

Logistic Regression & convex optimization

Announcements:

This week we will release P3 and HW3

Recap on Naive Bayes

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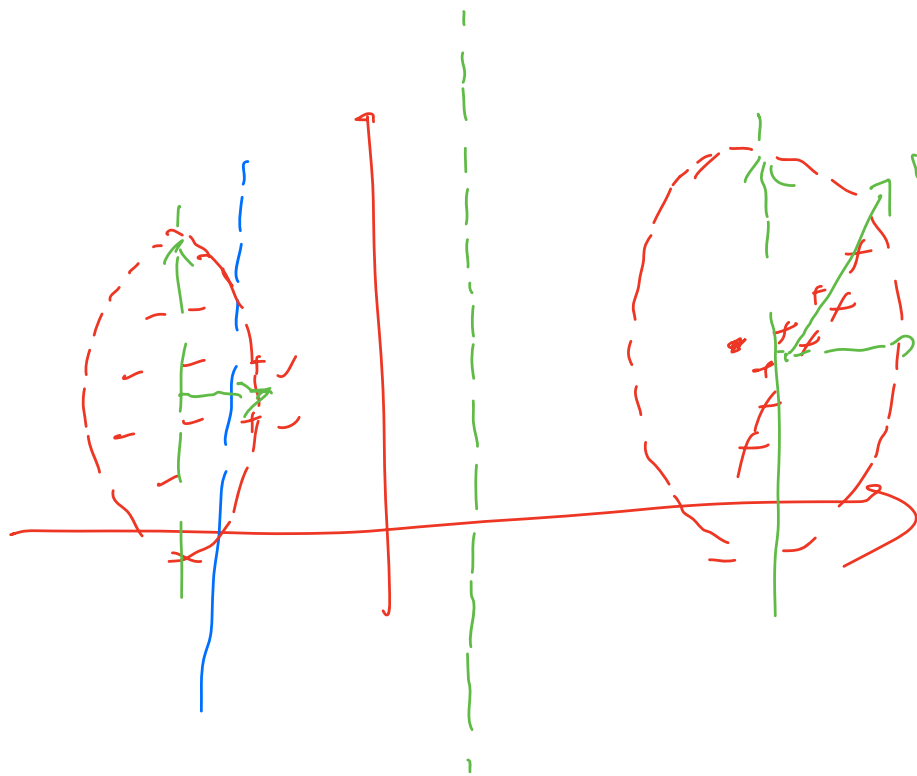
$$P(y | x) \propto P(y)P(x | y) = P(y) \prod_{i=1}^d P(x[i] | y)$$

Conditional independent
assumption given label

$$\text{argmax}_y P(y | x)$$

Perceptron VS Gaussian Naive Bayes

$$\frac{1}{\sigma^2}$$
$$P(x|y=-1)$$
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$$= \arg \max_y P(y) P(x|y)$$

Today

Logistic regression — a ***discriminative learning*** approach that directly models $P(y | x)$ for classification

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i.i.d

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$$Y \sim P(y|x)$$

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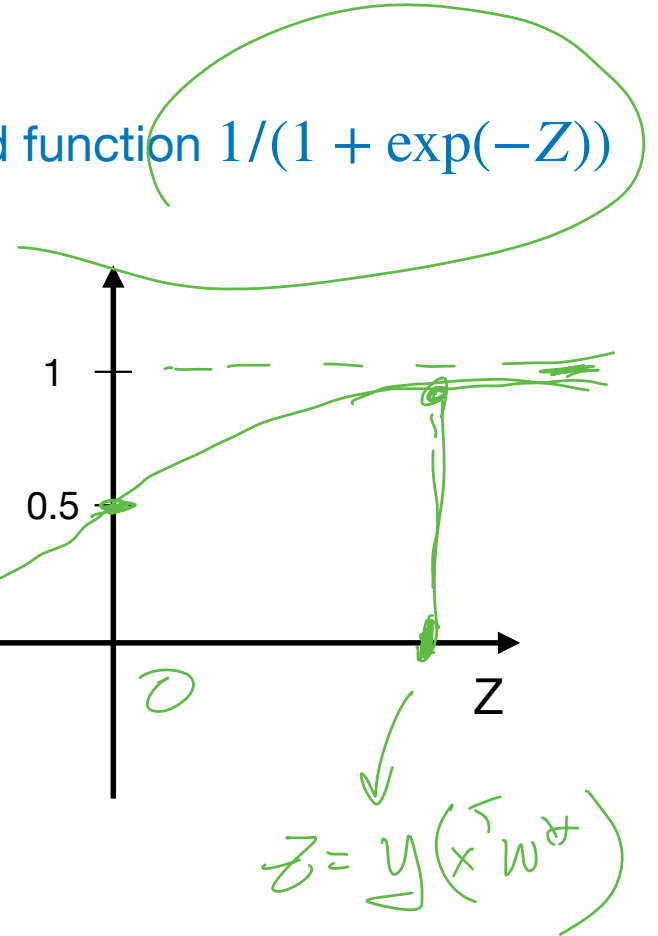
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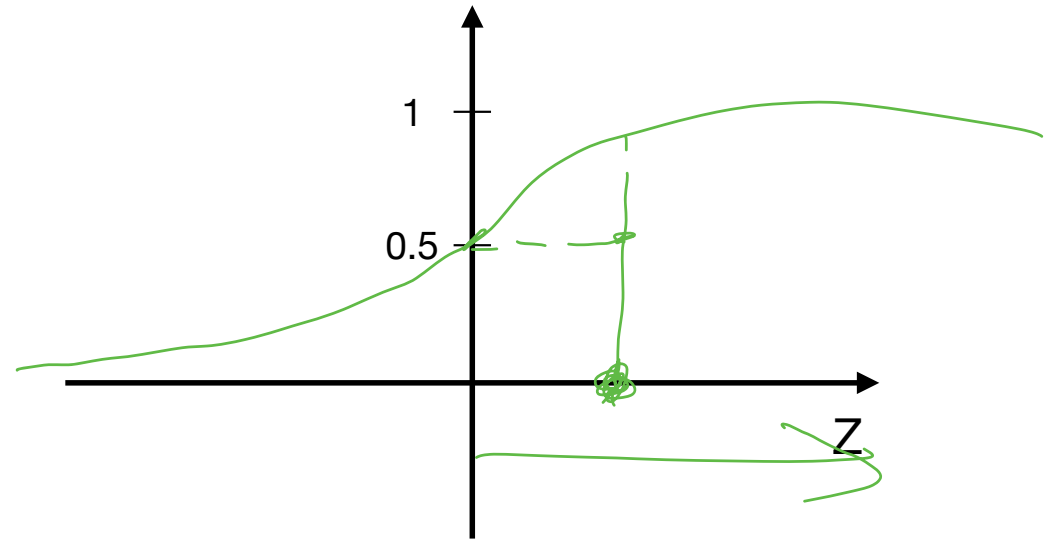
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 $y = \text{sign}(x^T w^*)$

$\hookrightarrow y(x^T w^*) > 0$

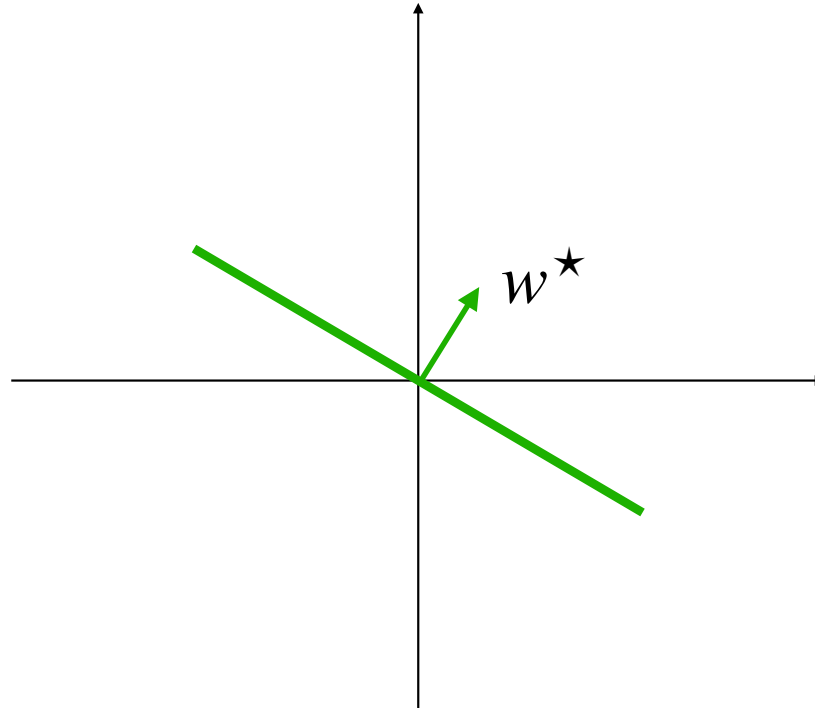
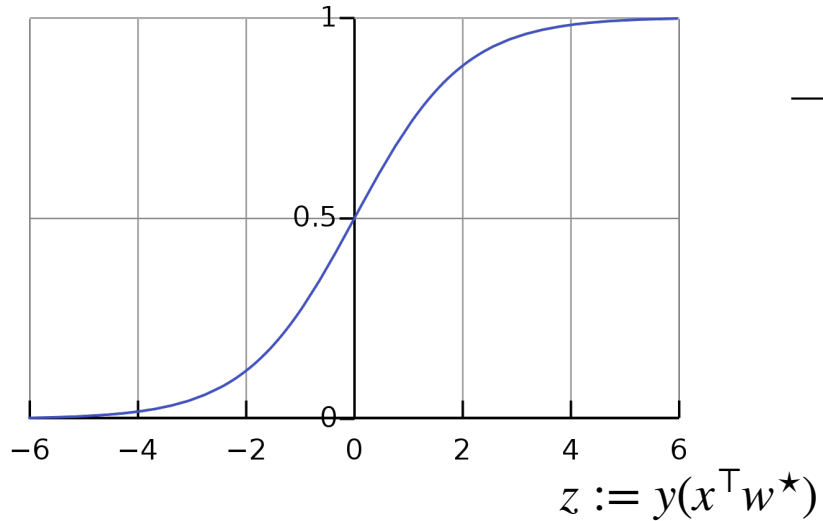


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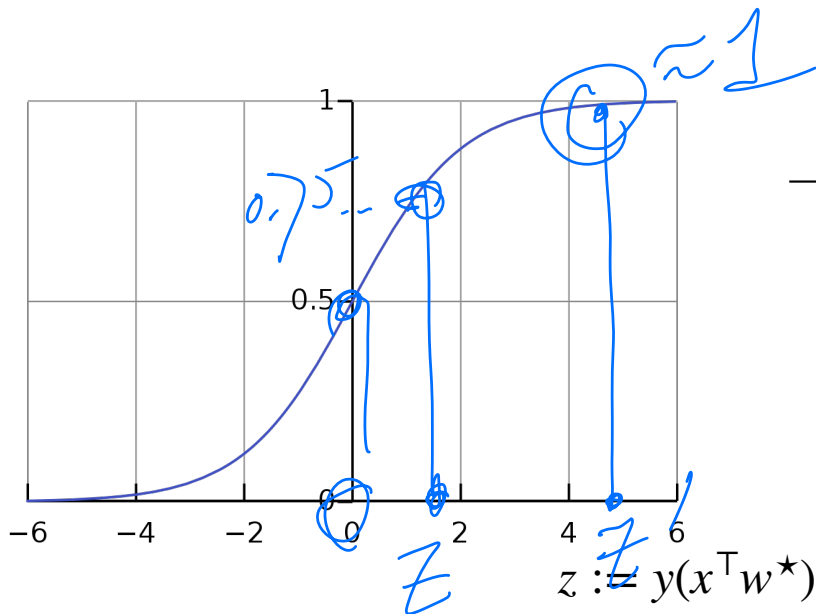
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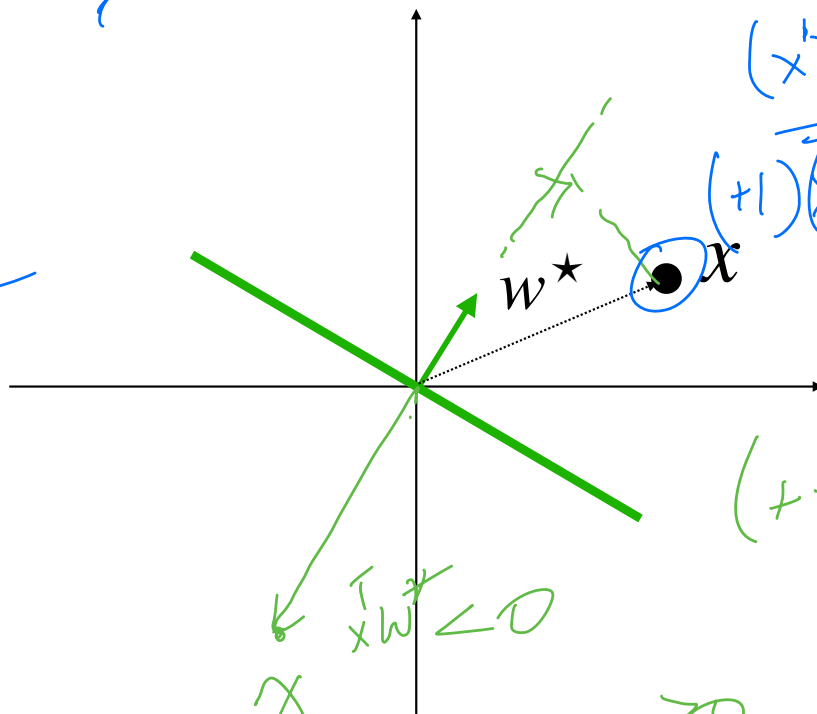
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$(+1) \cdot (x^T w^*) > 0$

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Handwritten notes: $P(y_i | x_i; w)$ and $1 + \exp(-y_i (x_i^T w))$

Plug in logistic assumption and add log:

$$\arg \max_w \sum_{i=1}^n -\ln \left[1 + \exp(-y_i (w^T x_i)) \right] \quad \checkmark$$

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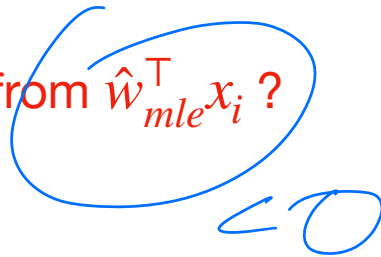
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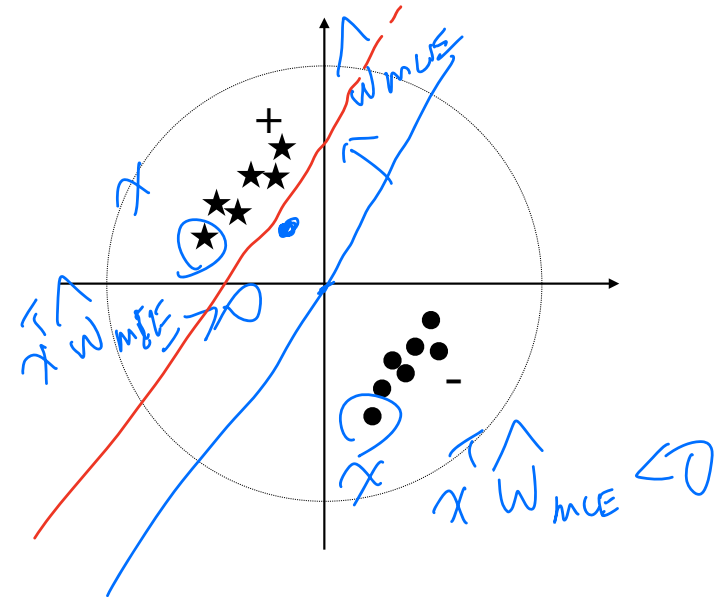
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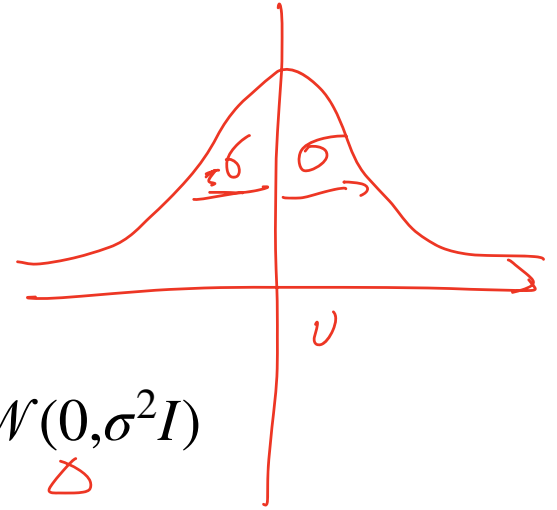
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Gaussian (circled in red)

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$$= \arg \min_w \left(\underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^n \ln (1 + \exp(-y_i(w^T x_i)))}_{\text{MLE}} + \underbrace{\frac{\|w\|_2^2}{2\sigma^2}}_{\text{prior / Regularizer}} \right)$$

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MLE $\hat{y} \lambda \rightarrow 0$

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We will find an approximate minimizer via **gradient descent**

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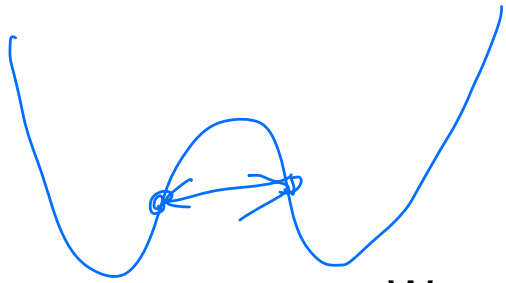
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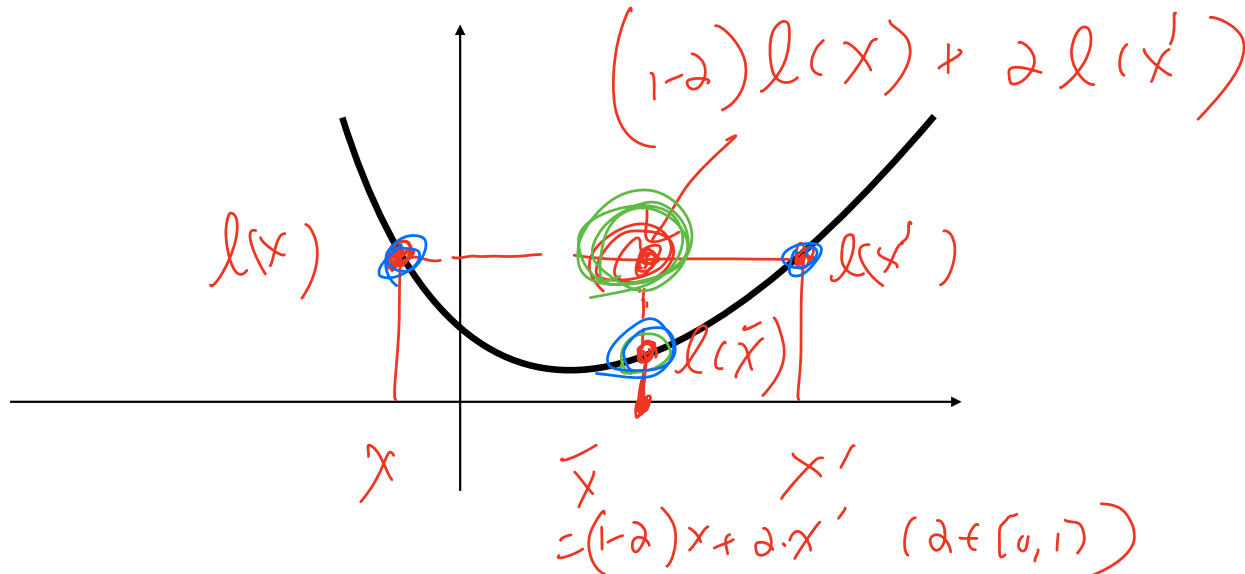


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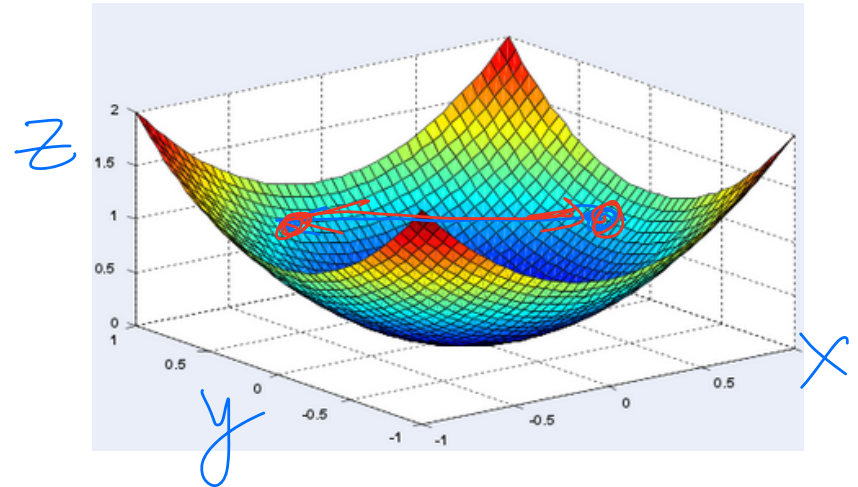
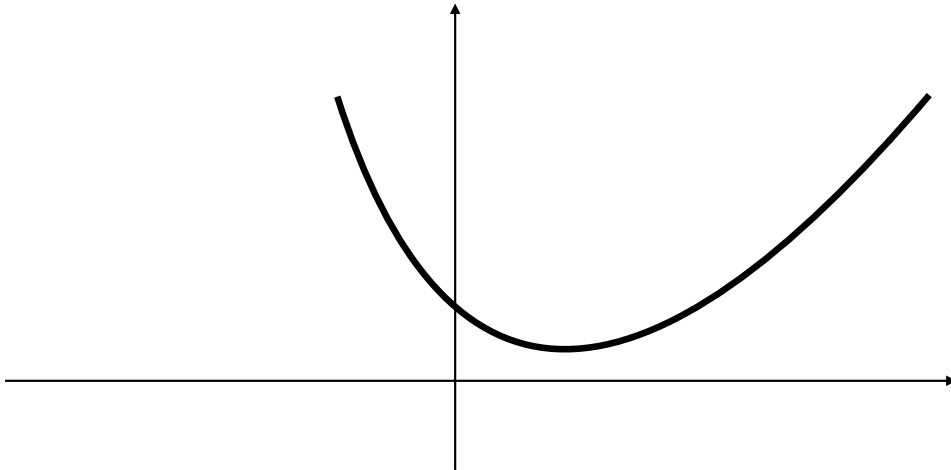


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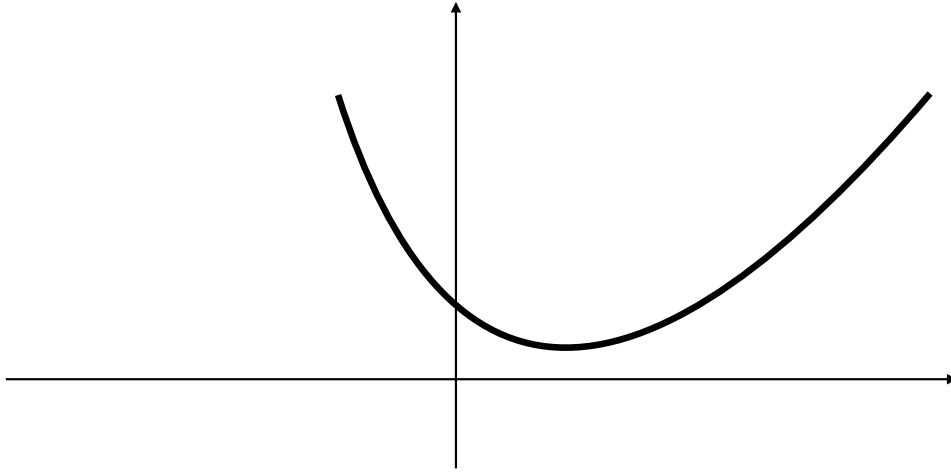
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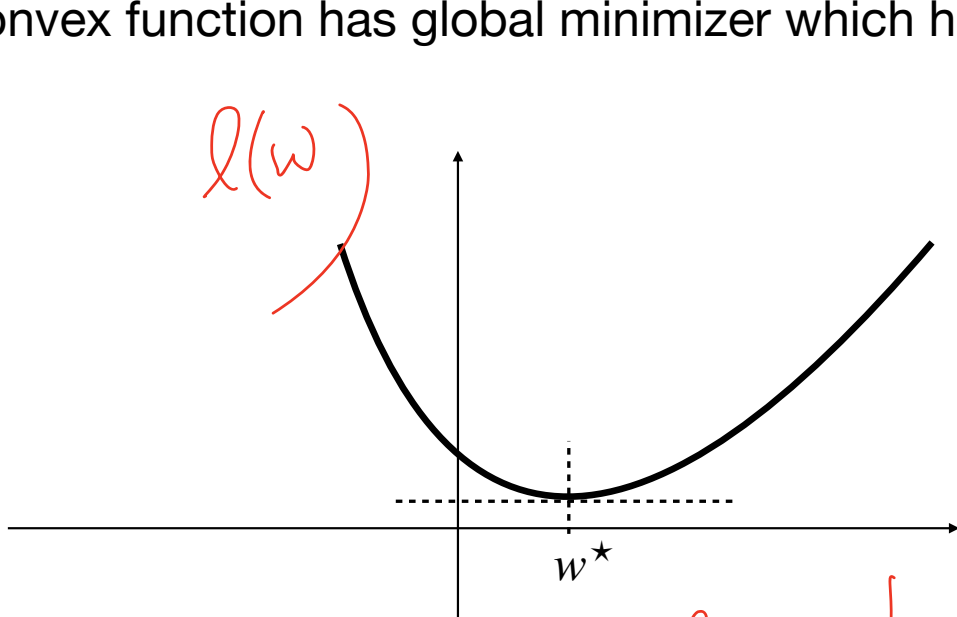
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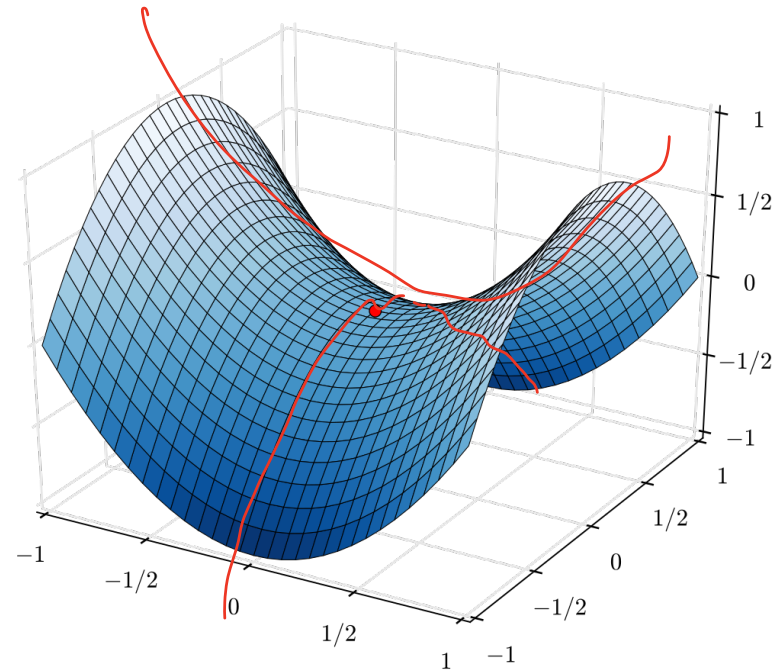


$$\nabla l(w) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial l}{\partial w^{(1)}} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\partial l}{\partial w^{(d)}} \end{bmatrix}$$

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Examples of non-convex functions

Saddle point ($\ell(x, y) = x^2 - y^2$)



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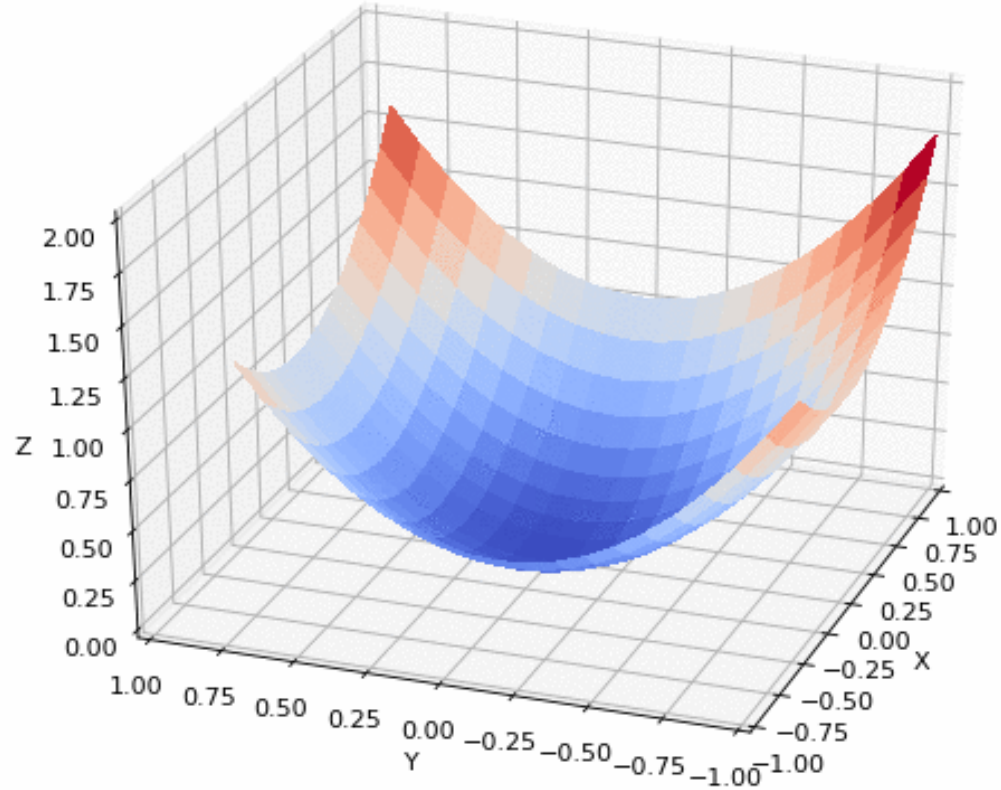
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$\eta > 0$ ← Small
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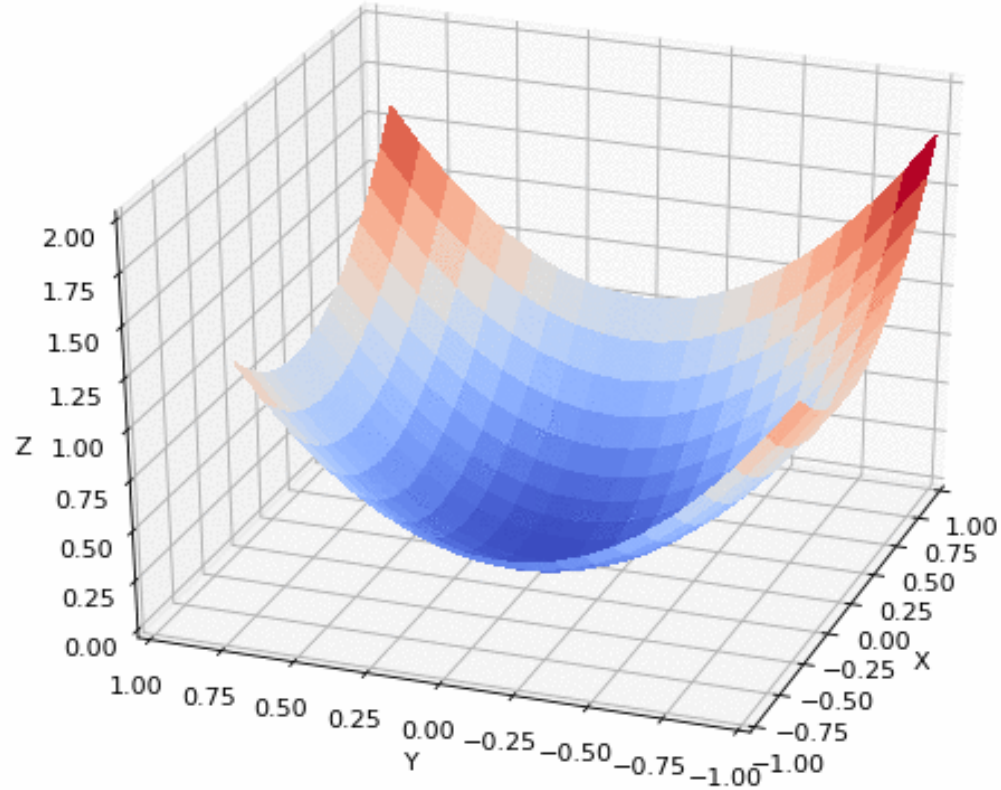
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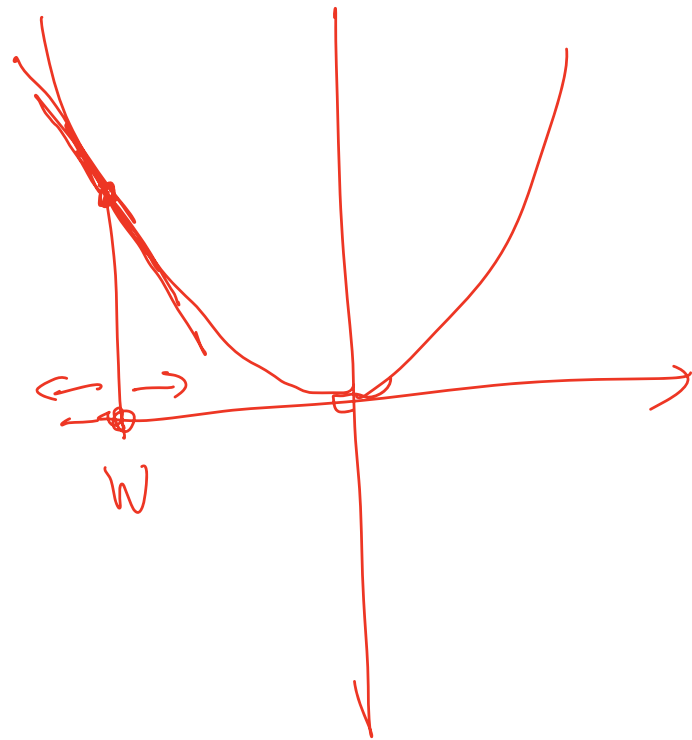
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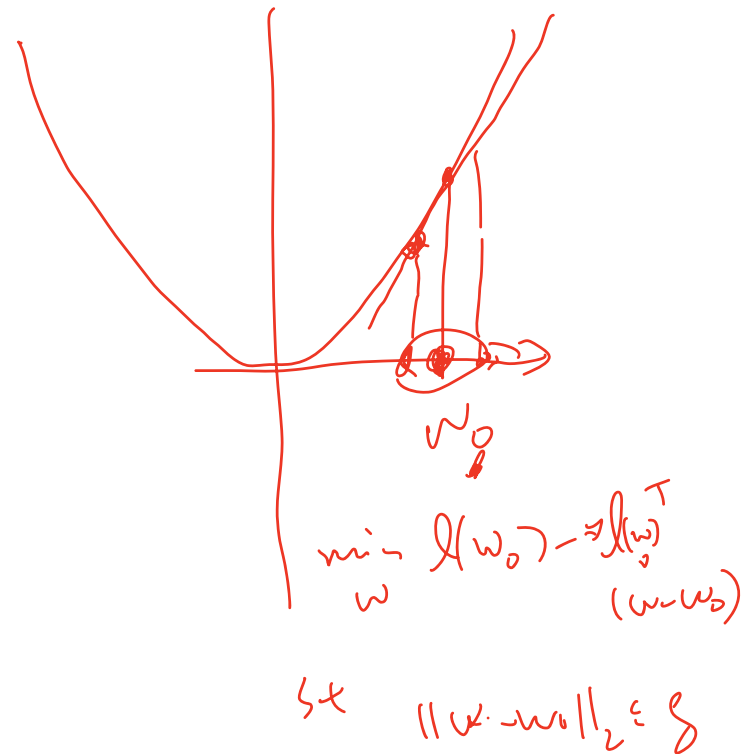
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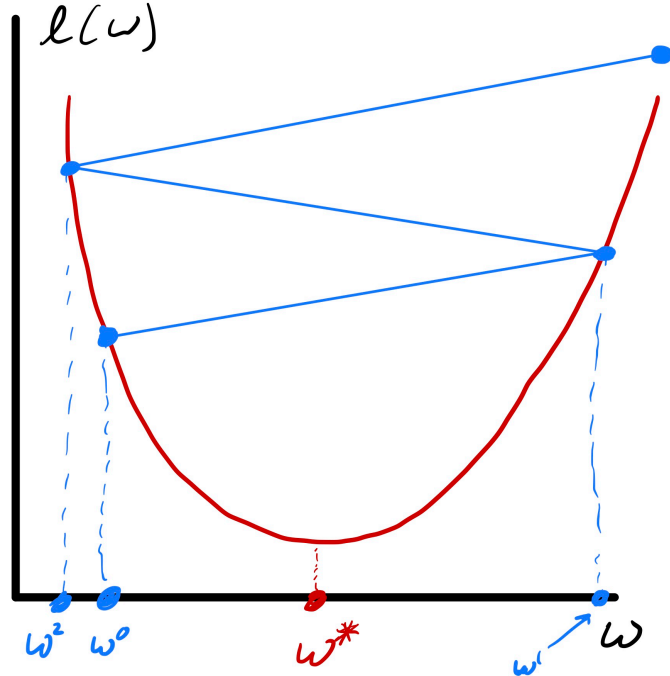


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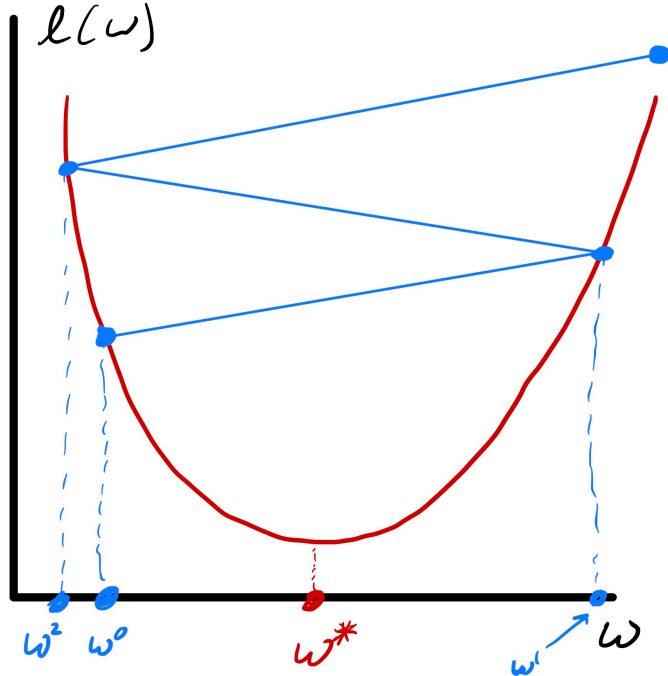
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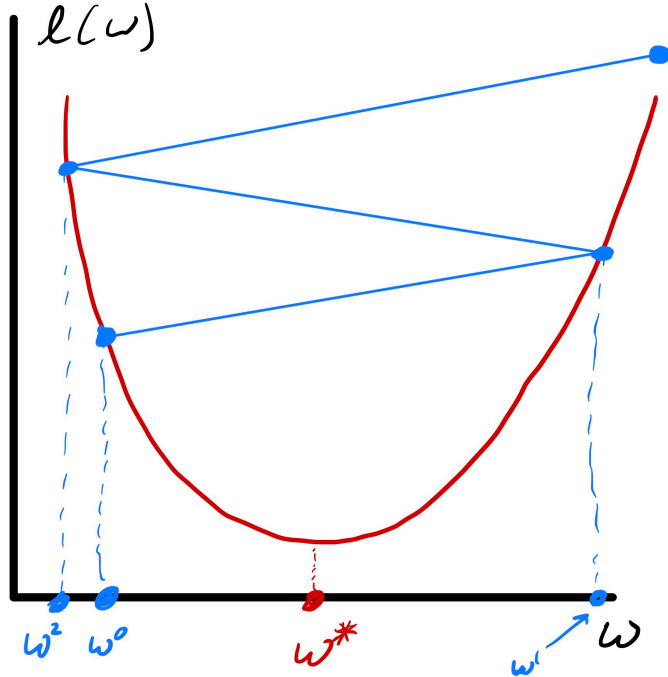
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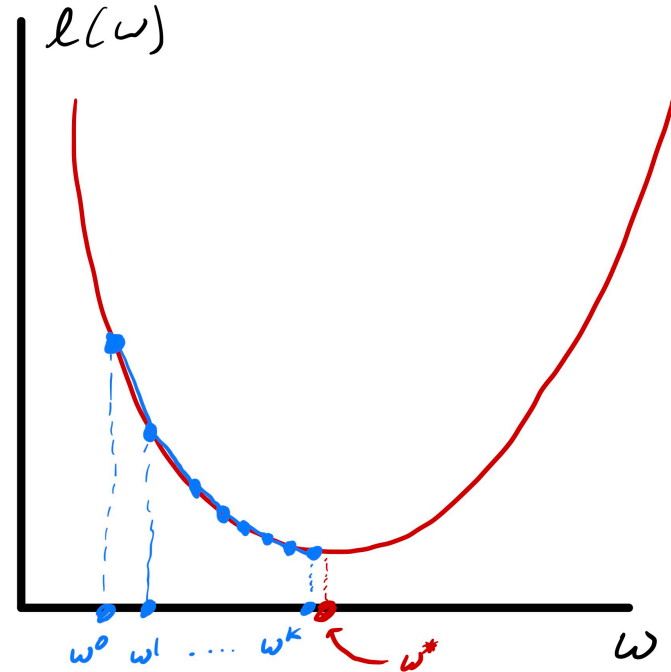


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