

# Semidefinite Approximations of Projections and Polynomial Images of Semialgebraic Sets

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# The Problem

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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  $\mathbf{F}$  ?

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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

For  $f_1, f_2$  two conflicting criteria:  $(\mathbf{P}) \left\{ \min_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{S}} (f_1(\mathbf{x}) f_2(\mathbf{x}))^\top \right\}$

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**3** **Pareto curve:** set of *weakly Edgeworth-Pareto optimal points*

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

## Definition

A point  $\bar{\mathbf{x}} \in \mathbf{S}$  is called a *weakly Edgeworth-Pareto (EP) optimal point* of Problem  $\mathbf{P}$ , when there is no  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{S}$  such that  $f_j(\mathbf{x}) < f_j(\bar{\mathbf{x}})$ ,  $j = 1, 2$ .

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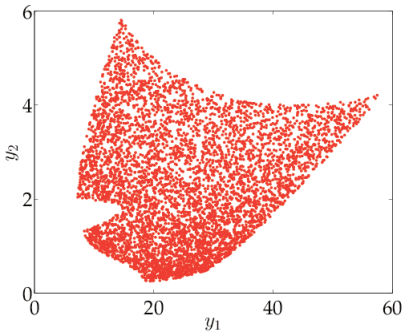
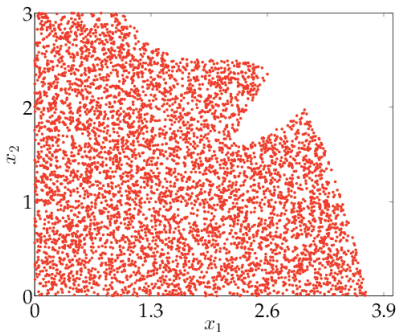
$$g_1 := -(x_1 - 2)^3/2 - x_2 + 2.5 ,$$

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

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

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

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



## 1 Exact description of projections with computer algebra

- Real quantifier elimination (QE) [Tarski 51, Collins 74, Bochnak-Coste-Roy 98]
- CAD: computational complexity  $(sd)^{2^{O(n)}}$  for a finite set of  $s$  polynomials
- Variant QE under radicality, equidimensionality [Hong-Safey 12]

- 2 Scalarization methods for computing Pareto curve
  - Numerical discretization schemes: modified Polak method [Pol 76]
  - Iterative Eichfelder-Polak algorithm [Eich 09]
  - Normal-boundary intersection method to find uniform spread of points [Das Dennis 98]

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- Compute  $q_k$  or  $w_k$  with **Semidefinite programming (SDP)**

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# Polynomial Optimization

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- $p^* := \inf_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{S}} f(\mathbf{x})$ : NP hard
- Sums of squares  $\Sigma[\mathbf{x}]$   
e.g.  $x_1^2 - 2x_1x_2 + x_2^2 = (x_1 - x_2)^2$
- $\mathcal{Q}(\mathbf{S}) := \left\{ \sigma_0(\mathbf{x}) + \sum_{j=1}^l \sigma_j(\mathbf{x})g_j(\mathbf{x}), \text{ with } \sigma_j \in \Sigma[\mathbf{x}] \right\}$
- **REMEMBER:**  $f \in \mathcal{Q}(\mathbf{S}) \implies \forall \mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{S}, f(\mathbf{x}) \geq 0$

# Problem reformulation

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- Borel  $\sigma$ -algebra  $\mathcal{B}$  (generated by the open sets of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ )
- $\mathcal{M}_+(\mathbf{S})$ : set of probability measures supported on  $\mathbf{S}$ .  
If  $\mu \in \mathcal{M}_+(\mathbf{S})$  then
  - 1  $\mu : \mathcal{B} \rightarrow [0, 1], \mu(\emptyset) = 0$
  - 2  $\mu(\cup_i B_i) = \sum_i \mu(B_i)$ , for any countable  $(B_i) \subset \mathcal{B}$
  - 3  $\int_{\mathbf{S}} \mu(dx) = 1$
- $\text{supp}(\mu)$  is the smallest set  $\mathbf{S}$  such that  $\mu(\mathbb{R}^n \setminus \mathbf{S}) = 0$

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$$p^* = \inf_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{S}} f(\mathbf{x}) = \inf_{\mu \in \mathcal{M}_+(\mathbf{S})} \int_{\mathbf{S}} f d\mu$$

# Primal-dual Moment-SOS [Lasserre 01]

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- Let  $(\mathbf{x}^\alpha)_{\alpha \in \mathbb{N}^n}$  be the monomial basis

## Definition

A sequence  $\mathbf{z}$  has a representing measure on  $\mathbf{S}$  if there exists a finite measure  $\mu$  supported on  $\mathbf{S}$  such that

$$\mathbf{z}_\alpha = \int_{\mathbf{S}} \mathbf{x}^\alpha \mu(d\mathbf{x}), \quad \forall \alpha \in \mathbb{N}^n.$$



# Primal-dual Moment-SOS [Lasserre 01]

- $\mathcal{M}_+(\mathbf{S})$ : space of probability measures supported on  $\mathbf{S}$
- $\mathcal{Q}(\mathbf{S})$ : quadratic module

## Polynomial Optimization Problems (POP)

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{(Primal)} & \text{(Dual)} \\ \inf \int_{\mathbf{S}} f d\mu & = \sup \lambda \\ \text{s.t. } \mu \in \mathcal{M}_+(\mathbf{S}) & \text{s.t. } \lambda \in \mathbb{R}, \\ & f - \lambda \in \mathcal{Q}(\mathbf{S}) \end{array}$$

# Primal-dual Moment-SOS [Lasserre 01]

- Finite moment sequences  $\mathbf{z}$  of measures in  $\mathcal{M}_+(\mathbf{S})$
- Truncated quadratic module  $\mathcal{Q}_k(\mathbf{S}) := \mathcal{Q}(\mathbf{S}) \cap \mathbb{R}_{2k}[\mathbf{x}]$

## Polynomial Optimization Problems (POP)

(Moment)		(SOS)
$\inf \sum_{\alpha} f_{\alpha} \mathbf{z}_{\alpha}$	=	$\sup \lambda$
s.t. $\mathbf{M}_{k-v_j}(g_j \mathbf{z}) \succcurlyeq 0, \quad 0 \leq j \leq l,$		s.t. $\lambda \in \mathbb{R},$
$\mathbf{z}_1 = 1$		$f - \lambda \in \mathcal{Q}_k(\mathbf{S})$

# Lasserre's Hierarchy of SDP relaxations

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$$\ell_{\mathbf{z}}(q) : q \in \mathbb{R}[\mathbf{x}] \mapsto \sum_{\alpha} q_{\alpha} \mathbf{z}_{\alpha}$$

- Moment matrix

$$\mathbf{M}(\mathbf{z})_{\mathbf{x}^{\alpha}, \mathbf{x}^{\beta}} := \ell_{\mathbf{z}}(\mathbf{x}^{\alpha} \mathbf{x}^{\beta}) = \mathbf{z}_{\alpha+\beta}$$

- Localizing matrix  $\mathbf{M}(\mathbf{g}_j \mathbf{z})$  associated with  $\mathbf{g}_j$

$$\mathbf{M}(\mathbf{g}_j \mathbf{z})_{\mathbf{x}^{\alpha}, \mathbf{x}^{\beta}} := \ell_{\mathbf{z}}(\mathbf{g}_j \mathbf{x}^{\alpha} \mathbf{x}^{\beta}) = \sum_{\gamma} \mathbf{g}_{j, \gamma} \mathbf{z}_{\alpha+\beta+\gamma}$$

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■  $\mathbf{M}_k(\mathbf{z})$  contains  $\binom{n+2k}{n}$  variables, has size  $\binom{n+k}{n}$

■ Truncated matrix of order  $k = 2$  with variables  $x_1, x_2$ :

$$\mathbf{M}_2(\mathbf{z}) = \begin{array}{c} 1 \\ - \\ x_1 \\ x_2 \\ - \\ x_1^2 \\ x_1x_2 \\ x_2^2 \end{array} \left( \begin{array}{ccc|ccc|ccc} 1 & & & x_1 & x_2 & & x_1^2 & x_1x_2 & x_2^2 \\ 1 & & & z_{1,0} & z_{0,1} & & z_{2,0} & z_{1,1} & z_{0,2} \\ - & - & - & - & - & - & - & - & - \\ z_{1,0} & & & z_{2,0} & z_{1,1} & & z_{3,0} & z_{2,1} & z_{1,2} \\ z_{0,1} & & & z_{1,1} & z_{0,2} & & z_{2,1} & z_{1,2} & z_{0,3} \\ - & - & - & - & - & - & - & - & - \\ z_{2,0} & & & z_{3,0} & z_{2,1} & & z_{4,0} & z_{3,1} & z_{2,2} \\ z_{1,1} & & & z_{2,1} & z_{1,2} & & z_{3,1} & z_{2,2} & z_{1,3} \\ z_{0,2} & & & z_{1,2} & z_{0,3} & & z_{2,2} & z_{1,3} & z_{0,4} \end{array} \right)$$

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- Consider  $g_1(\mathbf{x}) := 2 - x_1^2 - x_2^2$ . Then  $v_1 = \lceil \deg g_1 / 2 \rceil = 1$ .

$$\mathbf{M}_1(g_1 \mathbf{z}) = \begin{matrix} & \color{blue}{1} & & \color{blue}{x_1} & & \color{blue}{x_2} \\ \color{blue}{1} & & & & & \\ \color{blue}{x_1} & \left( \begin{array}{ccc} 2 - z_{2,0} - z_{0,2} & 2z_{1,0} - z_{3,0} - z_{1,2} & 2z_{0,1} - z_{2,1} - z_{0,3} \\ 2z_{1,0} - z_{3,0} - z_{1,2} & 2z_{2,0} - z_{4,0} - z_{2,2} & 2z_{1,1} - z_{3,1} - z_{1,3} \\ 2z_{0,1} - z_{2,1} - z_{0,3} & 2z_{1,1} - z_{3,1} - z_{1,3} & 2z_{0,2} - z_{2,2} - z_{0,4} \end{array} \right) & & & \\ \color{blue}{x_2} & & & & & \end{matrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{M}_1(g_1 \mathbf{z})(3,3) &= \ell(g_1(\mathbf{x}) \cdot x_2 \cdot x_2) = \ell(2x_2^2 - x_1^2x_2^2 - x_2^4) \\ &= 2z_{0,2} - z_{2,2} - z_{0,4} \end{aligned}$$

# Lasserre's Hierarchy of SDP relaxations

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- Truncation with moments of order at most  $2k$
- $v_j := \lceil \deg g_j / 2 \rceil$
- Hierarchy of semidefinite relaxations:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \inf_{\mathbf{z}} \ell_{\mathbf{z}}(f) = \sum_{\alpha} \int_{\mathbf{S}} f_{\alpha} \mathbf{x}^{\alpha} \mu(d\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{\alpha} f_{\alpha} \mathbf{z}_{\alpha} \\ \mathbf{M}_k(\mathbf{z}) \succeq 0, \\ \mathbf{M}_{k-v_j}(g_j \mathbf{z}) \succeq 0, \quad 1 \leq j \leq l, \\ \mathbf{z}_1 = 1. \end{array} \right.$$

# Semidefinite Optimization

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- $F_0, F_\alpha$  symmetric real matrices, cost vector  $c$

Primal-dual pair of semidefinite programs:

$$(SDP) \begin{cases} \mathcal{P} : & \inf_{\mathbf{z}} \quad \sum_{\alpha} c_{\alpha} \mathbf{z}_{\alpha} \\ & \text{s.t.} \quad \sum_{\alpha} F_{\alpha} \mathbf{z}_{\alpha} - F_0 \succcurlyeq 0 \\ \\ \mathcal{D} : & \sup_{\mathbf{Y}} \quad \text{Trace} (F_0 \mathbf{Y}) \\ & \text{s.t.} \quad \text{Trace} (F_{\alpha} \mathbf{Y}) = c_{\alpha} , \quad \mathbf{Y} \succcurlyeq 0 . \end{cases}$$

- Freely available SDP solvers (CSDP, SDPA, SEDUMI)

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with

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

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Existential QE: approximate  $\mathbf{F}$  as closely as desired [Lasserre 14]

$$\mathbf{F}_k^1 := \{\mathbf{y} \in \mathbf{B} : q_k(\mathbf{y}) \geq 0\} ,$$

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

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$$\inf_q \left\{ \int_{\mathbf{B}} (q - h) d\mathbf{y} : q - h_f \in \mathcal{Q}_k(\mathbf{K}) \right\} .$$

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It comes from the following:

- $q_k$  feasible solution,  $q_k - h_f \in \mathcal{Q}_k(\mathbf{K})$
- $\forall (\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \in \mathbf{K}, q_k(\mathbf{y}) \geq h_f(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \iff \forall \mathbf{y}, q_k(\mathbf{y}) \geq h(\mathbf{y})$  .

# Strong convergence property

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## Theorem

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- $q = 0$  feasible for Primal SDP:

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- Apply Putinar's Positivstellensatz to  $p_k - h_f + \epsilon / \text{vol}(\mathbf{B})$ :

$$p_k - h_f + \epsilon / \text{vol}(\mathbf{B}) = \sum_{j=0}^l \sigma_j g_j$$

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

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# Infinite dimensional LP formulation

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## Lemma

Let  $\mu_1^*$  be an optimal solution of the above LP.

Then  $\mu_1^* = \lambda_{\mathbf{F}}$  and  $p^* = \text{vol } \mathbf{F}$ .

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- $x := (\mu_0, \mu_1, \hat{\mu}_1) \quad c := (0, 1, 0) \in F_1 \quad b := (0, \lambda_{\mathbf{B}})$
- the linear operator  $\mathcal{A} : E_1 \rightarrow E_2$  given by

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# Zero duality gap

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Lemma

$$p^* = d^*$$

# 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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$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \text{vol}(\mathbf{F}_k^2 \setminus \mathbf{F}) = 0 .$$

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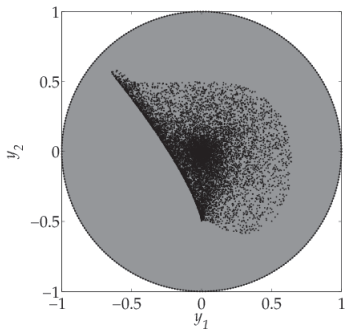
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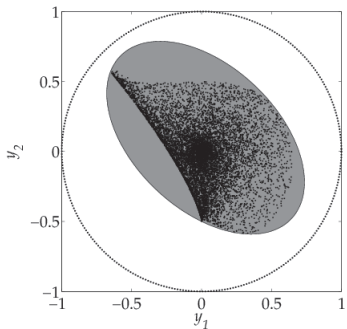
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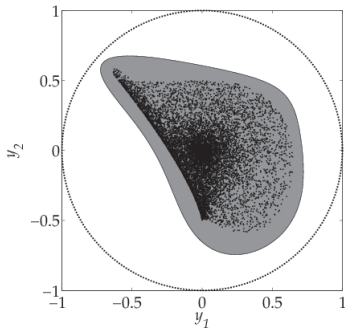


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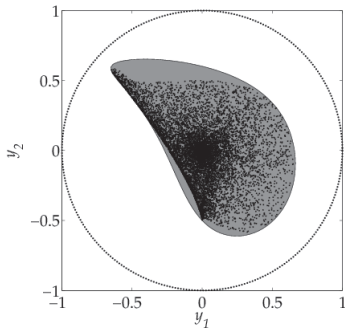
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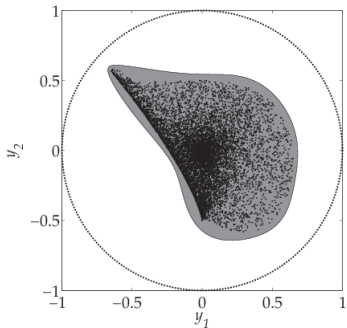


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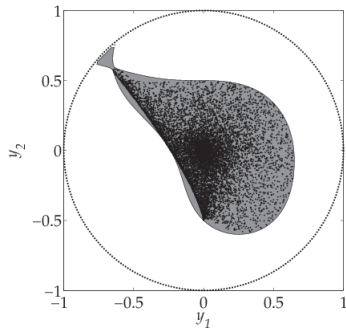
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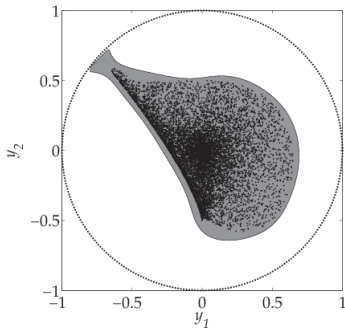
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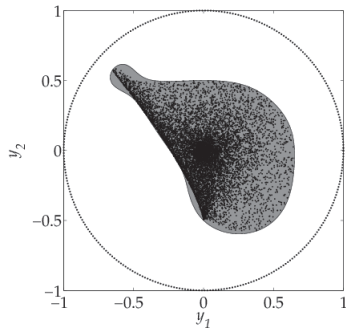
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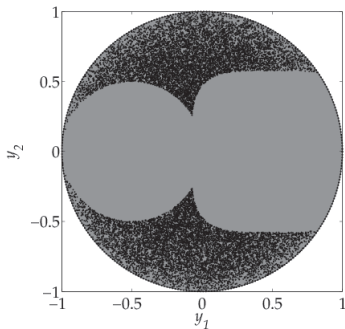
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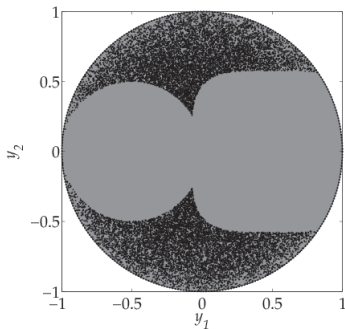
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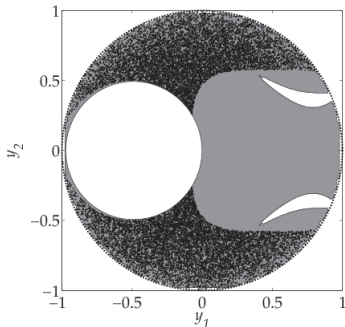


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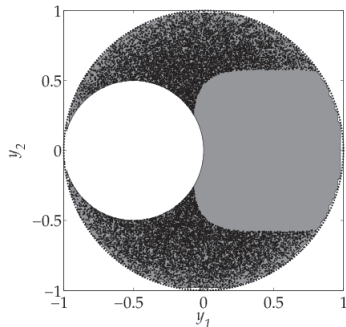
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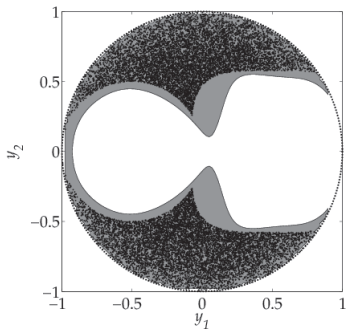


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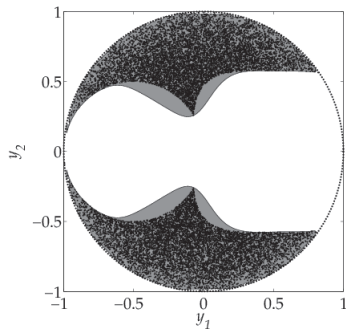
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# Bicriteria Optimization Problems

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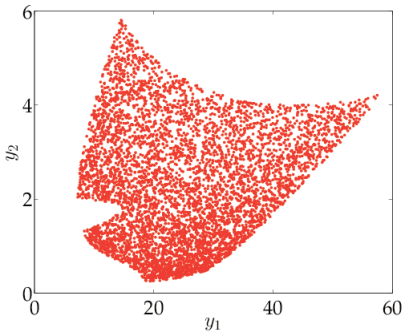
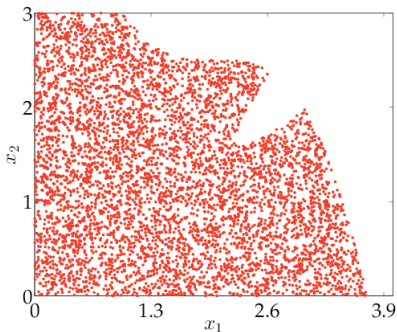
$$g_1 := -(x_1 - 2)^3/2 - x_2 + 2.5 ,$$

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

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

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

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



# Previous Contributions

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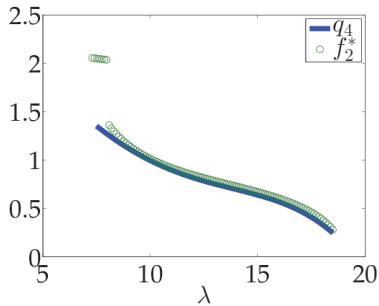
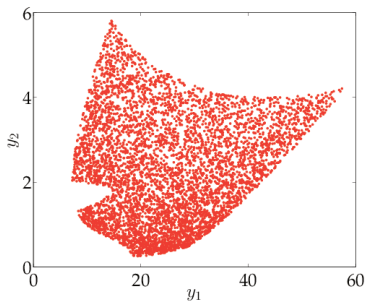
- Numerical schemes that **avoid computing finitely many points**.
- Pareto curve approximation with polynomials, **convergence guarantees** in  $L_1$ -norm



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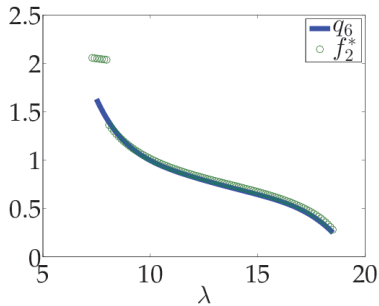
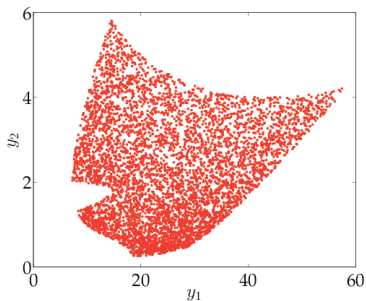


Degree 4



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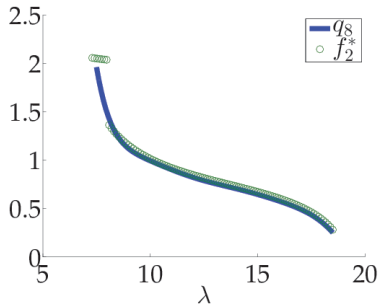
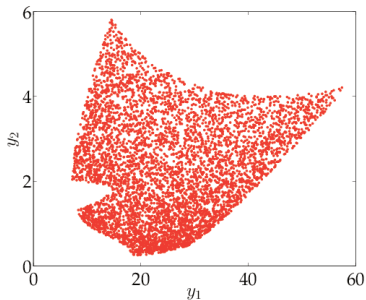
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Degree 6

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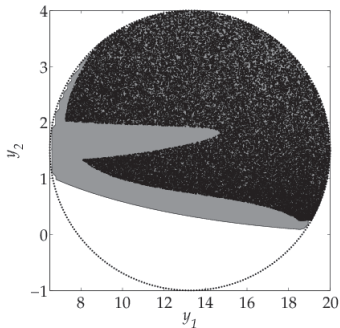


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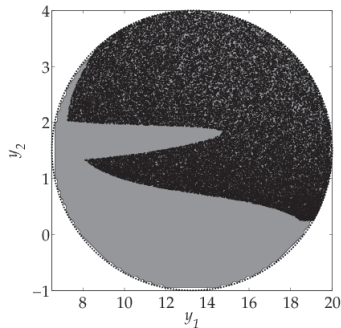
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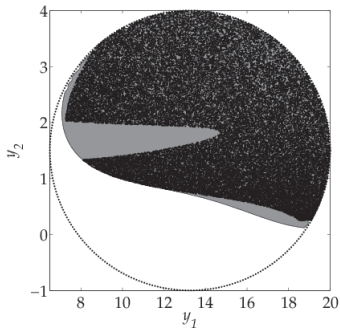


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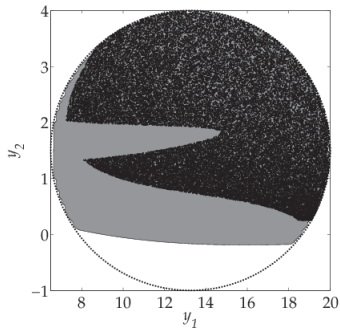
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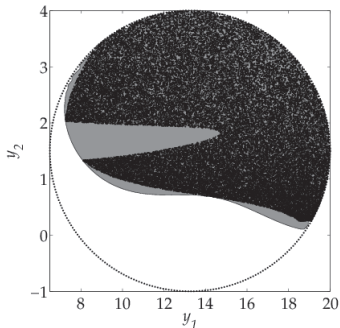


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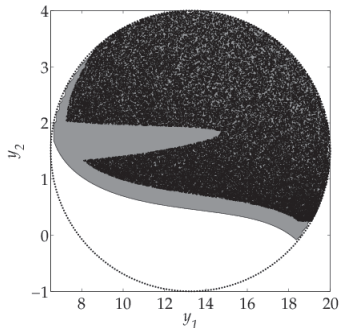
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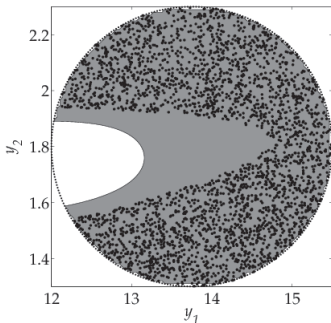


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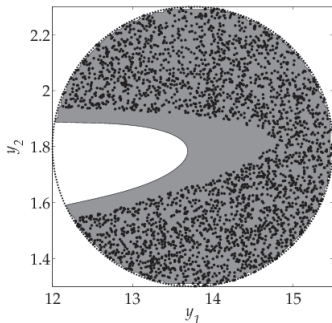


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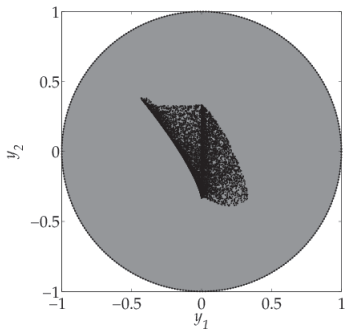


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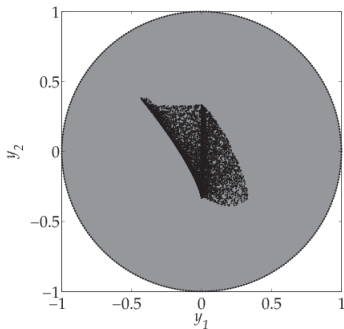
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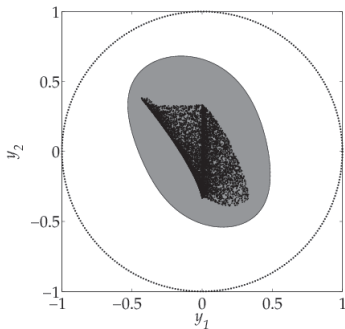
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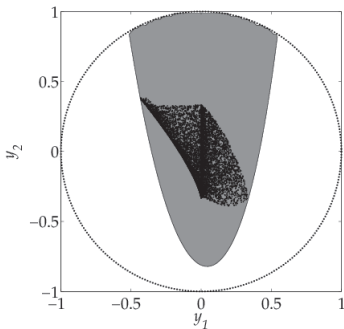
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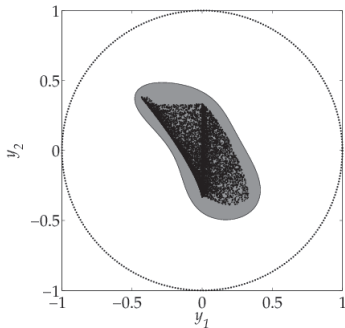


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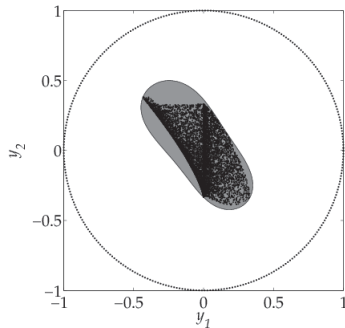
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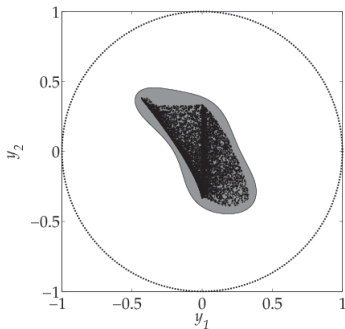


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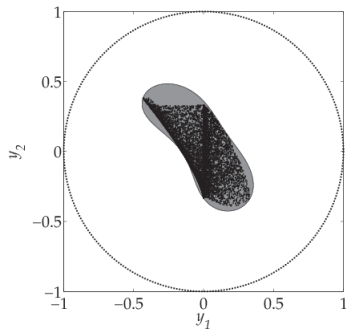
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- **Unifying** framework: projections, Pareto curves
- Computational complexity
  - 1 Method 1:  $\binom{n+m+2k}{2k}$  SDP variables
  - 2 Method 2:  $\binom{n+2kd}{2kd}$  SDP variables
- **Structure sparsity** can be exploited

# Conclusion

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## Further research:

- Alternative positivity certificates LP/SDP
  - 1 Less computationally demanding than SDP
  - 2 More efficient than LP (as generic convergence cannot occur)

# End

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Thank you for your attention!

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