

Conversion Methods for Large Scale SDPs and Their Applications to Polynomial Optimization Problems

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Equality standard form SDP:

$$\min A_0 \bullet X \text{ sub.to } A_p \bullet X = b_p \quad (p = 1, \dots, m), \quad \mathcal{S}^n \ni X \succeq O$$

$A_p \in \mathcal{S}^n$ the linear space of $n \times n$ symmetric matrices

$$\text{with the inner product } A_p \bullet X = \sum_{i, j} [A_p]_{ij} X_{ij}.$$

$b_p \in \mathbb{R}$, $X \succeq O \Leftrightarrow X \in \mathcal{S}^n$ is positive semidefinite.

Lots of Applications to Various Problems

- Systems and control theory — Linear Matrix Inequality
- SDP relaxations of combinatorial and nonconvex problems
 - Max cut and max clique problems
 - Quadratic assignment problems
 - Polynomial optimization problems — later
 - Polynomial semidefinite programs — later
- Robust optimization
- Quantum chemistry
- Moment problems (applied probability)
- Sensor network localization problem — later
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SDP can be large-scale easily

- $n \times n$ mat. variable X involves $n(n+1)/2$ real variables;
 $n = 2000 \Rightarrow n(n+1)/2 \approx 2$ million
- m linear equality constraints or m A_p 's $\in \mathcal{S}^n$

◇ How can we solve a larger scale SDP?

- Use more powerful computer system such as clusters and grids of computers — parallel computation.
- Develop new numerical methods for SDPs.
- Improve **primal-dual interior-point methods**.
- Convert** a large sparse SDP to **an SDP** which existing **pdipms** can solve efficiently:
 - multiple but small size mat. variables.
 - a sparse **Schur complement mat.** (a coef. mat. of a sys. of equations solved at \forall iteration of the **pdipm**).

Outline of conversion methods

structured sparsity used	a large scale and structured sparse SDP	technique
aggregated sparsity	↓	positive semidefinite mat. completion
	an SDP with small SDP cones and shared variables among SDP cones	
	↓ ↓	conversion to Equality form SDP or conversion to LMI form SDP
	an SDP with small mat. variables (<i>i.e.</i> , small SDP cones)	

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$$E_* = \{(i, j) : i = j \text{ or } [A_p]_{ij} \neq 0 \text{ for } \exists p = 0, \dots, m\}$$

\mathbf{A}_* : $n \times n$ **aggregated sparsity pattern** mat.

$$[A_*]_{ij} = \star \text{ if } (i, j) \in E_* \text{ and } 0 \text{ otherwise}$$

SDP : **a-sparse** if \mathbf{A}_* allows a sparse Cholesky factorization

Two typical cases: 1. bandwidth along diagonal

$$\mathbf{A}_* = \begin{pmatrix} \star & \star & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \star & \star & \star & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \star & \star & \star & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \star & \star & \star \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \star & \star \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} \min \sum_{(i,j) \in E_*} [A_0]_{ij} X_{ij} \\ \text{sub.to } \sum_{(i,j) \in E_*} [A_p]_{ij} X_{ij} = b_p \quad (\forall p) \\ \begin{pmatrix} X_{qq} & X_{q,q+1} \\ X_{q+1,q} & X_{q+q,q+1} \end{pmatrix} \succeq \mathbf{O} \\ (q = 1, \dots, n-1). \end{array}$$

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Each \star can be a block matrix.

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Two typical cases: 2. arrow ↘

$$A_* = \begin{pmatrix} \star & 0 & 0 & 0 & \star \\ 0 & \star & 0 & 0 & \star \\ 0 & 0 & \star & 0 & \star \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \star & \star \\ \star & \star & \star & \star & \star \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} \min \sum_{(i,j) \in E_*} [A_0]_{ij} X_{ij} \\ \text{sub.to } \sum_{(i,j) \in E_*} [A_p]_{ij} X_{ij} = b_p \quad (\forall p) \\ \begin{pmatrix} X_{qq} & X_{qn} \\ X_{nq} & X_{nn} \end{pmatrix} \succeq O \\ (q = 1, \dots, n-1). \end{array}$$

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↓ positive semidefinite matrix completion

$$\exists C_1, \dots, C_\ell \subset N = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}, \ \ell \leq n;$$

SDP \equiv **an SDP with shared variables among small SDP cones:**

$$\min \sum_{(i,j) \in E_*} [A_0]_{ij} X_{ij}$$

$$\text{s.t. } \sum_{(i,j) \in E_*} [A_p]_{ij} X_{ij} = b_p \ (\forall p), \ \mathbf{X}(C_r) \succeq \mathbf{O} \ (r = 1, \dots, \ell),$$

where $\mathbf{X}(C_r)$: the submatrix of \mathbf{X} consisting of X_{ij} ($i, j \in C_r$).

- To solve **SDP**, we need to convert it into a standard form
SDP \Rightarrow next subject.

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As an example: \Downarrow **aggregated sparsity**

$$\min \sum_{(i,j) \in E_*} [A_0]_{ij} X_{ij} \text{ sub.to } \sum_{(i,j) \in E_*} [A_p]_{ij} X_{ij} = b_p \text{ and}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} X_{11} & X_{12} \\ X_{21} & X_{22} \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} X_{22} & X_{23} & X_{24} \\ X_{32} & X_{33} & X_{34} \\ X_{42} & X_{43} & X_{44} \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} X_{33} & X_{34} & X_{35} \\ X_{43} & X_{44} & X_{45} \\ X_{53} & X_{54} & X_{55} \end{pmatrix} \succeq O$$

(an SDP with smaller SDP cones and shared variables) \implies

Conversion into a standard form SDP to apply IPM — 2 ways

Primal form SDP with small mat. variables:

min “linear obj. in Y_{ij}^r s” sub.to “linear eq. in Y_{ij}^r s” and

$$\begin{pmatrix} Y_{11}^1 & Y_{12}^1 \\ Y_{21}^1 & Y_{22}^1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} Y_{11}^2 & Y_{12}^2 & Y_{13}^2 \\ Y_{21}^2 & Y_{22}^2 & Y_{23}^2 \\ Y_{31}^2 & Y_{32}^2 & Y_{33}^2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} Y_{11}^3 & Y_{12}^3 & Y_{13}^3 \\ Y_{21}^3 & Y_{22}^3 & Y_{23}^3 \\ Y_{31}^3 & Y_{32}^3 & Y_{33}^3 \end{pmatrix} \succeq O,$$

$$Y_{22}^1 = Y_{11}^2, \ Y_{22}^2 = Y_{11}^3, \ Y_{23}^2 = Y_{12}^3, \ Y_{33}^2 = Y_{22}^3.$$

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LMI form **SDP with small mat. variables** — next Section

SDP with small (independent) matrix variables:

$$\min \sum_{r=1}^{\ell} A_{0r} \bullet X_r$$

$$\text{sub.to } \sum_{r=1}^{\ell} A_{pr} \bullet X_r = b_p \quad (p = 1, \dots, m), \quad X_r \succeq O \quad (\forall r)$$

- Further sparsity “ $A_{pr} \equiv O$ for many pairs of p and r ” is often satisfied \implies **correlative sparsity**

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$$\begin{aligned}
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& \text{s.t.} \quad \sum_{(i,j) \in E_*} [A_p]_{ij} X_{ij} = b_p \quad (\forall p), \quad \mathbf{X}(C_r) \succeq \mathbf{O} \quad (r = 1, \dots, \ell), \\
& \text{where } \mathbf{X}(C_r) : \text{ the submatrix of } \mathbf{X} \text{ consisting of } X_{ij} \quad (i, j \in C_r).
\end{aligned}$$

Represent each $\mathbf{X}(C_r)$ as

$$\mathbf{X}(C_r) = \sum_{i,j \in C_r, i \leq j} \mathbf{E}_{ij}(C_r) X_{ij},$$

where $\mathbf{E}_{ij}(C_r)$: a sym. mat. with 1 at some one or two elements and 0 elsewhere. For example,

$$\begin{pmatrix} X_{11} & X_{13} \\ X_{31} & X_{33} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} X_{11} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} X_{12} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} X_{33}$$

Then, an **LMI form SDP** having eq. const.

$$\begin{aligned}
\min \sum_{(i,j) \in E_*} [A_0]_{ij} X_{ij} \quad \text{sub.to} \quad & \sum_{(i,j) \in E_*} [A_p]_{ij} X_{ij} = b_p \quad (\forall p), \\
& \sum_{i,j \in C_r, i \leq j} \mathbf{E}_{ij}(C_r) X_{ij} \succeq \mathbf{O} \quad (\forall r).
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Review of conversion methods

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Sensor network localization problem: Let $s = 2$ or 3 .

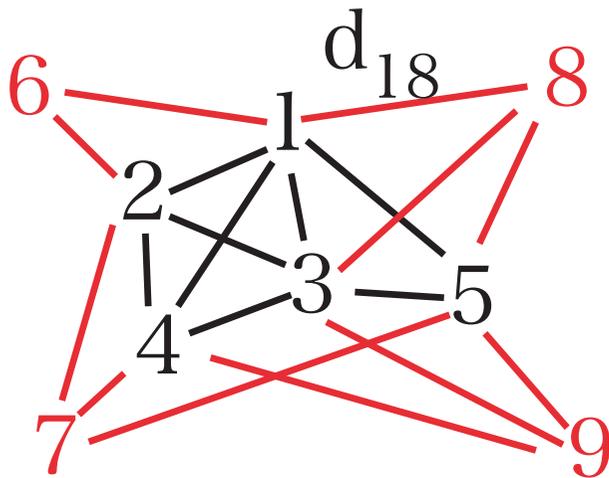
- $\mathbf{x}^p \in \mathbb{R}^s$: unknown location of sensors ($p = 1, 2, \dots, m$),
 $\mathbf{x}^r = \mathbf{a}^r \in \mathbb{R}^s$: known location of anchors ($r = m + 1, \dots, n$),
 $d_{pq} = \|\mathbf{x}^p - \mathbf{x}^q\| + \epsilon_{pq}$ — given for $(p, q) \in \mathcal{N}$,
 $\mathcal{N} = \{(p, q) : \|\mathbf{x}^p - \mathbf{x}^q\| \leq \rho = \text{a given radio range}\}$

Here ϵ_{pq} denotes a noise.

$m = 5, n = 9$.

1, ..., 5: sensors

6, 7, 8, 9: anchors



Anchors' positions are known.

A distance is given for \forall edge.

Compute locations of sensors.

\Rightarrow Some nonconvex QOPs

- SDP relaxation — **FSDP** by Biswas-Ye '06, ESDP by Wang et al '07, ... for $s = 2$.
- SOCP relaxation — Tseng '07 for $s = 2$.
- ...

Numerical results on 4 methods (a), (b), (c) and (d) applied to a sensor network localization problem with

m = the number of sensors dist. randomly in $[0, 1]^2$,

4 anchors located at the corner of $[0, 1]^2$,

ρ = radio distance = 0.1, no noise.

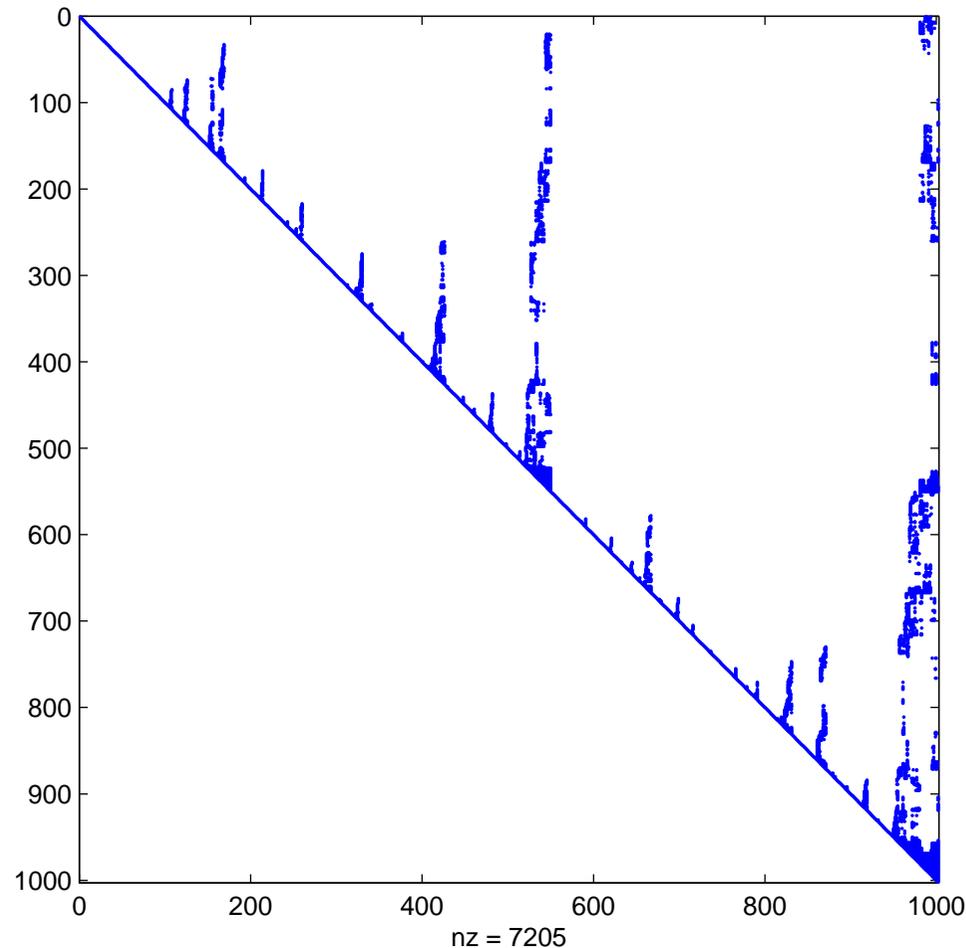
(a) FSDP (b) FSDP + Conv. to LMI form SDP, as strong as (a)

(c) FSDP + Conv. to Equality form SDP as strong as (a)

Cholesky factor
of aggregated
sparsity pattern
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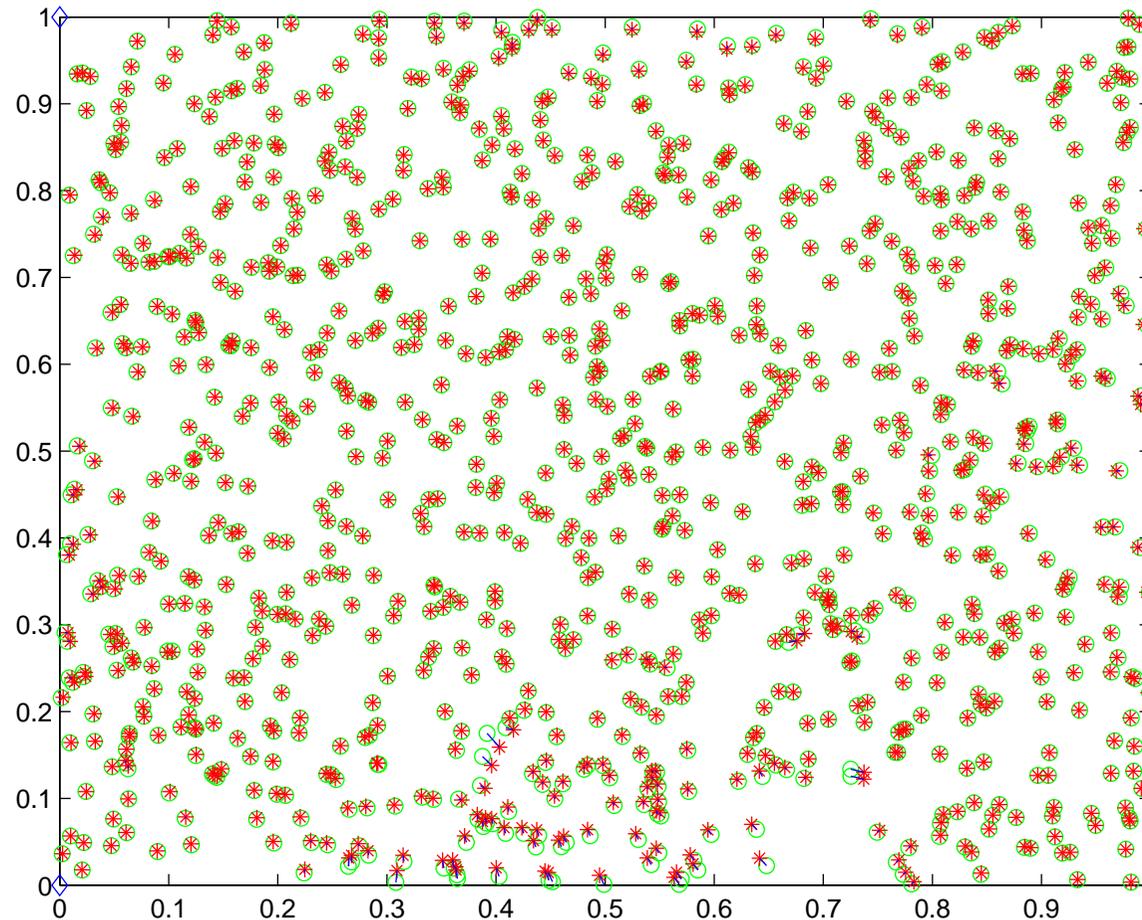
	cpu time for solving SDP by SeDuMi in second		
m	(a)	(b)	(c)
500	389.1	35.0	69.5
1000	3345.2	60.4	178.8
2000		111.1	326.0
4000		182.1	761.0

(a) **FSDP** — cpu time 3345.2 sec
Cholesky Factor of Aggregated sparsity pattern



- This aggregated sparsity pattern is exploited in
- (b) **FSDP** + Conv. to **LMI form SDP** — cpu time 60.4 sec
 - (c) **FSDP** + Conv. to **Equality form SDP** — cpu time 178.8 sec

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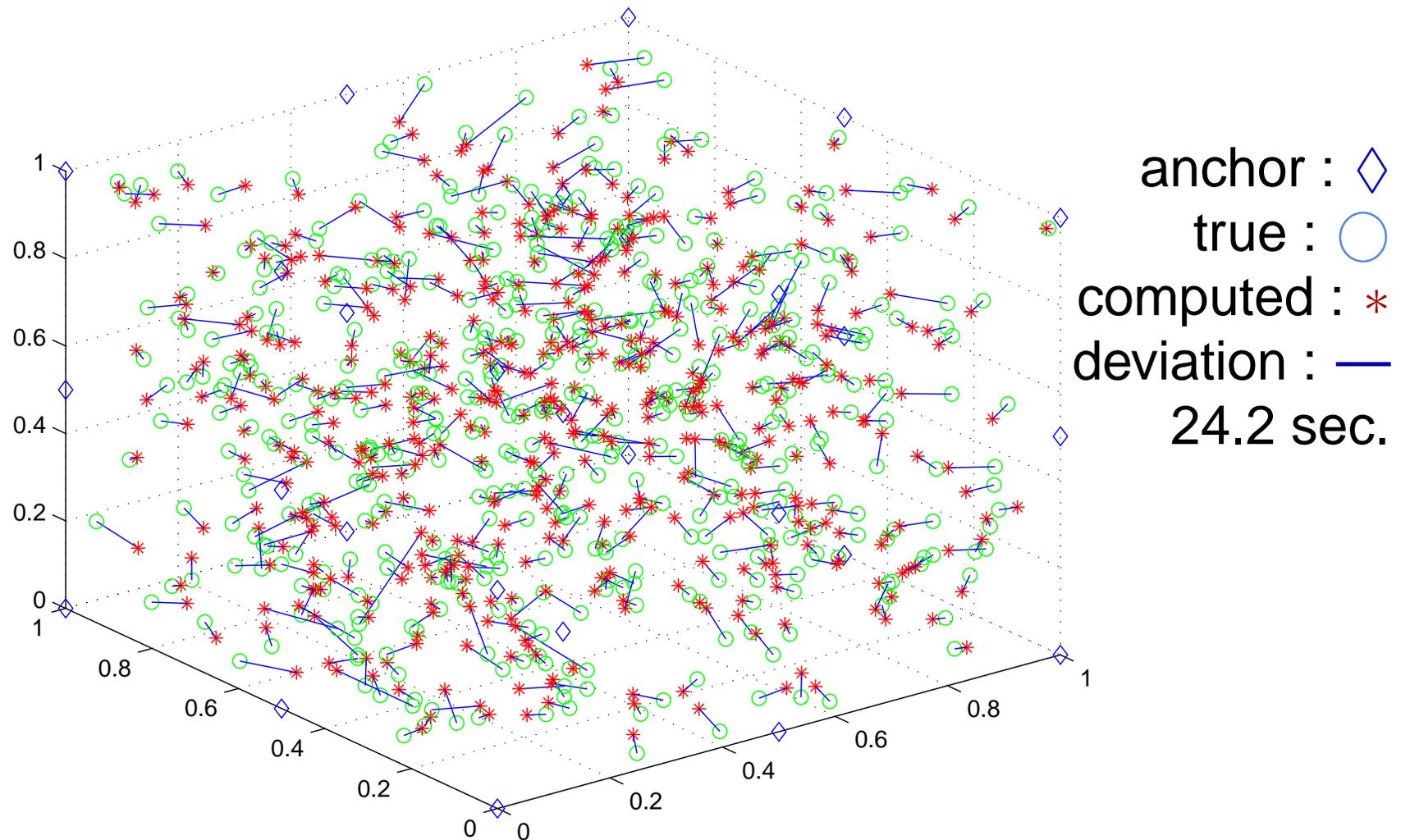
anchor : \diamond
true : \circ
computed : $*$
deviation : —

3 dim, 500 sensors, 27 anchors, r.range = 0.3, noise $\leftarrow N(0,0.1)$;

(estimated dist.) $\hat{d}_{pq} = (1 + \epsilon_{pq})d_{pq}$ (true unknown dist.),

$\epsilon_{pq} \leftarrow N(0,0.1)$

(b) **FSDP** + Conv. to **LMI form SDP**

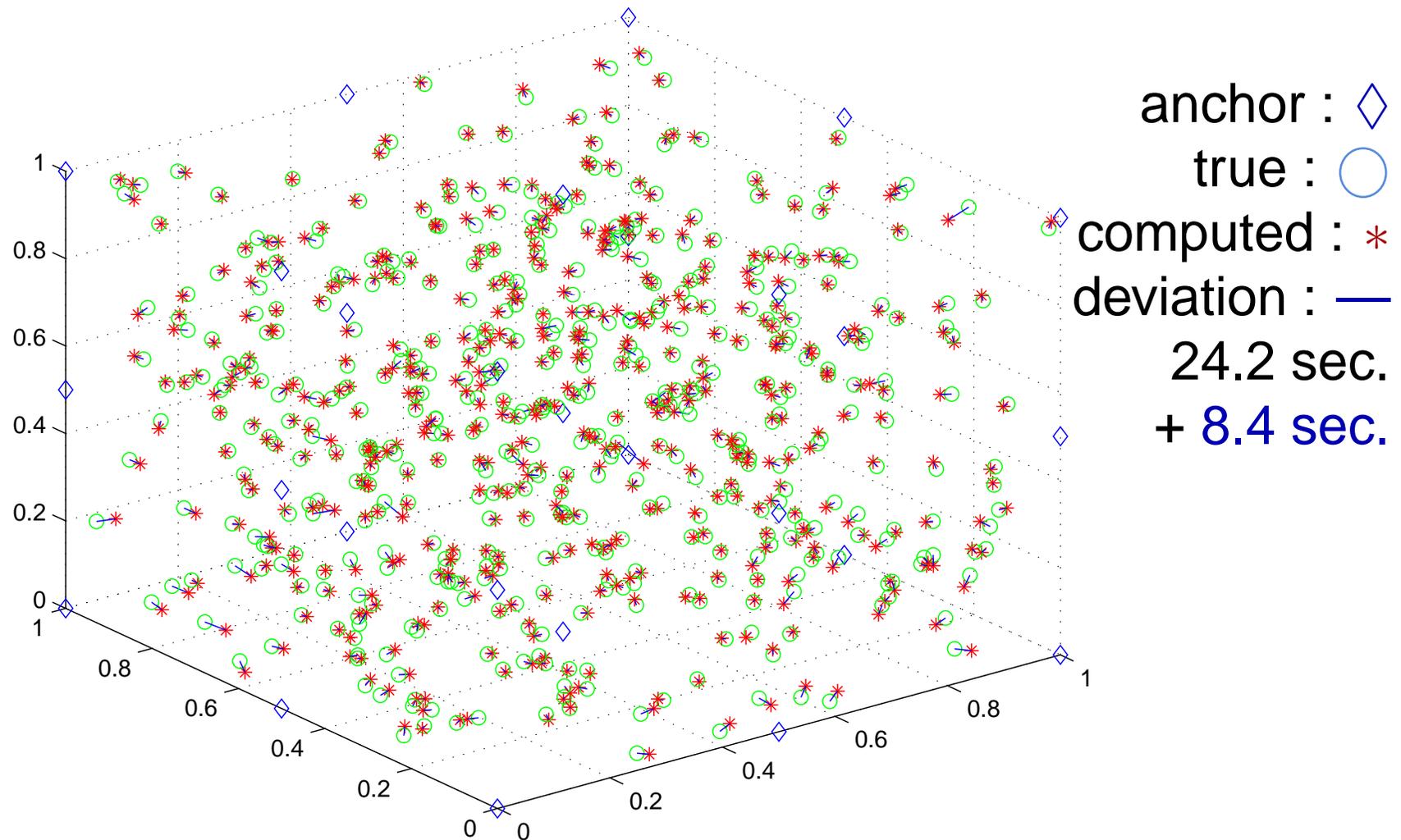


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(b) **FSDP** + Conv. to **LMI form SDP** + **Gradient method**



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POP (Polynomial Optimization Problem)

$$\min f_0(\mathbf{x}) \text{ sub.to } f_i(\mathbf{x}) \geq 0 \ (i = 1, 2, \dots, m).$$

Here $f_p(\mathbf{x})$ denotes a polynomial in $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$.

- (a) Apply SDP relaxation to POP \Rightarrow **SDP**
— SparsePOP(MATLAB)
 - (b) Convert **SDP** into **LMI form SDP with small mat. variables**
— SparsePOP(MATLAB)
 - (c) Solve **LMI form SDP** by the primal-dual interior-point method
— SeDuMi(MATLAB)
- **SDP** could become large-scale even when POP is small (say $n = 20, m = 20$).
 - Sparsity is exploited in (a) too.
 - Both lower and upper bounds for the optimal value are obtained.

A POP alkyl from globalib

$$\min \quad -6.3x_5x_8 + 5.04x_2 + 0.35x_3 + x_4 + 3.36x_6$$

$$\text{sub.to} \quad -0.820x_2 + x_5 - 0.820x_6 = 0,$$

$$0.98x_4 - x_7(0.01x_5x_{10} + x_4) = 0, \quad -x_2x_9 + 10x_3 + x_6 = 0,$$

$$x_5x_{12} - x_2(1.12 + 0.132x_9 - 0.0067x_9^2) = 0,$$

$$x_8x_{13} - 0.01x_9(1.098 - 0.038x_9) - 0.325x_7 = 0.574,$$

$$x_{10}x_{14} + 22.2x_{11} = 35.82, \quad x_1x_{11} - 3x_8 = -1.33,$$

$$\text{lbd}_i \leq x_i \leq \text{ubd}_i \quad (i = 1, 2, \dots, 14).$$

- 14 variables, 7 poly. equality constraints with deg. 3.

Sparse+Conversion			Dense (Lasserre)		
ϵ_{obj}	ϵ_{feas}	cpu	ϵ_{obj}	ϵ_{feas}	cpu
5.6e-10	2.0e-08	23.0	out of	memory	

ϵ_{obj} = approx.opt.val. – lower bound for opt.val.

ϵ_{feas} = the maximum error in the equality constraints

- Global optimality is guaranteed with high accuracy.

A POP ex2_1_8 from globalib

min nonconvex diag. quad. funct. + linear funct.

sub.to 10 sparse linear equalities

$$\text{lbd}_i \leq x_i \leq \text{ubd}_i \quad (i = 1, 2, \dots, 24).$$

Sparse+Conversion			Dense (Lasserre)		
ϵ_{obj}	ϵ_{feas}	cpu	ϵ_{obj}	ϵ_{feas}	cpu
5.0e-9	1.3e-11	20.0	5.8e-10	3.0e-12	288.8

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SDP O (polynomial SDP): $\min f_0(\mathbf{x})$ sub.to $F(\mathbf{x}) \succeq \mathbf{O}$.

$f_0(\mathbf{x})$: a polynomial in $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^m$

F : $\mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathcal{S}^n$, $F_{ij}(\mathbf{x})$: a polynomial in $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^m$

A_* : the sparsity pattern matrix;

$[A_*]_{ij} = 0$ if $F_{ij}(\mathbf{x}) \equiv 0$, $[A_*]_{ij} = *$ otherwise

Assumption. A_* allows a sparse Cholesky factorization.



positive semidefinite matrix completion technique

SDP C (poly. SDP with multiple but smaller SDP cones:

$$\min f_0(\mathbf{x}) \text{ sub.to } F_p(\mathbf{x}) + \sum_{k=1}^{\ell} B_{pk} z_k \succeq \mathbf{O} \quad (p = 1, \dots, \ell).$$

$F_p : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathcal{S}^{n_p}$, $B_{pk} \in \mathcal{S}^{n_p}$.

$n_p \ll n$ under Assumption.

SDP O (tridiag. quad. SDP): $\min \sum_{i=1}^n c_i x_i$ sub.to $F(x) \succeq O$.

$F : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathcal{S}^n$, each element F_{ij} is quadratic or linear;

$$F_{ij}(x) = \begin{cases} d_i - x_i^2 & \text{if } i = j, \\ (a_i - 0.5)x_i + (b_i - 0.5)x_{i+1} & \text{if } i \leq n - 1, j = i + 1, \\ (a_j - 0.5)x_j + (b_j - 0.5)x_{j+1} & \text{if } j \leq n - 1, i = j + 1, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

All a_i, b_i, c_i, d_i are chosen randomly from $[0, 1]$.



the sparsity p. mat. A_* — tridiagonal \Rightarrow sparse Cholesky fact.

SDP C (quad. SDP with multiple but smaller SDP cones):

$$\min \sum_{i=1}^n c_i x_i \text{ sub.to } F_p(x) + \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} B_{pk} z_k \succeq O \quad (p = 1, \dots, n - 1).$$

$F_p : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathcal{S}^2, B_{pk} \in \mathcal{S}^2$

- We will apply a (linear) SDP relaxation for poly. SDP to **SDP O** and **SDP C**, and compare their numerical results.

SDP O (tridiag. quad. SDP): $\min \sum_{i=1}^n c_i x_i$ sub.to $F(x) \succeq O$.

F : $\mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathcal{S}^n$, each element F_{ij} is quadratic or linear;

$$F_{ij}(x) = \begin{cases} d_i - x_i^2 & \text{if } i = j, \\ (a_i - 0.5)x_i + (b_i - 0.5)x_{i+1} & \text{if } i \leq n - 1, j = i + 1, \\ (a_j - 0.5)x_j + (b_j - 0.5)x_{j+1} & \text{if } j \leq n - 1, i = j + 1, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

All a_i, b_i, c_i, d_i are chosen randomly from $[0, 1]$.

	SDP O, no conversion		SDP C, conversion	
n	sizeA	cpu	sizeA	cpu
50	1325 × 5101	28.74	197 × 637	0.36
100	5150 × 20201	2874.45	397 × 1287	0.62
200			797 × 2587	1.38
400			1597 × 5187	2.70
800			3197 × 10387	6.29

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Thank you!