

OSQP

An Operator Splitting Solver for Quadratic Programs

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Why quadratic programming?

AN ALGORITHM FOR QUADRATIC PROGRAMMING

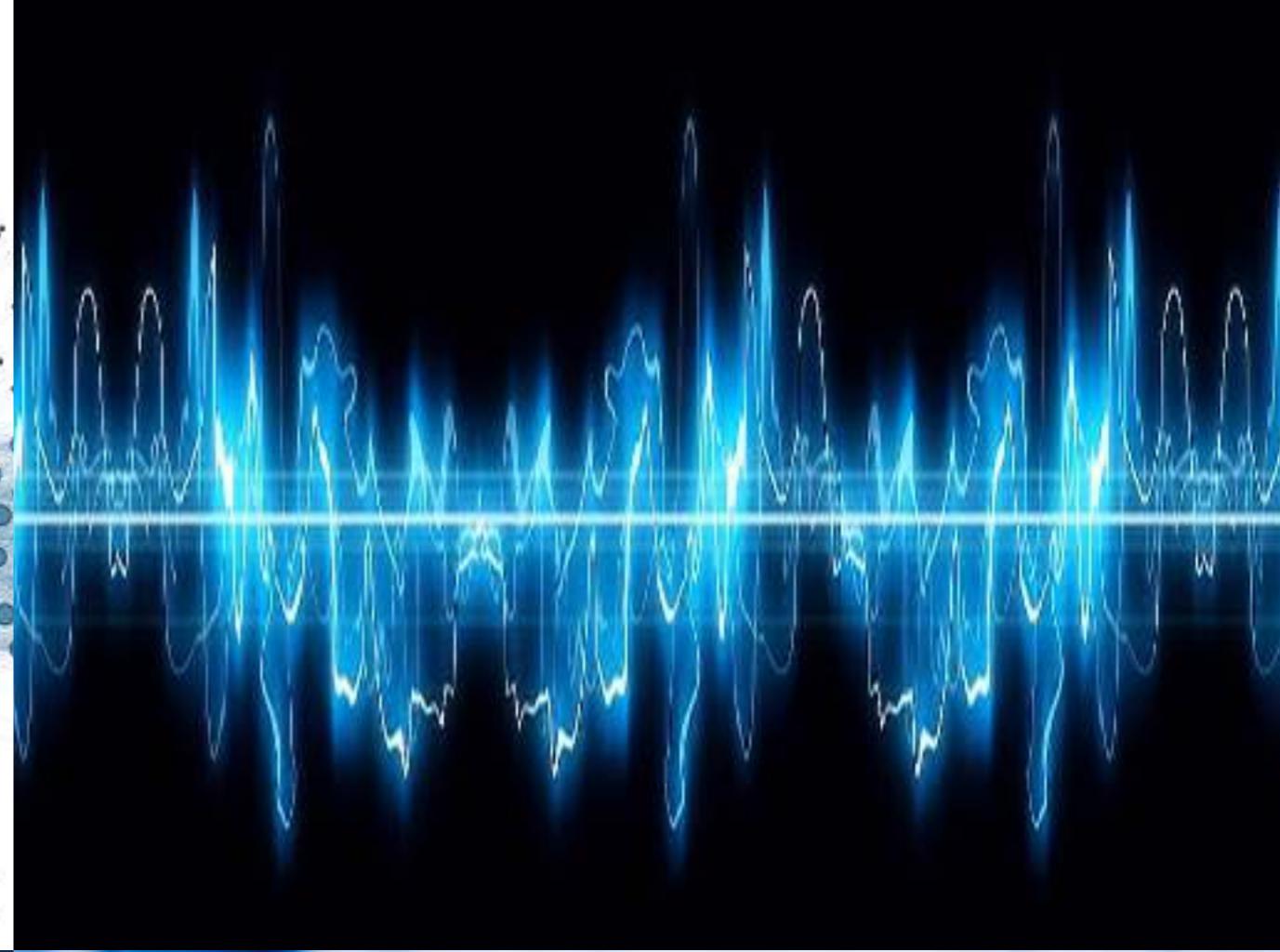
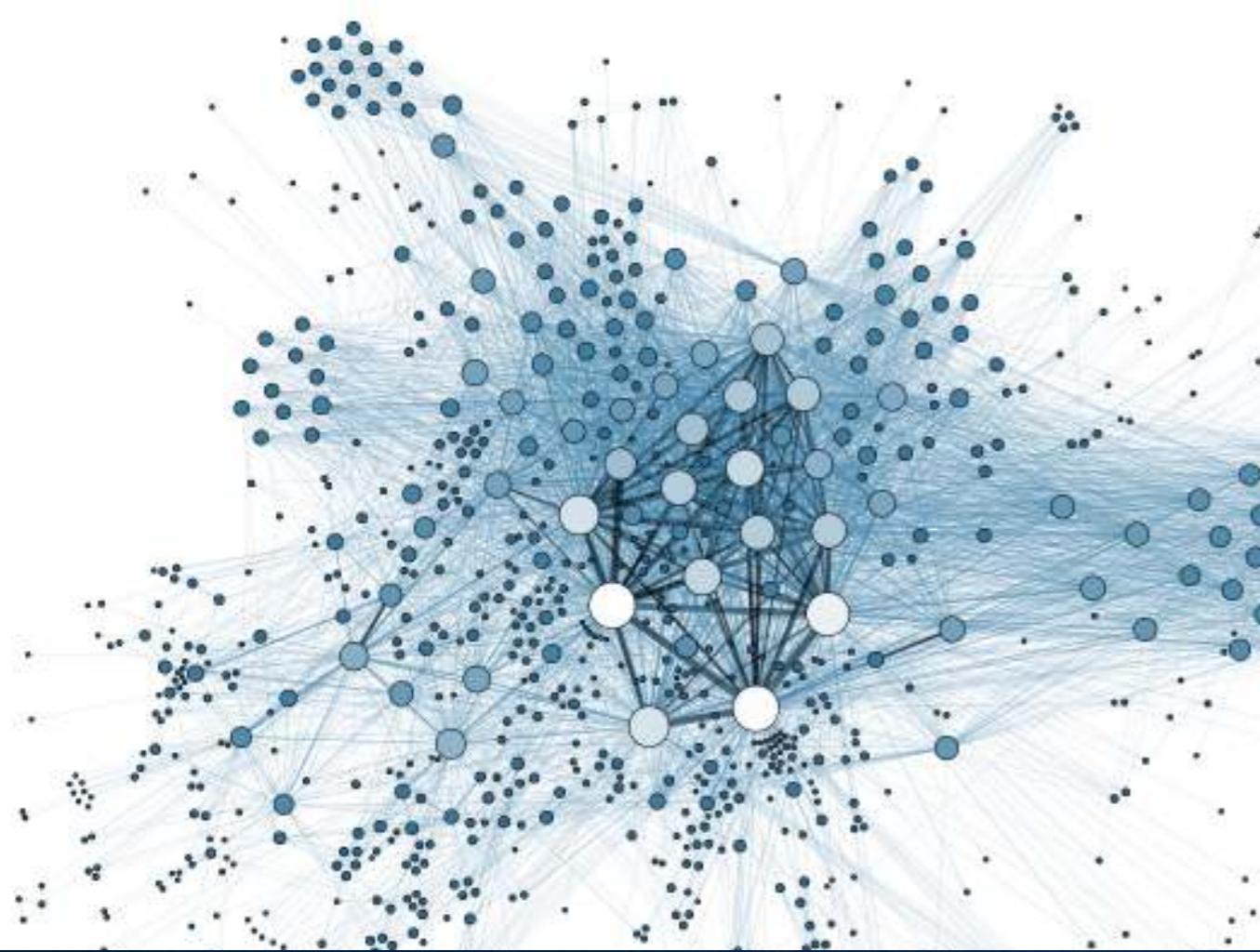
Marguerite Frank and Philip Wolfe¹
Princeton University

A finite iteration method for calculating the solution of quadratic programming problems is described. Extensions to more general non-linear problems are suggested.

1. INTRODUCTION

The problem of maximizing a concave quadratic function whose variables are subject to linear inequality constraints has been the subject of several recent studies, from both the computational side and the theoretical (see Bibliography). Our aim here has been to develop a method for solving this non-linear programming problem which should be particularly well adapted to high-speed machine computation.

March 1956!



First-order methods

Pros

Warm starting

Handle large-scale problems

Embeddable

Cons

Low accuracy solutions

Can't detect infeasibility

Problem data dependent

General Purpose Solver

Based on first-order
methods

Robust

Accurate

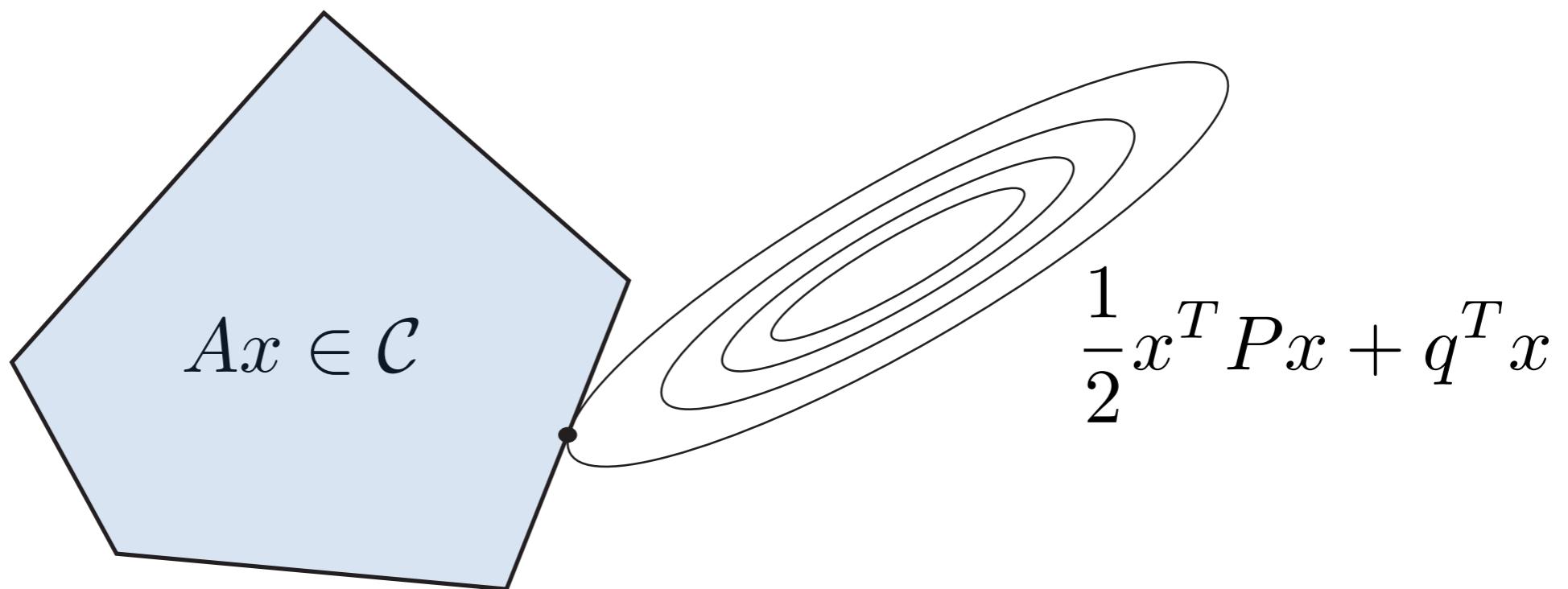
Detects
Infeasibility

The OSQP Solver

The problem

$$\begin{array}{ll}\text{minimize} & \frac{1}{2}x^T Px + q^T x \\ \text{subject to} & Ax \in \mathcal{C}\end{array}$$

Quadratic Program $\mathcal{C} = [l, u]$



ADMM

$$\text{minimize } f(x) + g(x) \longrightarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{minimize} \\ \text{subject to} \end{array} \begin{array}{l} f(\tilde{x}) + g(x) \\ \tilde{x} = x \end{array}$$

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1 $\tilde{x}^{k+1} \leftarrow \operatorname{argmin}_{\tilde{x}} \left(f(\tilde{x}) + \frac{\rho}{2} \left\| \tilde{x} - x^k + \frac{y^k}{\rho} \right\|^2 \right)$

2 $x^{k+1} \leftarrow \operatorname{argmin}_x \left(g(x) + \frac{\rho}{2} \left\| x - \tilde{x}^{k+1} - \frac{y^k}{\rho} \right\|^2 \right)$

3 $y^{k+1} \leftarrow y^k + \rho (\tilde{x}^{k+1} - x^{k+1})$

How to split the QP?

$$\begin{array}{ll}\text{minimize} & \frac{1}{2}x^T Px + q^T x \\ \text{subject to} & Ax = z \\ & z \in \mathcal{C}\end{array}$$

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ADMM iterations

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$$z^{k+1} \leftarrow \Pi \left(\tilde{z}^{k+1} + \frac{y^k}{\rho} \right)$$

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ADMM iterations

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Projection
onto \mathcal{C}

3

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Solving the inner QP

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Reduced KKT system

$$\begin{bmatrix} P + \sigma I & A^T \\ A & -\frac{1}{\rho} I \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ \nu \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma x^k - q \\ z^k - \frac{1}{\rho} y^k \end{bmatrix}$$

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Always
solvable!

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factorization

Factorization
caching

Solving the linear system

Indirect Method

$$(P + \sigma I + \rho A^T A) x = \sigma x^k - q + A^T (\rho z^k - y^k)$$

Solving the linear system

Indirect Method

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gradient

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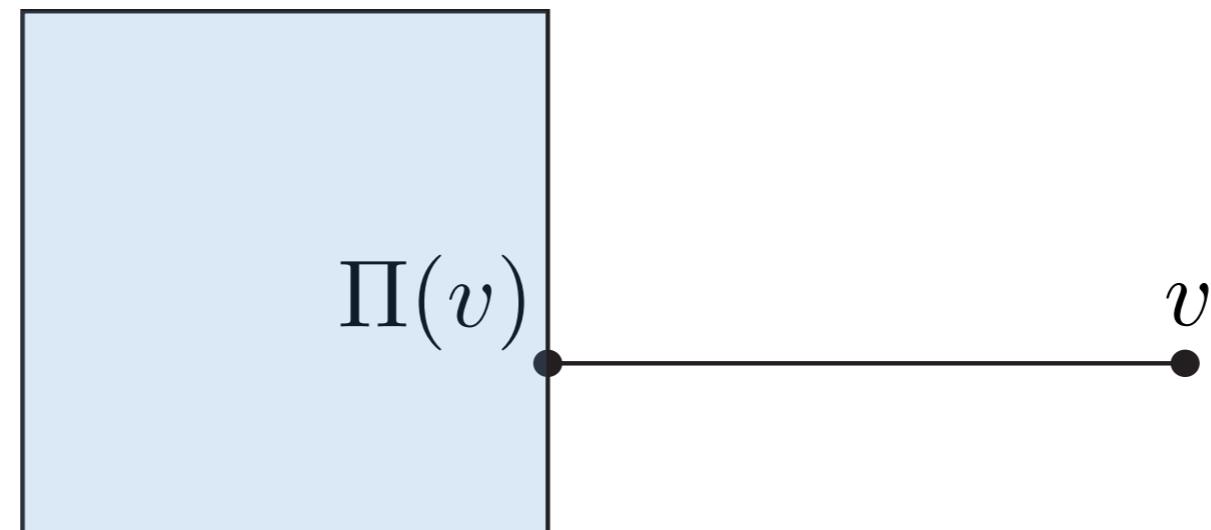
Conjugate
gradient

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large
systems

Computing the projection

Box projection

$$\Pi(v) = \max(\min(v, u), l)$$



Final algorithm

Problem

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Algorithm

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Easy
operations

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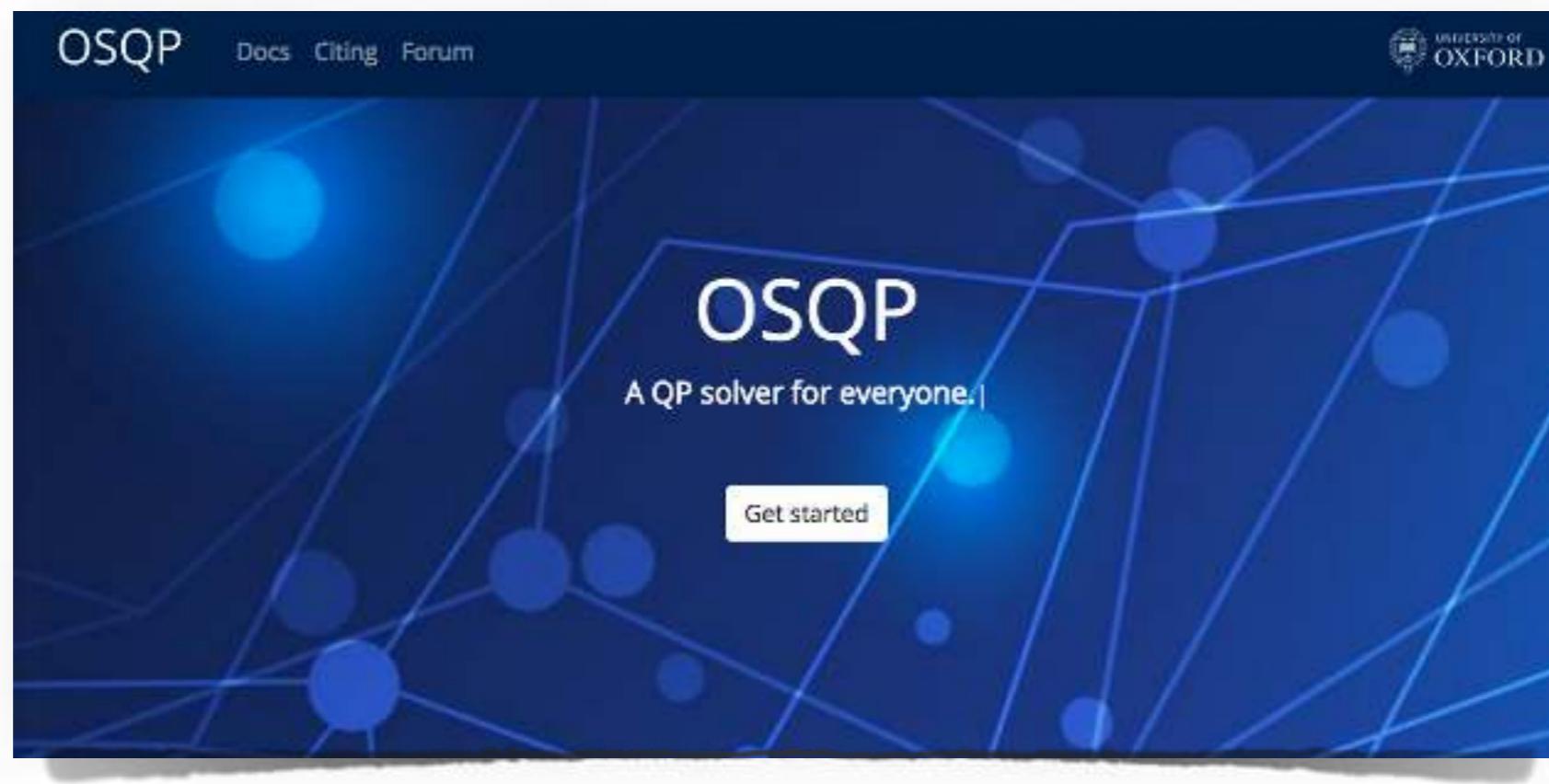
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OSQP

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Library
free

Multiple
interfaces

Embeddable

Interfaces Languages



Fortran



Parsers

JuMP

CVXPY

YALMIP

Users

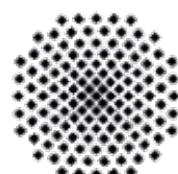


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Numerical Examples

Benchmark Problems

Random

Equality
Constrained

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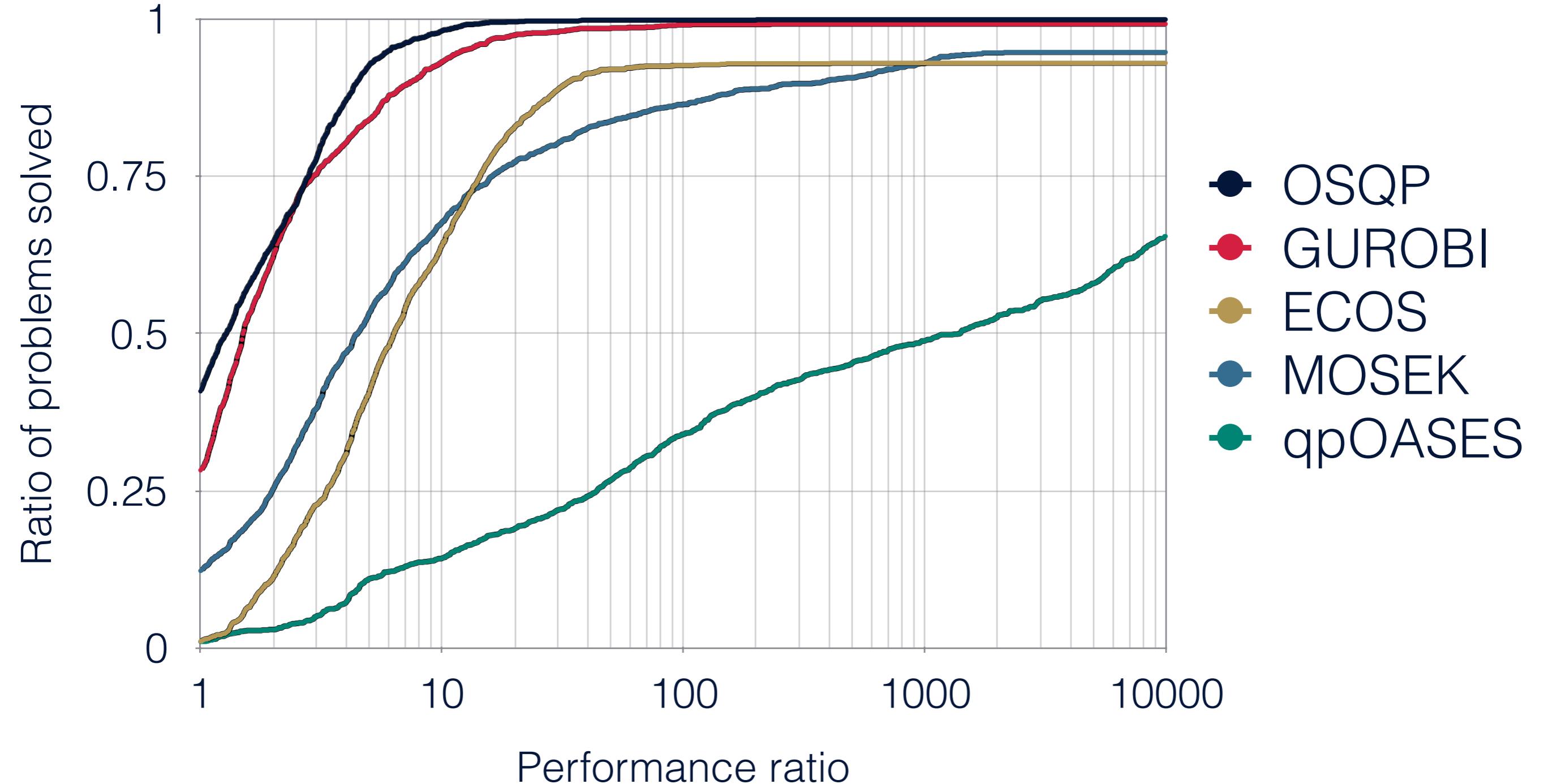
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Control

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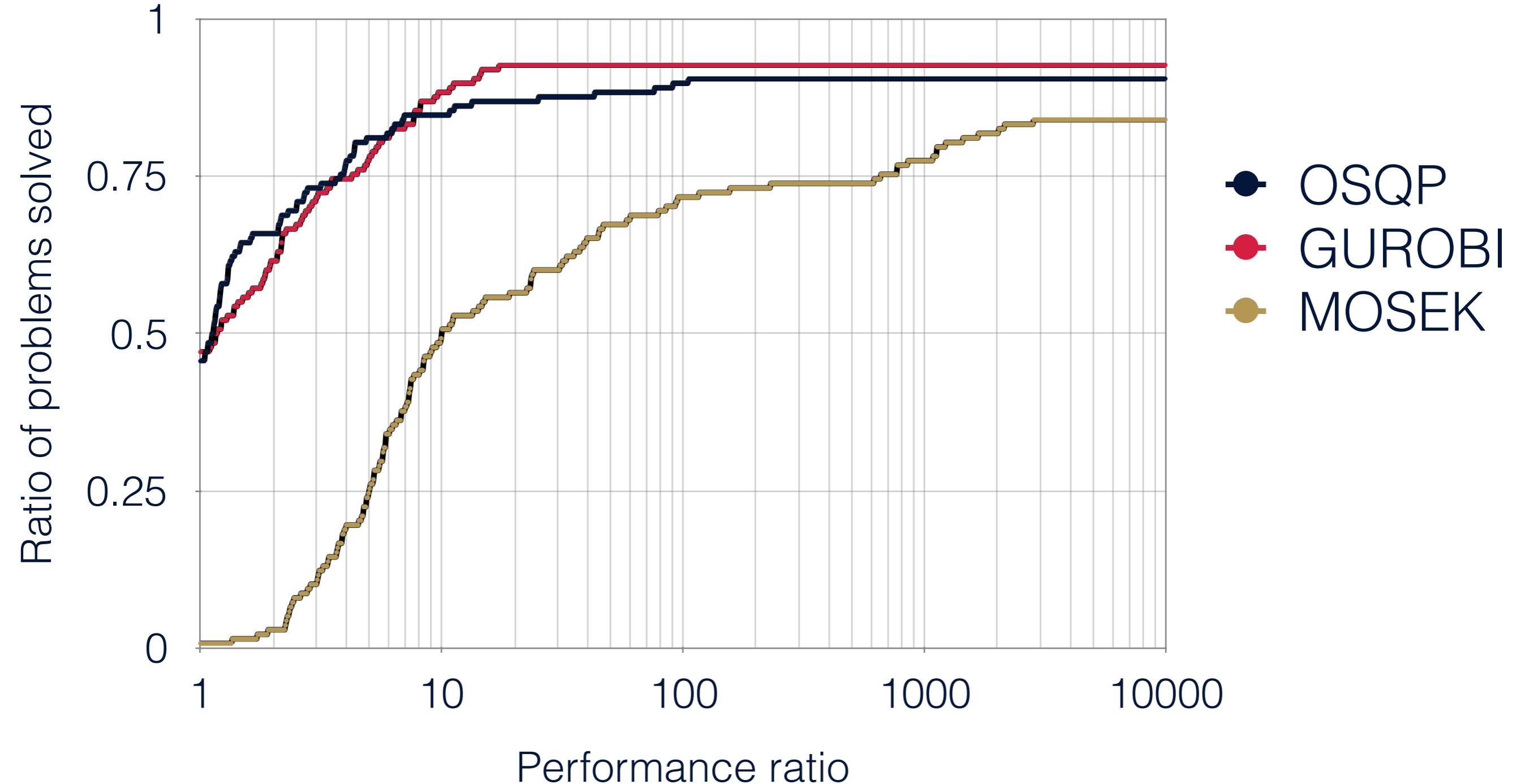
Performance Profiles

github.com/oxfordcontrol/osqp_benchmarks



Maros-Meszaros Benchmarks

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Infeasibility detection

What happens if the problem is infeasible?

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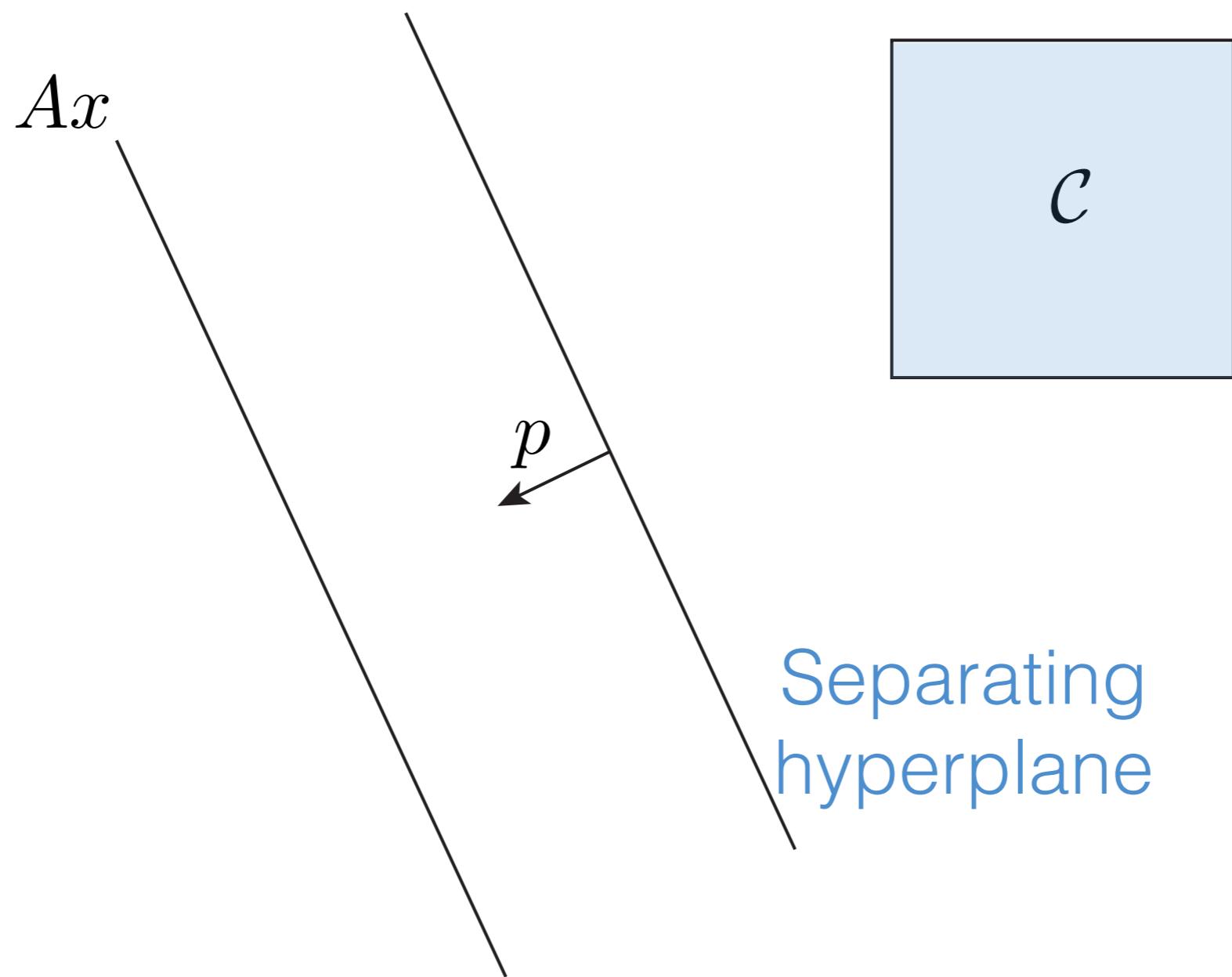
$\begin{matrix} Ax \\ \Downarrow \\ \mathcal{C} \end{matrix}$

y^k does not converge!

Farkas' Lemma

Primal infeasibility

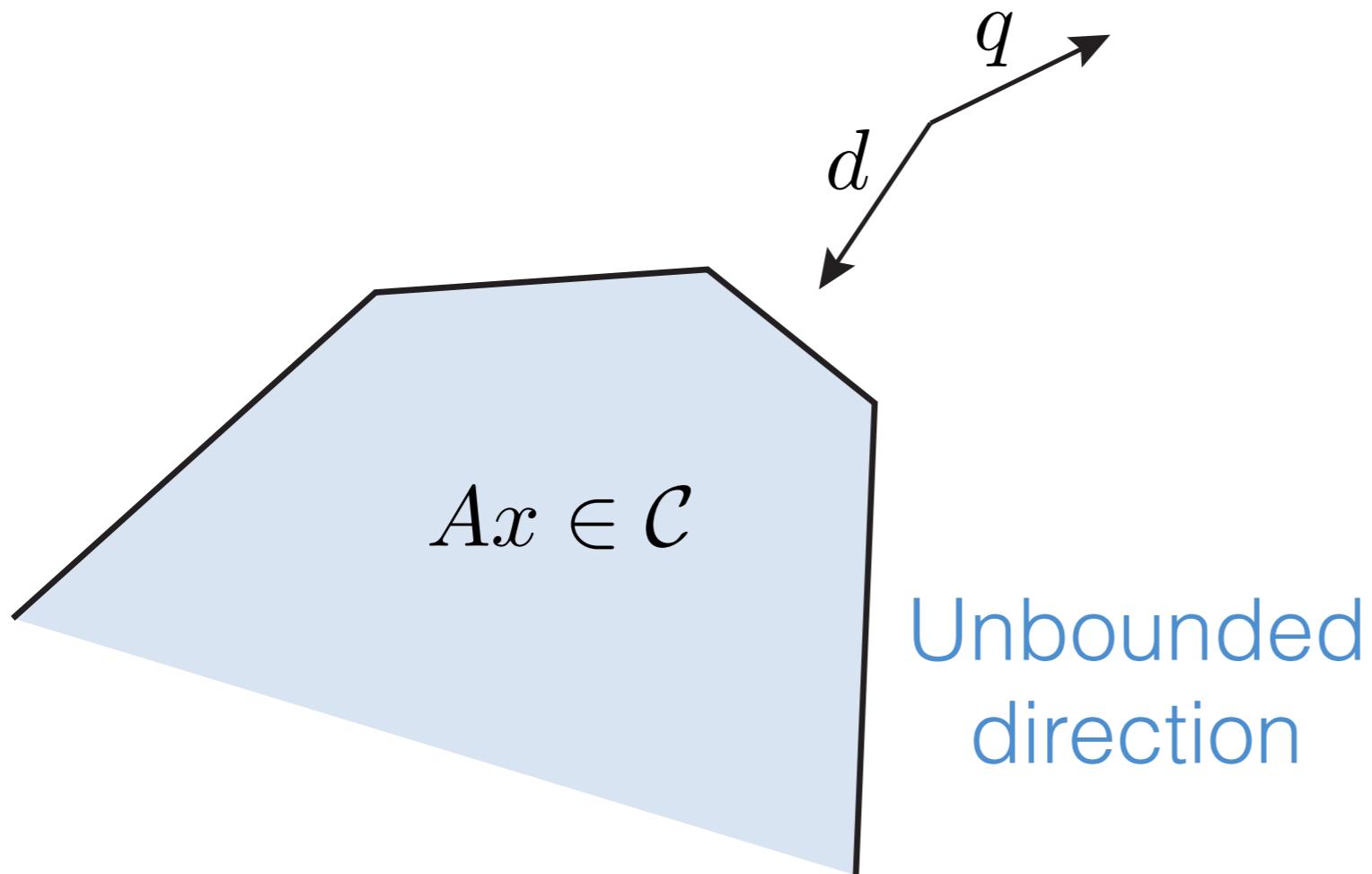
$$A^T p = 0 \quad u^T p_+ + l^T p_- < 0$$



Farkas' Lemma

Dual infeasibility

$$Pd = 0 \quad q^T d < 0 \quad (Ad)_i \begin{cases} = 0 & l_i, u_i \neq \infty \\ \geq 0 & u_i = +\infty \\ \leq 0 & l_i = -\infty \end{cases}$$



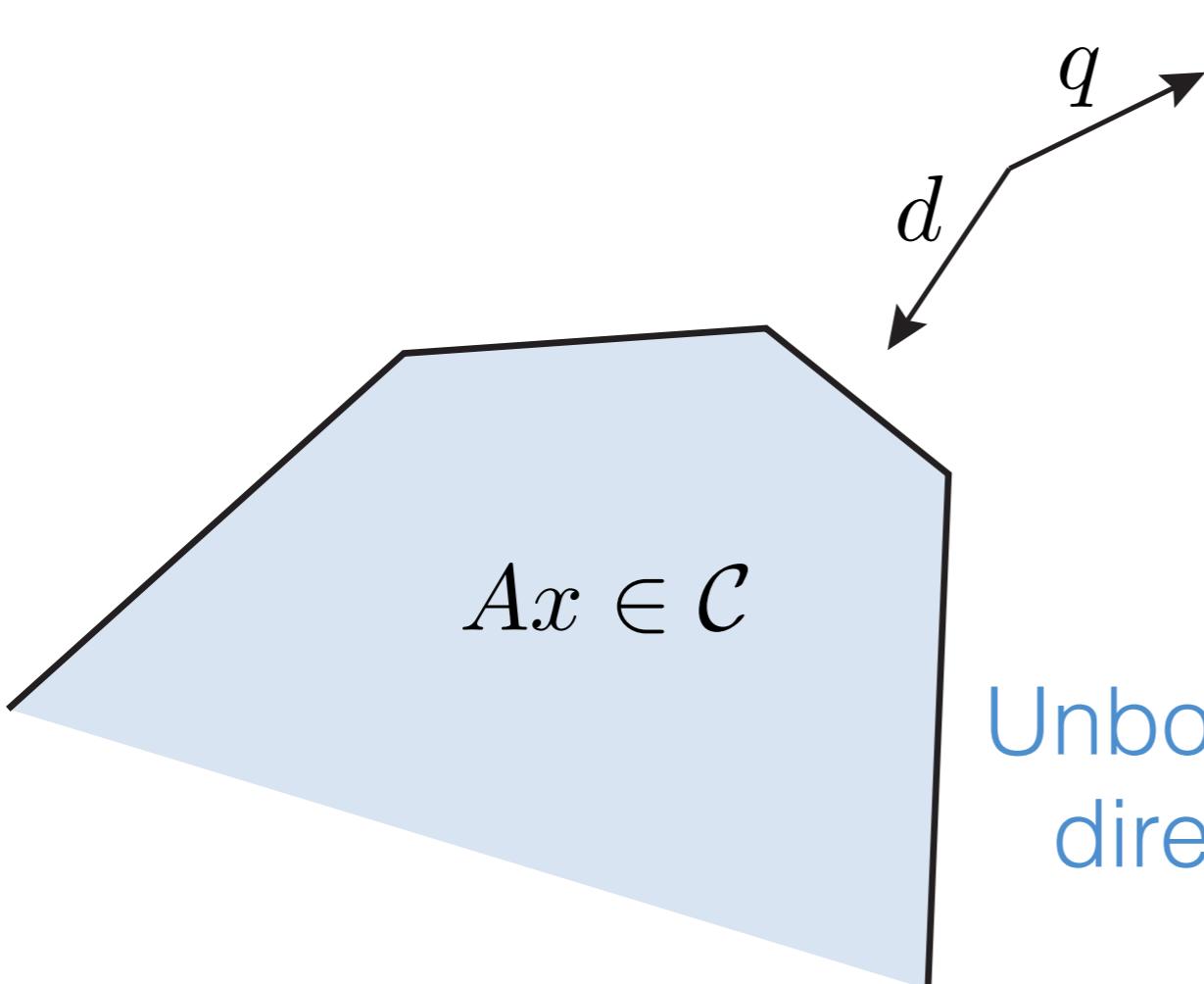
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$Ad \in \mathcal{C}^\infty$ Recession cone

Infeasibility detection

Primal infeasibility: $y^{k+1} - y^k \rightarrow \delta y (\neq 0)$

$$A^T \delta y = 0 \quad u^T \delta y_+ + l^T \delta y_- < 0$$

Dual infeasibility: $x^{k+1} - x^k \rightarrow \delta x (\neq 0)$

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Conclusions

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Remarks

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Future work

Algorithms

Architecture

SDP

SQP

Acceleration

Mixed-Integer

Linear System
Solvers

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