

« A Lagrangian relaxation and mathematical programming framework for static analysis and verification »

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Static analysis



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Principle of static analysis

- Define the most precise program property as a fixpoint
 $\text{Ifp } F$
- Effectively compute a fixpoint approximation:
 - **iteration-based** fixpoint approximation
 - **constraint-based** fixpoint approximation



Iteration-based static analysis

- Effectively overapproximate the iterative fixpoint definition²:

$$\text{lfp } F = \bigcup_{\lambda \in \mathbb{O}} X^\lambda$$

$$X^0 = \perp$$

$$X^\lambda = \bigcup_{\eta < \lambda} F(X^\eta)$$

² under Tarski's fixpoint theorem hypotheses



Constraint-based static analysis

- Effectively solve a postfixpoint constraint:

$$\text{Ifp } F = \bigcap \{X \mid F(X) \sqsubseteq X\}$$

since $F(X) \sqsubseteq X$ implies $\text{Ifp } F \sqsubseteq X$

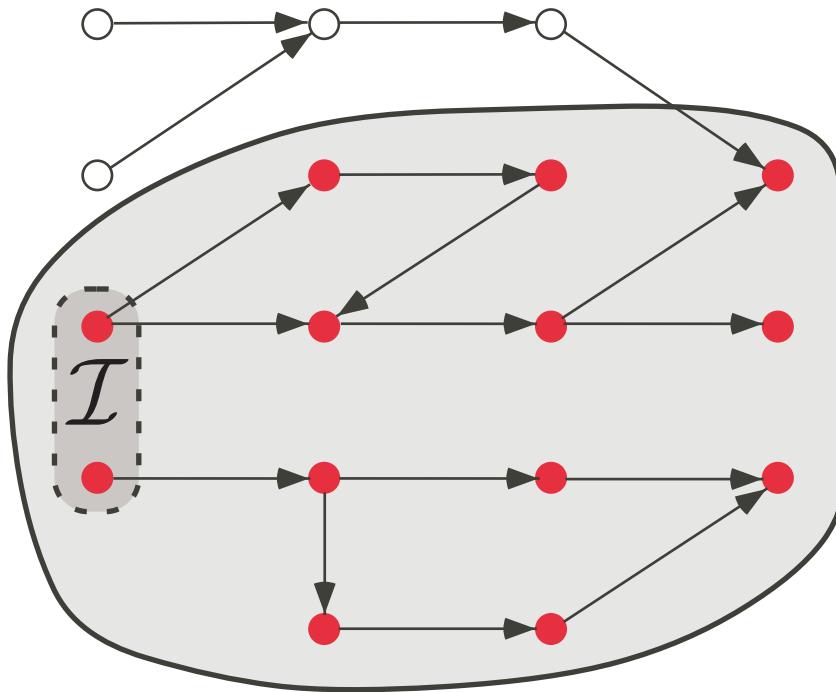
Constraint-based static analysis is the main subject of this talk.



Program properties



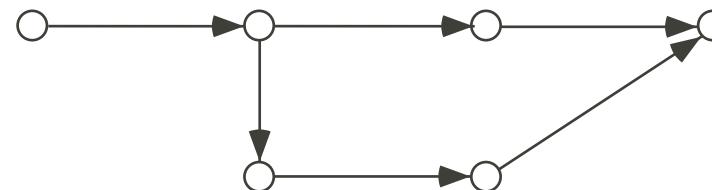
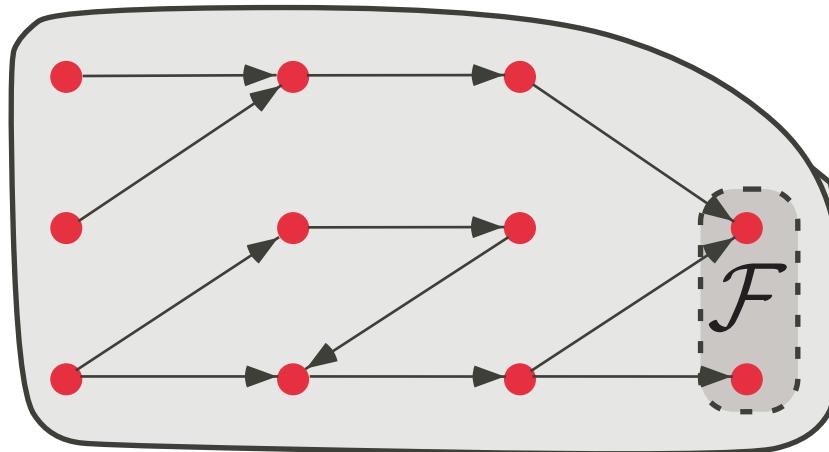
Forward/reachability properties



Example: **partial correctness** (must stay into safe states)



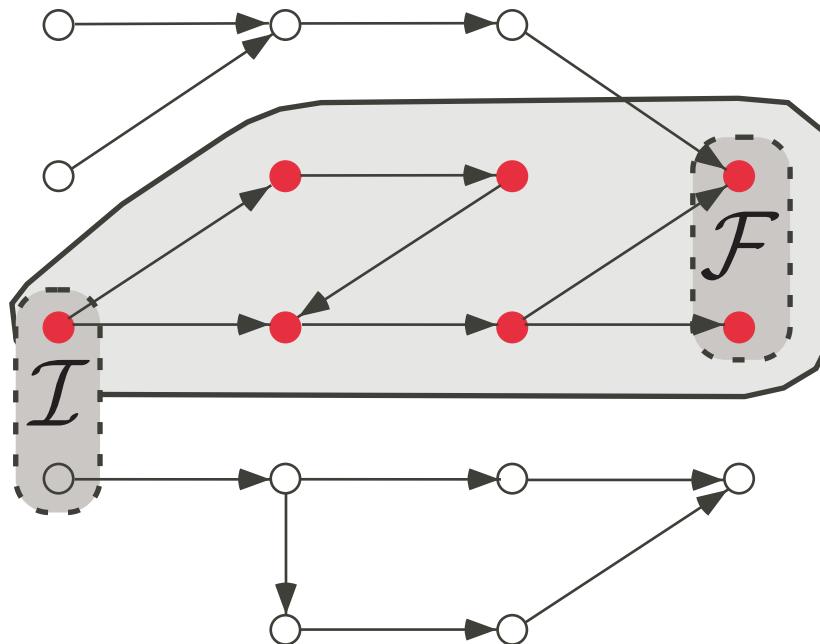
Backward/ancestry properties



Example: **termination** (must reach final states)



Forward/backward properties



Example: total correctness (stay safe while reaching final states)



Floyd's total correctness proof method for while loops

$$\frac{\{I(\alpha) \wedge \alpha > 0\} \ B ; C \ \{\exists \beta < \alpha : I(\beta)\}, \ I(0) \Rightarrow \neg B}{\{\exists \epsilon : I(\epsilon)\} \text{ while } B \text{ do } C \text{ od } \{I(0)\}}$$

To be incorporated in backward analysis...



Iterated forward/backward iteration-based approximate static analysis



Principle of the iterated forward/backward iteration-based approximate analysis

- Overapproximate

$$\text{Ifp } F \sqcap \text{Ifp } B$$

by overapproximations of the decreasing sequence

$$X^0 = \top$$

...

$$X^{2n+1} = \text{Ifp } \lambda Y . X^{2n} \sqcap F(Y)$$

$$X^{2n+2} = \text{Ifp } \lambda Y . X^{2n+1} \sqcap B(Y)$$

...



Examples (with polyhedral³ abstraction)

```
{x<=0}
while (x > 0) do
    {empty(1)}
    skip
    {empty(1)}
od
{x<=0}
```

³ using Bertrand Jeannet's NewPolka library



```

{ $n \geq 0$ }
    i := n;
{ $n = i, n \geq 0$ }
    while (i <> 0) do
        { $i \geq 1, n \geq i$ }
            j := 0;
{ $j = 0, i \geq 1, n \geq i$ }
            while (j <> i) do
                { $j \geq 0, i \geq j+1, n \geq i$ }
                    j := j + 1
{ $j \geq 1, i \geq j, n \geq i$ }
                { $i = j, i \geq 1, n \geq i$ }
                    i := i - 1
{ $i+1 = j, i \geq 0, n \geq i+1$ }
    od
{i = 0, n \geq 0}

```

Bubble-sort example



Arithmetic mean example

{ $x >= y$ }

while ($x <> y$) do

{ $x >= y + 2$ }

$x := x - 1;$

{ $x >= y + 1$ }

$y := y + 1$

{ $x >= y$ }

od

{ $x = y$ }



Arithmetic mean example (cont'd)

Adding a backward loop counter:

```
{x=y+2k,x>=y}
  while (x <> y) do
    {x=y+2k ,x>=y+2}
      k := k - 1;
    {x=y+2k+2 ,x>=y+2}
      x := x - 1;
    {x=y+2k+1 ,x>=y+1}
      y := y + 1
    {x=y+2k ,x>=y}
  od
{x=y ,k=0}
  assume (k = 0)
{x=y ,k=0}
```



Operational semantics



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Small-step relational semantics of loops

while B do C od

- $x \in \mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}$: values of the loop variables *before* a loop iteration
- $x' \in \mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}$: values of the loop variables *after* a loop iteration
- $\llbracket B; C \rrbracket(x, x')$: small-step relational semantics of *one iteration of the loop body*
- $\llbracket B; C \rrbracket(x, x') = \bigwedge_{i=1}^N \sigma_i(x, x') \geqslant 0$ (where \geqslant is $>$, \geq or $=$)
- not a restriction for numerical programs



Example of linear program (Arithmetic mean)

$$[A \ A'][x \ x']^\top \geq b$$

```

{x=y+2k, x>=y}
while (x <> y) do
    k := k - 1;
    x := x - 1;
    y := y + 1
od

```

$$\begin{aligned}
+1.x -1.y -1 &\geq 0 \\
+1.x -1.y -2.k &= 0 \\
-1.k +1.k' +1 &= 0 \\
-1.x +1.x' +1 &= 0 \\
-1.y +1.y' +1 &= 0
\end{aligned}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & -2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ k \\ x' \\ y' \\ k' \end{pmatrix} \geq \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$



Example of quadratic form program (factorial)

$$[x \ x'] A [x \ x']^\top + 2[x \ x'] q + r \geq 0$$

```

n := 0;                      -1.f +1.N >= 0
f := 1;                      +1.n >= 0
while (f <= N) do           +1.f -1 >= 0
    n := n + 1;              -1.n +1.n' -1 = 0
    f := n * f               +1.N -1.N' = 0
od                           -1.f.n' +1.f' = 0

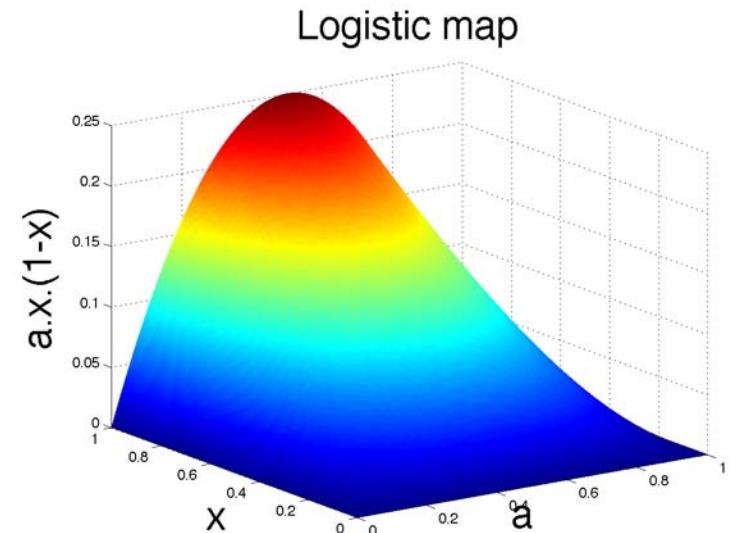
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$$[nfNn'f'N'] \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -\frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} n \\ f \\ N \\ n' \\ f' \\ N' \end{bmatrix} + 2[nfNn'f'N'] \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + 0 = 0$$



Example of semialgebraic program (logistic map)

```
eps = 1.0e-9;  
while (0 <= a) & (a <= 1 - eps)  
    & (eps <= x) & (x <= 1) do  
    x := a*x*(1-x)  
od
```



Constraint-based static analysis



Floyd's method for invariance

Given a loop precondition P , find an unknown loop invariant I such that:

- The invariant is *initial*:

$$\forall x : P(x) \Rightarrow I(x)$$

- The invariant is *inductive*:

$$\forall x, x' : I(x) \wedge \llbracket B; C \rrbracket(x, x') \Rightarrow I(x')$$



Floyd's method for numerical programs

Given a loop precondition $P(x) \geq 0$, find an unknown loop invariant $I(x) \geq 0$ such that:

- The invariant is *initial*:

$$\forall x : P(x) \geq 0 \Rightarrow I(x) \geq 0$$

- The invariant is *inductive*:

$$\forall x, x' : \left(I(x) \geq 0 \wedge \bigwedge_{i=1}^N \sigma_i(x, x') \geq 0 \right) \Rightarrow I(x') \geq 0$$



Floyd's method for termination

Given a loop invariant I , find an $\mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}$ -valued unknown rank function r such that:

- The rank is *nonnegative*:

$$\forall x : I(x) \Rightarrow r(x) \geq 0$$

- The invariant is *inductive*:

$$\forall x, x' : I(x) \wedge [\![B; C]\!](x, x') \Rightarrow r(x') \leq r(x) - \eta$$

$\eta = 1$ for \mathbb{Z} , $\eta > 0$ for \mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Q} to avoid Zeno $\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{8} \dots$



Solving the constraints

- Fix the form of the unkown ($I(x) \geq 0/r(x) \geq 0$) using parameters a in the form $Q(a, x) \geq 0$.
- The problem has the form:

$\exists a :$

$$\left(\bigwedge_{k=1}^n \forall x, x' : Q(a, x) \geq 0 \wedge C_k(x, x') \geq 0 \right)$$

\Rightarrow

$$Q(a, x') \geq 0$$

- Find an algorithm to effectively compute a !



Problems

In order to compute a :

- How to get rid of the implication $\Rightarrow ?$
→ *Lagrangian relaxation*
- How to get rid of the universal quantification $\forall ?$
→ *Quantifier elimination/mathematical programming & relaxation*



Algorithmically interesting cases

- linear inequalities
 - linear programming
- linear matrix inequalities (LMI)/quadratic forms
 - semidefinite programming
- semialgebraic sets
 - polynomial quantifier elimination, or
 - relaxation with semidefinite programming



Quantifier elimination



Quantifier elimination (Tarski-Seidenberg)

- quantifier elimination for the first-order theory of real closed fields:
 - F is a logical combination of polynomial equations and inequalities in the variables x_1, \dots, x_n
 - Tarski-Seidenberg decision procedure
 - transforms a formula*

$$\forall/\exists x_1 : \dots \forall/\exists x_n : F(x_1, \dots, x_n)$$

into an equivalent quantifier free formula

- cannot be bounded by any tower of exponentials [Heintz, Roy, Solerno 89]



Quantifier elimination (Collins)

- cylindrical algebraic decomposition method by Collins
- implemented in MATHEMATICA®
- worst-case time-complexity for real quantifier elimination is “only” doubly exponential in the number of quantifier blocks



Example: quadratic termination of logistic map

```
eps = 1.0e-9;
while (0 <= a) & (a <= 1 - eps)
    & (eps <= x) & (x <= 1) do
    x := a*x*(1-x)
od

In[1]:= Clear All;
Timing [LogicalExpand [Reduce [
ForAll [ $\epsilon$ ,  $\epsilon$  > 0, ForAll [a $,$  (0  $\leq$  a) && (a  $\leq$  1 -  $\epsilon$ ) ,
ForAll [x0 $,$  ( $\epsilon$   $\leq$  x0) && (x0  $\leq$  1) ,
ForAll [x1 $,$  x1 == a * x0 * (1 - x0) ,
Exists [ $\eta$  $,$  ( $\eta$   $>$  0) &&
        ( $c * x0^2 + d * x0 + e \geq 0$ ) &&
        ( $c * x0^2 + d * x0 - c * x1^2 - d * x1 \geq \eta$ ) ]]]]],
{c, d, e}, Reals]]]//TraditionalForm
```

No result after hours of computations!



Example: linear termination of logistic map

```
eps = 1.0e-9;  
while (0 <= a) & (a <= 1 - eps)  
    & (eps <= x) & (x <= 1) do  
    x := a*x*(1-x)  
od
```

```
In[1]:= ClearAll;
```

```
Timing[LogicalExpand[Reduce[  
    ForAll[ $\epsilon$ ,  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  
        ForAll[a,  $0 \leq a$  &&  $a \leq 1 - \epsilon$ ],  
        ForAll[x0,  $\epsilon \leq x0$  &&  $x0 \leq 1$ ],  
        ForAll[x1, x1 == a * x0 * (1 - x0),  
            Exists[ $\eta$ ,  $\eta > 0$ ] &&  
                (c * x0 + d  $\geq 0$ ) && (c * x0 - c * x1  $\geq \eta$ )]]]],  
    {c, d}, Reals]]]/TraditionalForm
```

```
Out[1]= {0.16 Second, c > 0  $\wedge$  d  $\geq 0}$ 
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Scaling up

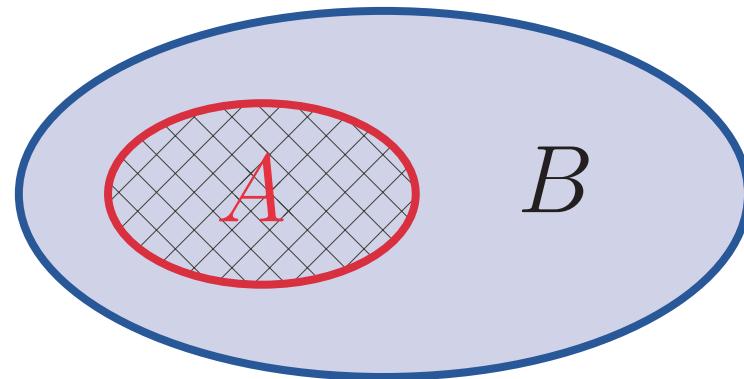
- does not scale up beyond a few variables!
- too bad!



Lagrangian relaxation for implication elimination



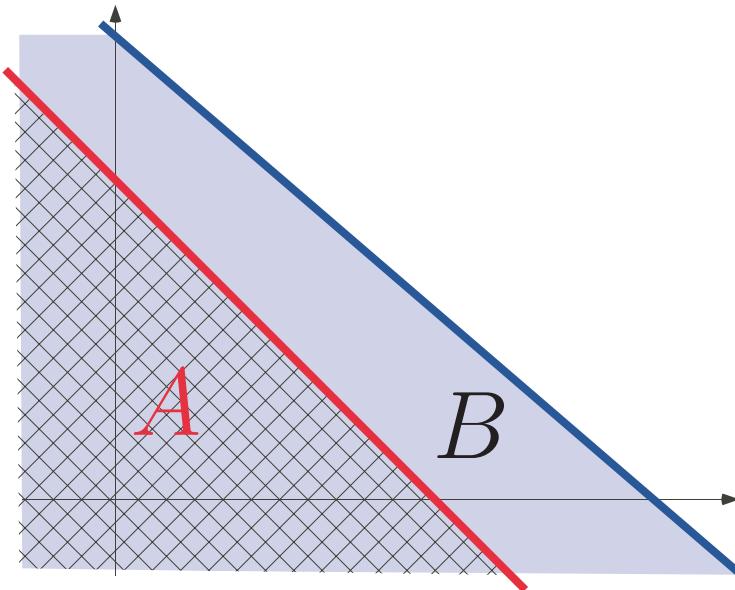
Implication (general case)



$$\begin{aligned} A \Rightarrow B \\ \Leftrightarrow \\ \forall x \in A : x \in B \end{aligned}$$



Implication (linear case)



$A \Rightarrow B$

(assuming $A \neq \emptyset$)

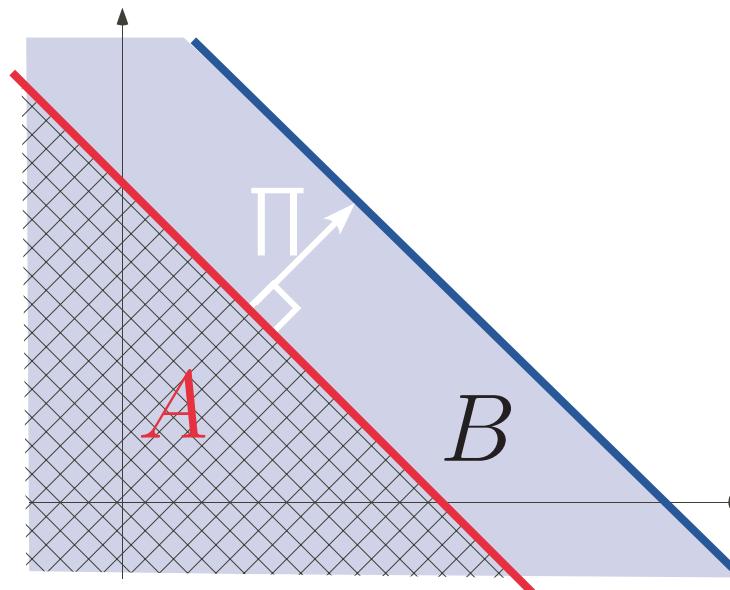
\Leftarrow (soundness)

\Rightarrow (completeness)

border of A parallel to border of B



Lagrangian relaxation (linear case)



Lagrangian relaxation, formally

Let \mathbb{V} be a finite dimensional linear vector space, $N > 0$ and $\forall k \in [1, N] : \sigma_k \in \mathbb{V} \mapsto \mathbb{R}$.

$$\forall x \in \mathbb{V} : \left(\bigwedge_{k=1}^N \sigma_k(x) \geq 0 \right) \Rightarrow (\sigma_0(x) \geq 0)$$

\Leftarrow soundness (Lagrange)

\Rightarrow completeness (*lossless*)

$\not\Rightarrow$ incompleteness (*lossy*)

$$\exists \lambda \in [1, N] \mapsto \mathbb{R}_* : \forall x \in \mathbb{V} : \sigma_0(x) - \sum_{k=1}^N \lambda_k \sigma_k(x) \geq 0$$

relaxation = approximation, λ_i = Lagrange coefficients



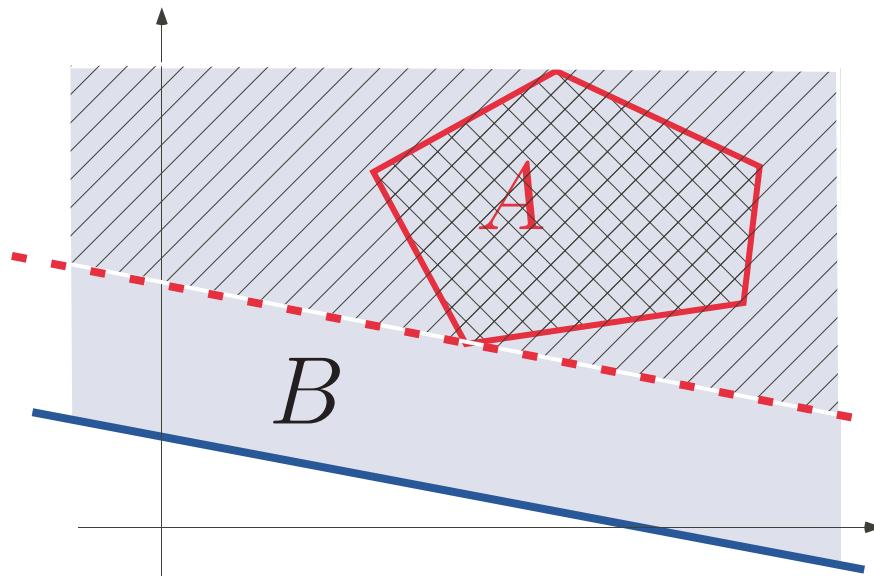
Lagrangian relaxation, equality constraints

$$\begin{aligned} & \forall x \in \mathbb{V} : \left(\bigwedge_{k=1}^N \sigma_k(x) = 0 \right) \Rightarrow (\sigma_0(x) \geq 0) \\ \Leftarrow & \text{ soundness (Lagrange)} \\ & \exists \lambda \in [1, N] \mapsto \mathbb{R}_* : \forall x \in \mathbb{V} : \sigma_0(x) - \sum_{k=1}^N \lambda_k \sigma_k(x) \geq 0 \\ & \wedge \exists \lambda' \in [1, N] \mapsto \mathbb{R}_* : \forall x \in \mathbb{V} : \sigma_0(x) + \sum_{k=1}^N \lambda'_k \sigma_k(x) \geq 0 \\ \Leftrightarrow & (\lambda'' = \frac{\lambda' - \lambda}{2}) \\ & \exists \lambda'' \in [1, N] \mapsto \mathbb{R} : \forall x \in \mathbb{V} : \sigma_0(x) - \sum_{k=1}^N \lambda''_k \sigma_k(x) \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$



Example: affine Farkas' lemma, informally

- An application of Lagrangian relaxation to the case when A is a polyhedron



Example: affine Farkas' lemma, formally

- Formally, if the system $Ax + b \geq 0$ is feasible then

$$\forall x : Ax + b \geq 0 \Rightarrow cx + d \geq 0$$

\Leftarrow (soundness, Lagrange)

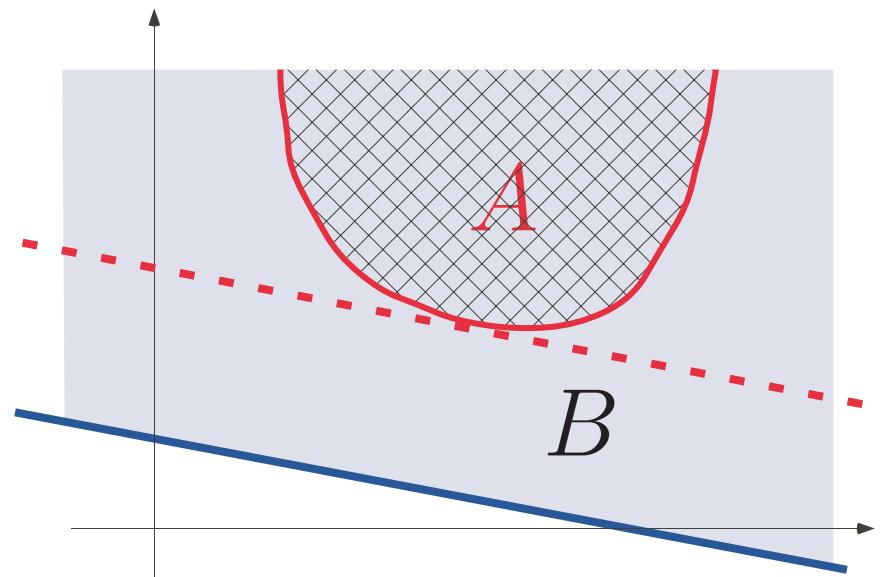
\Rightarrow (completeness, Farkas)

$$\exists \lambda \geq 0 : \forall x : cx + d - \lambda(Ax + b) \geq 0 .$$

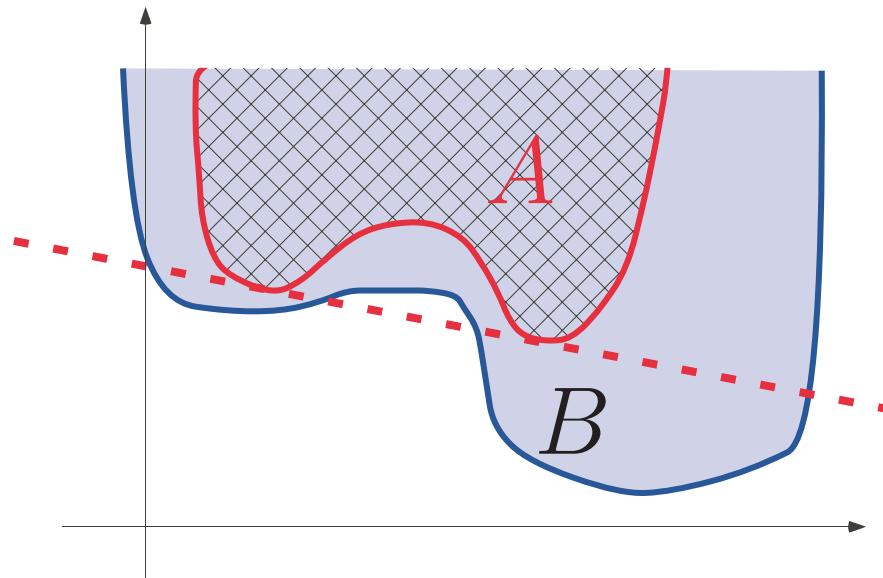


Yakubovich's S-procedure, informally

- An application of Lagrangian relaxation to the case when A is a quadratic form



Incompleteness (convex case)



Yakubovich's S-procedure, completeness cases

- The constraint $\sigma(x) \geq 0$ is *regular* if and only if $\exists \xi \in \mathbb{V} : \sigma(\xi) > 0$.
- The S-procedure is lossless in the case of one regular quadratic constraint:

$$\forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n : x^\top P_1 x + 2q_1^\top x + r_1 \geq 0 \Rightarrow$$

$$x^\top P_0 x + 2q_0^\top x + r_0 \geq 0$$

\Leftarrow (Lagrange)

\Rightarrow (Yakubovich)

$$\exists \lambda \geq 0 : \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n : x^\top \left(\begin{bmatrix} P_0 & q_0 \\ q_0^\top & r_0 \end{bmatrix} - \lambda \begin{bmatrix} P_1 & q_1 \\ q_1^\top & r_1 \end{bmatrix} \right) x \geq 0.$$



Semidefinite programming for quantifier elimination



Mathematical programming

$$\exists x \in \mathbb{R}^n : \quad \bigwedge_{i=1}^N g_i(x) \geq 0$$

[Minimizing $f(x)$]

feasibility problem : find a solution to the constraints

optimization problem : find a solution, minimizing $f(x)$



Feasibility

- **feasibility problem**: find a solution $s \in \mathbb{R}^n$ to the optimization program, such that $\bigwedge_{i=1}^N g_i(s) \geq 0$, or to determine that the problem is *infeasible*
- **feasible set**: $\{x \mid \bigwedge_{i=1}^N g_i(x) \geq 0\}$
- a feasibility problem can be converted into the optimization program

$$\min\{-y \in \mathbb{R} \mid \bigwedge_{i=1}^N g_i(x) - y \geq 0\}$$



Example: linear programming



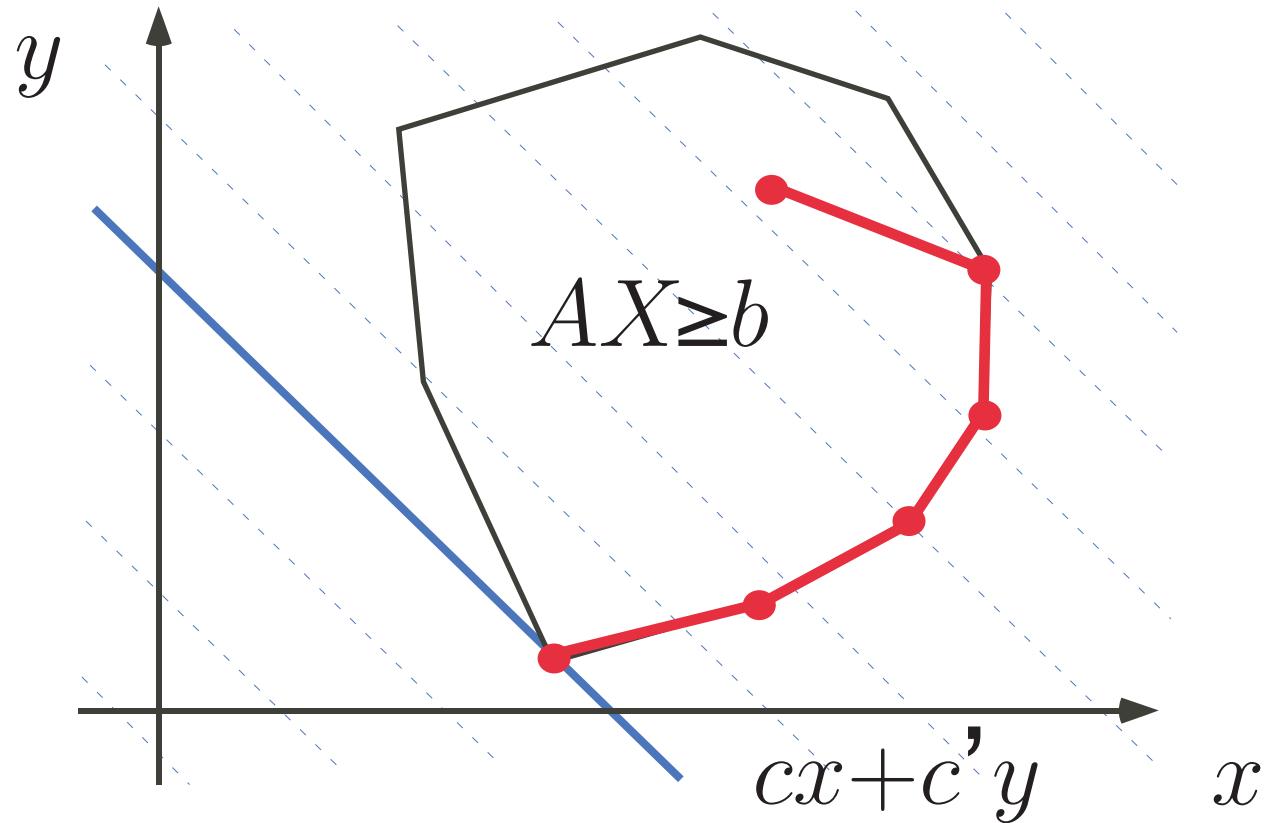
Example: linear programming

$$\exists x \in \mathbb{R}^n: \quad Ax \geq b$$

[Minimizing cx]



The simplex



Dantzig 1948, exponential in worst case, good in practice



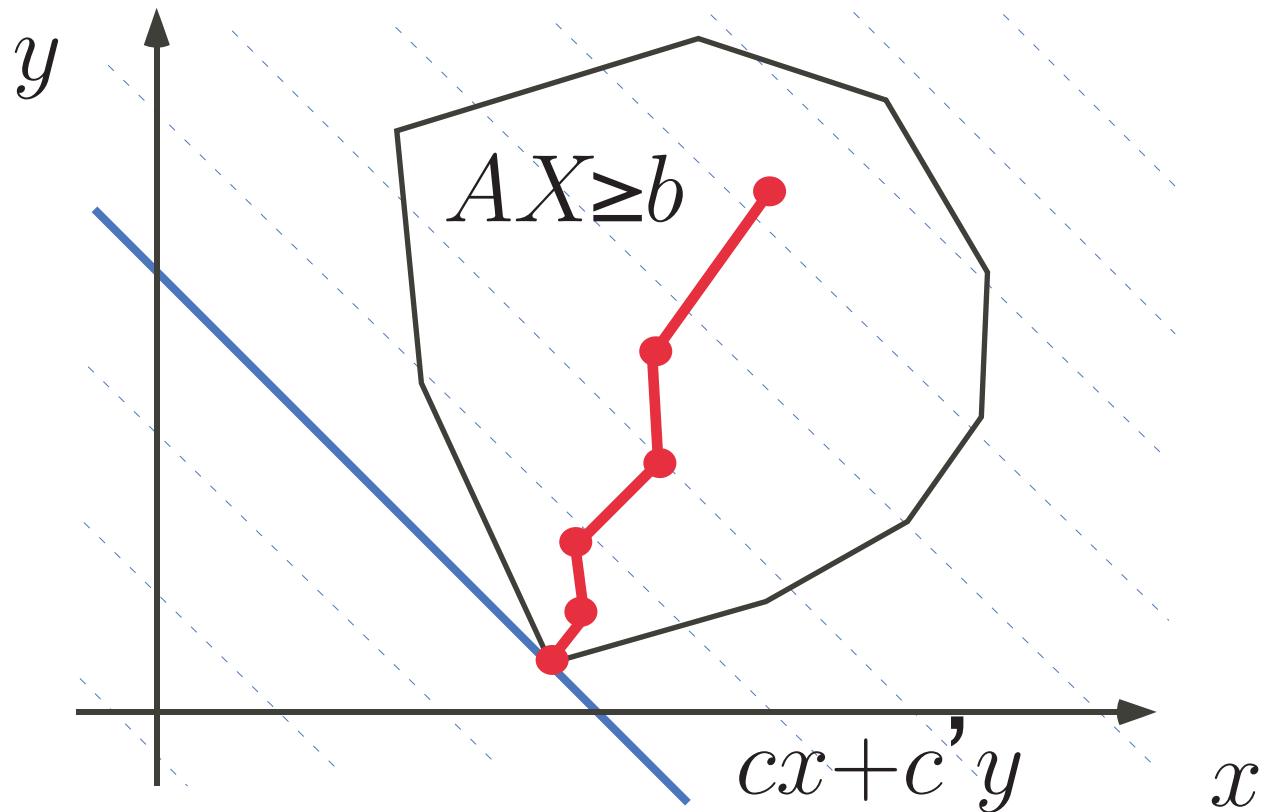
Polynomial methods

Ellipsoid method : Khachian 1979, polynomial in worst case but not good in practice

Interior point method : Kamarkar 1984, polynomial in worst case and good in practice (hundreds of thousands of variables)



The interior point method



Example: semidefinite programming



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Semidefinite programming

$$\exists x \in \mathbb{R}^n : M(x) \succcurlyeq 0$$

[Minimizing cx]

Where the linear matrix inequality is

$$M(x) = M_0 + \sum_{k=1}^m x_k M_k$$

with symmetric matrices ($M_k = M_k^\top$ and the positive semidefiniteness is

$$M(x) \succcurlyeq 0 = \forall X \in \mathbb{R}^N : X^\top M(x) X \geq 0$$



Semidefinite programming, once again

Feasibility is:

$$\exists x \in \mathbb{R}^n : \forall X \in \mathbb{R}^N : X^\top \left(M_0 + \sum_{k=1}^m x_k M_k \right) X \geq 0$$

of the form of the formulæ we are interested in!



Bilinear/quadratic forms

Bilinear forms:

$$Y^\top MX$$

Quadratic forms:

$$X^\top MX$$



Example of quadratic forms: linear inequalities

A line of $(A A')(x x')^\top + b$ is $(A_{k,:} A'_{k,:})(x x')^\top + b_k = (x x' 1) M_k (x x' 1)^\top$ where

$$M_k = \begin{bmatrix} 0^{(2n \times 2n)} & \frac{A_{k,:}^\top}{2} \\ & \frac{A'^\top_{k,:}}{2} \\ \frac{A_{k,:}}{2} & \frac{A'_{k,:}}{2} & b_k \end{bmatrix}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
& [x \ x' \ 1] M_k [x \ x' \ 1]^\top \\
&= (x \ x' \ 1) \begin{bmatrix} 0^{(2n \times 2n)} & \frac{A_{k,:}^\top}{2} \\ & \frac{A'^\top_{k,:}}{2} \\ \frac{A_{k,:}}{2} & \frac{A'_{k,:}}{2} & b_k \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x^\top \\ x'^\top \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \\
&= (x \ x' \ 1) \begin{bmatrix} \frac{A_{k,:}^\top}{2} \\ \frac{A'^\top_{k,:}}{2} \\ \frac{A_{k,:}}{2} x^\top \frac{A'_{k,:}}{2} x'^\top + b_k \end{bmatrix} \\
&= x \frac{A_{k,:}^\top}{2} + x' \frac{A'^\top_{k,:}}{2} + \frac{A_{k,:}}{2} x^\top + \frac{A'_{k,:} x'^\top}{2} + b_k \\
&= (A_{k,:} \ A'_{k,:})(x \ x')^\top + b_k \quad \text{\{since } (AB)^\top = B^\top A^\top \}}
\end{aligned}$$



Example of quadratic forms: quadratic inequalities

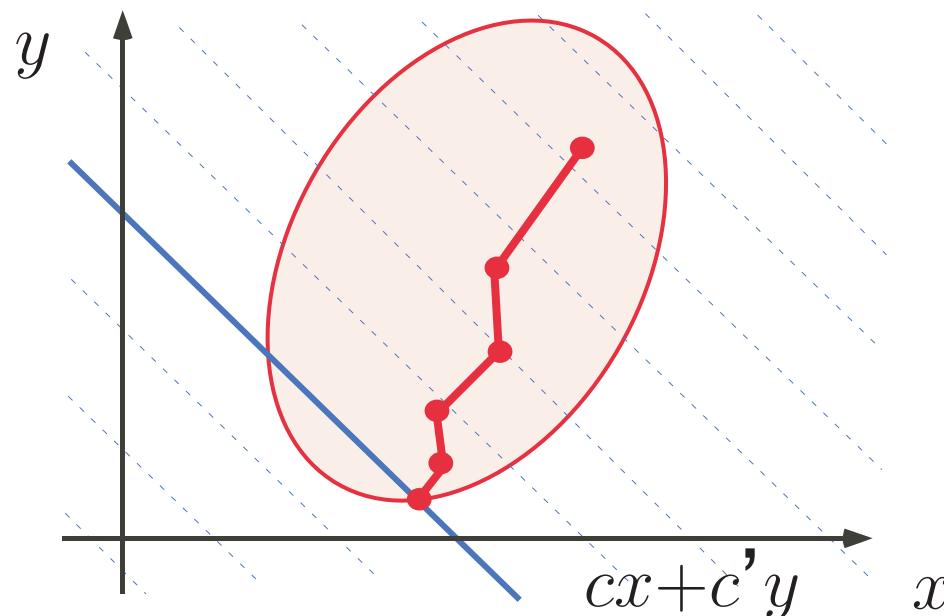
$$\begin{aligned} & (x \ x') P_k (x \ x')^\top + 2q_k^\top (x \ x')^\top + r_k \geq 0 \\ = & (x \ x' \ 1) M_k (x \ x' : 1)^\top \\ \text{where} \end{aligned}$$

$$M_k = \begin{bmatrix} P_k & q_k \\ q_k^\top & r_k \end{bmatrix}$$



Interior point method for semidefinite programming

- Nesterov & Nemirovskii 1988, polynomial in worst case and good in practice (thousands of variables)



- Various path strategies e.g. “stay in the middle”



Interior point algorithms for semidefinite programming

Interior point algorithms work because of appropriate generalizations from polyhedra:

- linear → convex
- partial ordering \geq → \succcurlyeq



Semidefinite programming solvers

Numerous solvers available under MATLAB[®], a.o.:

- [lmilab](#): P. Gahinet, A. Nemirovskii, A.J. Laub, M. Chilali
- [SeDuMi](#): J. Sturm
- [bnb](#): J. Löfberg (integer semidefinite programming)

Common interfaces to these solvers, a.o.:

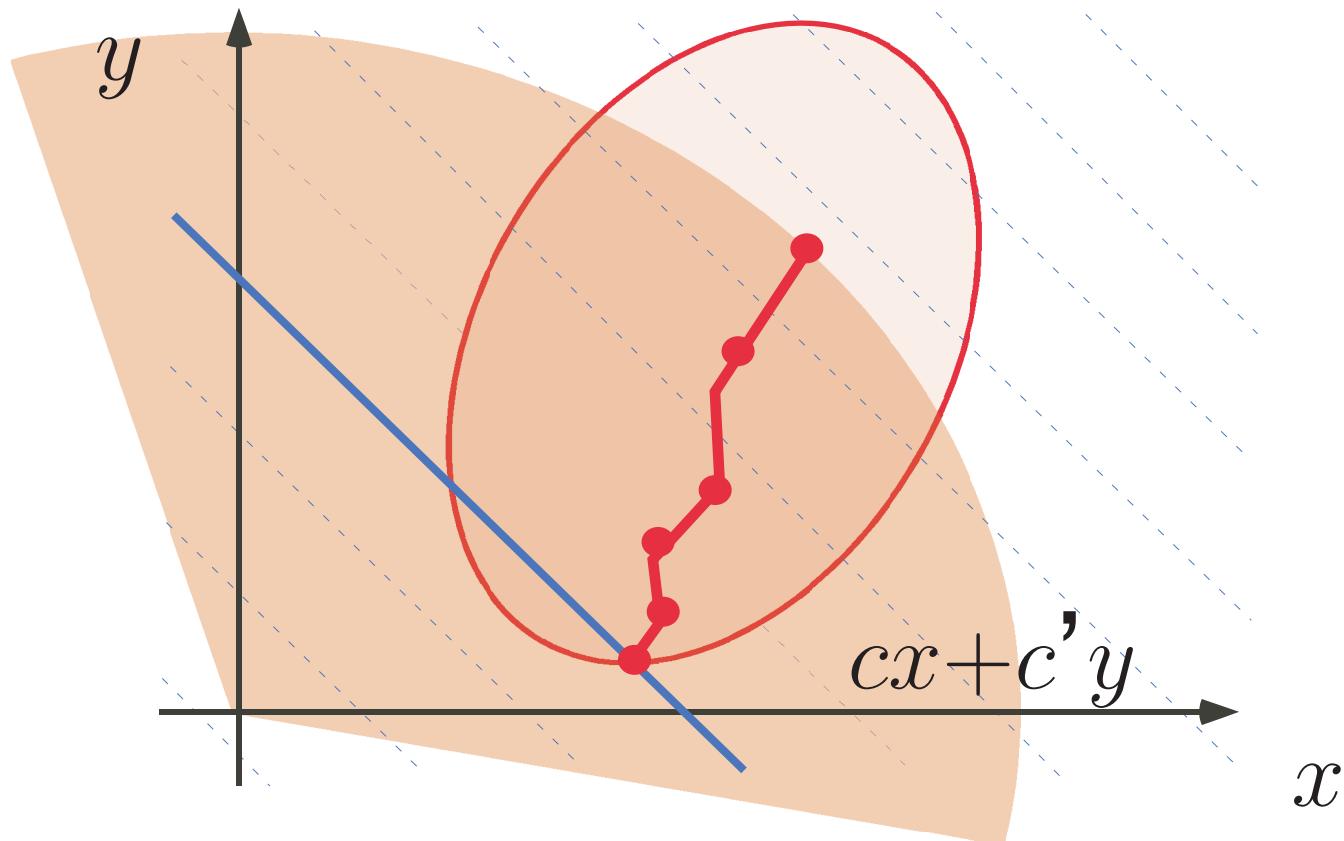
- [Yalmip](#): J. Löfberg

Sometime need some help (feasibility radius, shift,...)

Main application: nonlinear automatic control theory



Imposing a feasibility radius



Well-posedness problem

- Equality constraints may cause well-posedness **problems with feasibility** (solvers better handle strict inequalities)
- In this case, one can **slightly relax** the constraint by adding a **negative shift**



Example with a variable shift

```
» x = sdpvar(1,1);
» F = set(diag([x -x])>0);
» solvesdp(F, [] ,sdpsettings('solver', 'lmilab'))
...
ans = ...
    info: 'Infeasible problem (LMILAB)'
    ...
» t = sdpvar(1,1);
» solvesdp(F, -t, sdpsettings('solver', 'lmilab', 'shift',t))
...
ans = ...
    info: 'No problems detected (LMILAB)'
    ...
» disp(double(x))
    0
» disp(double(t))
-2.0154e-11
```



Lagrangian relaxation and semidefinite programming for static analysis

(1) Examples



Linear example: termination of decrementation

```
» [N Mk(:,:, :)]=linToMk([1 0; 0 1],[0 0; 0 0],[-1; -1]);  
» [M Mk(:,:, N+1:N+M)]=linToMk([-1 1; 0 -1],[1 0; 0 1],[0; 0]);
```

```
» N
```

```
N = 2
```

```
» M
```

```
M = 2
```

```
» format rational; Mk
```

```
Mk(:,:,1) =
```

0	0	0	0	1/2
0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0
1/2	0	0	0	-1

```
Mk(:,:,2) =
```

0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	1/2
0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0
0	1/2	0	0	-1

{y >= 1}

```
while (x >= 1) do
    x := x - y
od
```

```
Mk(:,:,3) =
```

```
Mk(:,:,4) =
```

0	0	0	0	-1/2
0	0	0	0	1/2
0	0	0	0	1/2
0	0	0	0	0
-1/2	1/2	1/2	0	0

0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	-1/2
0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	1/2
0	-1/2	0	1/2	0

Iterated forward/backward polyhedral analysis:



```

» display_Mk(Mk, N, {'x' 'y'});
...
+1.x -1 >= 0
+1.y -1 >= 0
-1.x +1.y +1.x' = 0
-1.y +1.y' = 0
...
» [diagnostic,R] = termination(Mk, N, ...
    'float', 'linear');
» disp(diagnostic)
termination (lmilab)
» fltrank(R, {'x' 'y'})

```

Iterated forward/backward polyhedral analysis:

```

{y >= 1}
while (x >= 1) do
    x := x - y
od

```

$$r(x, y) = +2.178955e+12 \cdot x + 1.453116e+12 \cdot y - 1.451513e+12$$

one possible ranking function amongst infinitely many others



Fixing the radius:

```
clear all;
[N Mk(:,:, :)]=linToMk([1 0; 0 1], ...
[0 0; 0 0], [-1; -1]);
[M Mk(:,:,N+1:N+M)]=linToMk([-1 1; 0 -1], ...
[1 0; 0 1], [0; 0]);
[diagnostic,R] = termination(Mk, N, 'float', ...
'linear', 1.0e4);
disp(diagnostic)
fltrank(R, {'x' 'y'})
...
f-radius saturation: 85.927% of R = 1.00e+04
...
```

Iterated forward/backward polyhedral analysis:

```
{y >= 1}
while (x >= 1) do
    x := x - y
od
```

termination (lmilab)

$r(x, y) = +4.074723e+03 \cdot x + 2.786715e+03 \cdot y + 1.549410e+03$



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Changing the solver:

```
\begin{verbatim}
[N Mk(:,:, :)]=linToMk([1 0; 0 1], ...
    [0 0; 0 0], [-1; -1]);
[M Mk(:,:,N+1:N+M)]=linToMk([-1 1; 0 -1], ...
    [1 0; 0 1], [0; 0]);
[diagnostic,R] = termination(Mk, N, 'float',...
    'linear', 1.0e4, 'sedumi');
disp(diagnostic)
fltrank(R, {'x' 'y'})
...

```

Iterated forward/backward polyhedral analysis:

```
{y >= 1}
while (x >= 1) do
    x := x - y
od
```

termination (sedumi)
 $r(x, y) = +2.271450e+03 \cdot x + 1.810903e+03 \cdot y - 3.623997e+03$



Enforcing an integer ranking function:

```
clear all;
[N Mk(:,:, :)]=linToMk([1 0; 0 1], ...
[0 0; 0 0], [-1; -1]);
[M Mk(:,:,N+1:N+M)]=linToMk([-1 1; 0 -1], ...
[1 0; 0 1], [0; 0]);
[diagnostic,R] = termination(Mk, N, ...
'integer', 'linear');
disp(diagnostic)
intrank(R, {'x' 'y'})
```

...

```
termination (bnb)
r(x,y) = +2.x +2.y -3
```

(integer semidefinite programming still in infancy)



Linear example: termination of arithmetic mean

```
» clear all;
% linear inequalities
%      x0 y0 k0
Ai = [ 1 -1 0]; % x0 - y0 - 1 >= 0
%      x  y  k
Ai_ = [ 0  0  0];
bi = [-1];
% linear equalities
%      x0 y0 k0
Ae = [ 1 -1 -2; % x0 - y0 - 2*k0 = 0
       0  0 -1;
       -1 0  0;
       0 -1 0];
%      x  y  k
Ae_ = [ 0  0  0;
       0  0  1; % k - k0 + 1 = 0
       1  0  0; % x - x0 + 1 = 0
       0  1  0]; % y - y0 + 1 = 0
be = [0; 1; 1; 1];
```



Iterated forward/backward polyhedral analysis:

```
{x=y+2k, x>=y}
while (x <> y) do
    k := k - 1;
    x := x - 1;
    y := y + 1
od
```



```

» N Mk(:,:, :)]=linToMk(Ai,Ai_,bi);
» [M Mk(:,:,N+1:N+M)]=linToMk(Ae,Ae_,be);
» display_Mk(Mk, N,{'x' 'y' 'k'});
...
+1.x -1.y -1 >= 0
+1.x -1.y -2.k = 0
-1.k +1.k' +1 = 0
-1.x +1.x' +1 = 0
-1.y +1.y' +1 = 0
...
» [diagnostic,R] = termination(Mk, N, 'integer', 'linear');
» disp(diagnostic)
termination (lmilab)
» fltrank(R, {'x' 'y' 'k'})

```

$$r(x,y,k) = +1.382113e+03.x -1.382113e+03.y +4.978695e+03.k \\ +2.711732e+03$$



Linear example: termination of Euclidean division

```
» clear all
% linear inequalities
%      y0 q0 r0
Ai = [ 0  0  0; 0  0  0;
       0  0  0];
%
%      y  q  r
Ai_ = [ 1  0  0; % y - 1 >= 0
        0  1  0; % q - 1 >= 0
        0  0  1]; % r >= 0
bi = [-1; -1; 0];
%
% linear equalities
%      y0 q0 r0
Ae = [ 0 -1  0; % -q0 + q -1 = 0
       -1  0  0; % -y0 + y = 0
       0  0 -1]; % -r0 + y + r = 0
%
%      y  q  r
Ae_ = [ 0  1  0; 1  0  0;
        1  0  1];
be = [-1; 0; 0];
```



Iterated forward/backward polyhedral analysis:

```
1: {y>=1}
   q := 0;
2: {q=0,y>=1}
   r := x;
3: {x=r,q=0,y>=1}
loop invariant: {q>=0}
while (y <= r) do
4: {y<=r,q>=0}
   r := -y + r;
5: {r>=0,q>=0}
   q := q + 1
6: {r>=0,q>=1}
od {y - r - 1 >= 0}
7: {q>=0,y>=r+1}
```



```

» [N Mk(:,:,,:)] = linToMk(Ai, Ai_, bi);
» [M Mk(:,:,N+1:N+M)] = linToMk(Ae, Ae_, be);
» display_Mk(Mk, N, {'y' 'q' 'r'});
+1.y' -1 >= 0
+1.q' -1 >= 0
+1.r' >= 0
-1.q +1.q' -1 = 0
-1.y +1.y' = 0
-1.r +1.y' +1.r' = 0
» [diagnostic,R] = termination(Mk, N, 'integer', 'quadratic');
» disp(diagnostic)
    termination (bnb)
» intrank(R, {'y' 'q' 'r'} )

```

$$r(y, q, r) = -2.y + 2.q + 4.r$$

Floyd's proposal $r(x, y, q, r) = x - q$ is more intuitive but requires to discover the nonlinear loop invariant $x = r + qy$.



Quadratic example: termination of factorial

```
» clear all
Ai = [0 -1 1; % inequality constraints
      1 0 0; 0 1 0]
Ai_ = [0 0 0;
       0 0 0; 0 0 0]
bi = [0; 0; -1]
[N Mk(:,:, :)]=linToMk(Ai,Ai_,bi);
Ae = [-1 0 0; % equality constraints
       0 0 1]
Ae_ = [ 1 0 0; 0 0 -1]
be = [-1; 0]
[M Mk(:,:,N+1:N+M)]=linToMk(Ae,Ae_,be);
P(:,:,1)=[0 0      0 0      0 0      0 -1/2 0 0; % quadratic equality
          0 0      0 0      0 0      0 -1/2 0 0      0 0;
          0 0      0 0      0 0      0 0      0 0      0 0]
q(:,1)=[0; 0; 0; 0; 1/2; 0]
r(:,1)=0
```

Iterated forward/backward polyhedral analysis:

```
n := 0;
f := 1;
while (f <= N) do
    n := n + 1;
    f := n * f
od
```



```

» [m Mk(:,:,N+M+1:N+M+m)]=quaToMk(P,q,r);
» M = M + m;
» display_Mk(Mk, N, {'n' 'f' 'N'});
...
-1.f +1.N >= 0
+1.n >= 0
+1.f -1 >= 0
-1.n +1.n' -1 = 0
+1.N -1.N' = 0
-1.f.n' +1.f' = 0
...
» [diagnostic R] = termination(Mk, N, 'float', 'linear', 1.0e+3, 'sedumi');
» disp(diagnostic)
» fltrank(R, {'n' 'f' 'N'} )

termination (sedumi)
r(n,f,N) = -9.993462e-01.n +1.617225e-04.f +2.688476e+02.N
+8.745232e+02

```



Lagrangian relaxation and semidefinite programming for static analysis

(2) Foundations



Main steps in a typical soundness/completeness proof

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \exists r : \forall x, x' : \llbracket B; C \rrbracket(x \ x') \Rightarrow r(x, x') \geq 0 \\
 \iff & \exists r : \forall x, x' : \bigwedge_{k=1}^N \sigma_k(x, x') \geq 0 \Rightarrow r(x, x') \geq 0 \\
 \iff & \quad \{ \text{Lagrangian relaxation } (\Rightarrow \text{if lossless}) \} \\
 & \exists r : \exists \lambda \in [1, N] \mapsto \mathbb{R}_* : \forall x, x' \in \mathbb{D}^n : r(x, x') - \\
 & \quad \sum_{k=1}^N \lambda_k \sigma_k(x, x') \geq 0 \\
 \iff & \quad \{ \text{Semantics abstracted in LMI form } (\Rightarrow \text{if exact abstraction}) \}
 \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
& \exists r : \exists \lambda \in [1, N] \mapsto \mathbb{R}_* : \forall x, x' \in \mathbb{D}^n : r(x, x') - \\
& \sum_{k=1}^N \lambda_k (x \ x' \ 1) M_k (x \ x' \ 1)^\top \geq 0 \\
\iff & \quad \text{Choose form of } r(x, x') = (x \ x' \ 1) M_0 (x \ x' \ 1)^\top \\
\iff & \exists M_0 : \exists \lambda \in [1, N] \mapsto \mathbb{R}_* : \forall x, x' \in \mathbb{D}^n : \\
& (x \ x' \ 1) M_0 (x \ x' \ 1)^\top - \sum_{k=1}^N \lambda_k (x \ x' \ 1) M_k (x \ x' \ 1)^\top \geq 0 \\
\iff & \exists M_0 : \exists \lambda \in [1, N] \mapsto \mathbb{R}_* : \forall x, x' \in \mathbb{D}^{(n \times 1)} : \\
& \begin{bmatrix} x \\ x' \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}^\top \left(M_0 - \sum_{k=1}^N \lambda_k M_k \right) \begin{bmatrix} x \\ x' \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \geq 0
\end{aligned}$$



\iff

{if $(x \ 1)A(x \ 1)^\top \geq 0$ for all x , this is the same as $(y \ t)A(y \ t)^\top \geq 0$ for all y and all $t \neq 0$ (multiply the original inequality by t^2 and call $xt = y$). Since the latter inequality holds true for all x and all $t \neq 0$, by continuity it holds true for all x, t , that is, the original inequality is equivalent to **positive semidefiniteness** of A }

$\exists M_0 : \exists \lambda \in [1, N] \mapsto \mathbb{R}_* : \left(M_0 - \sum_{k=1}^N \lambda_k M_k \right) \succcurlyeq 0$
{LMI solver provides M_0 (and λ)}



Example: LMI constraints for decrementation

```
» [N Mk(:,:, :)]=linToMk([1 0; 0 1],[0 0; 0 0],[-1; -1]);  
» [M Mk(:,:,N+1:N+M)]=linToMk([-1 1; 0 -1],[1 0; 0 1],[0; 0]);
```

```
» N
```

```
N = 2
```

```
» M
```

```
M = 2
```

```
» format rational; Mk
```

```
Mk(:,:,1) =
```

0	0	0	0	1/2
0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0
1/2	0	0	0	-1

```
Mk(:,:,2) =
```

0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	1/2
0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0
0	1/2	0	0	-1

{y >= 1}

```
while (x >= 1) do  
    x := x - y  
od
```

```
Mk(:,:,3) =
```

```
Mk(:,:,4) =
```

0	0	0	0	-1/2
0	0	0	0	1/2
0	0	0	0	1/2
0	0	0	0	0
-1/2	1/2	1/2	0	0

0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	-1/2
0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	1/2
0	-1/2	0	1/2	0

Iterated forward/backward polyhedral analysis:



We look for a linear termination function $r(x, y) = c_1x + c_2y + d$

in matrix form $X = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & \frac{c_1}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{c_2}{2} \\ \frac{c_1}{2} & \frac{c_2}{2} & d \end{bmatrix}$

The semidefinite constraints are

```
M0 = [X(1:n,1:n) zeros(n,n) X(1:n,n+1);  
      zeros(n,n) zeros(n,n) zeros(n,1);  
      X(n+1,1:n) zeros(1,n) X(n+1,n+1)];  
one = [zeros(2*n,2*n) zeros(2*n,1);  
       zeros(1,2*n) 1];
```

```
M0-l(1,1)*Mk(:,:,1)-l(2,1)*Mk(:,:,2)-l(3,1)*Mk(:,:,3)-l(4,1)*Mk(:,:,4)>0  
M0-M_0-one-l_(1,1)*Mk(:,:,1)-l_(2,1)*Mk(:,:,2)-l_(3,1)*Mk(:,:,3)-l_(4,1)*Mk(:,:,4)>0  
l(1,1)>0          l_(1,1)>0  
l(2,1)>0          l_(2,1)>0
```

Iterated forward/backward polyhedral analysis:

```
{y >= 1}  
while (x >= 1) do  
  x := x - y  
od
```



When constraint resolution fails...

Infeasibility of the constraints does not mean “non termination” but simply failure:

- There can be a ranking of a different form (e.g. quadratic while looking for a linear one),
- The solver may have failed (e.g. add a shift).



Handling nested loops

- by induction on the loop depth
- use an iterated forward/backward symbolic analysis to get a necessary termination precondition
- use a forward symbolic symbolic analysis to get the semantics of a loop body
- use Lagrangian relaxation and semidefinite programming to get the ranking function



Example of termination of nested loops: Bubblesort inner loop

```
...
+1.i' -1 >= 0
+1.j' -1 >= 0
+1.n0' -1.i' >= 0
-1.j +1.j' -1 = 0
-1.i +1.i' = 0
-1.n +1.n0' = 0
+1.n0 -1.n0' = 0
+1.n0' -1.n' = 0
...
```

Iterated forward/backward polyhedral analysis
followed by forward analysis of the body:

```
assume (n0 = n & j >= 0 & i >= 1 & n0 >= i & j <> i);
{n0=n,i>=1,j>=0,n0>=i}
assume (n01 = n0 & n1 = n & i1 = i & j1 = j);
{j=j1,i=i1,n0=n1,n0=n01,n0=n,i>=1,j>=0,n0>=i}
j := j + 1
{j=j1+1,i=i1,n0=n1,n0=n01,n0=n,i>=1,j>=1,n0>=i}
```

termination (lmilab)

```
r(n0,n,i,j) = +434297566.n0 +226687644.n -72551842.i
-2.j +2147483647
```



Example of termination of nested loops: Bubblesort outer loop

```
...  
+1.i' +1 >= 0  
+1.n0' -1.i' -1 >= 0  
+1.i' -1.j' +1 = 0  
-1.i +1.i' +1 = 0  
-1.n +1.n0' = 0  
+1.n0 -1.n0' = 0  
+1.n0' -1.n' = 0  
...
```

Iterated forward/backward polyhedral analysis
followed by forward analysis of the body:

```
assume (n0=n & i>=0 & n>=i & i <> 0);  
{n0=n, i>=0, n0>=i}  
assume (n01=n0 & n1=n & i1=i & j1=j);  
{j1=j, i=i1, n0=n1, n0=n01, n0=n, i>=0, n0>=i}  
j := 0;  
while (j <> i) do  
    j := j + 1  
od;  
i := i - 1  
{i+1=j, i+1=i1, n0=n1, n0=n01, n0=n, i+1>=0, n0>=i+1}
```

termination (lmilab)

r(n0,n,i,j) = +24348786.n0 +16834142.n +100314562.i +65646865



Handling disjunctive loop tests and tests in loop body

- By case analysis
- and “conditional Lagrangian relaxation” (Lagrangian relaxation in each of the cases)



Example of tests in loop body

```
...
test true:
-1.x +1.y -1 >= 0
+1.i >= 0
-1.i -1.x +1.x' -1 = 0
-1.y +1.y' = 0
-1.i +1.i' = 0
test false:
-1.x +1.y -1 >= 0
-1.i -1 >= 0
-1.i -1.y +1.y' = 0
-1.x +1.x' = 0
-1.i +1.i' = 0
...
termination (lmilab)
r(i,x,y) = -2.252791e-09.i -4.355697e+07.x +4.355697e+07.y
+5.502903e+08
```

```
while (x < y) do
  if (i >= 0) then
    x := x+i+1
  else
    y := y+i
  fi
od
```



Handling nondeterminacy

- Same for **concurrency** by interleaving
- Same with **fairness** by nondeterministic interleaving with encoding of an explicit scheduler **scheduler**



Semidefinite programming relaxation for polynomial quantifier elimination

(1) Examples



Semialgebraic example: logistic map

```
» clear all;
pvar a x0 x1 c0 d0 e0 l1 l2 l3 l4 l5 m1 m2 m3 m4 m5;
eps=1.0e-10;
iv = [a;x0;x1];
uv = [c0;d0;l1;l2;l3;l4;l5;m1;m2;m3;m4;m5];
pb=sosprogram(iv,uv);
pb=sosineq(pb,l1);
pb=sosineq(pb,l2);
pb=sosineq(pb,l3);
pb=sosineq(pb,l4);
pb=sosineq(pb,c0*x0+d0-l1*a-l2*(1-eps-a)-l3*(x0-eps)-l4*(1-x0)-l5*(x1-a*x0*(1-x0)));
pb=sosineq(pb,m1);
pb=sosineq(pb,m2);
pb=sosineq(pb,m3);
pb=sosineq(pb,m4);
pb=sosineq(pb,c0*x0-c0*x1-eps^2-m1*a-m2*(1-eps-a)-m3*(x0-eps)...
-m4*(1-x0)-m5*(x1-a*x0*(1-x0)));
spb=sossolve(pb);
```



```

c=sosgetsol(spb,c0);
d=sosgetsol(spb,d0);
disp(sprintf('r(x) = %i.x + %i',double(c),double(d)));
Size: 28 22

```

SeDuMi 1.05R5 by Jos F. Sturm, 1998, 2001-2003.

Alg = 2: xz-corrector, theta = 0.250, beta = 0.500

eqs m = 22, order n = 37, dim = 41, blocks = 11

nnz(A) = 78 + 0, nnz(ADA) = 84, nnz(L) = 53

it :	b*y	gap	delta	rate	t/tP*	t/tD*	feas	cg	cg
0 :		6.76E-01	0.000						
1 :	1.08E-20	1.87E-01	0.000	0.2771	0.9000	0.9000	1.00	1	0
2 :	1.53E-20	6.85E-03	0.000	0.0366	0.9900	0.9900	1.00	1	1
3 :	1.54E-20	2.20E-05	0.000	0.0032	0.9990	0.9990	1.00	1	1
4 :	1.54E-20	2.22E-06	0.023	0.1006	0.9450	0.9450	1.00	1	1
5 :	1.54E-20	1.20E-07	0.293	0.0542	0.9675	0.9675	1.00	1	2
6 :	1.54E-20	6.23E-10	0.026	0.0052	0.9990	0.9990	1.00	2	8
7 :	1.54E-20	1.63E-11	0.389	0.0261	0.9900	0.9900	1.00	2	13



```

iter seconds digits      c*x          b*y
    7       1.1   Inf  0.0000000000e+00  1.5417832245e-20
|Ax-b| =  7.0e-11, [Ay-c]_+ =  1.3E-11, |x|=  5.7e+00, |y|=  3.1e+00
Max-norms: ||b||=1.00000e-20, ||c|| = 0,
Cholesky |add|=1, |skip| = 5, ||L.L|| = 500000.

```

Residual norm: 7.0272e-11

```

cpusec: 1.0900
iter: 7
feasratio: 1.0000
pinf: 0
dinf: 0
numerr: 0

```

$$r(x) = 1.222356e-13 \cdot x + 1.406392e+00$$

»



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Semidefinite programming relaxation for polynomial quantifier elimination

(2) Foundations



Principle

- Show $\forall x : p(x) \geq 0$ by $\forall x : p(x) = \sum_{i=1}^k q_i(x)^2$
- Hilbert's 17th problem (sum of squares)
- Undecidable (but for monovariable or low degrees)
- Look for an approximation (relaxation) by semidefinite programming



General relaxation/approximation idea

- Write the polynomials in quadratic form with monomials as variables: $p(x, y, \dots) = z^\top Q z$ where $Q \succeq 0$ is a semidefinite positive matrix of unknowns and $z = [\dots x^2, xy, y^2, \dots x, y, \dots 1]$ is a monomial basis
- If such a Q does exist then $p(x, y, \dots)$ is a sum of squares⁴
- The equality $p(x, y, \dots) = z^\top Q z$ yields LMI contrains on the unkown Q : $z^\top M(Q) z \succeq 0$

⁴ Since $Q \succeq 0$, Q has a Cholesky decomposition L which is an upper triangular matrix L such that $Q = L^\top L$. It follows that $p(x) = z^\top Q z = z^\top L^\top L z = (L z)^\top L z = [L_{i,:} \cdot z]^\top [L_{i,:} \cdot z] = \sum_i (L_{i,:} \cdot z)^2$ (where \cdot is the vector dot product $x \cdot y = \sum_i x_i y_i$), proving that $p(x)$ is a sum of squares whence $\forall x : p(x) \geq 0$, which eliminates the universal quantification on x .



- Instead of quantifying over monomials values x, y , replace the monomial basis z by auxiliary variables X (loosing relationships between values of monomials)
- To find such a $Q \succcurlyeq 0$, check for semidefinite positivity $\exists Q : \forall X : X^\top M(Q)X \geq 0$ i.e. $\exists Q : M(Q) \succeq 0$ with LMI solver
- Implement with SOStools under MATLAB® of Prajna, Papachristodoulou, Seiler and Parrilo
- Nonlinear cost since the monomial basis has size $\binom{n+m}{m}$ for multivariate polynomials of degree n with m variables



Data structures

- Use norms (size, height,...) mapping data structures to \mathbb{R} and then Lagrangian relaxation with semidefinite programming [relaxation]
- One of the first uses of polyhedral analysis
- Studied since 20 years in the logic programming community
- But can now go **beyond linear norms**



Conclusion



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Numerical errors

- LMI solvers do numerical computations with **rounding errors**, shifts, etc
- ranking function is subject to **numerical errors**
- the hard point is to **discover** a candidate for the ranking function
- much less difficult, when it is known, to **re-check** for satisfaction (e.g. by static analysis)



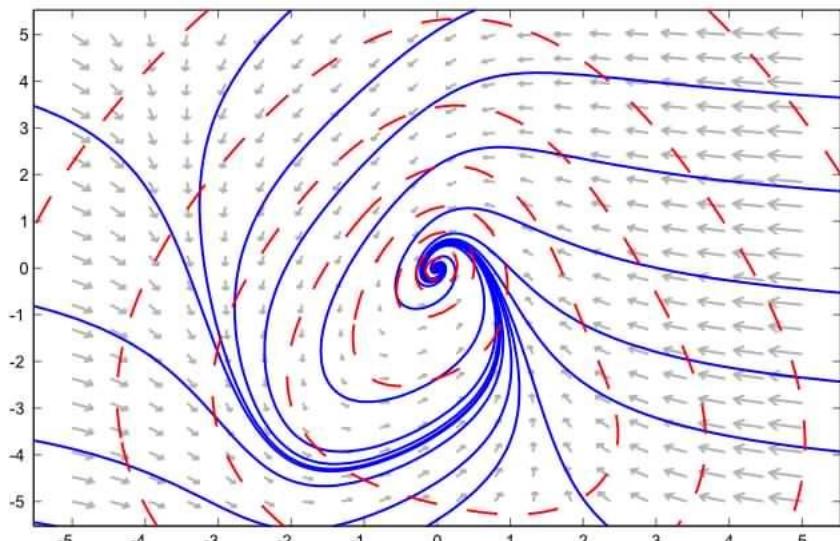
Related work

- Linear case (Farkas):
 - Invariants: Sankaranarayanan, Spina, Manna (CAV'03, SAS'04, heuristic solver)
 - Termination: Podelski & Rybalchenko (VMCAI'03, Lagrange coefficients eliminated by hand to reduce to linear programming so no disjunctions, no tests, etc)
 - Parallelization & scheduling: Feautrier, easily generalizable to nonlinear case



Seminal work

- LMI case, Lyapunov 1890,
“an invariant set of a differential equation is stable in the sense that it attracts all solutions if one can find a function that is bounded from below and decreases along all solutions outside the invariant set”.



THE END, THANK YOU



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