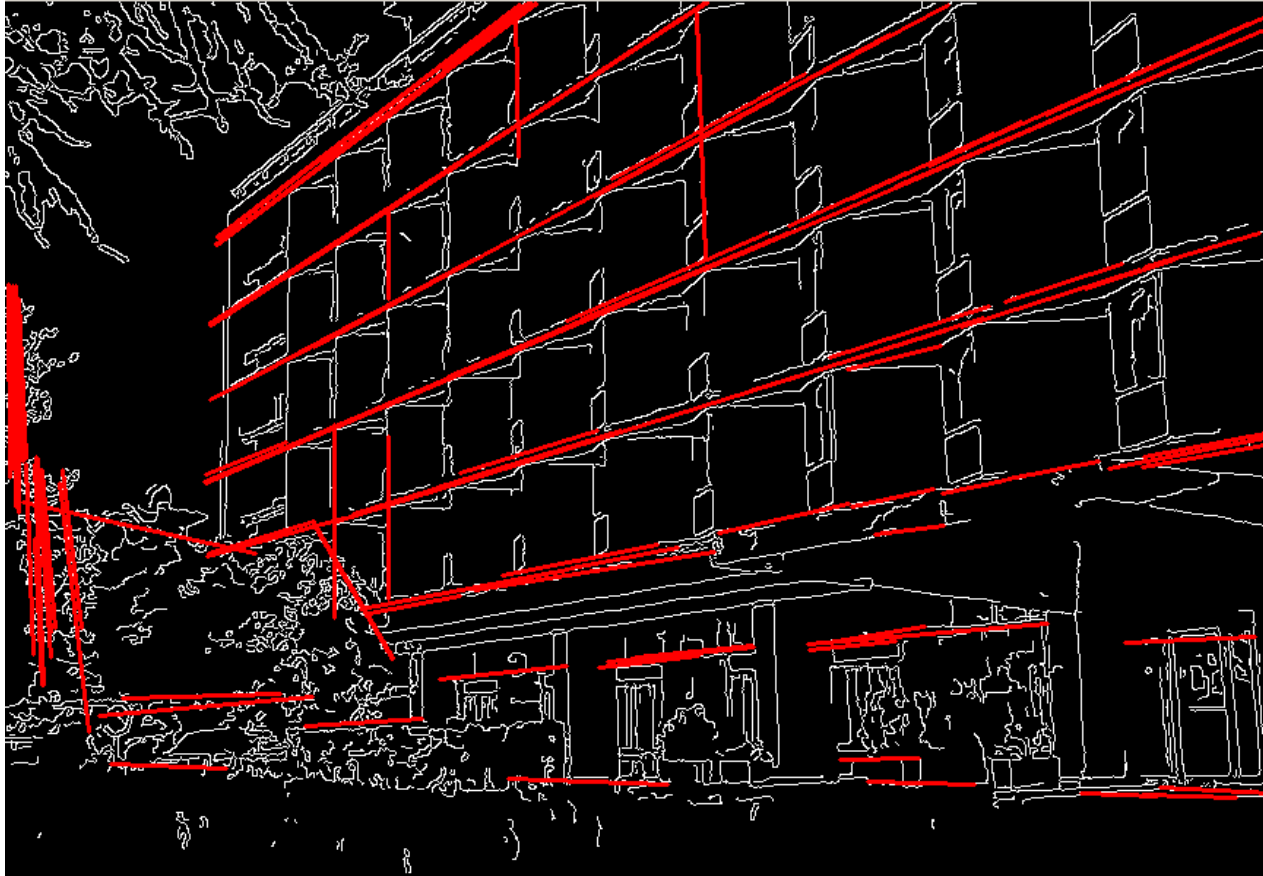


Fitting and Non-linear Optimization

Fitting



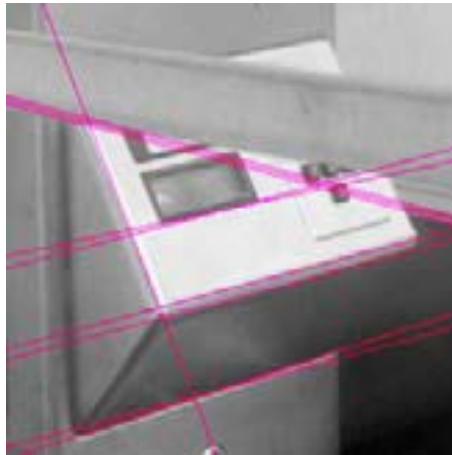
Fitting

- We've learned how to detect edges, corners, blobs. Now what?
- We would like to form a higher-level, more compact representation of the features in the image by grouping multiple features according to a simple model



Fitting

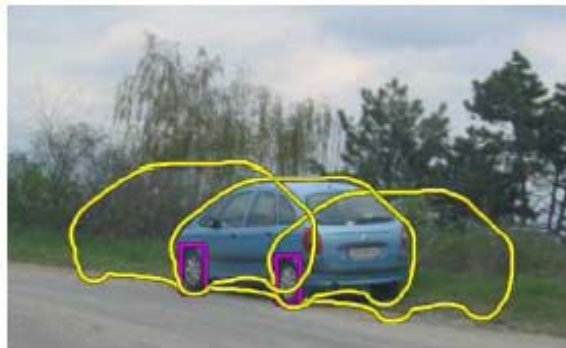
- Choose a parametric model to represent a set of features



simple model: lines



simple model: circles



complicated model: car

Fitting: Issues

Case study: Line detection

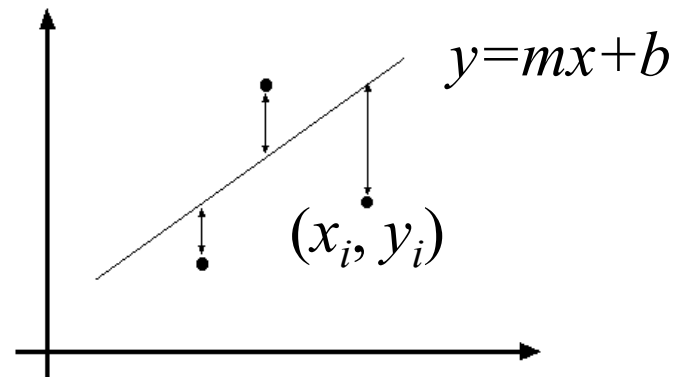


- **Noise** in the measured feature locations
- **Extraneous data:** clutter (outliers), multiple lines
- **Missing data:** occlusions

Least squares line fitting

- Data: $(x_1, y_1), \dots, (x_n, y_n)$
- Line equation: $y_i = mx_i + b$
- Find (m, b) to minimize

$$E = \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - mx_i - b)^2$$



$$E = \|Y - XB\|^2 \quad \text{where} \quad Y = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{bmatrix} \quad X = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 & 1 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ x_n & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} m \\ b \end{bmatrix}$$

$$E = \|Y - XB\|^2 = (Y - XB)^T (Y - XB) = Y^T Y - 2(XB)^T Y + (XB)^T (XB)$$

$$\frac{dE}{dB} = 2X^T XB - 2X^T Y = 0$$

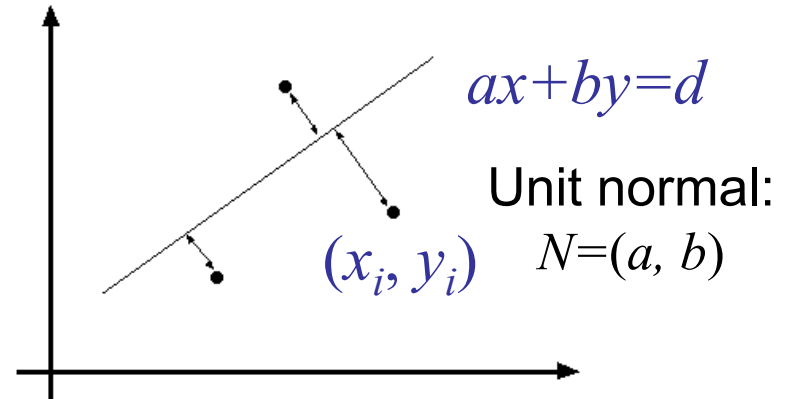
$$X^T XB = X^T Y \quad \text{Normal equations: least squares solution to } XB=Y$$

Problem with “vertical” least squares

- Not rotation-invariant
- Fails completely for vertical lines

Total least squares

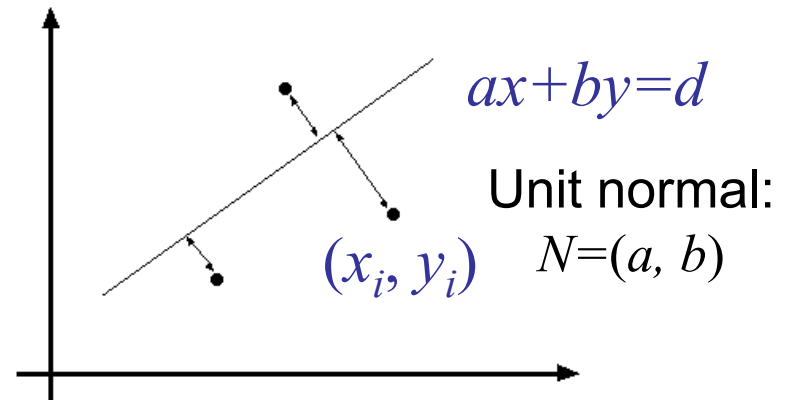
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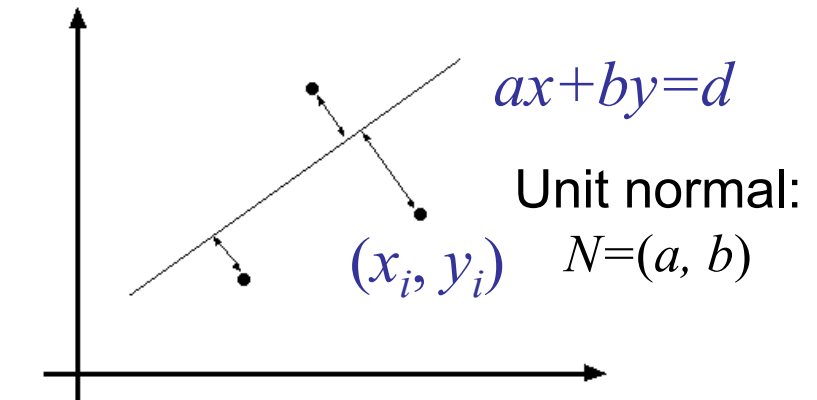


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$$\frac{\partial E}{\partial d} = \sum_{i=1}^n -2(ax_i + by_i - d) = 0$$



$$d = \frac{a}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i + \frac{b}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n y_i = a\bar{x} + b\bar{y}$$

$$E = \sum_{i=1}^n (a(x_i - \bar{x}) + b(y_i - \bar{y}))^2 = \left\| \begin{bmatrix} x_1 - \bar{x} & y_1 - \bar{y} \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ x_n - \bar{x} & y_n - \bar{y} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} \right\|^2 = (UN)^T (UN)$$

$$\frac{dE}{dN} = 2(U^T U)N = 0$$

Solution to $(U^T U)N = 0$, subject to $\|N\|^2 = 1$: eigenvector of $U^T U$ associated with the smallest eigenvalue (least squares solution to homogeneous linear system $UN = 0$)

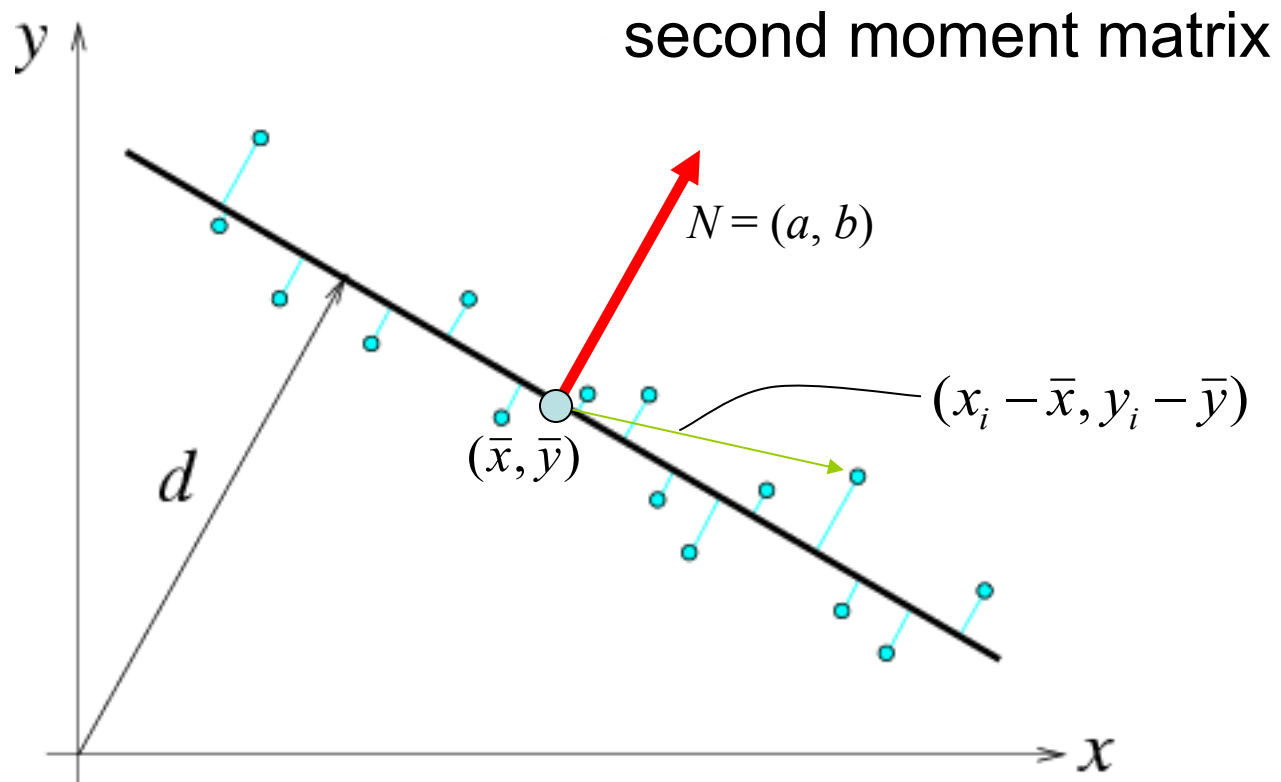
Total least squares

$$U = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 - \bar{x} & y_1 - \bar{y} \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ x_n - \bar{x} & y_n - \bar{y} \end{bmatrix} \quad U^T U = \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2 & \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})(y_i - \bar{y}) \\ \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})(y_i - \bar{y}) & \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y})^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

second moment matrix

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三維立體視覺(Stereo Vision)

image $I(x,y)$



Disparity map $D(x,y)$

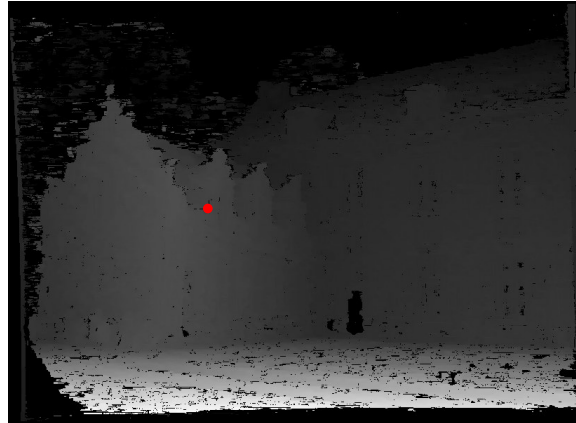
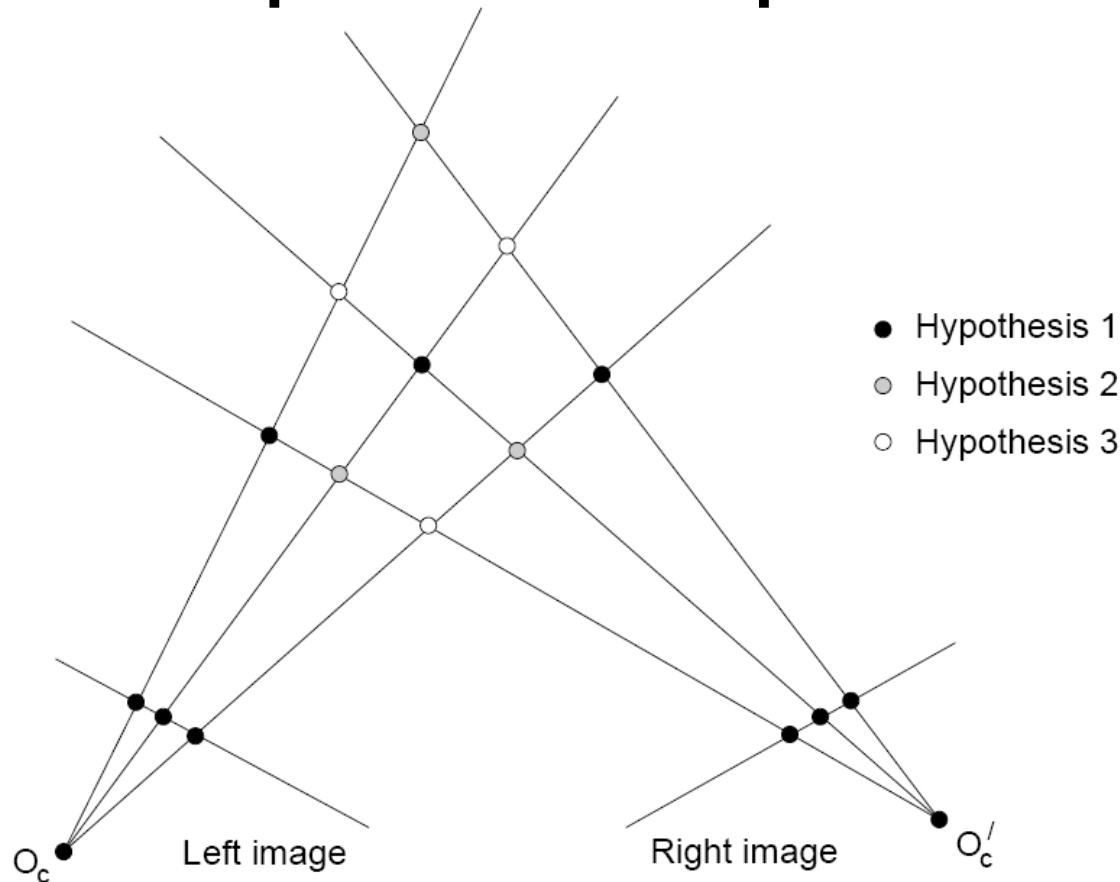


image $I'(x',y')$



$$(x',y')=(x+D(x,y),y)$$

Correspondence problem



$$x' = \frac{m_0x + m_1y + m_2}{m_6x + m_7y + 1}$$

$$y' = \frac{m_3x + m_4y + m_5}{m_6x + m_7y + 1}$$

Why non-linear?

- The model is non-linear (e.g. joints, position, ..)

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- The error function is non-linear

$$e(p, q, M^i) = \sqrt{\left(q^x - \frac{m_0^i p^x + m_1^i p^y + m_2^i}{m_6^i p^x + m_7^i p^y + 1} \right)^2 + \left(q^y - \frac{m_3^i p^x + m_4^i p^y + m_5^i}{m_6^i p^x + m_7^i p^y + 1} \right)^2}$$

Solve motion parameters

Minimizing the error function:

$$E(M) = \sum_i [I_1(x'_i, y'_i) - I_0(x_i, y_i)]^2 = \sum_i e_i^2$$

M can be obtained by the iteration form:

$$M^T \leftarrow M^T + \Delta M^T$$

$$\Delta M^T = (A + \lambda I)^{-1} B$$

$$A = [a_{kn}] = \left[\sum_i \frac{\partial e_i}{\partial m_k} \frac{\partial e_i}{\partial m_n} \right]$$

$$B = [b_k] = \left[\sum_i e_i \frac{\partial e_i}{\partial m_k} \right]$$

最佳化問題的Formulation

- Let f be a function such that

$$\mathbf{a} \in R^n \rightarrow f(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{x}) \in R$$

where \mathbf{x} is a vector of parameters

$$\text{For example, } f(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{x}) = \sum_{k=0}^n a_k x^k$$

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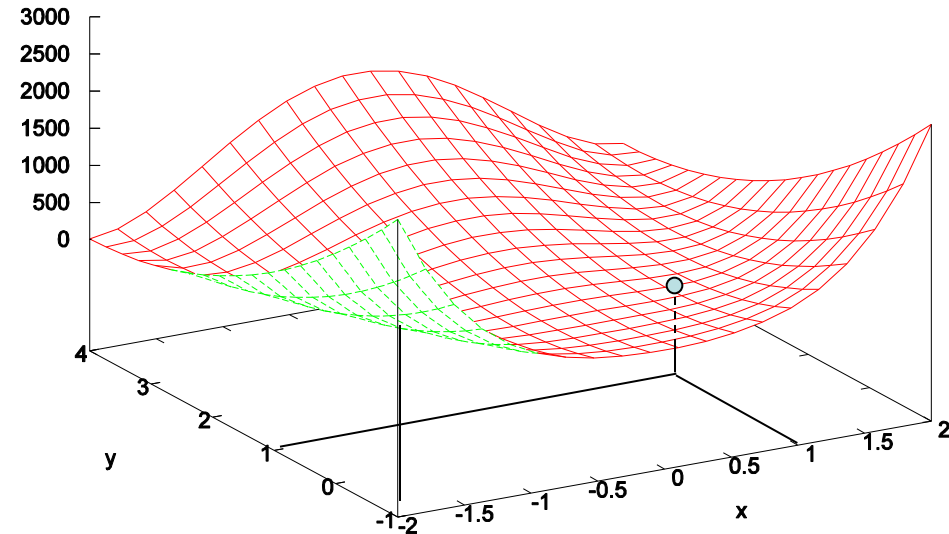
with $r_k = b_k - f(\mathbf{a}_k, \mathbf{x})$

最佳化問題的各種方法

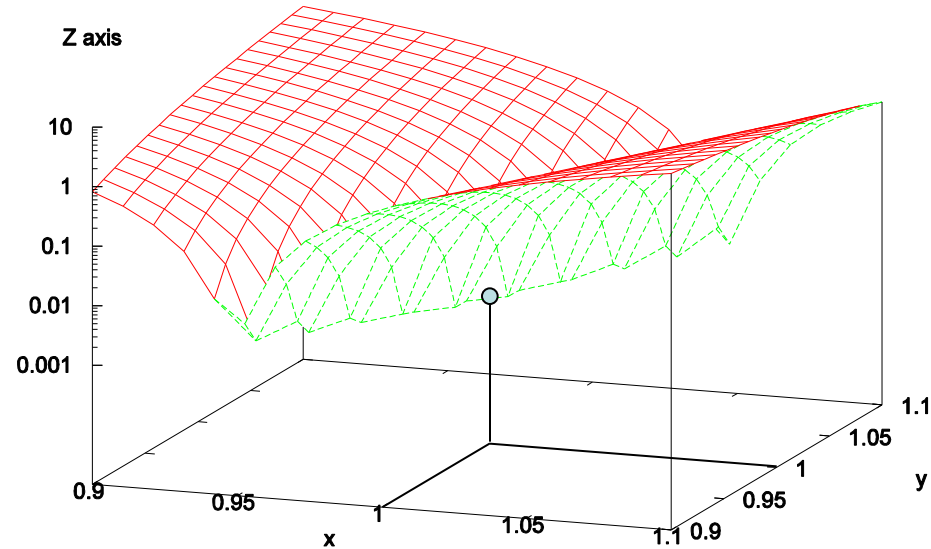
- Existence and uniqueness of minimum
- Steepest-descent
- Newton's method
- Gauss-Newton's method
- Levenberg-Marquardt method
- Conjugate Gradient Method

A non-linear function: the Rosenbrock function

Z axis



Z axis



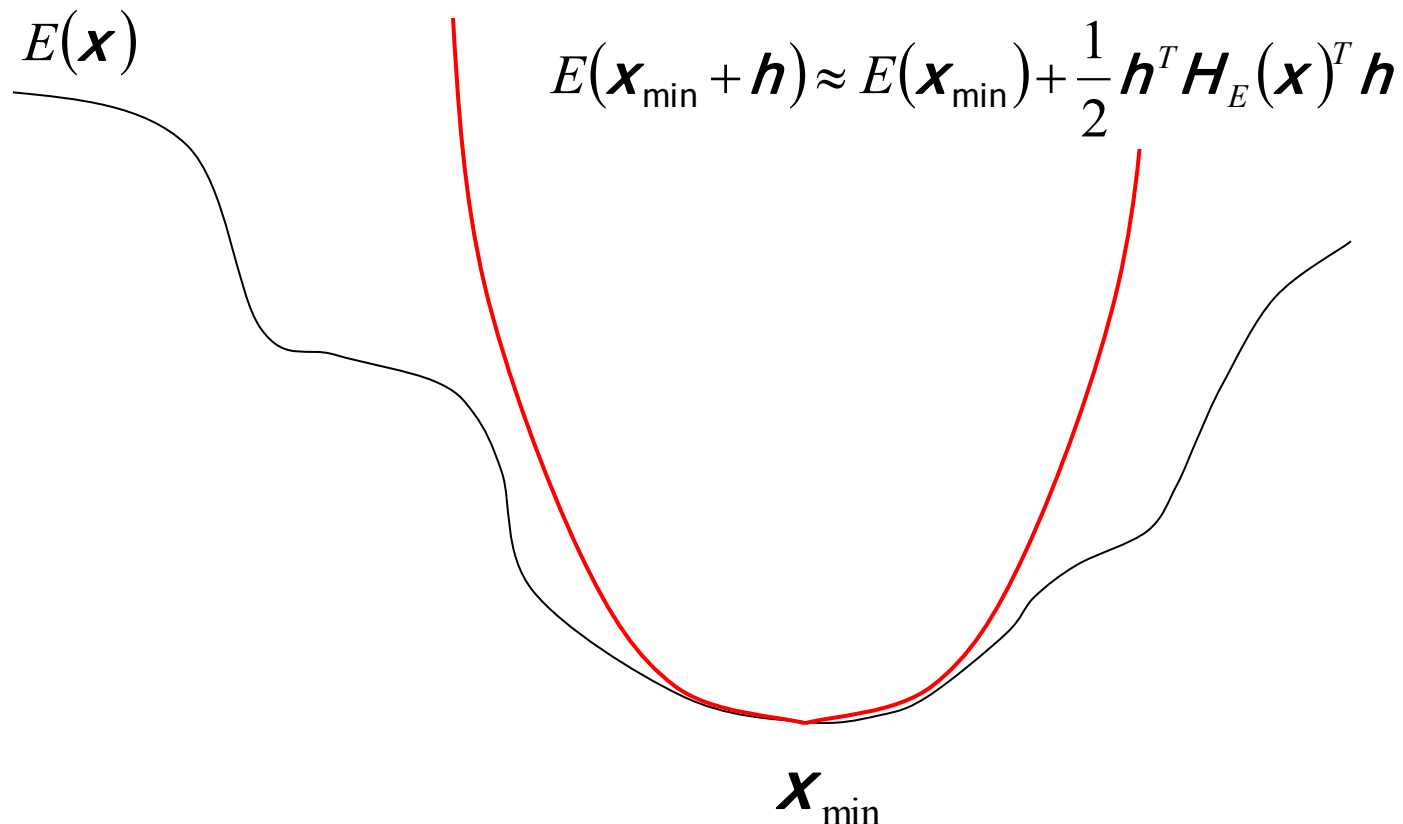
$$z = f(x, y) = (1 - x^2)^2 + 100(y - x^2)^2$$

Global minimum at $(1, 1)$

Existence of minimum

$$E(\mathbf{x}_{\min} + \mathbf{h}) \approx E(\mathbf{x}_{\min}) + \mathbf{h}^T \Delta E(\mathbf{x}_{\min}) + \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{h}^T \mathbf{H}_E(\mathbf{x})^T \mathbf{h}$$

$\therefore \mathbf{x}_{\min}) = 0$ when a minimum is arrived.



Existence of minimum

A local minima is characterized by:

1. $\nabla E(\mathbf{x}_{\min}) = \mathbf{0}$

2. $\mathbf{h}^T \mathbf{H}_E(\mathbf{x}_{\min}) \mathbf{h} \geq 0$, for all \mathbf{h} small enough
(e.g. $\mathbf{H}_E(\mathbf{x}_{\min})$ is positive semi-definite)

Descent algorithm

- Start at an initial position \mathbf{x}_0
- Until convergence
 - Find minimizing step $d\mathbf{x}_k$
 - $\mathbf{x}_{k+1} = \mathbf{x}_k + d\mathbf{x}_k$

Produce a sequence $\mathbf{x}_0, \mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n$ such that

$$f(\mathbf{x}_0) > f(\mathbf{x}_1) > \dots > f(\mathbf{x}_n)$$

Descent algorithm

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using a local approximation of f
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Approximation using Taylor series

$$E(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{h}) = E(\mathbf{x}) + \nabla E(\mathbf{x})^T \mathbf{h} + \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{h}^T \mathbf{H}_E(\mathbf{x}) \mathbf{h} + \mathcal{O}(\|\mathbf{h}\|^2)$$

$$\mathbf{H}_E(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial^2 E}{\partial x_1^2} & \frac{\partial^2 E}{\partial x_1 \partial x_2} & \cdots & \frac{\partial^2 E}{\partial x_1 \partial x_n} \\ \frac{\partial^2 E}{\partial x_2 \partial x_1} & \frac{\partial^2 E}{\partial x_2 \partial x_2} & \cdots & \frac{\partial^2 E}{\partial x_2 \partial x_n} \\ \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots \\ \frac{\partial^2 E}{\partial x_n \partial x_1} & \frac{\partial^2 E}{\partial x_n \partial x_2} & \cdots & \frac{\partial^2 E}{\partial x_n \partial x_n} \end{bmatrix} \text{ (Hessian Matrix)}$$

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$$\nabla E = \sum_{j=1}^m r_j \nabla r_j = \mathbf{J}^T \mathbf{r}$$

$$\mathbf{H}_E = \sum_{j=1}^m \nabla r_j \nabla r_j^T + \sum_{j=1}^m r_j \mathbf{H}_{r_j}^T = \mathbf{J}^T \mathbf{J} + \sum_{j=1}^m r_j \mathbf{H}_{r_j}^T$$

Steepest descent

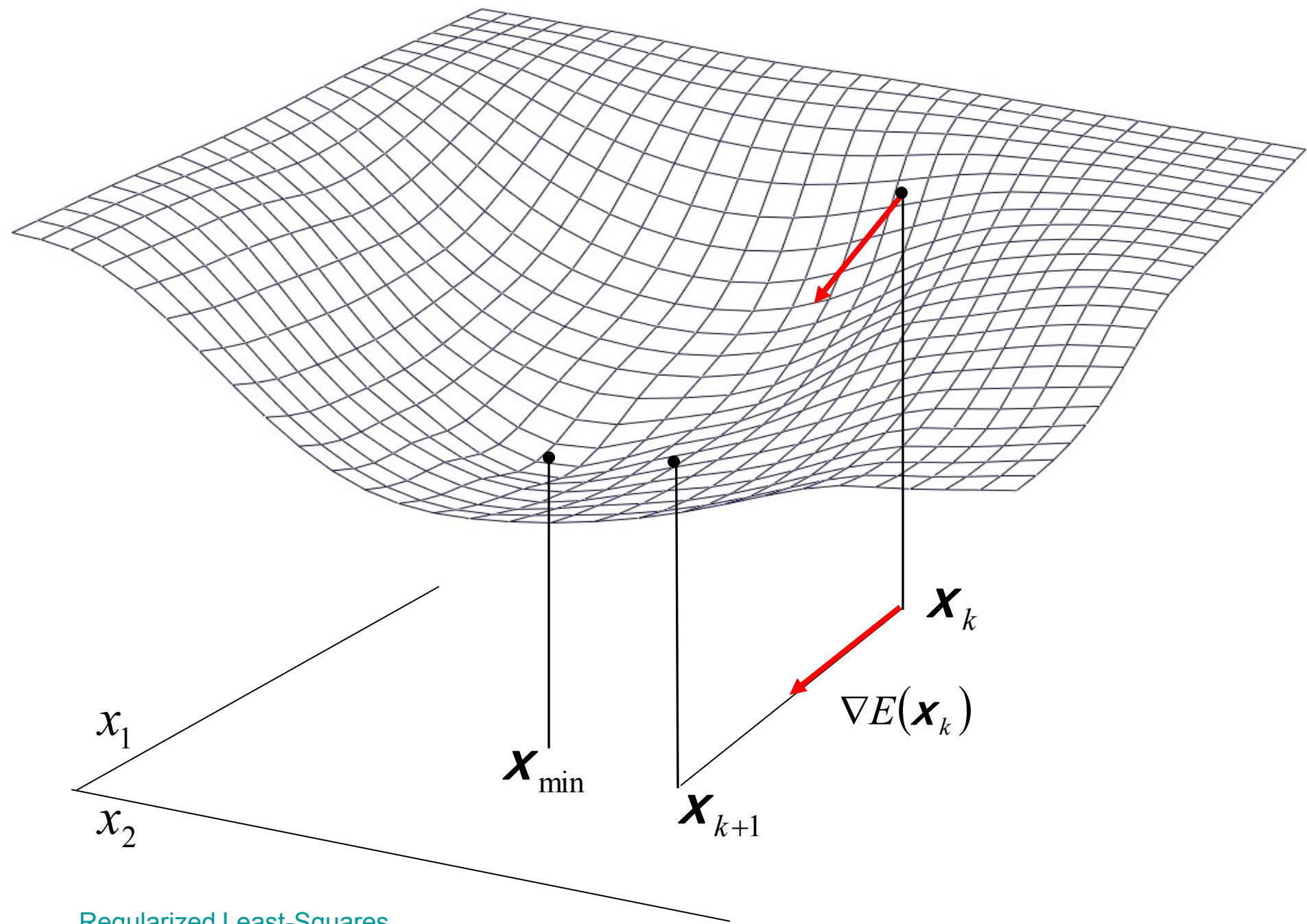
$$f(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{h}) \simeq f(\mathbf{x}) + \nabla f(\mathbf{x})^T \mathbf{h}$$
$$\text{if } \mathbf{h} = -\alpha \nabla f(\mathbf{x}), f(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{h}) \leq f(\mathbf{x})$$

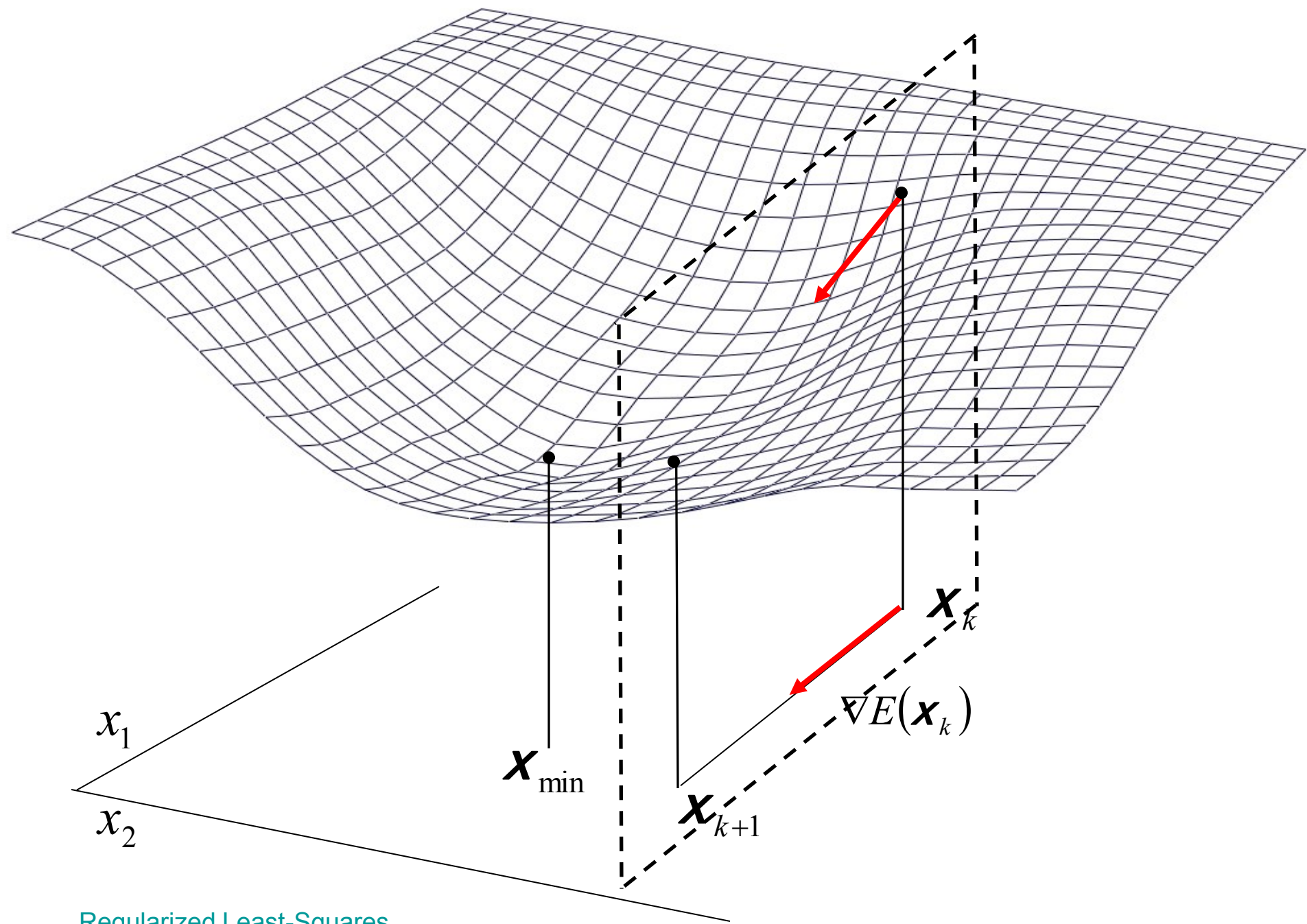
Thus, we have the steepest descent

Step $\mathbf{x}_{k+1} = \mathbf{x}_k - \alpha \nabla E(\mathbf{x}_k)$

where α is chosen such that: $f(\mathbf{x}_{k+1}) < f(\mathbf{x}_k)$
using a line search algorithm:

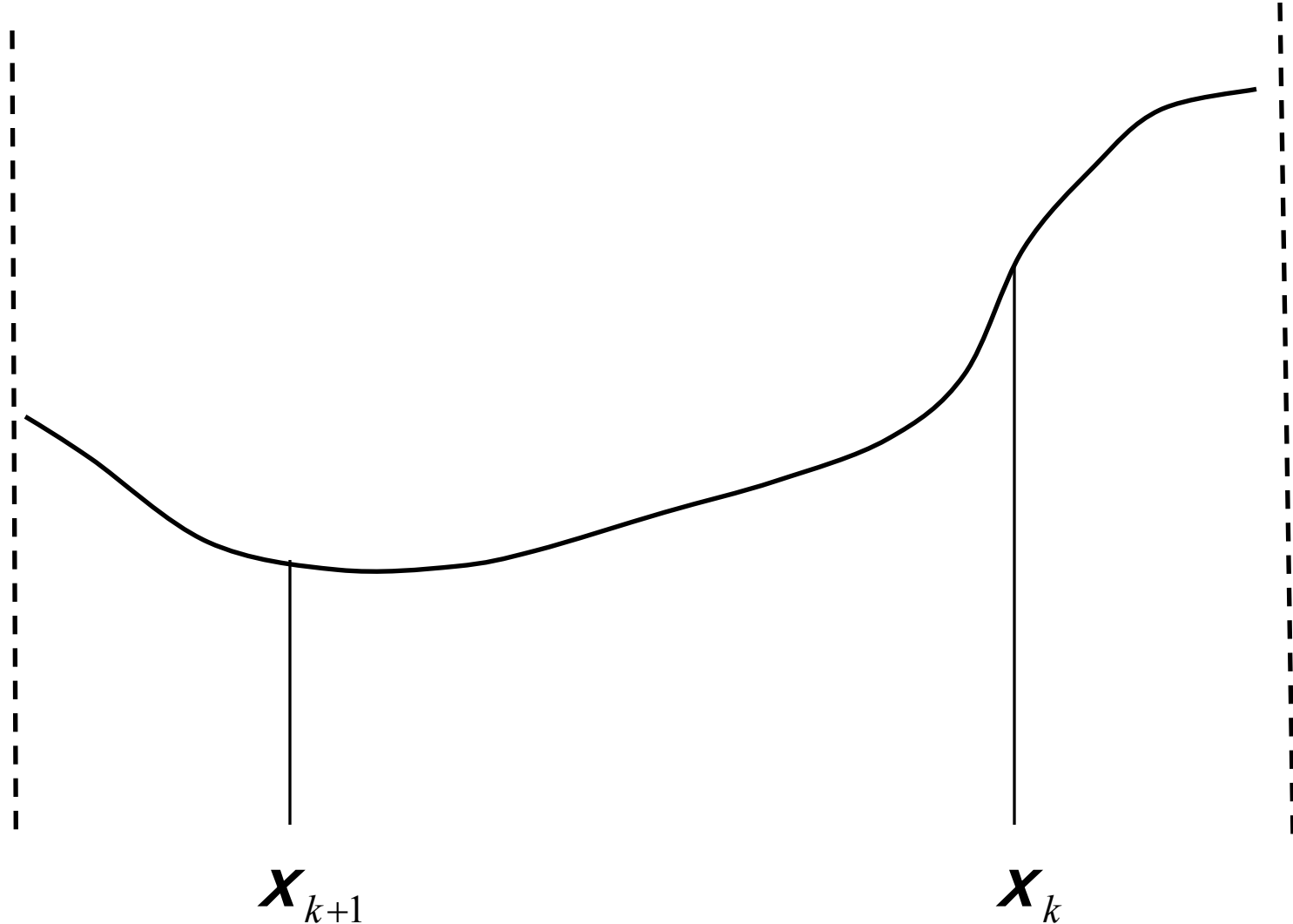
$$\min_{\alpha} f(\mathbf{x}_k - \alpha \nabla E(\mathbf{x}_k))$$





Regularized Least-Squares

In the plane of the steepest descent direction



Newton's method

- Step: second order approximation

$$E(\mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{h}) \approx E(\mathbf{x}_k) + \nabla E(\mathbf{x}_k)^T \mathbf{h} + \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{h}^T \mathbf{H}_E(\mathbf{x}_k) \mathbf{h}$$

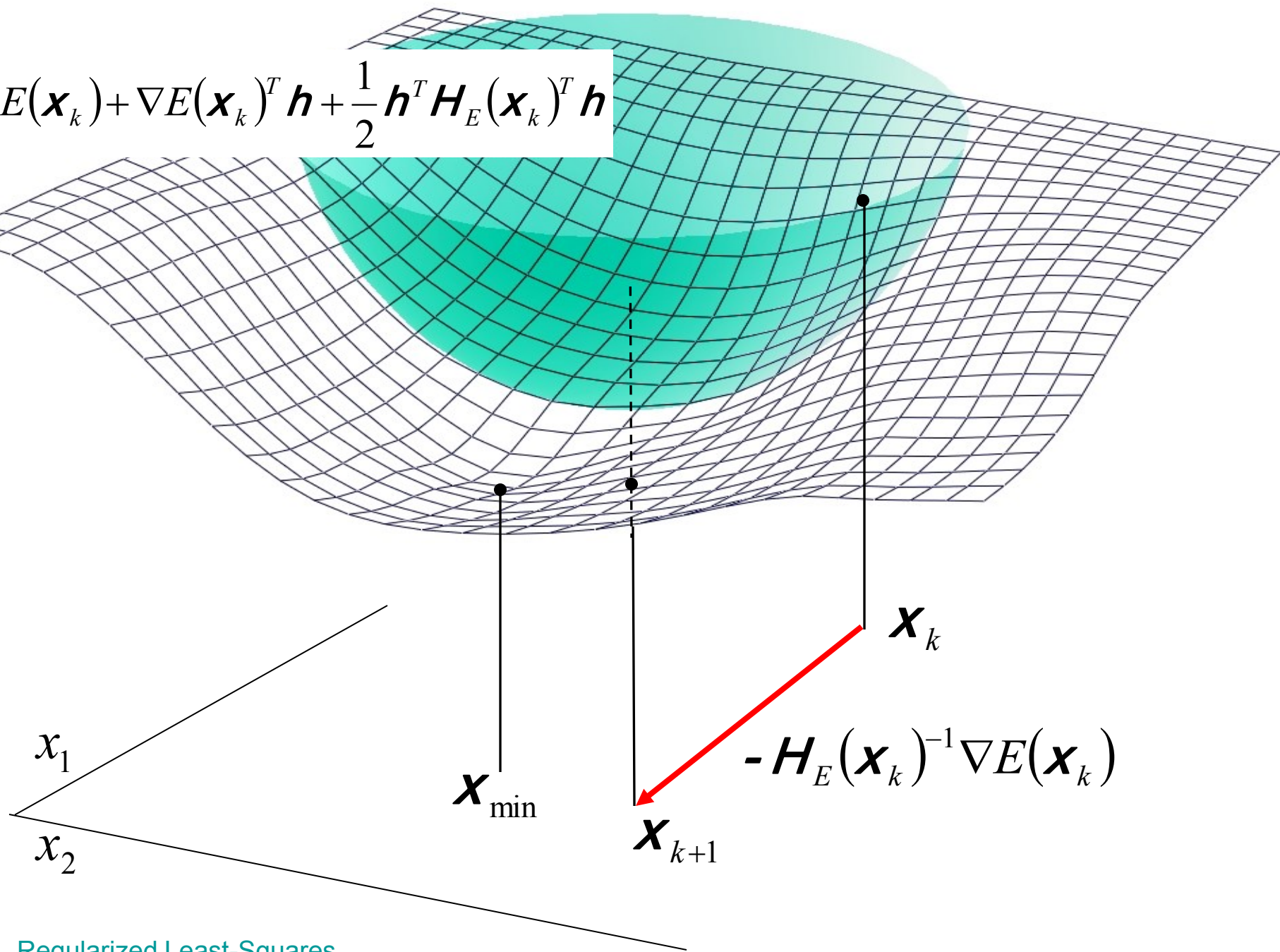
$$\text{At the minimum, } \frac{\partial \{E(\mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{h}) - E(\mathbf{x}_k)\}}{\partial \mathbf{h}} = \mathbf{0}$$

$$\Rightarrow \nabla E(\mathbf{x}_k) + \mathbf{H}_E(\mathbf{x}_k) \mathbf{h} = \mathbf{0}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{h} = -\mathbf{H}_E(\mathbf{x}_k)^{-1} \nabla E(\mathbf{x}_k)$$

$$\mathbf{x}_{k+1} = \mathbf{x}_k - \mathbf{H}_E(\mathbf{x}_k)^{-1} \nabla E(\mathbf{x}_k)$$

$$E(\mathbf{x}_k) + \nabla E(\mathbf{x}_k)^T \mathbf{h} + \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{h}^T \mathbf{H}_E(\mathbf{x}_k) \mathbf{h}$$



Problem

- If $H_E(\mathbf{x}_k)$ is not positive semi-definite, then $-H_E(\mathbf{x}_k)^{-1}\nabla E(\mathbf{x}_k)$ is not a descent direction: the step increases the error function
- Uses positive semi-definite approximation of Hessian based on the jacobian (quasi-Newton methods)

Gauss-Newton method

Step: use

$$\mathbf{x}_{k+1} = \mathbf{x}_k - \mathbf{H}_E(\mathbf{x}_k)^{-1} \nabla E(\mathbf{x}_k)$$

with the approximate hessian

$$\mathbf{H}_E = \mathbf{J}^T \mathbf{J} + \sum_{j=1}^m r_j \mathbf{H}_{r_j}^T \approx \mathbf{J}^T \mathbf{J}$$

Advantages:

- No second order derivatives
- $\mathbf{J}^T \mathbf{J}$ is positive semi-definite

Levenberg-Marquardt algorithm

- Blends Steepest descent and Gauss-Newton
- At each step solve, for the descent direction \mathbf{h}

$$\left(\mathbf{J}^T \mathbf{J} + \lambda \mathbf{I}\right) \mathbf{h} = -\nabla E(\mathbf{x}_k)$$

if λ large

$$\mathbf{h} \propto -\nabla E(\mathbf{x}_k) \quad (\text{steepest descent})$$

if λ small

$$\mathbf{h} \propto -\left(\mathbf{J}^T \mathbf{J}\right)^{-1} \nabla E(\mathbf{x}_k) \quad (\text{Gauss - Newton})$$

Managing the damping parameter λ

- General approach:
 - If step fails, increase damping until step is successful
 - If step succeeds, decrease damping to take larger step
- Improved damping

$$\left(\mathbf{J}^T \mathbf{J} + \lambda \text{diag}(\mathbf{J}^T \mathbf{J})\right) \mathbf{h} = -\nabla E(\mathbf{x}_k)$$

Conjugate Gradient Method

- Suppose we want to solve the following system:

$$Ax = b.$$

where the $n \times n$ matrix A is symmetric if $A^t = A$,

A is positive definite if $x^t Ax > 0$.

Conjugate Gradient Method

- Two non-zero vector u and v are said to be conjugate (with respect to A) if

$$u^t A v = 0.$$

Since A is symmetric and positive definite,
we have the inner product

$$\langle u, v \rangle_A = \langle Au, v \rangle = \langle u, Av \rangle = u^t Av.$$

Conjugate Gradient Method

- Suppose that $\{p_k\}$ is a sequence of n mutually conjugate directions.
- The p_k form a basis of \mathbf{R}_n . Then, the solution x^* of $Ax = b$ can be expanded in this basis:

$$Ax^* = A(\alpha_1 p_1 + \dots + \alpha_n p_n) = b.$$

The coefficients $\{\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n\}$ are give by

$$p_k^t Ax^* = p_k^t A(\alpha_1 p_1 + \dots + \alpha_n p_n) = \alpha_k p_k^t A p_k = p_k^t b.$$

$$\alpha_k = \frac{p_k^t b}{p_k^t A p_k}$$

Conjugate Gradient Method

- Given the system $Ax = b$, a sequence of n conjugate directions p_k are first derived and then the coefficients α_k are obtained.
- How to get p_k ?

The first guess for x^* is denoted by x_0 .

x^* is also *the unique minimizer of the quadratic form*:

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{2} x^t A x - b^t x$$

Conjugate Gradient Method

- Let r_k be the residual at the k th step:

$$r_k = b - Ax_k.$$

- Note that r_k is the negative gradient of f at $x = x_k$.
- So the gradient descent method would be to move in the direction r_k .
- Thus, we have the algorithm:

$$p_0 = r_0, p_{k+1} = r_{k+1} - \frac{p_k^t A r_{k+1}}{p_k^t A p_k} p_k \text{ (線性代數裡的正交化過程)}$$

$$\alpha_{k+1} = \frac{p_{k+1}^t b}{p_{k+1}^t A p_{k+1}}$$