

In the industry, typical activities performed in optimization are:

- Detect pipe section, component with high Δp . $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{too small size} \\ \text{blockage} \end{array} \right.$
- Verify design conditions of equipment vs actual operating conditions.
- Study and analyze maintenance, installation, testing logistics, detect deficiencies, problems and take measures.
- Identify sources with non attractive characteristics (H_2S , wC), and limit their production
- Review failure data and detect patterns
- Identification ^{and address} of operational constraints or bottleneck.
- calibration of instrumentation
- identifying and monitoring KPIs
key performance indicators



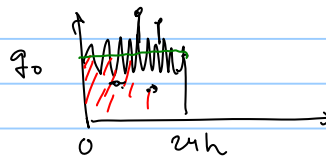
- ① → • find settings of adjustable elements that give the maximum revenue and satisfy the multiple operational constraints.

mathematical procedure that can guarantee optimality.

tools used to perform optimization: • historic data (reported)

> 1000 sensors

- look at more frequent data



- instrumentation
- experience from field operators.
- numerical models.

Formal-mathematical $\rightarrow$ Production optimization

short term

• min $\rightarrow$ weeks

(is neglects time)
effect, steady state

- real-time production optimization
- gas-lift allocation $\leftarrow$ gas lift rate
- routing $\rightarrow$ open or close valve

• ESP systems (chase +)

• processing opt.

long-term

month $\rightarrow$ years

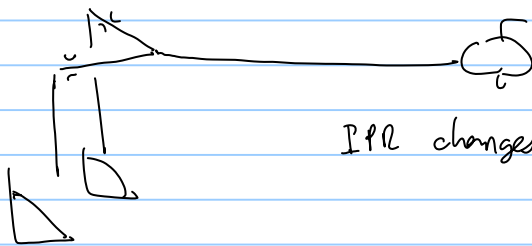
i - nr. well

• reservoir control

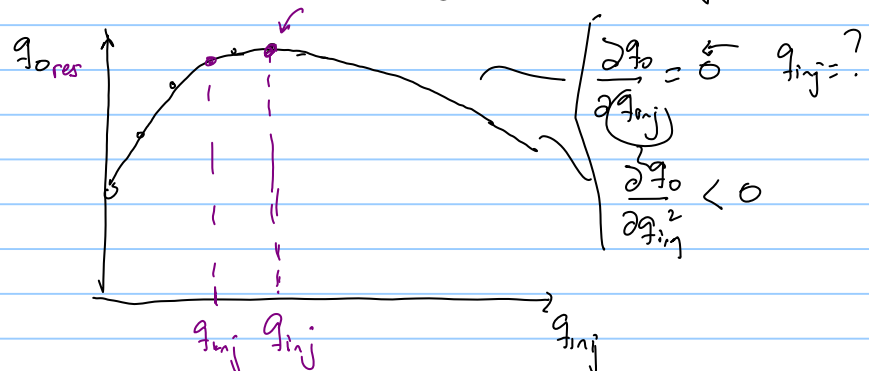
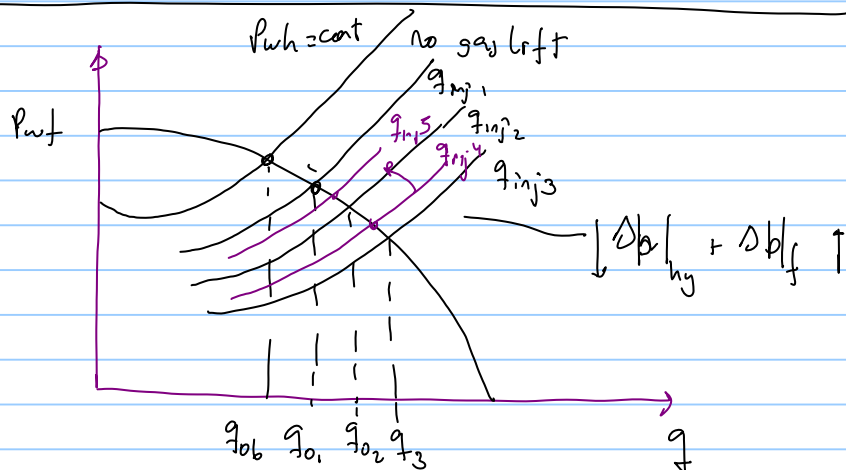
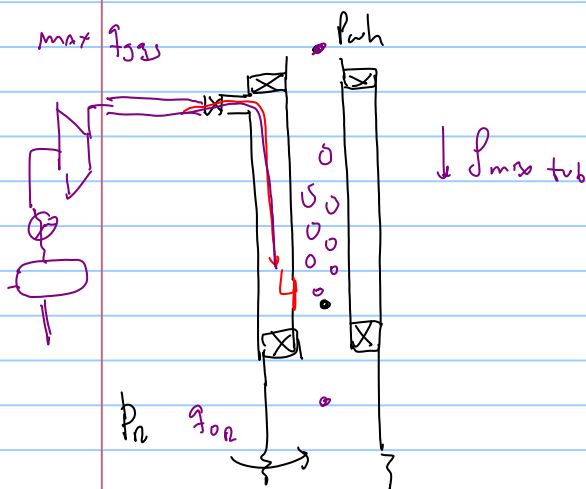
find $q_0(t)$
that gives max NPV
max RF

considering the time
effect in a long
time scale

• well placement



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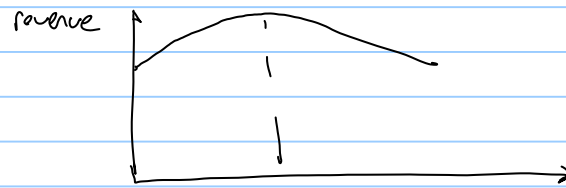
operational constraints have to be
taken into account when performing
optimization

- gas capacity
- water processing capacity
- gas processing capacity

maximize this optimization on revenue

- gas coning
- water coning
- sand production
- power consumption
- erosion

$$\text{revenue} = q_o \cdot P_o - q_g \cdot P_w \quad \text{or} \quad \text{revenue} = \dot{q}_o \cdot P_o - \frac{\text{cost} \cdot \text{power}}{\omega}$$



An optimization problem consists on 3 things

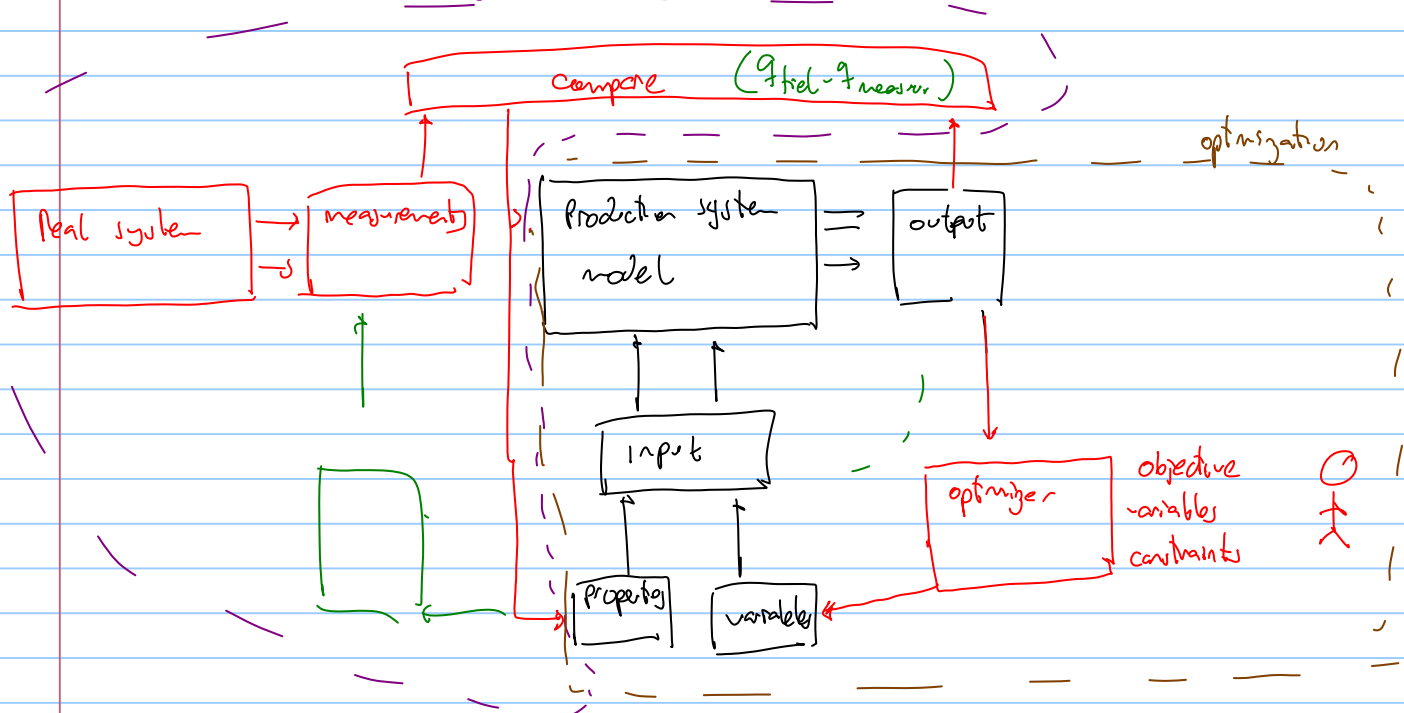
- objective $\rightarrow$ max $\rightarrow q_o, q_g, RF, MPV$
 $\rightarrow$ min $\rightarrow$ cost, q_w , downtime, etc

- variable $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{chose position, well placement} \\ \text{gas lift rate} \\ \text{pump frequency} \\ \text{well rating} \end{array} \right\}$ only the essential

- constraint $\left\{ \right.$

for optimization we use numerical models

data assimilation



How is optimization performed?

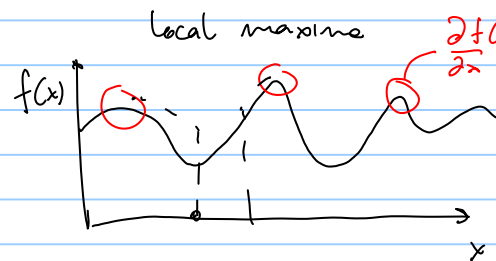
- perform single or multiple evaluations of model for different input conditions
- estimating the next set of input conditions that you want to evaluate (algorithm).
- checking if the stopping criteria is met.

there are different types of optimization problems

- variable type $\rightarrow$ continuous
 $\rightarrow$ integer

- constraints: constrained
or unconstrained

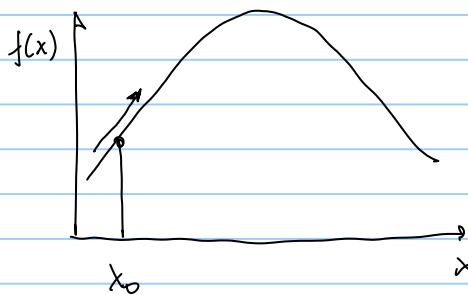
- linear vs non linear



run multiple starting points and verify that the solution doesn't change.

there are different methods to perform optimization:

- gradient based (derivative based)

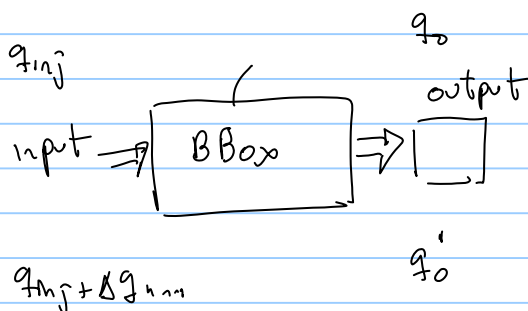


- move in the direction of gradient

Newton-Raphson type method

$$\left\{ \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right\} \quad \left\{ \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} \right\}$$

$$F(x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_n)$$



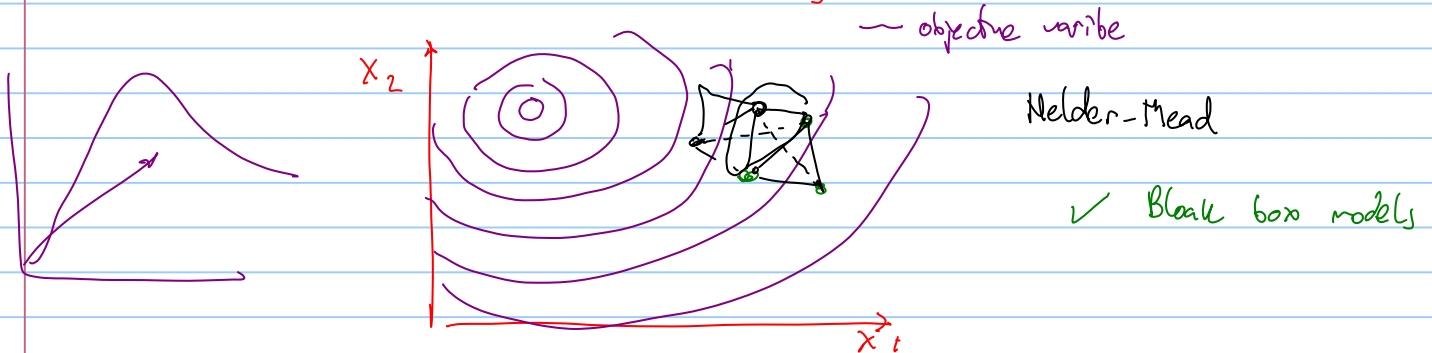
for black box models $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}$ is estimated numerically
no access to equations

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \approx \frac{f(x + \Delta x) - f(x)}{\Delta x}$$

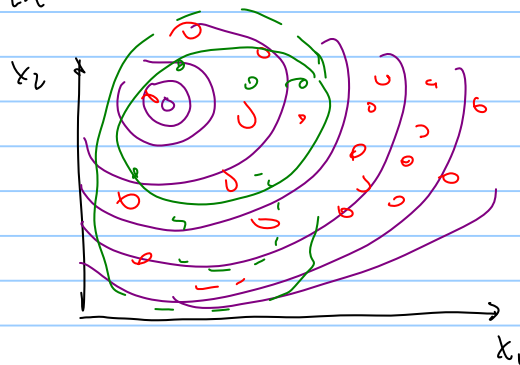
- for many variables is a prohibitive approach

- quick convergence

- heuristic methods. Some logic to chose the next point from the existing evaluations



- Evolutionary methods. evaluate a group of individuals. Select those who performed best and estimate new set of individuals
- genetic algorithm



to evaluate a whole population.