

# Matrix differential calculus



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# Review

- Matrix differentials: sol'n to matrix calculus pain
  - ▶ compact way of writing Taylor expansions, or ...
  - ▶ definition:
    - ▶  $df = a(x; dx) [+ r(dx)]$
    - ▶  $a(x; \cdot)$  linear in 2nd arg
    - ▶  $r(dx)/\|dx\| \rightarrow 0$  as  $dx \rightarrow 0$
- $d(\dots)$  is linear: passes thru  $+$ , scalar  $*$
- Generalizes Jacobian, Hessian, gradient, velocity

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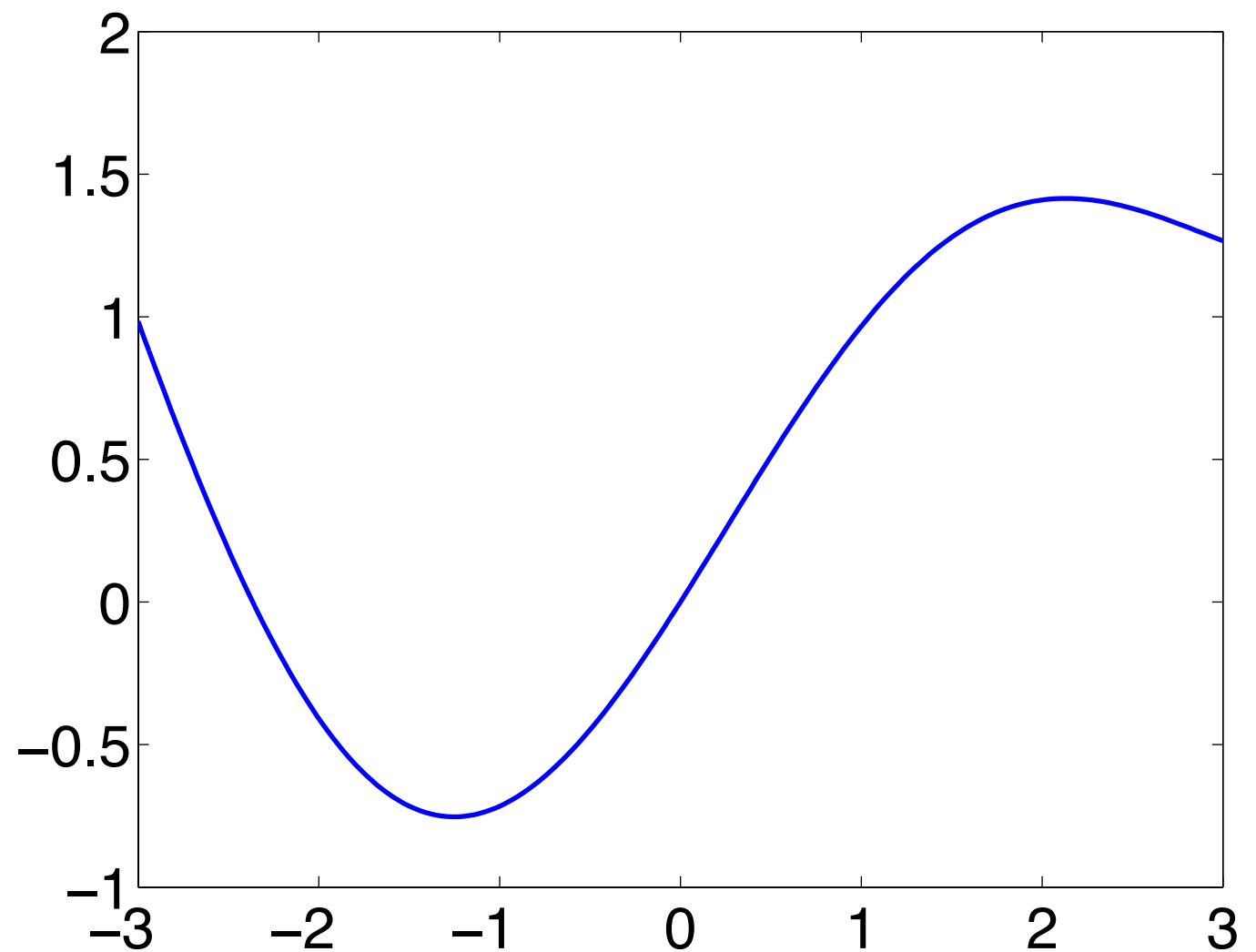
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- Chain rule
- Product rule
- Bilinear functions: cross product, Kronecker, Frobenius, Hadamard, Khatri-Rao, ...
- Identities
  - ▶ rules for working with  $\circ$ ,  $\text{tr}()$
  - ▶ trace rotation
- Identification theorems

# *Finding a maximum*

*or minimum, or saddle point*

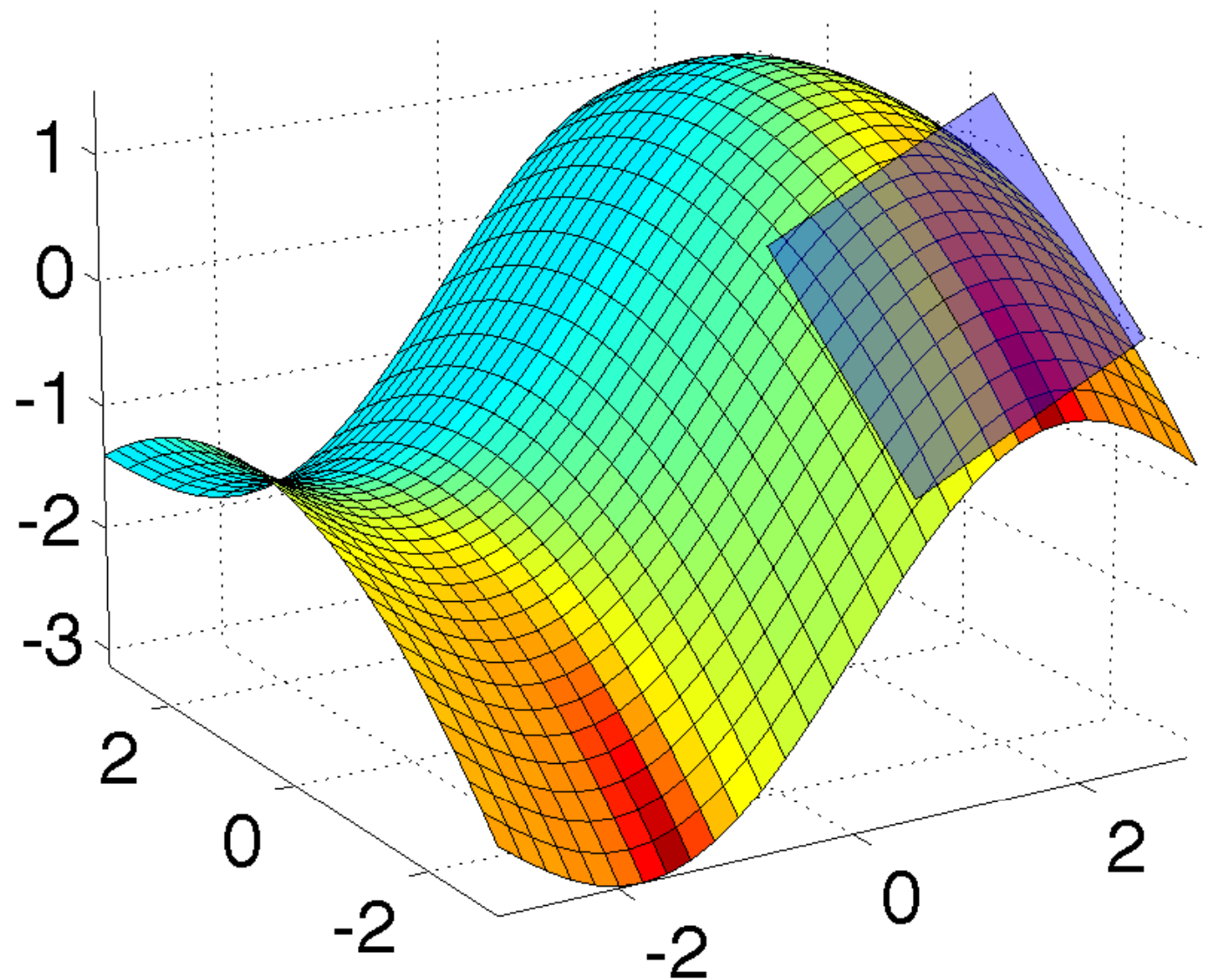
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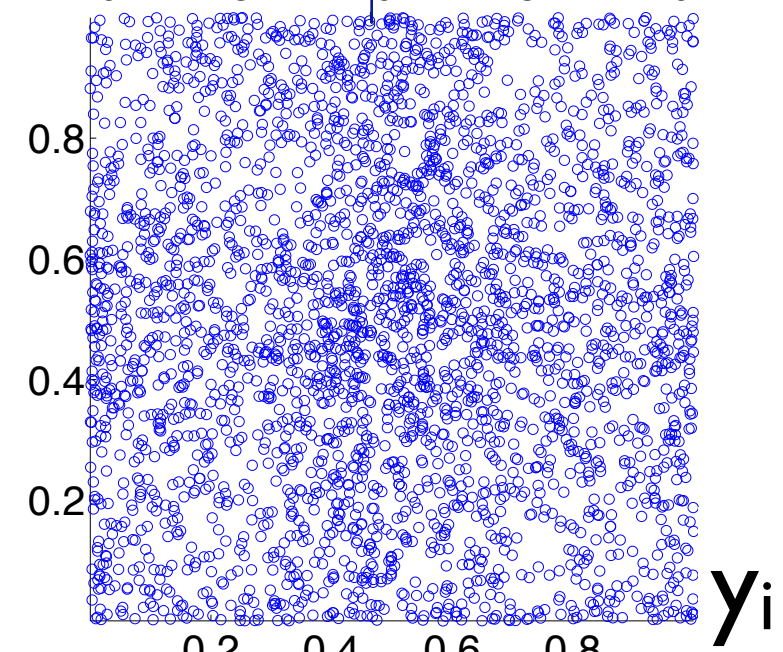
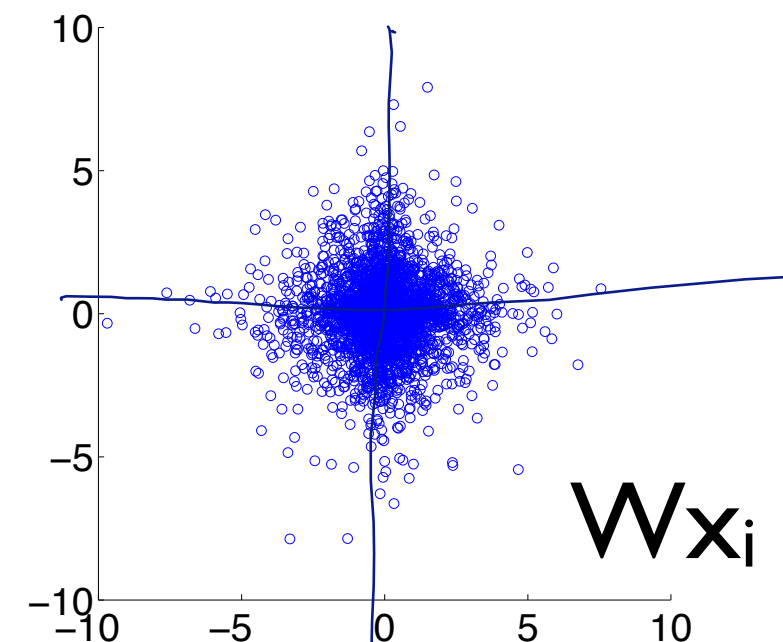
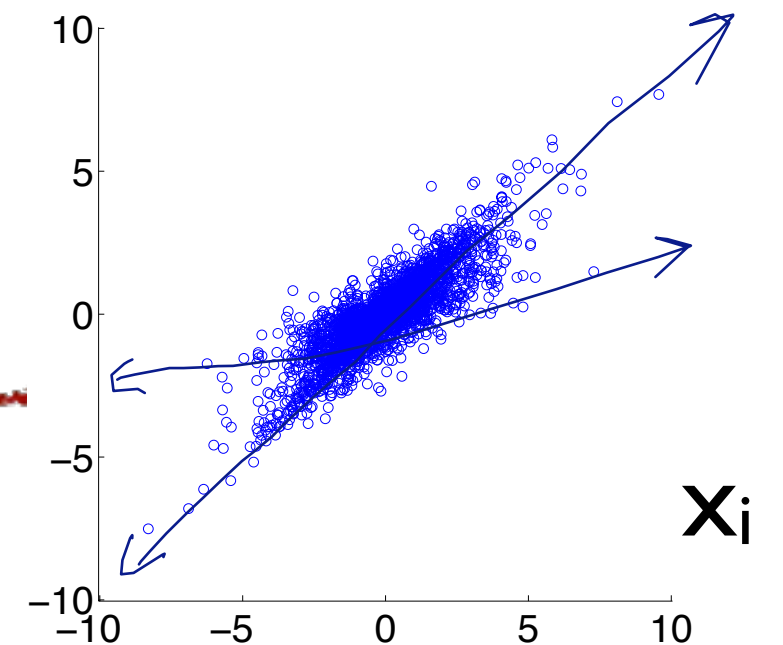
# *And so forth...*

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- Can't draw it for  $X$  a matrix, tensor, ...
- But same principle holds: set coefficient of  $dX$  to 0 to find min, max, or saddle point:
  - ▶ if  $df = c(A; dX) [+ r(dX)]$  then
  - ▶ so: max/min/sp iff
  - ▶ for  $c(., .)$  any “product”,

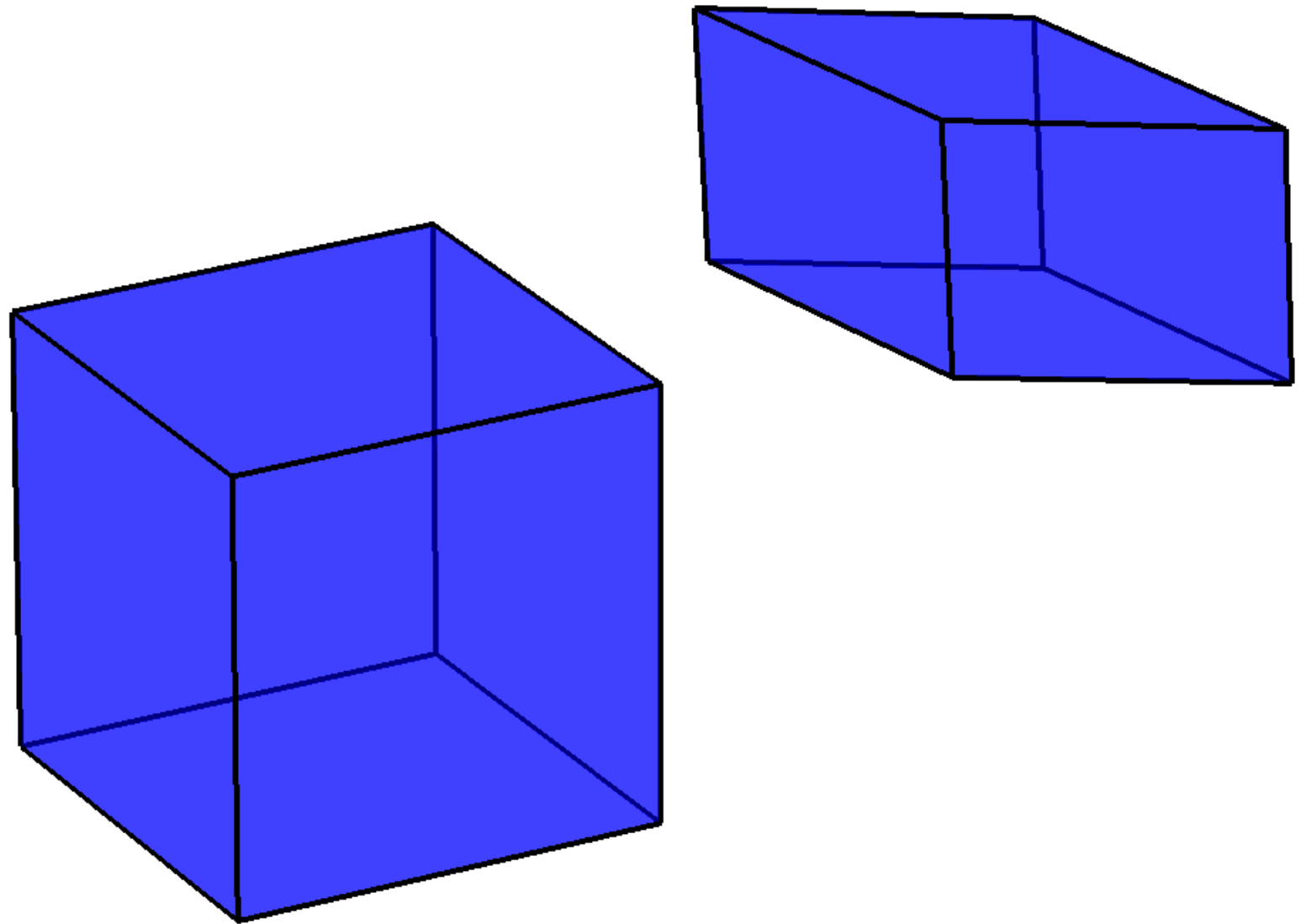
# Ex: Infomax ICA

- Training examples  $\mathbf{x}_i \in \mathbb{R}^d, i = 1:n$
- Transformation  $\mathbf{y}_i = g(\mathbf{W}\mathbf{x}_i)$ 
  - ▶  $\mathbf{W} \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}$  *parameter*
  - ▶  $g(\mathbf{z}) =$  *scalar fn, componentwise*
- Want: *independent components*



# *Volume rule*

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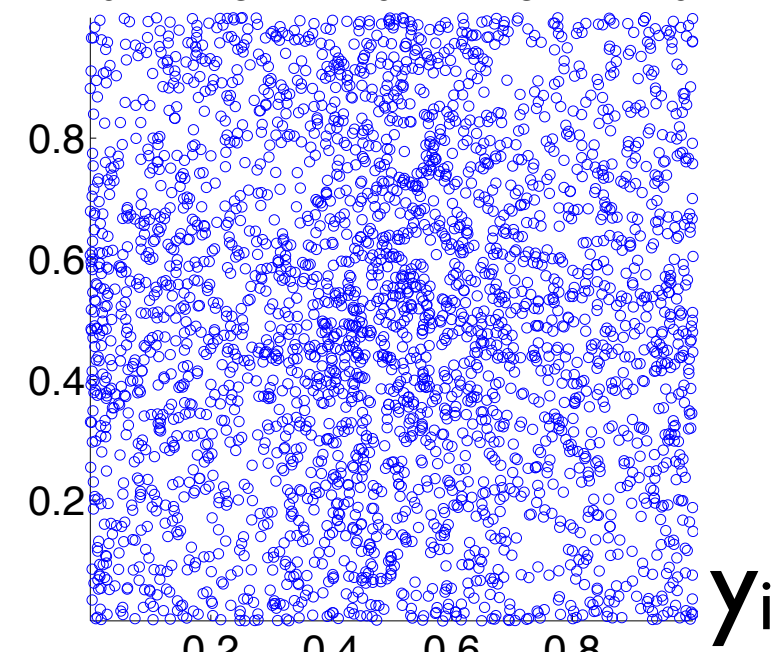
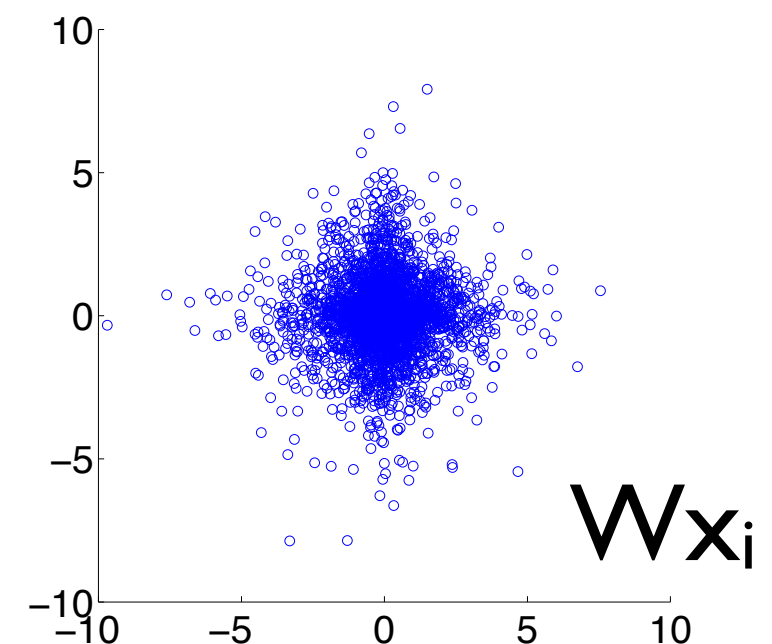
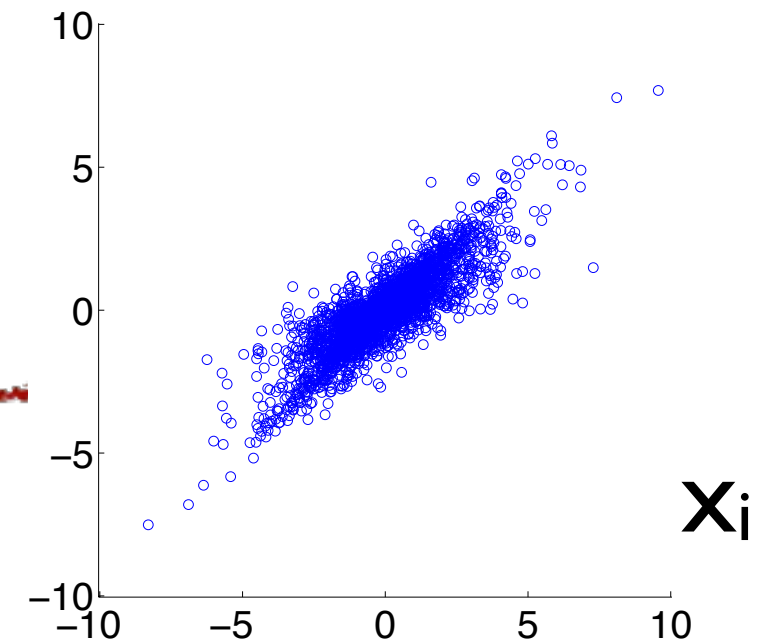
- $y_i = g(Wx_i)$

- ▶  $dy_i = J(x_i, W) dx_i = J_i dx_i$

- Method:  $\max_W \sum_i -\ln(P(y_i))$

- ▶ where  $P(y_i) = P(x_i) / |\det J(x_i, W)|$

$$\max_W \sum_i (\ln |\det J(x_i, W)| - \ln P(x_i))$$



# *Gradient*

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- $L = \sum_i \ln |\det J_i| \quad y_i = g(Wx_i) \quad dy_i = J_i dx_i$

# *Gradient*

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$$J_i = \text{diag}(u_i) W \quad dJ_i = \text{diag}(u_i) dW + \text{diag}(v_i) \text{diag}(dW x_i) W$$

$$dL =$$

# Natural gradient

- $L(W): \mathbb{R}^{d \times d} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \quad dL = \text{tr}(G^T dW)$
- step  $S = \arg \max_S M(S) = \text{tr}(G^T S) - \|SW^{-1}\|_F^2 / 2$ 
  - ▶ scalar case:  $M = gs - s^2 / 2w^2$
- $M =$
- $dM =$

# *ICA natural gradient*

- $[W^{-T} + C] W^T W =$

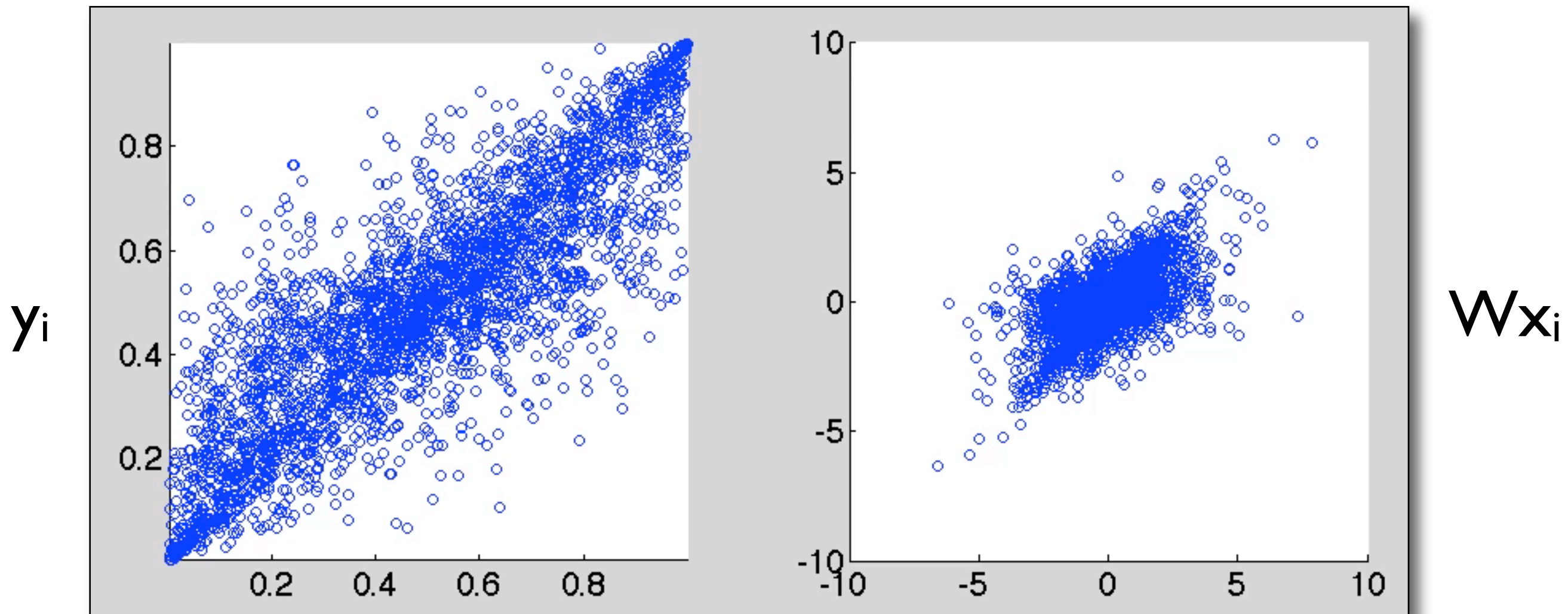
$y_i$

$Wx_i$

*start with  $W_0 = I$*

# ICA natural gradient

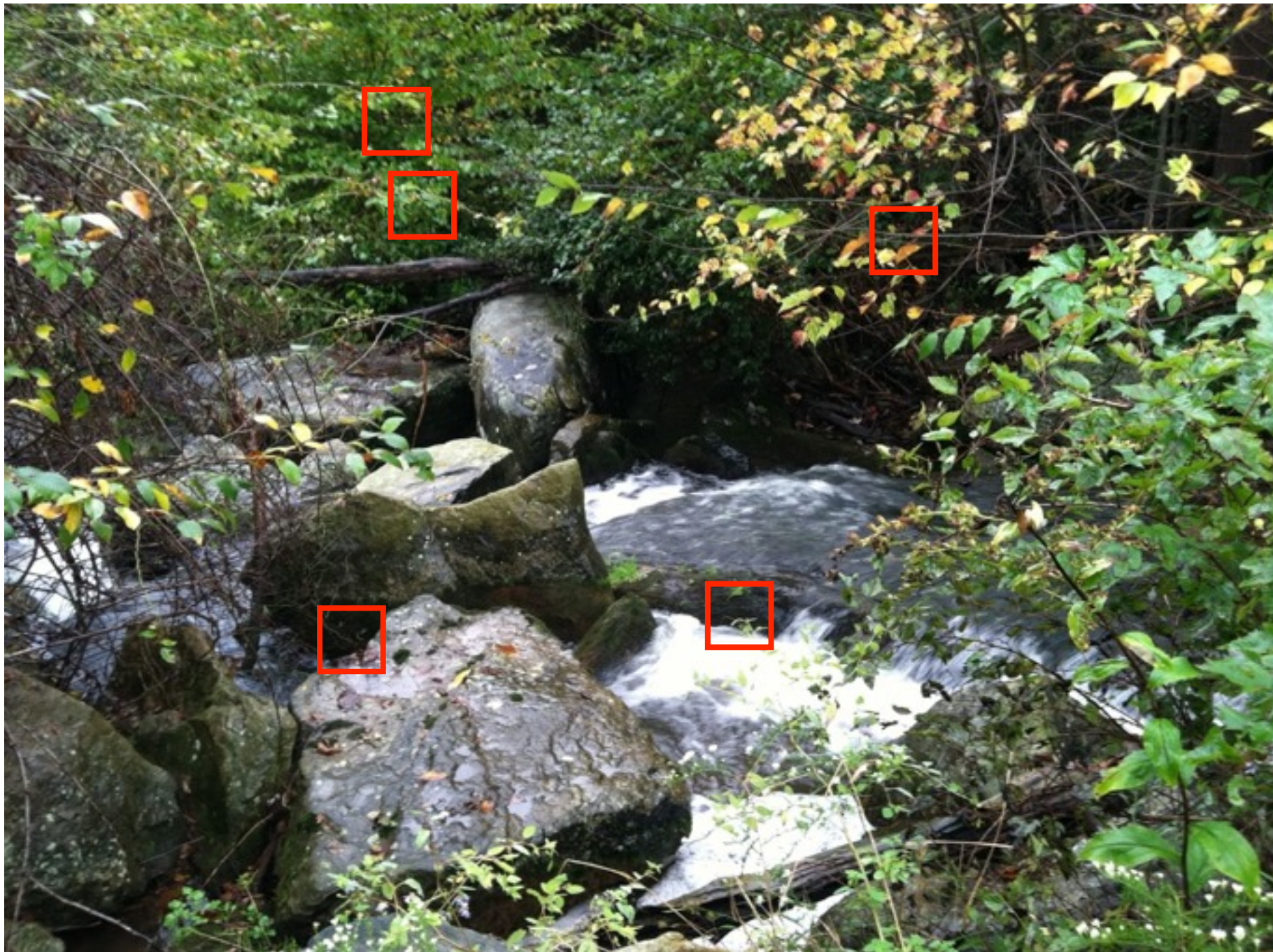
- $[W^{-T} + C]W^TW =$



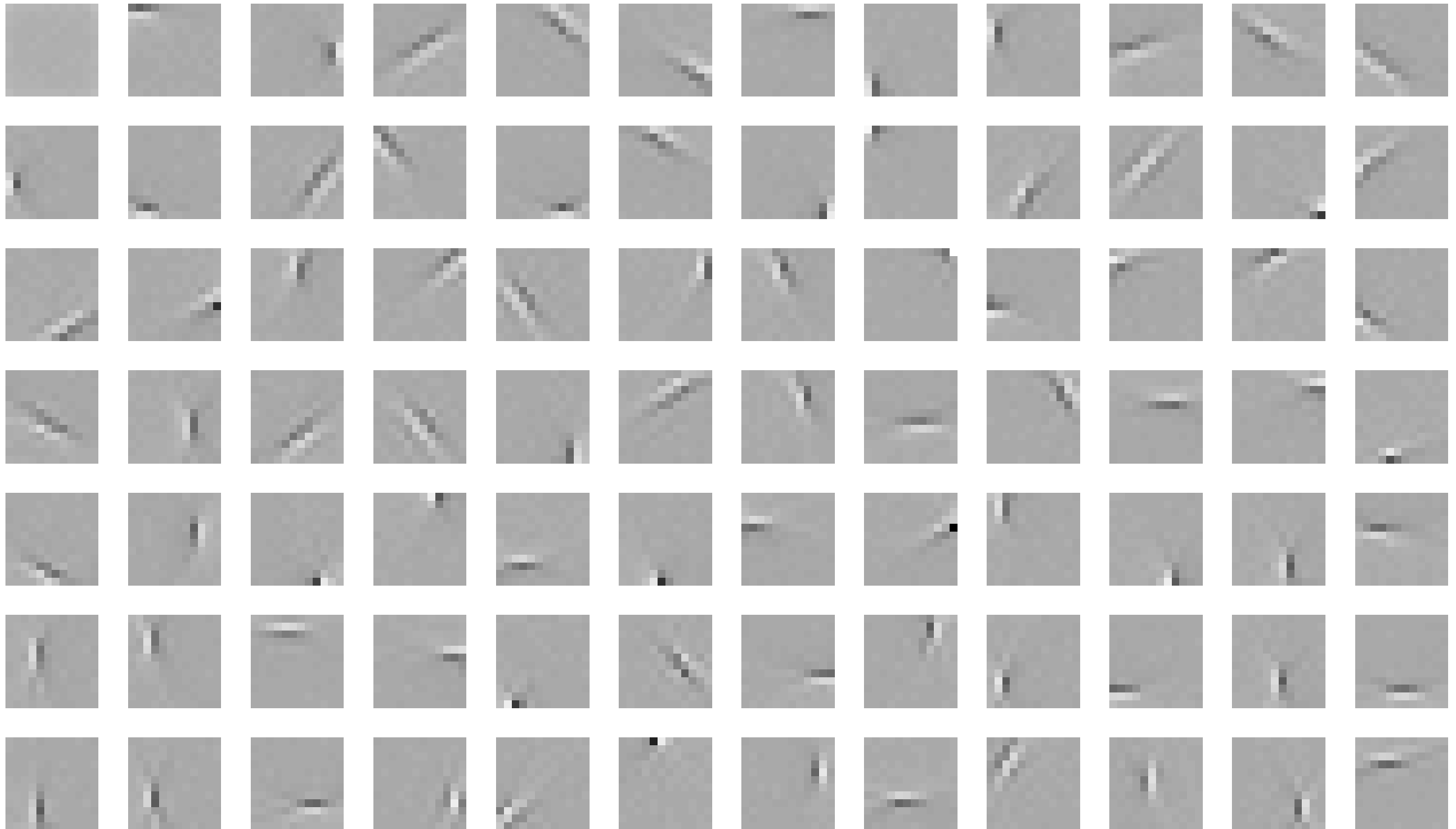
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# *ICA on natural image patches*



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# More info



- Minka's cheat sheet:
  - ▶ <http://research.microsoft.com/en-us/um/people/minka/papers/matrix/>
- Magnus & Neudecker. *Matrix Differential Calculus*. Wiley, 1999. 2nd ed.
  - ▶ <http://www.amazon.com/Differential-Calculus-Applications-Statistics-Econometrics/dp/047198633X>
- Bell & Sejnowski. An information-maximization approach to blind separation and blind deconvolution. *Neural Computation*, v7, 1995.

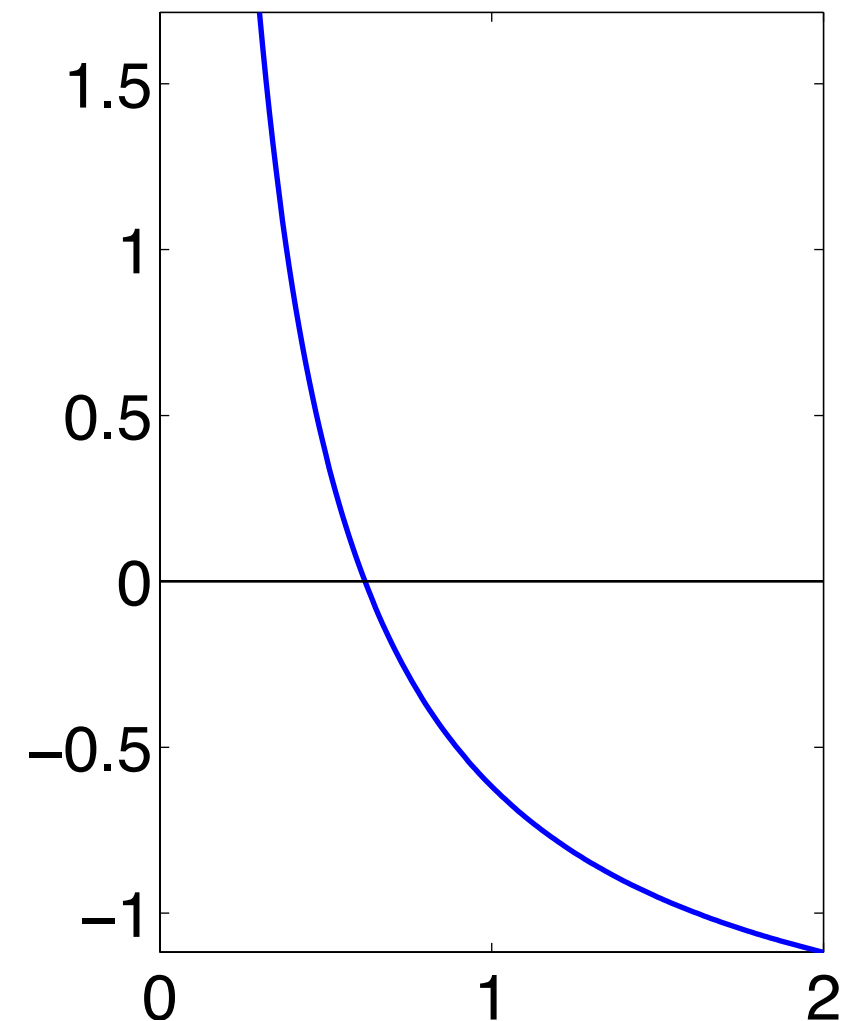
# Newton's method



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# *Nonlinear equations*

- $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d$      $\mathbf{f}: \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$ , diff'ble
  - ▶ solve:
- Taylor:
  - ▶  $\mathbf{J}$ :
- Newton:



# *Error analysis*



$$dx = x * (1 - x * phi)$$

0:	0.75000000000000000000
1:	0.5898558813281841
2:	0.6167492604787597
3:	0.6180313181415453
4:	0.6180339887383547
5:	0.6180339887498948
6:	0.6180339887498949
7:	0.6180339887498948
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\* : 0.6180339887498948

# *Bad initialization*



1.3000000000000000  
-0.1344774409873226  
-0.2982157033270080  
-0.7403273854022190  
-2.3674743431148597  
-13.8039236412225819  
-335.9214859516196157  
-183256.0483360671496484  
-54338444778.1145248413085938

# *Minimization*

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- $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$      $f: \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , twice diff'ble
  - ▶ find:
- Newton:

# Descent

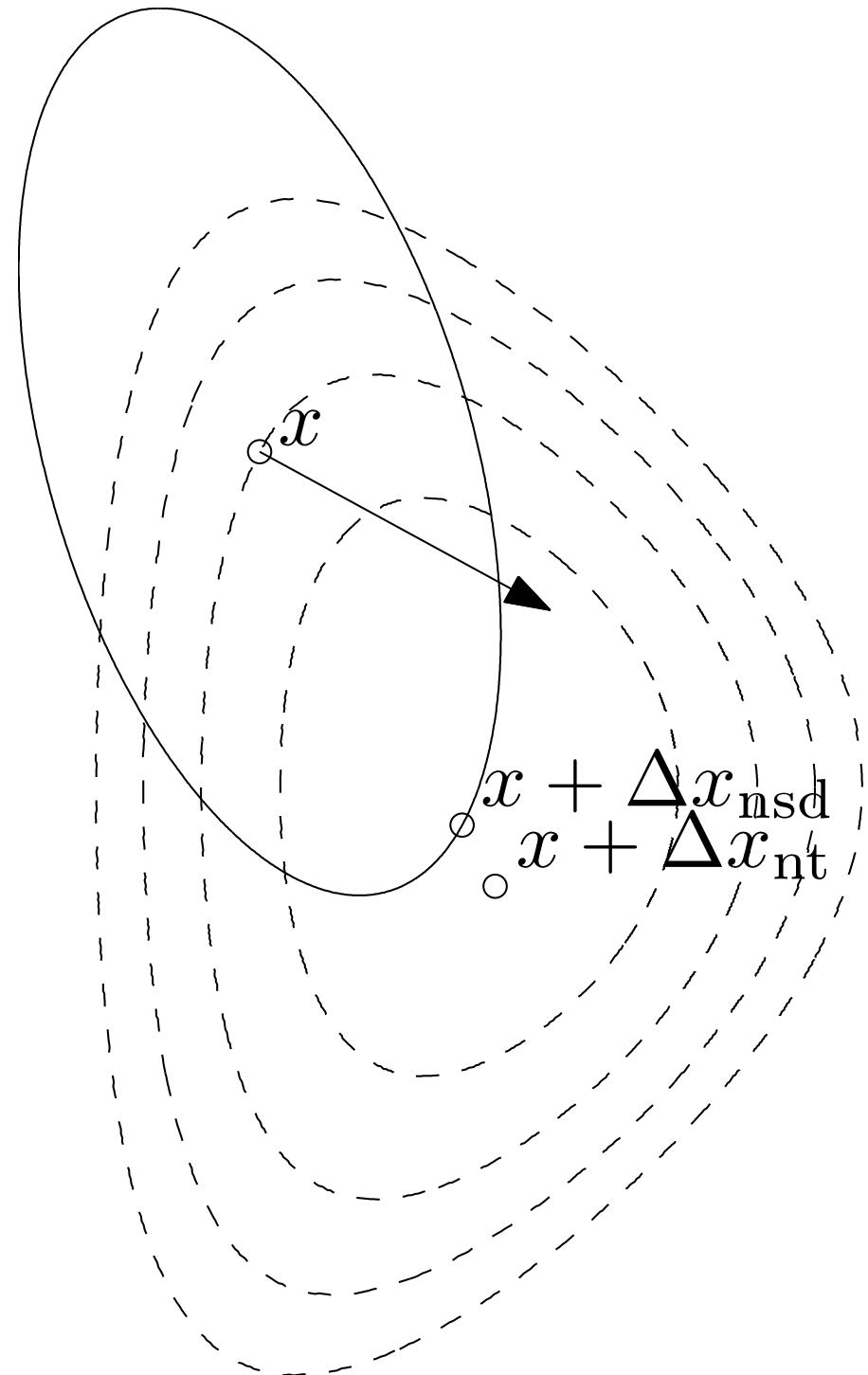
- Newton step:  $d = -(f''(x))^{-1} f'(x)$
- Gradient step:  $-g = -f'(x)$
- Taylor:  $df =$
- Let  $t > 0$ , set  $dx =$ 
  - $df =$
- So:



# Steepest descent

$$g = f'(x)$$
$$H = f''(x)$$

$$\|d\|_H =$$



# Newton w/ line search

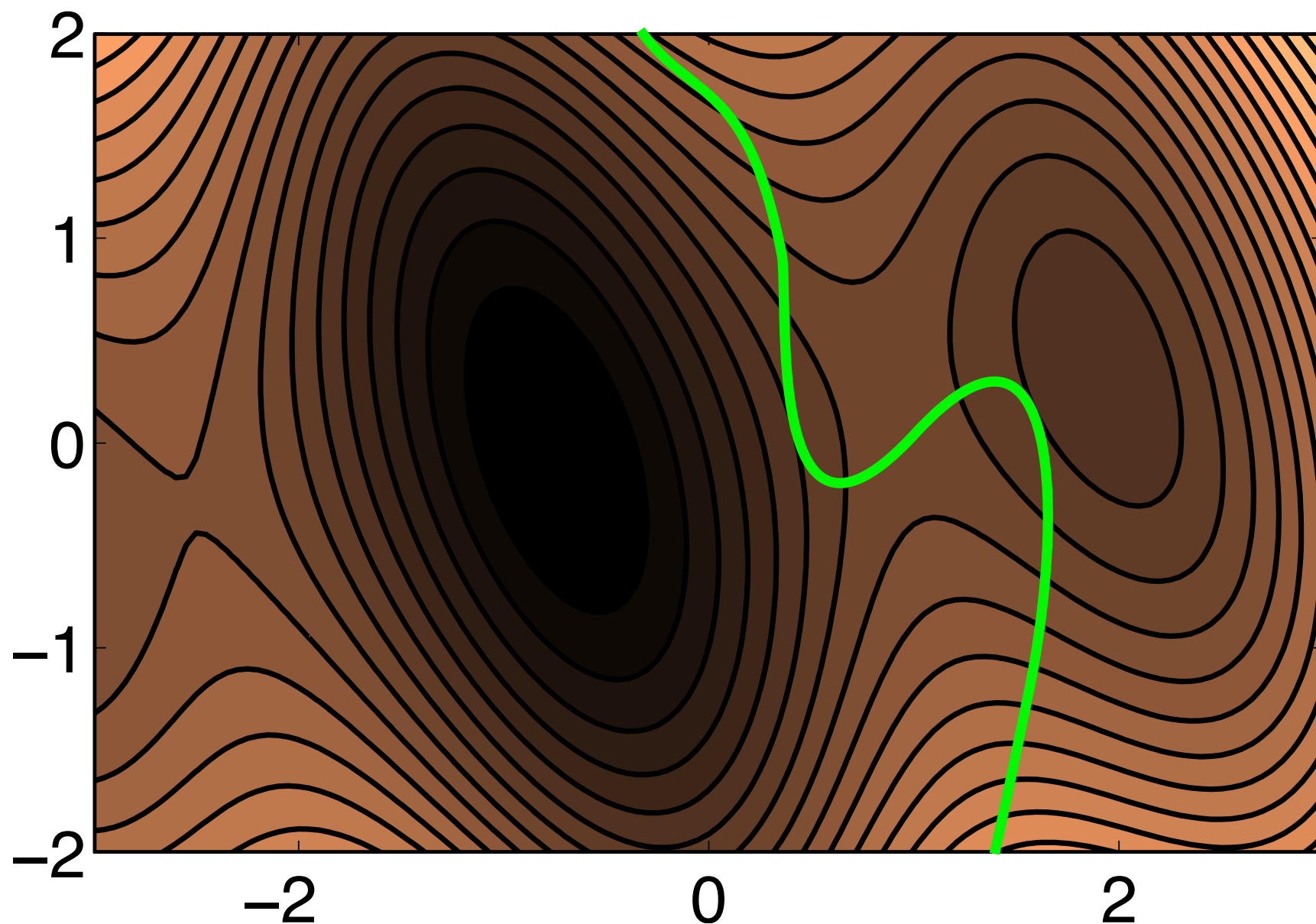
- Pick  $x_1$
- For  $k = 1, 2, \dots$ 
  - ▶  $g_k = f'(x_k); H_k = f''(x_k)$  *gradient & Hessian*
  - ▶  $d_k = -H_k^{-1} g_k$  *Newton direction*
  - ▶  $t_k = 1$  *backtracking line search*
  - ▶ while  $f(x_k + t_k d_k) > f(x_k) + t g_k^T d_k / 2$ 
    - ▶  $t_k = \beta t_k$   *$\beta < 1$*
  - ▶  $x_{k+1} = x_k + t_k d_k$  *step*

# Properties of damped Newton

- Affine invariant: suppose  $g(x) = f(Ax+b)$ 
  - ▶  $x_1, x_2, \dots$  from Newton on  $g()$
  - ▶  $y_1, y_2, \dots$  from Newton on  $f()$
  - ▶ If  $y_1 = Ax_1 + b$ , then:
- Convergent:
  - ▶ if  $f$  bounded below,  $f(x_k)$  converges
  - ▶ if  $f$  strictly convex, bounded level sets,  $x_k$  converges
  - ▶ typically quadratic rate in neighborhood of  $x^*$

# *Equality constraints*

- $\min f(x) \text{ s.t. } h(x) = 0$

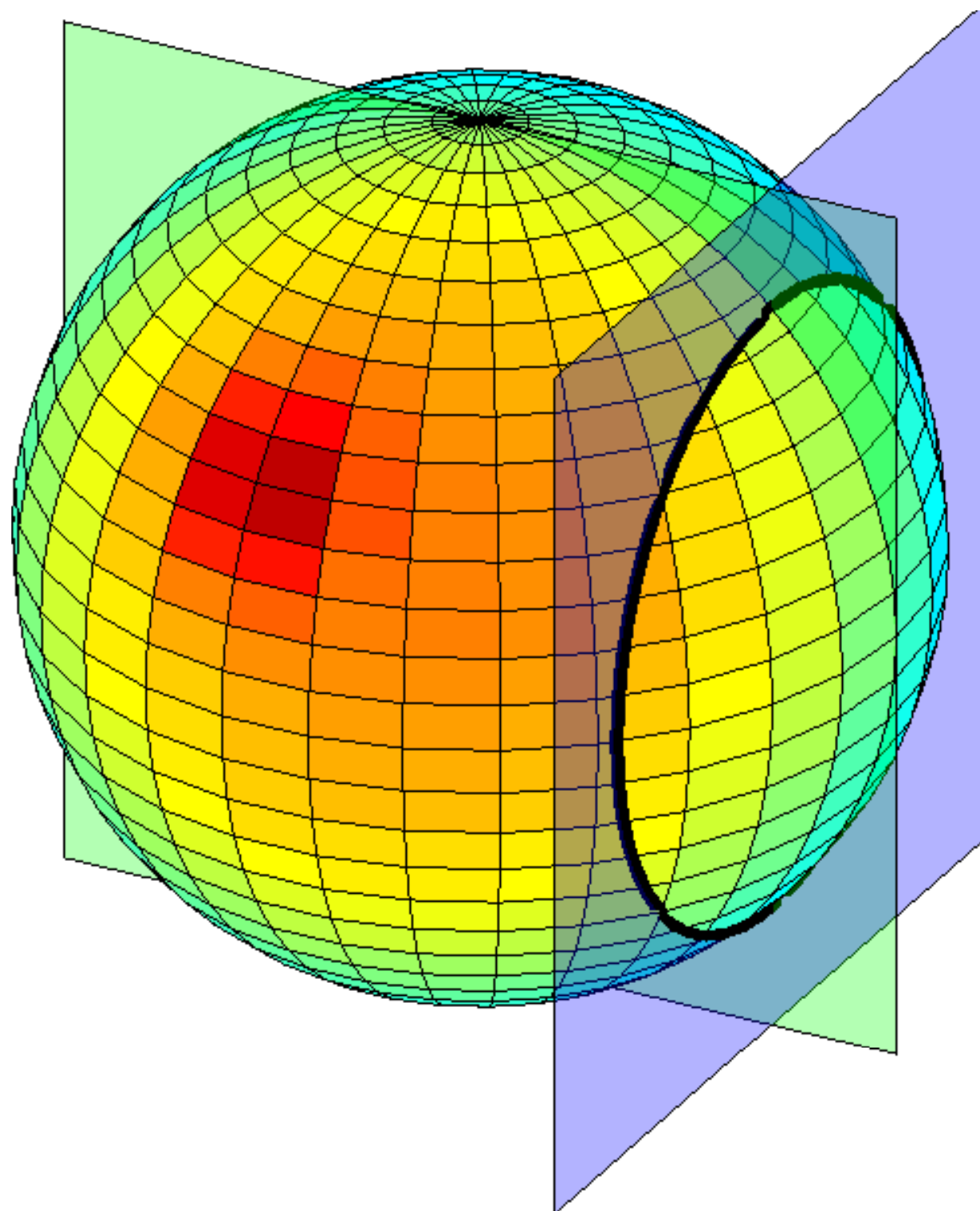


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  - ▶  $g: \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d \quad (\text{gradient of } f)$
- Useful special case:  $\min f(x) \text{ s.t. } Ax = 0$

# Picture

$$\begin{aligned} \max c^\top \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{s.t.} \\ x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1 \\ a^\top x = b \end{aligned}$$



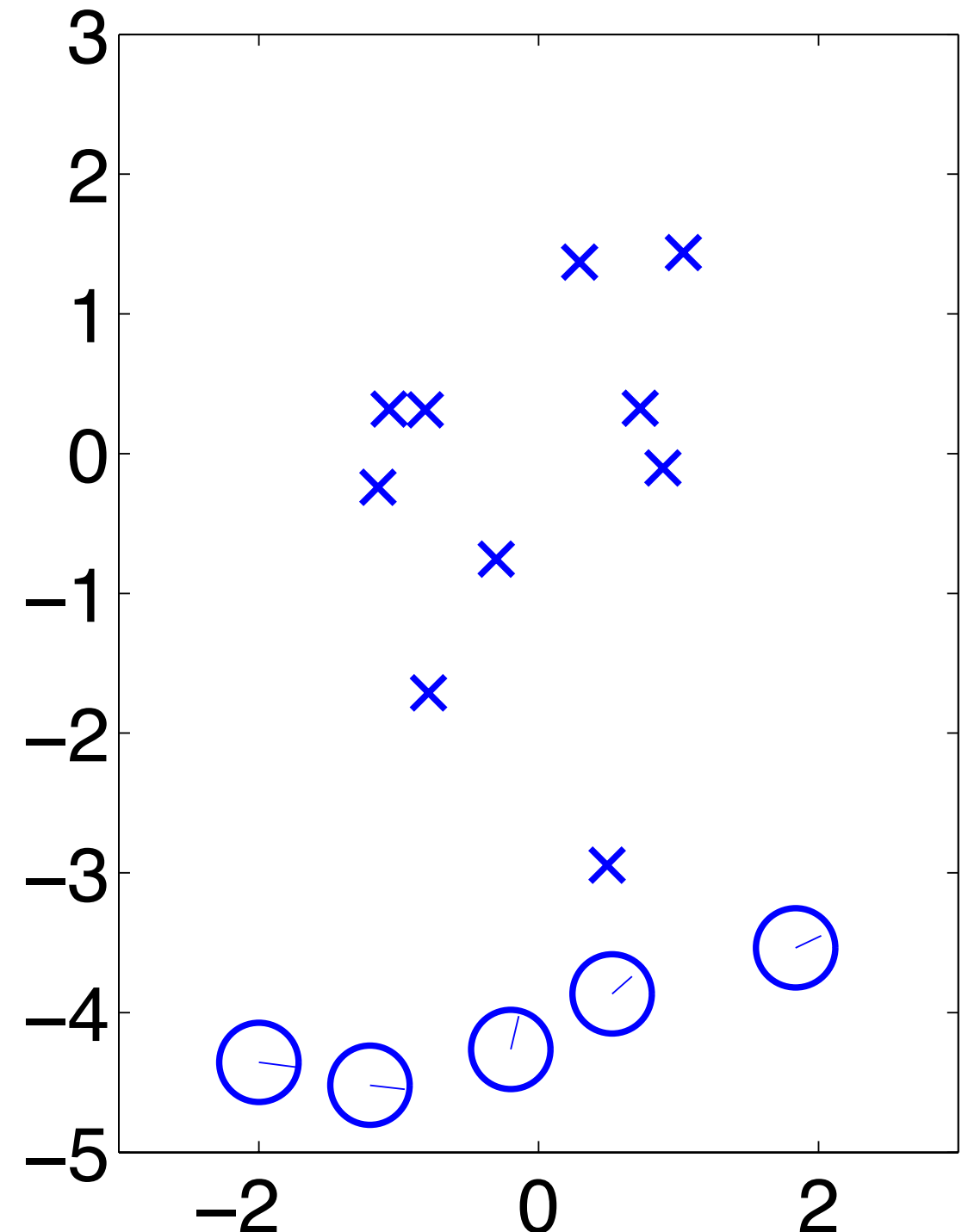
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- Now suppose:
  - ▶  $dg =$   $dh =$
- Optimality:

# Example: bundle adjustment

- Latent:
  - ▶ Robot positions  $\mathbf{x}_t, \theta_t$
  - ▶ Landmark positions  $\mathbf{y}_k$
- Observed: odometry, landmark vectors
  - ▶  $\mathbf{v}_t = R_{\theta_t}[\mathbf{x}_{t+1} - \mathbf{x}_t] + \text{noise}$
  - ▶  $\mathbf{w}_t = [\theta_{t+1} - \theta_t + \text{noise}]_{\pi}$
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$O = \{\text{observed } kt \text{ pairs}\}$





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# *Bundle adjustment*

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{x_t, u_t, y_k} \quad & \sum_t \|v_t - R(u_t)[x_{t+1} - x_t]\|^2 + \sum_t \|R_{w_t} u_t - u_{t+1}\|^2 + \\ & \sum_{(t,k) \in O} \|d_{k,t} - R(u_t)[y_k - x_t]\|^2 \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & u_t^\top u_t = 1 \end{aligned}$$

# *Ex: MLE in exponential family*

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$$L = -\ln \prod_k P(x_k \mid \theta)$$

$$P(x_k \mid \theta) =$$

$$g(\theta) =$$

# *MLE Newton interpretation*



# Comparison

## *of methods for minimizing a convex function*

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	Newton	FISTA	(sub)grad	stoch. (sub)grad.
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convergence				
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cost/iter				
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smoothness				
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# Variations

- Trust region
  - ▶  $[H(x) + tI]dx = -g(x)$
  - ▶  $[H(x) + tD]dx = -g(x)$
- Quasi-Newton
  - ▶ use only gradients, but build estimate of Hessian
  - ▶ in  $R^d$ ,  $d$  gradient estimates at “nearby” points determine approx. Hessian (think finite differences)
  - ▶ can often get “good enough” estimate w/ fewer—can even forget old info to save memory (L-BFGS)

# *Variations: Gauss-Newton*

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$$L = \min_{\theta} \sum_k \frac{1}{2} \|y_k - f(x_k, \theta)\|^2$$

# *Variations: Fisher scoring*

- Recall Newton in exponential family

$$E[xx^\top \mid \theta]d\theta = \bar{x} - E[x \mid \theta]$$

- Can use this formula in place of Newton, even if not an exponential family
  - ▶ descent direction, even w/ no regularization
  - ▶ “Hessian” is independent of data
  - ▶ often a wider radius of convergence than Newton
  - ▶ can be superlinearly convergent