

**Question 1:** Let  $\{(x_i, y_i) : 1 \leq i \leq n\}$  be a set of points on the plane. Let  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$

(a) Let

$$Y = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \dots \\ y_n \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad X = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 & 1 \\ x_2 & 1 \\ \dots & \dots \\ x_n & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Show

$$\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - (ax_i + b))^2 = \left( Y - X \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} \right)^T \left( Y - X \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

(b) Identify  $a, b$  that minimizes  $\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - (ax_i + b))^2$  as a solution to

$$X^T X \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} = X^T Y.$$

(c) Suppose we are given  $\left\{ \left( z_i, \begin{bmatrix} x_i \\ y_i \end{bmatrix} \right) : 1 \leq i \leq n \right\}$ . What linear system does  $a, b, c$  have to solve: so as to minimize  $\sum_{i=1}^n (z_i - (ax_i + by_i + c))^2$ ?

**Question 2:** Let  $f(x, y) = \frac{x^2}{2} + 2y^2$

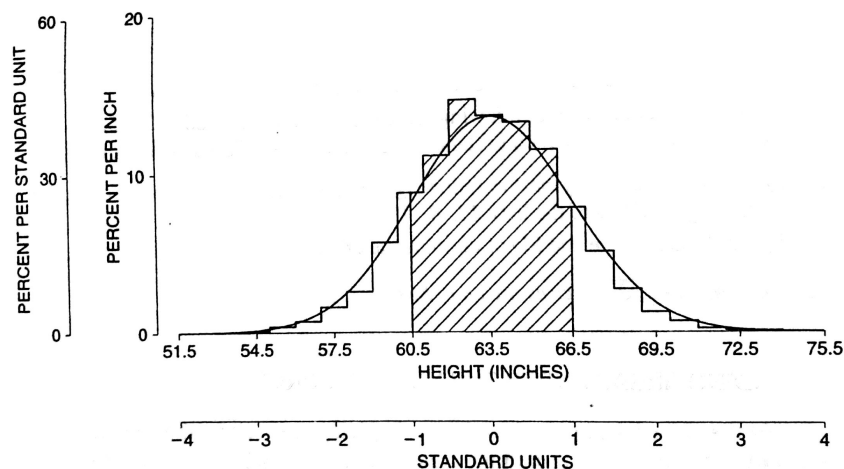
(a) Can you guess a minima for  $f$ ?

1. Draw the level curves of  $f$  at levels 1, 10, 100.

(b) Let  $x^{(0)} = (4, 1)$ . Find a suitable  $t_k$  for  $k \geq 1$ . Calculate  $x^{(k)}$  using Gradient Descent algorithm.

(c) Does  $x^{(k)}$  converge and if so where?

**Question 3:** The following is a histogram for heights of women compared to a normal curve. The average height of women is 63.5 inches and standard deviation is 3 inches. Using the normal



tables approximate

(a) the area under the histogram between 60.5 inches and 66.5 inches.

(b) the area under the histogram above 59 inches.