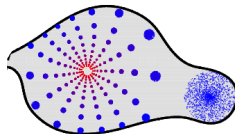
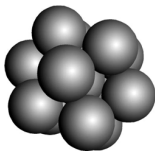


# Certified Optimization for System Verification

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# Personal Background



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- 2008 – 2010: Master at Tokyo University  
**HIERARCHICAL DOMAIN DECOMPOSITION METHODS**
- 2010 – 2013: PhD at Inria Saclay LIX/CMAP  
**FORMAL PROOFS FOR NONLINEAR OPTIMIZATION**  
(S. Gaubert, B. Werner)
- 2014 Jan-Sept: Postdoc at LAAS-CNRS  
**MOMENT-SOS APPLICATIONS** (D. Henrion, J.B. Lasserre)
- 2014 – 2015: Postdoc at Imperial College  
**ROUDOFF ERRORS WITH POLYNOMIAL OPTIMIZATION**  
(G. Constantinides and A. Donaldson)
- 2015 – 2018: CR CNRS-Verimag (Tempo Team)

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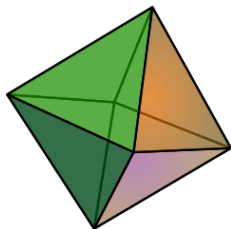
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# Applications of SDP

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- 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)

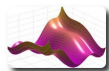
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(Dual)

$$\sup \lambda$$

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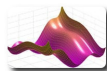
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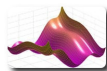
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Hierarchy of SDP  $\uparrow f^*$

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$n$  vars

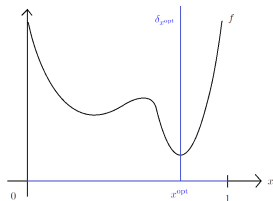
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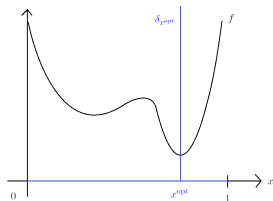
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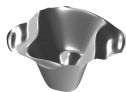
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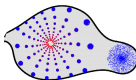
↪ **Regions of attraction** [Henrion-Korda 14]



↪ **Maximum invariants** [Korda et al 13]



↪ **Reachable sets** [Magron et al 17]



# SDP for Polynomial Optimization

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- Prove **polynomial inequalities** with SDP:

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

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- Solution  $\begin{pmatrix} z_1 & z_2 \\ z_2 & z_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \succcurlyeq 0$  (eigenvalues 0 and 2)

- $a^2 - 2ab + b^2 = (a \ b) \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{\succcurlyeq 0} \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix} = (a - b)^2.$

- Solving **SDP**  $\implies$  Finding **SUMS OF SQUARES** certificates



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$$\mathcal{Q}_k(\mathbf{K}) := \left\{ \sigma_0 + \sum_{j=1}^m \sigma_j g_j, \text{ with } \deg \sigma_j g_j \leq 2k \right\}$$

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- **Hierarchy of SDP relaxations:**

$$\lambda_k := \sup_{\lambda} \left\{ \lambda : f - \lambda \in \mathcal{Q}_k(\mathbf{K}) \right\}$$



- Convergence guarantees  $\lambda_k \uparrow f^*$  [Lasserre 01]
- Can be computed with SDP solvers (CSDP, SDPA)
- **“No Free Lunch” Rule:**  $\binom{n+2k}{n}$  SDP variables

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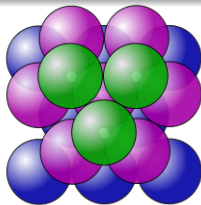
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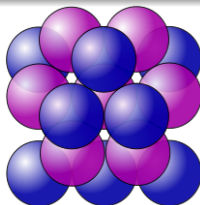
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## Kepler Conjecture (1611):

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 August 2014 by the Flyspeck team**

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## In the computational part:

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

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- **Semialgebraic** functions: composition of polynomials with  $|\cdot|, \sqrt{\cdot}, +, -, \times, /, \sup, \inf, \dots$

$$p(\mathbf{x}) := \partial_4 \Delta \mathbf{x} \quad q(\mathbf{x}) := 4x_1 \Delta \mathbf{x}$$

$$r(\mathbf{x}) := p(\mathbf{x}) / \sqrt{q(\mathbf{x})}$$

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

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## In the computational part:

- **Transcendental** functions  $\mathcal{T}$ : composition of semialgebraic functions with  $\arctan, \exp, \sin, +, -, \times, \dots$

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## In the computational part:

- Feasible set  $\mathbf{K} := [4, 6.3504]^3 \times [6.3504, 8] \times [4, 6.3504]^2$

Lemma<sub>9922699028</sub> from Flyspeck:

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

# Existing Formal Frameworks

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## Formal proofs for Global Optimization:

- Bernstein polynomial methods [Zumkeller's PhD 08]
- SMT methods [Gao et al. 12]
- Interval analysis and Sums of squares

# Existing Formal Frameworks

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## Interval analysis

- Certified interval arithmetic in COQ [Melquiond 12]
- Taylor methods in HOL Light [Solovyev thesis 13]
  - Formal verification of floating-point operations
- robust but subject to the **Curse of Dimensionality**

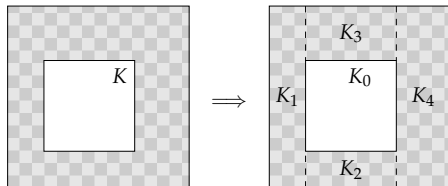


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- Dependency issue using Interval Calculus:
  - One can bound  $\partial_4 \Delta \mathbf{x} / \sqrt{4x_1 \Delta \mathbf{x}}$  and  $l(\mathbf{x})$  separately
  - Too coarse lower bound:  $-0.87$
  - Subdivide  $\mathbf{K}$  to prove the inequality



# Existing Formal Frameworks

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## Sums of squares (SOS) techniques

- Formalized in HOL-LIGHT [Harrison 07] COQ [Besson 07]
  - Precise methods but scalability and robustness issues (numerical)
  - powerful: global optimality certificates without branching
- but
- not so robust: handles moderate size problems
  - Restricted to polynomials

# Existing Formal Frameworks

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- *Caprasse* Problem:

$$\forall \mathbf{x} \in [-0.5, 0.5]^4, -x_1x_3^3 + 4x_2x_3^2x_4 + 4x_1x_3x_4^2 + 2x_2x_4^3 + 4x_1x_3 + 4x_3^2 - 10x_2x_4 - 10x_4^2 + 5.1801 \geq 0.$$

- Decompose the polynomial as SOS of degree at most 4
- Gives a nonnegative bound!

# Existing Formal Frameworks

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Approximation theory: Chebyshev/Taylor models

- mandatory for non-polynomial problems
- hard to combine with SOS techniques (degree of approximation)

# Existing Formal Frameworks

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Can we develop a new approach with both keeping the respective strength of interval and precision of SOS?

Proving Flyspeck Inequalities is challenging: medium-size and tight

# Contribution: Publications and Software

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M., Allamigeon, Gaubert, Werner.  
Formal Proofs for Nonlinear Optimization,  
*Journal of Formalized Reasoning* 8(1):1–24, 2015.



Hales, Adams, Bauer, Dang, Harrison, Hoang, Kaliszyk, M.,  
Mclaughlin, Nguyen, Nguyen, Nipkow, Obua, Pleso, Rute,  
Solovyev, Ta, Tran, Trieu, Urban, Vu & Zumkeller, *Forum of  
Mathematics, Pi*, 5 2017

## Software Implementation NLCertify:



15 000 lines of OCAML code



4000 lines of COQ code



M. NLCertify: A Tool for Formal Nonlinear Optimization, *ICMS*,  
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# General informal Framework

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Given  $\mathbf{K}$  a compact set and  $f$  a **transcendental** function, bound  $f^* = \inf_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{K}} f(\mathbf{x})$  and prove  $f^* \geq 0$

- $f$  is under-approximated by a **semialgebraic** function  $f_{\text{sa}}$
- Reduce the problem  $f_{\text{sa}}^* := \inf_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{K}} f_{\text{sa}}(\mathbf{x})$  to a **polynomial optimization problem (POP)**



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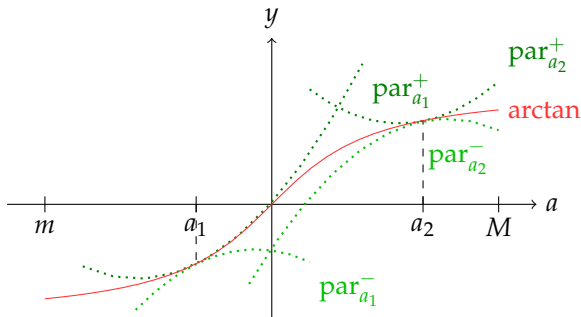
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- Initially introduced to solve Optimal Control Problems [Fleming-McEneaney 00]
- **Curse of dimensionality** reduction [McEneaney Kluberg, Gaubert-McEneaney-Qu 11, Qu 13].  
Allowed to solve instances of dim up to 15 (inaccessible by grid methods)
- In our context: approximate **transcendental** functions

# Maxplus Approximation

## Definition

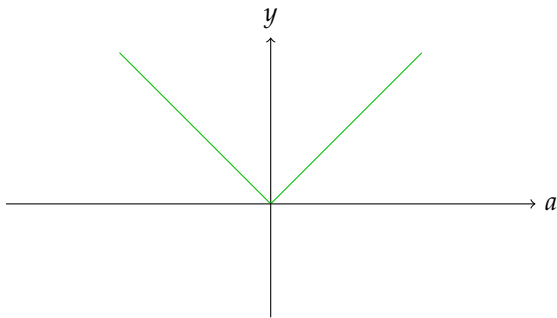
Let  $\gamma \geq 0$ . A function  $\phi : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is said to be  $\gamma$ -semiconvex if the function  $\mathbf{x} \mapsto \phi(\mathbf{x}) + \frac{\gamma}{2} \|\mathbf{x}\|_2^2$  is convex.



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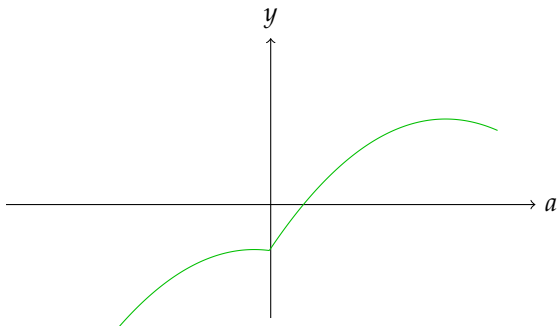
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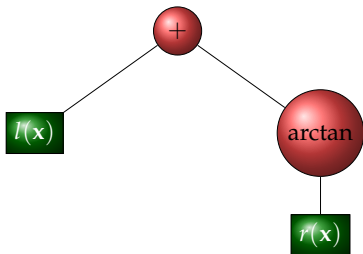
Abstract syntax tree representations of multivariate transcendental functions:

- leaves are **semialgebraic** functions of  $\mathcal{A}$
- nodes are univariate functions of  $\mathcal{D}$  or binary operations

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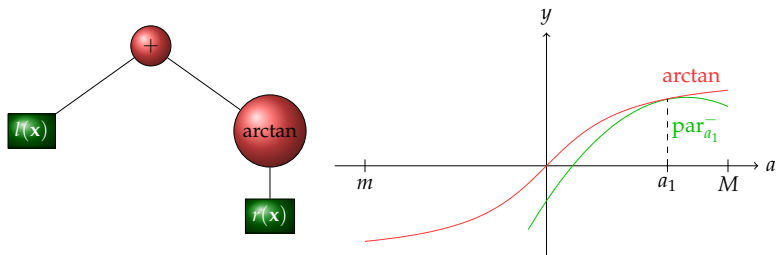
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- For the “Simple” Example from Flyspeck:



# Maxplus Optimization Algorithm

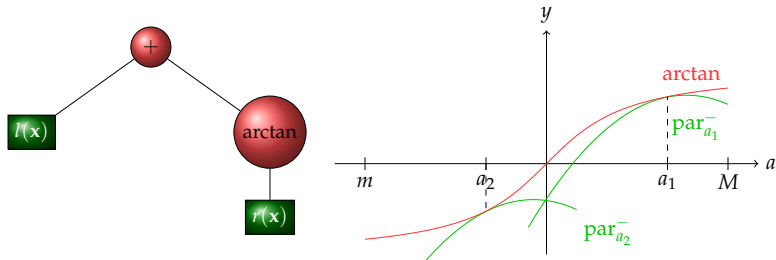
First iteration:



- 1 control point  $\{a_1\}$ :  $m_1 = -4.7 \times 10^{-3} < 0$

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Second iteration:

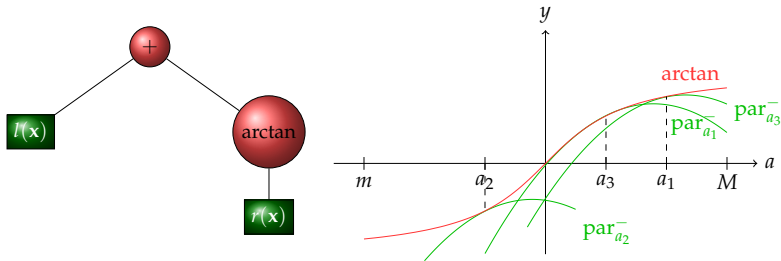


2 control points  $\{a_1, a_2\}$ :  $m_2 = -6.1 \times 10^{-5} < 0$



# Maxplus Optimization Algorithm

Third iteration:



3 control points  $\{a_1, a_2, a_3\}$ :  $m_3 = 4.1 \times 10^{-6} > 0$

OK!

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- Exact:

$$f(\mathbf{x}) := x_1x_2 + x_3x_4$$

- Floating-point:

$$\hat{f}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{e}) := [x_1x_2(1 + e_1) + x_3x_4(1 + e_2)](1 + e_3)$$

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

# Roundoff Error Bounds

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**Input:** exact  $f(\mathbf{x})$ , floating-point  $\hat{f}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{e})$

**Output:** Bounds for  $f - \hat{f}$

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

2: Decompose  $r(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{e}) = l(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{e}) + h(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{e})$ ,  $l$  linear in  $\mathbf{e}$

3: Bound  $h(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{e})$  with interval arithmetic

4: Bound  $l(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{e})$  with **SPARSE SUMS OF SQUARES**

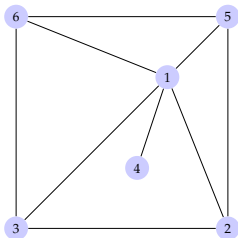
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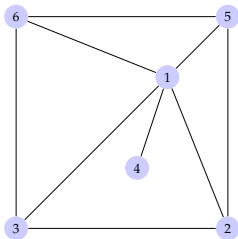


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1 Maximal cliques  $C_1, \dots, C_l$

2 Average size  $\kappa \rightsquigarrow \binom{\kappa+2k}{\kappa}$  vars

$$C_1 := \{1, 4\}$$

$$C_2 := \{1, 2, 3, 5\}$$

$$C_3 := \{1, 3, 5, 6\}$$

Dense SDP: 210 vars

Sparse SDP: 115 vars

# Contributions

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$$l(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{e}) = \sum_{i=1}^m s_i(\mathbf{x})e_i$$

Maximal cliques correspond to  $\{\mathbf{x}, e_1\}, \dots, \{\mathbf{x}, e_m\}$



M., Constantinides, Donaldson. Certified Roundoff Error Bounds Using Semidefinite Programming, *Trans. Math. Soft.*, 2016

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# Bicriteria Optimization Problems

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- Let  $f_1, f_2 \in \mathbb{R}[\mathbf{x}]$  two conflicting criteria
- Let  $\mathbf{S} := \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n : g_1(\mathbf{x}) \geq 0, \dots, g_m(\mathbf{x}) \geq 0\}$  a semialgebraic set

$$(\mathbf{P}) \left\{ \min_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{S}} (f_1(\mathbf{x}) \ f_2(\mathbf{x}))^\top \right\}$$

## Assumption

The image space  $\mathbb{R}^2$  is partially ordered in a natural way ( $\mathbb{R}_+^2$  is the ordering cone).

# Bicriteria Optimization Problems

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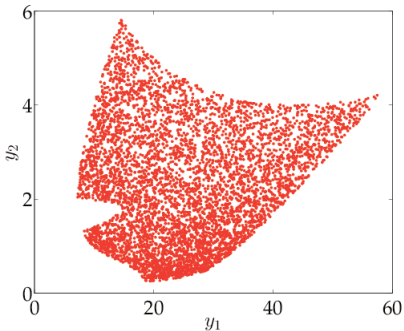
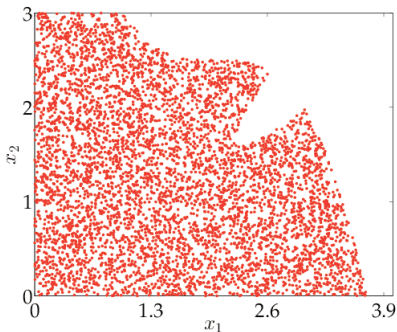
$$g_1 := -(x_1 - 2)^3/2 - x_2 + 2.5 ,$$

$$g_2 := -x_1 - x_2 + 8(-x_1 + x_2 + 0.65)^2 + 3.85 ,$$

$$\mathbf{S} := \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^2 : g_1(\mathbf{x}) \geq 0, g_2(\mathbf{x}) \geq 0\} .$$

$$f_1 := (x_1 + x_2 - 7.5)^2/4 + (-x_1 + x_2 + 3)^2 ,$$

$$f_2 := (x_1 - 1)^2/4 + (x_2 - 4)^2/4 .$$



# Parametric Sublevel Set Approximations

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- Inspired by previous research on multiobjective linear optimization [Gorissen-den Hertog 12]
- Workaround: reduce  $\mathbf{P}$  to a **parametric POP**

$$(\mathbf{P}_\lambda) : f^*(\lambda) := \min_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{S}} \{ f_2(\mathbf{x}) : f_1(\mathbf{x}) \leq \lambda \} ,$$

- variable  $(\mathbf{x}, \lambda) \in \mathbf{K} = \mathbf{S} \times [0, 1]$

# A Hierarchy of Polynomial Approximations

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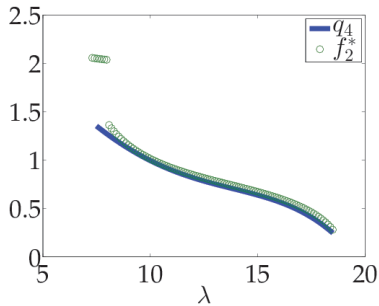
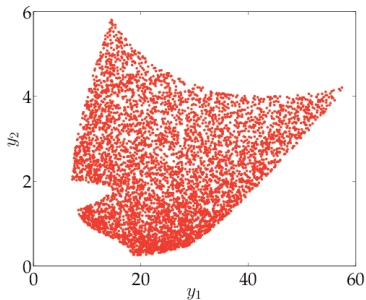
Moment-SOS approach [Lasserre 10]:

$$(D_k) \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \max_{q \in \mathbb{R}_{2k}[\lambda]} \sum_{i=0}^{2k} q_i / (1+i) \\ \text{s.t. } f_2(\mathbf{x}) - q(\lambda) \in \mathcal{Q}_{2k}(\mathbf{K}) . \end{array} \right.$$

- The hierarchy  $(D_k)$  provides a sequence  $(q_k)$  of **polynomial under-approximations** of  $f^*(\lambda)$ .
- $\lim_{d \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^1 (f^*(\lambda) - q_k(\lambda)) d\lambda = 0$

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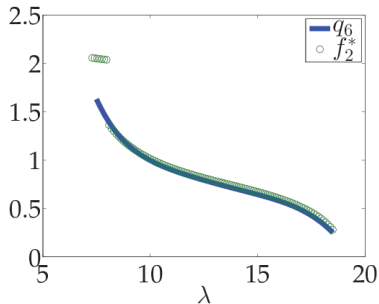
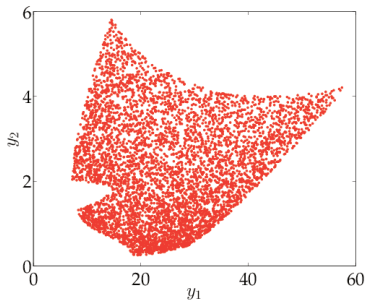
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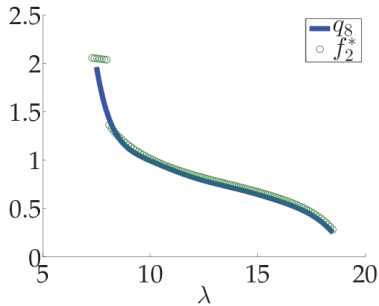
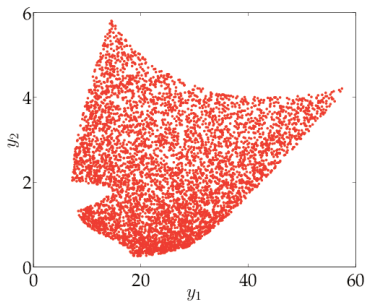
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Degree 6

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Degree 8

# Contributions

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- Numerical schemes that **avoid computing finitely many points**.
- Pareto curve approximation with polynomials, **convergence guarantees** in  $L_1$ -norm



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# Polynomial Images of Semialgebraic Sets

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- Semialgebraic set  $\mathbf{S} := \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n : g_1(\mathbf{x}) \geq 0, \dots, g_l(\mathbf{x}) \geq 0\}$
- A polynomial map  $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ ,  
 $\mathbf{x} \mapsto f(\mathbf{x}) := (f_1(\mathbf{x}), \dots, f_m(\mathbf{x}))$
- $\deg f = d := \max\{\deg f_1, \dots, \deg f_m\}$
- $\mathbf{F} := f(\mathbf{S}) \subseteq \mathbf{B}$ , with  $\mathbf{B} \subset \mathbb{R}^m$  a box or a ball
- Tractable approximations of  $\mathbf{F}$  ?

# Polynomial Images of Semialgebraic Sets

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- Includes important special cases:

- 1  $m = 1$ : **polynomial optimization**

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

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

- 3 **Pareto curve** approximations

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# Support of Image Measures

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- **Pushforward**  $f_{\#} : \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{S}) \rightarrow \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{B})$ :

$$f_{\#}\mu_0(\mathbf{A}) := \mu_0(\{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{S} : f(\mathbf{x}) \in \mathbf{A}\}), \quad \forall \mathbf{A} \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbf{B}), \forall \mu_0 \in \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{S})$$

- $f_{\#}\mu_0$  is the **image measure** of  $\mu_0$  under  $f$

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$$p^* := \sup_{\mu_0, \mu_1, \hat{\mu}_1} \int_{\mathbf{B}} \mu_1$$

s.t.  $\mu_1 + \hat{\mu}_1 = \lambda_{\mathbf{B}},$   
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## Lemma

Let  $\mu_1^*$  be an optimal solution of the above LP.  
Then  $\mu_1^* = \lambda_{\mathbf{F}}$  and  $p^* = \text{vol } \mathbf{F}$ .

## Method 2: Primal-dual LP Formulation

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Primal LP

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Dual LP

$$\begin{aligned} d^* &:= \inf_{v, w} \int w(\mathbf{y}) \lambda_{\mathbf{B}}(d\mathbf{y}) \\ \text{s.t. } \quad &v(f(\mathbf{x})) \geq 0, \quad \forall \mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{S}, \\ &w(\mathbf{y}) \geq 1 + v(\mathbf{y}), \quad \forall \mathbf{y} \in \mathbf{B}, \\ &w(\mathbf{y}) \geq 0, \quad \forall \mathbf{y} \in \mathbf{B}, \\ &v, w \in \mathcal{C}(\mathbf{B}). \end{aligned}$$

## Method 2: Strong Convergence Property

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Strengthening of the dual LP:

$$\begin{aligned} d_k^* &:= \inf_{v, w} \sum_{\beta \in \mathbb{N}_{2k}^m} w_\beta z_\beta^{\mathbf{B}} \\ \text{s.t. } & v \circ f \in \mathcal{Q}_{kd}(\mathbf{S}), \\ & w - 1 - v \in \mathcal{Q}_k(\mathbf{B}), \\ & w \in \mathcal{Q}_k(\mathbf{B}), \\ & v, w \in \mathbb{R}_{2k}[\mathbf{y}]. \end{aligned}$$



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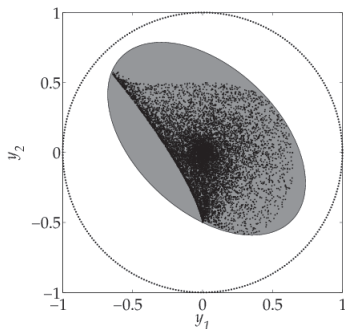
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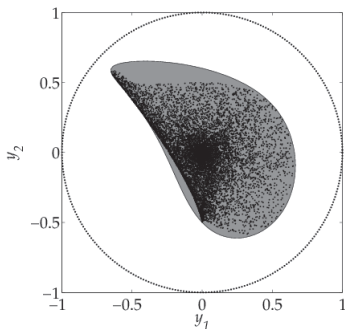
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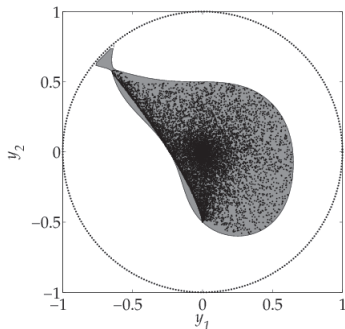
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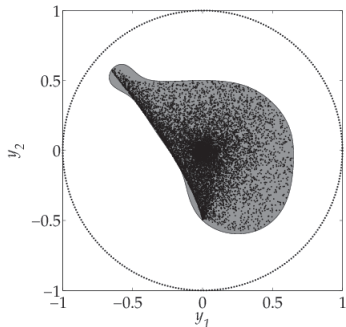
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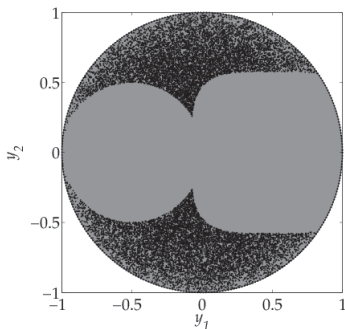
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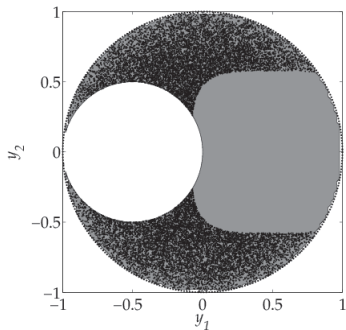
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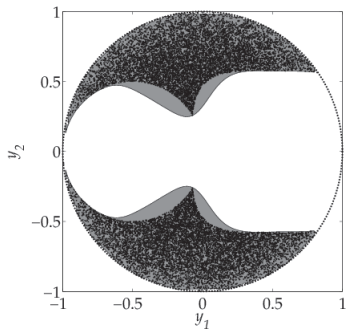


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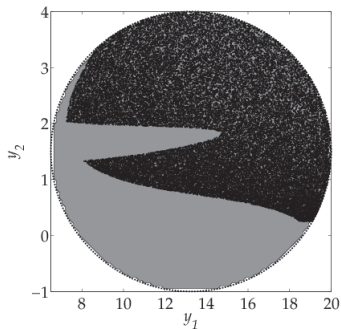


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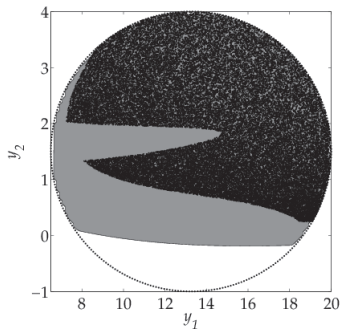


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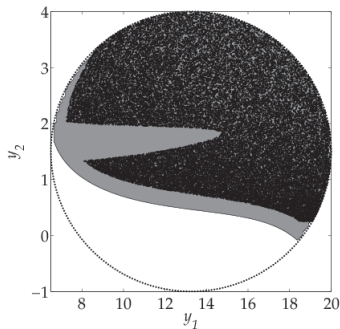


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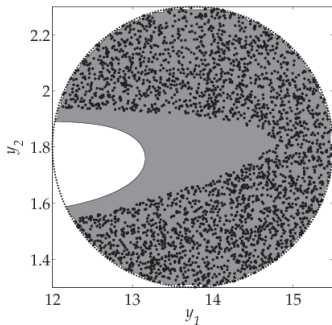


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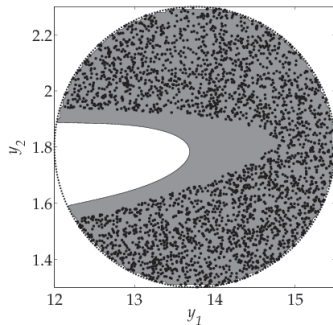


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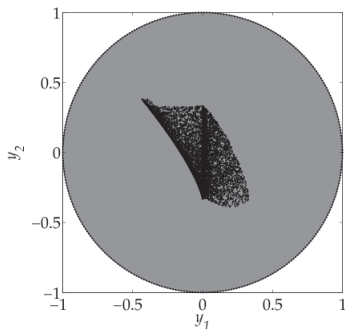
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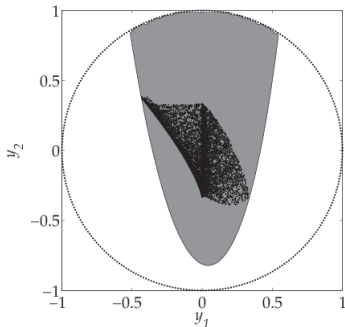
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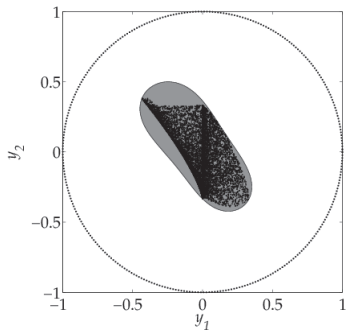


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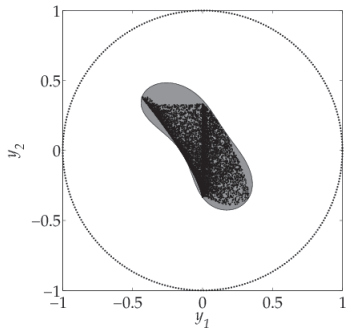
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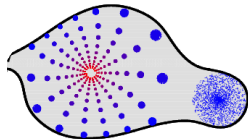
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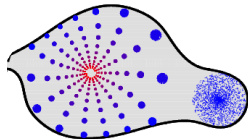
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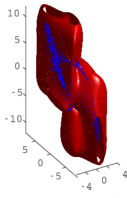
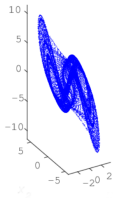
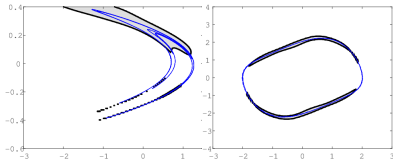
**Discrete**  $\mathbf{x}_{t+1} = f(\mathbf{x}_t) \implies f_{\#}\mu - \mu = 0$

**Continuous**  $\dot{\mathbf{x}} = f(\mathbf{x}) \implies \operatorname{div} f \mu = 0$

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💡 measures with density in  $L_p$

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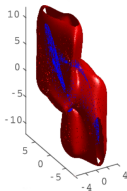
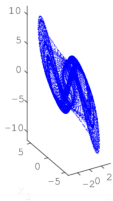
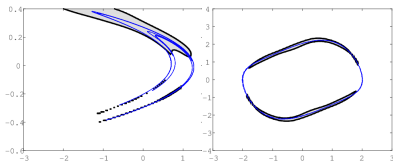
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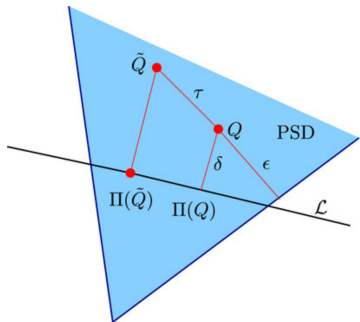
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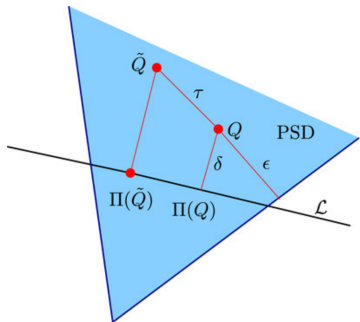
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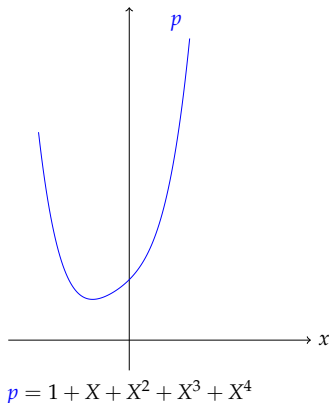


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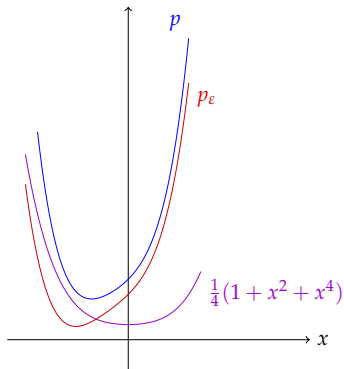
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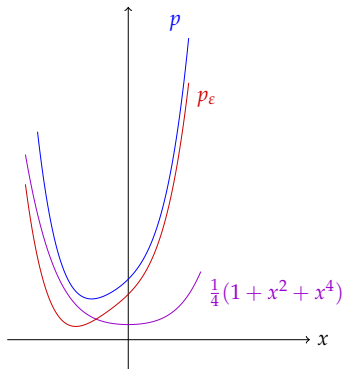
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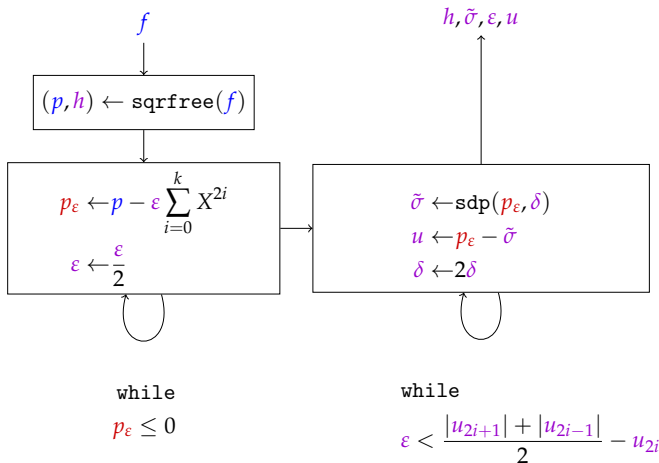
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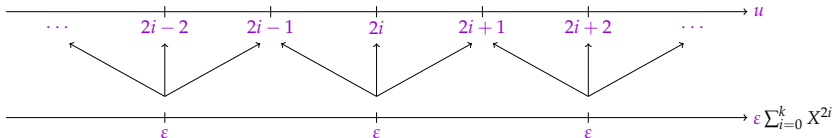
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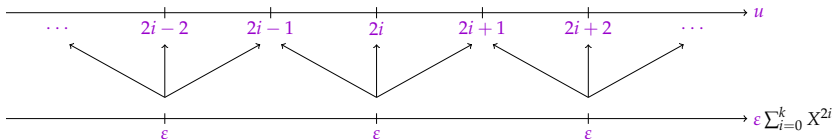


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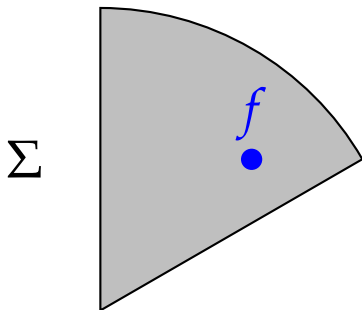
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**PERTURBATION** idea

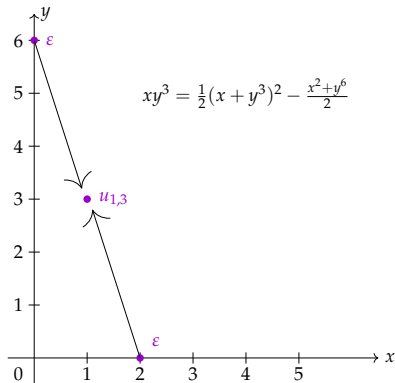
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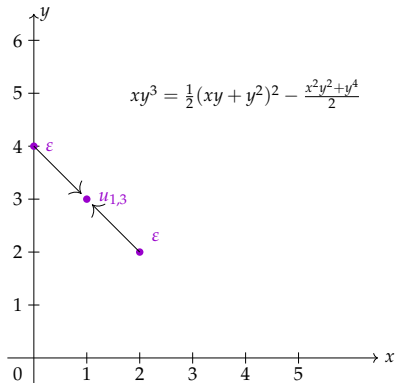
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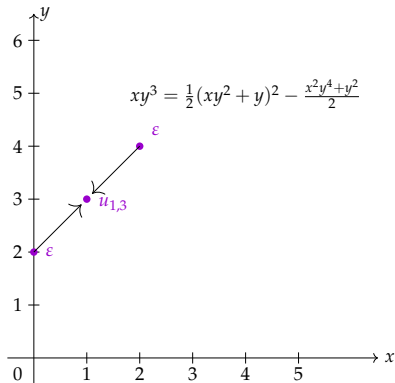


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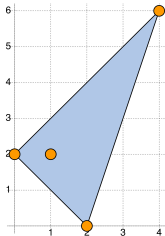
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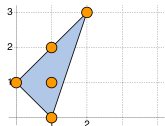
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Newton Polytope  $\mathcal{P} = \text{conv}(\text{spt}(f))$

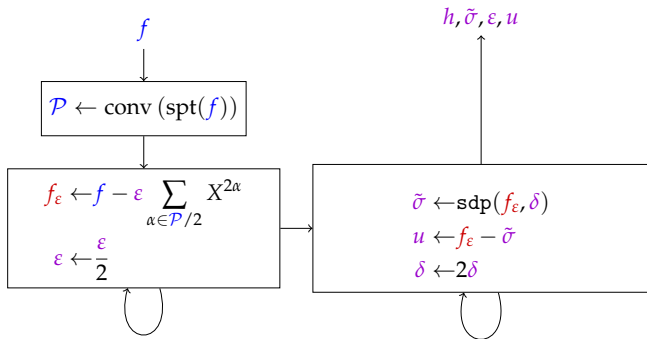


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[Reznick 78]



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Quantifier Elimination [Basu et. al 06]  $\implies \tau(\varepsilon) = \tau d^{\mathcal{O}(n)}$

💡 # Coefficients in SOS output =  $\text{size}(\mathcal{P}/2) = \binom{n+k}{n} \leq d^n$

💡 Ellipsoid algorithm for SDP [Grötschel et. al 93] □



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