# The Moment-Sums of Squares Hierarchy for Polynomial Optimization 

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## Its DUAL is the convex optimization problem:

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Several academic SDP software packages exist, (e.g. MATLAB "LMI toolbox", SeduMi, SDPT3, ...). However, so far, size limitation is more severe than for LP software packages. Pioneer contributions by A. Nemirovsky, Y. Nesterov, N.Z. Shor, B.D. Yudin,...

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## Why Polynomial Optimization?

# After all ... $\mathbf{P}$ is just a particular case of Non Linear Programming (NLP)! 

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i.e. one needs

TRACTABLE CERTIFICATES of POSITIVITY on K for the polynomial $\mathbf{x} \mapsto f(\mathbf{x})-\lambda!$

## Global Optimization

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$$
\text { (P) } \quad f^{*}:=\min _{x}\left\{f(\mathbf{x}) \mid g_{j}(\mathbf{x}) \geqslant 0, j=1, \ldots, m\right\}
$$

where $f, g_{j}(\mathbf{x}): \mathbb{R}^{n} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ are all real-valued functions. Let

$$
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be the feasible set.

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i.e. one optimizes over the set $\mathcal{P}(\mathbf{K}) \subset M(\mathbf{K})$ of probability measures with support contained in $K$.

$$
f \geqslant f^{*} \Rightarrow \int_{\mathbf{K}} f d \mu \geqslant \int_{\mathbf{K}} f^{*} d \mu=f^{*}, \forall \mu \in \mathcal{P}(\mathbf{K})
$$

On the other hand, with $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{K}$ and $\mu:=\delta_{\mathbf{x}}, \int f d \mu=f(\mathbf{x})$

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Observe that these two characterizations are proper to the global optimum $f^{*}$, and are NOT valid for a local minimum!

## BUT ... this is just LP-Duality

The optimization problem

$$
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$$

is the infinite-dimensional LP

$$
f^{*}=\min _{\mu \in \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{K})}\{\langle f, \mu\rangle \mid\langle 1, \mu\rangle=1 ; \mu \geqslant 0\}
$$

where:

- $\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{K})$ is the space of finite signed Borel measures on $\mathbf{K}$, and
$-\langle\cdot, \cdot\rangle$ is the duality bracket between $\mathcal{C}(\mathbf{K})$ and $\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{K})$ :

$$
\langle f, \mu\rangle=\int_{\mathbf{K}} f d \mu, \quad \forall f \in \mathcal{C}(\mathbf{K}), \mu \in \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{K})
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SIMILARLY for the dual LP, NOTICE that if $f$ is a polynomial of degree $d$, then the constraint of the dual LP

$$
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$$

is the same as stating that the polynomial $f-\gamma 1$ belongs to the FINITE-DIMENSIONAL convex cone

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$\rightarrow$ PRACTICAL COMPUTATION is possible!

Other and (not s.o.s. based) representations of positive polynomials are available (Krivine, Handelman, Vasilescu).
† They lead to Linear Inequalities instead of LMIs and so
... to LP-relaxations instead of SDP-relaxations
.. but less efficient and ill-behaved ... despite so far, LP software packages are more powerful than SDP packages!!

## Putinar's Positivstellensatze

Let $\mathbf{K} \subset \mathbb{R}^{n}$ be the basic semi-algebraic set:

$$
\mathbf{K}:=\left\{x \in \mathbb{R}^{n}: g_{j}(\mathbf{x}) \geqslant 0, \quad j=1, \ldots, m\right\}
$$

for some polynomials $\left\{g_{j}\right\} \subset \mathbb{R}[\mathbf{x}]$.
and with $g_{0}$ being the constant polynomial 1 , define the quadratic module

$$
\mathcal{Q}\left(g_{1}, \ldots, g_{m}\right)=\left\{g \in \mathbb{R}[X]: g=\sum_{j=0}^{m} \sigma_{j} g_{j}\right\},
$$

where the $\left(\sigma_{j}\right)_{j=0}^{m}$ are s.o.s. polynomials.

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Theorem (Putinar-Jacobi-Prestel)
Let $\mathbf{K}$ be compact and Assumption 1 hold. Then

$$
\begin{gathered}
{[f \in \mathbb{R}[\mathbf{x}] \text { and } f>0 \text { on } \mathbf{K}] \Rightarrow f \in \mathcal{Q}\left(g_{1}, \ldots, g_{m}\right) \text {, i.e., }} \\
f(\mathbf{x})=\sigma_{0}(\mathbf{x})+\sum_{j=1}^{m} \sigma_{j}(\mathbf{x}) g_{j}(\mathbf{x}), \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^{n}
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Indeed, let

$$
v_{d}(\mathbf{x})=\left(\mathbf{x}^{\alpha}\right), \quad|\alpha|:=\sum_{i} \alpha_{i} \leqslant d
$$

be a basis of $\mathbb{R}[\mathbf{x}]_{d}$ (polynomials of degree at most $d$ )
Let $f \in \mathbb{R}[\mathbf{x}]_{2 d}$ be a s.o.s. polynomial, that is, $f=\sum_{k=1}^{s} q_{k}(\mathbf{x})^{2}$, for some polynomials $\left\{q_{k}\right\}_{k=1}^{s} \subset \mathbb{R}[\mathbf{x}]_{d}$.

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$$

and define the real symmetric matrix $Q:=\sum_{k=1}^{s} q_{k} q_{k}^{T} \succcurlyeq 0$.

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Conversely, let $Q \succcurlyeq 0$ be a real $s(d) \times s(d)$ positive semidefinite symmetric matrix $(s(d)$ is the dimension of the vector space $\left.\mathbb{R}[\mathbf{x}]_{d}\right)$. As $Q \succcurlyeq 0$, write $Q=\sum_{k=1}^{s} q_{k} q_{k}^{T}$, so that

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Next, write the matrix $v_{d}(\mathbf{x}) v_{d}(\mathbf{x})^{T}$ as:

$$
v_{d}(\mathbf{x}) v_{d}(\mathbf{x})^{T}=\sum_{\alpha \in \mathbb{N}_{2 d}^{n}} \mathbf{B}_{\alpha} \mathbf{x}^{\alpha},
$$

so that checking whether

$$
f(\mathbf{x})=\left\langle v_{d}(\mathbf{x}), Q v_{d}(\mathbf{x})\right\rangle=\left\langle Q, v_{d}(\mathbf{x}) v_{d}(\mathbf{x})^{T}\right\rangle
$$

for some $Q \succcurlyeq 0$ reduces to checking the LMI

$$
\left\{\begin{aligned}
\left\langle\mathbf{B}_{\alpha}, Q\right\rangle & =f_{\alpha \prime} \quad \alpha \in \mathbb{N}^{n},|\alpha| \leqslant 2 d \\
Q & \succcurlyeq 0
\end{aligned}\right.
$$

## Example

Let $t \mapsto f(t)=6+4 t+9 t^{2}-4 t^{3}+6 t^{4}$. Is $f$ an SOS? Do we have

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f(t)=\left[\begin{array}{c}
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We must have:

$$
a=6 ; 2 b=4 ; d+2 c=9 ; 2 e=-4 ; f=6
$$

And so we must find a scalar $c$ such that

$$
Q=\left[\begin{array}{ccc}
6 & 2 & c \\
2 & 9-2 c & -2 \\
c & -2 & 6
\end{array}\right] \succcurlyeq 0
$$

With $c=-4$ we have

$$
Q=\left[\begin{array}{ccc}
6 & 2 & -4 \\
2 & 17 & -2 \\
-4 & -2 & 6
\end{array}\right] \succcurlyeq 0
$$

and

$$
\begin{gathered}
Q=2\left[\begin{array}{c}
\sqrt{2} / 2 \\
0 \\
\sqrt{2} / 2
\end{array}\right]\left[\begin{array}{c}
\sqrt{2} / 2 \\
0 \\
\sqrt{2} / 2
\end{array}\right]^{\prime}+9\left[\begin{array}{c}
2 / 3 \\
-1 / 3 \\
-2 / 3
\end{array}\right]\left[\begin{array}{c}
2 / 3 \\
1 / 3 \\
-2 / 3
\end{array}\right]^{\prime} \\
+18\left[\begin{array}{c}
1 / \sqrt{(18)} \\
4 / \sqrt{(18)} \\
-1 / \sqrt{( } 18)
\end{array}\right]\left[\begin{array}{c}
1 / \sqrt{(18)} \\
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\end{array}\right]^{\prime}
\end{gathered}
$$

and so

$$
f(t)=\left(1+t^{2}\right)^{2}+\left(2-t-2 t^{2}\right)^{2}+\left(1+4 t-t^{2}\right)^{2}
$$

## II. DUAL side: The K-moment problem

Let $\left\{\mathbf{x}^{\alpha}\right\}$ be a canonical basis for $\mathbb{R}[\mathbf{x}]$, and let $y:=\left\{y_{\alpha}\right\}$ be a given sequence indexed in that basis.

The K-moment problem
Given $K \subset \mathbb{R}^{n}$, does there exist a measure $\mu$ on $\mathbf{K}$, such that

$$
y_{\alpha}=\int_{\mathbf{K}} \mathbf{x}^{\alpha} d \mu, \quad \forall \alpha \in \mathbb{N}^{n} ?
$$

(where $\left.\mathbf{x}^{\alpha}=x_{1}^{\alpha_{1}} \cdots x_{n}^{\alpha_{n}}\right)$.

Given $y=\left\{y_{\alpha}\right\}$, let $L_{y}: \mathbb{R}[\mathbf{x}] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, be the linear functional

$$
f\left(=\sum_{\alpha} f_{\alpha} \mathbf{x}^{\alpha}\right) \quad \mapsto \quad L_{y}(f):=\sum_{\alpha \in \mathbb{N}^{n}} f_{\alpha} y_{\alpha}
$$

Moment matrix $M_{d}(y)$
with rows and columns also indexed in the basis $\left\{\mathbf{x}^{\alpha}\right\}$.

$$
M_{d}(y)(\alpha, \beta):=L_{y}\left(\mathbf{x}^{\alpha+\beta}\right)=y_{\alpha+\beta}, \quad \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{N}^{n}, \quad|\alpha|,|\beta| \leqslant d
$$

For instance in $\mathbb{R}^{2}: \quad M_{1}(y)=\left[\begin{array}{c:cc}\overbrace{y_{00}}^{1} & \overbrace{y_{10}}^{X_{1}} & \overbrace{y_{01}}^{X_{2}} \\ - & - & - \\ y_{10} & y_{20} & y_{11} \\ y_{01} & y_{11} & y_{02}\end{array}\right]$

## Importantly ...

$$
M_{d}(y) \succcurlyeq 0 \quad \Longleftrightarrow \quad L_{y}\left(h^{2}\right) \geqslant 0, \quad \forall h \in \mathbb{R}[X]_{d}
$$

## Localizing matrix

The "Localizing matrix" $M_{d}(\theta y)$ w.r.t. a polynomial $\theta \in \mathbb{R}[X]$
with $\mathbf{x} \mapsto \theta(\mathbf{x})=\sum_{\gamma} \theta_{\gamma} \mathbf{x}^{\gamma}$, has its rows and columns also indexed in the basis $\left\{X^{\alpha}\right\}$ of $\mathbb{R}[\mathbf{x}]_{d}$, and with entries:

$$
\begin{aligned}
M_{d}(\theta y)(\alpha, \beta) & =L_{y}\left(\theta \mathbf{x}^{\alpha+\beta}\right) \\
& =\sum_{\gamma \in \mathbb{N}^{n}} \theta_{\gamma} y_{\alpha+\beta+\gamma}, \quad\left\{\begin{array}{l}
\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{N}^{n} \\
|\alpha|,|\beta| \leqslant d
\end{array}\right.
\end{aligned}
$$

For instance, in $\mathbb{R}^{2}$, and with $X \mapsto \theta(\mathbf{x}):=1-x_{1}^{2}-x_{2}^{2}$,

$$
M_{1}(\theta y)=\left[\begin{array}{lll}
\overbrace{y_{00}-y_{20}-y_{02}}^{1} & \overbrace{y_{10}-y_{30}-y_{12}}^{x_{1}} & \overbrace{y_{01}-y_{21}-y_{03}}^{x_{2}} \\
y_{10}-y_{30}-y_{12} & y_{20}-y_{40}-y_{22} & y_{11}-y_{21}-y_{12} \\
y_{01}-y_{21}-y_{03} & y_{11}-y_{21}-y_{12} & y_{02}-y_{22}-y_{04}
\end{array}\right]
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$$

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Again $\mathrm{K}:=\left\{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^{n} \mid \quad g_{j}(\mathbf{x}) \geqslant 0, j=1, \ldots, m\right\}$. Assumption 1:
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Theorem (Putinar: dual side)
Let $\mathbf{K}$ be compact, and Assumption 1 hold. Then $y=\left\{y_{\alpha}\right\}$ has a representing measure $\mu$ on K if and only if
$(* *) \quad L_{y}\left(f^{2}\right) \geqslant 0 ; \quad L_{y}\left(f^{2} g_{j}\right) \geqslant 0, \quad \forall j=1, \ldots, m ; \quad \forall f \in \mathbb{R}[\mathbf{x}]$.

Checking whether ${ }^{(* *)}$ holds for all $f \in \mathbb{R}[\mathbf{x}]$ with degree $\leqslant d$
reduces to checking whether $M_{d}(y) \succcurlyeq 0$ and $M_{d}\left(g_{j} y\right) \succcurlyeq 0$, for all $j=1, \ldots, m$ !
$\rightarrow m+1$ LMI conditions to verify!

## A Hierarchy of SDP Relaxations

## Recall the PRIMAL LP

$$
f^{*}=\min _{\mu \in \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{K})}\left\{\int_{\mathbf{K}} f d \mu: \mu(\mathbf{K})=1\right\}
$$

where $\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{K})$ is the space of Borel measures on $\mathbf{K}$

## A Hierarchy of SDP Relaxations

Let $\operatorname{deg} g_{j}=2 v_{j}$ or $2 v_{j}-1$. The SDP-relaxation $\mathbf{Q}_{d}, d \in \mathbb{N}$, reads:

$$
\mathbf{Q}_{d}\left\{\begin{aligned}
\rho_{d}=\min _{y} & L_{y}(f) \quad\left(\rightarrow \text { think of } \int f d \mu\right) \\
\text { s.t. } & \underbrace{M_{d-v_{j}}\left(g_{j} y\right) \succcurlyeq 0, \quad j=0, \ldots m}_{\text {necessary conditions for } y_{\alpha}=\int \mathbf{x}^{\alpha} d \mu} \\
& L_{y}(1)=1 \quad(\rightarrow \mu(\mathbf{K})=1)
\end{aligned}\right.
$$

## A Hierarchy of SDP Relaxations

## ... whose dual is the SDP

$$
\mathbf{Q}_{d}^{*}\left\{\begin{aligned}
\rho_{d}^{*}=\max _{\lambda,\left\{\sigma_{j}\right\}} & \lambda \\
& \\
\text { s.t. } & f-\lambda=\sum_{k=0}^{m} \sigma_{k} g_{k} \\
& \left\{\sigma_{k}\right\} \text { are s.o.s.; } \operatorname{deg} \sigma_{0}, \operatorname{deg} \sigma_{k} g_{k} \leqslant 2 d
\end{aligned}\right.
$$

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Recall that $K \subset \mathbb{R}^{n}$ is the basic semi-algebraic set

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Theorem (Lasserre 01)
Let $\mathbf{K}$ be compact, and let Assumption 1 holds. Then:

- $\rho_{d}^{*} \leqslant \rho_{d} \leqslant f^{*}$ for all $d$ and $\rho_{d}^{*}, \rho_{d} \uparrow f^{*}$ as $d \rightarrow \infty$.
- If int $\mathrm{K} \neq \varnothing$, then $\rho_{d}=\rho_{d}^{*}$ and the "sup" is attained.


## Global optimality check \& extracting solutions

## Exactness of a particular SDP-relaxation

Let $y$ be an optimal solution of $\mathbf{Q}_{d}$ and let $2 v \geqslant \max _{j} \operatorname{deg} g_{j}$. If

$$
\operatorname{rank} M_{d}(y)=\operatorname{rank} M_{d-v}(y)(=: s)
$$

then $\rho_{d}=f^{*}$

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