

OSQP.jl

A Julia wrapper for the Operator Splitting QP solver

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Why quadratic programming?

AN ALGORITHM FOR QUADRATIC PROGRAMMING

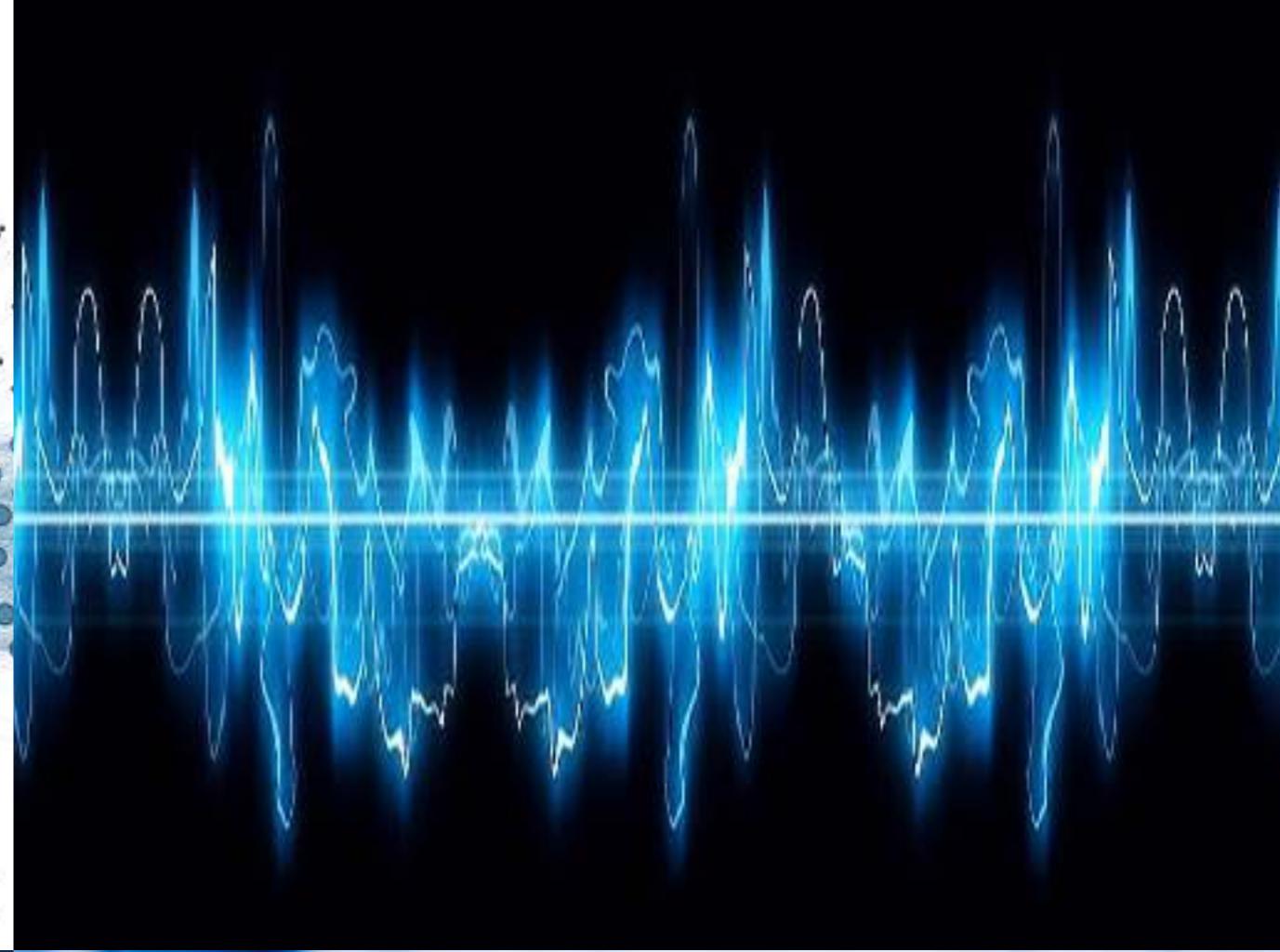
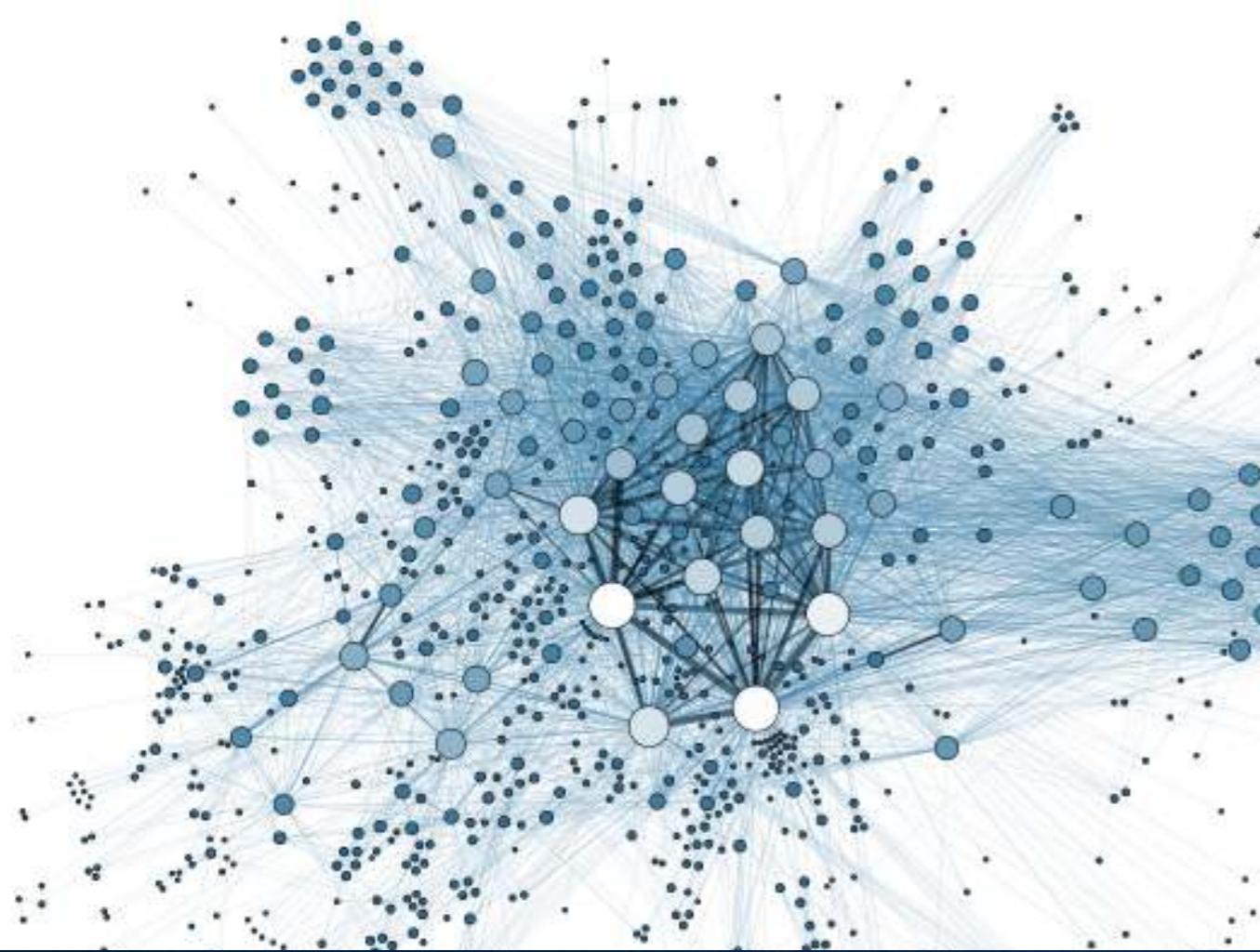
Marguerite Frank and Philip Wolfe¹
Princeton University

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

Don't detect infeasibility

Problem data dependent

General Purpose QP Solver

Based on first-order
methods

Robust

Accurate

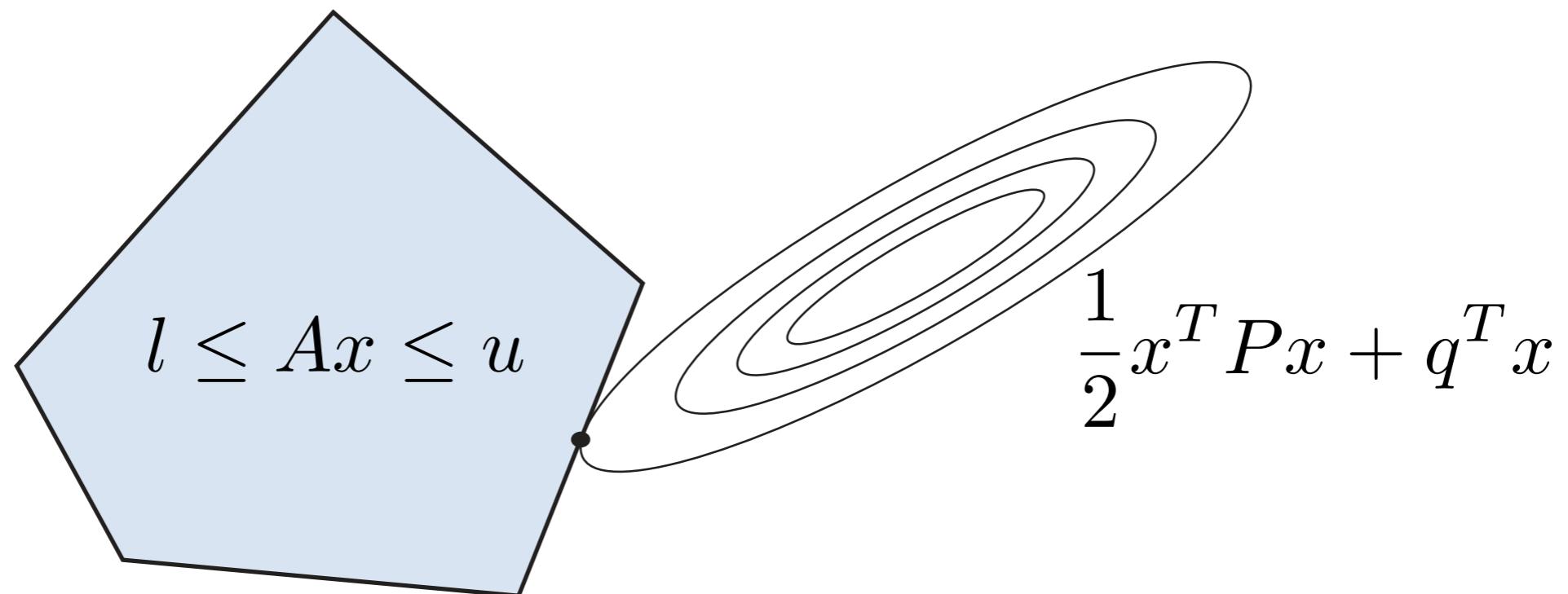
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The OSQP Solver

The problem

Quadratic Program

$$\begin{array}{ll}\text{minimize} & \frac{1}{2}x^T Px + q^T x \\ \text{subject to} & l \leq Ax \leq u\end{array}$$



ADMM

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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?

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Algorithm

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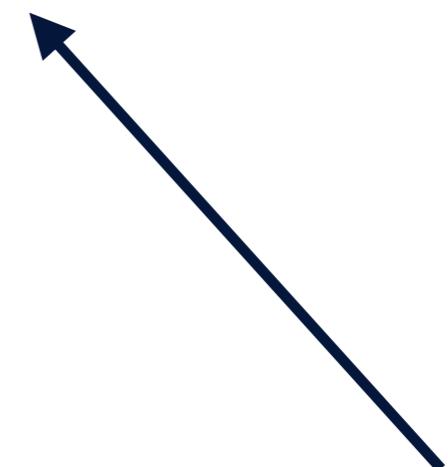
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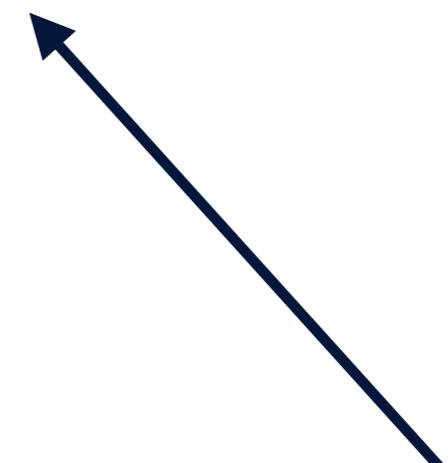
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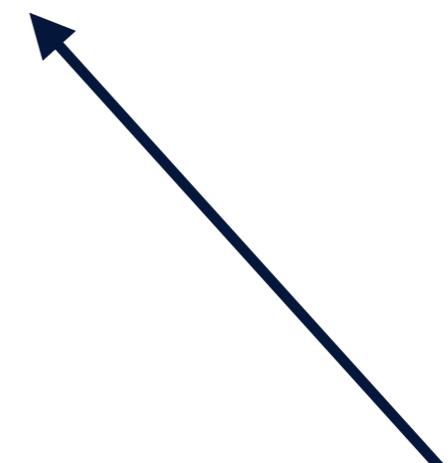
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Solution
polishing

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OSQP

osqp.readthedocs.io

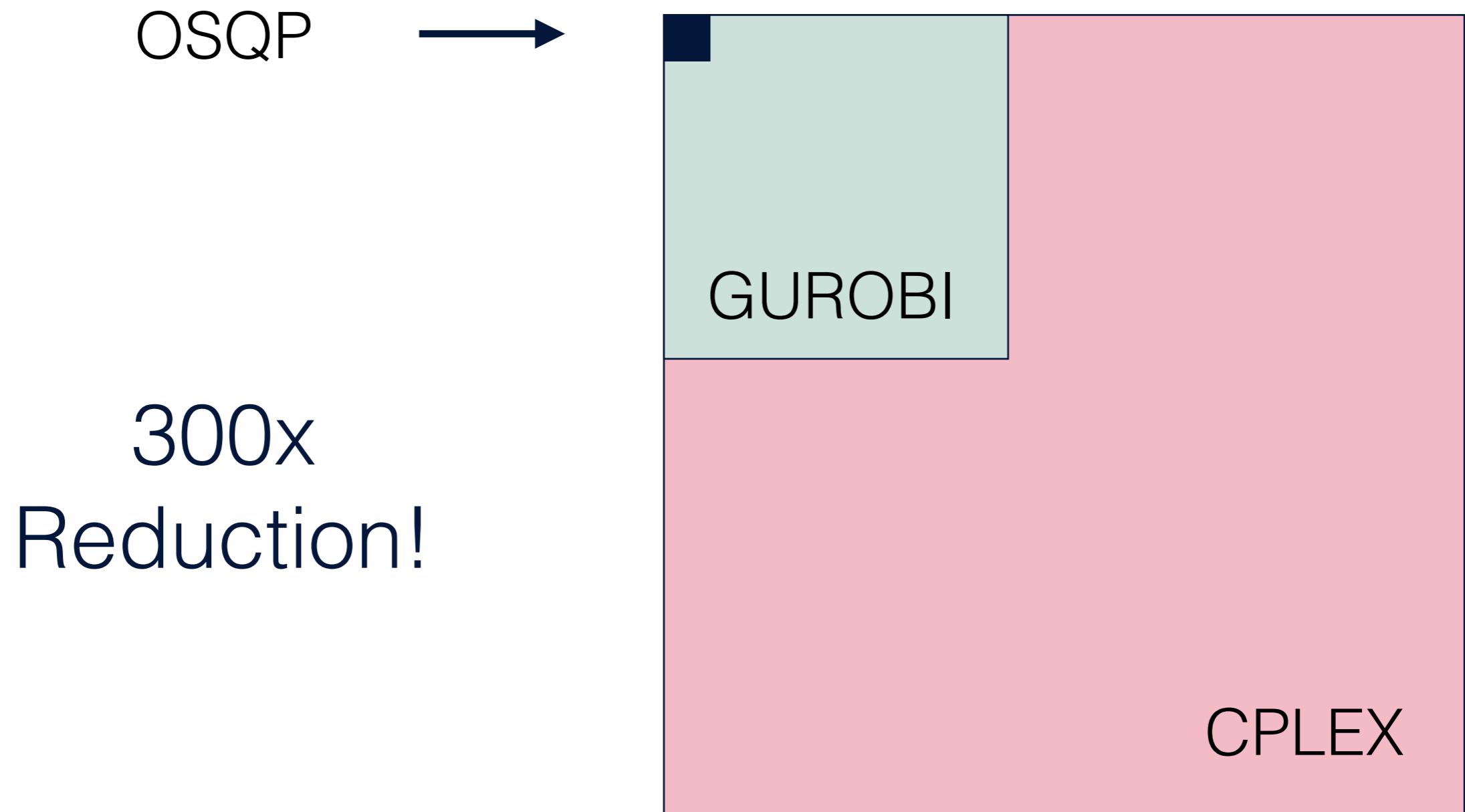
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Library
free

Detects
Infeasibility

Embeddable

Compiled code size ~80kb



Interfaces

Languages



Parsers



OSQP interface



```
# Create OSQP object
m = osqp.OSQP()

# Initialize solver
m.setup(P, q, A, l, u,
        settings)

# Solve
results = m.solve()

# Update cost with q_new
m.update(q=q_new)

# Solve again
results_new = m.solve()
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m.update('q', q_new);

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Code generation

Optimized
C code

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# Generate C code
m.codegen('folder_name')
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            // Update x_prev, z_prev (preallocated, no malloc)
            SWIP_Vectors(&(work->x), &(work->x_prev));
            SWIP_Vectors(&(work->z), &(work->z_prev));

            // ADMM STEPS */
            /* Compute tilde(x)^k * (k+1) + tilde(z)^k * (k+1) */
            update_xz_tilde(work);

            /* Compute x^k(k+1) */
            update_x(work);

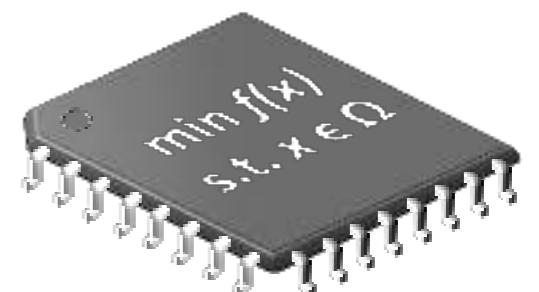
            /* Compute z^k(k+1) */
            update_z(work);

            /* Compute y^k(k+1) */
            update_y(work);

            /* End of ADMM Steps */

            #ifdef CTRL_C
            // Check the interrupt signal
            if (isInterrupted()) {
                update_status(work->info, OSQP_SIGINT);
                cprintf("Solver interrupted\n");
                endInterruptListener();
                return 1; // exit flag
            }
            #endif
    }
}
```

Embedded
hardware



Numerical Example

Lasso

$$\text{minimize} \quad \|Ax - b\|_2^2 + \lambda\|x\|_1$$

Features

n

Data points

$m = 100n$

Lasso

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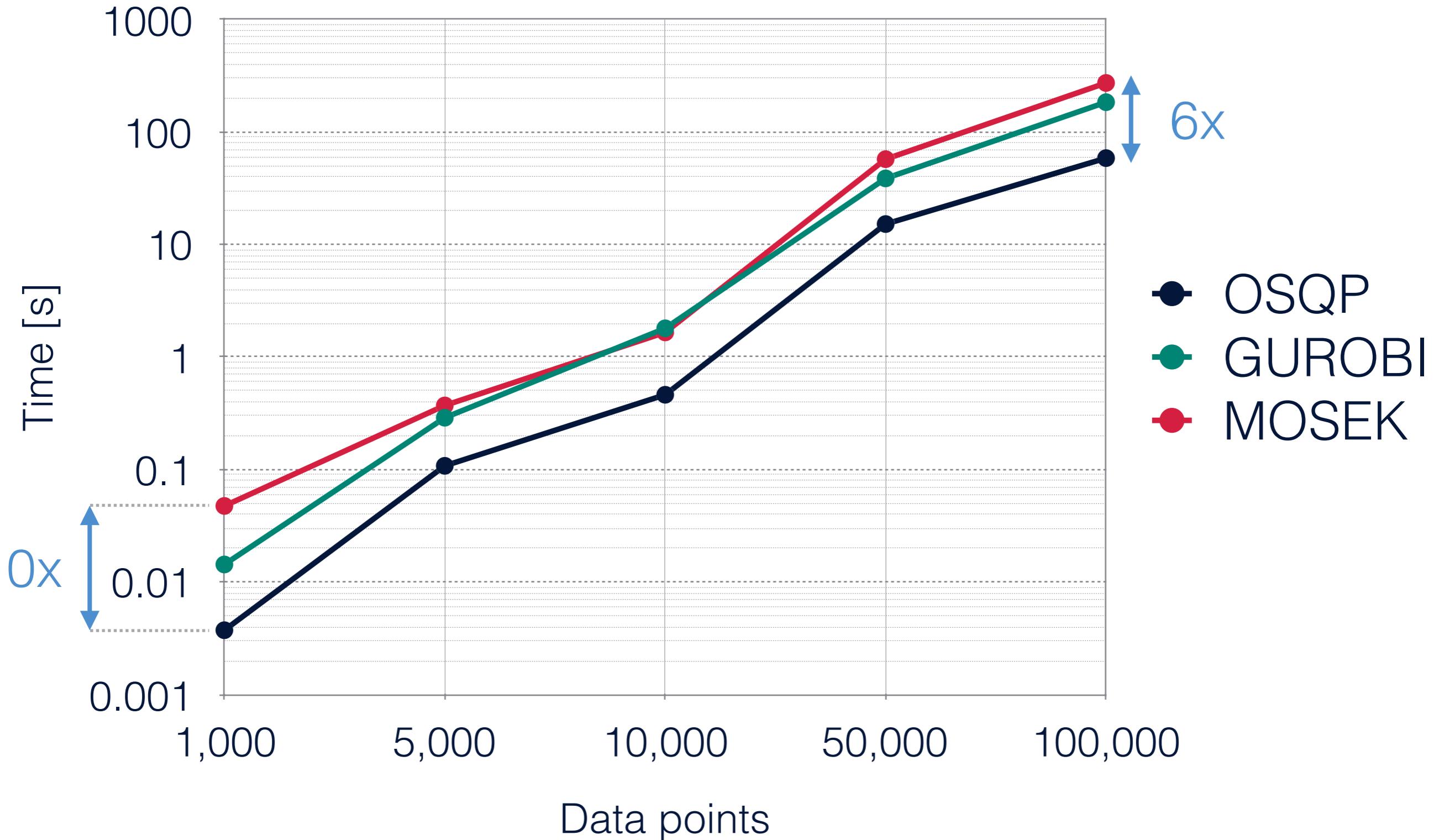


Weighting
parameter

Features
 n

Data points
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Lasso timings



OSQP
in
“meta-algorithms”

MIQP

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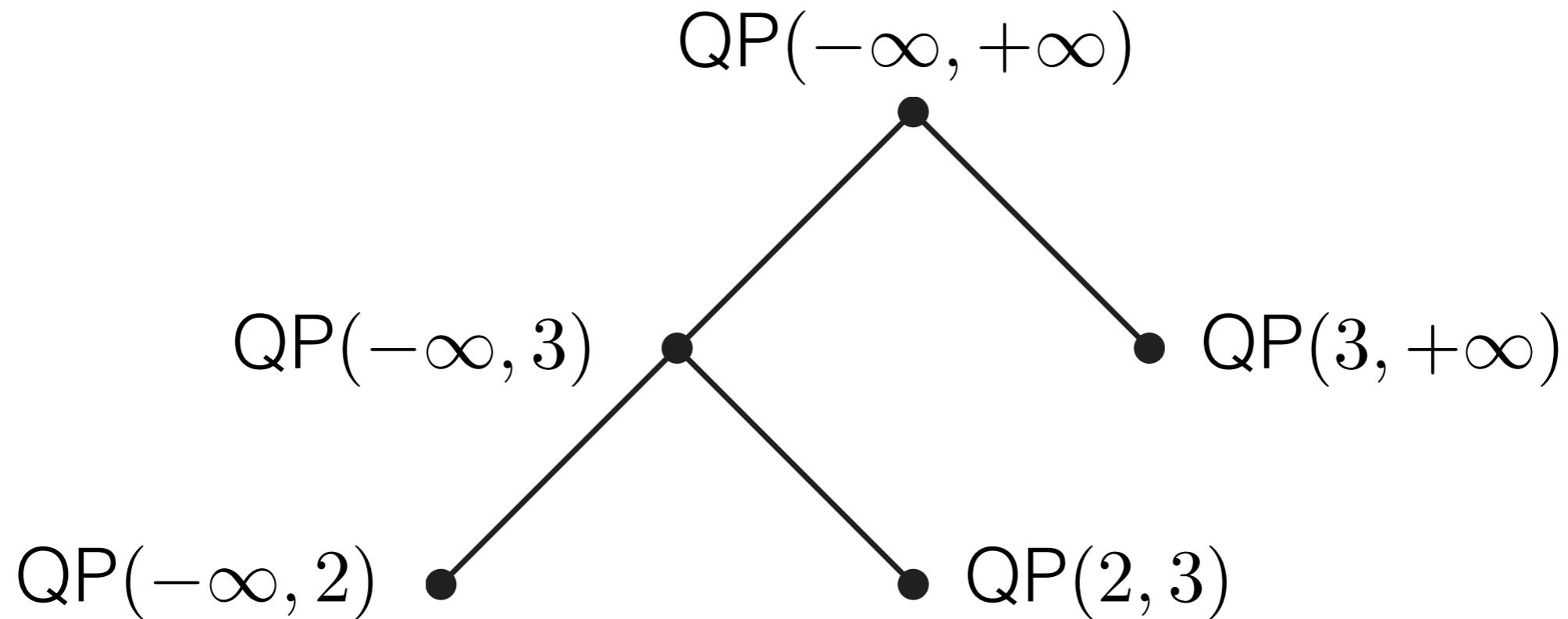
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Integer
constraints

MIQP

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Inner QPs

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Changing
bounds



Reusing
factorization

Saving computations

Factorization
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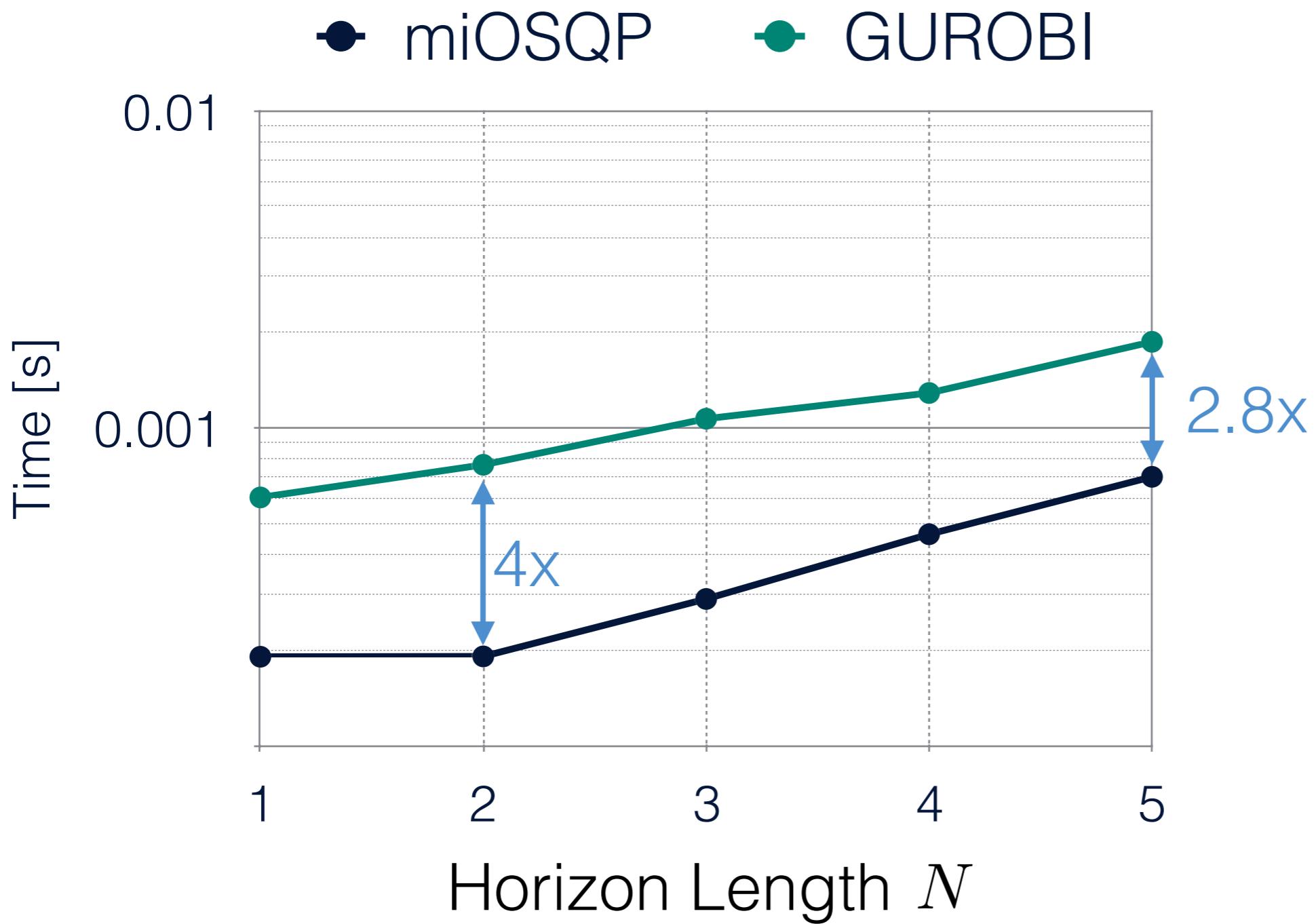
ADMM

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Repeated
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MIQP Timings

Hybrid Model Predictive Control



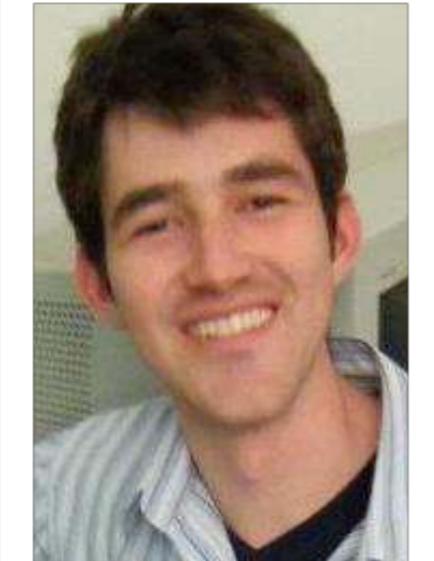
Simple
Python
Implementation!

Conclusions

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Final remarks

OSQP

Simple

Robust

Embeddable

Julia interface

Exploit
Initialization

C code
generation

New
high-level
algorithms

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