# New Applications of Semidefinite Programming

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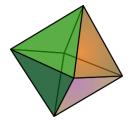
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Linear Programming (LP):

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Linear cost c

• Linear inequalities " $\sum_i A_{ij} z_j \ge d_i$ "

## Polyhedron

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# **Applications of SDP**

- Combinatorial optimization
- Control theory
- Matrix completion
- Unique Games Conjecture (Khot '02) : "A single concrete algorithm provides optimal guarantees among all efficient algorithms for a large class of computational problems." (Barak and Steurer survey at ICM'14)
- Solving polynomial optimization (Lasserre '01)

■ Prove **polynomial inequalities** with SDP:

$$p(a,b) := a^2 - 2ab + b^2 \ge 0 .$$

Find z s.t. 
$$p(a,b) = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \end{pmatrix} \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} z_1 & z_2 \\ z_2 & z_3 \end{pmatrix}}_{\geq 0} \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix}$$
.

Find z s.t.  $a^2 - 2ab + b^2 = z_1a^2 + 2z_2ab + z_3b^2$  (A z = d)

■ Choose a cost **c** e.g. (1,0,1) and solve:

$$\min_{\mathbf{z}} \quad \mathbf{c}^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{z}$$
s.t. 
$$\sum_{i} \mathbf{F}_{i} z_{i} \succeq \mathbf{F}_{0} , \quad \mathbf{A} \mathbf{z} = \mathbf{d} .$$

• Solution 
$$\begin{pmatrix} z_1 & z_2 \\ z_2 & z_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \succeq 0$$
 (eigenvalues 0 and 1)

• 
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■ Solving SDP ⇒ Finding SUMS OF SQUARES certificates

General case:

• Semialgebraic set  $\mathbf{S} := \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n : g_1(\mathbf{x}) \ge 0, \dots, g_m(\mathbf{x}) \ge 0\}$ 

$$p^* := \min_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{S}} p(\mathbf{x}): \text{ NP hard }$$

Sums of squares (SOS)  $\Sigma[\mathbf{x}]$  (e.g.  $(x_1 - x_2)^2$ )

• 
$$\mathcal{Q}(\mathbf{S}) := \left\{ \sigma_0(\mathbf{x}) + \sum_{j=1}^m \sigma_j(\mathbf{x}) g_j(\mathbf{x}), \text{ with } \sigma_j \in \Sigma[\mathbf{x}] \right\}$$

Fix the degree 2k of sums of squares
 Q<sub>k</sub>(S) := Q(S) ∩ ℝ<sub>2k</sub>[x]

- Hierarchy of SDP relaxations:  $\lambda_k := \sup_{\lambda} \{\lambda : p - \lambda \in Q_k(\mathbf{S})\}$
- Convergence guarantees  $\lambda_k \uparrow p^*$  [Lasserre 01]
- Can be computed with SDP solvers (CSDP, SDPA)
- Extension to semialgebraic functions  $r(\mathbf{x}) = p(\mathbf{x}) / \sqrt{q(\mathbf{x})}$ [Lasserre-Putinar 10]

### Introduction

## SDP for Nonlinear (Formal) Optimization

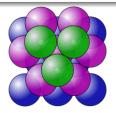
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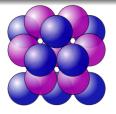
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## Kepler Conjecture (1611):

The maximal density of sphere packings in 3D-space is  $\frac{\pi}{\sqrt{18}}$ 



Face-centered cubic Packing



## Hexagonal Compact Packing

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- Project Completion on 10 August by the Flyspeck team!!

Multivariate Polynomials:

$$\Delta \mathbf{x} := x_1 x_4 (-x_1 + x_2 + x_3 - x_4 + x_5 + x_6) + x_2 x_5 (x_1 - x_2 + x_3 + x_4 - x_5 + x_6) + x_3 x_6 (x_1 + x_2 - x_3 + x_4 + x_5 - x_6) - x_2 (x_3 x_4 + x_1 x_6) - x_5 (x_1 x_3 + x_4 x_6)$$

■ Semialgebraic functions: composition of polynomials with | · |, √, +, -, ×, /, sup, inf, ...

$$p(\mathbf{x}) := \partial_4 \Delta \mathbf{x} \qquad q(\mathbf{x}) := 4x_1 \Delta \mathbf{x}$$
$$r(\mathbf{x}) := p(\mathbf{x}) / \sqrt{q(\mathbf{x})}$$

$$l(\mathbf{x}) := -\frac{\pi}{2} + 1.6294 - 0.2213 \left(\sqrt{x_2} + \sqrt{x_3} + \sqrt{x_5} + \sqrt{x_6} - 8.0\right) + 0.913 \left(\sqrt{x_4} - 2.52\right) + 0.728 \left(\sqrt{x_1} - 2.0\right)$$

■ Transcendental functions *T*: composition of semialgebraic functions with arctan, exp, sin, +, -, ×,...

■ Feasible set **S** := [4, 6.3504]<sup>3</sup> × [6.3504, 8] × [4, 6.3504]<sup>2</sup>

Lemma9922699028 from Flyspeck:

$$\forall \mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{S}, \arctan\left(\frac{p(\mathbf{x})}{\sqrt{q(\mathbf{x})}}\right) + l(\mathbf{x}) \ge 0$$

- Certificates for Nonlinear Optimization using SDP and:
  - Maxplus approximation (Optimal Control)
  - Nonlinear templates (Static Analysis)
- Verification of these certificates inside COQ:  $p = \sigma_0 + \sum_j \sigma_j g_j \implies \forall \mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{S}, \quad p(\mathbf{x}) \ge 0.$

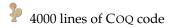
# **Contribution: Publications and Software**

V. M., X. Allamigeon, S. Gaubert and B. Werner. Formal Proofs for Nonlinear Optimization, arxiv:1404.7282, 2015. *Journal of Formalized Reasoning*.

Software Implementation NLCertify:

https://forge.ocamlcore.org/projects/nl-certify/

🕷 15 000 lines of OCAML code



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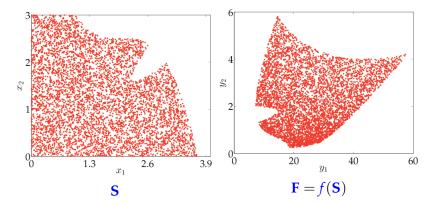
- Semialgebraic set  $\mathbf{S} := \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n : g_1(\mathbf{x}) \ge 0, \dots, g_l(\mathbf{x}) \ge 0\}$
- A polynomial map  $f : \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^m$ ,  $\mathbf{x} \mapsto f(\mathbf{x}) := (f_1(\mathbf{x}), \dots, f_m(\mathbf{x}))$
- $\mathbf{F} := f(\mathbf{S}) \subseteq \mathbf{B}$ , with  $\mathbf{B} \subset \mathbb{R}^m$  a box or a ball

## Tractable approximations of **F** ?

# **Projections of Semialgebraic Sets**

$$\begin{split} g_1 &:= -(x_1-2)^3/2 - x_2 + 2.5 \ , \\ g_2 &:= -x_1 - x_2 + 8(-x_1 + x_2 + 0.65)^2 + 3.85 \ , \\ \mathbf{S} &:= \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^2 : g_1(\mathbf{x}) \geqslant 0, g_2(\mathbf{x}) \geqslant 0\} \ . \end{split}$$

$$\begin{split} f_1 &:= (x_1 + x_2 - 7.5)^2 / 4 + (-x_1 + x_2 + 3)^2 \ , \\ f_2 &:= (x_1 - 1)^2 / 4 + (x_2 - 4)^2 / 4 \ . \end{split}$$



Includes important special cases:

**1** m = 1: polynomial optimization

$$\mathbf{F} \subseteq [\min_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{S}} f(\mathbf{x}), \max_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{S}} f(\mathbf{x})]$$

**2** Approximate **projections** of **S** when  $f(\mathbf{x}) := (x_1, \dots, x_m)$ 

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with

$$h_f(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) := -\|\mathbf{y} - f(\mathbf{x})\|_2^2$$
.

Define  $h(\mathbf{y}) := \sup_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{S}} h_f(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$ 

## **Existential Quantifier Elimination**

Hierarchy of **SDP**:

$$\inf_{q} \left\{ \int_{\mathbf{B}} (q-h) d\mathbf{y} : q-h_f \in \mathcal{Q}_k(\mathbf{S} \times \mathbf{B})) \right\}$$

.

Existential QE: approximate F as closely as desired [Lasserre 14]

$$\mathbf{F}_k := \{\mathbf{y} \in \mathbf{B} : q_k(\mathbf{y}) \ge 0\}$$
 ,

for some polynomials  $q_k \in \mathbb{R}_{2k}[\mathbf{y}]$ .

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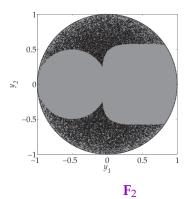
### Theorem

Assuming that **S** has non empty interior,

 $\lim_{k\to\infty} \operatorname{vol}(\mathbf{F}_k \backslash \mathbf{F}) = 0 \ .$ 

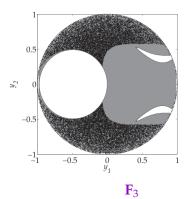
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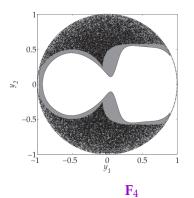
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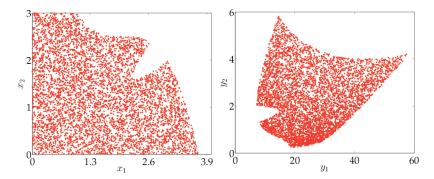
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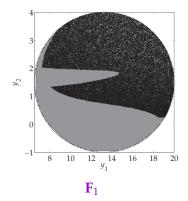
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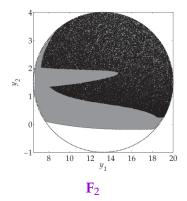


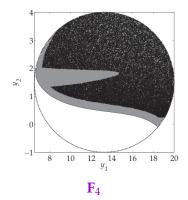
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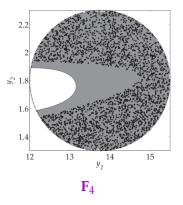






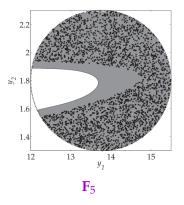


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## **Approximating Pareto Curves**

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## Contributions

- - V. Magron, D. Henrion, J.B. Lasserre. Semidefinite approximations of projections and polynomial images of semialgebraic sets. 00:2014.10.4606, October 2014.

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## **Polynomial Programs (One-loop with Guards)**

 $r, s, T^i, T^e \in \mathbb{R}[\mathbf{x}]$ 

**•**  $\mathbf{x}_0 \in \mathbf{X}_0$ , with  $\mathbf{X}_0$  semialgebraic set

 $\begin{array}{l} \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}_0 \, ; \\ \text{while } (r(\mathbf{x}) \leqslant 0) \, \{ \\ \text{ if } (s(\mathbf{x}) \leqslant 0) \, \{ \\ \mathbf{x} = T^i(\mathbf{x}) \, ; \\ \\ \} \\ \text{ else} \, \{ \\ \mathbf{x} = T^e(\mathbf{x}) \, ; \\ \\ \} \\ \end{array}$ 

## **Polynomial Inductive Invariants**

### Sufficient condition to get **inductive invariant**:

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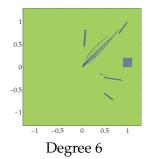
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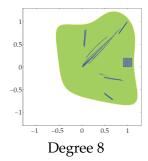
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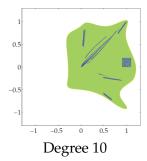
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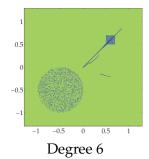
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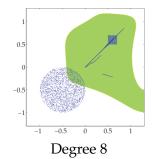
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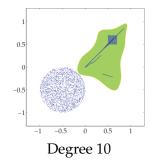
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## **Ongoing: Bounding Floating-point Errors**

### Exact:

$$f(\mathbf{x}) := x_1 x_2 + x_3 x_4$$

■ Floating-point:

$$\hat{f}(\mathbf{x},\boldsymbol{\epsilon}) := [x_1 x_2 (1+\epsilon_1) + x_3 x_4 (1+\epsilon_2)](1+\epsilon_3)$$

•  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{S}$ ,  $|\epsilon_i| \leq 2^{-p}$  p = 24 (single) or 53 (double)

## **Ongoing: Bounding Floating-point Errors**

**Input:** exact  $f(\mathbf{x})$ , floating-point  $\hat{f}(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\epsilon})$ ,  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{S}$ ,  $|\epsilon_i| \leq 2^{-p}$ **Output:** Bounds for  $f - \hat{f}$ 

1: Error 
$$r(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\epsilon}) := f(\mathbf{x}) - \hat{f}(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\epsilon}) = \sum_{\alpha} r_{\alpha}(\boldsymbol{\epsilon}) \mathbf{x}^{\alpha}$$

- 2: Decompose  $r(x, \epsilon) = l(x, \epsilon) + h(x, \epsilon)$ , *l* linear in  $\epsilon$
- 3: Bound  $h(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\epsilon})$  with interval arithmetic
- 4: Bound  $l(x, \epsilon)$  with Sparse Sums of Squares

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SDP is powerful to handle **NONLINEARITY**:

- Optimize nonlinear (transcendental) functions
- Approximate Pareto Curves, projections of semialgebraic sets
- Analyze nonlinear programs

### Further research:

- Alternative polynomial bounds using geometric programming (T. de Wolff, S. Iliman)
- Mixed linear/SDP certificates (trade-off CPU/precision)
- More program verification
- Flyspeck nonlinear inequalities : decrease current verification time (5000 CPU hours!!)

### Thank you for your attention!

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