# **8.8 Constrained LS**

Why Constrain? Because sometimes we know (or believe!) certain values are not allowed for  $\theta$ 

<u>For example</u>: In emitter location you may know that the emitter's range can't exceed the "radio horizon"

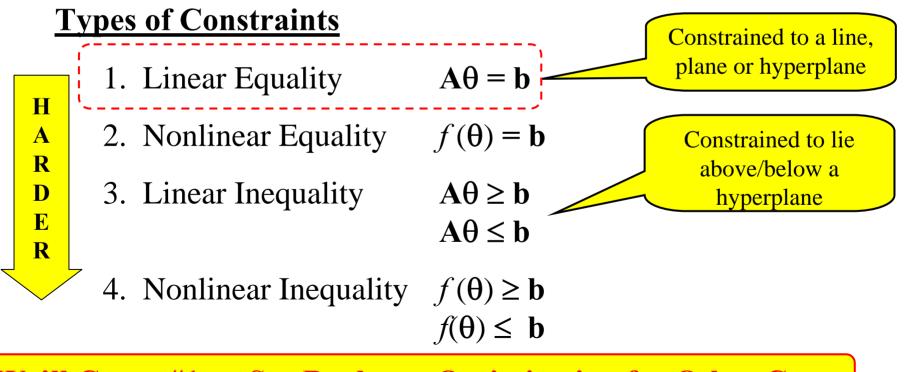
You may also know that the emitter is on the left side of the aircraft (because you got a strong signal from the left-side antennas and a weak one from the right-side antennas)

Thus, when finding  $\hat{\theta}_{LS}$  you want to constrain it to satisfy these conditions

# **Constrained LS Problem Statement**

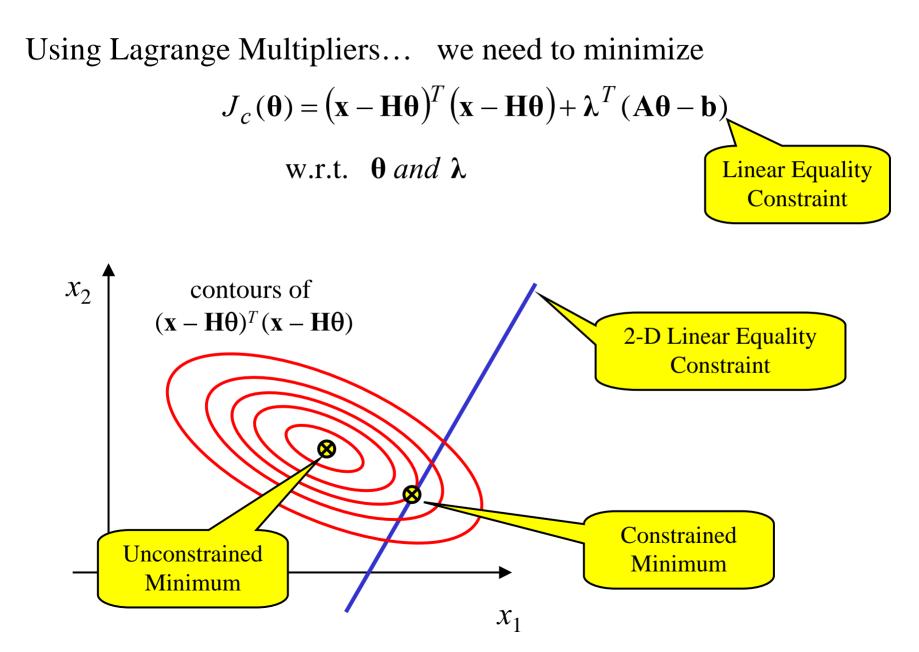
Say that  $S_c$  is the set of allowable  $\theta$  values (due to constraints). Then we seek  $\hat{\theta}_{CLS} \in S_c$  such that

$$\left\|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{H}\hat{\mathbf{\theta}}_{CLS}\right\|^2 = \min_{\mathbf{\theta}\in S_c} \left\|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{H}\mathbf{\theta}\right\|^2$$

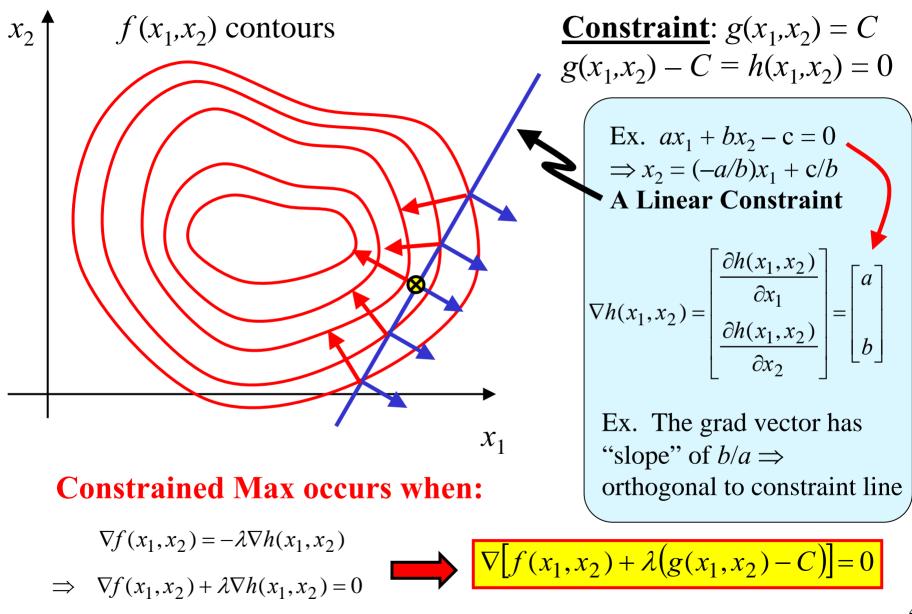


We'll Cover #1.... See Books on Optimization for Other Cases

## LS Cost with a Linear Equality Constraint



# **Constrained Optimization: Lagrange Multiplier**



### LS Solution with a Linear Equality Constraint

Follow the usual steps for Lagrange Multiplier Solution:

1. Set 
$$\frac{\partial J_c}{\partial \theta} = \mathbf{0} \implies \hat{\mathbf{\theta}}_{CLS}$$
 as a function of  $\lambda \quad \hat{\mathbf{\theta}}_{CLS}(\lambda)$   
 $-2\mathbf{H}^T\mathbf{x} + 2\mathbf{H}^T\mathbf{H}\mathbf{\theta} + \mathbf{A}^T\lambda = \mathbf{0} \implies \hat{\mathbf{\theta}}_c(\lambda) = (\mathbf{H}^T\mathbf{H})^{-1}\mathbf{H}^T\mathbf{x} - \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{H}^T\mathbf{H})^{-1}\mathbf{A}^T\lambda$   
Unconstrained Estimate

2. Solve for  $\lambda$  to make  $\hat{\theta}_{CLS}$  satisfy the constraint:  $\underbrace{A\hat{\theta}_c(\lambda) = \mathbf{b}}_{solve for \ \lambda \Rightarrow \lambda_c}$ 

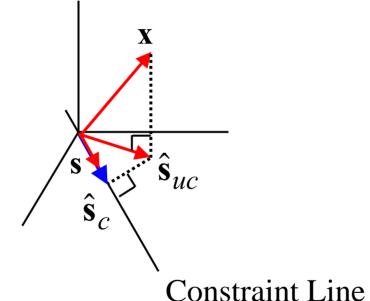
$$\mathbf{A}\left[\hat{\mathbf{\theta}}_{uc} - \frac{1}{2}\left(\mathbf{H}^{T}\mathbf{H}\right)^{-1}\mathbf{A}^{T}\boldsymbol{\lambda}\right] = \mathbf{b} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \boldsymbol{\lambda}_{c} = 2\left[\mathbf{A}\left(\mathbf{H}^{T}\mathbf{H}\right)^{-1}\mathbf{A}^{T}\right]^{-1}\left(\mathbf{A}\hat{\mathbf{\theta}}_{uc} - \mathbf{b}\right)$$

3. Plug in to get the constrained solution:  $\hat{\theta}_c = \hat{\theta}_c(\lambda_c)$ 

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{c} = \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{uc} - \left(\boldsymbol{H}^{T}\boldsymbol{H}\right)^{-1}\boldsymbol{A}^{T}\left[\boldsymbol{A}\left(\boldsymbol{H}^{T}\boldsymbol{H}\right)^{-1}\boldsymbol{A}^{T}\right]^{-1}\left(\boldsymbol{A}\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{uc} - \boldsymbol{b}\right)$$
Correction Term
Amount of
Constraint Deviation

## **Geometry of Constrained Linear LS**

The above result can be interpreted geometrically:



**Constrained Estimate of the Signal is the Projection of the Unconstrained Estimate** onto the Linear Constraint Subspace

## **8.9 Nonlinear LS**

Everything we've done up to now has assumed a <u>linear</u> observation model... but we've already seen that many applications have nonlinear observation models:  $s(\theta) \neq H\theta$ 

Recall: For linear case – closed-form solution

< Not so for nonlinear case!! >

Must use <u>numerical</u>, <u>iterative</u> methods to minimize the LS cost given by:

 $J(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = [\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{s}(\boldsymbol{\theta})]^{\mathrm{T}} [\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{s}(\boldsymbol{\theta})]$ 

But first... Two Tricks!!!

## **Two Tricks for Nonlinear LS**

Sometimes it is possible to:

- 1. Transform into a <u>Linear</u> Problem
- 2. Separate out any Linear Parameters

Trick #1: Seek an invertible function

such that

 $\mathbf{s}(\mathbf{\theta}(\mathbf{\alpha})) = \mathbf{H}\mathbf{\alpha}$ , which can be easily solved for  $\hat{\alpha}_{LS}$ and then find  $\hat{\theta}_{LS} = g^{-1}(\hat{\alpha}_{LS})$ 

 $\begin{cases} g(\mathbf{\theta}) = \mathbf{\alpha} \\ \mathbf{\theta} = \sigma^{-1} \\ \end{cases}$ 

Trick #2:See if some of the parameters are linear:[a]

Try to decompose 
$$\theta = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{bmatrix}$$
 to get  $s(\theta) = H(\alpha)\beta$   
Linear in  $\beta!!!$ 

**Sometimes** 

Possible to Do

**Both Tricks** 

**Together** 

## **Example of Linearization Trick**

Consider estimation of a sinusoid's amplitude and phase (with a <u>known frequency</u>): [1]

$$s[n] = A\cos(2\pi f_o n + \phi) \qquad \mathbf{\theta} = \begin{bmatrix} A \\ \\ \phi \end{bmatrix}$$

But we can re-write this model as:

$$s[n] = \underbrace{A\cos(\phi)}_{\alpha_1} \cos(2\pi f_o n) - \underbrace{A\sin(\phi)}_{\alpha_2} \sin(2\pi f_o n)$$

which is linear in  $\boldsymbol{\alpha} = [\alpha_1 \ \alpha_2]^T$  so:  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\alpha}} = (\mathbf{H}^T \mathbf{H})^{-1} \mathbf{H}^T \mathbf{x}$ 

Then map this estimate back using

Note that for this example this is merely exploiting polar-torectangular ideas!!!

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}} = g^{-1}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\alpha}}) = \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{\hat{\alpha}_1^2 + \hat{\alpha}_2^2} \\ \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{-\hat{\alpha}_2}{\hat{\alpha}_1}\right) \end{bmatrix}$$

### **Example of Separation Trick**

Consider a signal model of three exponentials:

$$s[n] = A_1 r^n + A_2 r^{2n} + A_3 r^{3n} \quad 0 < r < 1$$
$$\boldsymbol{\Theta} = \begin{bmatrix} A_1 & A_2 & A_3 & r \\ \boldsymbol{\beta}^T & \boldsymbol{\alpha} \end{bmatrix}^T$$

Then we can write:

$$\mathbf{H}(r) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ r & r^2 & r^3 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ r^{N-1} & r^{2(N-1)} & r^{3(N-1)} \end{bmatrix}$$

Then we need to minimize :

$$J(r) = \left[ \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{H}(r)\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}(r) \right]^{T} \left[ \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{H}(r)\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}(r) \right]$$
  
=  $\left[ \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{H}(r)[\mathbf{H}^{T}(r)\mathbf{H}(r)]^{-1}\mathbf{H}^{T}(r)\mathbf{x} \right]^{T} \left[ \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{H}(r)[\mathbf{H}^{T}(r)\mathbf{H}(r)]^{-1}\mathbf{H}^{T}(r)\mathbf{x} \right]$ 

 $\mathbf{s}(\mathbf{\theta}) = \mathbf{H}(r)\mathbf{\beta}$ 

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}(r) = [\mathbf{H}^T(r)\mathbf{H}(r)]^{-1}\mathbf{H}^T(r)\mathbf{x}$$

Depends on only <u>one</u> variable... so might conceivably just compute on a grid and find minimum

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# **Iterative Methods for Solving Nonlinear LS**

**<u>Goal</u>**: Find  $\theta$  value that minimizes  $J(\theta) = [\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{s}(\theta)]^T [\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{s}(\theta)]$  without computing it over a *p*-dimensional grid

### Two most common approaches:

### 1. Newton-Raphson

- a. Analytically find  $\partial J(\theta)/\partial \theta$
- b. Apply Newton-Raphson to find a zero of  $\partial J(\theta)/\partial \theta$ 
  - (i.e. linearize  $\partial J(\theta) / \partial \theta$  about the current estimate)
- c. Iteratively Repeat

### 2. Gauss-Newton

- a. Linearize signal model  $\mathbf{s}(\boldsymbol{\theta})$  about the current estimate
- b. Solve resulting linear problem
- c. Iteratively Repeat

#### **Both involve:**

- Linearization (but they each linearize something different!)
- Solve linear problem
- Iteratively improve result

### **Newton-Raphson Solution to Nonlinear LS**

To find minimum of 
$$J(\theta)$$
: set  $\frac{\partial J}{\partial \theta} = 0$   
 $\stackrel{\triangleq}{=} g(\theta)$   
Need to find  $\frac{\partial J(\theta)}{\partial \theta} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial J(\theta)}{\partial \theta_1} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\partial J(\theta)}{\partial \theta_p} \end{bmatrix}$  for  $J(\theta) = \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} (x[i] - s_{\theta}[i])^2$ 

Taking these partials gives:

$$\frac{\partial J(\mathbf{\theta})}{\partial \theta_{j}} = \underbrace{-2}_{\substack{can \\ ignore \\ Why?}} \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} \underbrace{(x[i] - s_{\mathbf{\theta}}[i])}_{\triangleq r_{i}} \underbrace{\frac{\partial s_{\mathbf{\theta}}[i]}{\partial \theta_{j}}}_{\triangleq h_{ij}}$$

Now set to zero: 
$$\sum_{\substack{i=0\\Matrix\\\times Vector}}^{N-1} r_{i}h_{ij} = 0 \quad for \ j = 1, \dots, p \qquad \Rightarrow g(\theta) = \mathbf{H}_{\theta}^{T}\mathbf{r}_{\theta} = \mathbf{0}$$
Depend nonlinearly on  $\theta$ 

$$\mathbf{H}_{\theta} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial s_{\theta}[0]}{\partial \theta_{1}} & \frac{\partial s_{\theta}[0]}{\partial \theta_{2}} & \dots & \frac{\partial s_{\theta}[0]}{\partial \theta_{p}} \\ \frac{\partial s_{\theta}[1]}{\partial \theta_{1}} & \frac{\partial s_{\theta}[1]}{\partial \theta_{2}} & \dots & \frac{\partial s_{\theta}[1]}{\partial \theta_{p}} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \dots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial s_{\theta}[N-1]}{\partial \theta_{1}} & \frac{\partial s_{\theta}[N-1]}{\partial \theta_{2}} & \dots & \frac{\partial s_{\theta}[N-1]}{\partial \theta_{p}} \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{r}_{\theta} = \begin{bmatrix} (x[0] - s_{\theta}[0]) \\ \vdots \\ (x[N-1] - s_{\theta}[N-1]) \end{bmatrix}$$

Define the  $i^{\text{th}} \underline{\text{row}}$  of  $\mathbf{H}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}$ :  $\mathbf{h}_{i}^{T}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial s_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}[i]}{\partial \theta_{1}} & \frac{\partial s_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}[i]}{\partial \theta_{2}} & \cdots & \frac{\partial s_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}[i]}{\partial \theta_{P}} \end{bmatrix}$ 

Then the equation to solve is:  $g(\theta) = \mathbf{H}_{\theta}^T \mathbf{r}_{\theta} = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} r_{\theta}[n]\mathbf{h}_i(\theta) = \mathbf{0}$ 

For Newton-Raphson we linearize  $g(\theta)$  around our current estimate and iterate: Need this

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{k+1} = \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_k - \left[ \left[ \frac{\partial g(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}} \right]^{-1} g(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \right]_{\boldsymbol{\theta} = \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_k} = \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_k - \left[ \left[ \frac{\partial \mathbf{H}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}^T \mathbf{r}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}}{\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}} \right]^{-1} \mathbf{H}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}^T \mathbf{r}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \right]_{\boldsymbol{\theta} = \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_k}$$

∂θ

n=0

### So the Newton-Raphson method becomes:

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{k+1} = \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{k} - \left[ \left[ \frac{\partial \mathbf{H}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}^{T} \mathbf{r}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}}{\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}} \right]^{-1} \mathbf{H}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}^{T} \mathbf{r}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \right]_{\boldsymbol{\theta} = \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{k}}$$

$$= \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{k} + \left[ \mathbf{H}_{\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{k}}^{T} \mathbf{H}_{\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{k}} - \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} \mathbf{G}_{n}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{k}) \left( \mathbf{x}[n] - s_{\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{k}}[n] \right) \right]^{-1} \mathbf{H}_{\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{k}}^{T} \left( \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{s}_{\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{k}} \right)$$

$$1^{\text{st}} \text{ partials of signal w.r.t. parameters} \qquad 2^{\text{nd}} \text{ partials of } s[n] \text{ w.r.t. parameters}$$

<u>Note</u>: if the signal <u>is linear</u> in parameters... this collapses to the noniterative result we found for the linear case!!!

### Newton-Raphson LS Iteration Steps:

- 1. Start with an initial estimate
- 2. Iterate the above equation until change is "small"

## **Gauss-Newton Solution to Nonlinear LS**

First we <u>linearize the model</u> around our current estimate by using a Taylor series and keeping only the linear terms:

$$\mathbf{s}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \approx \mathbf{s}_{\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{k}} + \underbrace{\left[\frac{\partial \mathbf{s}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}}{\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}}\right]_{\boldsymbol{\theta} = \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{k}}}_{\triangleq \mathbf{H}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{k})} \mathbf{(\boldsymbol{\theta} - \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{k})}$$

Then we use this linearized model in the LS cost:

$$J(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = [\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{s}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}]^{T} [\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{s}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}]$$
  

$$\approx \left[ \mathbf{x} - \left\{ \mathbf{s}_{\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{k}} + \mathbf{H}_{\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{k}} (\boldsymbol{\theta} - \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{k}) \right\} \right]^{T} \left[ \mathbf{x} - \left\{ \mathbf{s}_{\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{k}} + \mathbf{H}_{\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{k}} (\boldsymbol{\theta} - \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{k}) \right\} \right]$$
  

$$= \left[ \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{s}_{\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{k}} + \mathbf{H}_{\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{k}} \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{k} - \mathbf{H}_{\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{k}} \boldsymbol{\theta} \right]^{T} \left[ \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{s}_{\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{k}} + \mathbf{H}_{\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{k}} \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{k} - \mathbf{H}_{\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{k}} \boldsymbol{\theta} \right]$$
  

$$\triangleq \mathbf{y}$$
  
All Known Things

This gives a form for the LS cost that looks like a linear problem!!

$$J(\mathbf{\theta}) = \left[ \mathbf{y} - \mathbf{H}_{\hat{\mathbf{\theta}}_k} \mathbf{\theta} \right]^T \left[ \mathbf{y} - \mathbf{H}_{\hat{\mathbf{\theta}}_k} \mathbf{\theta} \right]$$

We know the LS solution to that problem is

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{k+1} = \left[ \mathbf{H}_{\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{k}}^{T} \mathbf{H}_{\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{k}}^{T} \right]^{-1} \mathbf{H}_{\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{k}}^{T} \mathbf{y}$$

$$= \left[ \mathbf{H}_{\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{k}}^{T} \mathbf{H}_{\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{k}}^{T} \right]^{-1} \mathbf{H}_{\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{k}}^{T} \left( \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{s}_{\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{k}}^{T} + \mathbf{H}_{\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{k}}^{T} \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{k}^{T} \right)$$

$$= \underbrace{\left[ \mathbf{H}_{\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{k}}^{T} \mathbf{H}_{\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{k}}^{T} \right]^{-1} \mathbf{H}_{\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{k}}^{T} \mathbf{H}_{\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{k}}^{T} \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{k}^{T} + \left[ \mathbf{H}_{\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{k}}^{T} \mathbf{H}_{\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{k}}^{T} \right]^{-1} \mathbf{H}_{\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{k}}^{T} \left( \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{s}_{\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{k}}^{T} \right)$$

Gauss-Newton LS Iteration:

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{k+1} = \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{k} + \left[ \mathbf{H}_{\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{k}}^{T} \mathbf{H}_{\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{k}}^{T} \right]^{-1} \mathbf{H}_{\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{k}}^{T} \left( \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{s}_{\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{k}}^{T} \right)$$

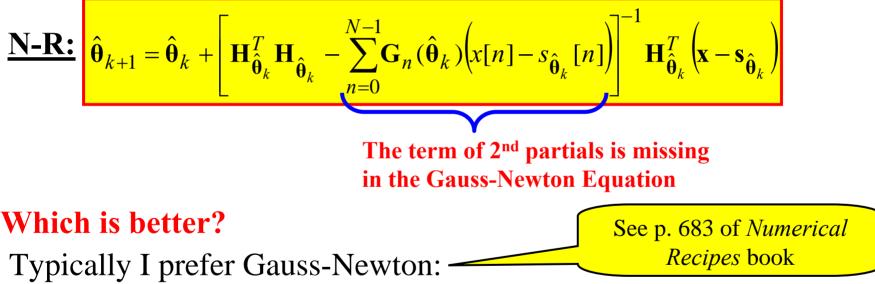
Gauss-Newton LS Iteration Steps:

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## Newton-Raphson vs. Gauss-Newton

### How do these two methods compare?

**G-N:** 
$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{k+1} = \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_k + \left[ \mathbf{H}_{\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_k}^T \mathbf{H}_{\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_k} \right]^{-1} \mathbf{H}_{\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_k}^T \left( \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{s}_{\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_k} \right)$$



- $\mathbf{G}_n$  matrices are often small enough to be negligible
- ... or the error term is small enough to make the sum term negligible
- Inclusion of the sum term can sometimes de-stablize the iteration