

Fast ADMM for Sum of Squares Programs Using Partial Orthogonality

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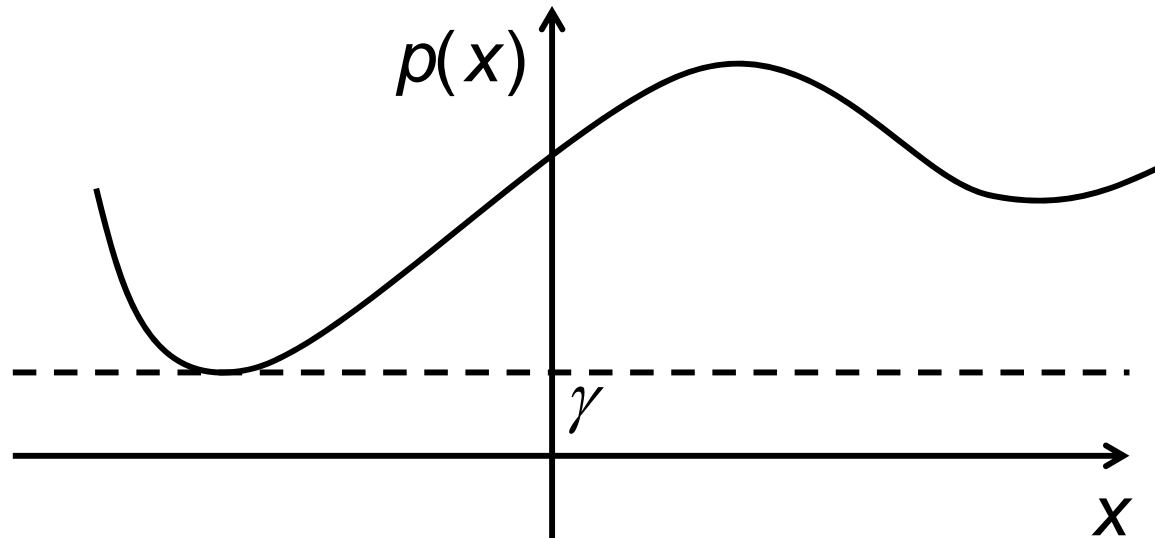
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Polynomial Optimisation

$$\text{Is } p(x) = \sum_{\alpha} p_{\alpha} x^{\alpha} \geq 0?$$

- Unconstrained polynomial optimisation

$$\min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} p(x) \quad \longleftrightarrow \quad \begin{array}{l} \max_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} \gamma \\ \text{s.t. } p(x) - \gamma \geq 0 \end{array}$$



- Other areas: graph partition, matrix copositivity test, etc.

Analysis in Dynamical Systems

Lyapunov:

$$\dot{x} = f(x), f(0) = 0, f \text{ Lipschitz,}$$

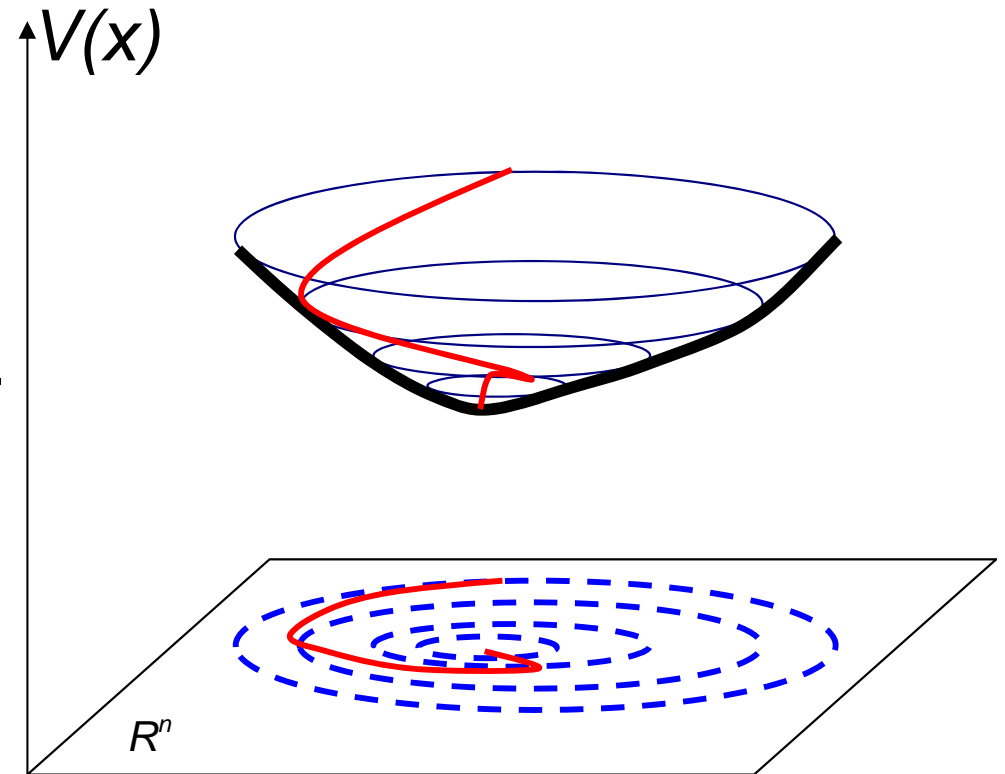
$$x(t) \in D \subseteq \mathbb{R}^{n_x}, 0 \in D$$

If $\exists V: D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ cont. differentiable s.t.

$$V(0) = 0, \text{ and } V(x) > 0 \text{ in } D \setminus \{0\}$$

$$-\dot{V}(x) = -\frac{\partial V(x)}{\partial x} f(x) > 0 \text{ in } D \setminus \{0\}$$

then $x = 0$ is asymptotically stable.



Checking if $p(x) \geq 0$ is NP-hard when $\deg(p) \geq 4$, $p \in \mathbb{R}[x]$.

Positive Polynomials and Sum of Squares

$p(x)$ is Sum of Squares $\Rightarrow p(x)$ is positive semi-definite

Shor:

$$p(x) = \sum_{i=1}^m q_i^2(x) \Rightarrow p(x) \geq 0$$

Worst-case polynomial

NP-hard when $\deg(p) \geq 4$

time complexity

Can be solved using semidefinite programming (SDP) (Parrilo),
which can be setup and solved using SOSTOOLS:

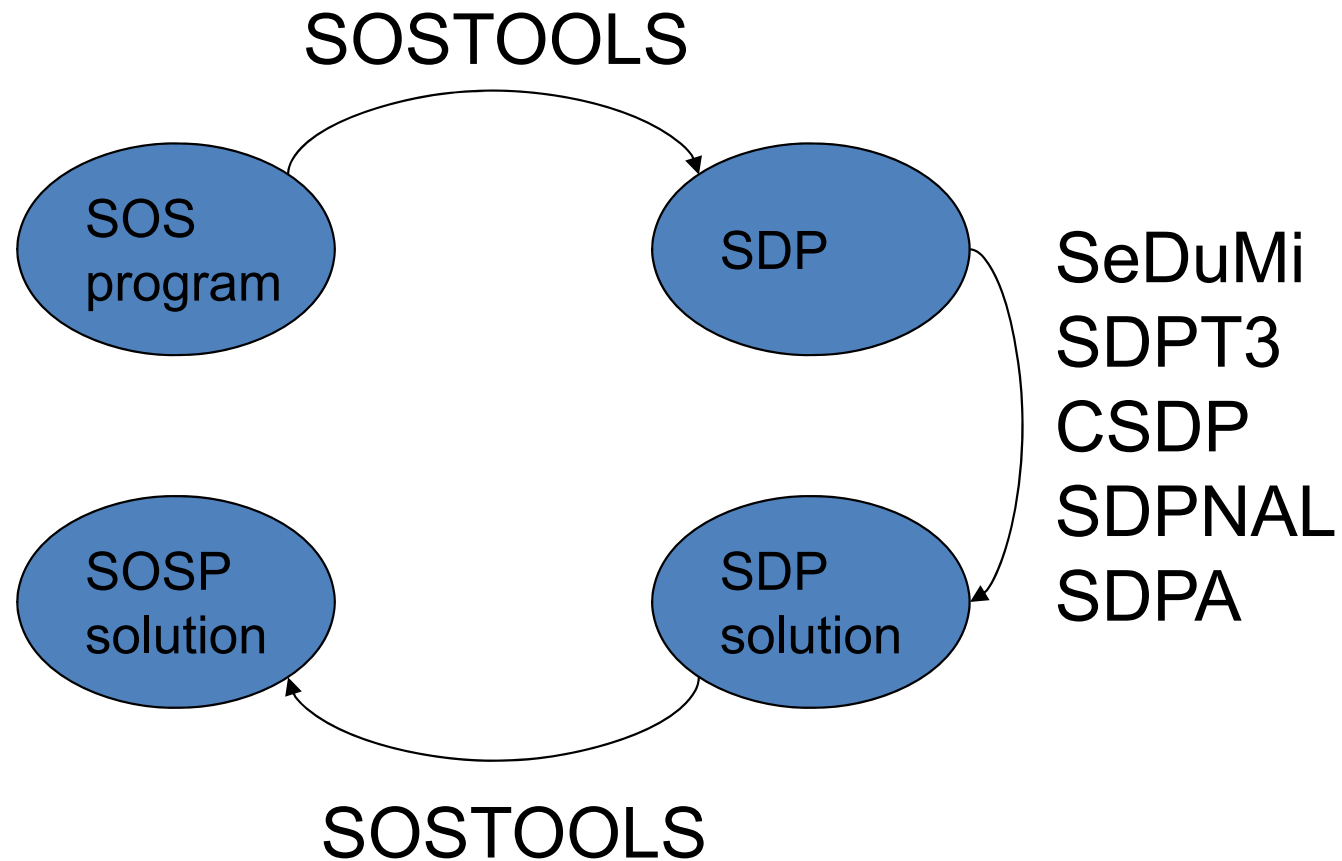
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Can also search for unknown coefficients of $p(x)$
so that $p(x)$ is SOS

SOSTOOLS

Formulates and solves the equivalent semidefinite programme (SDP)

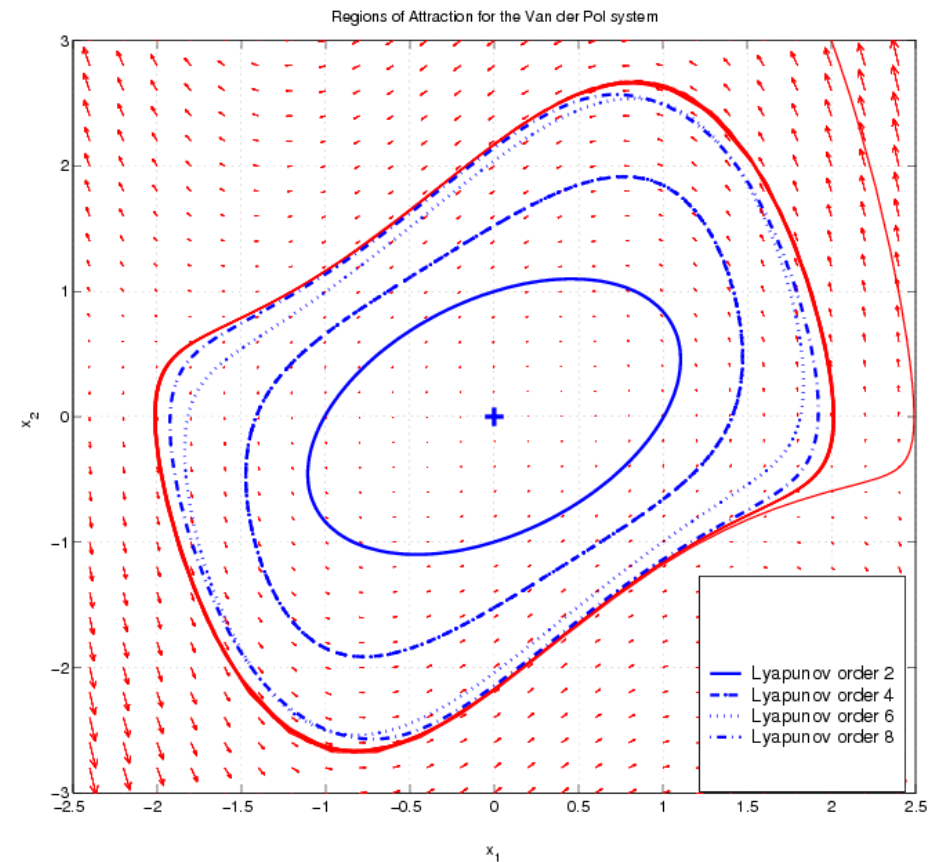
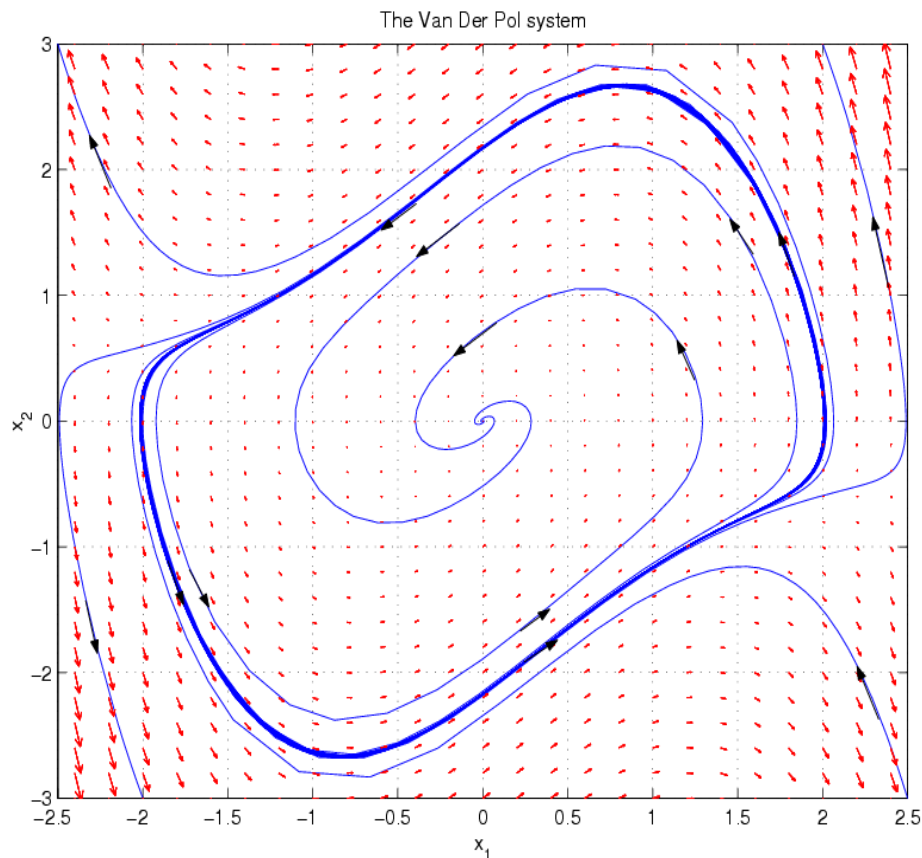
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Van der Pol Oscillator

$$\dot{x}_1 = -x_2$$

$$\dot{x}_2 = x_1 - (1 - x_1^2)x_2$$



Sum of Squares and Semidefinite Programming

$$p(x) = \sum_{i=1}^m q_i^2(x) = v_d(x)^T X v_d(x)$$

Proposition: p is SOS $\Leftrightarrow \exists X \geq 0$, $v_d(x)$ monomials of degree $\frac{\deg(p)}{2}$

Example: $p(x_1, x_2) = 5x_1^4 + 2x_2^4 - x_1^2 x_2^2 - 2x_1^3 x_2 - 2x_1 x_2^3$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} x_1^2 \\ x_2^2 \\ x_1 x_2 \end{bmatrix}^T \begin{array}{c} \overbrace{\begin{bmatrix} q_{11} & q_{12} & q_{13} \\ q_{12} & q_{22} & q_{23} \\ q_{13} & q_{23} & q_{33} \end{bmatrix}}^X \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \overbrace{\begin{bmatrix} x_1^2 \\ x_2^2 \\ x_1 x_2 \end{bmatrix}}^{v_d(x)} \end{array}$$

- Expand out and match coefficients:

$$q_{11} = 5, \quad q_{22} = 2, \quad 2q_{12} + q_{33} = -1, \quad q_{13} = -1, \quad q_{23} = -1$$

- Require that $X \geq 0$

What restricts SOS methods?

Computation

$$p(x) = \sum_{i=1}^m q_i^2(x) = v_d(x)^T X v_d(x), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

$$v_d(x) = \{x^\alpha \mid \alpha \in \mathbb{N}_d^n\}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x_1 & x_2 & \cdots & x_n & x_1^2 & x_1 x_2 & \cdots & x_n^d \end{bmatrix}, \text{ of size } \binom{n+d}{d}.$$

- Reduce the size of $v_d(x)$? Newton polytope, diagonal inconsistency, symmetry properties, and facial reduction
- Alternative formulation (DSOS/SDSOS), leading to linear programs (LPs) or second-order-cone programs (SOCPs)
- Solving the SDPs by more scalable first-order methods (FOMs) at the cost of reduced accuracy.

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Formalism

$$s(x) = g_0(x) - \sum_{i=1}^t u_i g_i(x) \text{ is SOS}$$

$$\text{iff } s(x) = v_d(x)^T X v_d(x) = \langle X, v_d(x) v_d(x)^T \rangle, X \geq 0$$

- Indicator matrices $(B_\alpha)_{\beta,\gamma} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \beta + \gamma = \alpha \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$
- Then
$$v_d(x) v_d(x)^T = \sum_{\alpha} B_\alpha x^\alpha$$
- And therefore
$$\sum_{\alpha} \left(g_{0,\alpha} - \sum_{i=1}^t u_i g_{i,\alpha} \right) x^\alpha = \sum_{\alpha} \langle B_\alpha, X \rangle x^\alpha$$
- Coefficient Matching Conditions
$$\left(g_{0,\alpha} - \sum_{i=1}^t u_i g_{i,\alpha} \right) = \langle B_\alpha, X \rangle$$

Our strategy

$$\min w^T u$$

$$\text{s. t. } s(x) = g_0(x) - \sum_{i=1}^t u_i g_i(x),$$

$$s \in \Sigma[x]$$

$$\min w^T u$$

$$\text{s. t. } \langle B_\alpha, X \rangle + \sum_{i=1}^t u_i g_{i,\alpha} = g_{0,\alpha}, \quad \forall \alpha \in \mathbb{N}_{2d}^n,$$

$$X \geq 0$$

- Size of the SDP

n	4	6	8	10	12	14	16	18
$2d = 2$	(5, 15)	(7, 28)	(9, 45)	(11, 66)	(13, 91)	(15, 120)	(17, 153)	(19, 190)
$2d = 4$	(15, 70)	(28, 210)	(45, 495)	(66, 1001)	(91, 1820)	(120, 3060)	(153, 4845)	(190, 7315)
$2d = 6$	(35, 210)	(84, 924)	(165, 3003)	(286, 8008)	(455, 18564)	(680, 38760)	(969, 74613)	(1330, 134596)

- Partial orthogonality in the resulting Semidefinite Programme
- A fast first order (ADMM) algorithm that exploits the partial orthogonality – trades accuracy for scalability.
- Implemented in CDCS-sos, downloadable

Standard SDP formulation

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & w^T u \\ \text{s. t.} \quad & \langle B_\alpha, X \rangle + \sum_{i=1}^t u_i g_{i,\alpha} = g_{0,\alpha}, \quad \forall \alpha \in \mathbb{N}_{2d}^n, \\ & X \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

- Notation

$$A_1 = \begin{bmatrix} g_{1,1} & \cdots & g_{t,1} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ g_{1,m} & \cdots & g_{t,m} \end{bmatrix}, \quad A_2 = \begin{bmatrix} \text{vec}(B_1)^T \\ \vdots \\ \text{vec}(B_m)^T \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A \doteq [A_1 \ A_2] \in R^{m \times (t+N^2)},$$

$$b \doteq [g_{0,1}, \dots, g_{0,m}]^T \in R^m,$$

$$c \doteq [w^T, 0, \dots, 0]^T \in R^{t+N^2},$$

$$\xi \doteq [u^T, \text{vec}(X)^T]^T \in R^{t+N^2},$$

$$\mathcal{K} \doteq R^t \times S_+$$

- Standard SDP formulation

$$\min_{\xi} \quad c^T \xi$$

$$\text{s. t.} \quad A\xi = b,$$

$$\xi \in \mathcal{K}$$

Standard SDP formulation

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 & \xi \in K
 \end{aligned}$$

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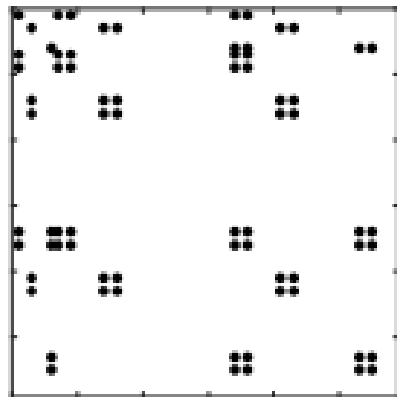
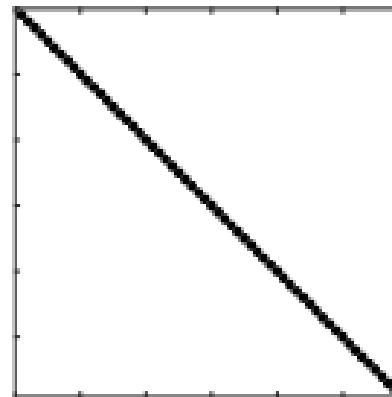
- The density of nonzero elements in A_2 is $O\left(\frac{1}{n^{2d}}\right)$.

n	4	6	8	10	12	14	16
$2d = 4$	1.42×10^{-2}	4.76×10^{-3}	2.02×10^{-3}	9.99×10^{-4}	5.49×10^{-4}	3.27×10^{-4}	2.06×10^{-4}
$2d = 6$	4.76×10^{-3}	1.08×10^{-3}	3.33×10^{-4}	1.25×10^{-4}	5.39×10^{-5}	2.58×10^{-5}	1.34×10^{-5}
$2d = 8$	2.02×10^{-3}	3.33×10^{-4}	7.77×10^{-5}	2.29×10^{-5}	7.94×10^{-6}	3.13×10^{-6}	1.36×10^{-6}

- $A_2 A_2^T$ is diagonal.
- The $m \times m$ matrix AA^T is of "diagonal plus low rank" form.

Partial Orthogonality

$$\left(g_{0,\alpha} - \sum_{i=1}^t u_i g_{i,\alpha} \right) = B_\alpha, \quad A_1 = \begin{bmatrix} g_{1,1} & \cdots & g_{t,1} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ g_{1,m} & \cdots & g_{t,m} \end{bmatrix}, \quad A_2 = \begin{bmatrix} \text{vec}(B_1)^T \\ \vdots \\ \text{vec}(B_m)^T \end{bmatrix}$$

 $A_1 A_1^T$  $A_2 A_2^T$

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ADMM for the homogeneous self-dual embedding

$$\min w^T u$$

$$\text{s. t. } \langle B_\alpha, X \rangle + \sum_{i=1}^t u_i g_{i,\alpha} = g_{0,\alpha}, \quad \forall \alpha \in \mathbb{N}_{2d}^n,$$

$$X \geq 0$$

$$\min_{\xi} c^T \xi$$

$$\text{s.t. } A\xi = b \\ \xi \in \mathcal{K}$$

$$\max_y b^T y$$

$$\text{s.t. } A^T y + z = c \\ z \in \mathcal{K}^*$$

- KKT conditions

- Primal feasibility

$$A\xi = b, \quad \xi \in \mathcal{K}$$

- Dual feasibility

$$A^T y + z = c, \quad z \in \mathcal{K}^*$$

- Zero-duality gap

$$c^T \xi - b^T y = 0$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} z \\ s \\ \kappa \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -A^T & c \\ A & 0 & -b \\ -c^T & b^T & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \xi \\ y \\ \tau \end{bmatrix}$$

ADMM for the Homogeneous self-dual embedding

$$\begin{bmatrix} z \\ s \\ \kappa \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -A^T & c \\ A & 0 & -b \\ -c^T & b^T & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \xi \\ y \\ \tau \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} \tau, \kappa \text{ are two non-negative} \\ \text{and complementary} \\ \text{variables} \end{array}$$

- Notational simplicity

$$v \triangleq \begin{bmatrix} z \\ s \\ \kappa \end{bmatrix}, \quad u \triangleq \begin{bmatrix} \xi \\ y \\ \tau \end{bmatrix}, \quad Q \triangleq \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -A^T & c \\ A & 0 & -b \\ -c^T & b^T & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathcal{C} = \mathcal{K} \times R^m \times R_+$$

- Feasibility problem

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{find} & (u, v) \\ \text{s.t.} & v = Qu \\ & (u, v) \in \mathcal{C} \times \mathcal{C}^* \end{array}$$

ADMM for the Homogeneous self-dual embedding

find (u, v)

s.t. $v = Qu, (u, v) \in \mathcal{C} \times \mathcal{C}^*$

- ADMM steps (similar to solver SCS [1])

$$\hat{u}^{k+1} = (I + Q)^{-1}(u^k + v^k) \quad \longrightarrow \text{Affine projection}$$

$$u^{k+1} = P_c(\hat{u}^{k+1} - v^k) \quad \longrightarrow \text{Conic projection}$$

$$v^{k+1} = v^k - \hat{u}^{k+1} + u^{k+1}$$

$$Q \triangleq \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -A^T & c \\ A & 0 & -b \\ -c^T & b^T & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \checkmark \text{ Affine projection takes advantage of diagonal plus low rank for efficient computation}$$

ADMM for the Homogeneous self-dual embedding

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$$u^{k+1} = P_c(\hat{u}^{k+1} - v^k)$$

$$v^{k+1} = v^k - \hat{u}^{k+1} + u^{k+1}$$

- In affine projection, one needs to invert/factorize

$$I + AA^T \in R^{m \times m}$$

- Recall that AA^T is "diagonal plus low rank"

$$(I + AA^T)^{-1} = (P + A_1 A_1^T)^{-1} = P^{-1} - P^{-1} A_1 (I + A_1^T P^{-1} A_1)^{-1} A_1^T P^{-1}$$

$$I + A_1^T P^{-1} A_1 \in R^{t \times t}$$

- Since in typical SOS programs $t \ll m$, partial orthogonality can provide a speed-up in the affine projection.

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CDCS: Cone Decomposition Conic Solver

- An open source MATLAB solver for partially decomposable conic programs;
- CDCS supports constraints on the following cones:
 - ✓ Free variables
 - ✓ non-negative orthant
 - ✓ second-order cone
 - ✓ the positive semidefinite cone.
- Input-output format is aligned with SeDuMi;
- SOS module can be invoked with option 'sos'
- Works with latest YALMIP release.

Syntax:

```
[x,y,z,info] = cdcs(A,b,c,K,opts);
```

Download from <https://github.com/OxfordControl/CDCS>

Numerical Examples

- Implemented in CDCS, invoked by the option 'sos'
- Compared to SCS and SeDuMi, SDPA, SDPT3
- Stopping condition for CDCS and SCS: $\varepsilon = 10^{-4}$, 2000 iterations

$$\min_x \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} (x_i x_j + x_i^2 x_j - x_j^3 - x_i^2 x_j^2)$$

$$\text{s. t. } \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 \leq 1$$

n	Dimensions			CPU time (s)						
	N	m	t	SeDuMi	SDPT3	SDPA	CSDP	SCS-direct	SCS-indirect	CDCS-sos
10	66	1 000	66	2.6	2.1	1.6	2.5	0.4	0.4	0.4
12	91	1 819	91	12.3	7.0	5.7	4.0	0.7	0.8	0.7
14	120	3 059	120	68.4	24.2	18.1	13.5	1.7	1.7	1.4
17	171	5 984	171	516.9	129.6	97.9	75.8	4.6	4.4	3.5
20	231	10 625	231	2 547.4	494.1	452.7	374.2	10.6	10.6	8.5
24	325	20 474	325	**	**	2 792.8	2 519.3	32.0	31.2	22.8
29	465	40 919	465	**	**	**	**	125.9	126.3	67.1
35	666	82 250	666	**	**	**	**	425.3	431.3	216.9
42	946	163 184	946	**	**	**	**	1 415.8	1 436.9	686.6

** : the problem could not be solved due to memory limitations.

Numerical Examples

$$\min_x \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} \left(x_i x_j + x_i^2 x_j - x_j^3 - x_i^2 x_j^2 \right)$$

$$\text{s. t. } \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 \leq 1$$

n	†Interior-point solvers	SCS-direct		SCS-indirect		CDCS-sos	
	Objective	Objective	Accuracy	Objective	Accuracy	Objective	Accuracy
10	-9.114	-9.124	0.10 %	-9.125	0.11 %	-9.090	0.27 %
12	-11.117	-11.095	0.20 %	-11.095	0.19 %	-11.106	0.10 %
14	-13.118	-13.089	0.22 %	-13.093	0.19 %	-13.155	0.29 %
17	-16.119	-16.087	0.20 %	-16.088	0.19 %	-16.062	0.35 %
20	-19.120	-19.165	0.24 %	-19.167	0.25 %	-19.078	0.22 %
24	-23.121	-23.043	0.34 %	-23.038	0.36 %	-23.145	0.10 %
29	**	-28.174	—	-28.178	—	-28.170	—
35	**	-34.054	—	-34.052	—	-34.075	—
42	**	-41.212	—	-41.214	—	-41.052	—

†: The objective values computed by SeDuMi, SDPT3, SDPA and CSDP (when available) differ by less than 10^{-8} .

** : The problem could not be solved due to memory limitations.

— : No comparison is possible due to the lack of a reference accurate optimal value.

Lyapunov function construction

- Randomly generated polynomial dynamical systems $\dot{x} = f(x)$ of degree three with a locally asymptotically stable equilibrium at the origin.

n	Dimensions			CPU time (s)						
	N	m	t	SeDuMi	SDPT3	SDPA	CSDP	SCS-direct	SCS-indirect	CDCS-sos
10	65	1 100	110	2.8	1.8	2.0	2.6	0.2	0.2	0.3
12	90	1 963	156	6.3	4.9	3.5	1.0	0.3	0.3	0.4
14	119	3 255	210	36.2	16.3	44.8	2.6	0.8	0.7	0.6
17	170	6 273	306	265.1	78.0	204.7	9.5	1.3	1.3	1.1
20	230	11 025	420	1 346.0	361.3	940.5	40.4	3.1	3.0	2.4
24	324	21 050	600	**	**	8 775.5	238.4	15.1	6.6	5.1
29	464	41 760	870	**	**	**	**	17.1	16.9	14.3
35	665	83 475	1260	**	**	**	**	67.6	57.1	37.4
42	945	164 948	1806	**	**	**	**	133.7	129.2	92.8

** : The problem could not be solved due to memory limitations.

Nuclear Receptor Signalling

- Tested our algorithm on a model of nuclear receptor signalling.
 - The model has 37 states, and a cubic vector field
 - Tested local stability in the ball with radius 0.01
 - Constructing a quadratic Lyapunov function
- ✓ Dimension of the resulting SDP:
- ✓ Cone size: $K.s = [37 \ 37 \ 741]$, $K.f = 1406$; Number of constraints: 102 676, the size of A : 102676×553225 , (553225 is the number of variables)

Interior point solvers				First-order solvers	
SeDuMi	SDPT3	SDPA	CSDP	SCS	CDCS
Failed	Failed	Failed	Failed	151 s	57.3 s

Failed: Out of memory

Numerical results on a PC with 2.8 GHz Intel Core i7 and 8 GB of RAM

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Conclusions

- SOS programs have found in a wide range of applications, e.g. polynomial optimization problems and nonlinear systems analysis questions.
- One fundamental challenge is the poor scalability of SOS programs to large instances
- Fortunately, the resulting SDPs are highly sparse and structured, (partial orthogonality in this talk)
- We have developed a fast ADMM algorithm to solve this class of SDPs at the cost of reduced accuracy.

• CDCS: Download from <https://github.com/OxfordControl/CDCS>

Thank you for your attention!

Q & A

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