

Topics on nonlinear optimization

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Introduction

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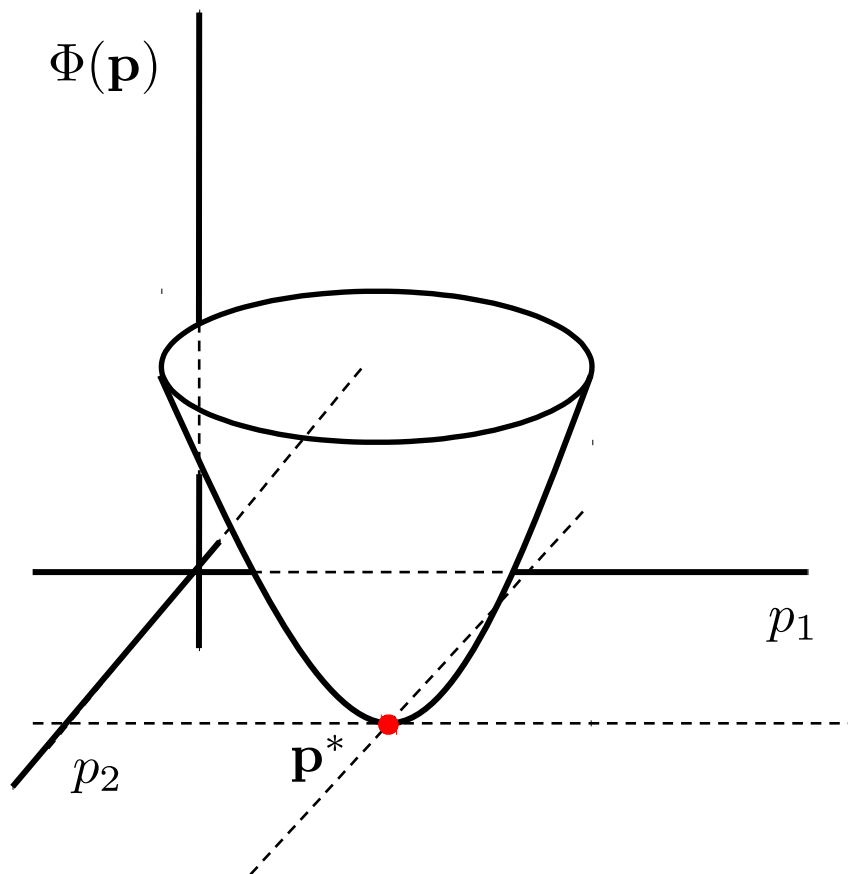
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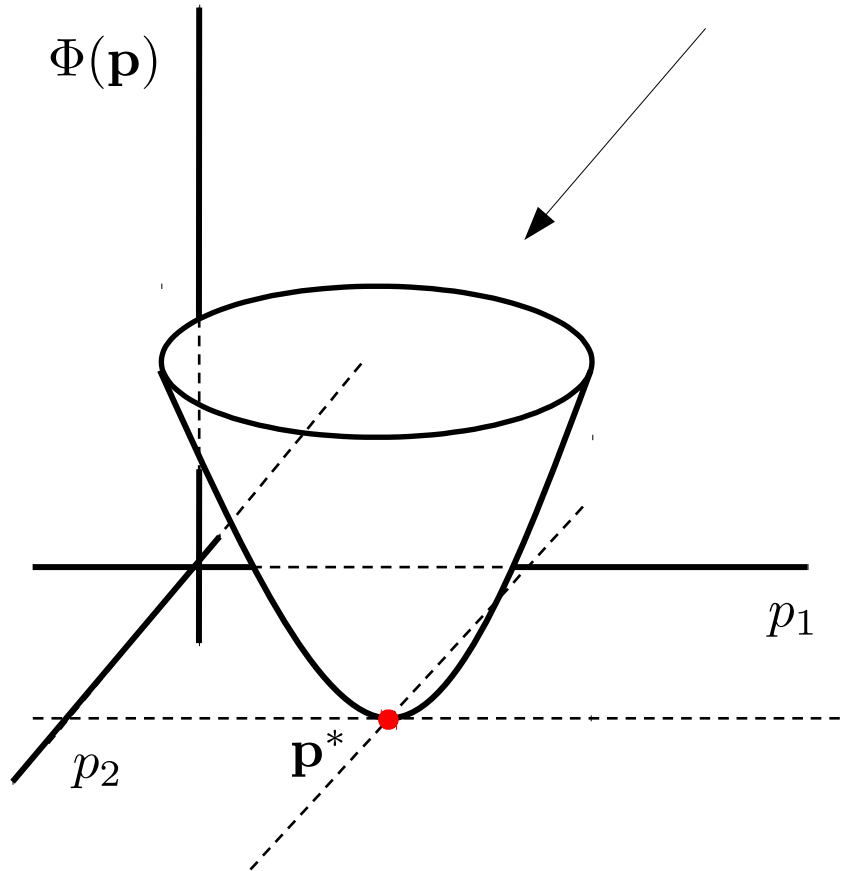
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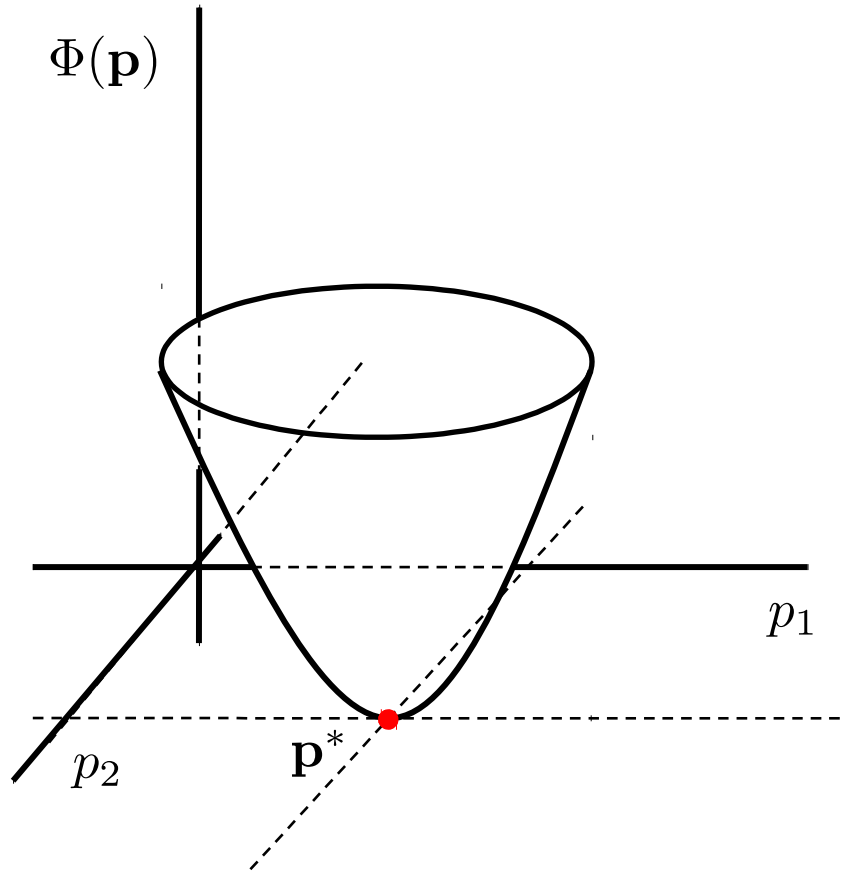


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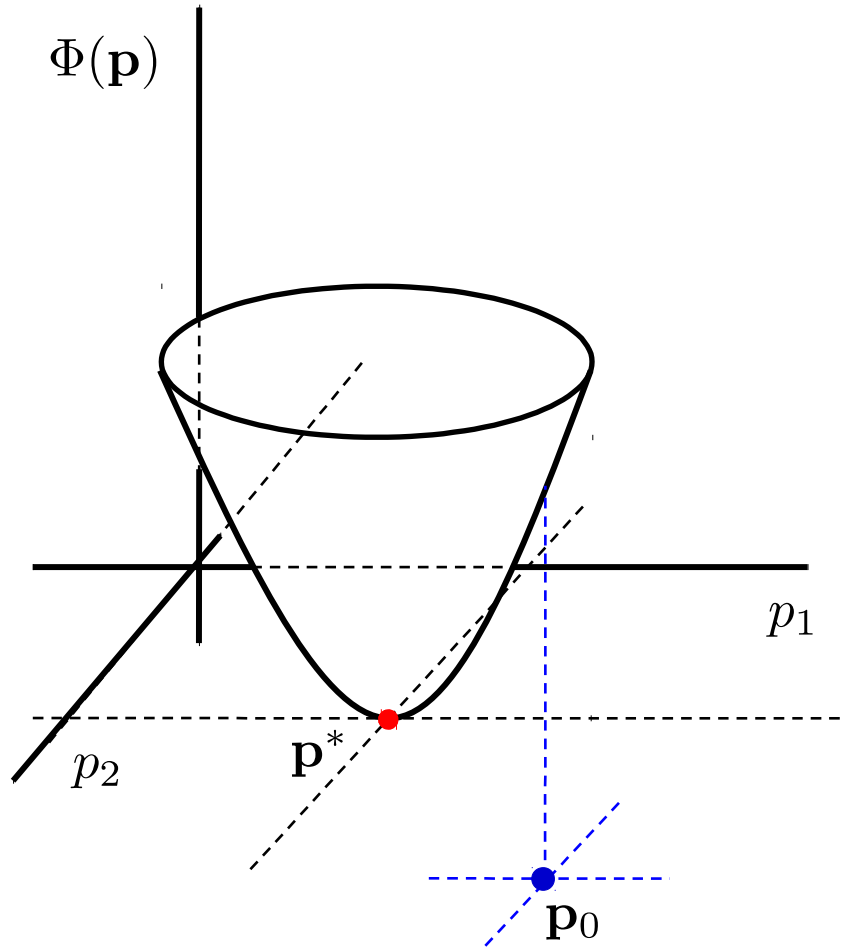
Goal function forms a paraboloid



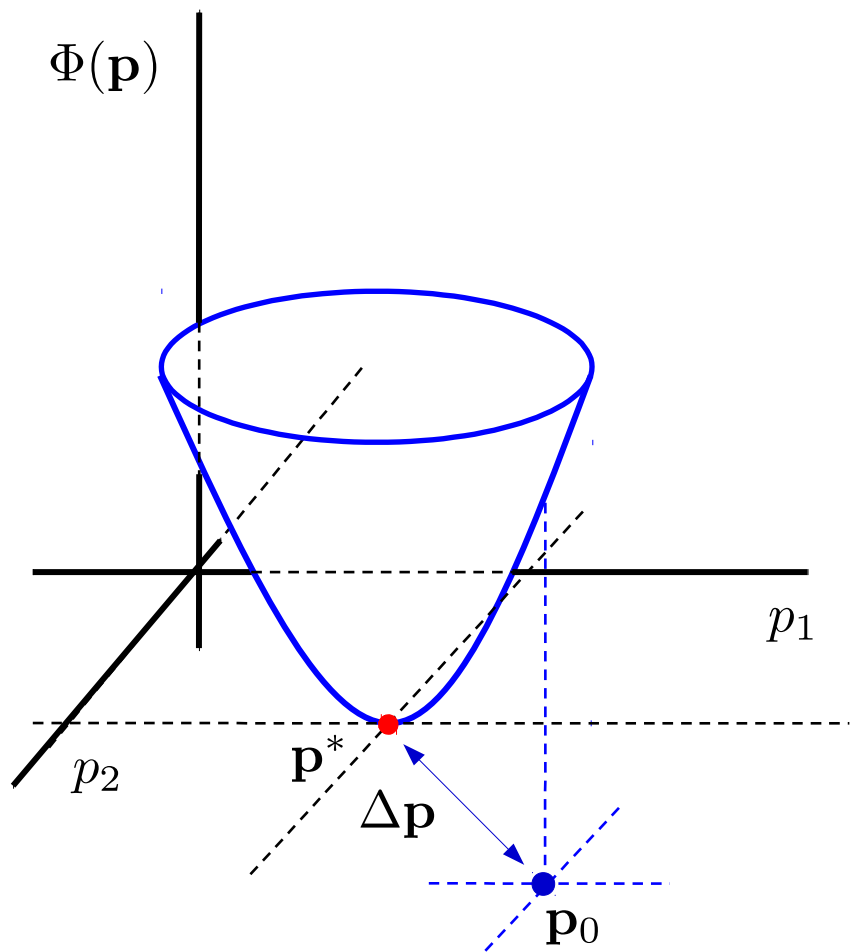
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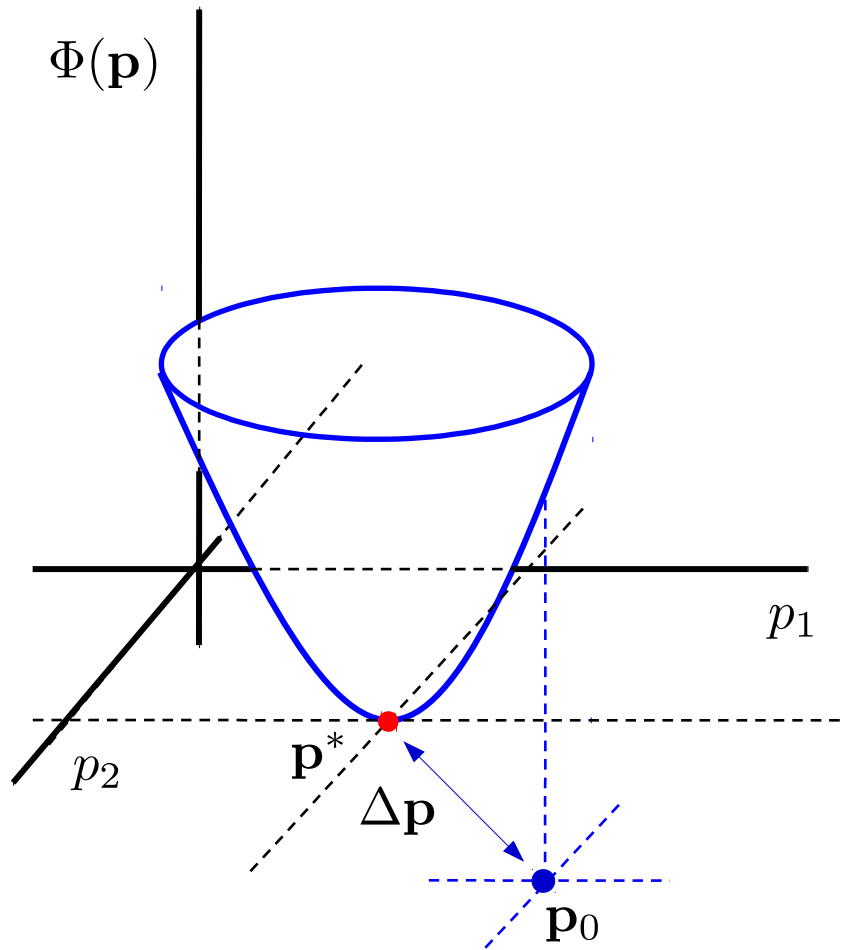


The minimum
can be
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single step



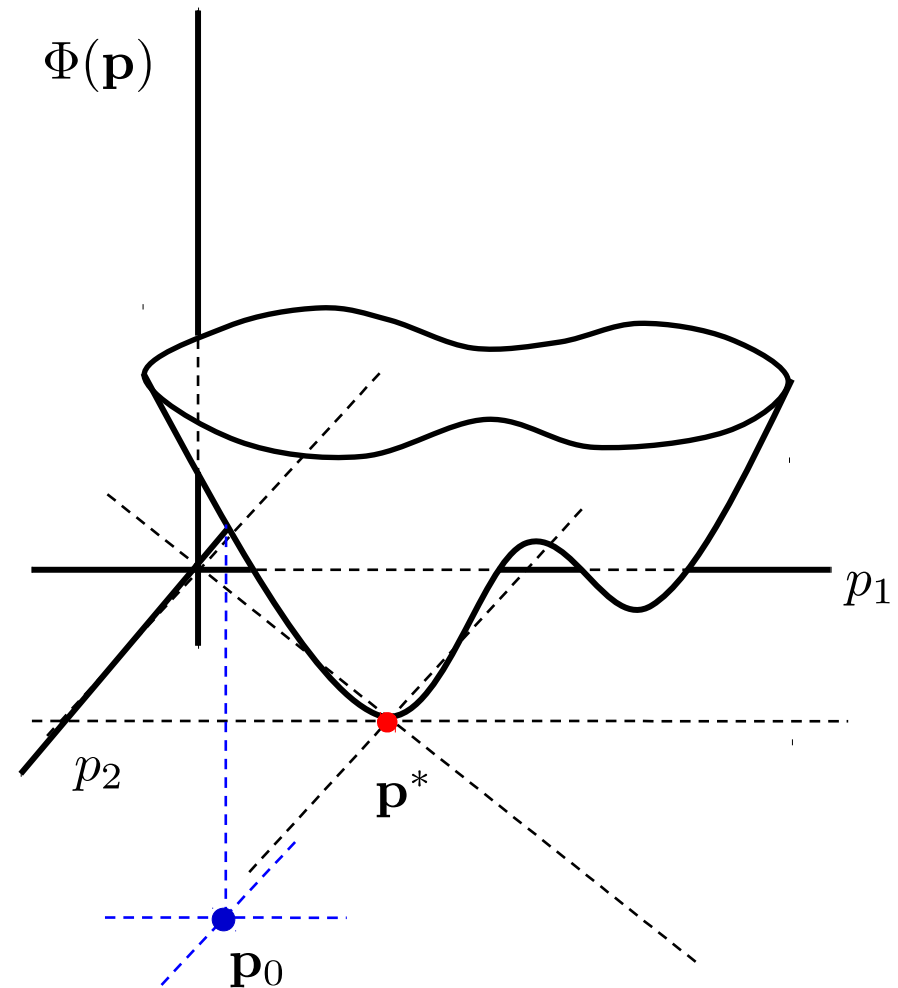
Or iteratively,
from a given
initial
approximation



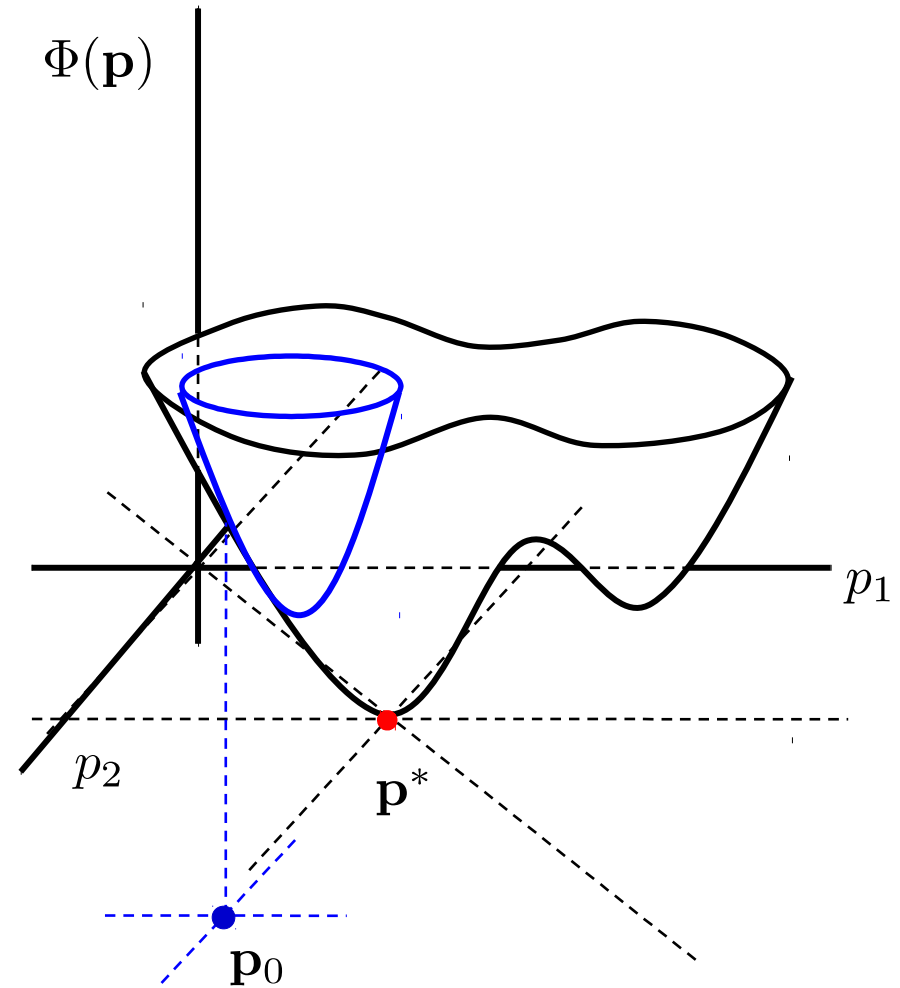


In this case, the minimum is estimated in a single step from the given initial approximation

On the other hand,
in a nonlinear
problem, the
minimum is
estimated after
several steps from
the initial
approximation

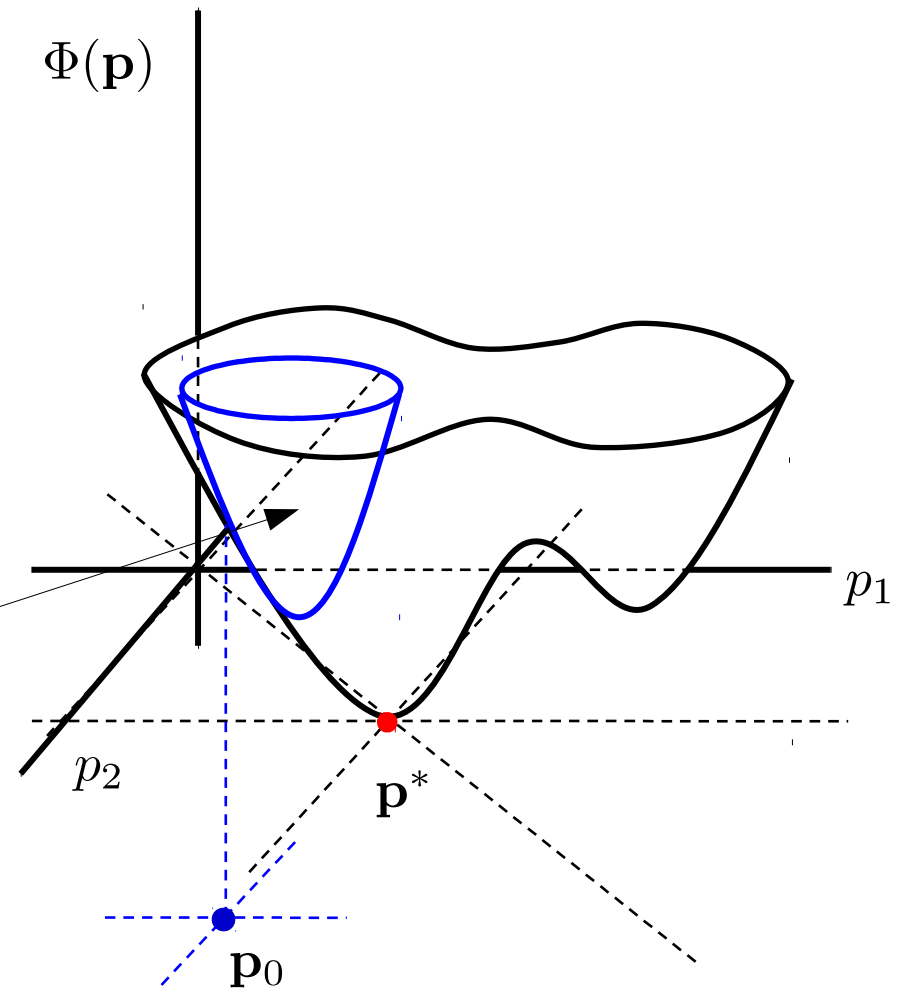


Approximate the
nonlinear function
around the initial
approximation



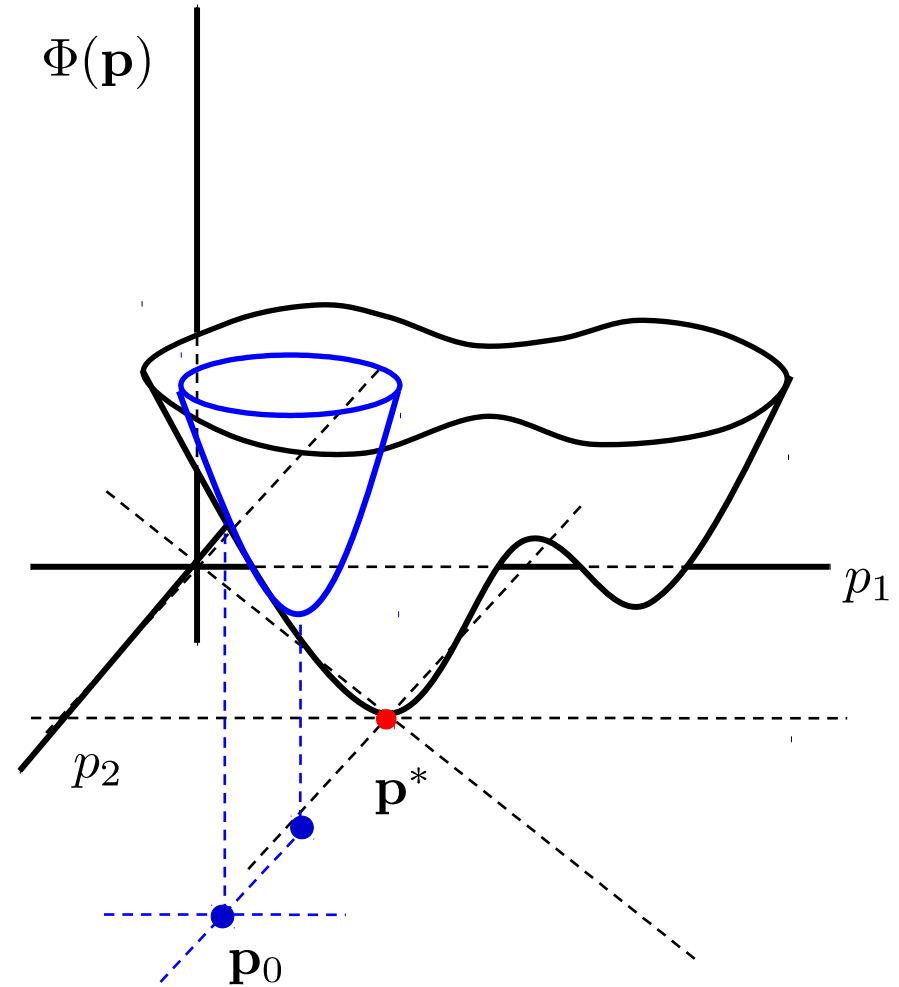
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Approximating paraboloid

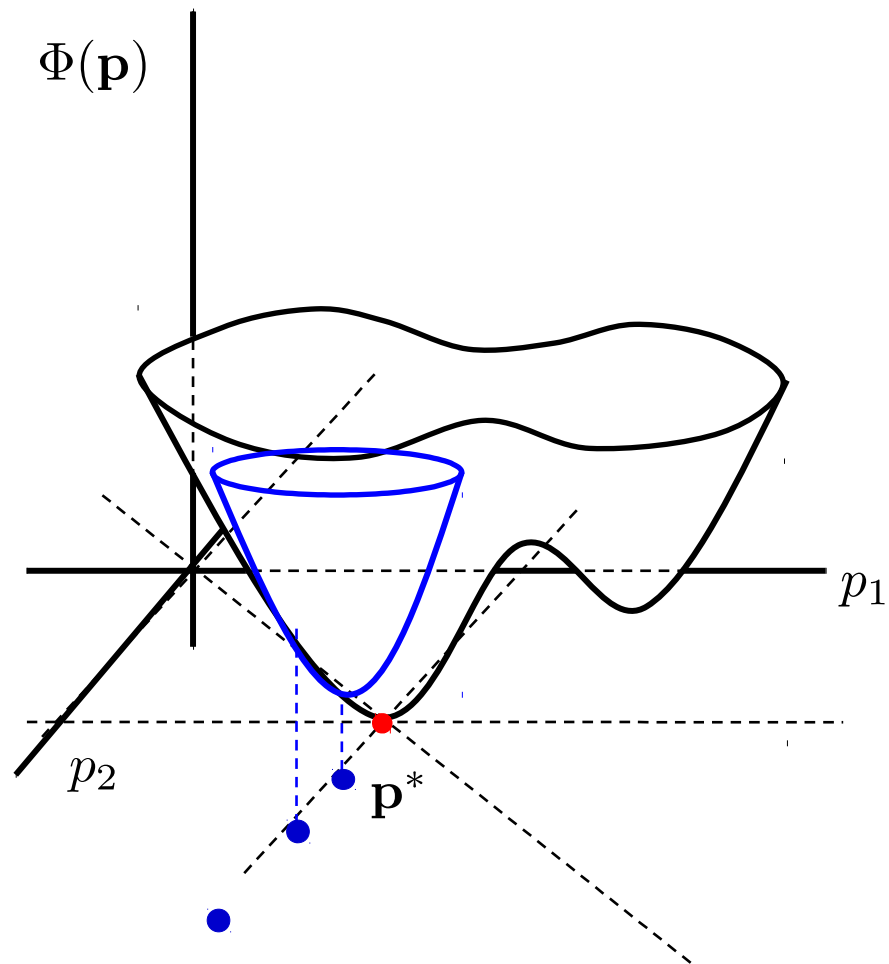


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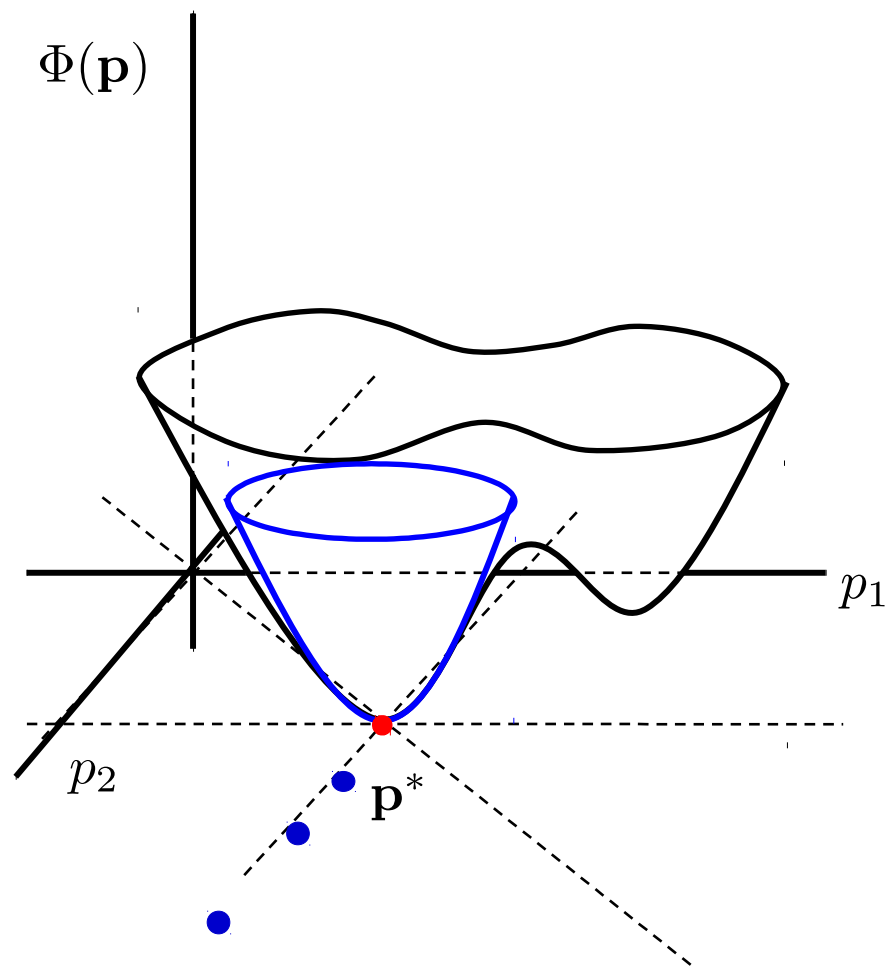
This
approximation also
has a minimum

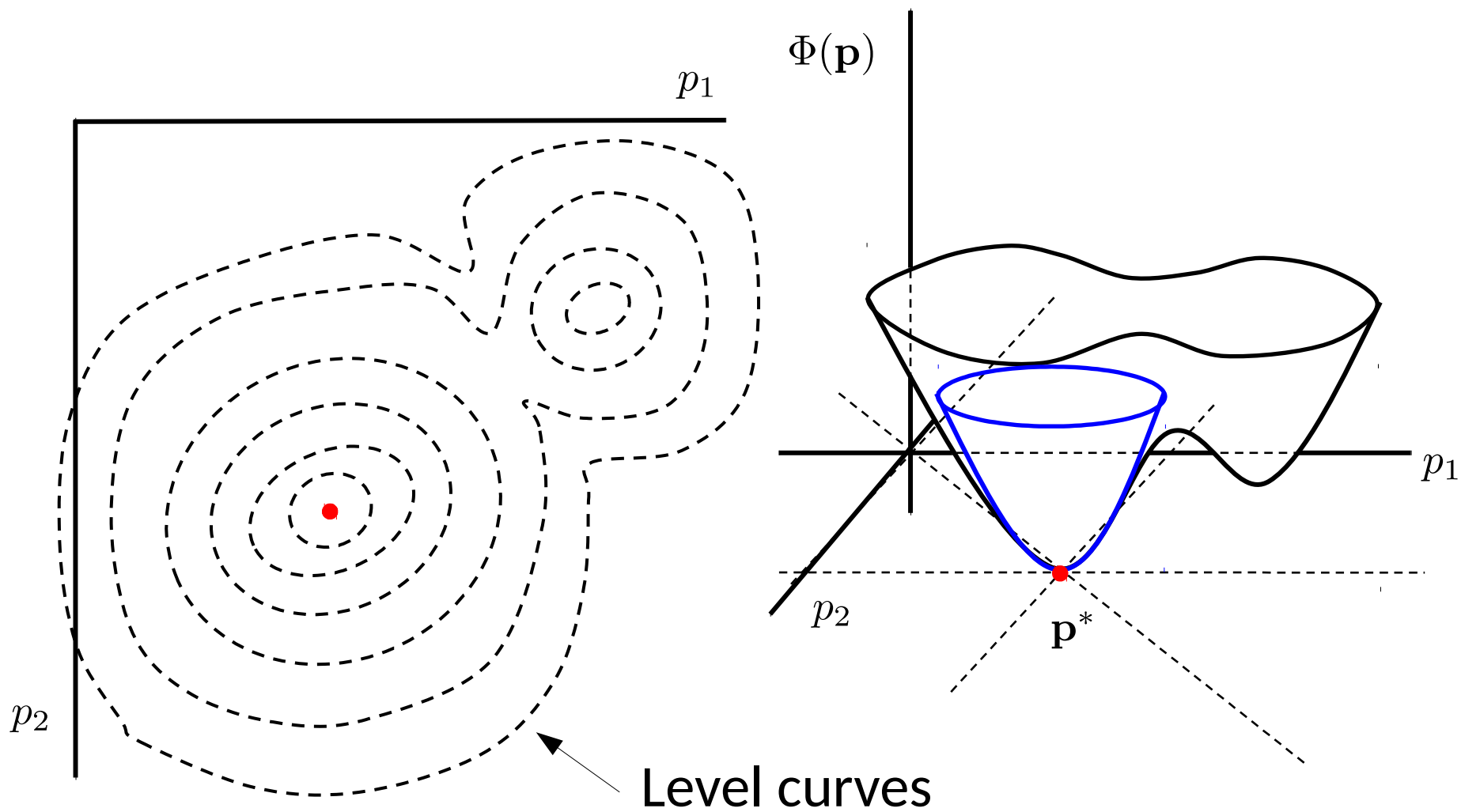


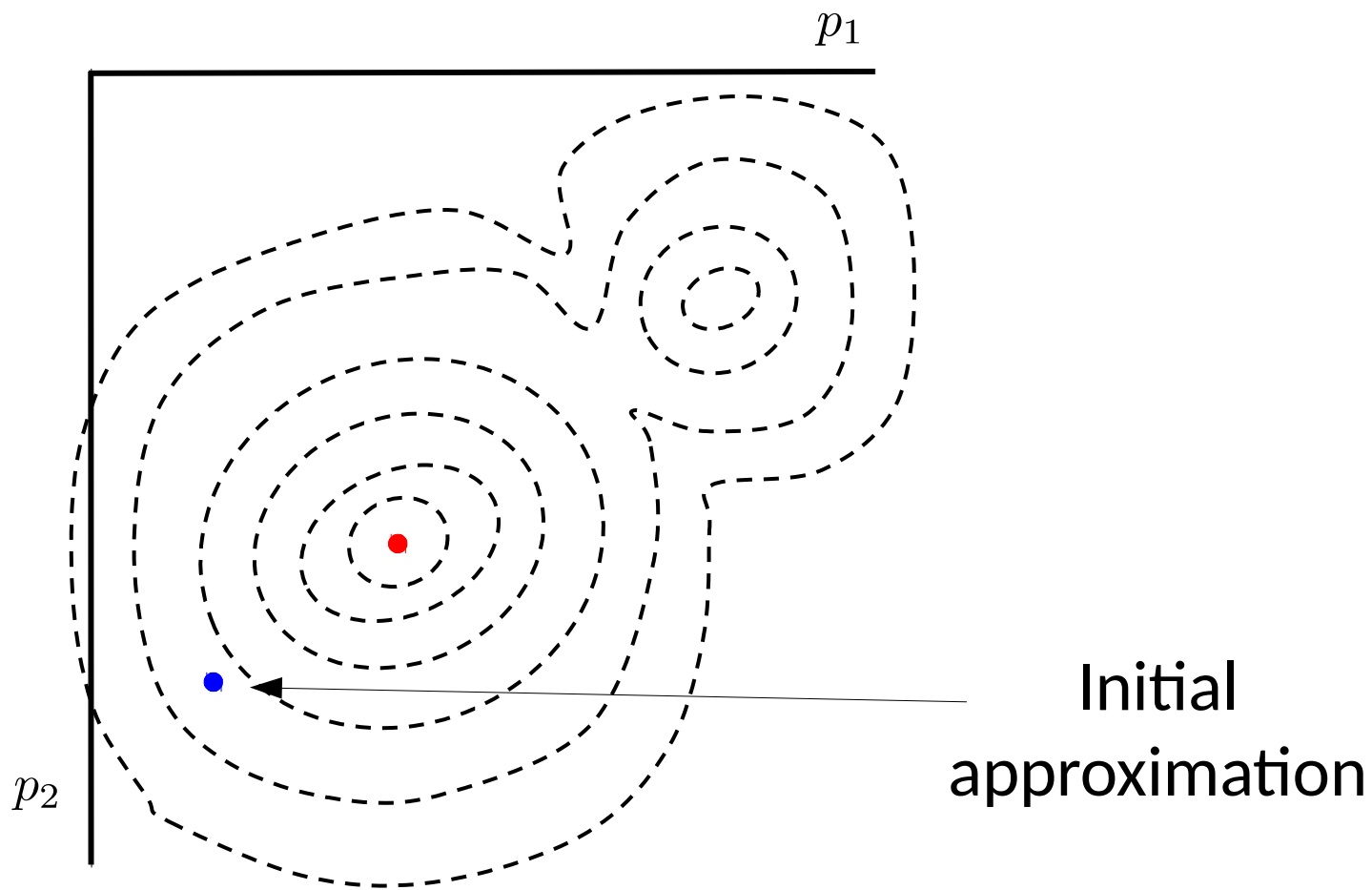
Compute a new
approximation
around this
minimum

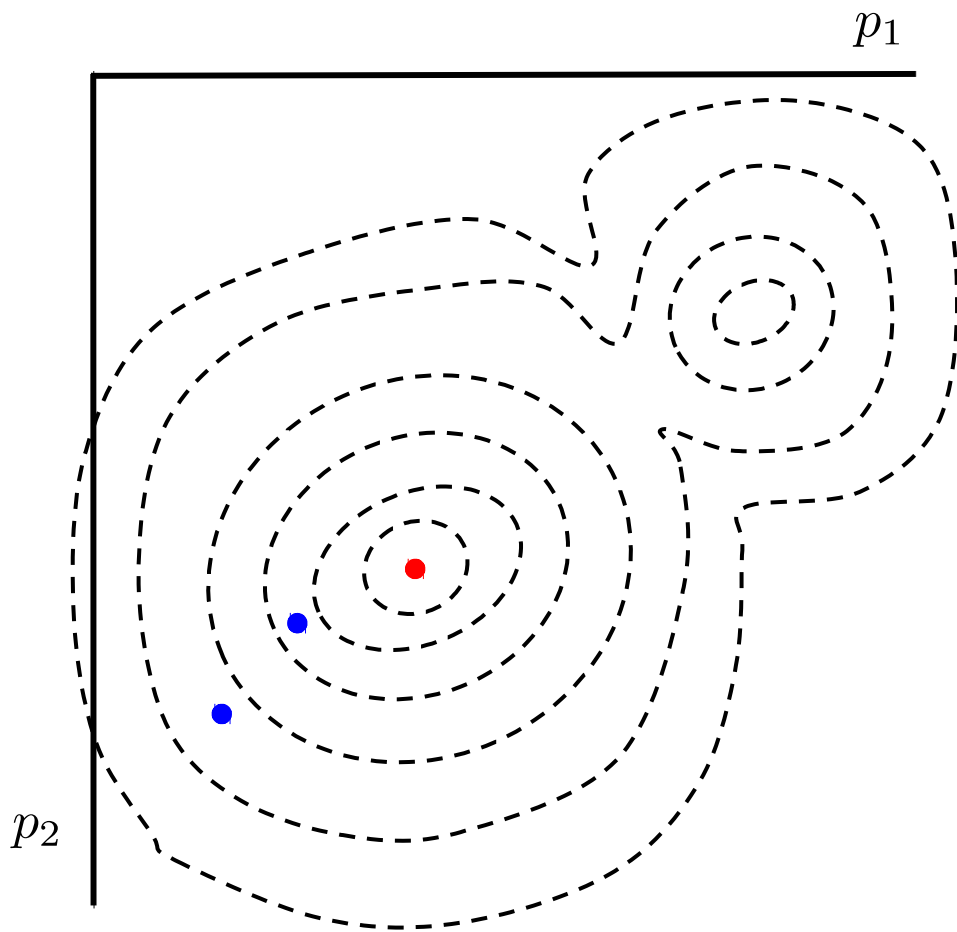


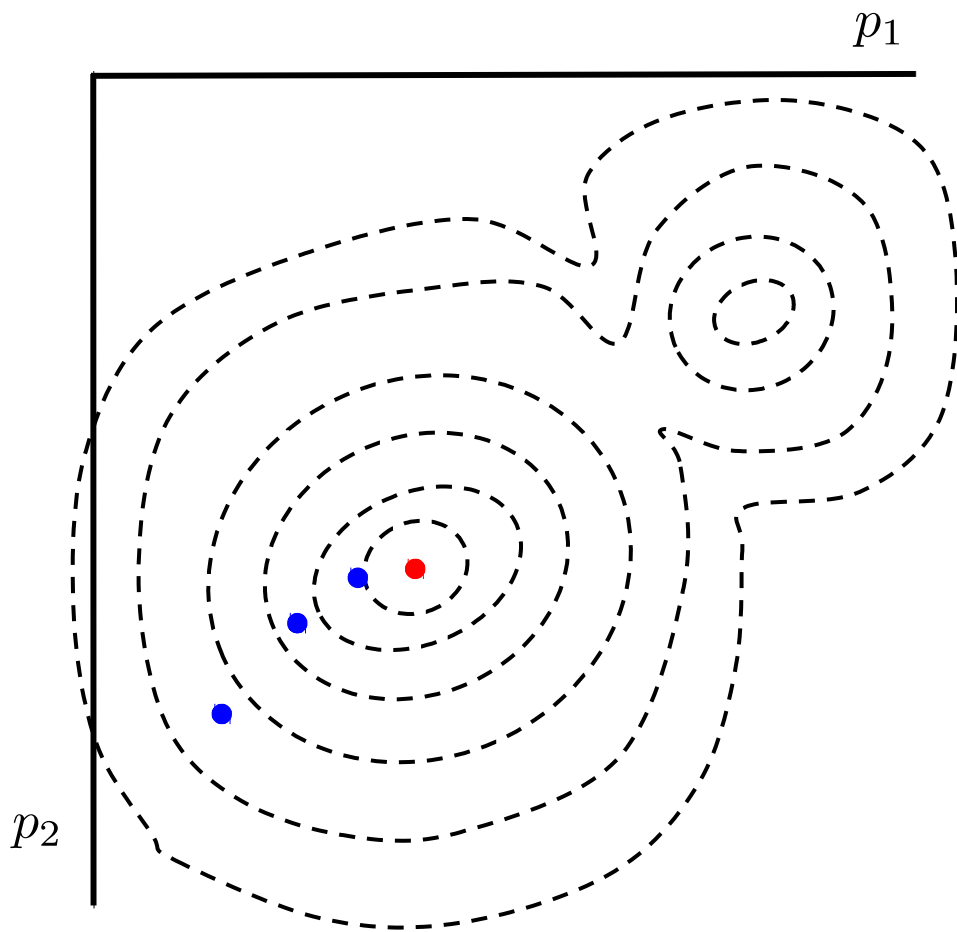
And so on ...

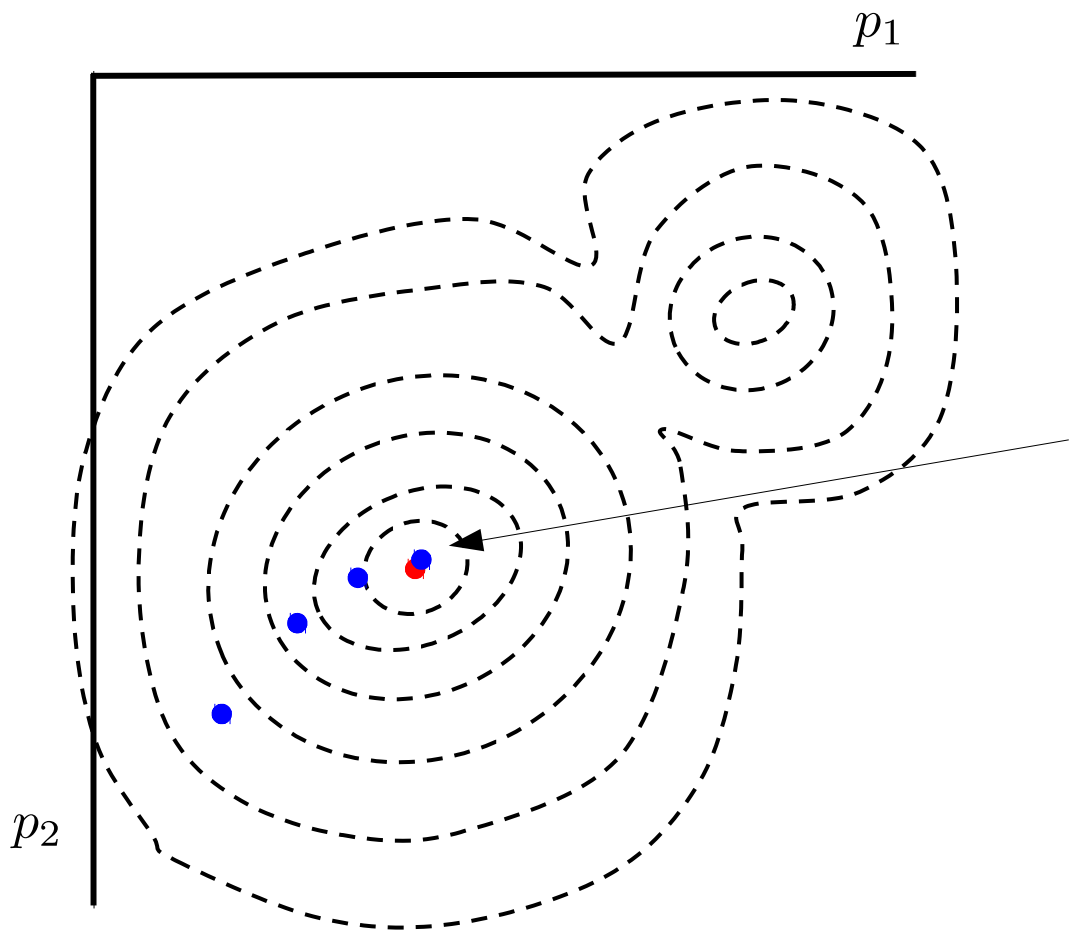




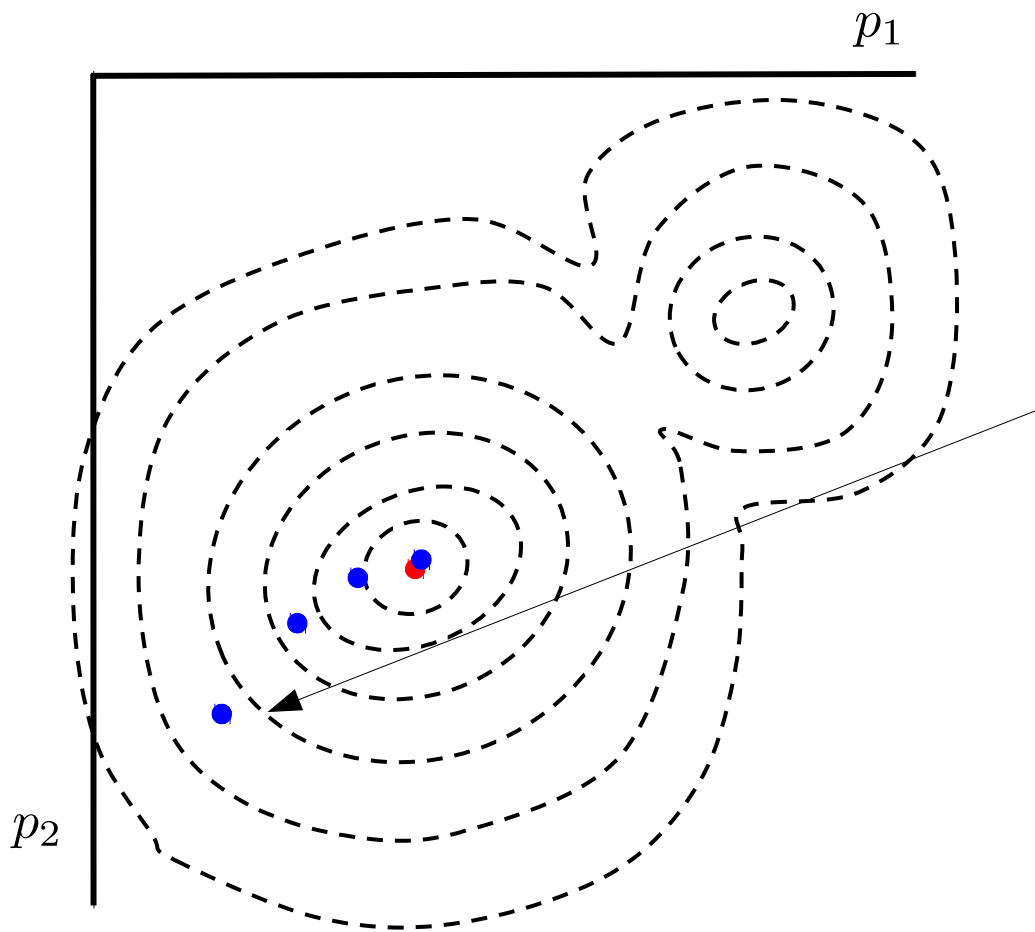




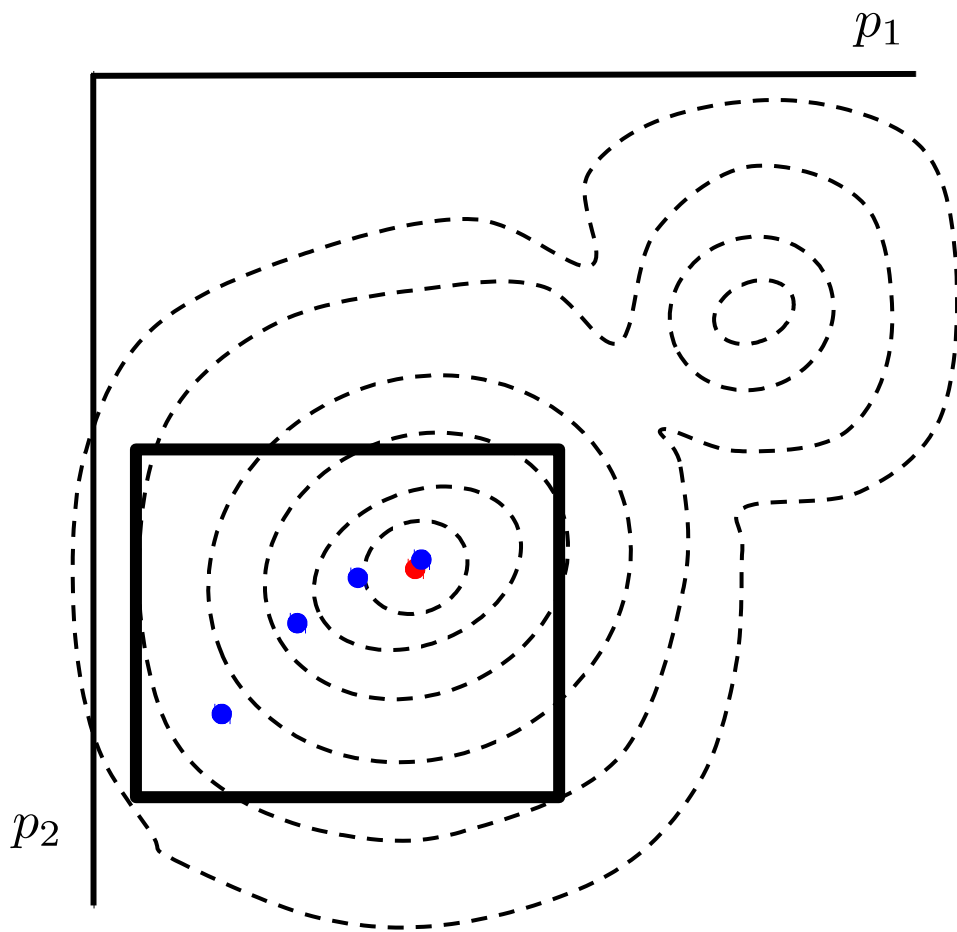


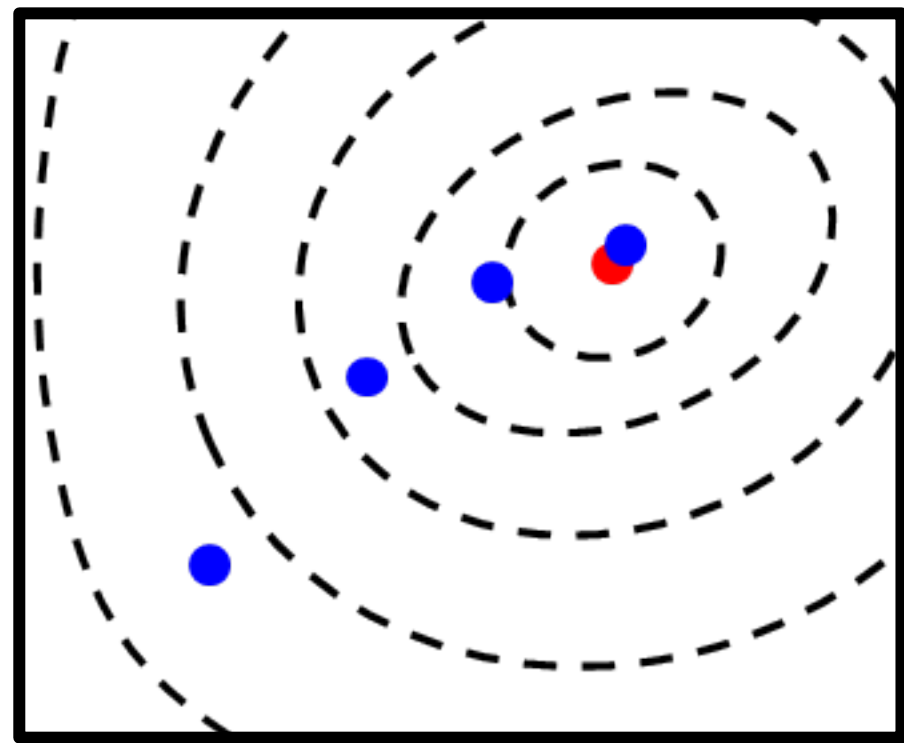
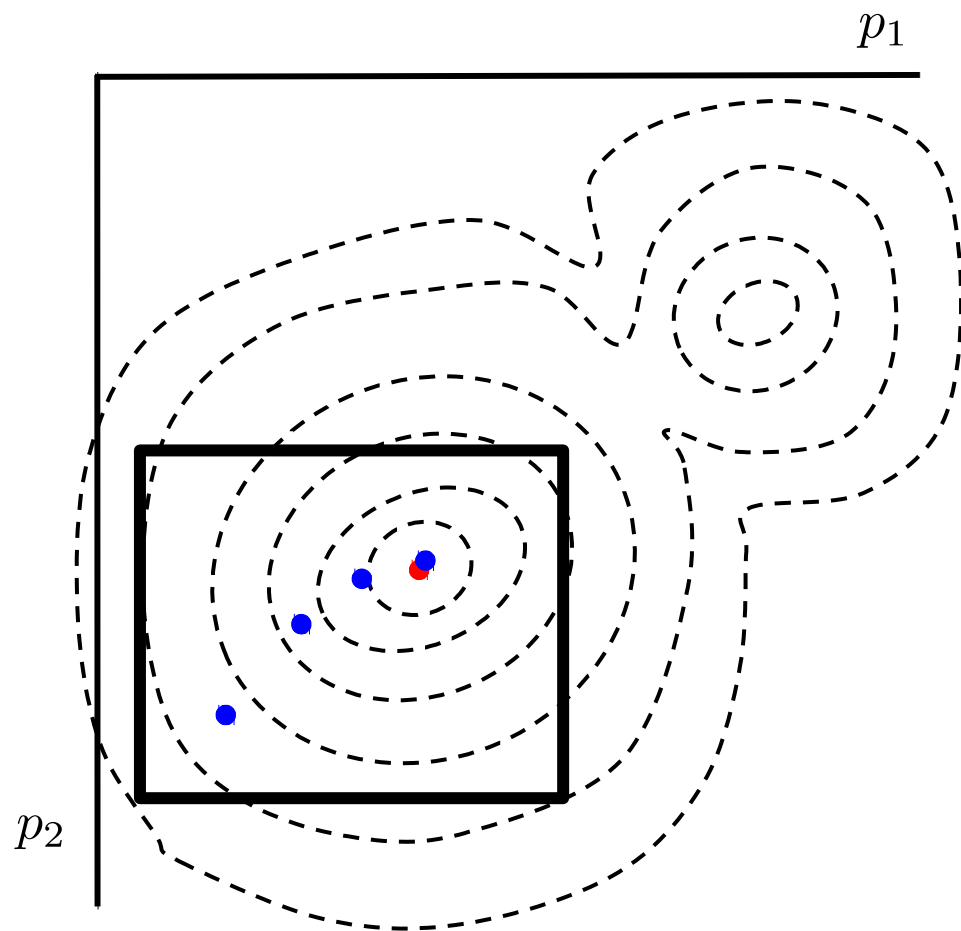


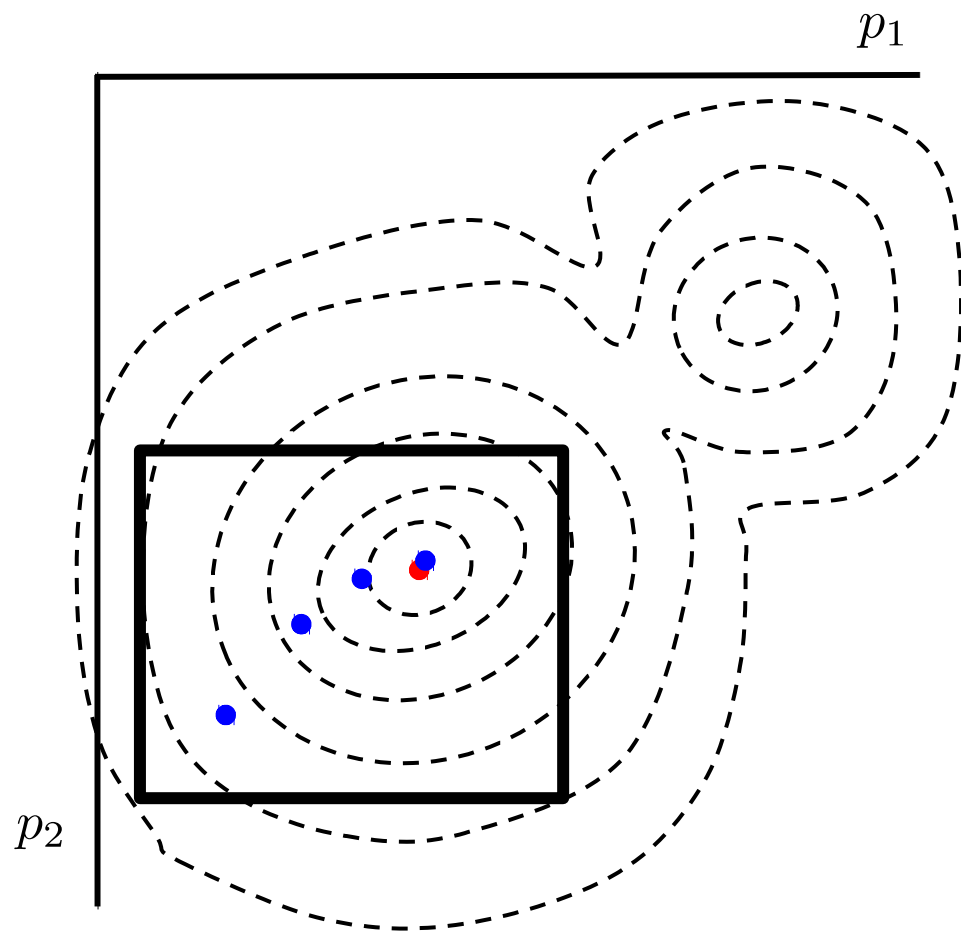
Estimated
minimum



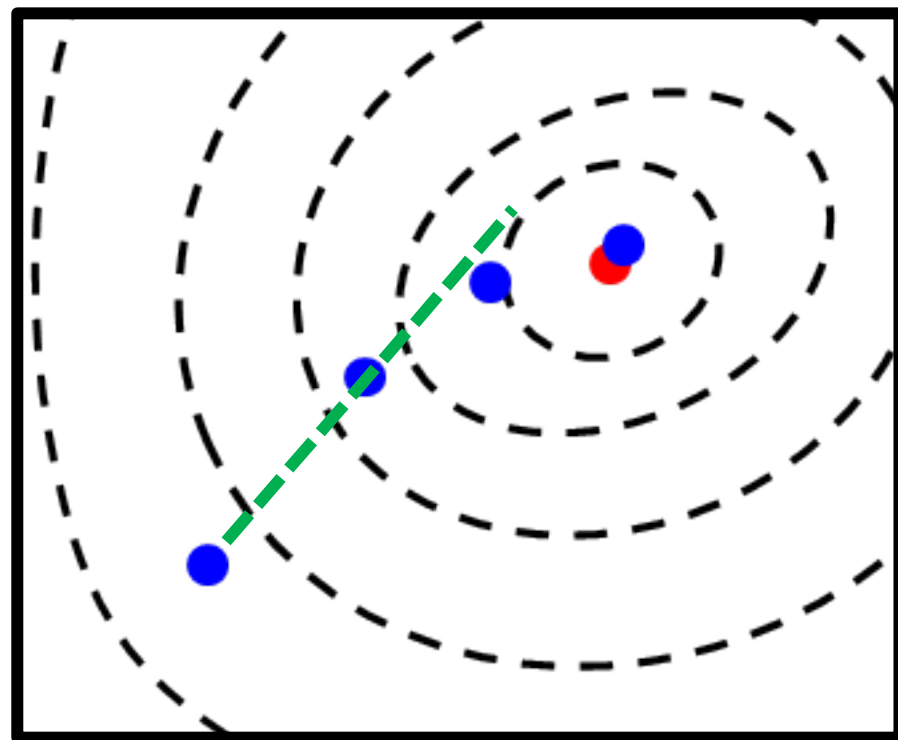
Given a point, it is needed to define a direction and the step length

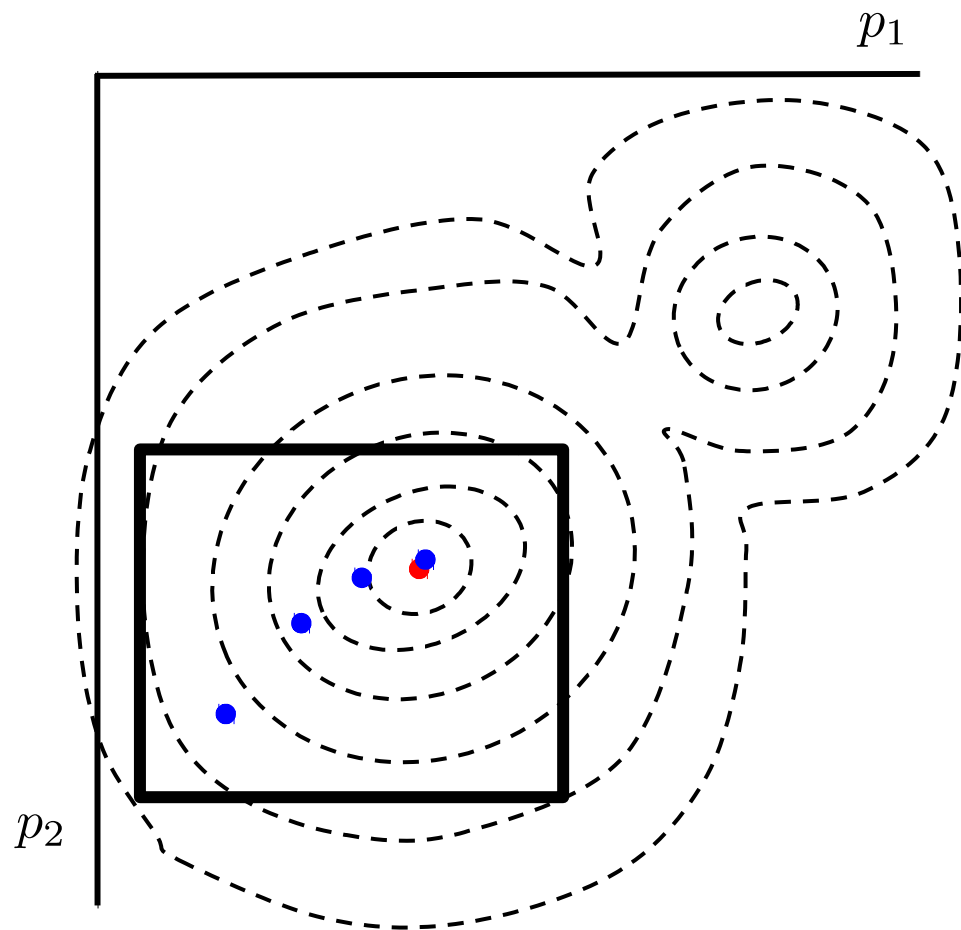




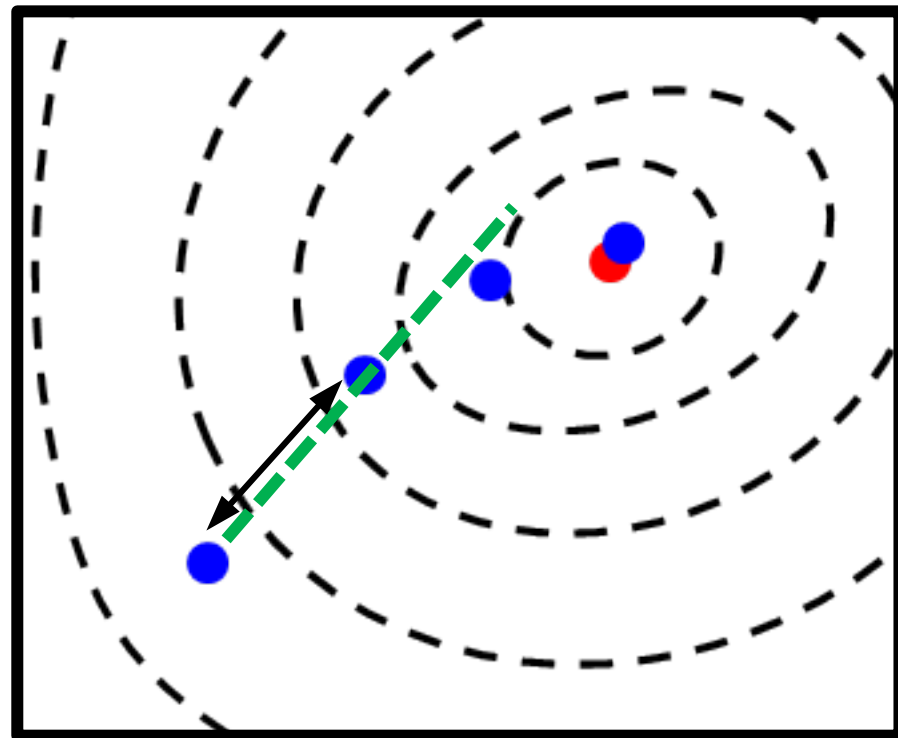


Direction

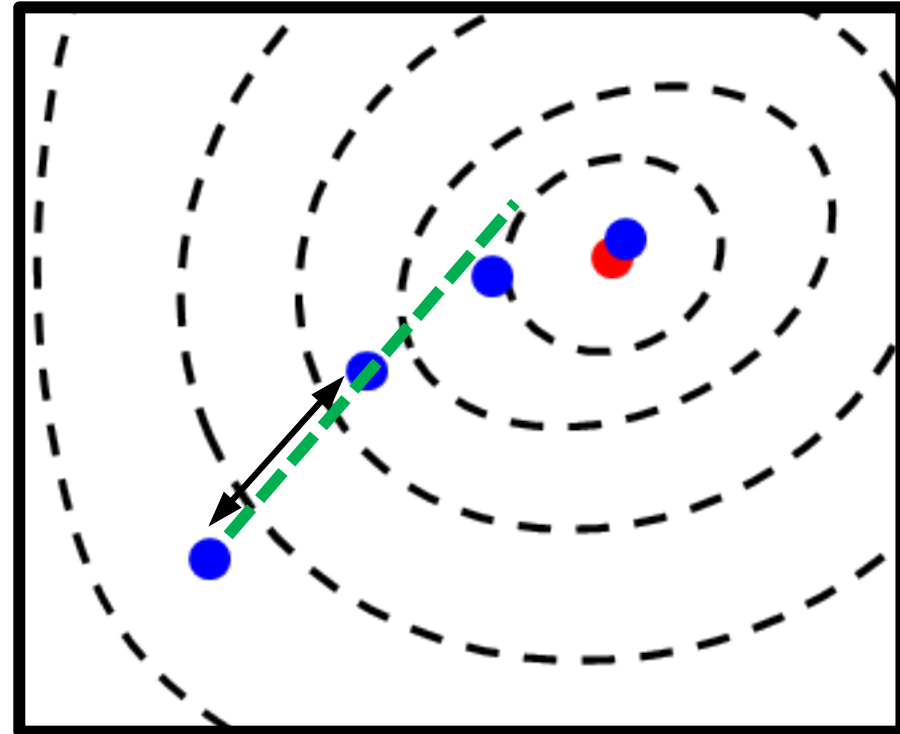




Step length



The direction and
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be defined by
using the gradient



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Difference between
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Newton

$$\mathbf{H}(\mathbf{p}_0)$$

Gauss - Newton

$$\tilde{\mathbf{H}}(\mathbf{p}_0)$$

Steepest decent

$$\lambda \mathbf{I}$$

Difference between
methods

Levenberg -
Marquardt

$$\tilde{\mathbf{H}}(\mathbf{p}_0) + \lambda \mathbf{I}$$