

Semidefinite Programming — an introduction

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Integer programming

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{minimize} & cx \\ \text{subject to} & Ax = b \\ & x \geq 0 \\ & x \in \mathbb{Z} \end{array}$$

Solved through branch-and-bound, using lower bounds

- LP-relaxation can be solved efficiently
- Natural way of formulating ILP models

Many problems cannot be formulated as linear models, or the formulation is inefficient.

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Interior point methods

Interior point methods can be extended to a number of cones (*self-dual homogeneous cones*)

- \mathbb{R}^n (linear programming)
- vectorized symmetric matrices over real numbers (semidefinite programming)
- vectorized Hermitian matrices over complex numbers
- vectorized Hermitian matrices over quaternions
- vectorized Hermitian 3×3 matrices over octonions

Grötschel, Lovász and Schrijver [3]:
semidefinite programming solved in polynomial time

- *semidefinite relaxations* attractive tool
- Modeling part not well-developed

Concrete semidefinite optimizers: Sturm [6], Toh, Tutuncu and Todd [7], Fujisawa, Kojima and Nakata [2].

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Semidefinite programming, definitions

- *vector* $a = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_n \end{pmatrix}$ $a^T = (a_1, \dots, a_n)$

- *inner product* between matrices $A, B \in \mathbb{R}^{m,n}$

$$\langle A, B \rangle := \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij} b_{ij}.$$

- *vector product* of two vectors $a, b \in \mathbb{R}^n$ is

$$a^T b := \sum_{j=1}^n a_j b_j$$

$$ab^T := \begin{pmatrix} a_1 b_1 & \cdots & a_1 b_n \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_n b_1 & \cdots & a_n b_n \end{pmatrix}$$

- *diag(A)* *vector of diagonal elements* of $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$

$$\text{diag}(A) := \text{diag} \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & \cdots & a_{nn} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} \\ \vdots \\ a_{nn} \end{pmatrix}$$

- *Diag(a)* *diagonal matrix* of vector $a \in \mathbb{R}^n$

$$\text{Diag}(a) = \text{Diag}(a_1, \dots, a_n) = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & a_2 & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & a_n \end{pmatrix}$$

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Semidefinite programming

- Matrix $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ is *positive semidefinite*

$$\forall y \in \mathbb{R}^n : y^T A y \geq 0 \quad (1)$$

- $A \succeq 0 \Leftrightarrow A$ pos. semidef. and symmetric

Example

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \succeq 0$$

obviously symmetric
moreover $y^T A y \geq 0$ since

$$\begin{aligned} y^T A y &= \begin{pmatrix} y_1 & y_2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} y_1 & y_2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} y_1 + y_2 \\ y_1 + y_2 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= (y_1^2 + y_1 y_2) + (y_1 y_2 + y_2^2) \\ &= (y_1 + y_2)^2 \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

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Example

$$A = a a^T = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 a_1 & \cdots & a_1 a_n \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_n a_1 & \cdots & a_n a_n \end{pmatrix}$$

is positive semidefinite (and symmetric) since

$$y^T A y = y^T (a a^T) y = (y^T a)(a^T y) = (a^T y)^2 \geq 0$$

Example

$$A = \text{Diag}(a_1, \dots, a_n) = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & a_2 & \cdots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \cdots & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & a_n \end{pmatrix}$$

is positive semidefinite if and only if $a_i \geq 0, i = 1, \dots, n$
to prove "if" note

$$y^T A y = \sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2 a_i \geq 0$$

to prove "only if" choose $y = (0, \dots, 1, \dots, 0)$

Cone

The set of semidefinite matrices is a cone (see exercise)

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Properties of semidefinite matrices

Observations from linear programming:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & \cdots & a_{nn} \end{pmatrix} \succeq 0$$

All square submatrices are again positive semidefinite

Diagonal elements $a_{ii} \geq 0$ (see exercise)

$$A_1 \succeq 0, A_2 \succeq 0, \dots, A_k \succeq 0 \Leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} A_1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & A_2 & \cdots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \cdots & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & A_k \end{pmatrix} \succeq 0$$

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Characterisation of positive semidefinite matrices

Proposition 1 The following are equivalent

- $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ is positive semidefinite
- Eigenvalues $\lambda_i \geq 0$ for $i = 1, \dots, n$
- $\exists C \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ such that $A = C^T C$ and $\text{rank}(C) = \text{rank}(A)$

$A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$: eigenvector $v \neq 0$, eigenvalue λ $\overline{Av = \lambda v}$
 $A = P \Lambda P^T$ eigenvalue decomposition of A

Proof

- 1 \Rightarrow 2** Let $v \in \mathbb{R}^n$ be an eigenvector with $|v| = 1$ corresponding to λ . Since A is pos. semidef. $v^T A v \geq 0$ and $v^T (A v) = v^T \lambda v = \lambda v^T v = \lambda |v|^2 = \lambda$

- 2 \Rightarrow 3** Let $A = P \Lambda P^T$ eigenvalue decomp. of A

$$\Lambda^{\frac{1}{2}} := \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{\lambda_1} & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & \sqrt{\lambda_n} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$C := \Lambda^{\frac{1}{2}} P^T$$

$$C^T C = (P \Lambda^{\frac{1}{2}})(\Lambda^{\frac{1}{2}} P^T) = P \Lambda P^T = A$$

- 3 \Rightarrow 1** Show: $\forall y \in \mathbb{R}^n : y^T A y \geq 0$

Given $y \in \mathbb{R}^n$ let $w = C y$

$$y^T A y = y^T (C^T C) y = (y^T C^T)(C y) = w^T w \geq 0$$

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Semidefinite programming

Linear optimization problem in standard form

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{maximize } cx \\ & \text{subject to } a_1x = b_1, \\ & \quad \vdots \\ & \quad a_mx = b_m, \\ & \quad x = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

Semidefinite optimization problem in standard form

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{maximize } \langle C, X \rangle \\ & \text{subject to } \langle A_1, X \rangle = b_1, \\ & \quad \vdots \\ & \quad \langle A_m, X \rangle = b_m, \\ & \quad X \succeq 0 \end{aligned}$$

where $X = (X_{ij}) \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$, $C \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$, $A_i \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$, and $b_i \in \mathbb{R}$. Grötschel, Lovász and Schrijver [3] polynomial algorithm

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Several semidefinite matrices

Problem defined in several matrices

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{maximize } \sum_{j=1}^k \langle C_j, X_j \rangle \\ & \text{subject to } \sum_{j=1}^k \langle A_{1j}, X_j \rangle = b_1, \\ & \quad \vdots \\ & \quad \sum_{j=1}^k \langle A_{mj}, X_j \rangle = b_m, \\ & \quad X_1 \succeq 0, \dots, X_k \succeq 0 \end{aligned}$$

Remind that

$$X_1 \succeq 0, X_2 \succeq 0, \dots, X_k \succeq 0 \Leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} X_1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & X_2 & \dots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & X_k \end{pmatrix} \succeq 0$$

Defining

$$X = \begin{pmatrix} X_1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & X_2 & \dots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & X_k \end{pmatrix} \quad A_i = \begin{pmatrix} A_{i1} & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & A_{i2} & \dots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & A_{ik} \end{pmatrix}$$

and noting that

$$\langle A_i, X \rangle = \left\langle \begin{pmatrix} A_{i1} & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & A_{i2} & \dots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & A_{ik} \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} X_1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & X_2 & \dots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & X_k \end{pmatrix} \right\rangle = \sum_{j=1}^k \langle A_{ij}, X_j \rangle$$

Semidefinite optimization problem in standard form

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Embedding LP in semidefinite programming

Linear optimization problem

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{minimize } \sum_{j=1}^k c_j x_j \\ & \text{subject to } \sum_{j=1}^k a_{1j} x_j = b_1 \\ & \quad \vdots \\ & \quad \sum_{j=1}^k a_{mj} x_j = b_m \\ & \quad x_1, \dots, x_m \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

Define matrices

- $A_{ij} = (a_{ij})$
- $X_i = (x_i)$

Nonnegativity constraint

$$X_i \succeq 0 \Leftrightarrow yX_iy \geq 0 \Leftrightarrow x_i y^2 \geq 0 \Leftrightarrow x_i \geq 0$$

We may use all LP-constraints as usual

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Rank of matrices

$\text{rank}(A) \Leftrightarrow$ number of linearly independent columns of A

Proposition 2 matrix $X \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$:

1. $X \succeq 0$ and $\text{rank}(X) = 1$
- \Leftrightarrow
2. $X = xx^T$ for some vector $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$

$$X = \begin{pmatrix} X_{11} & \dots & X_{1n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ X_{n1} & \dots & X_{nn} \end{pmatrix} \quad xx^T = \begin{pmatrix} x_1x_1 & \dots & x_1x_n \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ x_nx_1 & \dots & x_nx_n \end{pmatrix}$$

Proof

- **1 \Rightarrow 2** From Prop. 1: $X = C^T C$ where $C = \Lambda^{\frac{1}{2}} P^T$
Since $\text{rank}(X) = 1$ only one eigenvalue $\lambda_i \neq 0$

$$C = \Lambda^{\frac{1}{2}} P^T = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & & \\ & \sqrt{\lambda_i} & \\ & & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} p_{11} & \dots & p_{1n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ p_{1n} & \dots & p_{nn} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \dots & 0 \\ c_1 & \dots & c_n \\ 0 & \dots & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

set $x = (c_1, \dots, c_n)$. Then $X = C^T C = xx^T$.

- **2 \Rightarrow 1** Construct matrix

$$C := \begin{pmatrix} x_1 & \dots & x_n \\ 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \dots & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad C^T C = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ x_n & 0 & \dots & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 & \dots & x_n \\ 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \dots & 0 \end{pmatrix} = xx^T$$

Since $\text{rank}(C) = 1$ from Prop. 1: $X \succeq 0 \wedge \text{rank}(X) = 1$

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Quadratic functions

If objective function or constraint

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n c_{ij} x_i x_j = x^T C x$$

\exists matrix $X = x x^T$ where $X \succeq 0$ and $\text{rank}(X) = 1$ such that

$$\langle C, X \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n c_{ij} X_{ij}$$

since $X_{ij} = x_i x_j$ we get

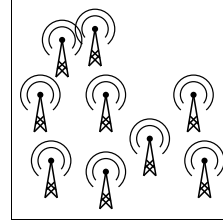
$$\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n c_{ij} x_i x_j = \langle C, X \rangle$$

$$X \succeq 0$$

$$\text{rank}(X) = 1$$

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The Quadratic Knapsack Problem



- $N = \{1, \dots, n\}$ items
- item $j \in N$ has weight w_j
- knapsack capacity c
- profit matrix $P = (p_{ij})$
- $p_{ij} + p_{ji}$ profit achieved if items i and j are selected

Binary variable $x_j = 1 \Leftrightarrow$ item j is selected

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{maximize} && \sum_{i \in N} \sum_{j \in N} p_{ij} x_i x_j \\ & \text{subject to} && \sum_{j \in N} w_j x_j \leq c, \\ & && x_j \in \{0, 1\}, \quad j \in N. \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

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Upper Bounds

LP-relaxation

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{maximize} && \sum_{i \in N} \sum_{j \in N} p_{ij} x_i x_j \\ & \text{subject to} && \sum_{j \in N} w_j x_j \leq c, \\ & && 0 \leq x_j \leq 1, \quad j \in N. \end{aligned}$$

objective function is not linear

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Bounds from Linearisation

Variables $y_{ij} = 1 \Leftrightarrow x_i = 1$ and $x_j = 1$

$$y_{ij} \leq x_i, \quad y_{ij} \leq x_j, \quad x_i + x_j \leq 1 + y_{ij},$$

ILP model

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{maximize} && \sum_{i \in N} \sum_{j \in N} p_{ij} y_{ij} \\ & \text{subject to} && \sum_{j \in N} w_j x_j \leq c, \\ & && y_{ij} \leq x_i, && i, j \in N, \\ & && y_{ij} \leq x_j, && i, j \in N, \\ & && x_i + x_j \leq 1 + y_{ij}, && i, j \in N, \\ & && x_j, y_{ij} \in \{0, 1\}, && i, j \in N. \end{aligned}$$

LP-relaxation

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{maximize} && \sum_{i \in N} \sum_{j \in N} p_{ij} y_{ij} \\ & \text{subject to} && \sum_{j \in N} w_j x_j \leq c, \\ & && y_{ij} \leq x_i, && j \in N, \\ & && y_{ij} \leq x_j, && i \in N, \\ & && x_i + x_j \leq 1 + y_{ij}, && i, j \in N, \\ & && 0 \leq x_j \leq 1, && j \in N, \\ & && y_{ij} \geq 0, && i, j \in N. \end{aligned}$$

Upper bound U_{bc}^1

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Bounds from Semidefinite Relaxation

Objective function of QKP

$$x^T P x = \sum_{i \in N} \sum_{j \in N} p_{ij} x_i x_j = \langle P, X \rangle$$

Formulation of QKP

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{maximize} && \langle P, X \rangle \\ & \text{subject to} && \langle \text{Diag}(w), X \rangle \leq c, \\ & && X \succeq 0, \\ & && \text{rank}(X) = 1, \\ & && X_{ii} \in \{0, 1\}. \end{aligned}$$

Dropping rank(X) = 1 constraint, relax last constraint

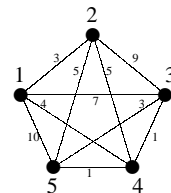
$$\begin{aligned} & \text{maximize} && \langle P, X \rangle \\ & \text{subject to} && \langle \text{Diag}(w), X \rangle \leq c, \\ & && 0 \leq X_{ii} \leq 1 \\ & && X \succeq 0, \end{aligned}$$

Upper bound U_{HRW}^0

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Max-cut problem

Graph $G = (V, E, a)$, split $V = \{U, V \setminus U\}$



$$x_i = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i \in U \\ -1 & \text{if } i \in V \setminus U \end{cases} \quad \frac{1 - x_i x_j}{2} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x_i \neq x_j \\ 0 & \text{if } x_i = x_j \end{cases}$$

Model

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{maximize} && \sum_{i < j} a_{ij} \frac{1 - x_i x_j}{2} \\ & \text{subject to} && x \in \{-1, 1\}^n \end{aligned}$$

Rewriting objective

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i < j} a_{ij} (1 - x_i x_j) &= \frac{1}{4} \sum_{i, j} a_{ij} (1 - x_i x_j) \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij} x_i x_i - \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij} x_i x_j \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{4} x^T (\text{Diag}(Ae) - A) x \end{aligned}$$

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Max-cut problem

Setting $C = \frac{1}{4}(\text{Diag}(Ae) - A)$ we get objective

$$\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i < j} a_{ij} (1 - x_i x_j) = x^T C x = \langle C, x x^T \rangle$$

Semidefinite program

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{maximize} && \langle C, X \rangle \\ & \text{subject to} && \text{diag}(X) = e \\ & && X \succeq 0, \\ & && \text{rank}(X) = 1, \end{aligned}$$

Since $\text{diag}(X) = e$ we have

$$X_{ii} = 1 = x_i x_i$$

Drop rank(X) = 1, semidefinite relaxation

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{maximize} && \langle C, X \rangle \\ & \text{subject to} && \text{diag}(X) = e \\ & && X \succeq 0 \end{aligned}$$

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Quadratic 0-1 programming

Problem

$$\max_{x \in \{0, 1\}^n} x^T C x$$

Semidefinite program

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{maximize} && \langle C, X \rangle \\ & \text{subject to} && X \succeq 0, \\ & && \text{rank}(X) = 1, \\ & && X_{ii} \in \{0, 1\} \end{aligned}$$

Drop rank(X) = 1, LP-relax $X_{ii} \in \{0, 1\}$

Semidefinite relaxation

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{maximize} && \langle P, X \rangle \\ & \text{subject to} && 0 \leq X_{ii} \leq 1 \\ & && X \succeq 0 \end{aligned}$$

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Tighter bounds for QKP

Proposition 3 If $X \succeq 0$ and $\text{rank}(X) = 1$ and $X_{ii} \in \{0, 1\}$ then also

$$X - \text{diag}(X) \text{diag}(X)^T \succeq 0. \quad (3)$$

Proof

- $X = xx^T$ due to Proposition 2

$$X = \begin{pmatrix} X_{11} & \cdots & X_{1n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ X_{n1} & \cdots & X_{nn} \end{pmatrix} \quad xx^T = \begin{pmatrix} x_1x_1 & \cdots & x_1x_n \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ x_nx_1 & \cdots & x_nx_n \end{pmatrix}$$

- $\text{diag}(X) = \text{diag}(xx^T) = x$ when $x \in \{0, 1\}^n$
- $\forall v \in \mathbb{R}^n: (x+v)(x+v)^T \succeq 0$
choose $v = -\text{diag}(X)$

$$\begin{aligned} (x+v)(x+v)^T &= \\ xx^T + vx^T + xv^T + vv^T &= \\ X + v \text{diag}(X)^T + \text{diag}(X)v^T + vv^T &= \\ X + (v + \text{diag}(X))(v + \text{diag}(X))^T - \text{diag}(X) \text{diag}(X)^T &= \\ X - \text{diag}(X) \text{diag}(X)^T \succeq 0 \end{aligned}$$

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Tighter bounds for QKP

Proposition 4

$$X - \text{diag}(X) \text{diag}(X)^T \succeq 0 \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \bar{X} \succeq 0$$

where

$$\bar{X} := \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \text{diag}(X)^T \\ \text{diag}(X) & X \end{pmatrix}.$$

Proof

Define the regular matrix B as

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -\text{diag}(X)^T \\ 0 & I \end{pmatrix},$$

and observe that

$$\begin{aligned} B^T \bar{X} B &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -\text{diag}(X) & I \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \text{diag}(X)^T \\ \text{diag}(X) & X \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -\text{diag}(X)^T \\ 0 & I \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & X - \text{diag}(X) \text{diag}(X)^T \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

Using $\bar{y} = B^{-1}y$ we have

$$y^T \bar{X} y = y^T (B^{-1})^T B^T \bar{X} B B^{-1} y = \bar{y}^T B^T \bar{X} B \bar{y},$$

hence: $\bar{X} \succeq 0 \Leftrightarrow B^T \bar{X} B \succeq 0$

$$B^T \bar{X} B \succeq 0 \Leftrightarrow 1 \succeq 0 \text{ and } X - \text{diag}(X) \text{diag}(X)^T \succeq 0$$

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Tighter bounds for QKP (bound 1)

Relax QKP to QKP'

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{maximize } \langle P, X \rangle \\ &\text{subject to } \langle \text{Diag}(w), X \rangle \leq c, \\ &\quad X - \text{diag}(X) \text{diag}(X)^T \succeq 0, \\ &\quad \text{rank}(X) = 1, \\ &\quad X_{ii} \in \{0, 1\} \end{aligned}$$

Drop $\text{rank}(X) = 1$ and relax last constraint to $0 \leq X_{ii} \leq 1$

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{maximize } \langle P, X \rangle \\ &\text{subject to } \langle \text{Diag}(w), X \rangle \leq c, \\ &\quad X - \text{diag}(X) \text{diag}(X)^T \succeq 0, \\ &\quad X_{ii} \leq 1 \end{aligned}$$

upper bound U_{HRW}^1

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Tighter bounds for QKP (bound 2)

- $w^T x = x^T w$
- $w^T x \leq c \Rightarrow w^T x x^T w \leq c^2$
- $w^T x x^T w = \langle w w^T, x x^T \rangle$
- relax $x x^T$ to X

relaxation

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{maximize } \langle P, X \rangle \\ &\text{subject to } \langle w w^T, X \rangle \leq c^2, \\ &\quad X - \text{diag}(X) \text{diag}(X)^T \succeq 0 \end{aligned}$$

upper bound U_{HRW}^2

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Tighter bounds for QKP (bound 3)

The third semidefinite relaxation is based on the observation that $w^T x \leq c$ can be multiplied by the real number $w^T x$ on both sides gives the constraint $(w^T x)^2 \leq w^T x c$, leading to the inequality

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq w^T x (c - x^T w) = w^T x \begin{pmatrix} 1, x^T \\ -w \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c \\ -w \end{pmatrix} \\ &= (0, w^T) \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ x \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1, x^T \\ -w \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c \\ -w \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

Setting $X' = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ x \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1, x^T \end{pmatrix} = x' x'^T$ the right hand side expression in (4) can be written

$$\left\langle \begin{pmatrix} c \\ -w \end{pmatrix} (0, w^T), X' \right\rangle. \quad (5)$$

This leads to the following relaxation:

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{maximize } \langle P, X \rangle \\ &\text{subject to } \left\langle \begin{pmatrix} c \\ -w \end{pmatrix} (0, w^T), X' \right\rangle \geq 0, \\ &X - \text{diag}(X) \text{diag}(X)^T \succeq 0. \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

Solving the above problem gives bound U_{HRW}^3 .

Tighter bounds for QKP (bound 4)

The last relaxation is obtained by multiplying the capacity constraint with each of the variables x_i for $i \in N$ getting $x_i w^T x \leq x_i c$. By writing the vector product explicitly we get the sum

$$\sum_{j \in N} w_j x_i x_j \leq x_i c. \quad (7)$$

By introducing in (7) X_{ij} for $x_i x_j$ and X_{ii} for x_i we get

$$\sum_{j \in N} w_j X_{ij} \leq X_{ii} c, \quad (8)$$

which leads to the following relaxation:

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{maximize } \langle P, X \rangle \\ &\text{subject to } \sum_{j \in N} w_j X_{ij} - X_{ii} c \leq 0, \text{ for } i \in N, \\ &X - \text{diag}(X) \text{diag}(X)^T \succeq 0, \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

giving the bound U_{HRW}^4 .

Strength of bounds for QKP

Helmberg, Rendl and Weismantel [4] together with Bauvin and Goemans [1] prove that

$$U_{\text{HRW}}^1 \geq U_{\text{HRW}}^2 \geq U_{\text{HRW}}^3 \geq U_{\text{HRW}}^4$$

Computational Experiments

Randomly generated instances by Gallo, Hammer and Simeone

Let Δ be the *density* of an instance

- weight w_j is randomly distributed in $[1, 50]$ while
- profits $p_{ij} = p_{ji}$ are nonzero with probability Δ , and in this case randomly distributed in $[1, 100]$.
- capacity c is randomly distributed in $[50, \sum_{j=1}^n w_j]$

Implementation and experimental study was carried out by Rasmussen and Sandvik [5]

Δ	n	U_{GHS}^1 time dev	U_{GHS}^2 time dev	U_{GHS}^3 time dev	U_{GHS}^4 time dev	T_{GHS}^4 time dev
5	40	0.000 6.38	0.002 6.38	0.001 6.38	0.000 6.38	0.000 6.38
	60	0.000 17.61	0.000 17.61	0.001 17.61	0.002 17.61	0.001 17.49
	80	0.000 22.70	0.000 22.70	0.000 22.70	0.001 22.70	0.001 22.70
	100	0.000 13.84	0.002 13.84	0.003 13.84	0.001 13.84	0.000 13.84
	120	0.001 25.04	0.001 25.04	0.002 25.03	0.001 25.02	0.001 25.02
	140	0.000 40.17	0.000 40.17	0.006 39.22	0.002 39.09	0.003 38.99
	160	0.001 21.53	0.001 21.53	0.003 21.32	0.005 21.27	0.005 21.24
	180	0.002 21.69	0.002 21.69	0.008 21.69	0.002 21.69	0.002 21.69
	200	0.002 18.06	0.004 18.06	0.008 18.06	0.002 18.06	0.004 18.06
	avg	0.001 20.78	0.001 20.78	0.004 20.65	0.002 20.63	0.002 20.60
25	40	0.000 35.22	0.001 34.00	0.002 27.82	0.001 27.33	0.000 26.45
	60	0.000 21.47	0.000 20.99	0.000 18.08	0.001 17.88	0.001 17.76
	80	0.000 16.83	0.001 16.78	0.001 14.89	0.003 14.81	0.001 14.74
	100	0.000 61.73	0.003 61.36	0.002 57.57	0.000 57.41	0.001 57.17
	120	0.000 31.08	0.001 30.64	0.002 27.30	0.001 27.24	0.004 27.18
	140	0.002 36.89	0.002 36.89	0.004 35.66	0.001 35.62	0.005 35.57
	160	0.000 18.54	0.001 18.54	0.006 17.96	0.002 17.94	0.006 17.91
	180	0.000 31.80	0.002 31.44	0.008 29.96	0.003 29.95	0.005 29.92
	200	0.003 49.02	0.003 49.02	0.009 42.59	0.010 42.50	0.006 42.31
	avg	0.001 33.62	0.002 33.29	0.004 30.20	0.002 30.08	0.003 29.89
50	40	0.000 35.76	0.000 34.91	0.001 26.01	0.001 25.48	0.000 24.95
	60	0.000 36.11	0.000 34.17	0.000 27.61	0.001 27.35	0.002 26.98
	80	0.000 18.48	0.000 18.39	0.003 14.86	0.002 14.76	0.001 14.64
	100	0.001 52.13	0.001 46.00	0.003 34.87	0.001 34.70	0.003 34.42
	120	0.001 31.47	0.005 29.80	0.003 22.59	0.002 22.51	0.003 22.36
	140	0.000 43.17	0.002 43.14	0.003 38.05	0.006 37.97	0.003 37.84
	160	0.000 23.59	0.002 22.41	0.003 16.80	0.004 16.76	0.006 16.67
	180	0.003 30.88	0.007 28.91	0.005 21.90	0.005 21.87	0.007 21.79
	200	0.000 29.32	0.005 28.60	0.010 23.23	0.007 23.20	0.007 23.15
	avg	0.001 33.43	0.002 31.81	0.003 25.10	0.003 24.96	0.004 24.75
75	40	0.000 35.10	0.000 28.80	0.000 18.48	0.000 18.00	0.000 17.55
	60	0.001 37.38	0.000 29.12	0.000 17.36	0.000 17.06	0.002 16.73
	80	0.000 26.77	0.001 23.04	0.002 15.37	0.003 15.27	0.000 15.12
	100	0.000 31.20	0.001 22.89	0.004 13.85	0.002 13.77	0.002 13.63
	120	0.000 33.20	0.002 21.57	0.002 11.59	0.003 11.53	0.003 11.39
	140	0.000 36.53	0.002 27.27	0.005 16.80	0.005 16.75	0.004 16.66
	160	0.000 25.79	0.002 22.07	0.004 16.13	0.007 16.11	0.007 16.05
	180	0.002 52.66	0.006 34.91	0.006 20.86	0.009 20.82	0.006 20.71
	200	0.001 51.06	0.004 26.00	0.007 13.30	0.009 13.26	0.009 13.19
	avg	0.000 36.63	0.002 26.19	0.003 15.97	0.004 15.84	0.004 15.67
95	40	0.000 63.84	0.001 35.23	0.003 17.33	0.000 16.72	0.000 16.15
	60	0.001 61.20	0.000 35.03	0.002 16.16	0.001 15.96	0.003 15.51
	80	0.000 39.89	0.001 24.19	0.000 12.88	0.002 12.74	0.002 12.59
	100	0.002 49.27	0.002 27.00	0.001 13.50	0.006 13.39	0.000 13.28
	120	0.002 27.16	0.002 18.52	0.002 10.64	0.004 10.59	0.004 10.52
	140	0.002 28.02	0.004 19.79	0.006 11.69	0.003 11.65	0.005 11.58
	160	0.000 34.82	0.002 23.34	0.004 12.11	0.008 12.08	0.008 12.01
	180	0.002 31.71	0.004 20.00	0.006 11.27	0.008 11.24	0.003 11.18
	200	0.002 53.23	0.003 31.67	0.009 14.33	0.007 14.30	0.015 14.21
	avg	0.001 43.24	0.002 26.08	0.004 13.32	0.004 13.17	0.004 13.00
100	40	0.001 23.67	0.001 15.24	0.001 9.64	0.001 9.32	0.000 9.15
	60	0.000 19.93	0.000 11.09	0.001 6.09	0.001 5.96	0.001 5.88
	80	0.000 40.13	0.000 21.15	0.001 10.72	0.003 10.58	0.001 10.45
	100	0.001 33.11	0.001 19.42	0.003 10.46	0.003 10.38	0.002 10.29
	120	0.001 37.67	0.004 22.86	0.002 11.33	0.003 11.27	0.005 11.19
	140	0.000 26.21	0.002 15.50	0.006 10.35	0.004 10.31	0.004 10.25
	160	0.000 38.14	0.001 19.63	0.007 9.68	0.006 9.64	0.005 9.59
	180	0.002 46.30	0.005 24.20	0.005 9.86	0.007 9.83	0.009 9.77
	200	0.003 40.76	0.004 22.01	0.009 10.09	0.010 10.07	0.008 10.01
	avg	0.001 33.99	0.002 19.23	0.004 9.80	0.004 9.71	0.004 9.62
total avg	0.001 33.62	0.002 26.23	0.004 19.18	0.003 19.06	0.003 18.92	

Table 1: Bounds from upper planes (Intel Pentium III, 933 MHz).

Δ	n	U_{CHM} time dev	U_{LRV}^2 time dev	U_{BFS}^2 time dev
5	40	0.0 0.80	0.3 0.27	3.6 0.74
	60	0.0 0.65	0.6 0.37	9.6 0.49
	80	0.0 0.46	1.4 0.29	15.8 0.33
	100	0.0 0.32	2.0 0.16	24.8 0.31
	120	0.0 0.28	3.2 0.17	40.4 0.30
	140	0.0 0.56	2.2 0.53	75.6 0.70
	160	0.0 0.13	12.5 0.08	76.5 0.14
	180	0.0 0.15	7.3 0.11	95.0 0.17
	200	0.1 0.08	22.0 0.05	111.0 0.09
avg	0.0 0.38	5.7 0.22	50.2 0.37	
25	40	0.0 3.07	0.6 2.38	3.7 1.65
	60	0.0 0.58	1.8 0.37	8.5 0.35
	80	0.0 1.02	6.5 0.77	16.1 0.65
	100	0.0 2.48	3.0 2.44	30.0 0.68
	120	0.1 0.57	4.9 0.53	38.6 0.26
	140	0.1 1.46	2.4 1.46	59.4 0.61
	160	0.2 0.52	64.7 0.47	62.2 0.16
	180	0.2 0.74	34.8 0.73	93.5 0.27
	200	0.3 1.47	20.3 1.47	122.3 0.36
avg	0.1 1.32	15.5 1.18	48.3 0.55	
50	40	0.0 3.70	1.1 3.33	3.7 1.33
	60	0.0 2.85	3.1 2.70	8.4 0.67
	80	0.0 0.82	9.4 0.69	14.7 0.38
	100	0.1 3.61	15.4 3.57	24.7 0.50
	120	0.2 1.40	48.5 1.35	36.1 0.35
	140	0.3 1.33	28.4 1.32	47.3 0.19
	160	0.5 1.16	164.9 1.12	66.1 0.20
	180	0.6 1.57	27.9 1.57	84.8 0.21
	200	0.8 0.83	43.8 0.83	107.0 0.16
avg	0.3 1.92	38.1 1.83	43.7 0.44	
75	40	0.0 3.92	3.3 3.36	3.7 1.58
	60	0.0 2.15	6.4 1.88	8.1 0.81
	80	0.1 1.52	2.0 1.52	13.5 0.23
	100	0.2 1.96	15.1 1.93	23.3 0.41
	120	0.3 1.89	195.5 1.80	31.2 0.49
	140	0.5 1.94	30.6 1.94	47.5 0.19
	160	0.7 1.24	506.8 1.21	63.1 0.18
	180	0.8 1.80	14.4 1.80	77.8 0.12
	200	3.7 2.03	17.9 2.03	102.5 0.17
avg	0.7 2.05	88.0 1.94	41.2 0.46	
95	40	0.0 9.30	0.4 9.28	3.8 1.60
	60	0.0 4.21	0.6 4.21	8.4 0.68
	80	0.1 2.59	11.2 2.54	14.6 0.71
	100	0.2 1.63	13.1 1.62	21.0 0.46
	120	0.4 1.71	89.4 1.69	32.7 0.28
	140	0.5 1.82	113.2 1.81	41.5 0.22
	160	0.8 2.18	221.6 2.18	62.9 0.33
	180	1.0 2.06	15.1 2.06	80.8 0.32
	200	1.2 3.38	563.3 3.37	103.7 0.15
avg	0.5 3.31	114.2 3.20	41.0 0.53	
100	40	0.0 4.22	2.0 4.08	3.6 1.55
	60	0.0 2.14	11.2 2.05	8.2 0.99
	80	0.1 2.22	20.4 2.20	14.0 0.53
	100	0.2 2.90	4.4 2.90	22.0 0.27
	120	0.4 2.23	20.0 2.22	33.1 0.38
	140	0.6 1.93	122.7 1.92	47.9 0.26
	160	0.8 2.25	978.7 2.21	60.0 0.31
	180	1.0 2.54	21.1 2.54	78.3 0.24
	200	1.4 1.66	79.8 1.66	103.1 0.50
avg	0.8 2.45	140.0 2.42	41.1 0.56	
total avg	0.3 1.89	66.9 1.80	44.3 0.49	

Δ	n	U_{CPT}^2 time dev	U_{BC}^2 time dev
5	40	0.0 1.23	25.2 0.75
	60	0.1 1.41	160.0 0.45
	80	0.2 1.56	
	100	0.4 1.32	
	120	0.7 1.37	
	140	1.5 2.15	
	160	2.1 1.49	
	180	3.7 1.64	
	200	4.8 1.44	
avg	1.5 1.51	92.6 0.57	
25	40	0.0 2.91	35.5 2.21
	60	0.1 0.92	326.4 0.38
	80	0.3 1.34	
	100	0.7 2.79	
	120	1.0 0.93	
	140	2.1 1.96	
	160	2.5 1.01	
	180	4.5 1.18	
	200	7.7 1.91	
avg	2.1 1.66	181.0 1.30	
50	40	0.1 3.29	55.9 1.70
	60	0.2 2.11	699.3 0.84
	80	0.3 0.85	
	100	0.7 2.40	
	120	1.2 1.31	
	140	2.2 1.45	
	160	2.9 0.89	
	180	5.2 1.57	
	200	6.0 0.84	
avg	2.1 1.64	377.6 1.27	
75	40	0.1 2.45	29.4 1.59
	60	0.1 1.39	116.4 0.80
	80	0.3 1.03	978.8 0.22
	100	0.5 1.21	2110.9 0.41
	120	0.8 0.73	2982.4 0.47
	140	1.7 1.11	
	160	2.5 0.84	
	180	3.6 0.78	
	200	4.2 0.78	
avg	1.5 1.15	1243.6 0.70	
95	40	0.1 2.09	17.7 1.59
	60	0.1 1.25	102.2 0.68
	80	0.3 1.12	445.8 0.70
	100	0.4 0.91	1346.5 0.46
	120	0.7 0.66	
	140	1.3 0.65	
	160	2.1 0.63	
	180	3.2 0.71	
	200	4.7 0.54	
avg	1.4 1.02	478.0 0.86	
100	40	0.1 1.89	24.8 1.55
	60	0.1 1.17	151.1 0.98
	80	0.3 0.74	397.7 0.51
	100	0.5 0.61	1990.1 0.27
	120	0.9 0.74	
	140	1.3 0.53	
	160	1.9 0.50	
	180	2.9 0.46	
	200	4.2 0.66	
avg	1.3 0.81	640.9 0.83	
total avg	1.7 1.30	631.4 0.87	

Table 2: Bounds based on Lagrangian relaxation (left table) and bounds from Linearisation (right table). (Intel Pentium III, 933 MHz).

Δ	n	U_{HRW}^1 time dev	U_{HRW}^2 time dev	U_{HRW}^3 time dev	U_{HRW}^4 time dev	U_{HRW}^5 time dev
5	40	3.9 3.40	5.6 1.29	5.3 1.22	5.9 1.22	14.2 1.21
	60	9.7 7.64	12.4 2.70	13.5 1.84	14.2 1.83	15.8 1.83
	80	25.5 10.23	29.1 3.60	34.2 1.95	36.8 1.95	22.1 1.95
	100	54.3 6.82	68.1 2.24	83.5 1.12	90.6 1.12	579.5 1.12
	120	125.4 11.02	143.0 4.19	170.4 1.58	181.1 1.58	1053.8 1.58
	140	243.1 17.97	273.7 8.24	309.4 2.47	327.9 2.47	1810.4 2.47
	160	408.0 10.42	509.7 3.95	566.3 1.03	619.8 1.03	2410.6 1.03
	180	644.5 11.45	799.2 5.01	909.3 1.19	1014.2 1.19	3928.0 1.19
	200	904.3 9.76	1107.9 3.43	1345.5 0.69	1564.6 0.69	
avg	268.8 9.86	327.6 3.85	381.9 1.46	428.2 1.45	1261.8 1.55	
25	40	3.8 17.36	4.2 10.44	4.7 2.99	5.4 2.97	17.8 2.95
	60	10.0 11.79	11.5 5.07	14.8 0.71	15.3 0.70	69.6 0.70
	80	24.4 9.78	28.7 4.96	38.2 0.87	42.1 0.86	255.5 0.85
	100	55.2 31.42	61.1 18.31	72.0 1.23	80.6 1.22	537.0 1.21
	120	120.3 16.75	138.6 8.77	185.1 0.49	204.2 0.48	1090.5 0.47
	140	240.7 21.13	274.3 11.59	340.3 0.49	350.7 0.49	1968.3 0.49
	160	373.4 11.62	457.7 5.78	626.3 0.25	679.3 0.25	3146.9 0.25
	180	583.3 18.92	664.0 10.00	888.5 0.31	929.8 0.30	4885.8 0.30
	200	916.2 24.76	1019.1 14.33	1306.5 0.34	1320.2 0.34	
avg	258.6 18.17	295.5 9.92	386.3 0.85	403.1 0.85	1496.4 0.90	
50	40	3.8 20.46	4.1 12.23	5.1 1.85	5.7 1.83	17.3 1.82
	60	10.0 21.03	11.0 12.16	13.9 1.03	15.1 1.01	76.0 0.99
	80	23.0 11.22	27.5 5.86	39.6 0.48	39.4 0.48	247.7 0.48
	100	55.1 27.69	61.0 16.58	79.2 0.66	87.7 0.63	576.6 0.61
	120	121.9 17.60	136.7 10.02	195.2 0.40	206.4 0.39	1185.8 0.38
	140	240.2 25.51	265.6 14.00	396.7 0.23	397.2 0.23	2370.4 0.23
	160	397.0 13.32	449.8 7.54	679.1 0.23	750.9 0.21	3333.8 0.21
	180	627.1 17.62	704.2 10.11	1022.0 0.21	1113.6 0.20	4668.1 0.20
	200	855.6 17.21	947.6 9.39	1399.9 0.13	1576.1 0.13	
avg	239.3 19.07	289.7 10.88	425.4 0.58	465.9 0.57	1559.5 0.61	
75	40	4.0 21.46	4.0 12.94	5.1 1.88	5.4 1.87	19.8 1.87
	60	9.5 20.72	10.8 11.82	14.3 1.01	16.4 0.98	72.8 0.97
	80	22.5 16.06	25.6 9.05	41.1 0.28	42.3 0.27	241.4 0.27
	100	53.9 16.96	61.0 10.15	89.8 0.47	94.0 0.47	628.0 0.46
	120	114.6 16.19	126.7 9.88	185.7 0.68	210.3 0.65	1254.4 0.64
	140	236.0 19.73	262.4 11.88	406.1 0.24	447.8 0.22	2168.5 0.21
	160	382.5 15.76	453.0 8.68	713.6 0.21	749.2 0.20	3191.2 0.20
	180	651.2 25.19	697.3 15.25	1064.5 0.35	1358.0 0.31	
	200	913.6 20.60	963.6 13.32	1382.2 0.44	2036.5 0.36	
avg	265.3 19.19	289.4 11.44	433.6 0.61	551.1 0.59	1082.3 0.66	
95	40	3.7 38.28	3.9 25.05	4.9 1.80	5.3 1.78	17.3 1.78
	60	9.4 34.16	10.7 20.90	14.9 0.82	16.6 0.79	75.6 0.78
	80	23.2 22.26	26.2 13.48	40.8 0.78	43.8 0.76	256.5 0.75
	100	54.6 24.82	59.6 14.78	96.8 0.65	102.5 0.61	655.5 0.59
	120	117.1 16.32	131.7 9.32	228.7 0.34	233.0 0.32	1248.6 0.31
	140	236.5 17.29	259.9 9.82	428.0 0.27	464.6 0.27	2165.8 0.27
	160	369.1 21.00	419.3 12.44	729.5 0.34	732.6 0.34	3426.4 0.34
	180	619.4 18.34	662.9 11.02	1182.8 0.37	1227.4 0.36	5121.6 0.35
	200	906.3 29.32	967.7 18.20	1678.9 0.16	1762.3 0.16	
avg	259.9 24.64	282.4 15.00	489.5 0.61	509.8 0.60	1620.9 0.65	
100	40	3.7 17.04	4.1 10.59	5.8 1.66	5.9 1.66	21.1 1.66
	60	9.3 12.07	10.5 7.22	16.2 1.05	15.9 1.05	83.8 1.04
	80	22.3 22.30	25.8 13.17	38.1 0.59	41.5 0.58	258.0 0.57
	100	50.5 19.85	57.3 12.25	93.8 0.30	100.5 0.29	639.7 0.29
	120	119.5 22.26	130.4 13.04	238.6 0.40	235.2 0.40	1257.3 0.40
	140	238.9 16.86	260.2 9.61	459.0 0.27	457.8 0.26	2203.8 0.26
	160	405.8 20.41	442.0 12.41	717.2 0.39	803.8 0.38	3503.7 0.37
	180	630.9 24.25	678.2 14.85	1133.7 0.27	1210.9 0.26	4833.8 0.25
	200	893.2 21.91	970.0 13.16	1620.9 0.54	1757.8 0.53	
avg	262.7 19.66	286.5 11.81	480.4 0.61	514.4 0.60	1600.1 0.60	
total avg	262.4 18.43	295.2 10.48	432.8 0.79	478.7 0.78	1444.4 0.83	

Table 3: Bounds from Semidefinite Programming. (Intel Pentium III, 933 MHz).

Approximation algorithms

- Should run in polynomial time
- Bounds from semidefinite programming
- Semidefinite optimization can be solved in polynomial time

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