

Minimal sparsity for scalable moment-SOS relaxations of the AC-OPF problem

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Polynomial Optimization Problem

$$\rho = \min_{x \in \mathcal{X}} f(x) \quad (\text{POP})$$

- $\mathcal{X} = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid g_j(x) \geq 0, \forall j \in \llbracket 1, m \rrbracket\}$
- f and all g_j are polynomial functions
- we assume that (POP) has a solution (e.g. \mathcal{X} is nonempty and compact)

Example (a nonconvex QCQP)

$$\begin{aligned} \rho = \min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^2} \quad & x_1 \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & 2x_1 - x_2 + 1 \geq 0 \\ & 2x_1 + x_2 + 1 \geq 0 \\ & x_1^2 + x_2^2 = 1 \end{aligned}$$

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Proposition (necessary condition)

If $y \in \mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{N}_{2d}^n}$ is the sequence of moments (up to order $2d$) of a measure supported by the set \mathcal{X} , then

- $M_d(y) \succeq 0$ (moment matrix)
- $M_{d-d_j}(g_j y) \succeq 0$, $\forall j \in \llbracket 1, m \rrbracket$ (localizing matrices)

Moment matrices ?

$$M_d(y) = (y_{\alpha+\beta})_{\alpha \in \mathbb{N}_d^n, \beta \in \mathbb{N}_d^n}$$

$$M_{d-d_j}(g_j y) = \left(\sum_{\gamma \in \text{supp}(g_j)} g_{j,\gamma} y_{\alpha+\beta+\gamma} \right)_{\alpha \in \mathbb{N}_{d-d_j}^n, \beta \in \mathbb{N}_{d-d_j}^n} \quad \left(d_j = \left\lceil \frac{\deg(g_j)}{2} \right\rceil \right)$$

Example

For $n = 2$ and $d = 1$, $M_d(y) \succeq 0$ writes as

$$\begin{pmatrix} y_{00} & y_{10} & y_{01} \\ y_{10} & y_{20} & y_{11} \\ y_{01} & y_{11} & y_{02} \end{pmatrix} \succeq 0$$

The truncated moment hierarchy

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Theorem (Lasserre [2001])

If the set \mathcal{X} is compact and satisfies an Archimedean property, then the monotonous non-decreasing sequence of values $\{\rho_d^{\text{MOM}}\}_{d \in \mathbb{N}}$ of (MOM_d) converges to the value ρ of (POP) .

NB: Archimedeanity can be enforced
by adding a redundant ball constraint to \mathcal{X}

Example (nonconvex QCQP continued)

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_1^{\text{MOM}} &= \min_{y \in \mathbb{R}^6} y_{10} \\ \text{s.t.} \quad &\begin{pmatrix} y_{00} & y_{10} & y_{01} \\ y_{10} & y_{20} & y_{11} \\ y_{01} & y_{11} & y_{02} \end{pmatrix} \succeq 0 \\ &2y_{10} - y_{01} + 1 \geq 0 \\ &2y_{10} + y_{01} + 1 \geq 0 \\ &y_{20} + y_{02} - 1 = 0 \\ &y_{00} = 1 \end{aligned}$$

Moment relaxations are semidefinite programs

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bound	ρ_1^{MOM}	ρ_2^{MOM}	$\bar{\rho}$ (NLP)
value	-0.50	0.00	0.00

Key takeaway

Convergence of the Moment-SOS hierarchy of semidefinite programs

$$\rho = \min_{x \in \mathcal{X}} f(x)$$

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ρ_{d+1}^{MOM}

 \geq  \vdots

ρ_{d+1}^{SOS}

 \geq \geq

ρ_d^{MOM}

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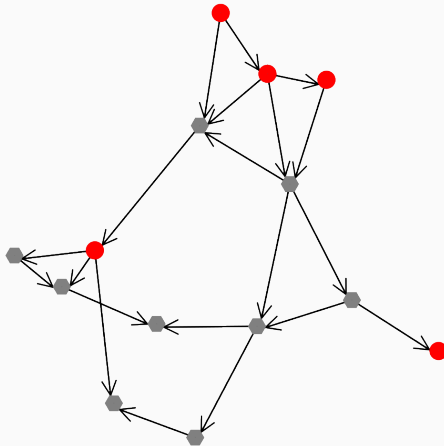
ρ_d^{SOS}

$$(d \geq \max_{j \in \llbracket 0, m \rrbracket} d_j)$$

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$$\min_{\substack{\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{C}^{|\mathcal{N}|} \\ \mathbf{s} \in \mathbb{C}^{|\mathcal{G}|}}} \sum_{g \in \mathcal{G}} C_{2,g} \Re(s_g)^2 + C_{1,g} \Re(s_g) + C_{0,g} \quad (\text{AC-OPF})$$

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$$|s_{i,j}^\ell| \leq \bar{S}_{i,j}, \quad \forall j \in \mathcal{N}(i), \quad \forall i \in \mathcal{N}$$

$$\underline{\Theta}_{i,j} \leq \angle v_i v_j^* \leq \bar{\Theta}_{i,j}, \quad \forall (i,j) \in \mathcal{E}$$

Polynomial optimization for AC-OPF

$$v_i = a_i + \mathbf{i}b_i, \quad \forall i \in \llbracket 1, n \rrbracket$$

Example (complex line power)

$$s_{i,j}^{\ell} = Z_{i,j}|v_i|^2 + Z'_{i,j}v_iv_j^*$$

$$\iff$$

$$\begin{cases} \Re(s_{i,j}^{\ell}) = \Re(Z_{i,j})(a_i^2 + b_i^2) + \Re(Z'_{i,j})(a_ia_j + b_ib_j) - \Im(Z'_{i,j})(a_jb_i - a_ib_j) \\ \Im(s_{i,j}^{\ell}) = \Im(Z_{i,j})(a_i^2 + b_i^2) + \Im(Z'_{i,j})(a_ia_j + b_ib_j) + \Re(Z'_{i,j})(a_jb_i - a_ib_j) \end{cases}$$

The AC-OPF problem can be written in form (POP)!

- AC-OPF IEEE case 57 (no line/angle limits) → POP

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- POP \rightarrow moment relaxation

	$d = 1$	$d = 2$
size(y)	8.385	12.082.785

ρ_2^{MOM} for PGLib's case 57 IEEE is intractable!
(with LAAS computers and current SDP solvers)

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Reduce moment variables (MOM_d) / matrices size (SOS_d)

A sparse moment hierarchy

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_d^{\text{CS-MOM}} = \inf_y \quad & \sum_{\alpha \in \text{supp}(f)} f_\alpha y_\alpha && \text{(CS-MOM}_d\text{)} \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & M_d(y|\mathcal{I}_k) \succeq 0, \quad \forall k \in \llbracket 1, p \rrbracket \\ & M_{d-d_j}(g_j y|\mathcal{I}_k) \succeq 0, \quad \forall j \in \llbracket 1, m \rrbracket, \quad \forall k \in \llbracket 1, p \rrbracket \\ & y_{0, \dots, 0} = 1 \end{aligned}$$

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Theorem (Lasserre [2006])

If the set \mathcal{X} is compact and satisfies an Archimedeaness property, and if the variable set $\mathcal{I} = \{\mathcal{I}_k\}_{k \in \llbracket 1, p \rrbracket}$ satisfies the running intersection property (RIP), then the monotonous non-decreasing sequence of values $\{\rho_d^{\text{CS-MOM}}\}_{d \in \mathbb{N}}$ of (CS-MOM_d) converges to the value ρ of (POP).

NB: the maximum cliques of a chordal graph satisfy the RIP

Application to AC-OPF

IEEE case 57 after chordal extension + cliques: $\begin{cases} |\mathcal{I}| = 52 \\ \max_{k \in \llbracket 1, p \rrbracket} |\mathcal{I}_k| = 26 \end{cases}$

- POP \rightarrow sparse moment relaxation

	$d = 1$	$d = 2$
size(y)	1.950	122.286

- numerical result (IEEE case 57 perturbed):

	value	gap to $\bar{\rho}$ (%)	time (s)
$\bar{\rho}$	2433.89	-	4.18
$\rho_2^{\text{CS-MOM}}$	2433.89	0.00	19,666.82
$\rho_1^{\text{CS-MOM}}$	2359.58	3.05	0.75

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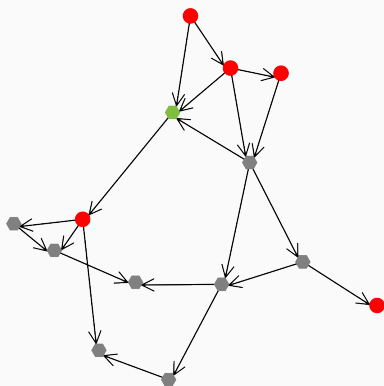
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Minimal sparsity

- Interior point SDP solvers scale roughly in $O(N^3)$ with $N = \binom{m+d}{d}$ and $m = \max_{k \in \llbracket 1, p \rrbracket} |\mathcal{I}_k|$
- It is difficult to control the cardinalities of the sets $\{\mathcal{I}_k\}_{k \in \llbracket 1, p \rrbracket}$ obtained by chordal extension + cliques

We introduce **minimal sparsity** designed to reduce the cardinalities of the sets $\{\mathcal{I}_k\}_{k \in \llbracket 1, p \rrbracket}$ in AC-OPF

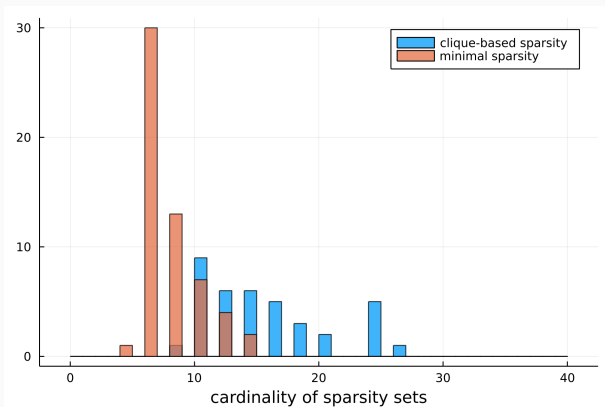
Minimal sparsity based on power flow equations



$$\{x_n\}_{n \in \mathcal{I}_{\#i}^m} = \{\Re(v_i), \Im(v_i)\} \cup \bigcup_{j \in \mathcal{N}(i)} \{\Re(v_j), \Im(v_j)\} \cup \bigcup_{g \in \mathcal{G}(i)} \{\Re(s_g), \Im(s_g)\}$$

More but smaller sparsity sets

PGLib's case 57 IEEE



Second-order moment relaxations via minimal sparsity

- PGLib's case 57 IEEE

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- Large scale instances ?

cases	gap (%)	time (s)
2868 RTE SAD	0.39	6,981
6468 RTE TYP	0.27	12,723
6470 RTE TYP	0.74	15,662

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AC-OPF formulates as a POP but...
typical instances in France have over 6000 nodes!

- Sparsity can help to address very large problems
- Minimal sparsity looks promising
to compute second-order relaxations of large instances
- We obtain very large SDPs whose numerical stability
needs to be improved (future work)

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