

- Review eigenvectors / eigenvalues
- optimization: quadratic functions w linear consts.

OPTIMIZATION: (UNCONSTRAINED)

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

f : differentiable

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

local optimality

Gradient points directly up hill...

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

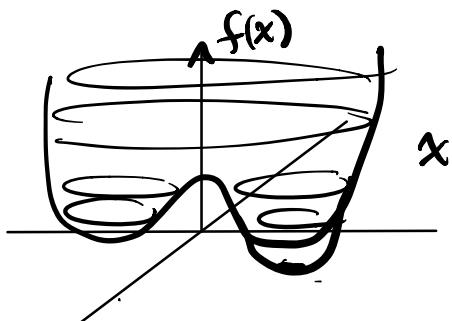
$\frac{\Delta f}{\Delta x} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \frac{\Delta x}{\Delta x} = 0$

↓ perturbation along level set

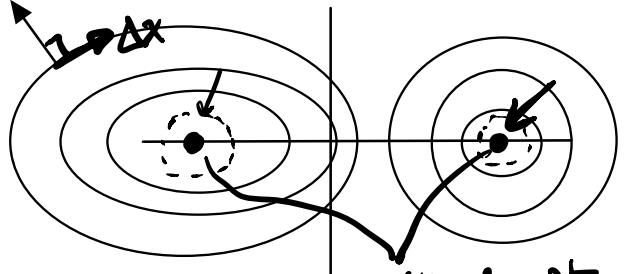
objective function:

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

↳ encodes what we want to minimize.



TOP DOWN VIEW:



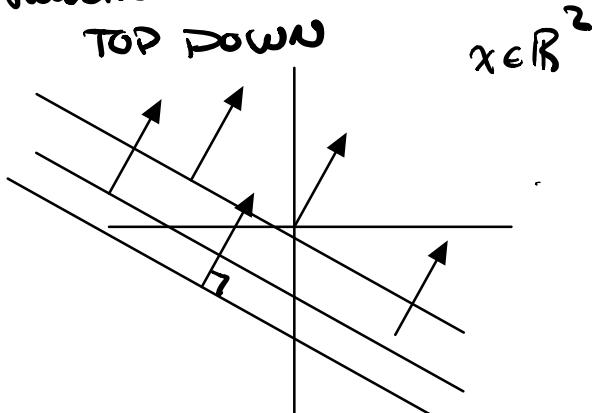
critical pts where $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = 0$

Simple objective functions:

Linear obj.

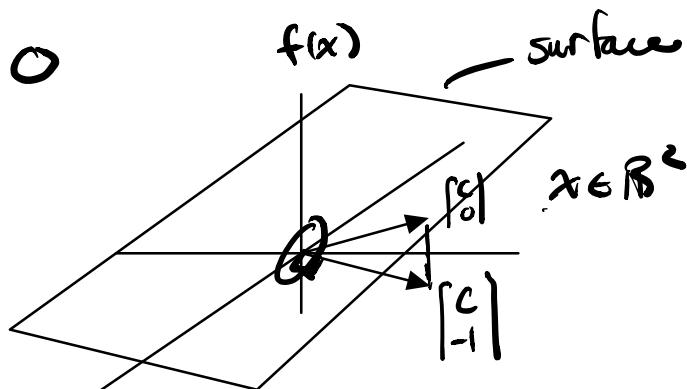
$$f(x) = \underline{C^T} \underline{x}$$

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



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

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



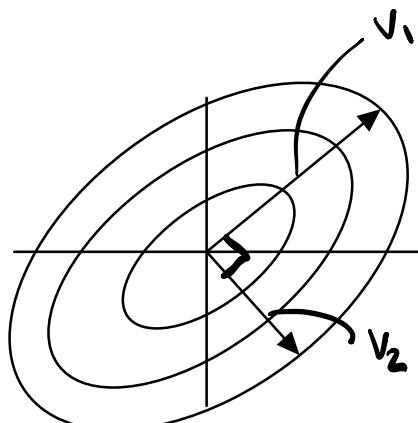
Quadratic Objective (canonical convex objective)

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

No linear term:

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

ellipsoid shapes
are determined by
eigenvectors & eigenvalues
of Q



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

$$(\text{if not: } x^T \left(\frac{1}{2} \underline{(Q+Q^T)} + \frac{1}{2} \underline{(Q-Q^T)} \right) x)$$

replace $\underline{\underline{Q}} = \frac{1}{2} \underline{(Q+Q^T)}$ Sym $\underline{\underline{Q}} = \frac{1}{2} \underline{(Q-Q^T)}$ skew sym
 $\underline{\underline{Q}}$ Sym component $\frac{1}{2} \underline{x^T Q x} - \frac{1}{2} \underline{x^T Q^T x} = 0$

EIGENVALUE PROB: REVIEW

$$\underline{Q} \underline{v} = \underline{\lambda} \underline{v} \quad Q \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}, v \in \mathbb{R}^n, \lambda \in \mathbb{R} \text{ or } \mathbb{C}$$

bilinear
first solve for λ

$$(\underline{\lambda I} - Q)v = 0 \Rightarrow \det(\lambda I - Q) = 0$$

have a nontrivial
nullspace

$$\chi_Q(s) = \det(sI - Q) = s^n + \underbrace{\alpha_{n-1}s^{n-1} + \dots + \alpha_1 s + \alpha_0}_{\text{roots of } \chi_Q(s) \text{ } n^{\text{th}} \text{ order}}$$

are eigenvalues \downarrow always has n roots fund. then 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

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

$$Q \begin{bmatrix} v_1 & \dots & v_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 & \dots & v_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$QV = VD$$

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

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?

$$\begin{aligned} Q^k &= VDV^{-1} \times VDV^{-1} \times \dots \times VDV^{-1} = VD^kV^{-1} \\ &= V \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1^k & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & \lambda_n^k \end{bmatrix} V^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

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

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

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

\downarrow

$$M = V \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1^{\frac{1}{2}} & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_n^{\frac{1}{2}} \end{bmatrix} V^{-1} \quad MM = V D^{\frac{1}{2}} V^{-1} V D^{\frac{1}{2}} V^{-1}$$

$$= V D V^{-1} = Q$$

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

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

$$Q = R D R^T$$

$$R = [v_1 \dots v_n] \quad R^{-1} = R^T \quad R: \begin{array}{l} \text{unitary} \\ \text{orthonormal} \\ \text{rotation} \end{array} \dots$$

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

off diagonal elements are 0

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

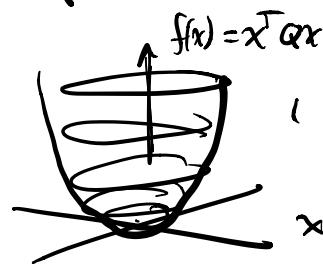
sign of eigenvalues of $Q = Q^T \dots$

Defn Positive definite $Q > 0$

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

(positive semi definite) $Q \succeq 0$

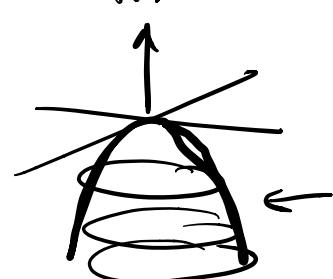
$$x^T Q x \geq 0 \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n$$



Defn negative definite $Q < 0$

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

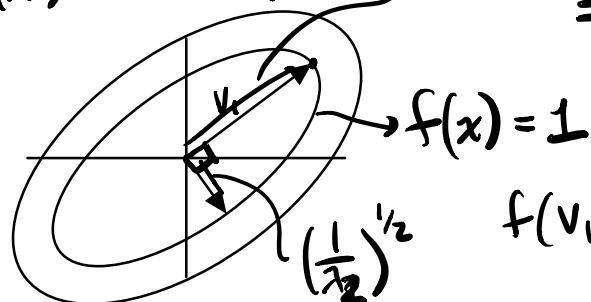
negative semi definite $Q \preceq 0$,
 $x^T Q x \leq 0 \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n$



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

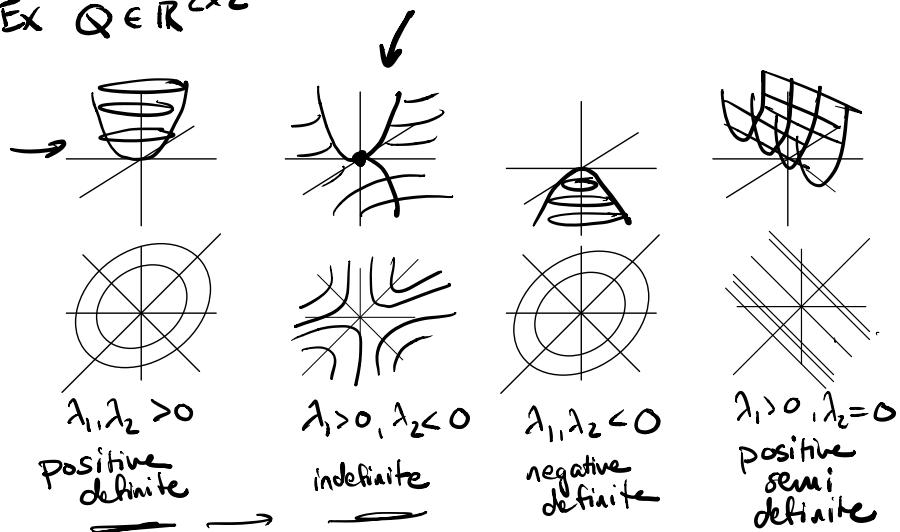
$$f(v_i) = v_i^T Q v_i = v_i^T [v_1 \dots v_n] \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_1^T \\ \vdots \\ v_n^T \end{bmatrix} v_i$$

$$f(x) = x^T Q x = \frac{[0 \mid v_i \mid 0]}{\|v_i\|^2} \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & \\ 0 & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ v_i \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \|v_i\|^2 \lambda_i \rightarrow$$



$$f(v_i) = \frac{1}{\|v_i\|^2} = \frac{1}{\left(\frac{1}{\lambda_2}\right)^{1/2}} = \frac{1}{\left(\frac{1}{\lambda_1}\right)^{1/2}} \lambda_1$$

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



ML algorithms
avoiding saddles

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

adding a linear term...

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

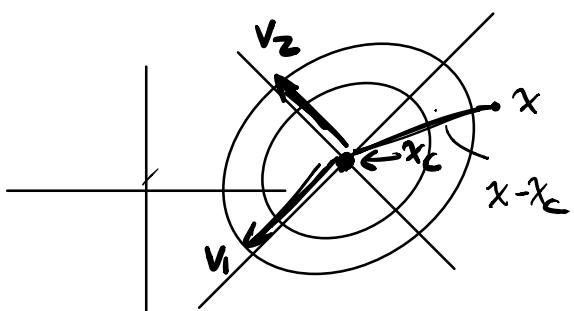
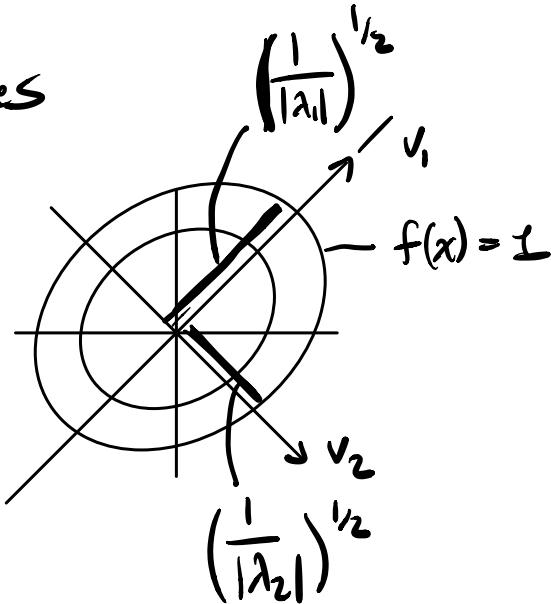
computing new center point...

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

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

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

$$= -\frac{1}{2} \underbrace{\left[c^T v_1 - \frac{c^T v_n}{\lambda_n} \right]}_{\sum} \underbrace{\left[v_1^T \dots v_n^T \right]}_{V^T}$$



coords of center pt. wrt eigenvector basis

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

$$\underline{x^T Q x} = (\underline{x - \underline{x}_c})^T Q (\underline{x - \underline{x}_c})$$

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

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

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

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

Adding constraints....

Equality constraints...

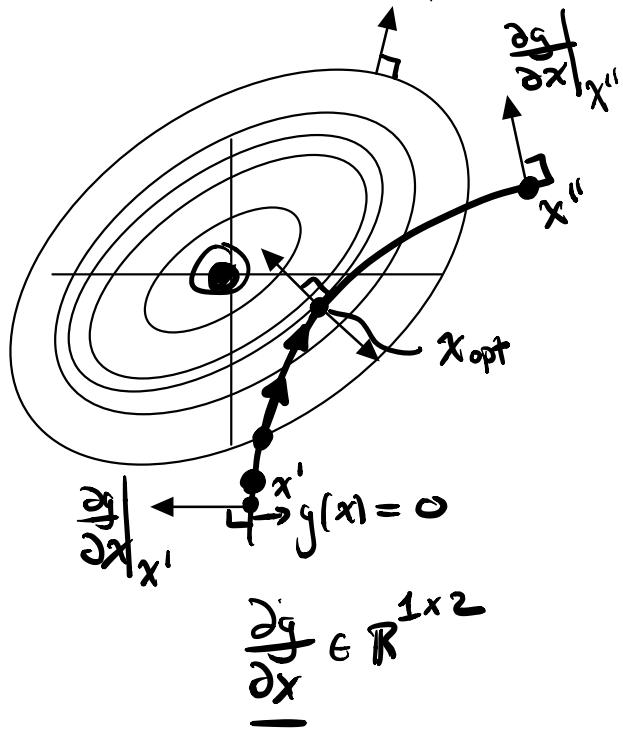
$$\begin{aligned} & \min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} f(x) \\ & \text{s.t. } g(x) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

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

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

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

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 "

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

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

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

Examples Linear constraints $Ax = b$

$$\min_x f(x)$$

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

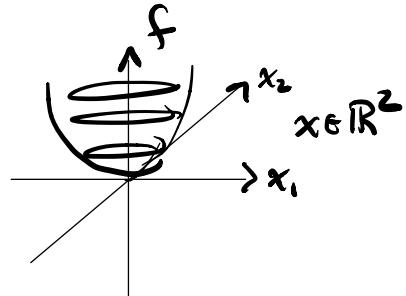
$$A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}, b \in \mathbb{R}^m$$

$$g(x) = \underline{Ax - b} = 0$$

$\nwarrow m$ constraints.

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

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



Ex.

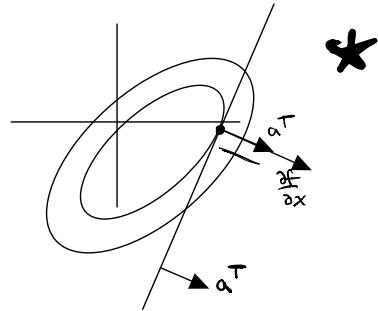
$$\min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^2} \frac{1}{2} x^T Q x + c^T x$$

s.t. $a^T x = b$

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

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

∇ : allows us to account for steepness of f



Solve together

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

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



Ex.

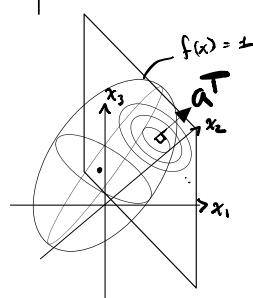
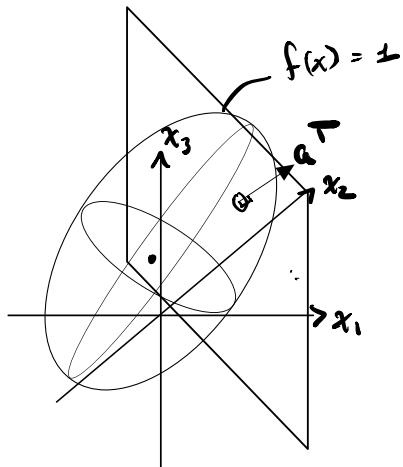
$$\min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^3} \frac{1}{2} x^T Q x + c^T x$$

s.t. $a^T x = b$

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

$$a^T x = b$$

solve for x and ∇



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

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

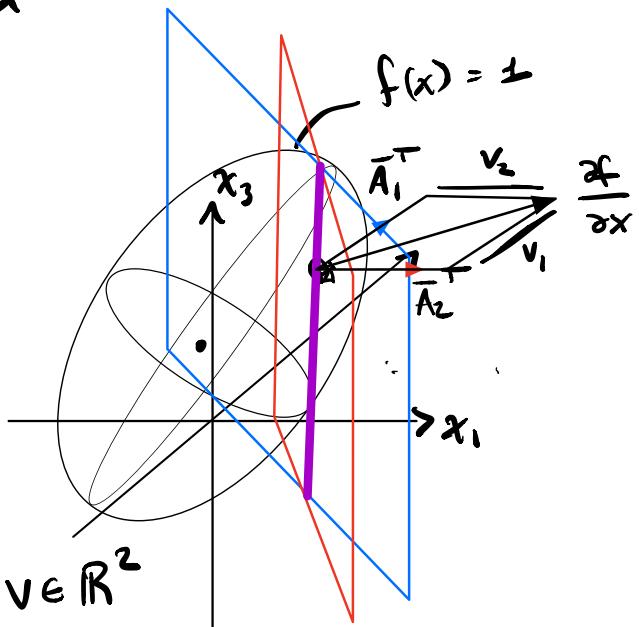
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -\bar{A}_1^T \\ -\bar{A}_2^T \end{bmatrix} \quad b = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

↓

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

$$= v_1 \bar{A}_1^T + v_2 \bar{A}_2^T$$



$$\left. \begin{array}{l} x^T Q + c^T = v^T A \\ Ax = b \end{array} \right\} \text{solve for } x \in V$$

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 \underline{x} and \underline{v}

Solving for $x \in V$

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

s.t. $Ax = b$

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

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

$$\rightarrow \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline Q & A^T \\ \hline A & O \\ \hline \end{array} \left| \begin{array}{l} x \\ v \end{array} \right. = \begin{bmatrix} -c \\ b \end{bmatrix}$$

↓ solve

the initial direction
we assign to
 v doesn't matter

want to invert.

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

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

Block Matrix Inversion

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

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

$$BM = 0 \quad \& \quad R(M) = N(B)$$

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

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

$$\left[\begin{matrix} B^T (BB^T)^{-1} B + M (M^T M)^{-1} M^T = I \\ \text{Proj}_{B^T} \quad \text{Proj}_M \end{matrix} \right]$$

$$\left[\begin{matrix} I & B^T \\ B & 0 \end{matrix} \right] \left[\begin{matrix} * & \frac{B^T (BB^T)^{-1}}{*} \\ * & * \end{matrix} \right] = \left[\begin{matrix} I & 0 \\ 0 & I \end{matrix} \right]$$

$$\left[\begin{matrix} I & B^T \\ B & 0 \end{matrix} \right] \left[\begin{matrix} * & \frac{B^T (BB^T)^{-1}}{-(BB^T)^{-1}} \\ * & * \end{matrix} \right] = \left[\begin{matrix} I & 0 \\ 0 & I \end{matrix} \right]$$

$$\left[\begin{matrix} I & B^T \\ B & 0 \end{matrix} \right] \left[\begin{matrix} M (M^T M)^{-1} M^T & \frac{B^T (BB^T)^{-1}}{-(BB^T)^{-1}} \\ * & * \end{matrix} \right] = \left[\begin{matrix} I & 0 \\ 0 & I \end{matrix} \right]$$

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

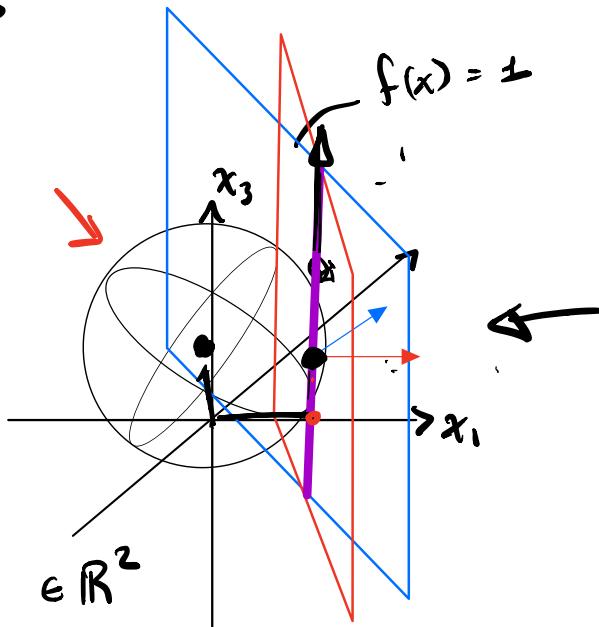
$$\begin{bmatrix} \pm B^T \\ B & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ v \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -c \\ b \end{bmatrix}$$

optimality cond's
for

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

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

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



Solution:

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ v \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \pm B^T \\ B & 0 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} -c \\ b \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{aligned} x &= -M(M^T M)^{-1} M^T c + B^T(BB^T)^{-1} b \\ v &= -(BB^T)^{-1} B c - (BB^T)^{-1} b \end{aligned}$$

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

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

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

$$\boxed{\begin{bmatrix} Q & A^T \\ A & 0 \end{bmatrix}} = \boxed{\begin{bmatrix} Q^{1/2} & 0 \\ 0 & I \end{bmatrix}} \boxed{\begin{bmatrix} I & Q^{1/2} A^T \\ A Q^{-1/2} & 0 \end{bmatrix}} \boxed{\begin{bmatrix} Q^{1/2} & 0 \\ 0 & I \end{bmatrix}} \Leftarrow$$

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

$$(BM = A Q^{-1/2} Q^{1/2} N = 0) \quad \stackrel{\text{Proj.}}{\Downarrow} \Downarrow$$

from above

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

$$\boxed{\begin{bmatrix} I & Q^{1/2} A^T \\ A Q^{-1/2} & 0 \end{bmatrix}}^{-1} = \boxed{\begin{bmatrix} Q^{1/2} N(N^T QN)^{-1} N^T Q^{1/2} & Q^{1/2} A^T (A Q A^T)^{-1} \\ (A Q A^T)^{-1} A Q^{-1/2} & -(A Q A^T)^{-1} \end{bmatrix}}$$

$$\boxed{\begin{bmatrix} Q & A^T \\ A & 0 \end{bmatrix}}^{-1} = \boxed{\begin{bmatrix} N(N^T QN)^{-1} N^T & Q^T A^T (A Q^T A^T)^{-1} \\ (A Q^T A^T)^{-1} A Q^{-1} & -(A Q^T A^T)^{-1} \end{bmatrix}}$$

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

$$x = \underbrace{-N(N^T Q N)^{-1} N^T c}_{\text{1.}} + \underbrace{Q^{-1} A^T (A Q^{-1} A^T)^{-1} b}_{\text{2.}}$$

$$v = \underbrace{-(A Q^{-1} A^T)^{-1} A Q^{-1} c - (A Q^{-1} A^T)^{-1} b}_{\text{3.}}$$

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

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

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