



## Why

We want a condition for a unique minimizer.

## Definition

Suppose  $X \subset \mathbf{R}$  is convex. A function  $f : X \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  is *strictly convex* if

$$f(tx + (1 - t)y) < tf(x) + (1 - t)f(y)$$

for all  $t \in [0, 1]$  and  $x, y \in X$ .

$f$  is *strictly concave* if  $-f$  is convex.



