

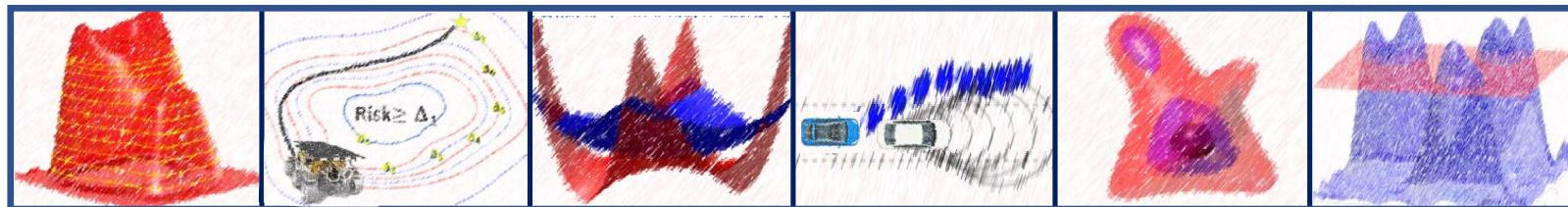
## Lecture 2

# Nonlinear Optimization Overview

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**Optimization:**

**Minimize** Objective-function(*design parameters*)  
*design parameters*

**Subject to** Constraints(*design parameters*)

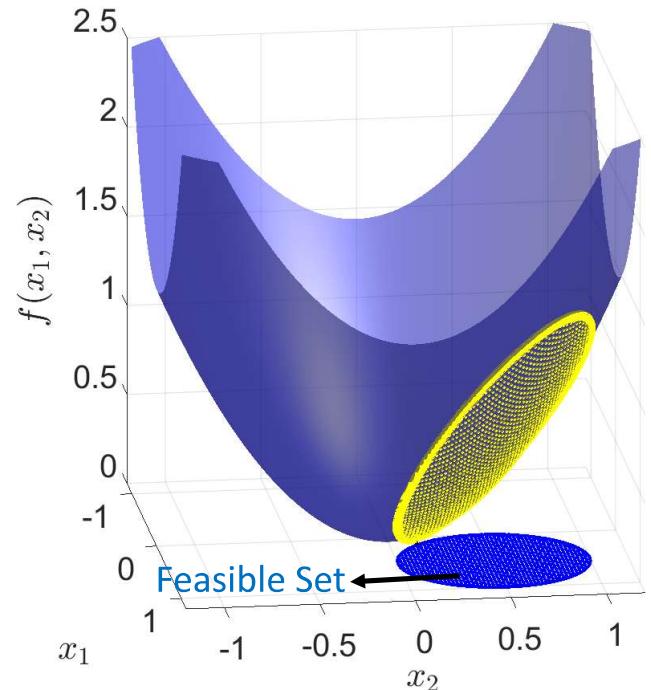
**Design variables :**  $x = [x_1, \dots, x_n]^T \in \mathbb{R}^n$

**Real-Valued Scalar Continuous functions**

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

$$g_i : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \quad i = 1, \dots, n_g$$

$$h_i : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \quad i = 1, \dots, n_h$$



## Nonlinear Optimization:

$$\underset{x \in \mathbb{R}^n}{\text{minimize}} \quad f(x)$$

$$\text{subject to} \quad g_i(x) \geq 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, n_g \\ h_i(x) = 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, n_h$$

Feasible Set



Objective function



Inequality Constraints



Equality Constraints

## Optimization:

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Step 1

## Optimality Conditions

Given the objective function  $f$  and constraints  $g_i, h_i$  :

*What are the conditions for  $x^*$  to be an optimal solution ?*



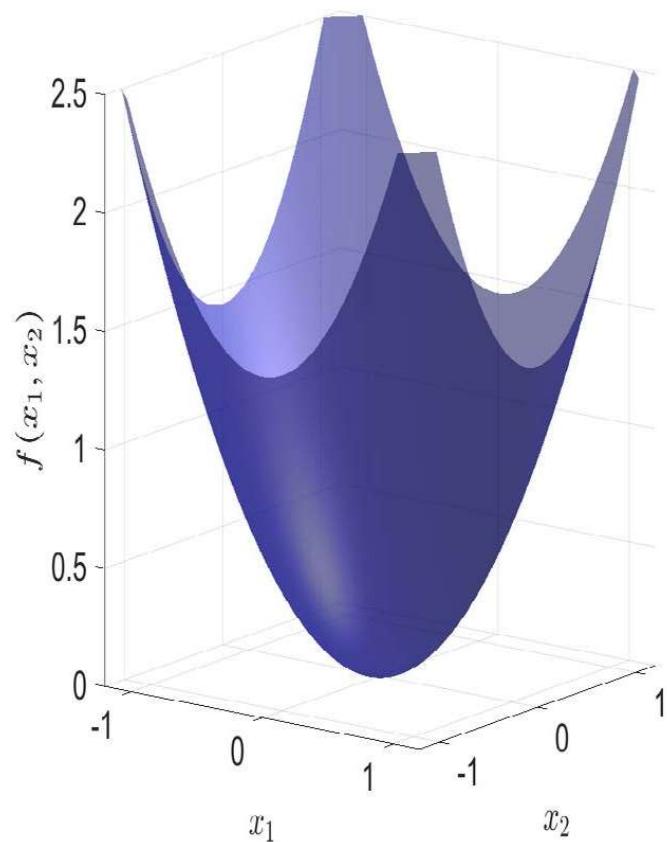
Optimality Conditions: system of nonlinear equations or inequalities

Step 2

To find  $x^*$ , we solve the system of nonlinear equations or inequities (root finding problem).

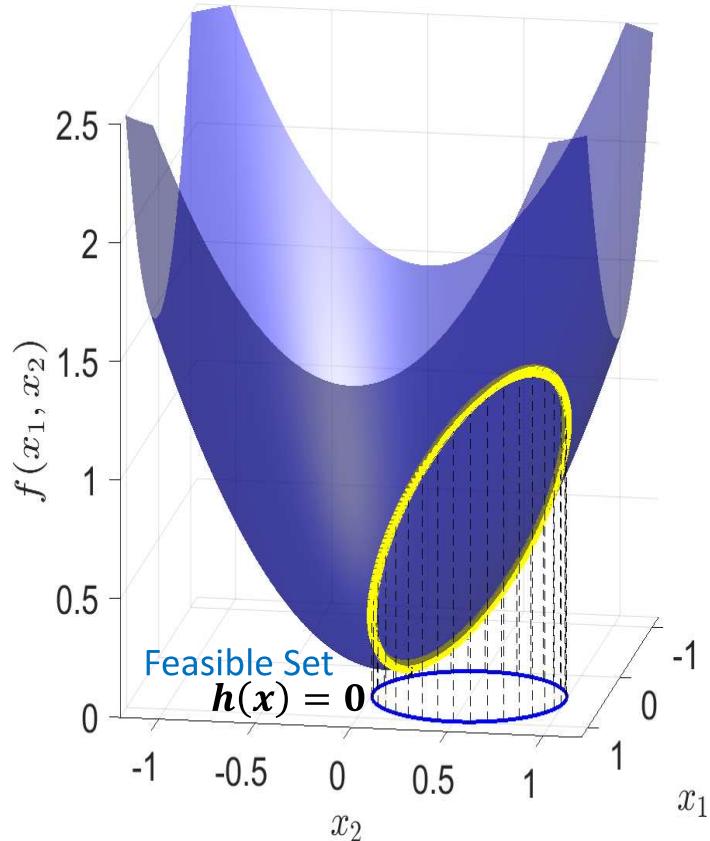
## ➤ Nonlinear (in general nonconvex ) Optimization

### Unconstrained Optimization



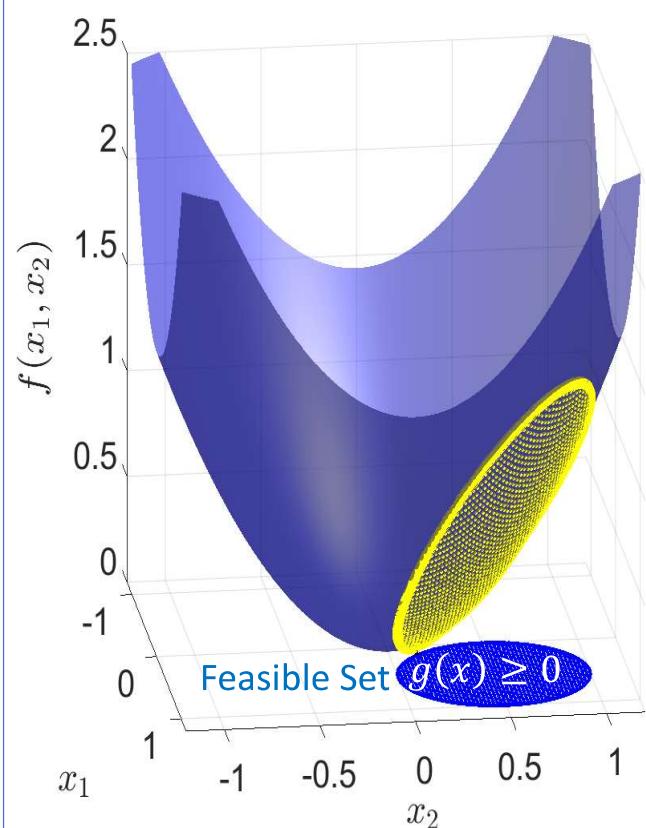
$$\underset{x \in \mathbb{R}^n}{\text{minimize}} \quad f(x)$$

### Optimization with equality Constraints



$$\begin{aligned} & \underset{x \in \mathbb{R}^n}{\text{minimize}} \quad f(x) \\ & \text{subject to} \quad h_i(x) = 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, n_h \end{aligned}$$

### Optimization with Inequality Constraints



$$\begin{aligned} & \underset{x \in \mathbb{R}^n}{\text{minimize}} \quad f(x) \\ & \text{subject to} \quad g_i(x) \geq 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, n_g \end{aligned}$$

# Gradient

Real-valued scalar function  $f(x) : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

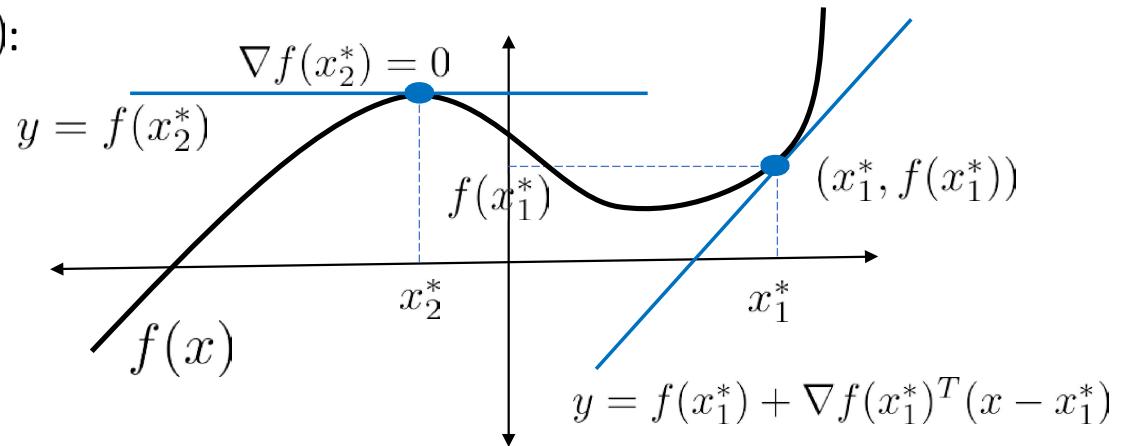
Gradient vector :  $\nabla f = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1} \\ \dots \\ \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_n} \end{bmatrix}$

$$f(x) \xrightarrow{\quad} \nabla \xrightarrow{\quad} \nabla f = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1} \\ \dots \\ \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_n} \end{bmatrix}$$

## Gradient and Tangent Line:

Tangent line (Hyperplane) at point  $(x^*, f(x^*))$ :

$$y = f(x^*) + \nabla f(x^*)^T (x - x^*)$$



$$\nabla f(x^*) = 0 \rightarrow x^* : \text{maximum/minimum}$$

# Hessian

Real-valued **scalar** function  $f(x) : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$$f(x) \xrightarrow{\text{Gradient vector}} \nabla f = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_n} \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{Hessian matrix}} \nabla^2 f(x) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_1^2} & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_1 \partial x_2} & \cdots & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_1 \partial x_n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_n \partial x_1} & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_n \partial x_2} & \cdots & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_n^2} \end{bmatrix}$$

*Hessian matrix : describes the local curvature of the function*

# Jacobian

Real-valued **vector** function  $f(x) : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$

$$f = \begin{bmatrix} f_1(x) \\ \vdots \\ f_m(x) \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{Jacobian matrix}} \mathbf{J} = \nabla f(x) = \begin{bmatrix} [\nabla f_1(x)]^T \\ \vdots \\ [\nabla f_m(x)]^T \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_1} & \cdots & \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial f_m}{\partial x_1} & \cdots & \frac{\partial f_m}{\partial x_n} \end{bmatrix}$$

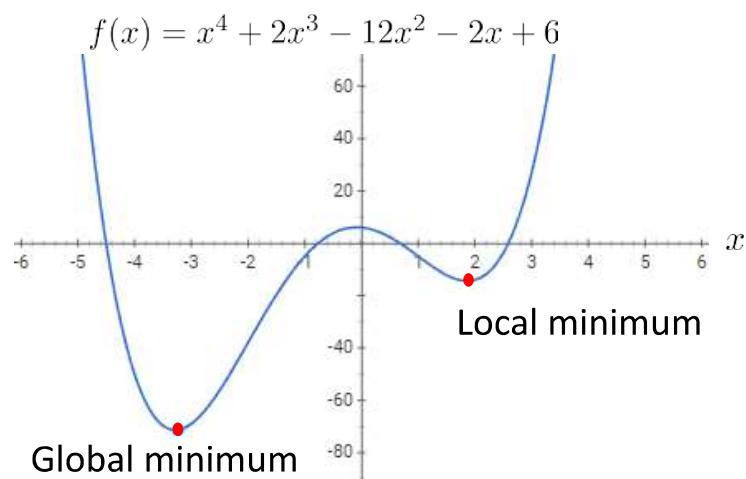
*Hessian matrix : Jacobian matrix of gradient vector.*

**Global minimum  $x^*$ :**

$$f(x^*) \leq f(x) \quad \underbrace{\forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n}_{\text{(Global)}}$$

**Local minimum  $x^*$ :**

$$f(x^*) \leq f(x) \quad \underbrace{\forall x \in B_{r>0}(x^*)}_{\text{Neighborhood (ball) around } x^* \text{ (Local)}}$$



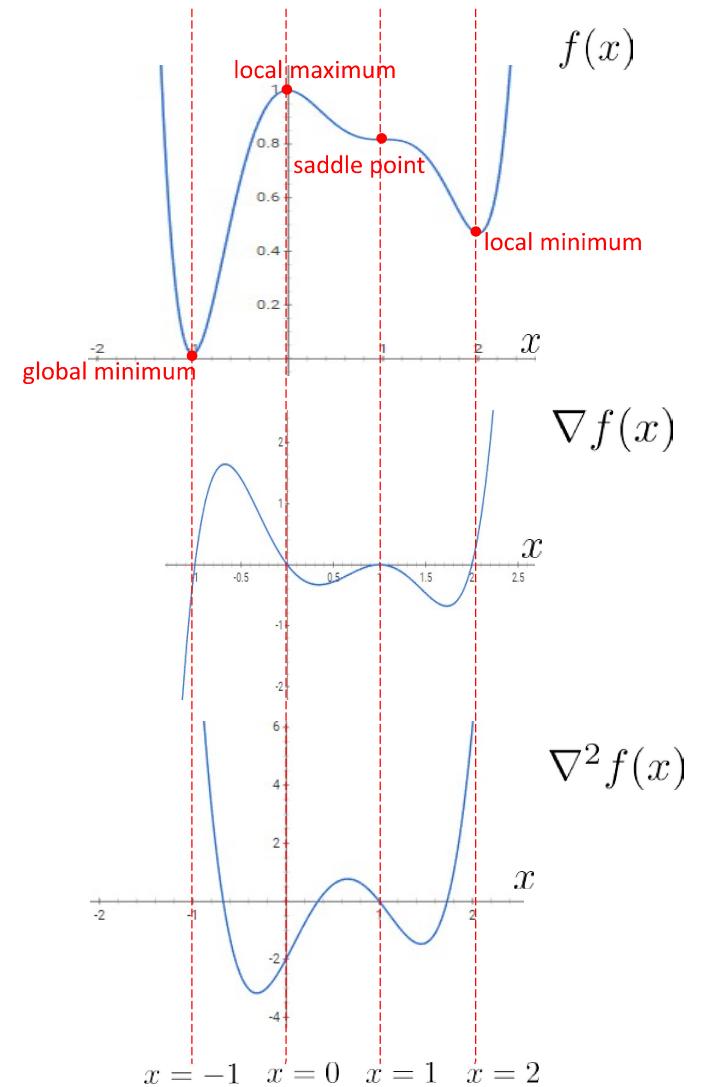
## 2) Optimality Conditions: Unconstrained Optimization

Unconstrained Optimization:  $\underset{x \in \mathbb{R}^n}{\text{minimize}} \quad f(x)$

**Necessary Condition:**  $\nabla f(x) = 0, \quad \nabla^2 f(x) \succcurlyeq 0$

**Sufficient Condition:**  $\nabla f(x) = 0, \quad \nabla^2 f(x) \succ 0$

- To find  $x^*$  ( $\operatorname{argmin} f(x)$ ), Find the *roots* of  $\nabla f(x^*)$ .
- If obtained root satisfies  $\nabla^2 f(x^*) \succ 0$ , point  $x^*$  is (local/global) minimum.

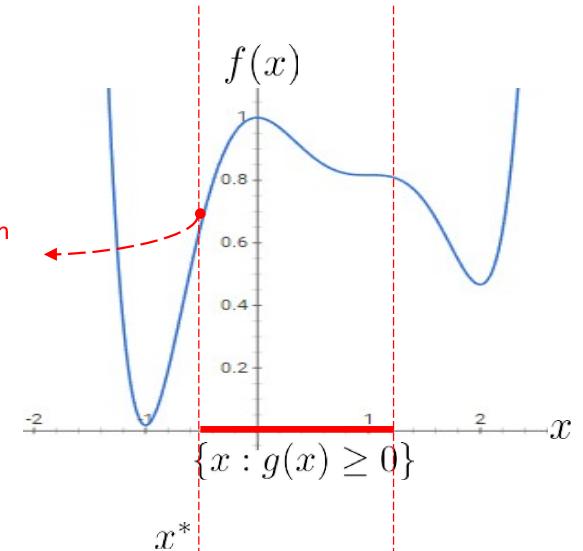


## Optimality Conditions: Constrained Optimization

Constrained Optimization:

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{minimize}_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} f(x) \\ & \text{subject to } g(x) \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

minimum of constrained optimization



$$\nabla f(x^*) \neq 0$$

- Optimality conditions of *unconstrained optimization* are *not valid* for *constrained optimization*.

**Optimization:**

$$\underset{x \in \mathbb{R}^n}{\text{minimize}} \quad f(x)$$

subject to  $g_i(x) \geq 0, i = 1, \dots, n_g$

$$h_i(x) = 0, i = 1, \dots, n_h$$

**KKT (Karush-Kuhn-Tucker) Necessary Optimality Condition:**

*Lagrange function*  $L(x, \mu, \lambda) = f(x) - \sum_{i=1}^{n_g} \mu_i g_i(x) - \sum_{i=1}^{n_h} \lambda_i h_i(x)$

*Lagrange multiplier*

$\nabla_x L(x, \mu, \lambda) = 0 \quad \text{Stationarity}$

$(\nabla_{\lambda_i} L(x, \lambda) = 0) \quad -h_i(x^*) = 0, i = 1, \dots, n_h$

$g_i(x^*) \geq 0, i = 1, \dots, n_g \quad \text{Primal Feasibility}$

$\mu_i \geq 0 \quad \text{Dual Feasibility}$

$\mu_i^* g_i(x^*) = 0, i = 1, \dots, n_g \quad \text{Dual Complementary Slackness}$

# KKT (Karush-Kuhn-Tucker) Optimality Condition

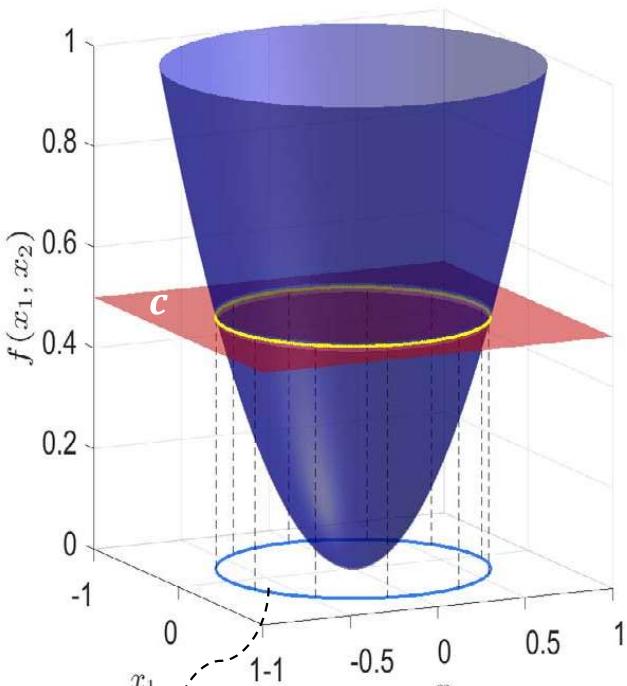
➤ Geometrical Interpretation

# Basic Definitions

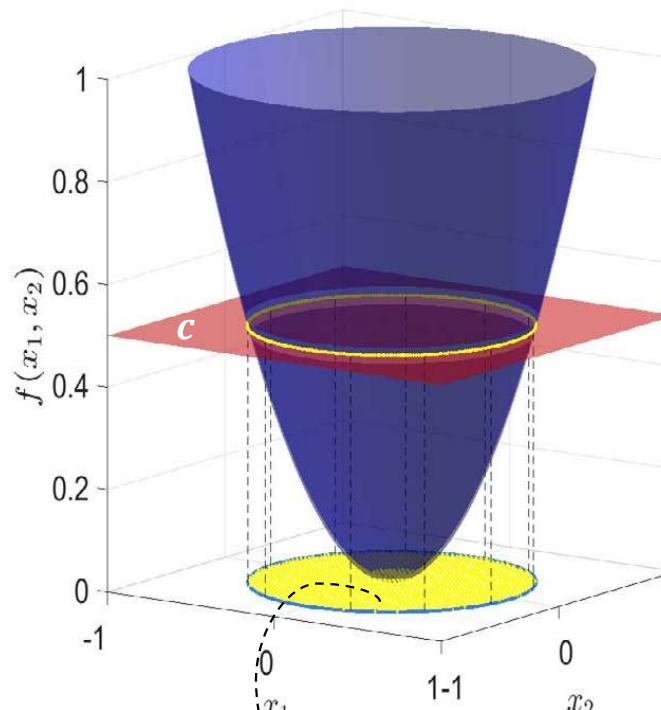
- **Level Set**
- **Level Set and Gradient Vector**
- **Tangent Level Sets**

## Level, Sub-level, and Super-level Sets

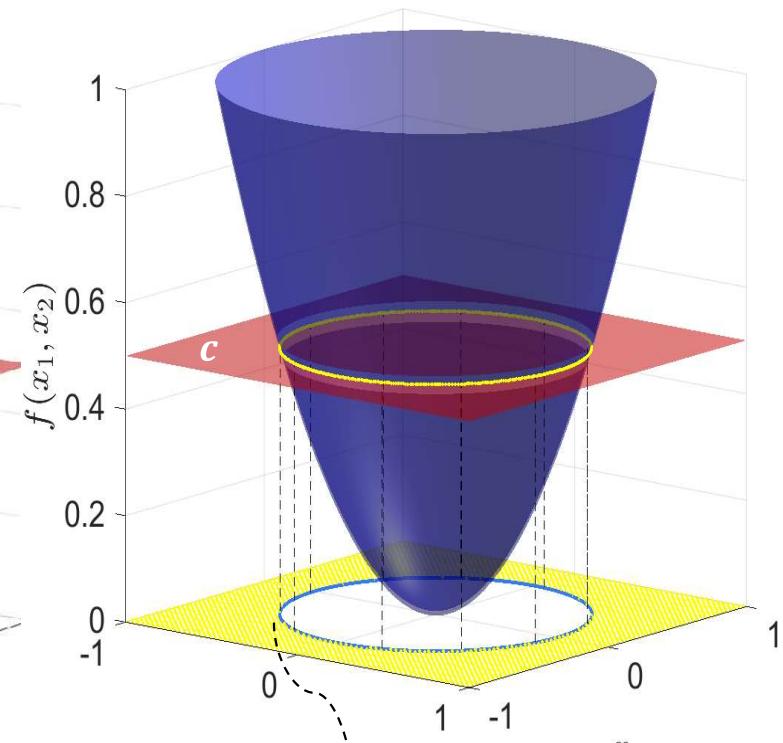
- For a given function  $f(x) : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  and  $c \in \mathbb{R}$ , we define:



$$\{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : f(x) = c\}$$



$$\{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : f(x) \leq c\}$$

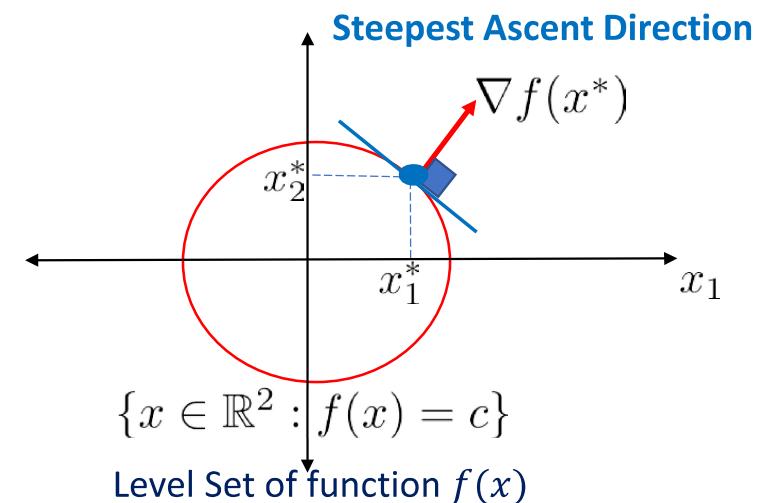


$$\{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : f(x) \geq c\}$$

## Gradient and Level Sets

$\nabla f(x^*)$  is perpendicular vector to the level set.

$\nabla f(x^*)$  shows the direction of the steepest ascent.



## Tangent Level sets

- Function  $f(x) : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  and  $g(x) : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$
- Assume the level sets  
 $\{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : f(x) = c_1\}$  and  $\{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : g(x) = c_2\}$

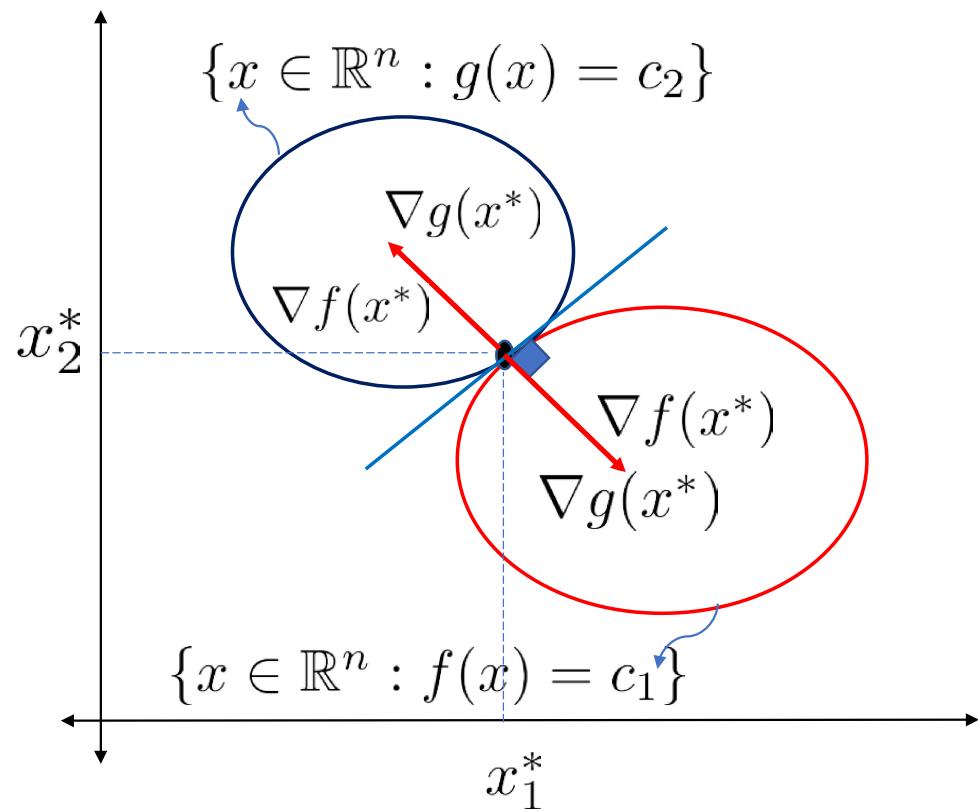
are tangent at the point  $x^*$ .

**What is the relationship of the gradient vectors of  $f(x)$  and  $g(x)$  at point  $x^*$ ?**

- Gradient vectors  $\nabla f(x^*)$  and  $\nabla g(x^*)$  are parallel at the tangent point  $x^*$ .

$$\nabla f(x^*) = \lambda \nabla g(x^*)$$

Constant (+/-)



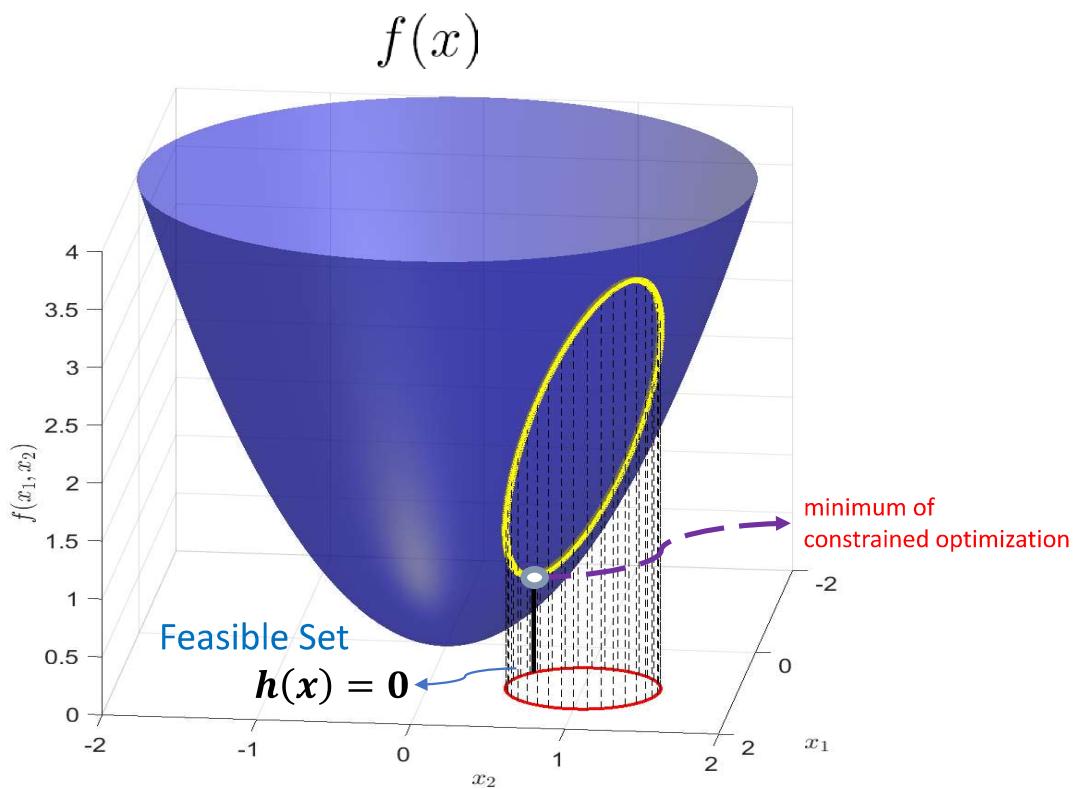
## 2) Optimality Conditions: Optimization with “Equality” Constraints

Optimization with “Equality” Constraint:

$$\underset{x \in \mathbb{R}^n}{\text{minimize}} \quad f(x)$$

$$\text{subject to} \quad h(x) = 0$$

- We obtain the optimality condition by looking at the level sets of  $f(x), h(x)$ .



## 2) Optimality Conditions: Optimization with “Equality” Constraints

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$$\text{subject to} \quad h(x) = 0$$

**Optimality Condition:**  $h(x^*) = 0$  and  $\nabla f(x^*) = \lambda \nabla h(x^*)$

**Standard Format:**

$$L(x, \lambda) = f(x) - \lambda h(x)$$

Lagrange function
Lagrange multiplier
Optimality Cond.

$$\nabla_{x, \lambda} L(x, \lambda) = 0$$

$\nabla_x L(x, \lambda) = 0 \longrightarrow \nabla f(x^*) = \lambda \nabla h(x^*)$ 
↓

$\nabla_\lambda L(x, \lambda) = 0 \longrightarrow -h(x^*) = 0$ 
↓

$$\underset{x \in \mathbb{R}^n}{\text{minimize}} \quad f(x)$$

$$L(x, \lambda) = f(x) - \sum_{i=1}^{n_h} \lambda_i h_i(x)$$

$$\text{subject to} \quad h_i(x) = 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, n_h$$

Lagrange function

Optimality Cond.<sup>1</sup>

$$\nabla_x L(x, \lambda) = 0$$

$$\nabla_\lambda L(x, \lambda) = 0$$

<sup>1</sup>Note that  $\lambda$  could be  $+$ / $-$ . Hence, Lagrange function could also take the following form:  $L(x, \lambda) = f(x) + \sum_{i=1}^{n_h} \lambda_i h_i(x)$

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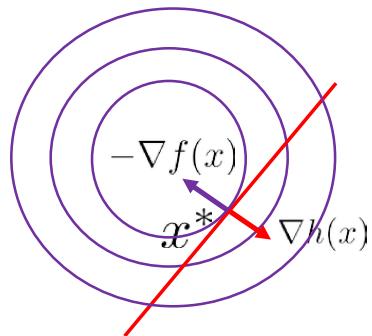
### Example

$$\underset{x \in \mathbb{R}^2}{\text{minimize}} \quad x_1^2 + x_2^2$$

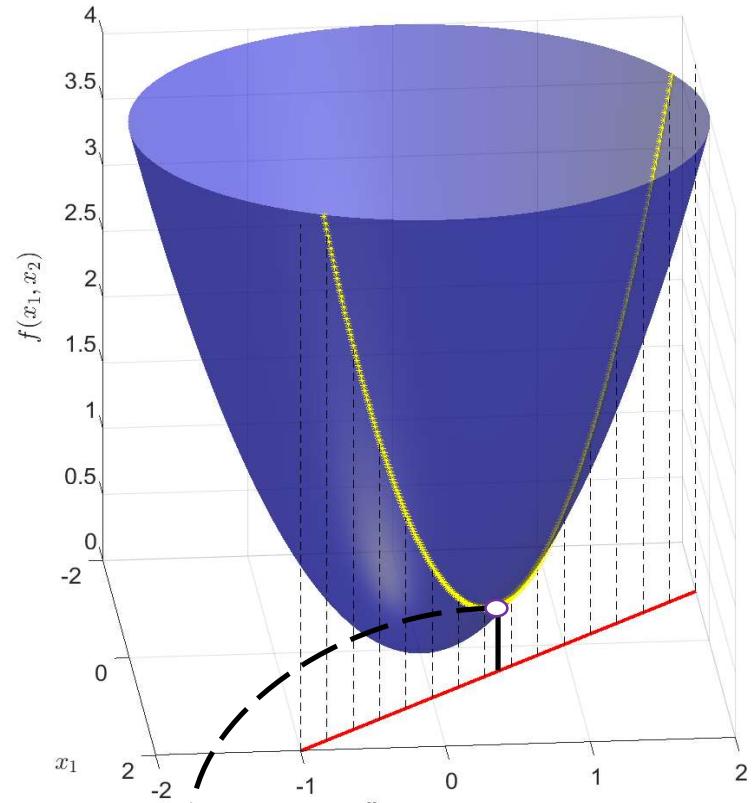
$$\text{subject to} \quad x_1 + x_2 - 1 = 0$$

Lagrange function:  $L(x, \lambda) = (x_1^2 + x_2^2) - \lambda(x_1 + x_2 - 1)$

**Optimality Cond.**



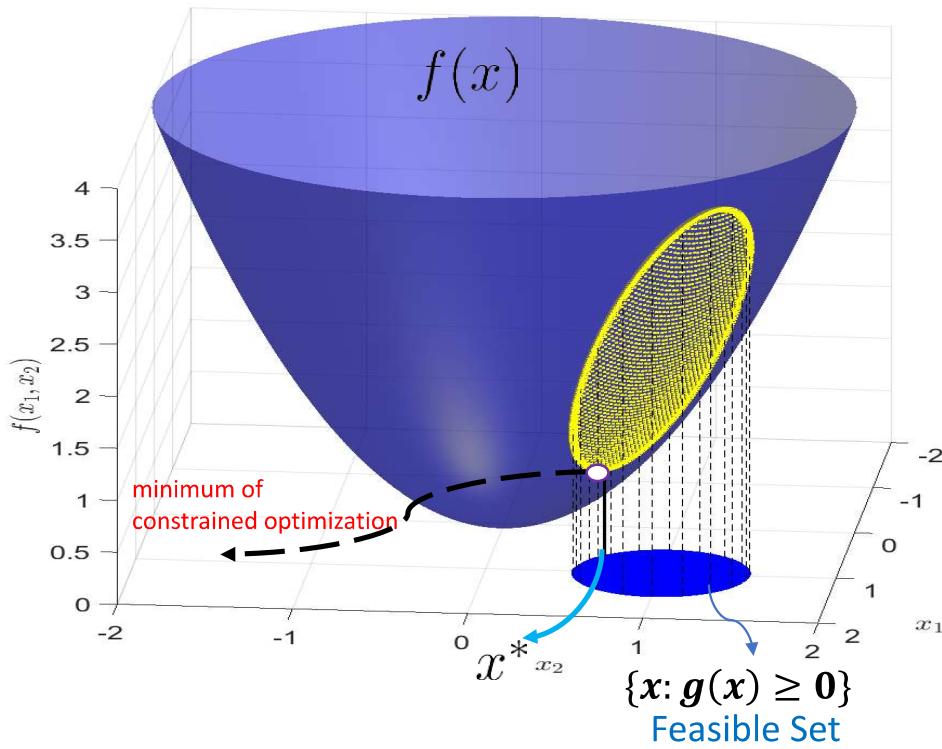
$$\nabla_{x,\lambda} L(x, \lambda) = 0 \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \nabla_x L(x, \lambda) = 0 \longrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 2x_1^* \\ 2x_2^* \end{bmatrix} - \lambda \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = 0 \\ \nabla_\lambda L(x, \lambda) = 0 \longrightarrow x_1^* + x_2^* - 1 = 0 \end{array} \right\} x_1^* = x_2^* = \frac{1}{2}, \lambda^* = 1$$



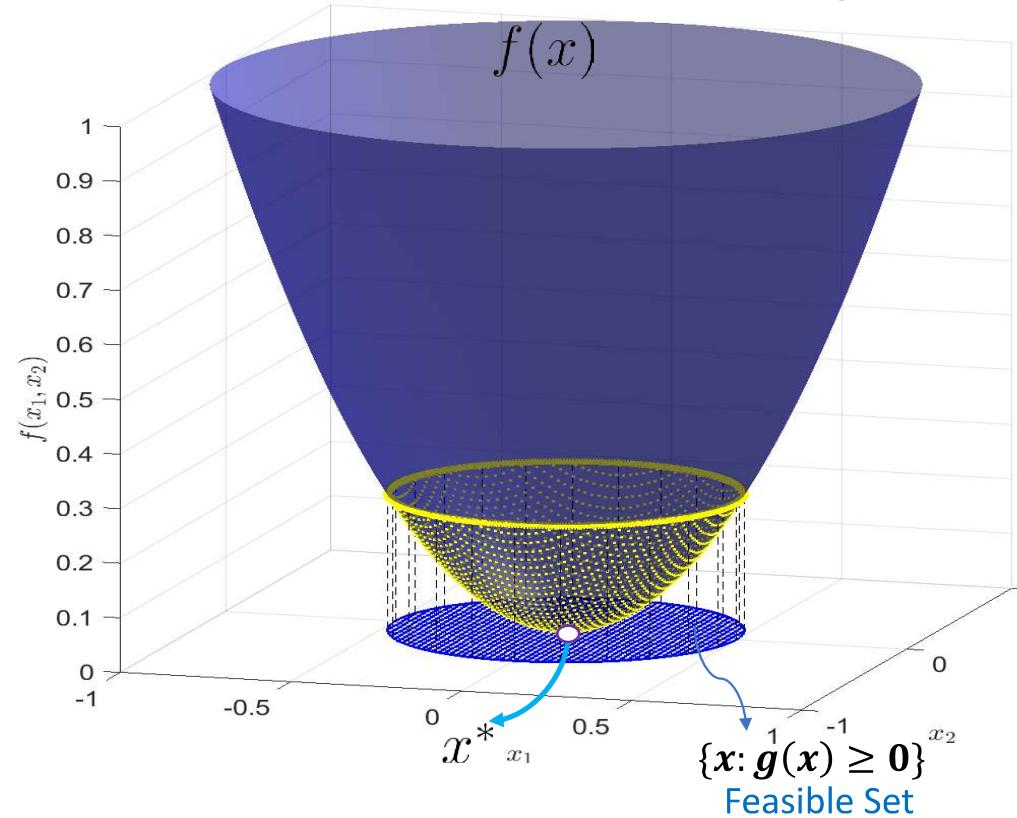
### 3) Optimality Conditions: Optimization with “Inequality” Constraints

$$\begin{aligned} & \underset{x \in \mathbb{R}^n}{\text{minimize}} && f(x) \\ & \text{subject to} && g(x) \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

**Case 1:**  $x^*$  is on the boundary of the feasible region.



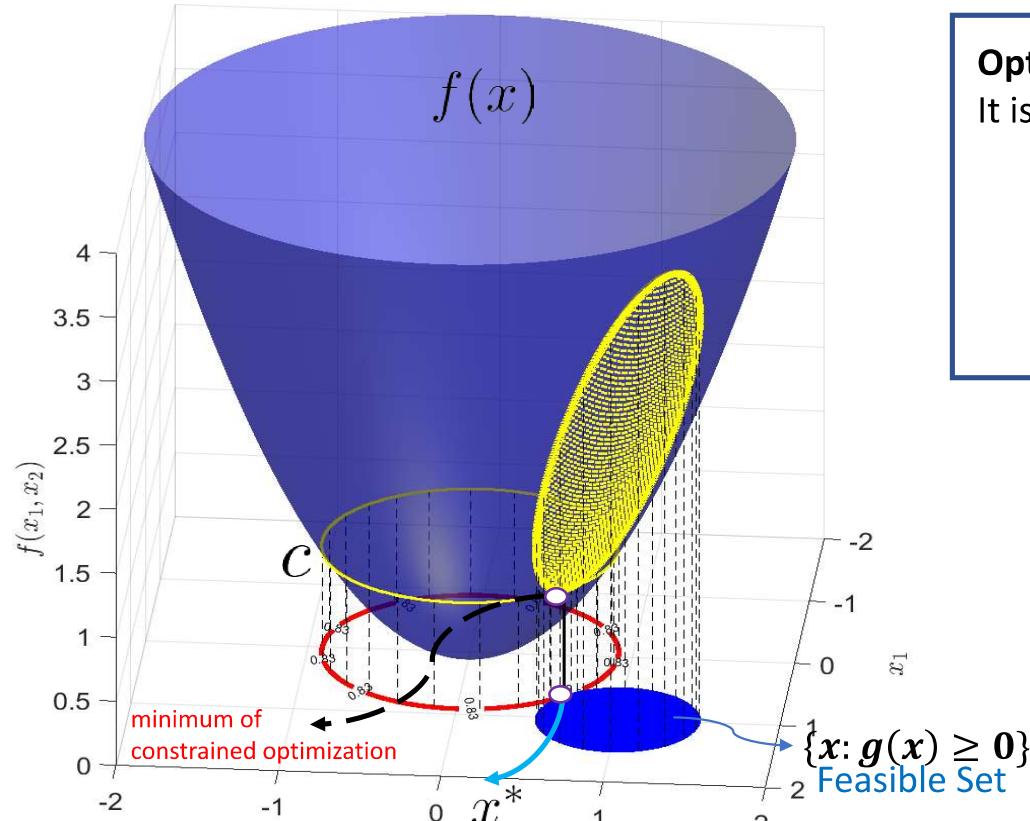
**Case 2:**  $x^*$  is inside the feasible region.



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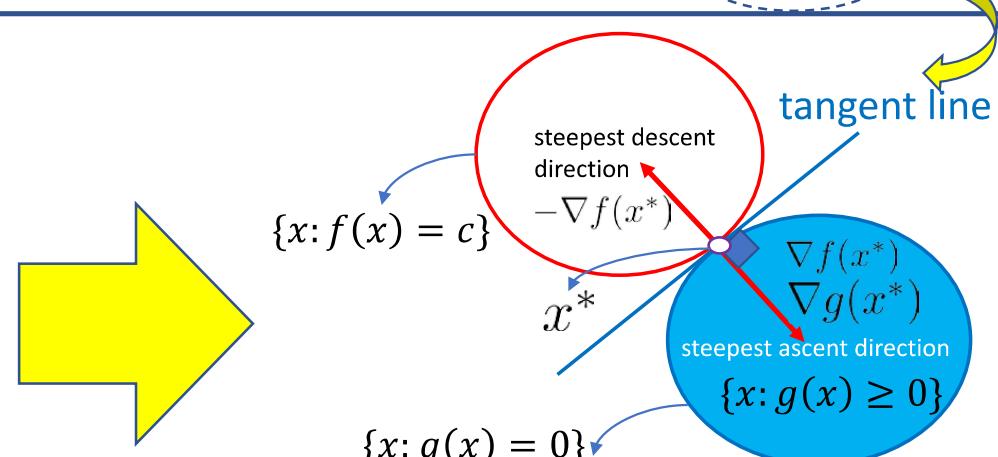


#### Optimality Condition:

It is similar to constrained optimization with equality constraint.

$$g(x^*) = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \nabla f(x^*) = \mu \nabla g(x^*)$$

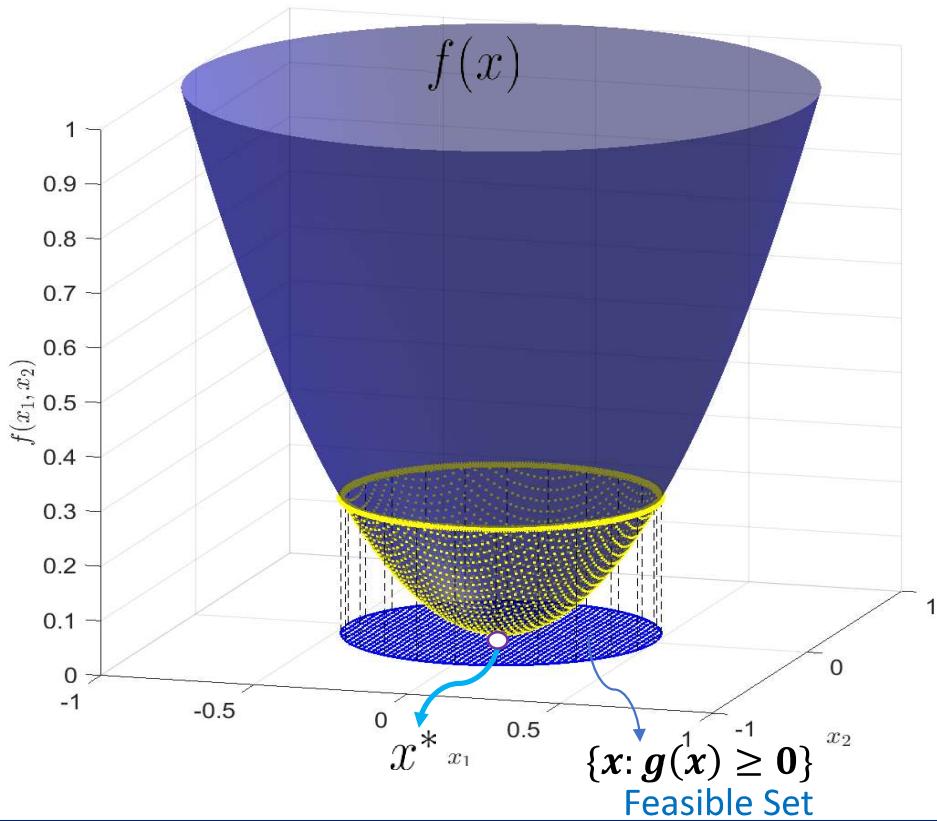
$$\mu \geq 0$$



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**Case 2:**  $x^*$  is inside the feasible region.



#### Optimality Condition:

It is similar to “unconstrained” optimization.

$$g(x^*) > 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \boxed{\nabla f(x^*) = 0}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla f(x^*) &= \mu^* \nabla g(x^*) \\ \mu^* &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

### 3) Optimality Conditions: Optimization with “Inequality” Constraints

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#### Case 1) Optimality Condition:

It is similar to constrained optimization with equality constraint.

$$g(x^*) = 0 \text{ and } \mu^* > 0 \text{ and } \nabla f(x^*) = \mu^* \nabla g(x^*)$$

#### Case 2) Optimality Condition:

It is similar to unconstrained optimization.

$$g(x^*) > 0 \text{ and } \mu^* = 0 \text{ and } \nabla f(x^*) = \mu^* \nabla g(x^*)$$

$$g(x^*) \geq 0 \text{ and } \mu^* \geq 0 \text{ and } \mu^* g(x^*) = 0 \text{ and } \nabla f(x^*) = \mu^* \nabla g(x^*)$$

#### Standard Format:

$$L(x, \mu) = f(x) - \mu g(x) \xrightarrow{\text{Optimality Cond.}} \begin{aligned} \nabla_x L(x^*, \mu^*) &= 0 \\ g(x^*) &\geq 0 \quad \mu^* \geq 0 \quad \mu^* g(x^*) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

*Lagrange function*      *Lagrange multiplier*

$$\begin{aligned} & \underset{x \in \mathbb{R}^n}{\text{minimize}} && f(x) \end{aligned}$$

*Lagrange function*

$$L(x, \lambda) = f(x) - \sum_{i=1}^{n_g} \mu_i g_i(x)$$

$$\text{subject to } g_i(x) \geq 0, i = 1, \dots, n_g$$

$$\nabla_x L(x^*, \mu^*) = 0 \quad g_i(x^*) \geq 0$$

$$\mu_i^* g_i(x^*) = 0 \quad \mu_i^* \geq 0$$

**Optimization:**

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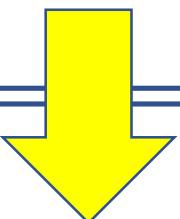
$$h_i(x) = 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, n_h$$

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### KKT (Karush-Kuhn-Tucker) Necessary Optimality Condition:

$$\text{Lagrange function } L(x, \mu, \lambda) = f(x) - \sum_{i=1}^{n_g} \mu_i g_i(x) - \sum_{i=1}^{n_h} \lambda_i h_i(x)$$

*Lagrange multiplier*

**Note:** we might also see the following form of the Lagrange function:

$$L(x, \mu, \lambda) = f(x) + \sum_{i=1}^{n_g} \mu_i g_i(x) + \sum_{i=1}^{n_h} \lambda_i h_i(x)$$

i) Because inequality constraints of the original problem is in the form of  $g_i(x) \leq 0$

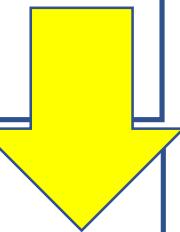
ii)  $\lambda : +/-$

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## Optimization

$$\underset{x \in \mathbb{R}^n}{\text{minimize}} \quad f(x)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{subject to} \quad g_i(x) &\geq 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, n_g \\ h_i(x) &= 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, n_h \end{aligned}$$



## Optimality

Constrained Optimization:

$$\nabla_x L(x, \mu, \lambda) = 0$$

$$-h_i(x^*) = 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, n_h$$

$$g_i(x^*) \geq 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, n_g$$

$$\mu_i \geq 0$$

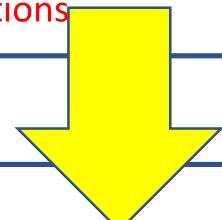
$$\mu_i^* g_i(x^*) = 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, n_g$$

system of nonlinear equations and inequalities

Unconstrained Optimization:

$$\nabla_x f(x) = 0$$

system of nonlinear equations



To find  $x^*$ , we need to solve a system of nonlinear equations and inequalities.

## Newton's Method: Solving a system of nonlinear equations $F(x) = 0$

- We **can not** solve arbitrary “*nonlinear equations*” very easily.
- We **can** solve “*linear equations*” using the techniques from linear algebra.
- We linearize the system of “*nonlinear equations*” with a first-order Taylor and solve the obtained “*linear system*”, and then iterate.

(0)  $k=0$ ,

(1) *Linear approximation at point  $x_k$ :*

$$y = F(x_k) + \nabla F(x_k)^T (x - x_k)$$

(2) *Solve linear system:*

$$y = 0 \rightarrow F(x_k) + \nabla F(x_k)'(x - x_k) = 0$$

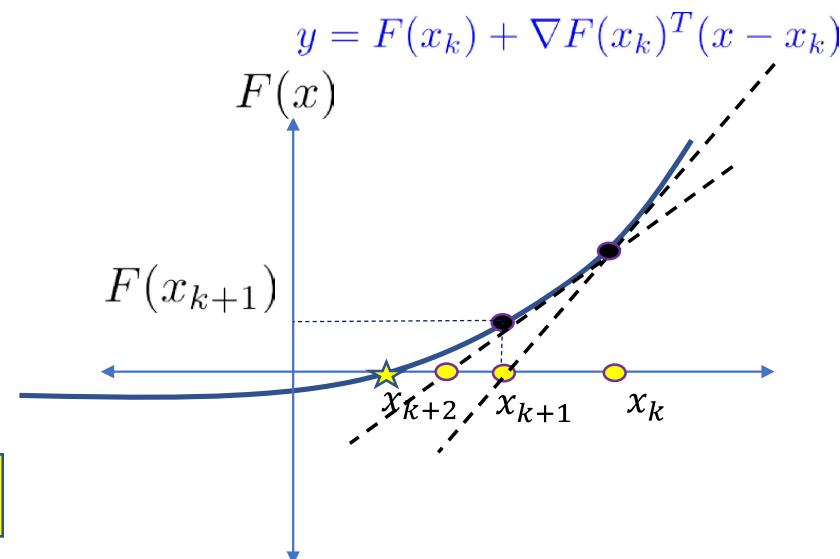
➡ (1) *Linear approximation at point  $x_k$ :*

$$\boxed{x_{k+1} = x_k - (\nabla F(x_k))^{-1} F(x_k)}$$

(3) *Go to Step (1)*

**system of nonlinear equations**  $F(x) = 0$

**Update at each iteration:**  $x_{k+1} = x_k - \mathbf{J}_F^{-1} F(x_k)$   
*Jacobian matrix of  $F(x)$*



## 1) Newton's Method for Unconstrained optimization

$$\underset{x \in \mathbb{R}^n}{\text{minimize}} \quad f(x)$$

➤ **Optimality Condition:**  $F(x) = 0 \xrightarrow{\text{system of nonlinear equations}} \nabla f(x) = 0$

➤ **Newton's method:**  $\xrightarrow{} x_{k+1} = x_k - (\nabla F(x_k))^{-1} F(x_k)$

$$x_{k+1} = x_k - (\nabla^2 f(x_k))^{-1} \nabla f(x_k)$$

$$x_{k+1} = x_k - \mathbf{H}_f^{-1} \nabla f(x_k)$$

## 2) Newton's Method for Constrained optimization with Equality Constraints

$$\underset{x \in \mathbb{R}^n}{\text{minimize}} \quad f(x)$$

$$\text{subject to} \quad h_i(x) = 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, n_h$$

➤ **Optimality Condition:**  $F(x, \lambda) = \begin{bmatrix} \nabla_x L(x, \lambda) \\ \nabla_\lambda L(x, \lambda) \end{bmatrix} = 0$

system of nonlinear equations  
 $(n + n_h)$  equations,  $(n + n_h)$  variables )

*Lagrange function*

$$L(x, \lambda) = f(x) - \sum_{i=1}^{n_h} \lambda_i h_i(x) = f(x) - \lambda^T h(x)$$

$$h(x) = [h_1(x), \dots, h_{n_h}(x)]^T$$

➤ **Newton's method:**

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_{k+1} \\ \lambda_{k+1} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_k \\ \lambda_k \end{bmatrix} - \mathbf{J}_F^{-1} F(x_k, \lambda_k)$$

$$F(x, \lambda) = \begin{bmatrix} \nabla_x L(x, \lambda) \\ \nabla_\lambda L(x, \lambda) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \nabla_x f(x) - \mathbf{J}_h^T \lambda \\ -h(x) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{J}_F = \begin{bmatrix} [\nabla F_1(x)]^T \\ [\nabla F_2(x)]^T \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} [\nabla(\nabla_x L(x, \lambda))]^T \\ [\nabla(-h(x))]^T \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} [\nabla_{xx}^2 L(x, \lambda)] & -\mathbf{J}_h^T \\ -\mathbf{J}_h & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\boxed{\begin{bmatrix} x_{k+1} \\ \lambda_{k+1} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_k \\ \lambda_k \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} \nabla_{xx}^2 L(x, \lambda) & -\mathbf{J}_h^T \\ -\mathbf{J}_h & 0 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} \nabla_x L(x, \lambda) \\ -h(x) \end{bmatrix}}$$

### 3) Newton's Method for Optimization with Inequality Constraints

- Newton's method deal with solving a system of nonlinear equations  $F(x) = 0$
- Optimality condition for **constrained optimization** (involving **inequality** constraint) is a “*system of nonlinear equations and inequalities*”.

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

subject to  $\begin{cases} g_i(x) \geq 0, & i = 1, \dots, n_g \\ h_i(x) = 0, & i = 1, \dots, n_h \end{cases}$

**KKT:**  $\nabla_x L(x, \mu, \lambda) = 0$

$$-h_i(x^*) = 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, n_h$$

$$g_i(x^*) \geq 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, n_g$$

$$\mu_i \geq 0$$

$$\mu_i^* g_i(x^*) = 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, n_g$$

#### Interior Point Method

- Reformulate **optimization problem** with **Inequality Constraints** as **optimization with only equality constraints**.
- Apply **Newton's method** to optimality *system of nonlinear equations*.

## Interior Point Method

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{minimize}_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} & f(x) \\ \text{subject to} & g_i(x) \geq 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, n_g \\ & h_i(x) = 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, n_h \end{array}$$

Slack variables "s<sub>i</sub>"

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{minimize}_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n, s \in \mathbb{R}^{n_g}} & f(x) \\ \text{subject to} & g_i(x) - s_i = 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, n_g \\ & s_i \geq 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, n_g \\ & h_i(x) = 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, n_h \end{array}$$

$$z = [s_i|_{i=1}^{n_g}, x_i|_{i=1}^n]^T$$

$$\bar{f}(z) = f(x)$$

$$\bar{h}(z) = [g(x)_i - s_i|_{i=1}^{n_g}, h_i(x)|_{i=1}^{n_h}]^T$$

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{minimize}_{z \in \mathbb{R}^{n+n_g}} & \bar{f}(z) \end{array}$$

$$\text{subject to} \quad \bar{h}(z) = 0$$

$$z_i \geq 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, n_g$$

Optimization with  
equality constraints

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{minimize}_{z \in \mathbb{R}^{n+n_g}} & \bar{f}(z) + \text{Penalty Function}(z_i) \\ \text{subject to} & \bar{h}(z) = 0 \end{array}$$

Use Newton's Method

# Interior Point Method

Optimization with equality constraints

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{minimize}_{z \in \mathbb{R}^{n+n_g}} & \bar{f}(z) - \sum_{i=1}^{n_g} \frac{1}{t} \ln(z_i) \\ \text{subject to} & \bar{h}(z) = 0 \end{array}$$

Use Newton's Method

(0)  $k=0$ , feasible  $z_k, t_k$

(1) **Inner Loop:** Compute  $z^*$  ( $k + 1$ ) by solving constrained optimization using newton's method.

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Lagrange function } L(z, \lambda) = \bar{f}(z) - \frac{1}{t} \sum_{i=1}^{n_g} \ln(z_i) - \underbrace{\lambda^T \bar{h}(z)}_{\text{Lagrange multipliers}} \\ \text{Optimality Condition: } F(z, \lambda) = \begin{bmatrix} \nabla_z L(z, \lambda) \\ \nabla_\lambda L(z, \lambda) \end{bmatrix} = 0 \longrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} z_{k+1} \\ \lambda_{k+1} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} z_k \\ \lambda_k \end{bmatrix} - \mathbf{J}_F^{-1} F(z_k, \lambda_k) \end{array} \right.$$

(2) **Outer Loop:** Increase  $t_{k+1} = \beta t_k$

(3)  $k \leftarrow k + 1$ , Go to step (1)

- Every limit point of a sequence  $\{z_k\}$  generated by a barrier method solves the original constrained problem.
- For more information and convergence analysis see:
  - Stephen J. Wright, "On the convergence of the Newton/log-barrier method", Mathematical Programming , Volume 90, Issue 1, pp 71–100, 2001.
  - A. Forsgren, P. E. Gill, M. H. Wright "Interior Methods for Nonlinear Optimization", SIAM REVIEW, Vol. 44, No. 4, pp. 525–597, 2002.
  - Chapter 4.1: Barrier and Interior Point Methods, "Nonlinear Programming" Dimitri Bertsekas, MIT.

**1**

$$\underset{x \in \mathbb{R}^n}{\text{minimize}} \quad f(x)$$

**2**

$$\underset{x \in \mathbb{R}^n}{\text{minimize}} \quad f(x)$$

subject to  $h_i(x) = 0, i = 1, \dots, n_h$

**3**

$$\underset{x \in \mathbb{R}^n}{\text{minimize}} \quad f(x)$$

subject to  $g_i(x) \geq 0, i = 1, \dots, n_g$   
 $h_i(x) = 0, i = 1, \dots, n_h$

**Optimality Condition**

$$\nabla_x f(x) = 0$$

**Optimality Condition**

$$F = \begin{cases} \nabla_x L(x, \mu, \lambda) = 0 \\ -h_i(x^*) = 0, i = 1, \dots, n_h \end{cases}$$

**Lagrange Function**

$$L(x, \lambda) = f(x) - \lambda^T h(x)$$

**Newton's Method Step**

$$x_{k+1} = x_k - \mathbf{H}_f^{-1} \nabla f(x_k)$$

**Newton's Method Step**

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_{k+1} \\ \lambda_{k+1} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_k \\ \lambda_k \end{bmatrix} - \mathbf{J}_F^{-1} F(x_k, \lambda_k)$$



$$\begin{bmatrix} x_{k+1} \\ \lambda_{k+1} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_k \\ \lambda_k \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} \nabla_{xx}^2 L(x, \lambda) & -\mathbf{J}_h^T \\ -\mathbf{J}_h & 0 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} \nabla_x L(x, \lambda) \\ -h(x) \end{bmatrix}$$

**Optimality Condition (KKT)**

$$\nabla_x L(x, \mu, \lambda) = 0 \quad -h_i(x^*) = 0, i = 1, \dots, n_h$$

$$g_i(x^*) \geq 0, i = 1, \dots, n_g$$

$$\mu_i^* \geq 0 \quad \mu_i^* g_i(x^*) = 0, i = 1, \dots, n_g$$

**Optimization with equality constraints**

$$z = [s_i |_{i=1}^{n_g}, x_i |_{i=1}^n]^T \quad \bar{f}(z) = f(x)$$

$$\bar{h}(z) = [g(x)_i - s_i |_{i=1}^{n_g}, h_i(x) |_{i=1}^{n_h}]^T$$

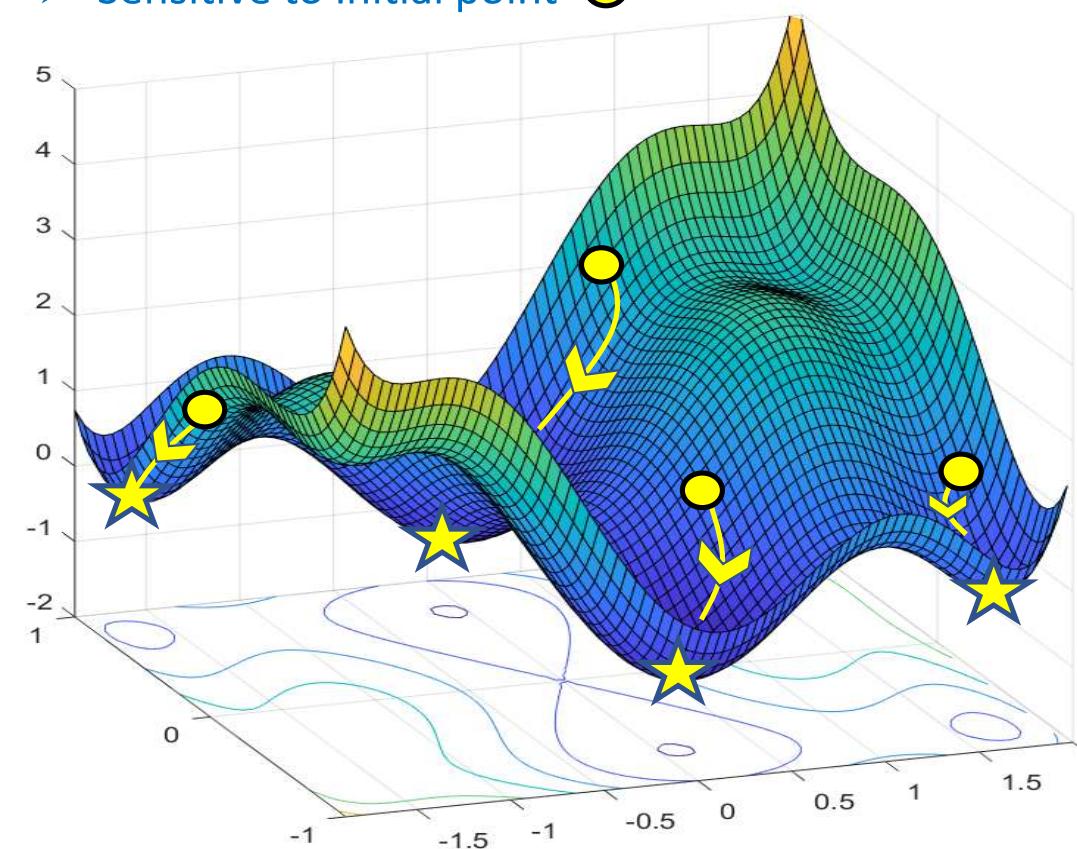
$$\underset{z \in \mathbb{R}^{n+n_g}}{\text{minimize}} \quad \bar{f}(z) - \sum_{i=1}^{n_g} \frac{1}{t} \ln(z_i)$$

$$\text{subject to } \bar{h}(z) = 0$$

**2**

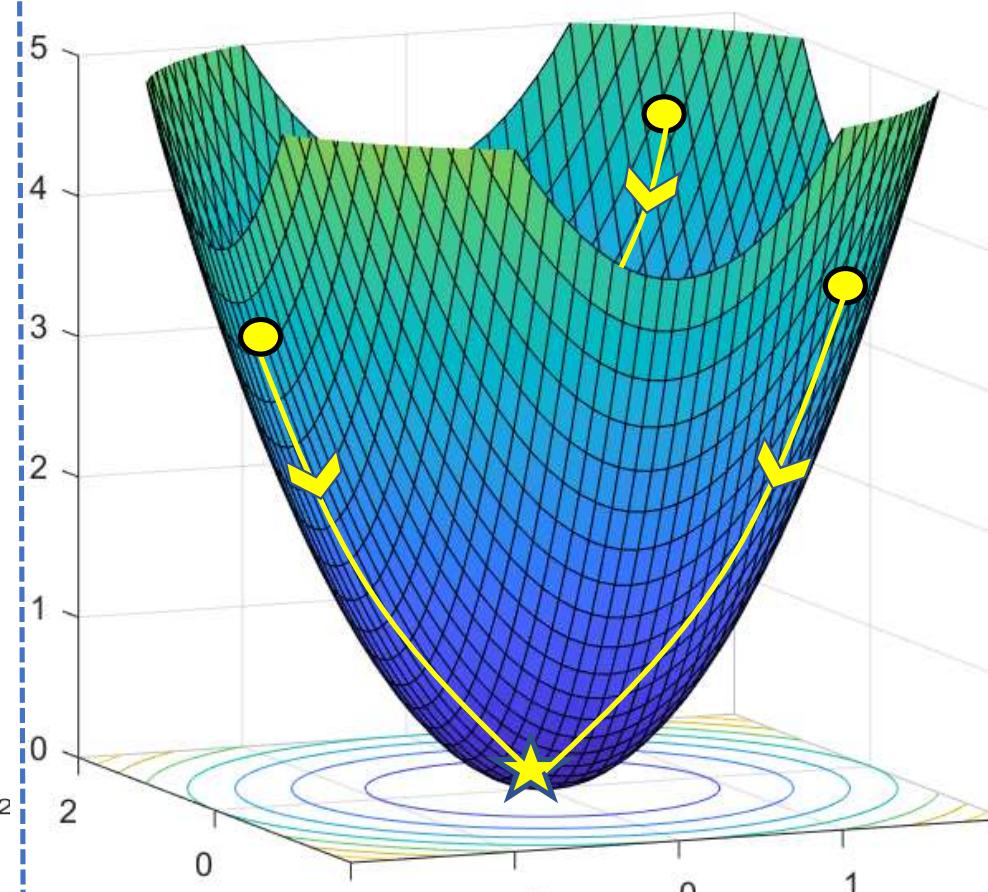
## Nonconvex Optimization

- Multiple local minima ⭐
- Sensitive to initial point ⚡



## Convex Optimization

- Unique minimum: global/local



# **Convex Optimization**

## Convex Optimization:

$$\begin{aligned} & \underset{x \in \mathbb{R}^n}{\text{minimize}} && f(x) \\ & \text{subject to} && g_i(x) \leq 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, n_g \\ & && h_i(x) = 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, n_h \end{aligned}$$

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

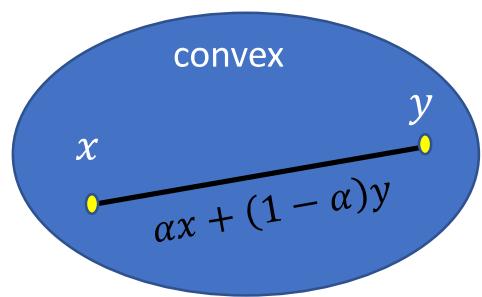
$$g_i : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \quad i = 1, \dots, n_g$$

$$h_i : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \quad i = 1, \dots, n_h$$

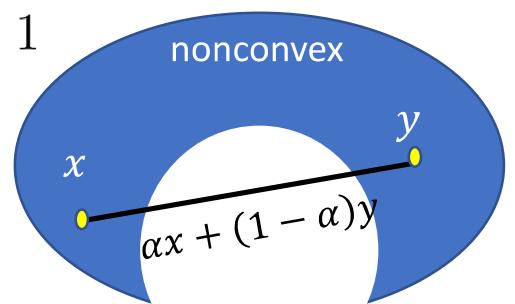
Convex Functions

## Convex Set:

Set  $C \in \mathbb{R}^n$  is a convex set if a line segment joining any two elements lies entirely in the set.



$$x, y \in C \rightarrow \alpha x + (1 - \alpha)y \in C, \quad \forall 0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$$



**Examples:**

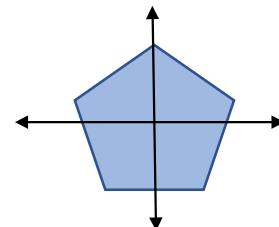
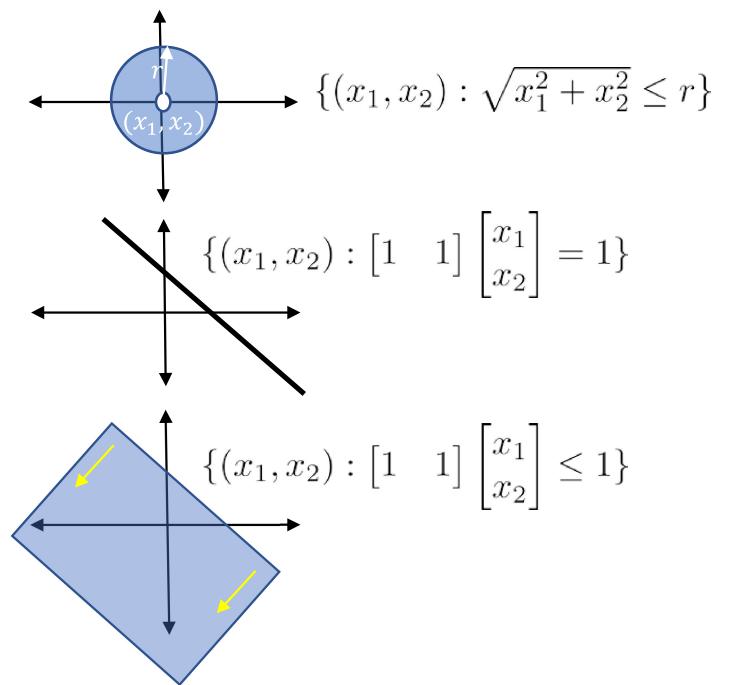
Norm ball  $\{x : \|x\| \leq r\}$   $\|\cdot\|$ :norm  $r$ :radius

Hyperplane  $\{x : a^T x = b\}$   $a, b$ :vectors

Halfspace  $\{x : a^T x \leq b\}$   $a, b$ :vectors

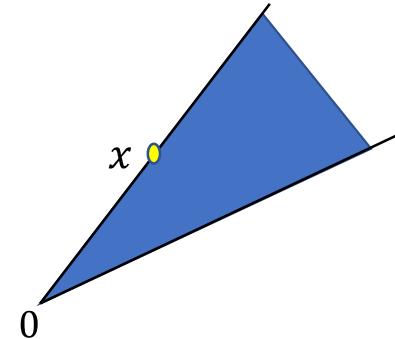
Affine Space  $\{x : Ax = b\}$   $A$ :matrix  $b$ :vectors

Polyhedron  $\{x : Ax \leq b\}$



## Cone:

A cone  $C \in \mathbb{R}^n$  is a set such that  $x \in C \rightarrow \alpha x \in C, \forall \alpha \geq 0$

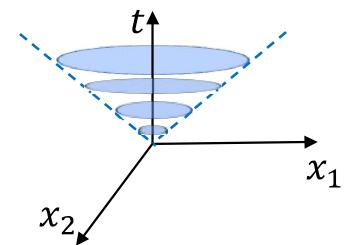


**Convex Cone:**  $x, y \in C \rightarrow \alpha x + (1 - \alpha)y \in C, \forall 0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$

## Examples:

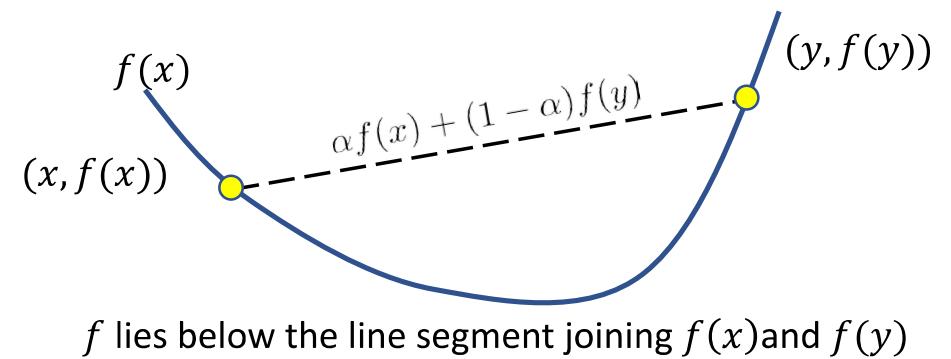
Norm Cone  $\{x : \|x\| \leq t\}$  Under the  $l_2$  norm, this is called a second-order cone.

$$\{(x_1, x_2) : \sqrt{x_1^2 + x_2^2} \leq t\}$$



## Convex Function:

Function  $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is convex if:  $f(\alpha x + (1 - \alpha)y) \leq \alpha f(x) + (1 - \alpha)f(y), \quad \forall 0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$

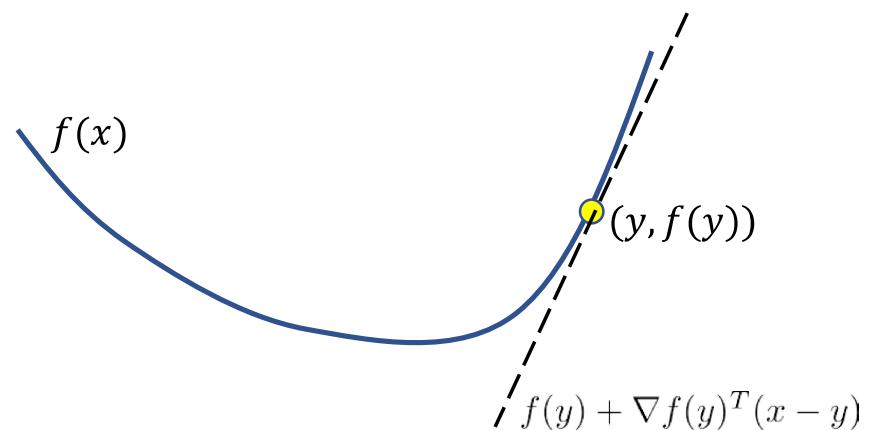


➤ First order convexity condition:

$$f(x) \geq f(y) + \nabla f(y)^T(x - y), \quad \forall x, y \in \text{dom}(f)$$

➤ Second order convexity condition:  $\nabla^2 f(x) \geq 0, \quad \forall x \in \text{dom}(f)$

- Domain of a convex function is a convex set.



## Class of Convex Optimizations

Linear program (LP)

$$\begin{aligned} & \underset{x}{\text{minimize}} && c^T x \\ & \text{subject to} && Ax = b \\ & && x \geq 0. \end{aligned}$$


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Quadratic program (QP)

$$\begin{aligned} & \underset{x}{\text{minimize}} && \frac{1}{2}x^T P_0 x + q_0^T x + c_0 \\ & \text{subject to} && Ax = b \\ & && x \geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

where  $P_0 \succcurlyeq 0$

Quadratically Constrained Quadratic Program (QCQP)

$$\begin{aligned} & \underset{x}{\text{minimize}} && \frac{1}{2}x^T P_0 x + q_0^T x + c_0 \\ & \text{subject to} && \frac{1}{2}x^T P_i x + q_i^T x + c_i, \quad i = 1, \dots, m \\ & && Ax = b \\ & && x \geq 0. \end{aligned}$$


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Second-Order Cone Program (SOCP)

$$\begin{aligned} & \underset{x}{\text{minimize}} && c^T x \\ & \text{subject to} && Ax = b \\ & && \|C_i x + d_i\|_2 \leq e_i^T x + f_i, \quad i = 1, \dots, m \end{aligned}$$


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Semidefinite Program (SDP)

$$\begin{aligned} & \underset{X}{\text{minimize}} && C \bullet X \\ & \text{subject to} && A_i \bullet X = b_i \quad i = 1, \dots, m. \\ & && X \succcurlyeq 0. \end{aligned}$$


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Cone Program (CP)

$$\begin{aligned} & \underset{x}{\text{minimize}} && c^T x \\ & \text{subject to} && Ax = b \\ & && x \in K \end{aligned}$$