

In case you missed it - Who am I ?



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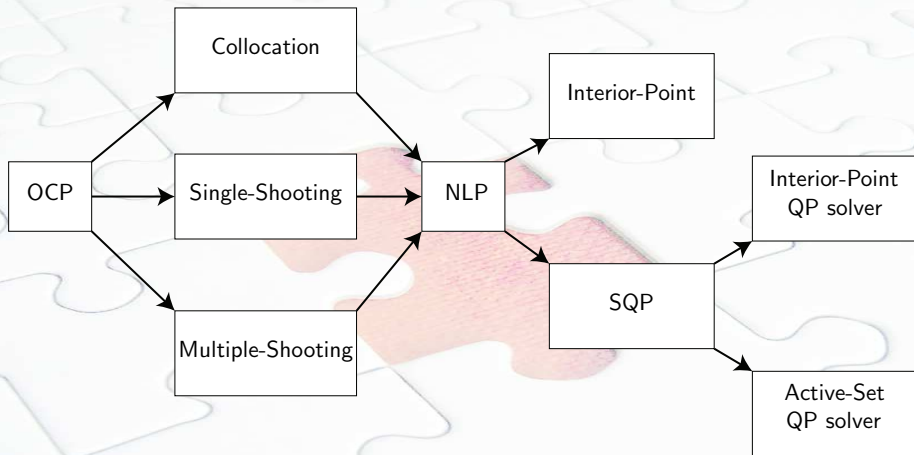
Numerical Optimal Control with DAEs

Lecture 5: Newton method & SQP

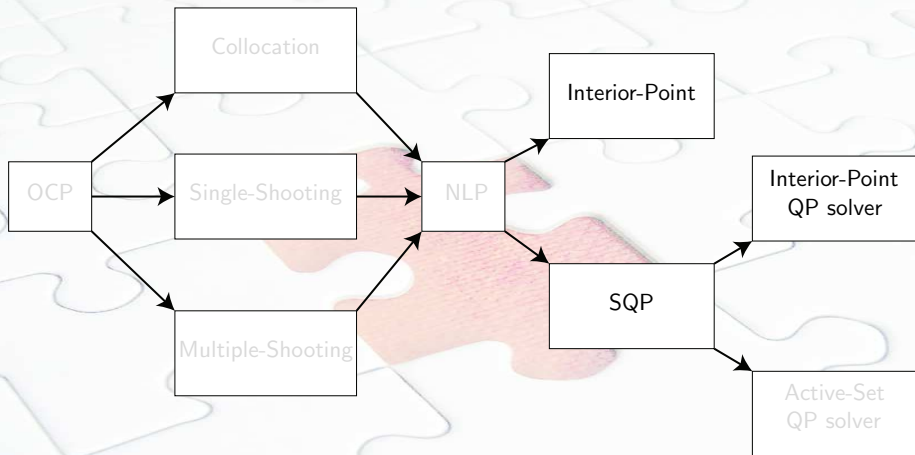
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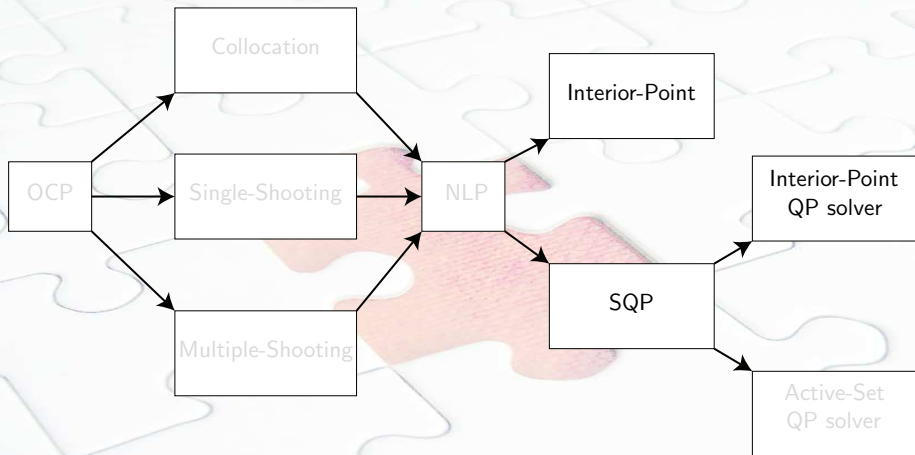


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**Newton - a general-purpose sledgehammer for algebraic equations...
... will be used to solve the KKT conditions !!**

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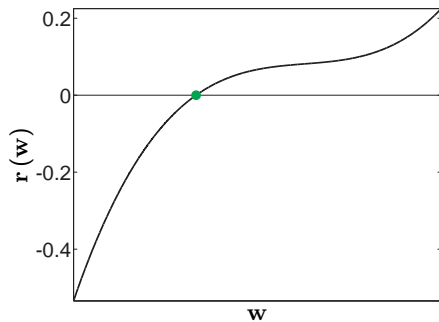
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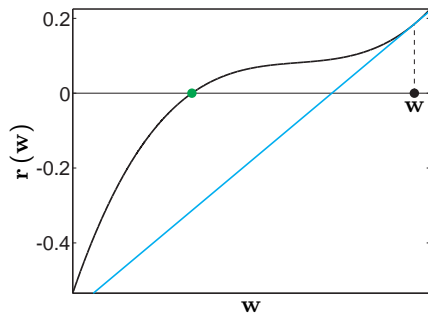
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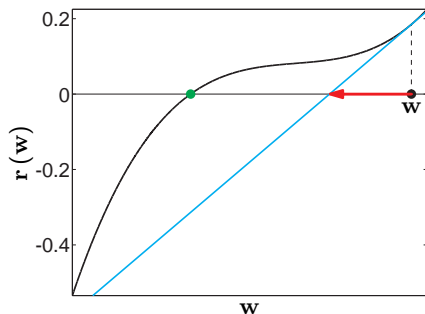


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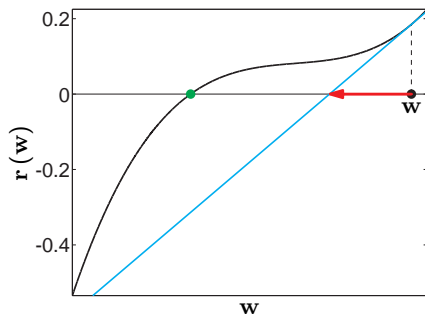


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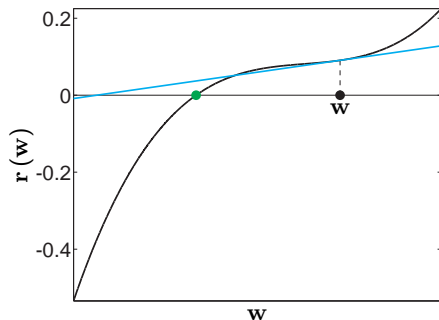
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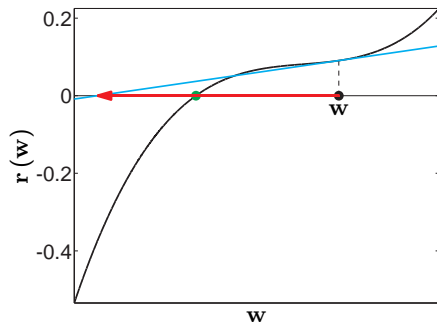
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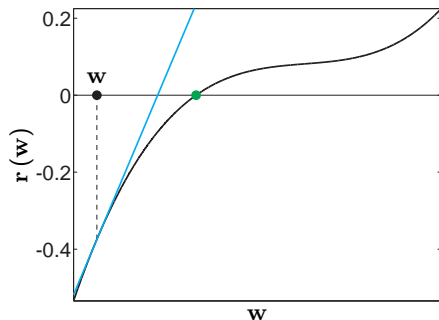
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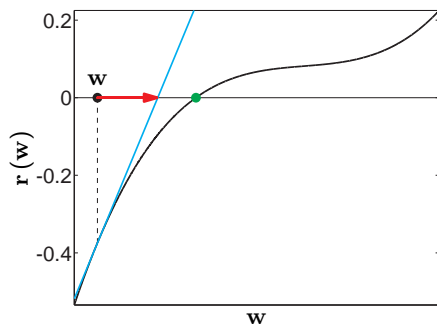
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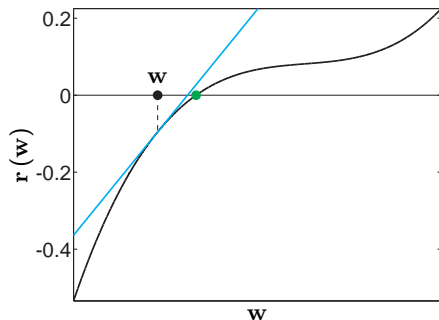
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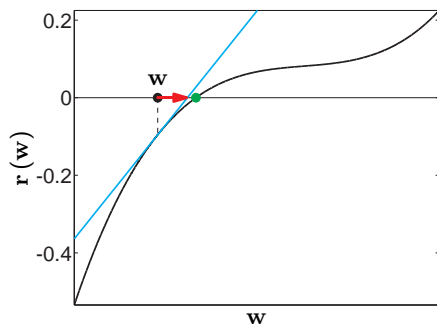
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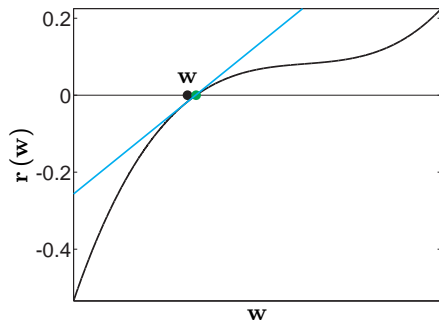
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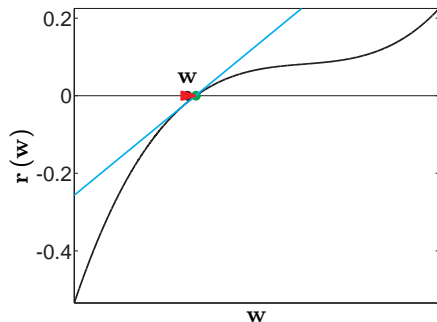
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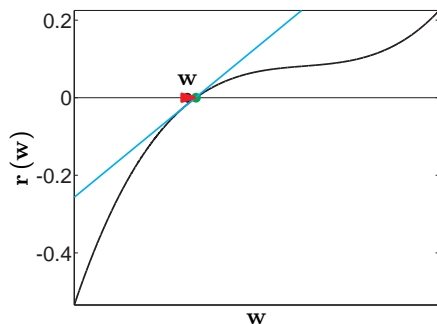
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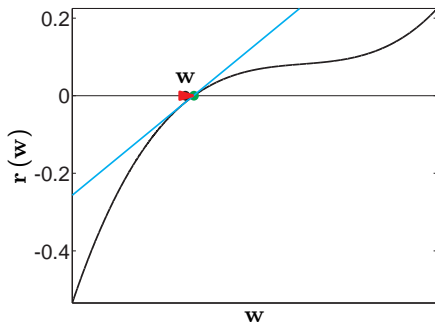
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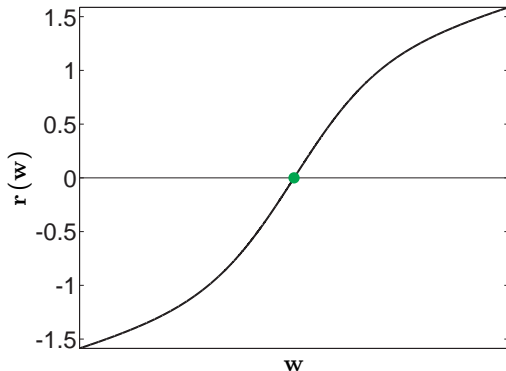
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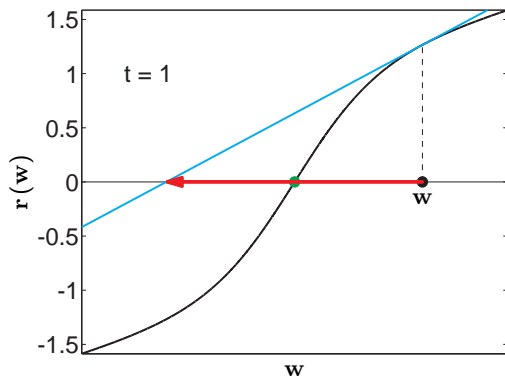


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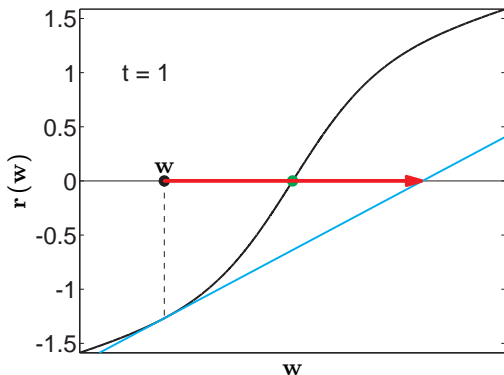


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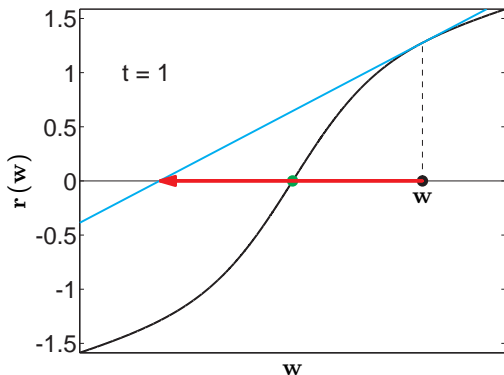


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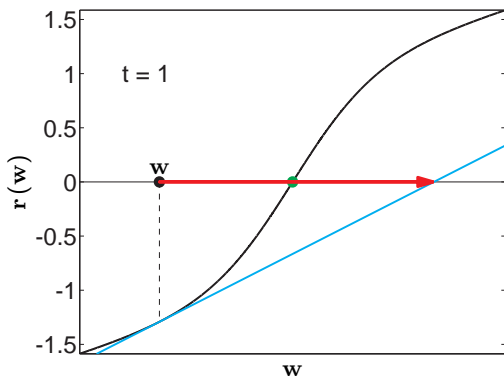


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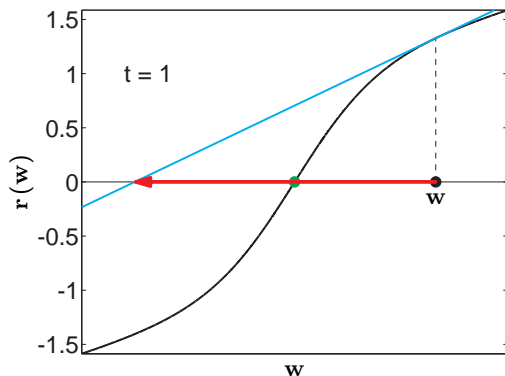


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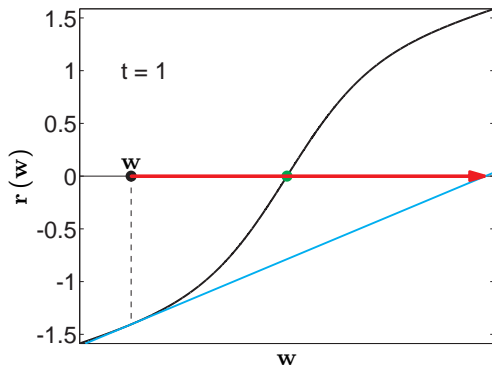


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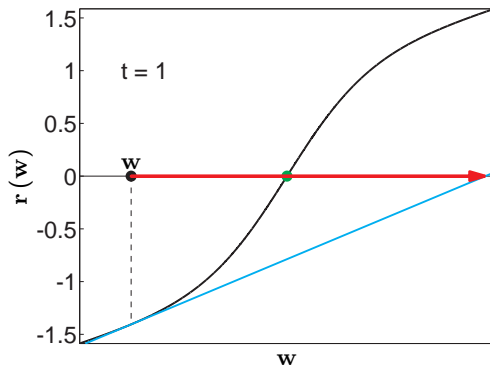


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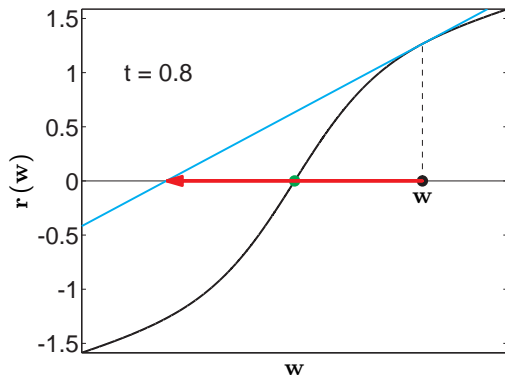
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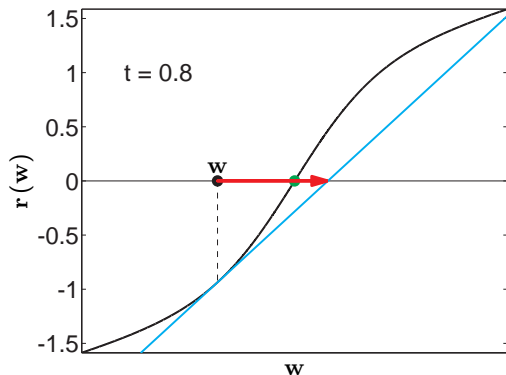
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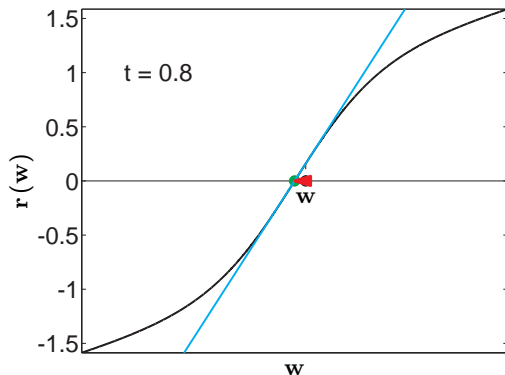
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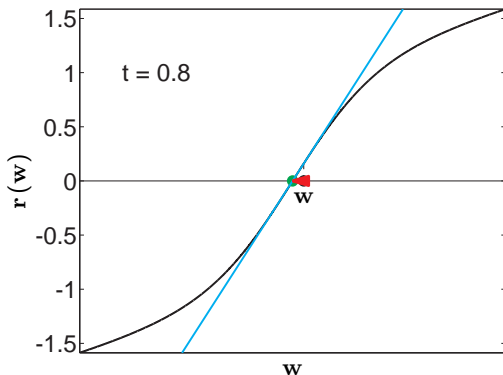
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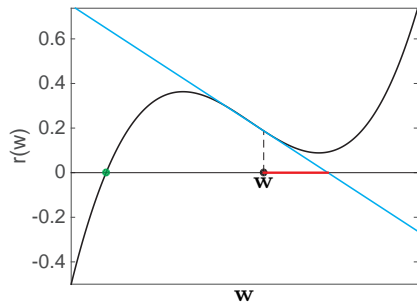
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... ensures that progress is made *in one way or another*.

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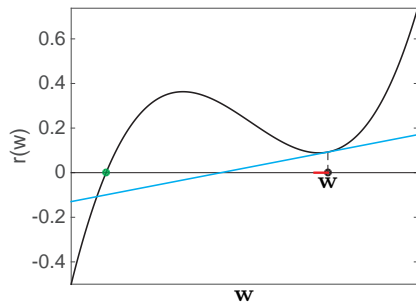
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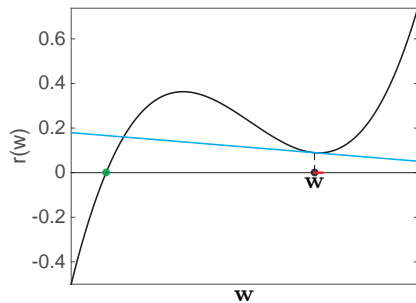
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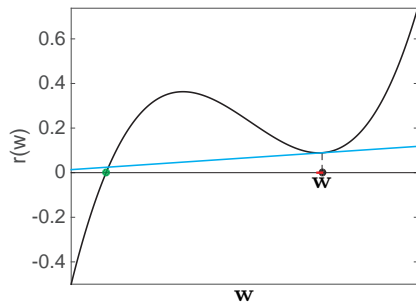
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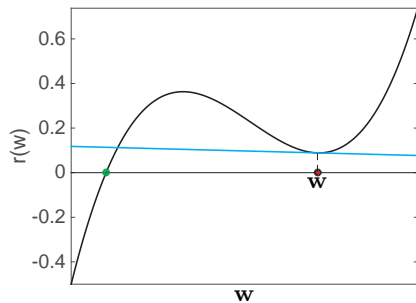
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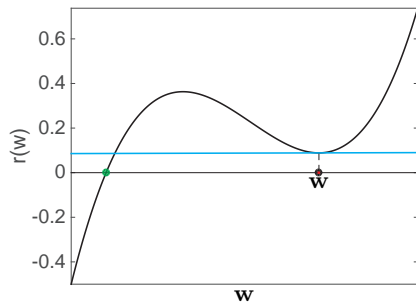
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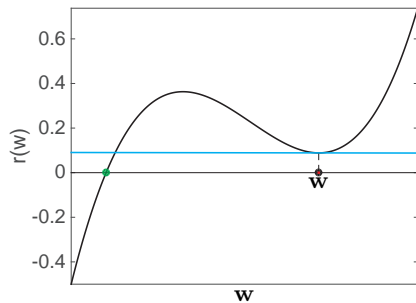
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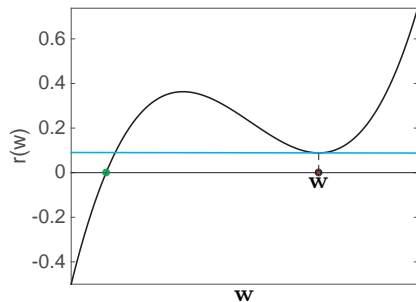
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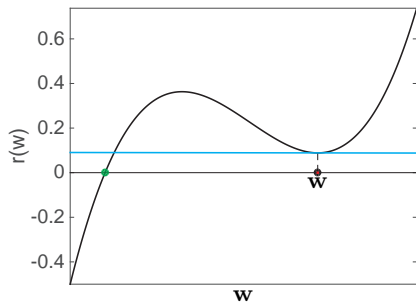
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Newton methods - Short Survival Guide

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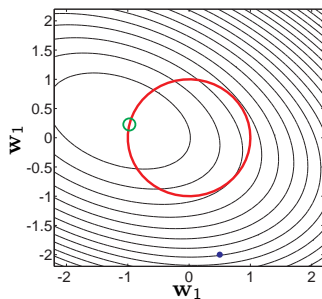
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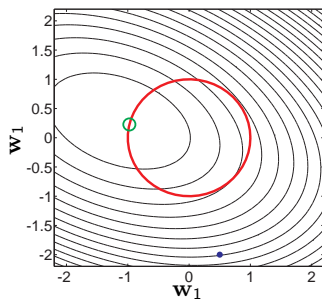
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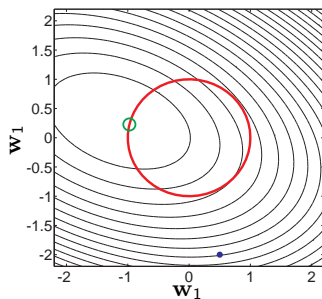
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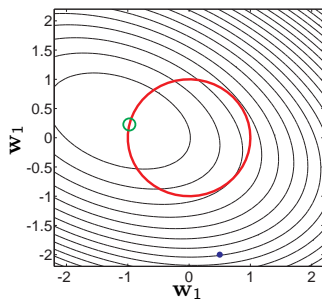
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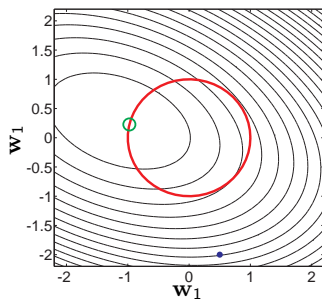
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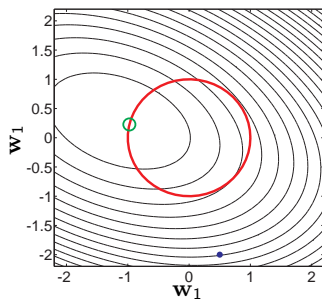
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Algorithm: Newton method

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while $\|\nabla\mathcal{L}\|$ or $\|\mathbf{g}\| \geq \text{tol}$ **do**

 Compute

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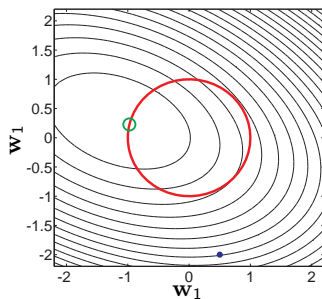
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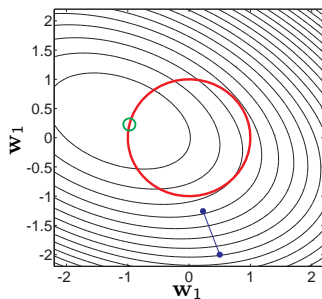
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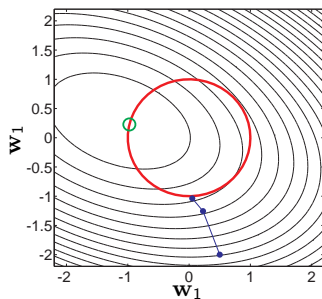
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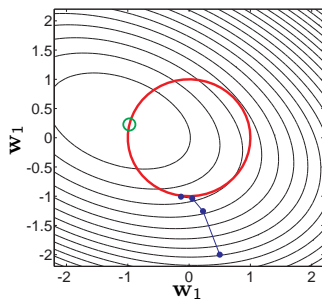
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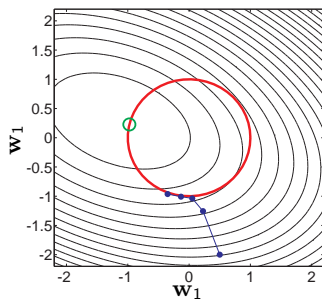
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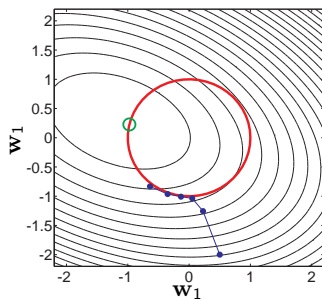
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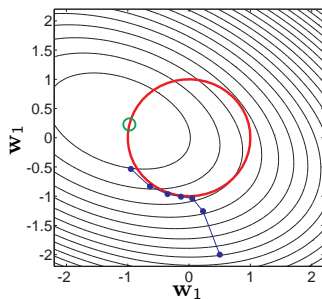
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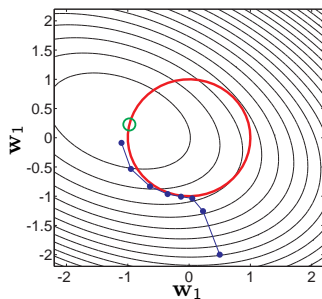
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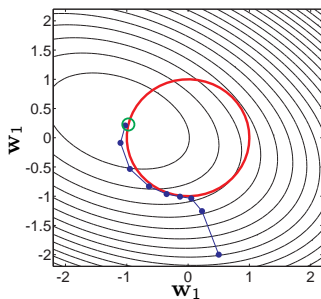
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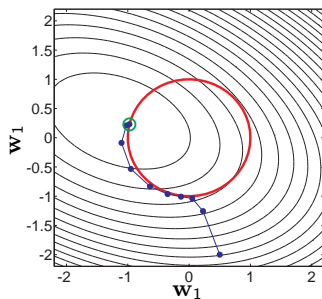
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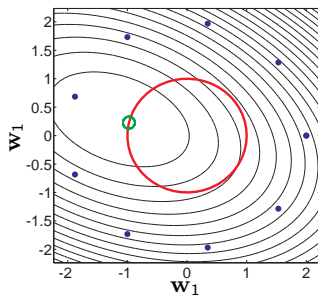
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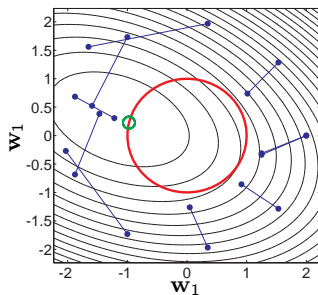
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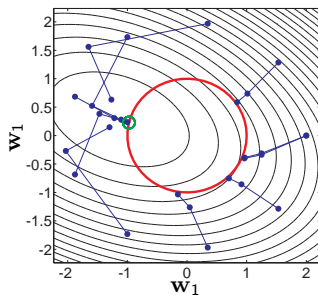
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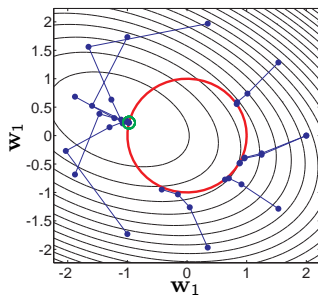
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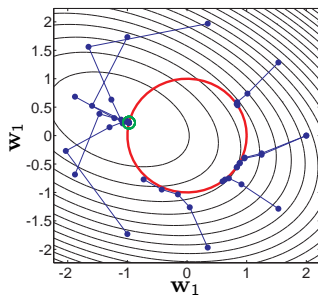
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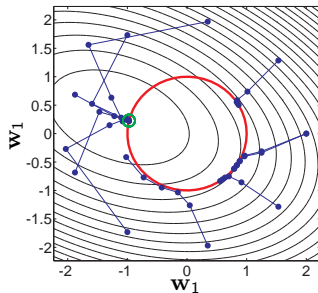
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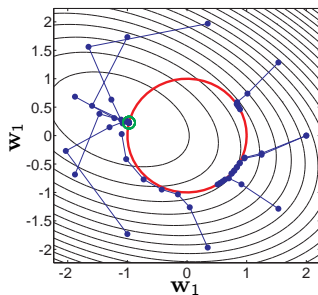
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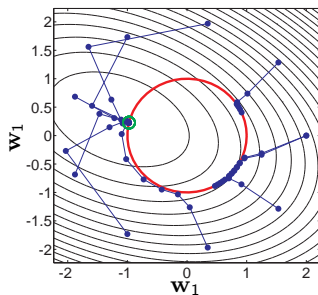
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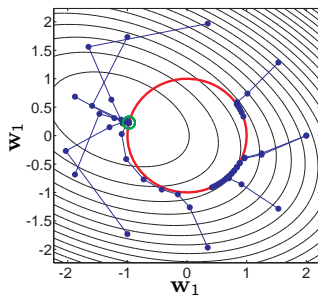
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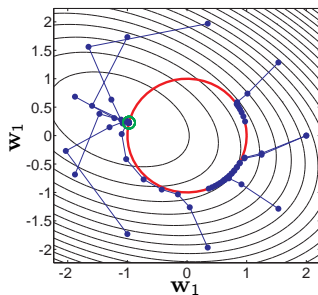
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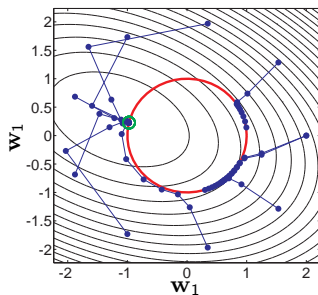
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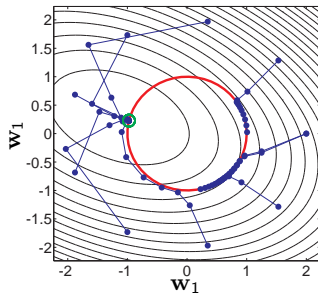
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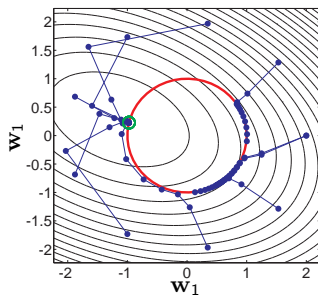
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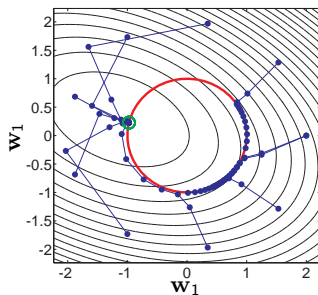
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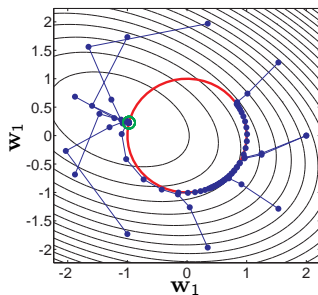
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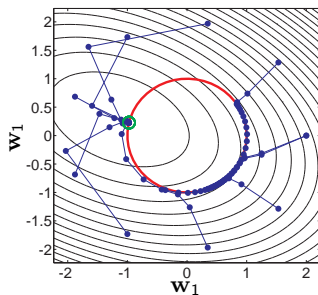
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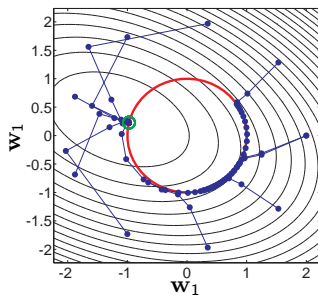
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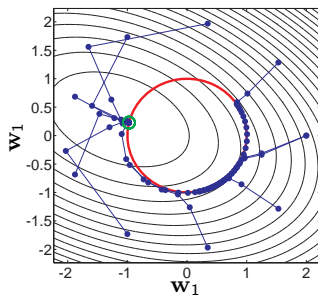
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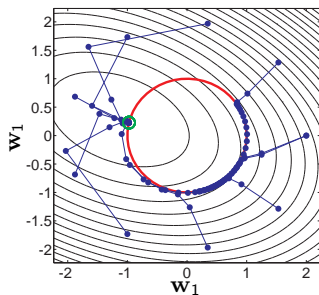
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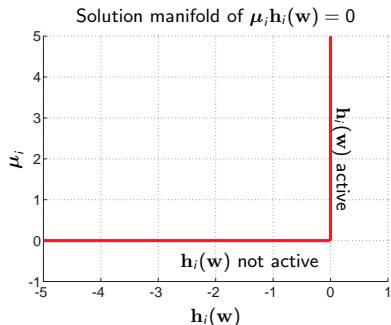
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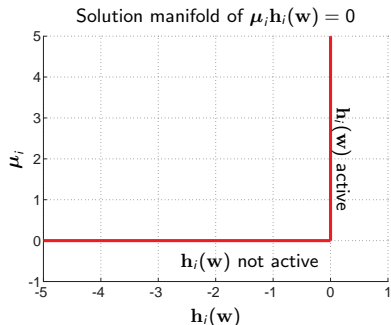
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Algorithm: SQP with line-search

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while $\|\nabla\mathcal{L}\|_\infty$ or $\|\mathbf{g}\|_\infty$ or $\max(0, \mathbf{h}_i) \geq \text{tol}$ **do**

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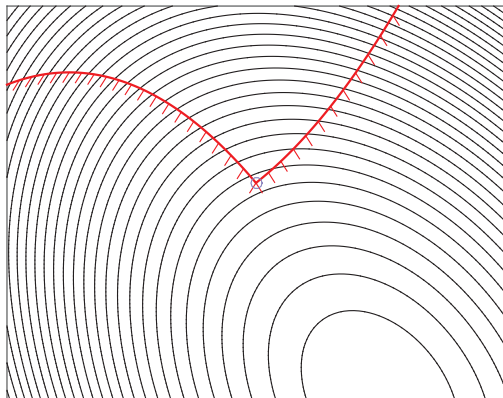
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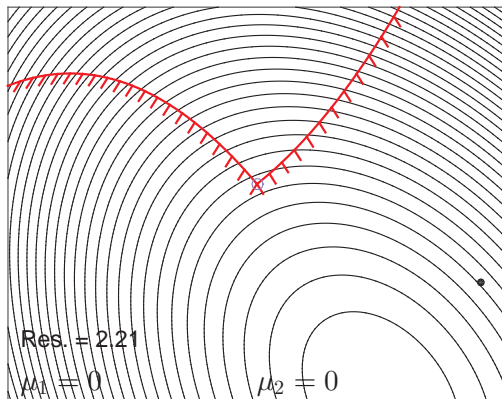
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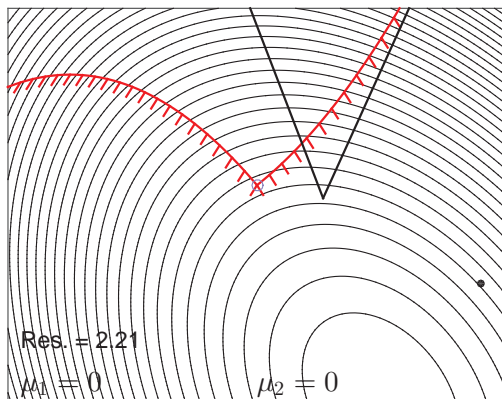
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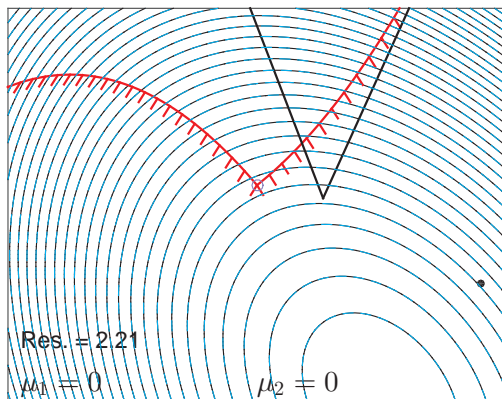
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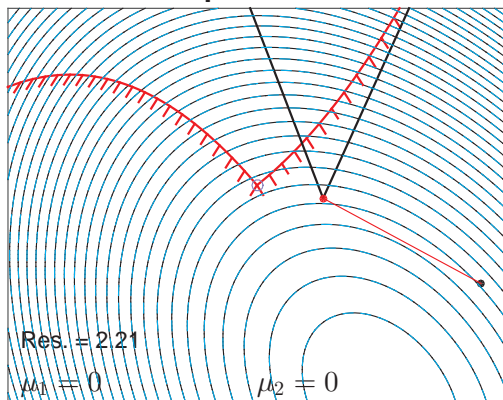
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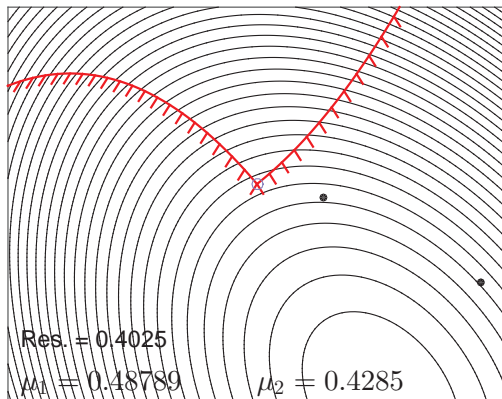
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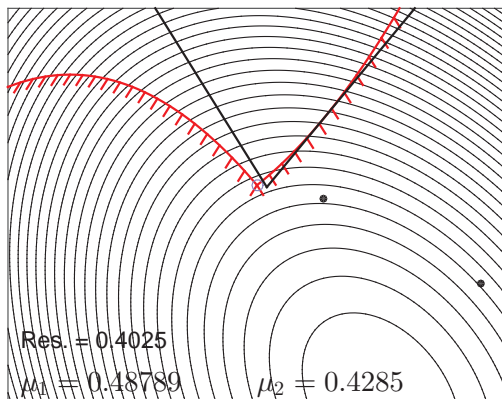
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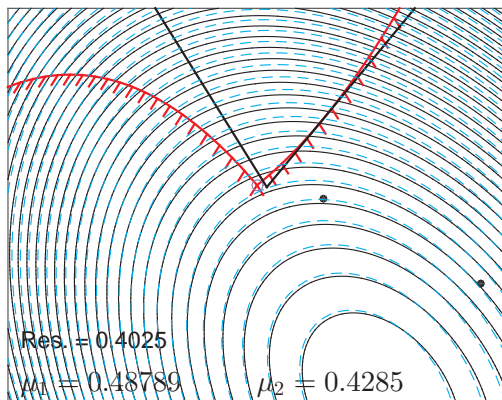
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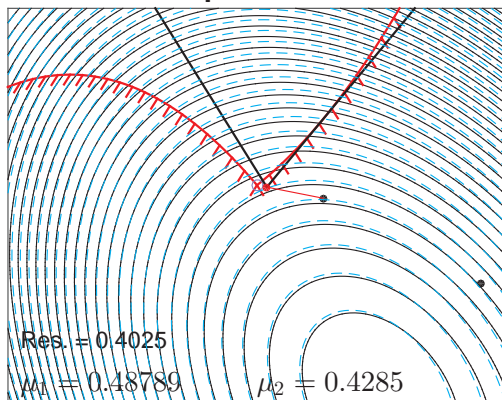
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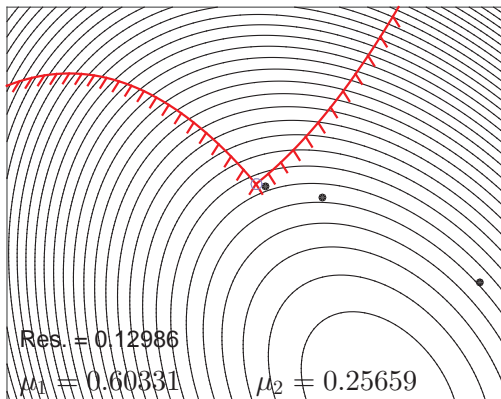
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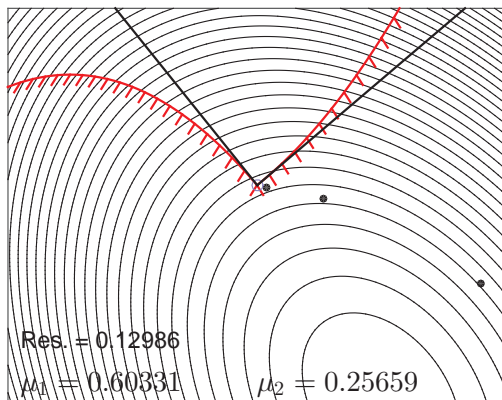
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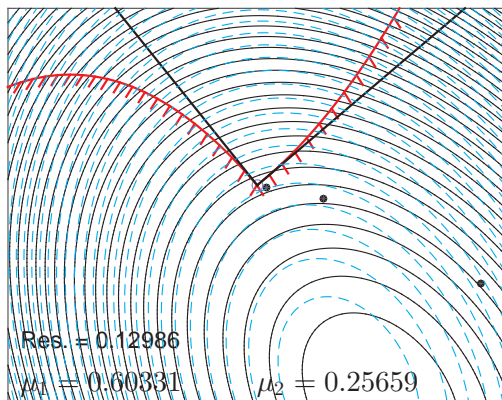
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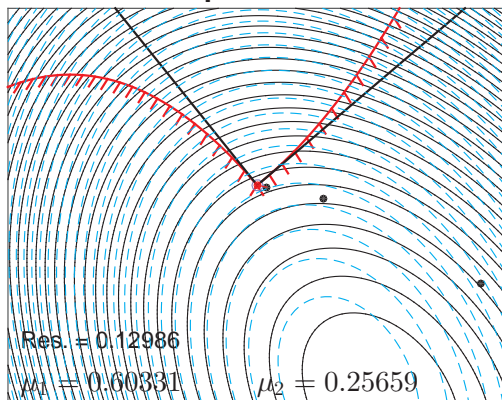
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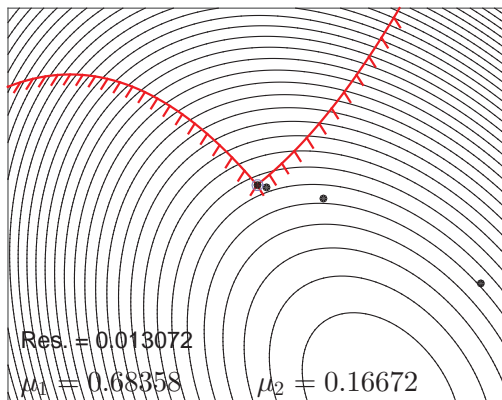
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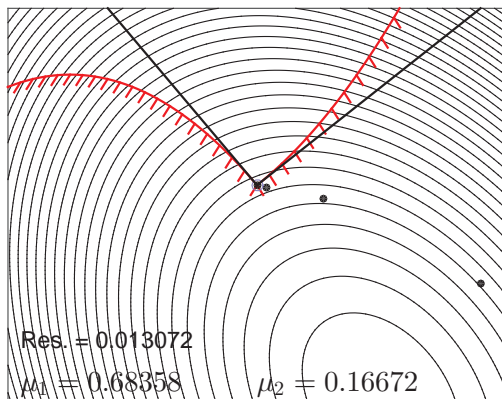
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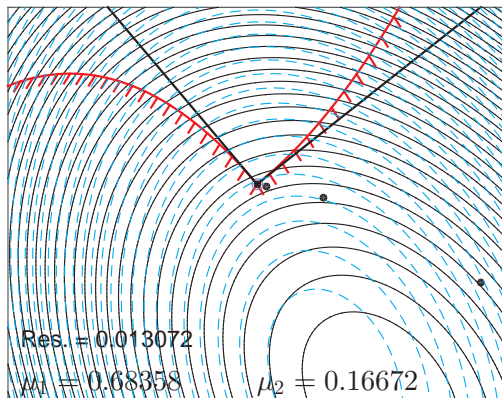
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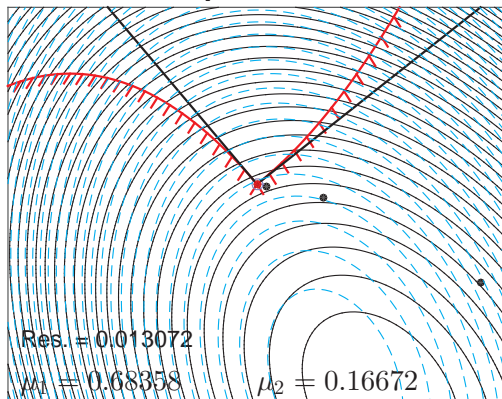
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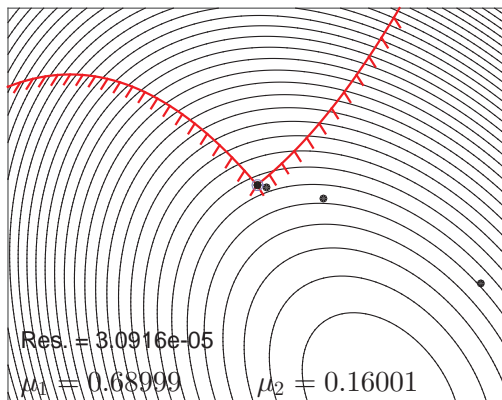
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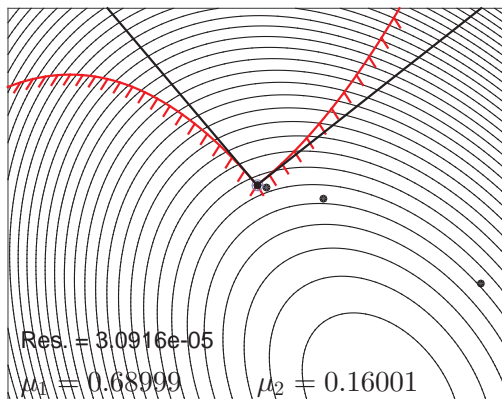
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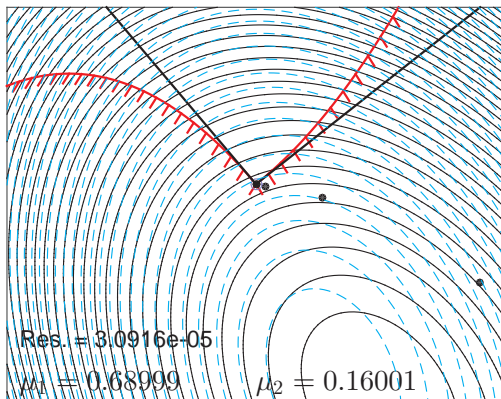
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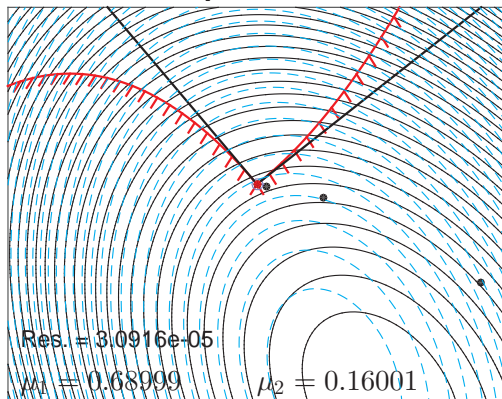
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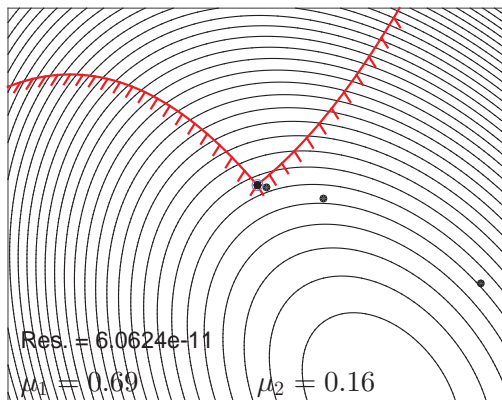
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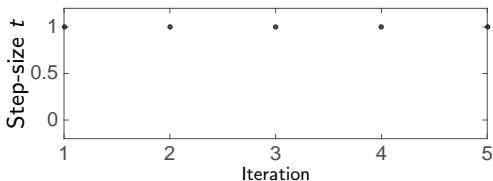
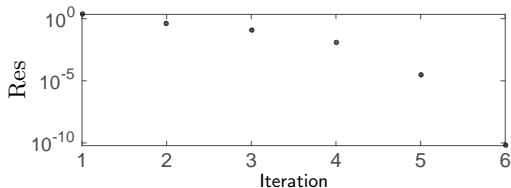
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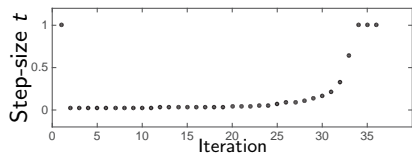
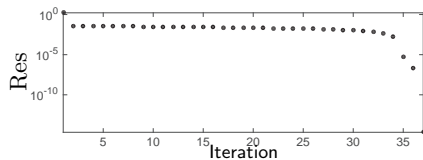
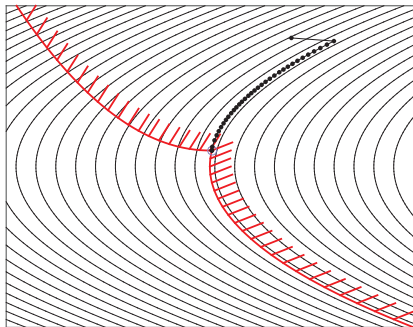
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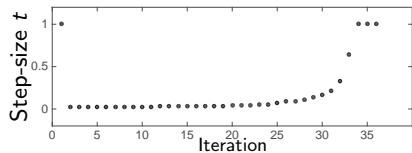
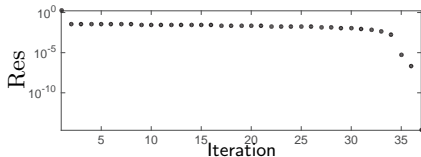
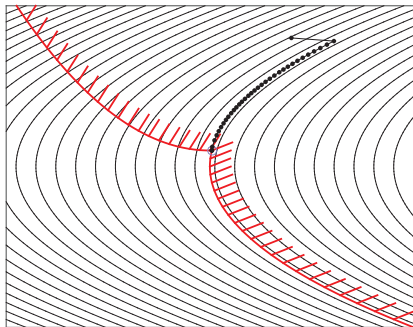
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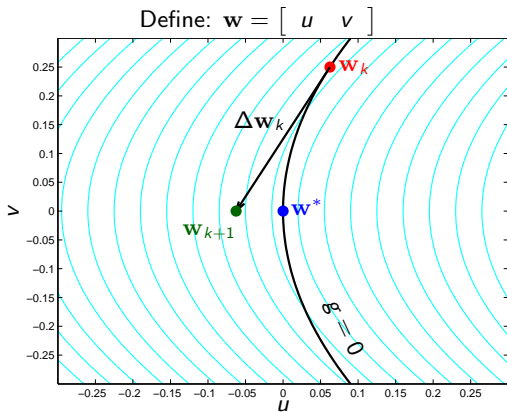
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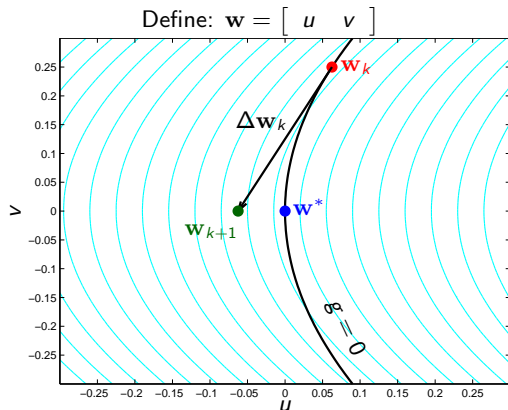
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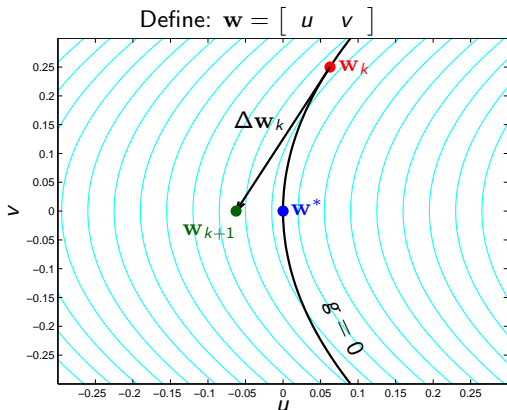
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