(Q+Q^T)}_{\text{Sym}} + \frac{1}{2} \underbrace{(Q-Q^T)}_{\text{skew sym}} \right) x$)

replace Q with $\frac{1}{2} \underbrace{(Q+Q^T)}_{\text{Sym component of } Q}$ $\frac{1}{2} x^T Q x - \frac{1}{2} x^T Q^T x = 0$

EIGENVALUE PROB: REVIEW

$Qv = \lambda v$ $Q \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ $v \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ or \mathbb{C}
 bilinear $\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{\text{eigenvector}}$, $\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{\text{eigenvalue}}$
 first solve for λ

$(\lambda I - Q)v = 0 \Rightarrow \det(\lambda I - Q) = 0$
 have a nontrivial nullspace

$\chi_Q(s) = \det(sI - Q) = s^n + \alpha_{n-1}s^{n-1} + \dots + \alpha_1 s + \alpha_0$
 \rightarrow roots of $\chi_Q(s)$ are eigenvalues n^{th} order \downarrow always has n roots \uparrow fund. thm of algebra

$\{\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n\} = \text{spec}(Q)$

for ea. $\lambda_i \Rightarrow$ solve for v_i (eigenvector) $(\lambda_i I - Q)v_i = 0$

if we can find n linearly ind. eigenvectors
 then Q is diagonalizable

↓
basis of eigenvectors

$$[Qv_1 \dots Qv_n] = [\lambda_1 v_1 \dots \lambda_n v_n]$$

$$Q \underbrace{[v_1 \dots v_n]}_V = \underbrace{[v_1 \dots v_n]}_V \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix}}_D$$

$$QV = VD$$

$$Q = VD V^{-1} \quad \} \rightarrow \text{diagonalization of } Q$$

Q is related to D by a similarity transform.

can think of Q in coords w.r.t. V
 as just stretching along the coord axes

Why do we care?

$$Q^k = \underbrace{VDV^{-1}} \times \underbrace{VDV^{-1}} \times \dots \times \underbrace{VDV^{-1}} = VD^k V^{-1}$$

$$= [V] \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1^k & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & \lambda_n^k \end{bmatrix} V^{-1}$$

$$\text{if } \lambda \in \text{spec}(Q) \Rightarrow \lambda^k \in \text{spec}(Q^k)$$

for general analytic functions $f(\cdot)$

$$\text{if } \lambda \in \text{spec}(Q) \Rightarrow f(\lambda) \in \text{spec}(f(Q))$$

eigenvectors of $Q^k, f(Q)$, etc same as Q

$$Q^{1/2} = M \quad \text{s.t.} \quad MM = Q$$

$$M = V \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1^{1/2} & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & \lambda_n^{1/2} \end{bmatrix} V^{-1} \quad MM = VD^{1/2}V^{-1}VD^{1/2}V^{-1} = VDV^{-1} = Q$$

Symmetric Matrices

$$Q = Q^T$$

- $\text{spec}(Q) \in \mathbb{R}$ real eigenvalues
- eigenvectors are orthogonal to ea. other

v_i, v_j are eigenvectors of Q

$$j \neq i \quad v_i^T v_j = 0$$

$$Q = RDR^T$$

$$R = [v_1 \dots v_n]$$

$$R^{-1} = R^T$$

R : unitary ...
orthonormal ...
rotation ...

$$R^T R = \begin{bmatrix} v_1^T \\ \vdots \\ v_n^T \end{bmatrix} [v_1 \dots v_n] = \begin{bmatrix} v_1^T v_1 & \dots & v_1^T v_n \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ v_n^T v_1 & \dots & v_n^T v_n \end{bmatrix} = I$$

off diagonal elements are 0

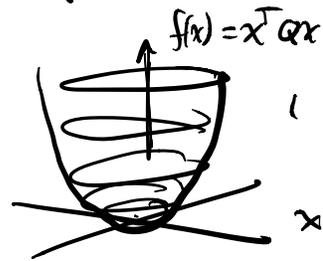
$R^T = R^{-1} \rightarrow$ orthonormal eigenvectors
are perpendicular

↓ sign of eigenvalues of $Q = Q^T \dots$

Defn Positive definite $Q \succ 0$

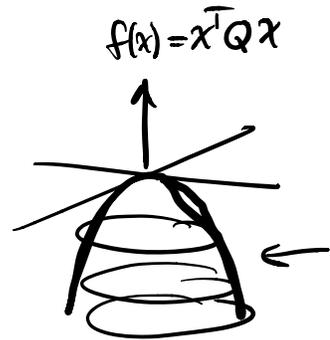
$Q = Q^T \quad x^T Q x > 0 \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n$
 (positive semi definite) $Q \succeq 0$

$$x^T Q x \geq 0 \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n$$



Defn negative definite $Q \prec 0$

$Q = Q^T \quad x^T Q x < 0 \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n$
 negative semi definite $Q \preceq 0$
 $x^T Q x \leq 0 \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n$

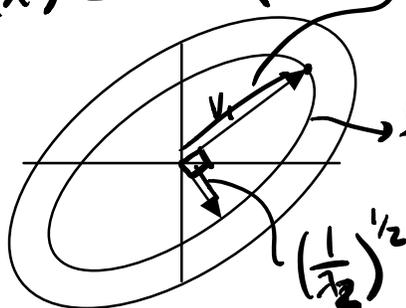


$$Q \succ 0 \iff \text{spec}(Q) > 0$$

$$f(v_i) = v_i^T Q v_i = \underline{v_i^T} \begin{bmatrix} v_1 & \dots & v_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & & \\ & \dots & \\ & & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_1^T \\ \vdots \\ v_n^T \end{bmatrix} \underline{v_i}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & |v_i| & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & & \\ & \dots & \\ 0 & & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ |v_i| \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

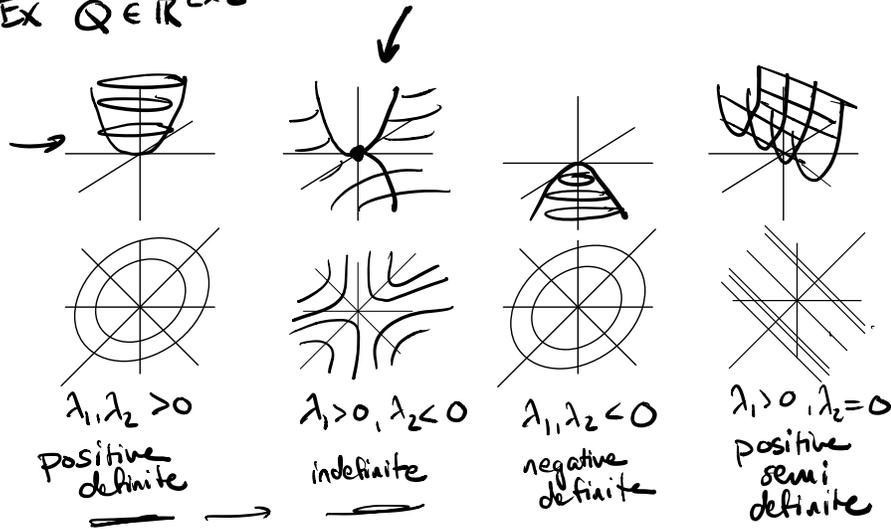
$$f(x) = x^T Q x \quad \left(\frac{1}{\lambda_1}\right)^{1/2} = |v_i|^2 \lambda_i \rightarrow$$



$$f(v_i) = 1 = |v_i|^2 \lambda_1$$

$$|v_i| = \left(\frac{1}{\lambda_1}\right)^{1/2}$$

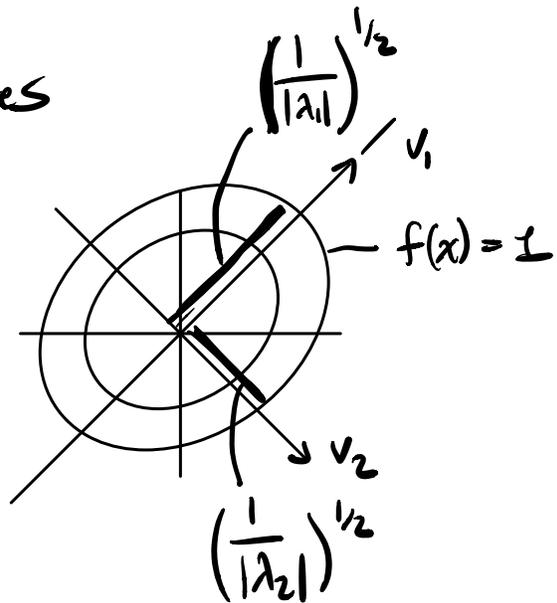
Ex $Q \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$



ML algorithms
avoiding saddles

$$f(x) = x^T Q x$$

adding a linear term...



$$f(x) = x^T Q x + c^T x$$

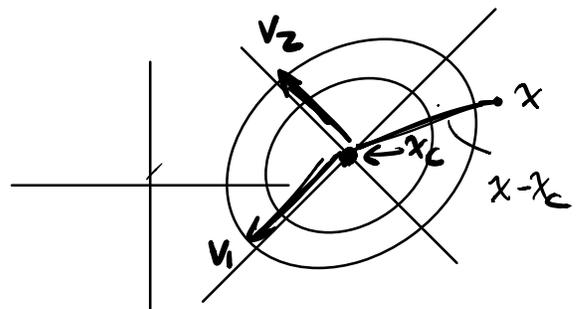
computing new center point...

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = 0 : 2x^T Q + c^T = 0$$

$$x^T = -\frac{1}{2} c^T Q^{-1}$$

$$x^T = -\frac{1}{2} c^T R D^{-1} R^T =$$

$$= \underbrace{-\frac{1}{2} [c^T v_1 \dots c^T v_n]}_{\text{row vector}} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\lambda_1} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{1}{\lambda_n} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_1^T \\ \vdots \\ v_n^T \end{bmatrix}$$



coords of center pt. wrt eigenvector basis

$$f(x) = x^T Q x + c^T x = \underline{\underline{(x - x_c)^T Q (x - x_c)}} + \text{const}$$

$$x^T Q x = (x - \underline{\underline{0}})^T Q (x - \underline{\underline{0}}) = x^T Q x - 2x_c^T Q x + x_c^T Q x_c + \text{const}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{const} = -x_c^T Q x_c$$

$$c^T x = -2x_c^T Q x$$

$$c^T = -2x_c^T Q \Rightarrow x_c^T = -\frac{1}{2} c^T Q^{-1}$$

Adding constraints...

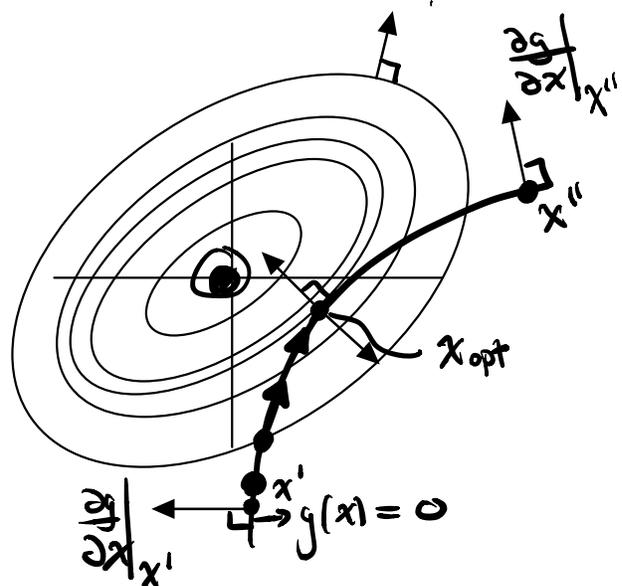
Equality constraints...

$$\begin{aligned} \min & f(x) \\ x \in \mathbb{R}^n & \\ \text{s.t. } & g(x) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R} -$$

$$g: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$$

$$\frac{\partial g}{\partial x} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$$



$$\frac{\partial g}{\partial x} \in \mathbb{R}^{1 \times 2}$$

what optimality condition tells us
to stop at x_{opt} ?

Option 1: constrain ourselves to $g(x)$
 and optimize f on that set
 \Rightarrow converting a constrained optimization
 into an unconstrained opt.

Option 2: optimality condition in terms

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \text{ and } \frac{\partial g}{\partial x}$$

Method of
Lagrange
multipliers

Unconstrained: $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = 0$

key insight: " $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}$ and $\frac{\partial g}{\partial x}$ point in the"
 same subspace

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = v^T \frac{\partial g}{\partial x}$$

$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}$ is a lin comb of the
rows of $\frac{\partial g}{\partial x}$

\nwarrow replaces $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = 0$

Examples Linear constraints $Ax = b$

$$A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n} \quad b \in \mathbb{R}^m$$

$$\min_x f(x)$$

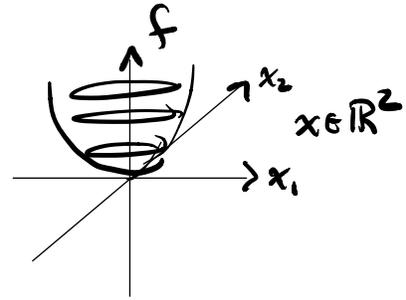
$$\text{s.t. } g(x) = 0$$

$$g(x) = Ax - b = 0$$

\nearrow m constraints.

$$\frac{\partial g}{\partial x} = A \quad g(x) = a^T x - b$$

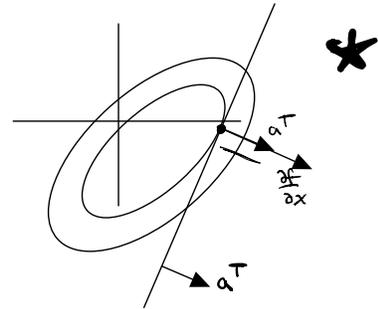
$$\frac{\partial g}{\partial x} = a^T$$



Ex. $\min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^2} \frac{1}{2} x^T Q x + c^T x$
s.t. $a^T x = b$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = x^T Q + c^T$$

v: allows us to account for steepness of f

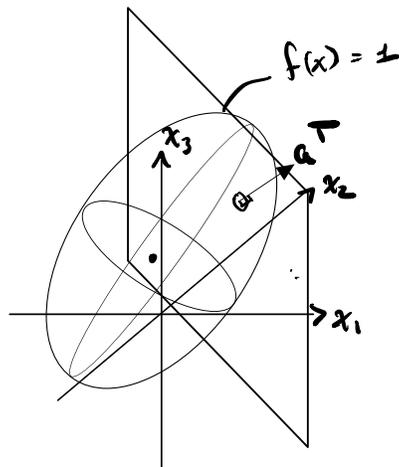


$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = v a^T \quad v \in \mathbb{R}$$

Solve together $\left[\begin{array}{l} x^T Q + c^T = v a^T \rightarrow \text{at opt point} \\ a^T x = b \rightarrow \text{on the line} \end{array} \right]$

$$x^T = (v a^T - c^T) Q^{-1}$$

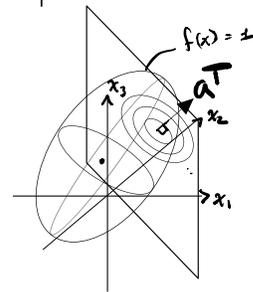
Ex. $\min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^3} \frac{1}{2} x^T Q x + c^T x$
s.t. $a^T x = b$



$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = x^T Q + c^T = v a^T \quad v \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$a^T x = b$$

solve for x and v



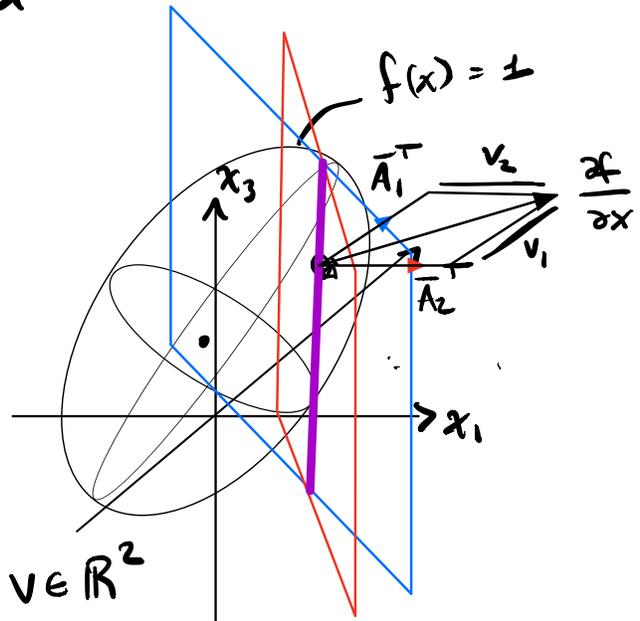
$$\text{Ex. } \min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^3} \frac{1}{2} x^T Q x + c^T x$$

$$\text{s.t. } Ax = b$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -\bar{A}_1^T & - \\ -\bar{A}_2^T & - \end{bmatrix} \quad b = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = v^T \frac{\partial g}{\partial x}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} &= [v_1, v_2] \begin{bmatrix} -\bar{A}_1^T & - \\ -\bar{A}_2^T & - \end{bmatrix} \\ &= v_1 \bar{A}_1^T + v_2 \bar{A}_2^T \end{aligned}$$



$$\left. \begin{aligned} x^T Q + c^T &= v^T A \\ Ax &= b \end{aligned} \right\} \rightarrow \begin{aligned} &\text{solve for} \\ &x \text{ \& } v \end{aligned}$$

Summary

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = v^T \frac{\partial g}{\partial x} \iff \text{stationarity (gradient is 0)}$$

$$g(x) = 0 \iff \text{feasibility (within the feasible set)}$$

solve for x and v

Solving for x & v

$$\min_x \frac{1}{2} x^T Q x + C^T x$$

s.t. $Ax = b$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = v^T \frac{\partial g}{\partial x} \Rightarrow x^T Q + C^T = -v^T A$$

$$g(x) = 0 \Rightarrow Ax = b$$

sys of lin eqns.

$$\begin{bmatrix} Q & A^T \\ A & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ v \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -C \\ b \end{bmatrix}$$

the initial direction we assign to v doesn't matter

↓ solve

want to invert.

a simpler problem: $B \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ $m < n$

$$\begin{bmatrix} I & B^T \\ B & 0 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} I & B \\ B & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \\ 0 & I \end{bmatrix}$$

Block matrix inversion

$$\begin{bmatrix} * & * \\ * & * \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} I & B \\ B & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \\ 0 & I \end{bmatrix}$$

B : \Rightarrow find basis for nullspace \Rightarrow cols of M

$$\underline{BM} = 0 \quad \& \quad \mathcal{R}(M) = \mathcal{N}(B)$$

$$[B^T M]^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} (BB^T)^{-1} B \\ (M^T M)^{-1} M^T \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} (BB^T)^{-1} B \\ (M^T M)^{-1} M^T \end{bmatrix} [B^T M] = \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \\ 0 & I \end{bmatrix}$$

$$[B^T M] \begin{bmatrix} (BB^T)^{-1} B \\ (M^T M)^{-1} M^T \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\xrightarrow{\text{green arrow}} \underbrace{B^T (BB^T)^{-1} B}_{\text{Proj}_{B^T}} + \underbrace{M (M^T M)^{-1} M^T}_{\text{Proj}_M} = I$$

Diagram illustrating the derivation of the inverse of the stacked matrix $[B^T M]$ using block matrix inversion and projection matrices.

Step 1: Initial matrix equation with annotations:

$$\begin{bmatrix} I & B^T \\ B & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} * & B^T (BB^T)^{-1} \\ * & * \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \\ 0 & I \end{bmatrix}$$

Step 2: Row reduction (indicated by red arrows) to zero out the bottom-left block:

$$\begin{bmatrix} I & B^T \\ B & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} * & B^T (BB^T)^{-1} \\ * & -(BB^T)^{-1} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \\ 0 & I \end{bmatrix}$$

Step 3: Column reduction (indicated by red arrows) to zero out the top-right block:

$$\begin{bmatrix} I & B^T \\ B & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -M (M^T M)^{-1} M^T & B^T (BB^T)^{-1} \\ * & -(BB^T)^{-1} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \\ 0 & I \end{bmatrix}$$

Step 4: Final result (indicated by a green arrow):

$$\begin{bmatrix} I & B^T \\ B & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -M (M^T M)^{-1} M^T & B^T (BB^T)^{-1} \\ (BB^T)^{-1} B & -(BB^T)^{-1} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \\ 0 & I \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} I & B^T \\ B & 0 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} M(M^T M)^{-1} M^T & B^T (B B^T)^{-1} \\ (B B^T)^{-1} B & -(B B^T)^{-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

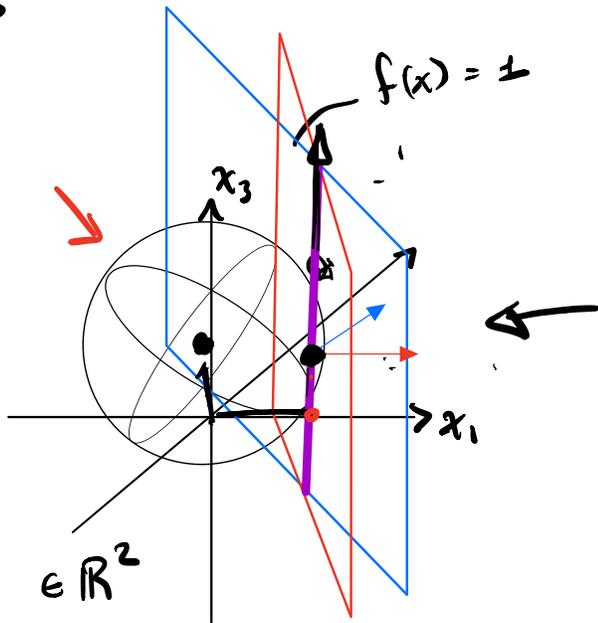
$$\begin{bmatrix} \pm & B^T \\ B & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ v \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -c \\ b \end{bmatrix}$$

optimality conds
for

$$\min_x \frac{1}{2} x^T x + c^T x$$

s.t. $Bx = b$

level sets of
 $\frac{1}{2} x^T x + c^T x$
are spheres



Solution:

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ v \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \pm & B^T \\ B & 0 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} -c \\ b \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} M(M^T M)^{-1} M^T & B^T (B B^T)^{-1} \\ (B B^T)^{-1} B & -(B B^T)^{-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -c \\ b \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{aligned} x &= -M(M^T M)^{-1} M^T c + B^T (B B^T)^{-1} b \\ v &= (B B^T)^{-1} B c - (B B^T)^{-1} b \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x &= \underbrace{-M(M^T M)^{-1} M^T c}_{\text{Proj}_M c} + \underbrace{B^T (B B^T)^{-1} b}_{\text{minimum norm } x} \\ &\text{s.t. } Bx = b \end{aligned}$$

$x = Q^{-1/2} x'$: coord transform \rightarrow turns level set ellipsoids into spheres

$$\begin{array}{l} \min_x \frac{1}{2} x^T Q x + c^T x \\ \text{s.t. } Ax = b \end{array} \Rightarrow \begin{array}{l} \min_{x'} \frac{1}{2} x'^T x' + c^T Q^{-1/2} x' \\ \text{s.t. } \underbrace{AQ^{-1/2}}_B x' = b \end{array}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{c|c} Q & A^T \\ \hline A & 0 \end{array} \right] = \left[\begin{array}{c|c} Q^{1/2} & 0 \\ \hline 0 & I \end{array} \right] \left[\begin{array}{c|c} I & Q^{-1/2} A^T \\ \hline A Q^{-1/2} & 0 \end{array} \right] \left[\begin{array}{c|c} Q^{1/2} & 0 \\ \hline 0 & I \end{array} \right]$$

$$\rightarrow \boxed{B = A Q^{-1/2}} \quad \boxed{M = Q^{1/2} N} \quad \leftarrow \quad R(N) = N(A)$$

$$(B M = A Q^{-1/2} Q^{1/2} N = 0)$$

from above

$$\left[\begin{array}{c|c} I & B^T \\ \hline B & 0 \end{array} \right]^{-1} = \left[\begin{array}{c|c} M(M^T M)^{-1} M^T & B^T (B B^T)^{-1} \\ \hline (B B^T)^{-1} B & -(B B^T)^{-1} \end{array} \right]$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{c|c} I & Q^{-1/2} A^T \\ \hline A Q^{-1/2} & 0 \end{array} \right]^{-1} = \left[\begin{array}{c|c} Q^{1/2} N (N^T Q N)^{-1} N^T Q^{1/2} & Q^{-1/2} A^T (A Q^{-1/2} A^T)^{-1} \\ \hline (A Q^{-1/2} A^T)^{-1} A Q^{-1/2} & -(A Q^{-1/2} A^T)^{-1} \end{array} \right]$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{c|c} Q & A^T \\ \hline A & 0 \end{array} \right]^{-1} = \left[\begin{array}{c|c} N (N^T Q N)^{-1} N^T & Q^{-1} A^T (A Q^{-1} A^T)^{-1} \\ \hline (A Q^{-1} A^T)^{-1} A Q^{-1} & -(A Q^{-1} A^T)^{-1} \end{array} \right]$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} Q & A^T \\ A & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ v \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -c \\ b \end{bmatrix} \leftarrow Ax = b$$

$$x = -N(N^T Q N)^{-1} N^T c + \underline{Q^T A^T (A Q^T A^T)^{-1} b}$$

$$v = -\underline{(A Q^T A^T)^{-1} A Q^T c} - \underline{(A Q^T A^T)^{-1} b}$$

$$\underline{A^T (A A^T)^{-1}} \quad \underline{A (A^T A)^{-1}} \quad \Leftarrow$$

$$\underline{A A^T A^T} \quad \underline{(A Q^T A^T) A}$$

$$\underline{A^T (A^T A)^{-1}}$$