

# MINIMIZATION AND MAXIMIZATION

Univariate case:

$[x_L, x_u]$  brackets the extremum

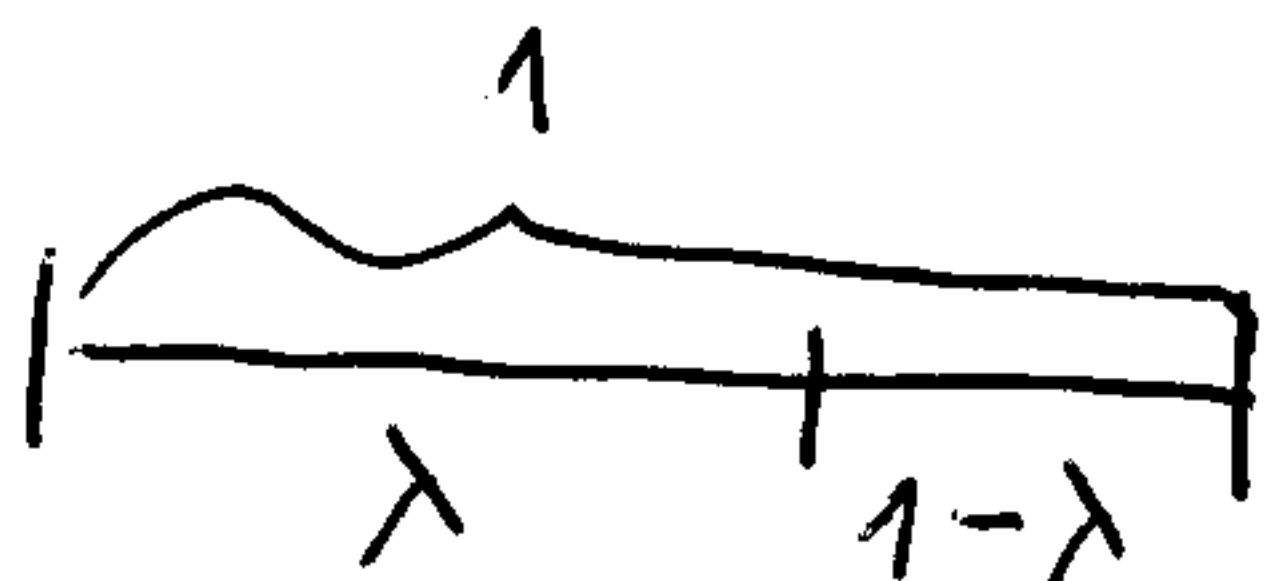


Section method: (for min)

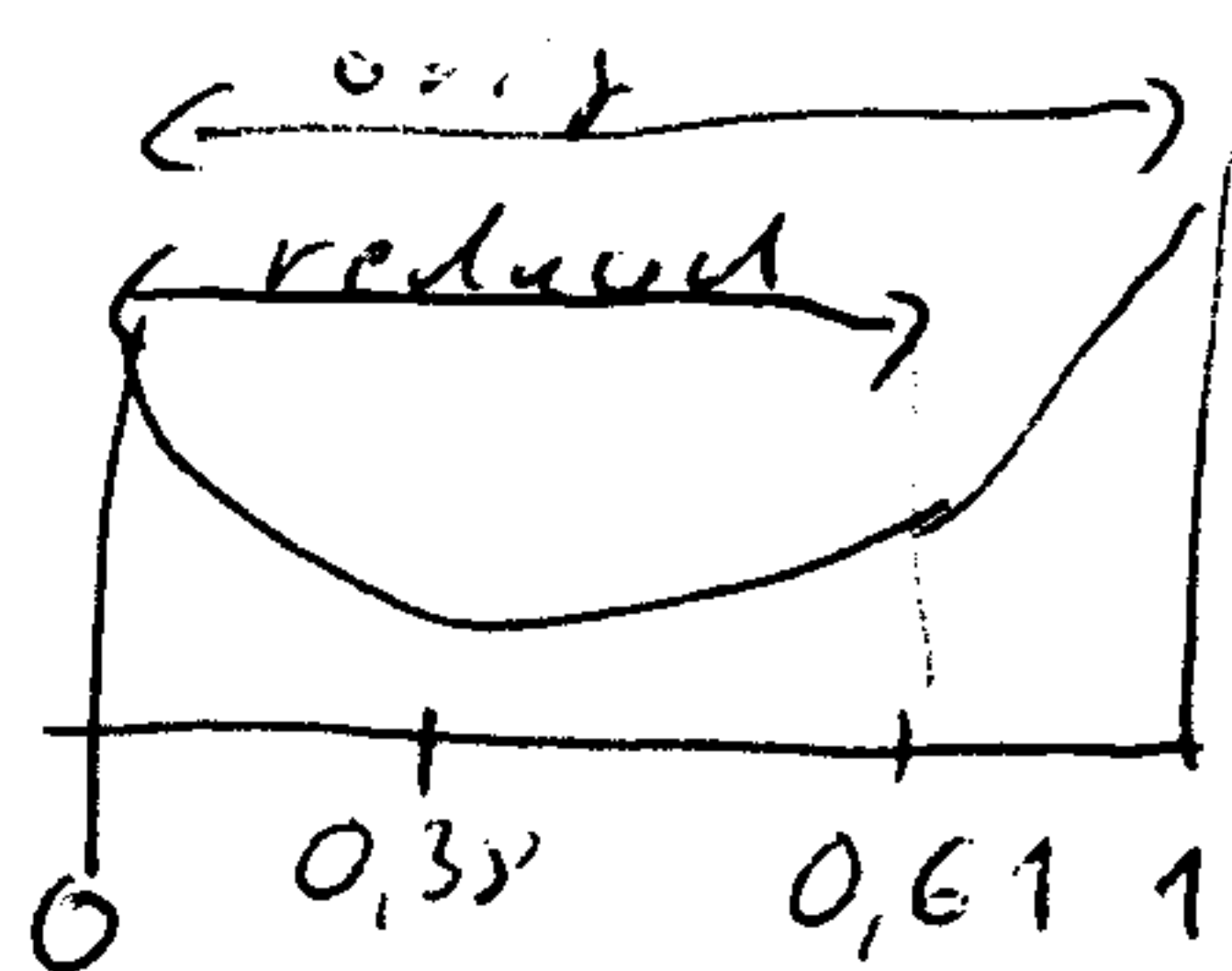
$x_L < x_1 < x_2 < x_u$ , calculate  $f(x_i)$ -s then reduce the interval as:  
 $f(x_1) \leq f(x_2) \Rightarrow$  new interval  $[x_L, x_2]$   
 $> \Rightarrow$  - " -  $[x_1, x_u]$

then add a new point within the interval to have 4 data.

golden section



$$\frac{1}{\lambda} = \frac{\lambda}{1-\lambda}$$
$$\lambda = 0.61803$$



$$x_1 = \lambda \cdot x_L + (1-\lambda) x_u$$

$$x_2 = (1-\lambda) \cdot x_L + \lambda \cdot x_u$$

repeat as in section methods, but point kept is also good in

parabolic interpolation

(3 points  $\rightarrow$  fit parabola  $\rightarrow$  min of parabola is  $x_4$ )

calculate  $x_1, f(x_1)$   $x_2, f(x_2)$   $x_3, f(x_3)$

$$x_4 = \frac{1}{2} \frac{(x_2^2 - x_3^2) f(x_1) + (x_3^2 - x_1^2) f(x_2) + (x_1^2 - x_2^2) f(x_3)}{(x_2 - x_3) f(x_1) + (x_3 - x_1) f(x_2) + (x_1 - x_2) f(x_3)}$$

sort  $x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4$  and throw away  $x_i$  most far from  $x_4$

Multivariate case

a) Only  $f(\underline{x})$  is used  $\underline{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$

Nelder-Mead simplex method

calculate  $f(\underline{x})$  in  $n+1$  points  $f(\underline{x}_1), f(\underline{x}_2), \dots$

definitions:  $\min f(\underline{x}) \rightarrow \underline{x}_{\min}$   
 $\max f(\underline{x}) \rightarrow \underline{x}_{\max}$

centre:  $\bar{\underline{x}} = (\sum \underline{x}_i - \underline{x}_{\max}) / n$

mirroring:  $\underline{x}^* = 2\bar{\underline{x}} - \underline{x}_{\max}$

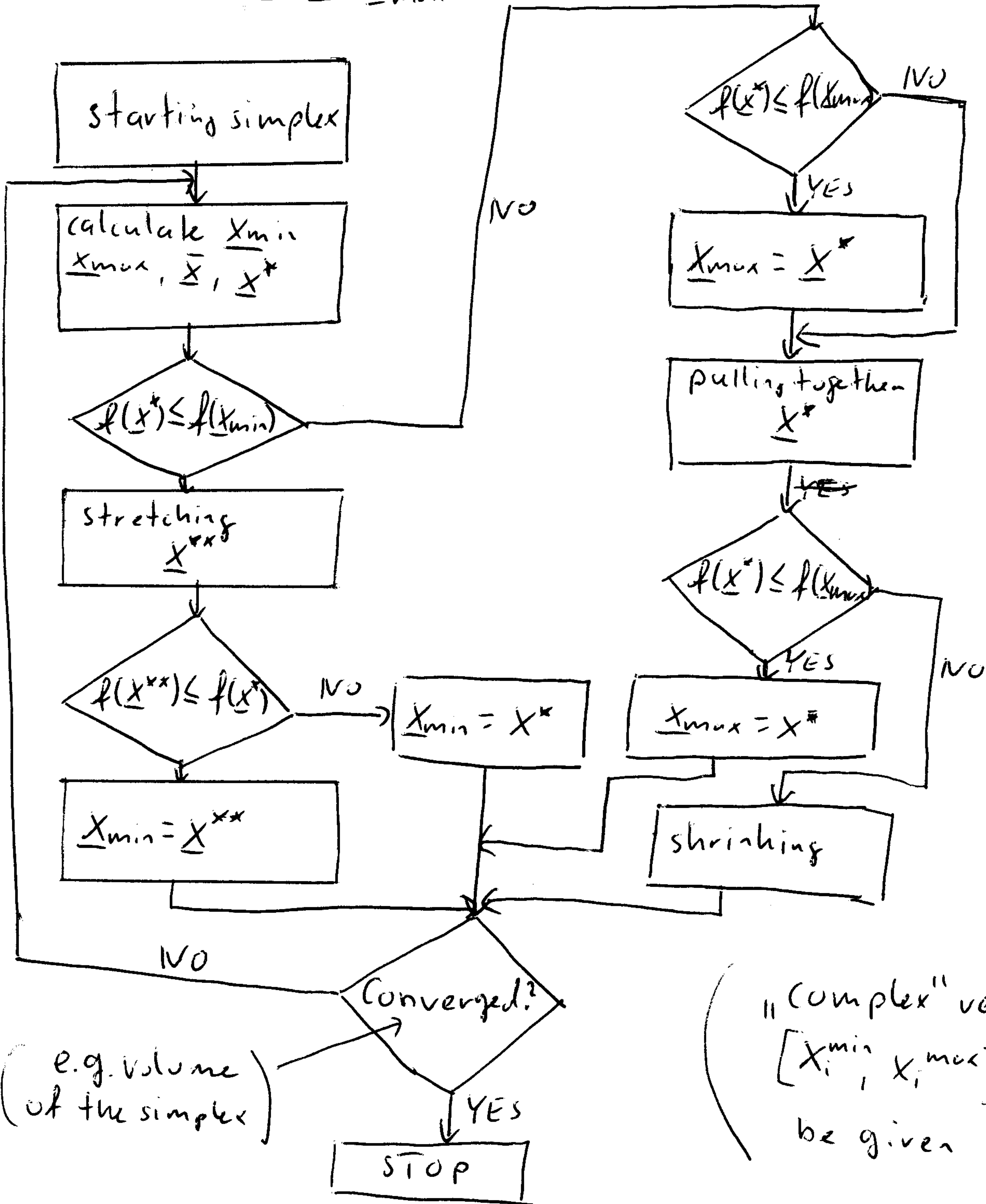
stretching:  $\underline{x}^{**} = \underline{x}^* + \bar{\underline{x}} - \underline{x}_{\max}$

$n=2 \rightarrow$  triangle

$\rightarrow$  polyhedron (simplex)

pulling together  
 shrinking:  $\underline{x}^* = (\underline{x}_{\max} + \bar{\underline{x}}) / 2$

shrinking:  $\underline{x}_i = (\underline{x}_i + \underline{x}_{\min}) / 2 \quad i=1..n+1$



(e.g. volume of the simplex)

"complex" version:  
 $[x_i^{\min}, x_i^{\max}]$  can be given

b) gradient methods  $f(\underline{x})$  and  $\frac{\partial f(\underline{x})}{\partial x_i} = g$  used

Steepest descent (for minima)

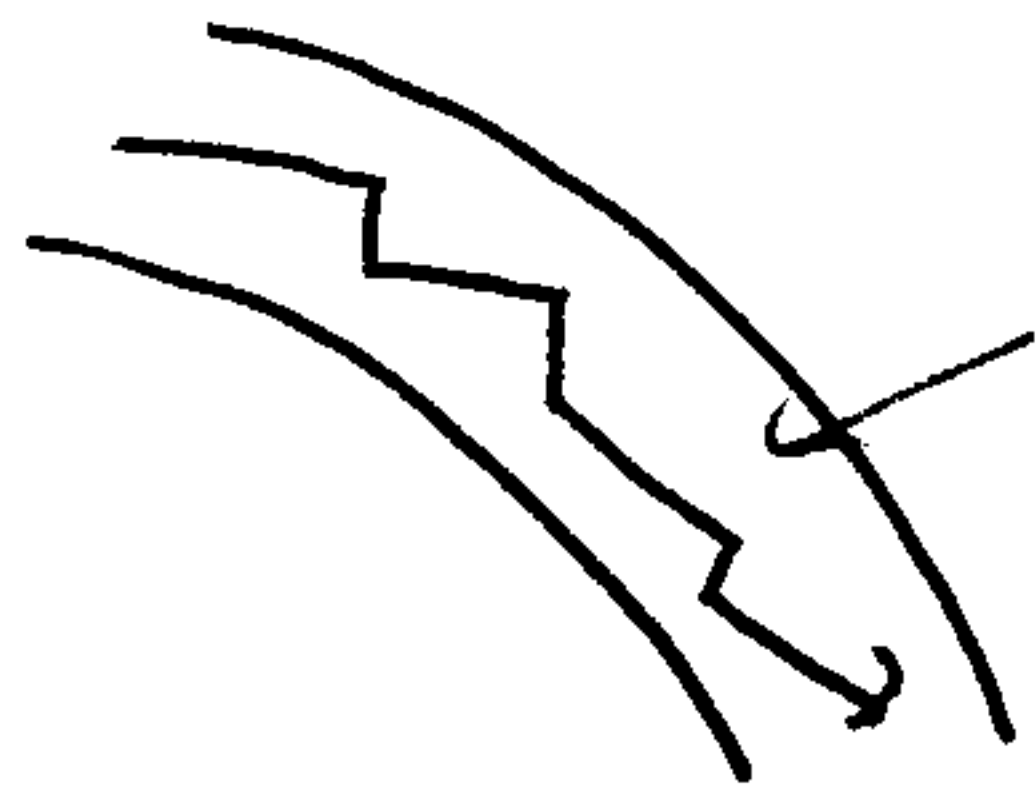
step in the direction of  $-g$

step size by line search as

-  $f(\underline{x}^k - \lambda \cdot g(\underline{x}^k))$  minimization with respect to  $\lambda$  ( $\lambda \geq 0$ )

-  $\underline{x}^{k+1} = \underline{x}^k - \lambda_{\min} g(\underline{x}^k)$

but:



the next step is perpendicular to the previous one  $\rightarrow$  bad convergence, small steps

$\leftarrow$  valley of minima

Conjugate gradient methods

step direction is not equal to gradient direction

two vectors:  $\underline{h}^i$  and  $\underline{g}^i = \nabla f(\underline{x}^i)$

$\underline{h}^0 = \underline{r}^0$   $\underline{x}^{i+1} = \underline{x}^i + \lambda_{\min} \underline{h}^i$  ( $\lambda_{\min}$  by line search)

in new position:  $\underline{g}^{i+1}$  and  $\underline{h}^{i+1} = \underline{g}^{i+1} + \gamma \cdot \underline{h}^i$

in a way, that

$\underline{g}^i \cdot \underline{g}^j = 0$  and  $\underline{g}^i \cdot \underline{h}^j = 0$  for all  $i \neq j$

different forms for  $\gamma_i$

Fletcher-Reeves

$$\gamma_i = \frac{\underline{g}^{i+1} \cdot \underline{g}^{i+1}}{\underline{g}^i \cdot \underline{g}^i}$$

Polak-Ribiere

$$\gamma_i = \frac{(\underline{g}^{i+1} - \underline{g}^i) \cdot \underline{g}^{i+1}}{\underline{g}^i \cdot \underline{g}^i}$$

Hestenes-Stiefel

$$\gamma_i = \frac{\underline{g}^{i+1} (\underline{g}^{i+1} - \underline{g}^i)}{\underline{h}^i (\underline{g}^{i+1} - \underline{g}^i)}$$

C) Newton-like methods

uses:  $f(\underline{x})$ ,  $\underline{g}(\underline{x})$ ,  $H \leftarrow$  second der.  $H_{ij} = \frac{\partial^2 f(\underline{x})}{\partial x_i \partial x_j}$   
 $\nabla^2 f(\underline{x})$  Hesse-matrix

series expansion:

$$f(\underline{x}) = f(\underline{x}^k) + (\underline{x} - \underline{x}^k) \cdot \nabla f(\underline{x}^k) + \frac{1}{2} (\underline{x} - \underline{x}^k)^T \cdot H(\underline{x} - \underline{x}^k)$$

$$\nabla f(\underline{x}) = 0 \text{ in extremum} \Rightarrow \Delta f(\underline{x}) = 0 = \nabla f(\underline{x}^k) + H(\underline{x} - \underline{x}^k)$$

$$\underline{x}^{k+1} = \underline{x}^k - (H(\underline{x}^k))^{-1} \cdot \underline{g}(\underline{x}^k)$$

at the end positive  
det., n.k., symmetric

$\lambda_{\min}$  can put here for line search.

Quasi-Newton methods (like Broyden earlier)  $\Rightarrow$  use  $B$

BFGS (Broyden-Fletcher-Goldfarb-Shann) instead of  $H$

1.) determination of step direction  $\underline{p}^k$

$$B^k \cdot \underline{p}^k = -\nabla f(\underline{x}^k) \quad (\text{e.g. using } (B^k)^{-1})$$

2.) line search

$$\underline{x}^{k+1} = \underline{x}^k + \lambda \cdot \underline{p}^k \quad \lambda \leftarrow \min f(\underline{x}^{k+1})$$

$$3.) \Delta \underline{x}^k = \lambda^k \underline{p}^k$$

$$\underline{y}^k = f(\underline{x}^{k+1}) - f(\underline{x}^k)$$

4.)  $B^{k+1} = B^k + \dots$  usually directly step 5

$$5.) (B^{k+1})^{-1} = (B^k)^{-1} + \frac{(\Delta \underline{x}^k \cdot \underline{y}^k + \underline{y}^k \cdot B^k \cdot \underline{y}^k) (\Delta \underline{x}^k \cdot \Delta \underline{x}^k)^T}{(\Delta \underline{x}^k \cdot \underline{y}^k)^2} - \frac{B^k \cdot \underline{y}^k \cdot \Delta \underline{x}^k + \Delta \underline{x}^k \cdot \underline{y}^k \cdot B^k}{\Delta \underline{x}^k \cdot \underline{y}^k}$$

$B^0$  e.g. identity matrix

for large molecules. L-BFGS  
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 (low memory)