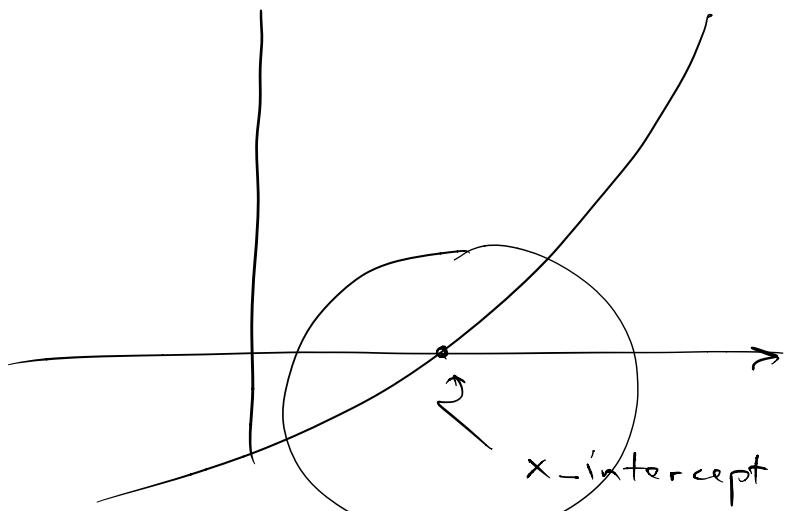


- $F(x) = 0$



- $\sqrt{3}$        $f(x) = x^2 - 9 = 0$

- $$\boxed{f(x) = p}$$

Complex

$$g(x) = f(x) - p = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &> p \\ f(x) &< p \end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{f(x) = p}$$

### Methods

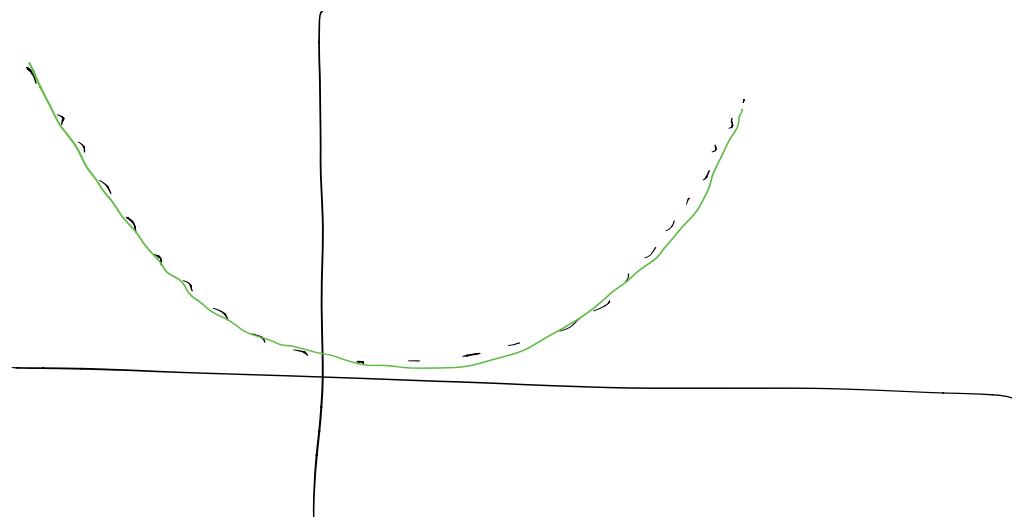
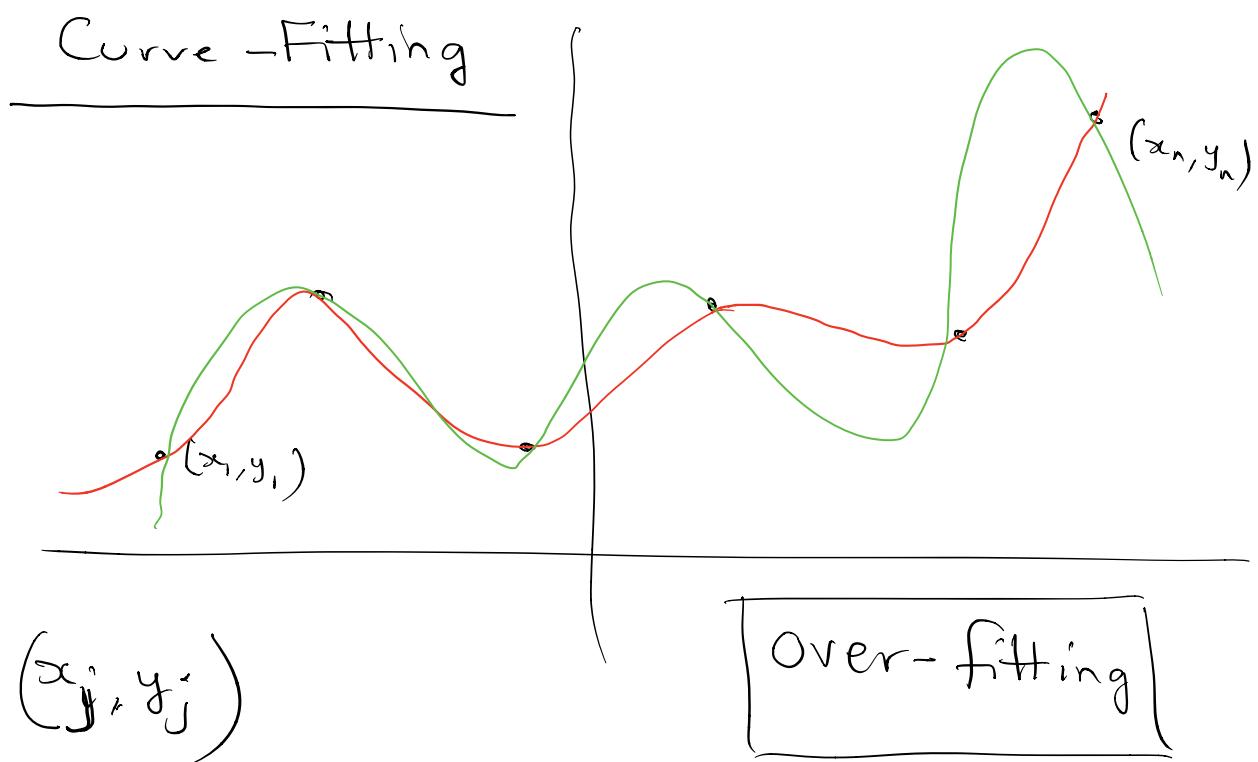
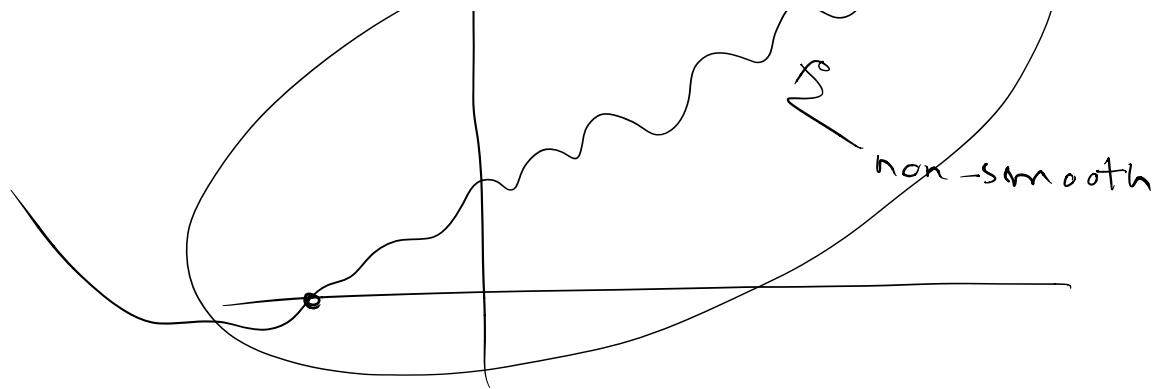
- $$\boxed{\text{Bi-section}}$$

- ✓ 
$$\boxed{\text{Newton-Raphson}}$$

- ✓ 
$$\boxed{\text{Secant}}$$

Pros/cons





## Family of curves

- line
- parabola
- cubic

$$a_0 + a_1 x + a_2 x^2 + a_3 x^3 + \dots$$

Distance

$$\sqrt{\frac{1}{N} \sum_j (y_j - \hat{y}_j)^2}$$

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given points      fitted points

Brute-Force (Grid search)

for  
for  
for

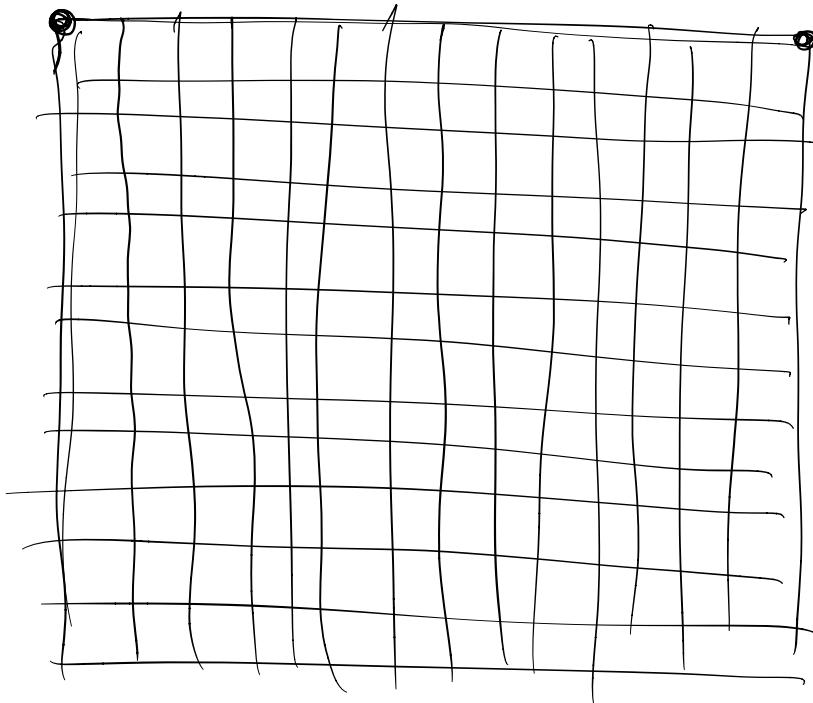
$$y = a_0 + a_1 x$$

for

;

$a_0$

$a_1$



for  $a_0 = -3 : 3$

for  $a_1 = -5 : 5$

• calc

• find the min

end for

min

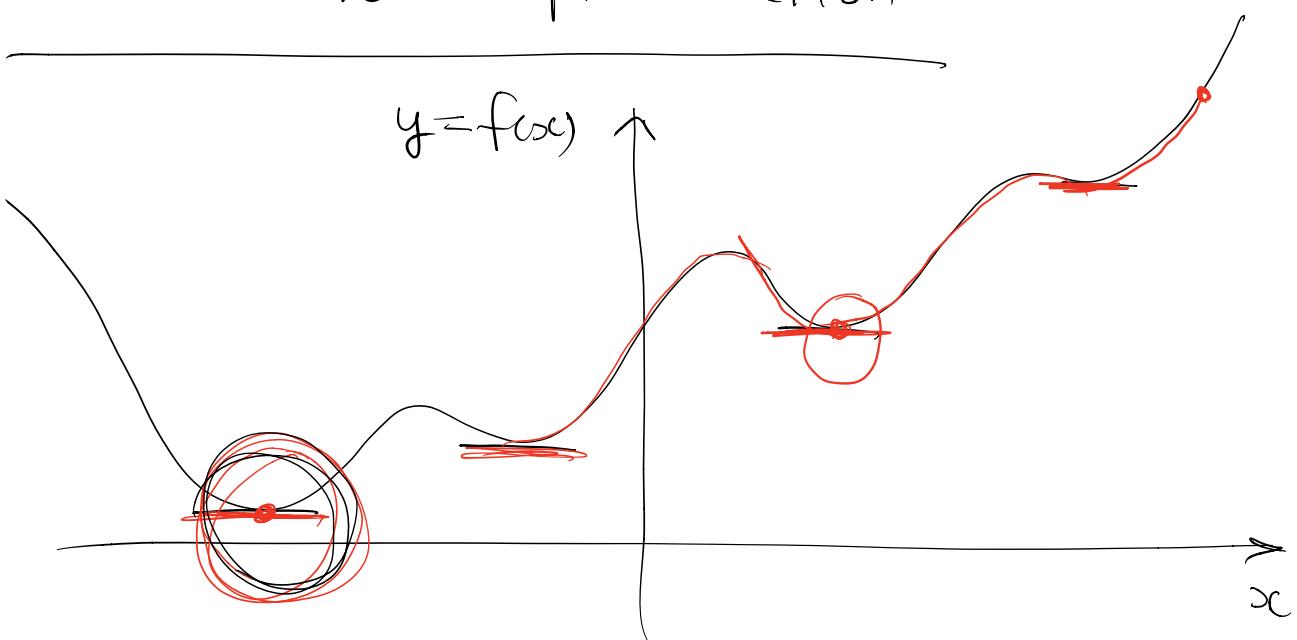
endfor

- fminsearch (Matlab) Simplex method

- Criteria
- obj func

hopefully best possible fit

## Intro. to Optimization



Q: Looking for the minimum of  $f$ ,

There are many (local) minima

Global Minimum

Global Maximum = Global minimum of negative  $f$

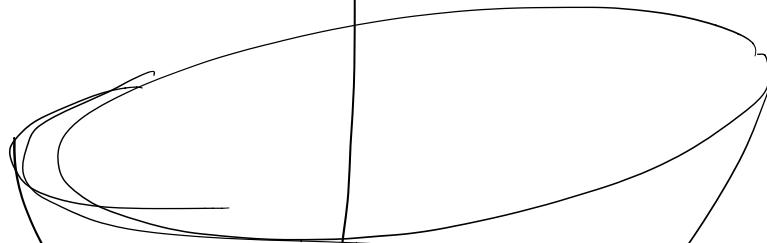
Given a function  $f(x)$

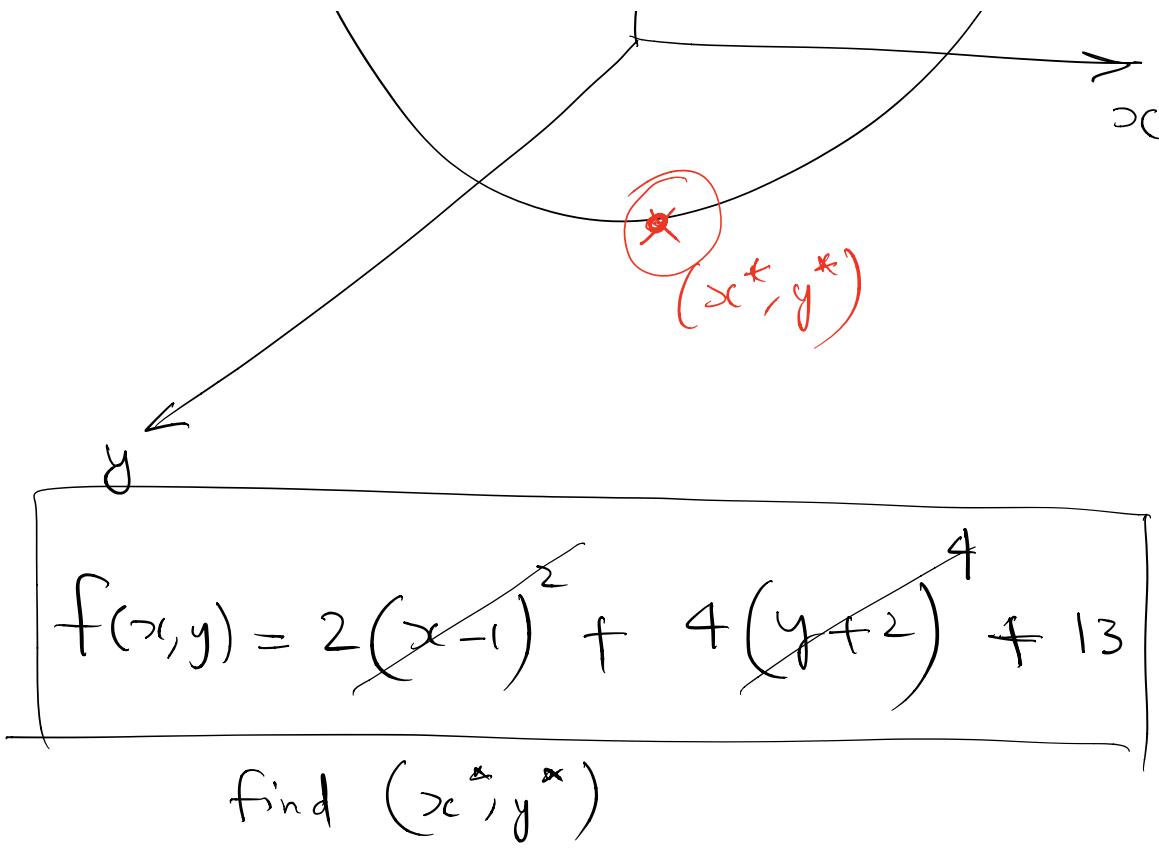
find  $\underset{\circ}{x^*}$  s.t.

$$[f(x^*)] \leq [f(x)]$$

$\forall x$  in  
the domain

$$f(x, y)$$

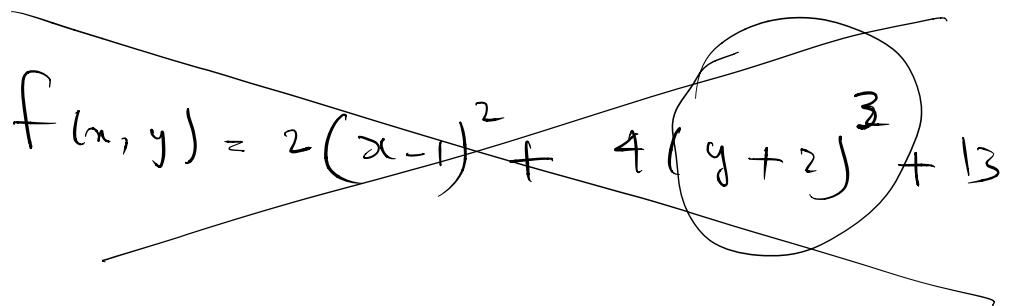




$$x^* = 1$$

$$y^* = -2$$

$$\min f(x, y) = 13$$



$$f(x, y) = \underbrace{2(x-1)^2 + 4(y+2)^2}_{\text{+ } 13} + \underbrace{(x-1)(y+2)}$$

$$\boxed{f(x, y) = 2(x-1)^2 + 4(y+2)^2 + 13}$$

Grid Search

Gradient Descent Method

Def. Gradient

$$f(x, y, z)$$

$$f(x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_n)$$

$$\nabla f = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1} \\ \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_2} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \vdots \\ \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_n} \end{pmatrix} \quad n \times 1$$

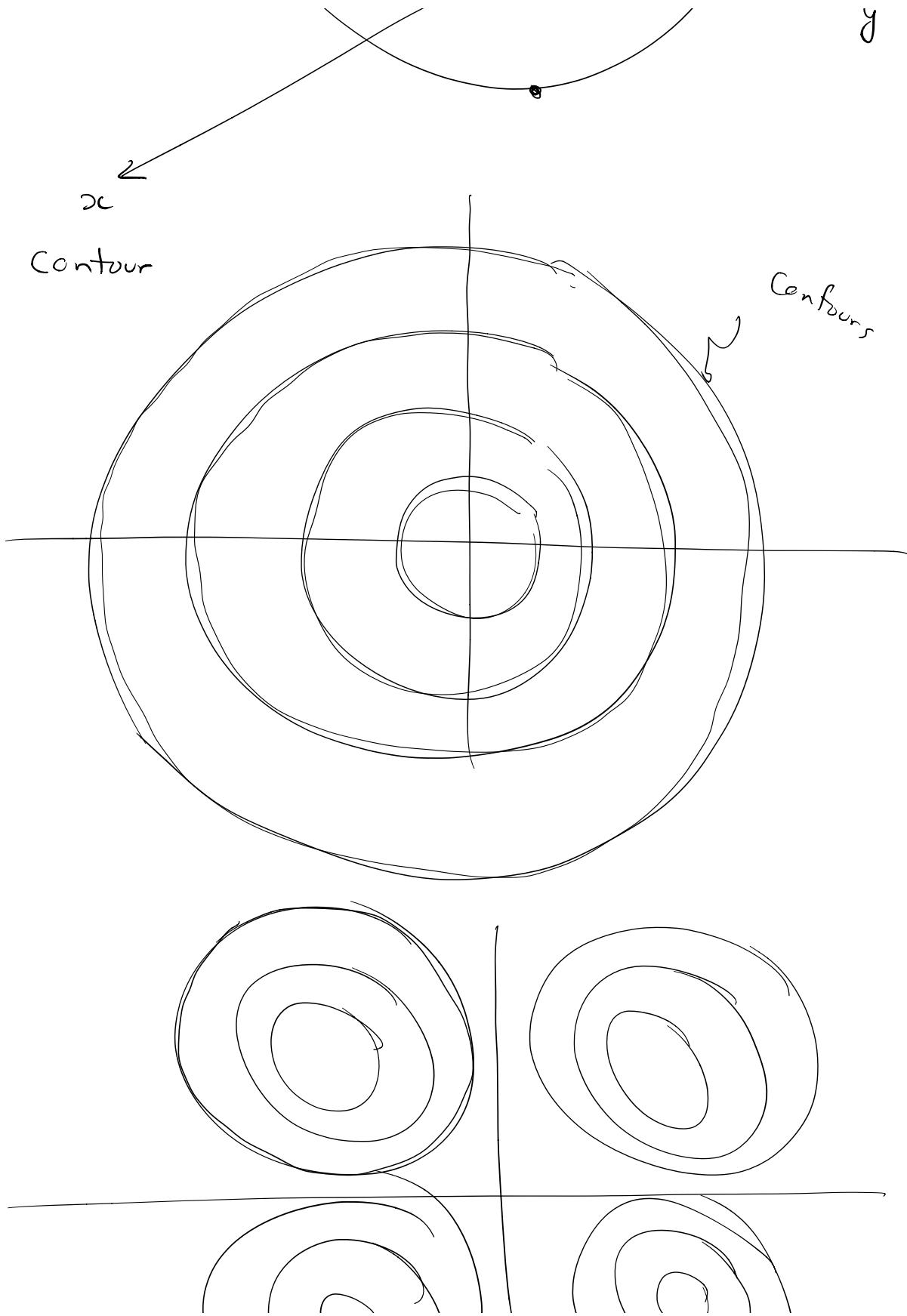
Column vector

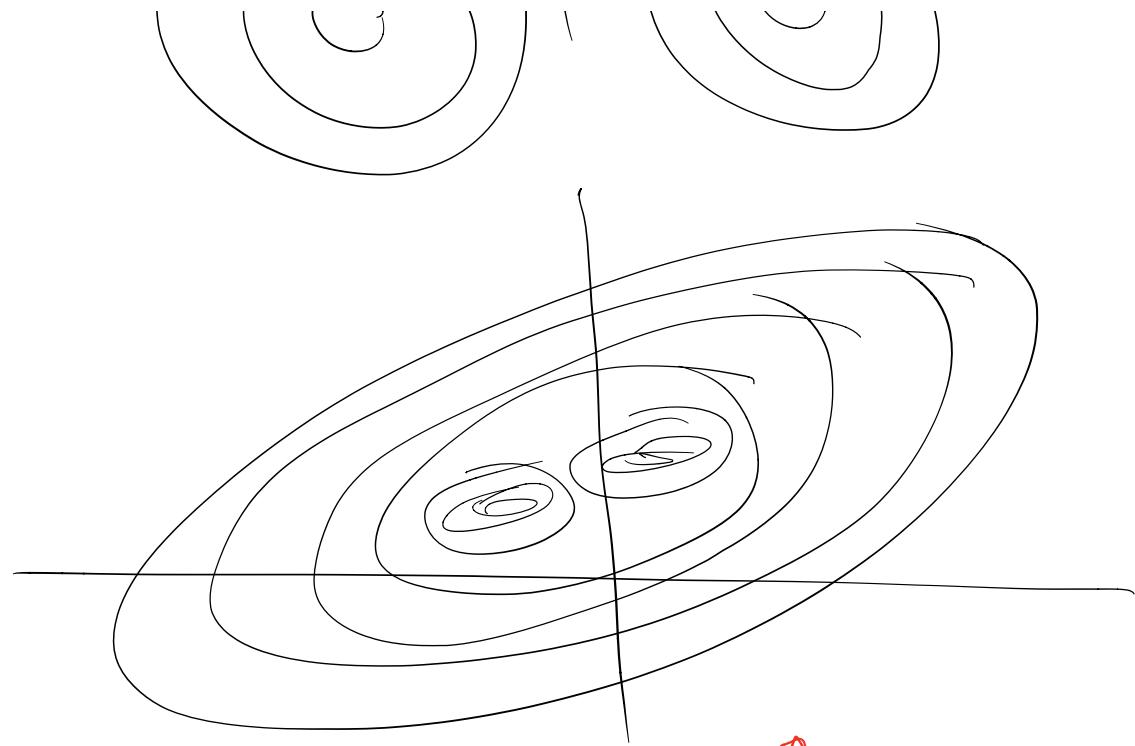
$$f(x, y) = \begin{pmatrix} 2x \\ 2y \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\nabla f = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \\ \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2y \\ 2x \end{pmatrix}$$

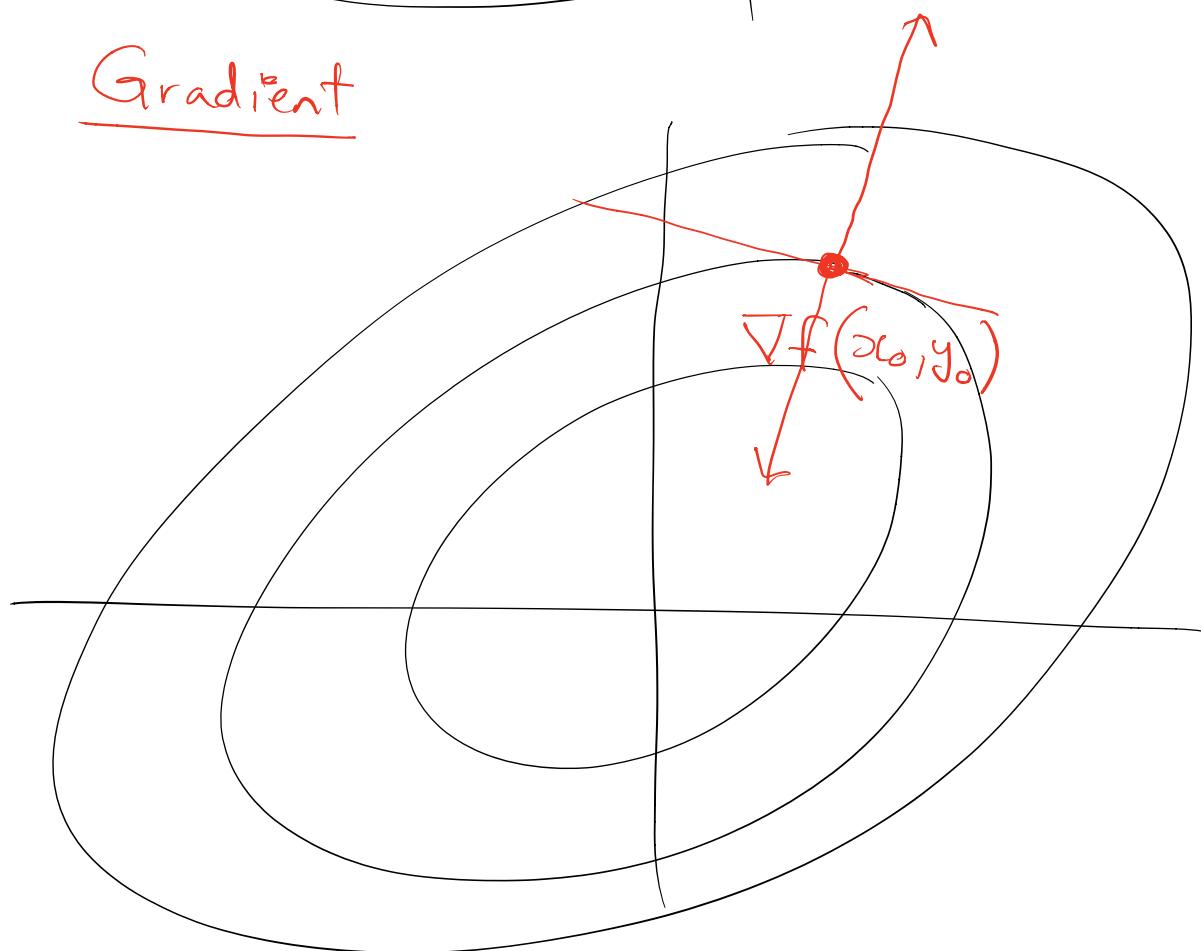
$$f(x, y) = \begin{pmatrix} 2x^2y^3 \\ 2x^3y^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\nabla f = \begin{pmatrix} 2y^3(2x) \\ 2x^2(3y^2) \end{pmatrix}$$





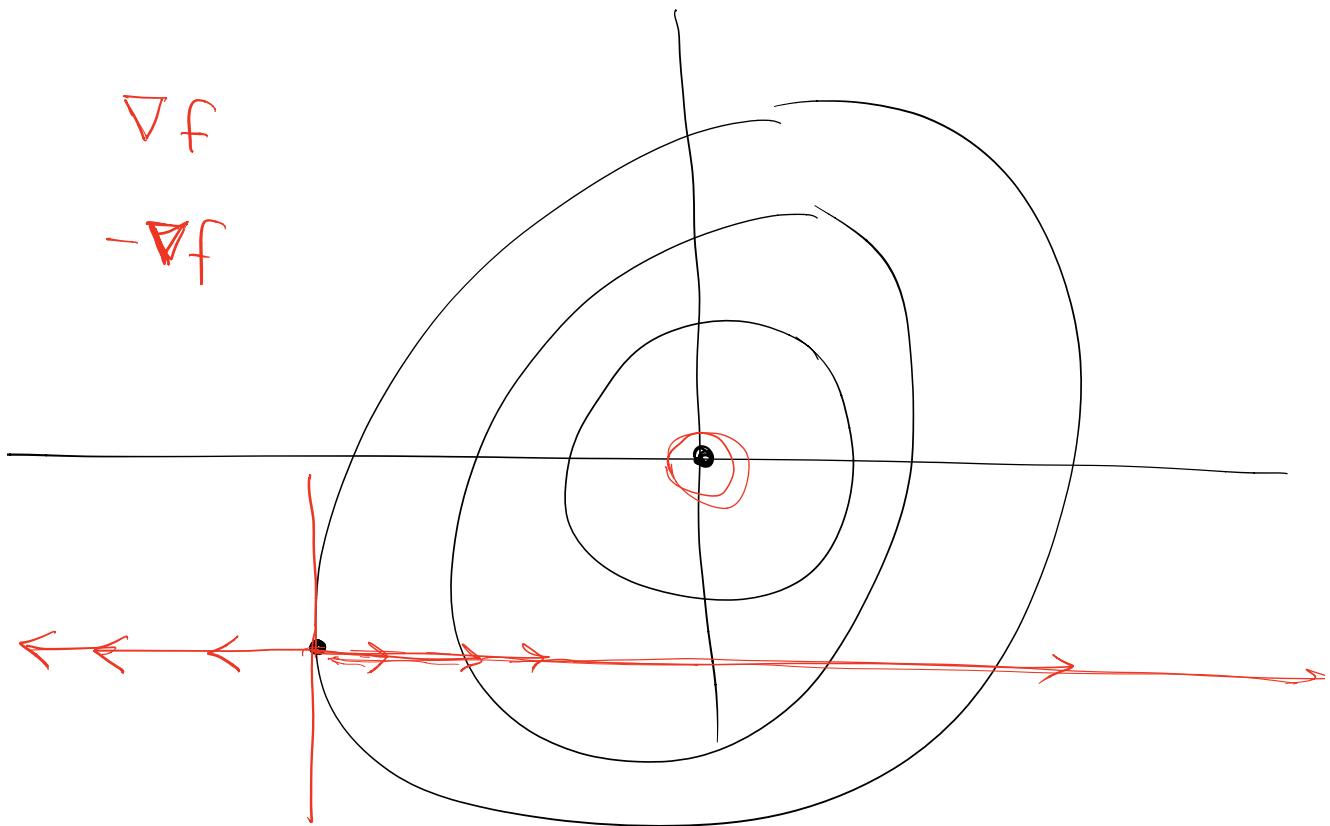
Gradient



Gradient points in the direction of

maximum increase

greatest rate of increase!



$$\vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x_0 \\ x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix} - \nabla f(\vec{x})$$

$$X = \cancel{X} - \delta \nabla F(X)$$

$$X_{\text{new}} = X_{\text{old}} - \delta \nabla F(X_{\text{old}})$$

learning  
rate

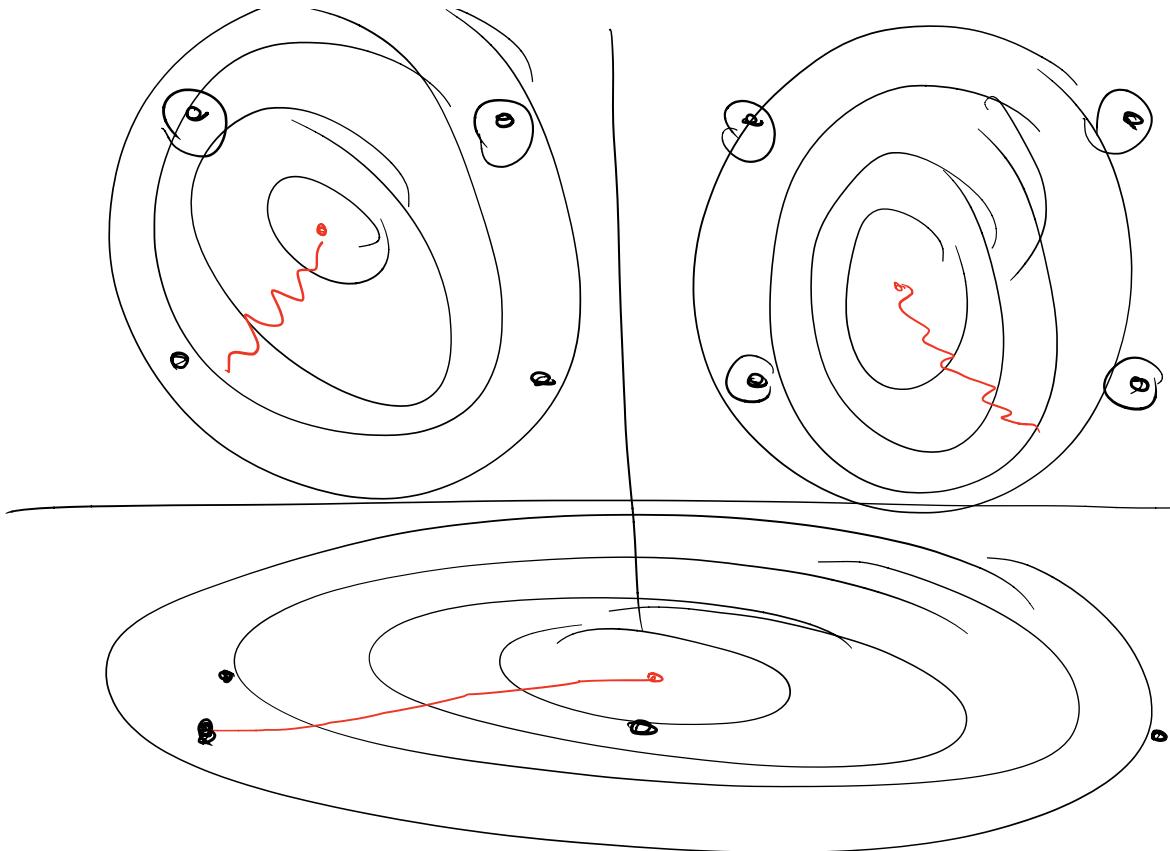
$$X_{\text{old}} = X_{\text{new}}$$

$$X = X - \delta \nabla F(X)$$

a good choice of  $\delta$   
is a MUST

$\delta$  is too large would not converge

$\delta$  is too small converges very slowly



[Don Goldfarb]

[Machine Learning]

Loss function

- ✓ • Various different start's points
- ✓ • randomization (stochastic)
- ✓ • F loss function / different weighting

$$L = \sum (y_j - \hat{y}_j)^2$$

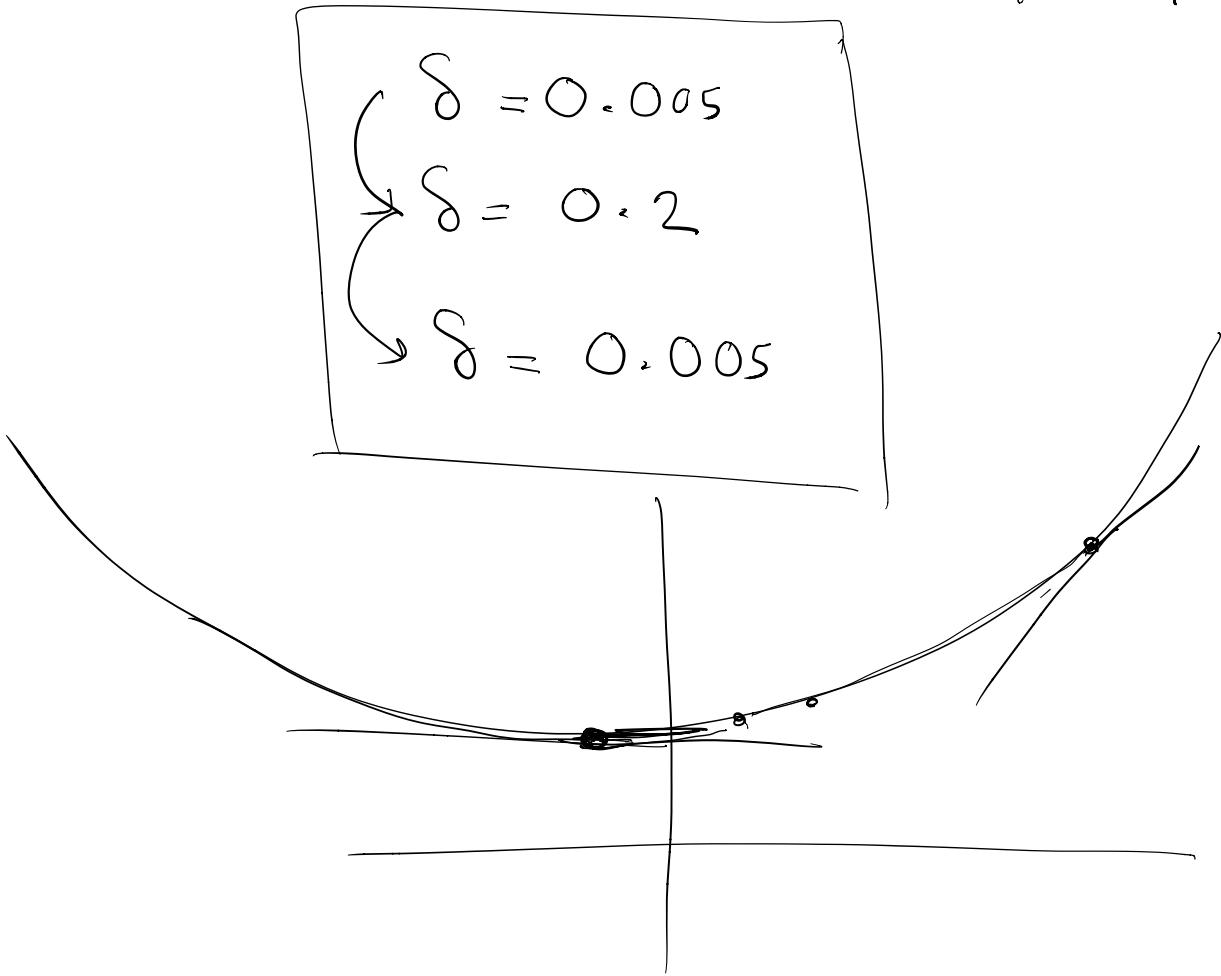
$$L = \left[ \sum |y_j - \hat{y}_j| \right]$$

$$L = \sum w_j (y_j - \hat{y}_j)^2$$

$$\boxed{j \neq 10, 13, 14}$$

$$\boxed{\begin{array}{l} w_j = 1 \quad \forall j \text{ except for } 10, 13, 14 \\ w_j = 2 \quad 10, 13, 14 \end{array}}$$

- how to make  $\delta$  adaptive?



$$x_{\text{new}} = x_{\text{old}} - \delta \nabla f(x_{\text{old}})$$

✓  $\|x_{\text{new}} - x_{\text{old}}\| = \sqrt{\sum_i (x_{\text{new}}^{(i)} - x_{\text{old}}^{(i)})^2}$

Criterion to stop.

= You stop if  $\|x_{\text{new}} - x_{\text{old}}\| < \epsilon = 10^{-5}$

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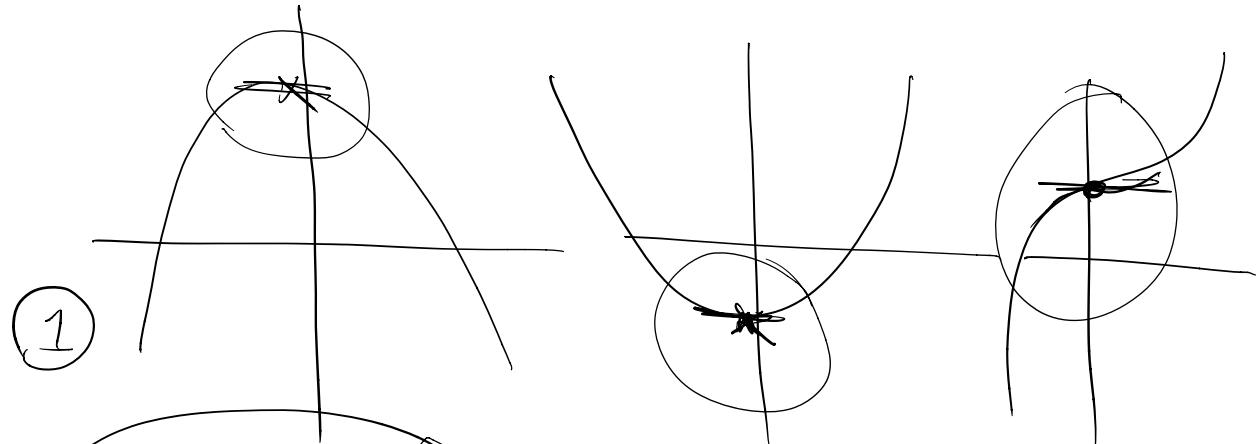
$\nabla F(x_{0,12})$

- Vanilla [Gradient Descent]

- ✓ Stochastic
- ✓ Mini-Batch

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$$f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$$



1 out of 3

$\frac{1}{3}$

$f(x)$

d-dimensional case

↗ local minimum

1-dim

$$\frac{1}{3}$$

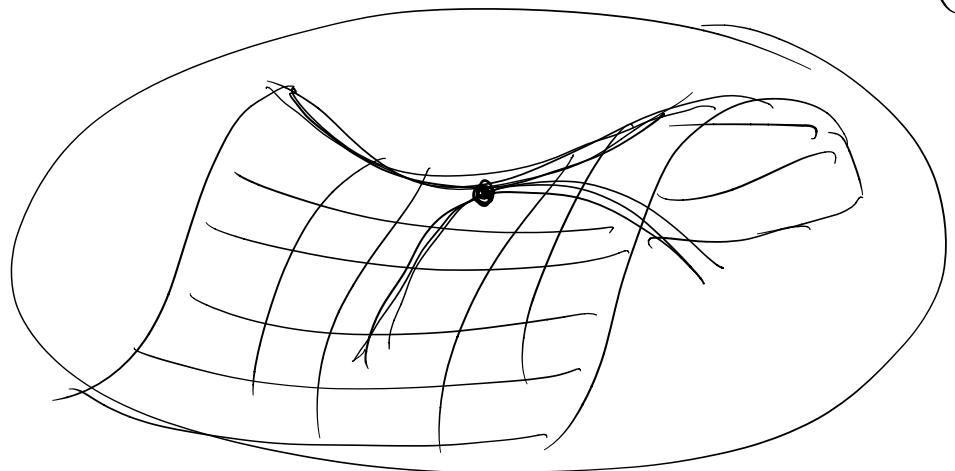
l-dim



$$\left[ \left( \frac{1}{3} \right)^l \right]$$

$$\frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{3} \times \dots = \left( \frac{1}{3} \right)^l$$



$$n^l$$

$$\left\lfloor \left( \frac{1}{3} \right)^{\ell} \right\rfloor$$