

Exploiting Sparsity of **SDPs** (Semidefinite Programs)
and Their Applications to **POPs** (Polynomial
Optimization Problems)

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The main purpose is to show how important exploiting
sparsity is in solving SDPs and the applications to POPs.

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Sparsity of SSPs is based on joint works with
K. Fujisawa, M. Fukuda, K. Murota and K. Nakata

Sparse SDP relaxation is based on joint works with
S. Kim, M. Muramatsu and H. Waki

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\mathcal{S}^n : the set of $n \times n$ symmetric matrices

$X, S \in \mathcal{S}^n, y_p \in R \quad (1 \leq p \leq m)$: variables

$A_0, A_p \in \mathcal{S}^n, b_p \in R \quad (1 \leq p \leq m)$: given data

$$U \bullet V = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n U_{ij} V_{ij} \quad \text{for every } U, V \in R^{n \times n}$$

$X \succeq O \Leftrightarrow X \in \mathcal{S}^n$ is positive semidefinite

Important features — SDP can be large-scale easily

- $n \times n$ matrix variables $X, S \in \mathcal{S}^n$, each of which involves $n(n+1)/2$ real variables; for example, $n = 2000 \Rightarrow n(n+1)/2 \approx 2$ million.
- m linear equality constraints in \mathcal{P} or m A_p 's $\in \mathcal{S}^n$.



- ◇ Exploit sparsity and structured sparsity.
- ◇ Enormous computational power \Rightarrow parallel computation.

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Generic primal-dual IPM on a single CPU \Rightarrow SDPA

- Step 0: Choose $(X, y, S) = (X^0, y^0, S^0)$; $X^0 \succ O$ and $S^0 \succ O$. $k = 1$.
Step 1: Compute a search direction (dX, dy, dS) . $\Rightarrow Bdy = r$
Step 2: Choose α_p and α_d ;
 $X^{k+1} = X^k + \alpha_p dX \succ O$, $S^{k+1} = S^k + \alpha_d dS \succ O$, $y^{k+1} = y^k + \alpha_d dy$.
Step 3: Let $k = k + 1$. Go to Step 1.

B : $m \times m$ dense in general, computed from A_1, \dots, A_m, X, S .

Major time consumption (second) on a single cpu implementation.

part	controll1	theta6	maxG51
Elements of B	463.2	78.3	1.5
Cholesky fact. of B	31.7	209.8	3.0
dX	1.8	1.8	47.3
Other dense mat. comp.	1.0	4.1	86.5
Others	7.2	5.13	1.8
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Three formula for computing B_{pq} ($p \leq q \leq m$)

(Fujisawa-Kojima-Nakata '97)

	Formula \mathcal{F}_1 (for dense)	# of \times
1.	$F = A_p S^{-1}$	$n f_p$
2.	$G = X F$	n^3
3.	$B_{pq} = G \bullet A_q$	f_q ($p \leq q \leq m$)
Total	B_{pq} ($p \leq q \leq m$)	$n f_p + n^3 + \sum_{q=p}^m f_q$

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	Formula \mathcal{F}_2 (for mildly dense)	# of \times
1.	$F = A_p S^{-1}$	$n f_p$
2.	$B_{pq} = \sum_{\alpha=1}^n \sum_{\beta=1}^n [A_q]_{\alpha\beta} \left(\sum_{\gamma=1}^n X_{\alpha\gamma} F_{\gamma\beta} \right)$	$(n+1) f_q$ ($p \leq q \leq m$)
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		Typical cases $p = 1, m = n$	
Formula	# of \times for B_{pq} ($p \leq q \leq n$)	$f_q = n^2$	$f_q = 2$
\mathcal{F}_1 (for dense)	$n f_p + n^3 + \sum_{q=p}^m f_q$	$O(n^3)$	$O(n^3)$
\mathcal{F}_2 (for mildly dense)	$n f_p + (n+1) \sum_{q=p}^m f_q$	$O(n^4)$	$O(n^2)$
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Numerical evaluation of Formula $\mathcal{F}_1, \mathcal{F}_2, \mathcal{F}_3$

problem	m	n	cpu time / iteration second			Their suitable combination used in SDPA
			\mathcal{F}_1	\mathcal{F}_2	\mathcal{F}_3	
QAP	1021	101	61.3	29.5	-	4.5
GP	501	500	7247.2	52.0	6341.6	29.3
MC	944	300	2472.2	43.0	1.4	1.3

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In some cases, $S = A_0 - \sum_{p=1}^m A_p y_p$ is sparse and X^{-1} can be sparse.

Use S and X^{-1} instead of S^{-1} and X !

\Rightarrow SDPARA-C (the positive definite matrix completion technique)

\Rightarrow Later

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Structured sparsity

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where \star denotes a nonzero number.

Example: $m = 1$

$$A_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad A_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \hat{A} = \begin{pmatrix} \star & \star & 0 & \star \\ \star & \star & \star & 0 \\ 0 & \star & \star & 0 \\ \star & 0 & 0 & \star \end{pmatrix}.$$

Next — three types of **structured sparsity**

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Structured sparsity-1 : \hat{A} is block-diagonal.

Then X , S have the same diagonal block structure as \hat{A} .

$$\hat{A} = \begin{pmatrix} B_1 & O & O \\ O & B_2 & O \\ O & O & B_3 \end{pmatrix}, \quad B_i : \text{symmetric.}$$

Example: CH_3N : an SDP from quantum chemistry, Fukuda et al. 2005.

$m = 20,709$, $n = 12,802$, “the number of blocks in \hat{A} ” = 22,

the largest bl.size = $3,211 \times 3,211$, the average bl.size = 583×583 .

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Structured sparsity-2 : \hat{A} has a sparse Cholesky factorization.

“a small bandwidth”

“a small bandwidth + bordered”

$$\hat{A} = \begin{pmatrix} \star & \star & O & O & O \\ \star & \star & \star & O & O \\ \vdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \vdots \\ O & O & \star & \star & \star \\ O & O & \cdots & \star & \star \end{pmatrix}, \quad \hat{A} = \begin{pmatrix} \star & \star & O & O & \star \\ \star & \star & \star & O & \star \\ \vdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \vdots \\ O & O & \star & \star & \star \\ \star & \star & \cdots & \star & \star \end{pmatrix}, \quad \star : \text{bl.matrix} \neq O$$

- S : the same sparsity pattern as \hat{A} .
- X : fully dense.
- X^{-1} : the same sparsity pattern as $\hat{A} \Rightarrow$ Use X^{-1} instead X
(the positive definite matrix completion used in SDPARA-C)

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Structured sparsity-3 : block-diagonal \hat{A} + blockwise orthogonality,

for most pairs (p, q) $1 \leq p < q \leq m$,

A_p and A_q do not share nonzero blocks; hence $A_p \bullet A_q = 0$.

\Rightarrow the Schur complement matrix B used in PDIPM becomes sparse.

$$A_1 = \begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & O & O \\ O & O & O \\ O & O & O \end{pmatrix}, \quad A_2 = \begin{pmatrix} O & O & O \\ O & A_{22} & O \\ O & O & O \end{pmatrix}, \quad A_3 = \begin{pmatrix} O & O & O \\ O & O & O \\ O & O & A_{33} \end{pmatrix}.$$

- An engineering application, Ben-Tal and Nemirovskii 1999.
- A sparse SDP relaxation of poly. opt. problem, Waki et al. 2005.
- Incorporated in SDPT3 and SeDuMi but not in SDPA.

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SDPs from quantum chemistry, Fukuda et al. 2005.

atoms/molecules	m	n	#blocks	the sizes of largest blocks
O	7230	5990	22	[1450, 1450, 450, ...]
HF	15018	10146	22	[2520, 2520, 792, ...]
CH ₃ N	20709	12802	22	[3211, 3211, 1014, ...]

number of processors		16	64	128	256
O	elements of B	10100.3	2720.4	1205.9	694.2
	Chol.fact. of B	218.2	87.3	68.2	106.2
	total	14250.6	4453.3	3281.1	2951.6
HF	elements of B	*	*	13076.1	6833.0
	Chol.fact. of B	*	*	520.2	671.0
	total	*	*	26797.1	20780.7
CH ₃ N	elements of B	*	*	34188.9	18003.3
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3 types of test Problems:

- (a) SDP relaxations of randomly generated max. cut problems on lattice graphs with size 10×1000 , 10×2000 and 10×4000 .
- (b) SDP relaxations of randomly generated max. clique problems on lattice graphs with size 10×500 , 10×1000 and 10×2000 .
- (c) Randomly generated norm minimization problems

$$\min. \quad \left\| F_0 - \sum_{i=1}^{10} F_i y_i \right\| \quad \text{sub.to} \quad y_i \in \mathbb{R} \quad (i = 1, 2, \dots, 10)$$

where $F_i : 10 \times 9990$, 10×19990 or 10×39990 and $\|G\| =$ the square root of the max. eigenvalue of $G^T G$.

In all cases, the aggregate sparsity pattern consists of one block and is very sparse.

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Problem	n	m	time (s)	memory (MB)
(a) Cut(10×1000)	10000	10000	274.3	126
Cut(10×2000)	20000	20000	1328.2	276
Cut(10×4000)	40000	40000	7462.0	720
(b) Clique(10×500)	5000	9491	639.5	119
Clique(10×1000)	10000	18991	3033.2	259
Clique(10×2000)	20000	37991	15329.0	669
(c) Norm(10×9990)	10000	11	409.5	164
Norm(10×19990)	20000	11	1800.9	304
Norm(10×39990)	40000	11	7706.0	583

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$x = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$: a vector variable.

$f_p(x)$: a multivariate polynomial in $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ($p = 0, 1, \dots, m$).

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Example: $n = 3$

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & f_0(x) \equiv x_1^3 - 2x_1x_2^2 + x_1^2x_2x_3 - 4x_3^2 \\ \text{sub.to} \quad & f_1(x) \equiv -x_1^2 + 5x_2x_3 + 1 \geq 0, \\ & f_2(x) \equiv x_1^2 - 3x_1x_2x_3 + 2x_3 + 2 \geq 0, \\ & f_3(x) \equiv -x_1^2 - x_2^2 - x_3^2 + 1 \geq 0, \\ & x_1(x_1 - 1) = 0 \text{ (0-1 integer),} \\ & x_2 \geq 0, x_3 \geq 0, x_2x_3 = 0 \text{ (complementarity).} \end{aligned}$$

- Various problems can be described as POPs.
- A unified theoretical model for global optimization in non-linear and combinatorial optimization problems.

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- How to exploit sparsity of polynomials
 \Rightarrow the sparsity pattern of the Hessian matrix of $f(x)$

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the set of variables involved in $f_p(x)$ ($p = 1, 2, \dots, m$)

For example, $0.98x_4 - x_7(0.01x_5x_{10} + x_4)$ involves x_4, x_5, x_7, x_{10} .

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Represent a polynomial f as $f(x) = \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{G}} c(\alpha) x^\alpha$, where

\mathcal{G} = a finite subset of $\mathbb{Z}_+^n \equiv \{\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^n : \alpha_i \text{ is an integer } \geq 0\}$,
 $x^\alpha = x_1^{\alpha_1} x_2^{\alpha_2} \cdots x_n^{\alpha_n}$ for $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and $\forall \alpha \in \mathbb{Z}_+^n$.

Replacing each x^α by a single variable $y_\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$, we have the **linearization** of $f(x)$: $F(y) = F((y_\alpha : \alpha \in \mathcal{G})) = \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{G}} c(\alpha) y_\alpha$.

Example

$$\begin{aligned} f(x_1, x_2) &= 2x_1 - 3x_1^2 + 4x_1x_2^3 \\ &= 2x^{(1,0)} - 3x^{(2,0)} + 4x^{(1,3)} \end{aligned}$$

\Downarrow (a) **Linearization**

$$F(y_{(1,0)}, y_{(2,0)}, y_{(1,3)}) = 2y_{(1,0)} - 3y_{(2,0)} + 4y_{(1,3)}.$$

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Example of (ii). $n = 2$. $\mathcal{G} = \{(0, 0), (1, 0)\}$.

$$(1 - x_1 x_2) \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ x_1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ x_1 \end{pmatrix}^T \succeq O \iff \begin{pmatrix} 1 - x_1 x_2 & x_1 - x_1^2 x_2 \\ x_1 - x_1^2 x_2 & x_1^2 - x_1^3 x_2 \end{pmatrix} \succeq O$$

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Let \mathcal{G}_p ($p = 1, \dots, q > m$) be finite subsets of \mathbb{Z}_+^n .

Polynomial SDP (\mathcal{G}_p 's)

$\min f_0(x)$

sub.to $f_p(x)u(x, \mathcal{G}_p)u(x, \mathcal{G}_p)^T \succeq O$ ($p = 1, \dots, m$) \Leftarrow (ii)

$u(x, \mathcal{G}_p)u(x, \mathcal{G}_p)^T \succeq O$ ($p = m + 1, \dots, q$) \Leftarrow (i)

Apply (a) \implies **Linear SDP (\mathcal{G}_p 's) = SDP relaxation of POP**

Exploiting sparsity

\implies How to choose sparse \mathcal{G}_p 's depending on sparsity of $f_p(x)$

relaxation order r = the max. degree of poly. in $u(x, \mathcal{G}_p)$

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Dense relaxation = Linearization of

$$\min f_0(x) \text{ s.t. } u(x, \mathcal{G})u(x, \mathcal{G})^T \succeq O,$$

where $u(x, \mathcal{G}) = (1, x_1, \dots, x_n, x_1^2, x_1x_2, \dots, x_2^2, x_2x_3, \dots, x_n^2)^T$
the col. vector of all monomials in x_1, \dots, x_n with $\text{deg.} \leq 2$.

- relaxation order $r = 2$ (the max. degree of poly. in $u(x, \mathcal{G})$).
- The size of $u(x, \mathcal{G})u(x, \mathcal{G})^T = \binom{n+2}{2}$; $\geq 20,000$ if $n=200$.

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H : the sparsity pattern of the Hessian matrix of f_0

$$H_{ij} = \begin{cases} \star & \text{if } i = j \text{ or } \partial^2 f_0(x) / \partial x_i \partial x_j \neq 0, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

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$$\min f_0(x) \text{ s.t. } \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ x_i \\ x_{i+1} \\ x_i^2 \\ x_i x_{i+1} \\ x_{i+1}^2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ x_i \\ x_{i+1} \\ x_i^2 \\ x_i x_{i+1} \\ x_{i+1}^2 \end{pmatrix}^T \succeq O \quad (i = 1, \dots, n-1)$$

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- Much smaller than Dense relaxation; the size is linear in n .

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Numerical results on POPs

Software

- MATLAB for constructing sparse and dense SDP relaxation problems
- SeDuMi to solve SDPs.

Hardware

- 2.4GHz Xeon cpu with 6.0GB memory.

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cpu in sec.				cpu in sec.	
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0.2	5.1e-04	10	2.5e-08	0.2	10.6
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4.6	5.9e-03	400	2.5e-06	3.7	—
8.6	8.3e-03	800	5.5e-06	6.8	—

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When $n = 800$, SDP relaxation problem:

- $A_p : 4794 \times 4794 (p = 1, 2, \dots, 7, 988) \Rightarrow B : 7,988 \times 7,988$.
- Each A_p consists of 799 diagonal blocks with the size 6×6 matrices.
- $A_p \bullet A_q = 0$ for most pairs $(p, q) \Rightarrow$ a sparse Chol. fact. of B .

An optimal control problem from Coleman et al. 1995

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \min \frac{1}{M} \sum_{i=1}^{M-1} (y_i^2 + x_i^2) \\ \text{s.t. } y_{i+1} = y_i + \frac{1}{M}(y_i^2 - x_i), \quad (i = 1, \dots, M-1), \quad y_1 = 1. \end{array} \right\}$$

Numerical results on sparse relaxation ($r = 2$)

M	# of variables	ϵ_{obj}	ϵ_{feas}	cpu
600	1198	3.4e-08	2.2e-10	3.4
700	1398	2.5e-08	8.1e-10	3.3
800	1598	5.9e-08	1.6e-10	3.8
900	1798	1.4e-07	6.8e-10	4.5
1000	1998	6.3e-08	2.7e-10	5.0

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r = relaxation order,

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Some other benchmark problems from globallib

		Sparse			Dense			
problem	n	r	ϵ_{obj}	ϵ_{feas}	cpu	ϵ_{obj}	ϵ_{feas}	cpu
ex3_1_1	8	3	6.3e-09	4.7e-04	3.3	0.7e-08	2.5e-03	211.4
ex5_4_2	8	3	8.1e-07	3.2e-02	5.5	0.7e-08	2.5e-03	597.8
st_e07	10	2	0.0e+00	8.1e-05	0.4	0.0e+00	8.8e-06	3.0
ex2_1_3	13	2	5.1e-09	3.5e-09	0.5	1.6e-09	1.5e-09	7.7
ex9_1_1	13	2	0.0	4.5e-06	1.5	0.0	9.2e-07	7.7
ex9_2_3	16	2	0.0e+00	5.7e-06	2.3	0.0e+00	7.5e-06	49.7
ex2_1_8	24	2	1.0e-05	0.0e+00	304.6	3.4e-06	0.0e+00	1946.6
ex5_2_2_c2	9	2	1.0e-02	7.2e+01	2.1	1.3e-04	2.7e-01	3.5
ex5_2_2_c2	9	3	5.8e-04	8.9e-01	332.9	-	-	-

- ex5_2_2_c2 ($r = 2$) — Dense is better.
- Sparse attains approx. opt. solutions with the same quality as Dense except ex5_2_2_c2.
- Sparse is much faster than Dense in large dim. and higher relaxation order cases.

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$$(\mathcal{D}) \max \sum_{p=1}^m b_p y_p \quad \text{sub.to} \quad \sum_{p=1}^m A_p y_p + S = A_0, \quad \mathcal{S}^n \ni S \succeq O$$

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Exploiting sparsity in SDPs

- Computing $B_{pq} = X A_p S^{-1} \bullet A_q$ ($1 \leq p \leq q \leq m$) in three formula \mathcal{F}_1 , \mathcal{F}_2 and \mathcal{F}_3 .
- Structured sparsity using the aggregated sparsity pattern \hat{A} over A_p ($1 \leq p \leq m$).
- Numerical results on exploiting sparsity + parallel computation.

Exploiting sparsity in Lasserre's SDP relaxation of POPs

- Although the sparse SDP relaxation does not guarantee the global convergence and it is weaker than the original dense SDP relaxation, it is **very powerful in practice**.

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Some Future Works

- Solving larger scale SDPs and POPs.
 - (a) Exploiting sparsity in POPs and SDPs + parallel computation.
 - (b) Numerical stability.
- Incorporating sparse SDP relaxations into the branch-and-bound method.
- Practical implementation of a sparse SDP relaxation of **polynomial SDPs and SOCPs**, which were proposed in Kojima '03 and Kojima-Muramatsu '04, respectively.