# Semidefinite Approximations of Reachable Sets for Discrete-time Polynomial Systems

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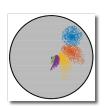


### The Problem

Semialgebraic initial conditions

$$\mathbf{X}_0 := \{ \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n : g_1^0(\mathbf{x}) \geqslant 0, \dots, g_{m_0}^0(\mathbf{x}) \geqslant 0 \}$$

- Polynomial map  $f: \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $\mathbf{x} \mapsto f(\mathbf{x}) := (f_1(\mathbf{x}), \dots, f_n(\mathbf{x}))$
- $deg f = d := \max\{\deg f_1, \ldots, \deg f_n\}$
- Set of admissible trajectories  $\mathbf{X}^* := \{(\mathbf{x}_t)_{t \in \mathbb{N}} : \mathbf{x}_{t+1} = f(\mathbf{x}_t), \forall t \in \mathbb{N}, \mathbf{x}_0 \in \mathbf{X}_0\}$
- $\mathbf{X}^* = \bigcup_{t \in \mathbb{N}} f^t(\mathbf{X}_0) \subseteq \mathbf{X}$ , with  $\mathbf{X} \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  a box or a ball
- Tractable approximations of  $X^*$ ?



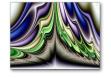
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- Occurs in several contexts :
  - 1 program analysis: fixpoint computation

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toyprogram (x_1, x_2) requires (0.25 \leqslant x_1 \leqslant 0.75 \&\& 0.25 \leqslant x_2 \leqslant 0.75); while (x_1^2 + x_2^2 \leqslant 1) { x_1 = x_1 + 2x_1x_2; x_2 = 0.5(x_2 - 2x_1^3); }
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2 hybrid systems, biology: Neuron Model, Growth Model

3 control: integrator, Hénon map



### Related work: LP relaxations

- Contractive methods based on LP relaxations and polyhedra projection [Bertsekas 72]
- Extension to nonlinear systems [Harwood et al. 16]
- 3 Bernstein/Krivine-Handelman representations [Ben Sassiet al. 15, Ben Sassiet al. 12]
- $\bigoplus$  LP relaxations  $\implies$  scalability
- $\bigcirc$  Convex approximations of nonconvex sets  $\implies$  coarse
- No convergence guarantees (very often)

### Related work: SDP relaxations

- Upper bounds of the volume of a semialgebraic set [Henrion et al. 09]
- 2 Tractable approximations of sets defined with quantifiers ∃, ∀ [Lasserre 15]
- 3 Semidefinite characterization of region of attraction [Henrion-Korda 14]
- 4 Convex computation of maximum controlled invariant [Korda-Henrion-Jones 13]

### Related work: SDP relaxations

- 5 SDP approximation of polynomial images of semialgebraic sets [Magron-Henrion-Lasserre 15]
- $X_1 := f(X_0) \subseteq X$ , with  $X \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  a box or a ball ⇒ Discrete-time system with a single iteration
- $\checkmark$  Approximation of image measure supports  $\implies$  certified SDP over approximations of  $X_1$
- $\mathbf{X}_t := f^t(\mathbf{X}_0)$ 
  - $\bigcirc \deg f^t = d \times t \implies \text{very expensive computation}$
  - $\bigcirc$  Would only approximate  $X_t$  and not  $X^*$

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- Work in progress with technical issues
  - $\bigcirc$  Requires strong assumption on attractors of f on  $X \setminus X^*$

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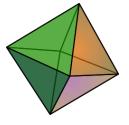
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■ Linear Programming (LP):

$$\begin{array}{ll}
\min_{\mathbf{z}} & \mathbf{c}^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{z} \\
\text{s.t.} & \mathbf{A} \mathbf{z} \geqslant \mathbf{d} .
\end{array}$$



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- Linear inequalities " $\sum_i A_{ij} z_j \ge d_i$ "

Polyhedron

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## **Applications of SDP**

- Combinatorial optimization
- Control theory
- Matrix completion
- Unique Games Conjecture (Khot '02): "A single concrete algorithm provides optimal guarantees among all efficient algorithms for a large class of computational problems." (Barak and Steurer survey at ICM'14)
- Solving polynomial optimization (Lasserre '01)

## **Polynomial Optimization**

- Semialgebraic set  $\mathbf{X} := \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n : g_1(\mathbf{x}) \geqslant 0, \dots, g_l(\mathbf{x}) \geqslant 0\}$
- $p^* := \inf_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{X}} f(\mathbf{x})$ : NP hard
- Sums of squares  $\Sigma[\mathbf{x}]$ e.g.  $x_1^2 - 2x_1x_2 + x_2^2 = (x_1 - x_2)^2$
- REMEMBER:  $f \in \mathcal{Q}(\mathbf{X}) \Longrightarrow \forall \mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{X}, f(\mathbf{x}) \geqslant 0$

### **Infinite LP Reformulation**

- Borel  $\sigma$ -algebra  $\mathcal{B}(\mathbf{X})$  (generated by the open sets of  $\mathbf{X}$ )
- $\mathcal{M}_+(\mathbf{X})$ : set of probability measures supported on  $\mathbf{X}$ . If  $\mu \in \mathcal{M}_+(\mathbf{X})$  then
  - $\mu: \mathcal{B} \to [0, \infty), \mu(\emptyset) = 0$
  - $\mu(\bigcup_i B_i) = \sum_i \mu(B_i)$ , for any disjoint countable  $(B_i) \subset \mathcal{B}(\mathbf{X})$
  - **3** Lebesgue **Volume** of  $B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbf{X})$

$$\operatorname{vol} B := \int_{\mathbf{X}} \lambda_B$$
, with  $\lambda_B(d\mathbf{x}) := \mathbf{1}_B(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x}$ 

• supp  $\mu$  is the smallest set **X** such that  $\mu(\mathbb{R}^n \setminus \mathbf{X}) = 0$ 

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$$p^* = \inf_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{X}} f(\mathbf{x}) = \inf_{\mu \in \mathcal{M}_+(\mathbf{X})} \int_{\mathbf{X}} f \, d\mu$$

## Primal-dual Moment-SOS [Lasserre 01]

■ Let  $(\mathbf{x}^{\alpha})_{\alpha \in \mathbb{N}^n}$  be the monomial basis

### Definition

A sequence **z** has a representing measure on **X** if there exists a finite measure  $\mu$  supported on **X** such that

$$\mathbf{z}_{\alpha} = \int_{\mathbf{x}} \mathbf{x}^{\alpha} \mu(d\mathbf{x}), \quad \forall \, \alpha \in \mathbb{N}^n.$$

### Primal-dual Moment-SOS [Lasserre 01]

- $\mathcal{M}_+(X)$ : space of probability measures supported on X
- $\mathbb{Q}(\mathbf{X})$ : quadratic module

### Polynomial Optimization Problems (POP)

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$$\inf \int_{\mathbf{X}} f \, d\mu = \sup m$$
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- Finite moment sequences **z** of measures in  $\mathcal{M}_+(\mathbf{X})$
- Truncated quadratic module  $Q_r(\mathbf{X}) := Q(\mathbf{X}) \cap \mathbb{R}_{2r}[\mathbf{x}]$

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# **Semidefinite Optimization**

 $\blacksquare$   $F_0$ ,  $F_\alpha$  symmetric real matrices, cost vector c

### Primal-dual pair of semidefinite programs:

$$(SDP) \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \mathcal{P}: & \inf_{\mathbf{z}} & \sum_{\alpha} c_{\alpha} \mathbf{z}_{\alpha} \\ & \mathrm{s.t.} & \sum_{\alpha} F_{\alpha} \, \mathbf{z}_{\alpha} - F_{0} \succcurlyeq 0 \end{array} \right.$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \mathcal{D}: & \sup_{\mathbf{Y}} & \mathrm{Trace} \left( F_{0} \, \mathbf{Y} \right) \\ & \mathrm{s.t.} & \mathrm{Trace} \left( F_{\alpha} \, \mathbf{Y} \right) = c_{\alpha} \end{array} \right., \quad \mathbf{Y} \succcurlyeq 0 \ .$$

■ Freely available SDP solvers (CSDP, SDPA, SEDUMI)

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- Let  $\mu_0 \in \mathcal{M}_+(\mathbf{X}_0)$
- Pushforward  $f_{\#}: \mathcal{M}_{+}(\mathbf{X}_{0}) \rightarrow \mathcal{M}_{+}(\mathbf{X})$ :

$$f_{\#} \mu_0(\mathbf{A}) := \mu_0(\{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{X}_0 : f(\mathbf{x}) \in \mathbf{A}\}), \quad \forall \mathbf{A} \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbf{X})$$

•  $f_{\#} \mu_0$  is the **image measure** of  $\mu_0$  under f

■ Let  $\mu_0 \in \mathcal{M}_+(\mathbf{X}_0)$ ,  $\alpha > 1$  and define

$$\mu_{1} := \alpha f_{\#} \mu_{0}$$

$$\dots$$

$$\mu_{t} := \alpha f_{\#} \mu_{t-1}$$

$$\mu := \sum_{i=0}^{t-1} \mu_{i} = \sum_{i=0}^{t-1} \alpha^{i} f_{\#}^{i} \mu_{0}$$

■ The measures  $\mu_t$ ,  $\mu$ ,  $\mu_0$  satisfy **Liouville's Equation**:

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#### Lemma

 $\alpha > 1 \implies \lambda_{X^*}$  satisfies **Liouville's Equation** 

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s.t. 
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Let  $\mu$  be any invariant measure w.r.t. f on  $X \setminus X^*$ :

- $\mu = f_{\#} \mu$ ,  $\mu_{\text{inv}} := (\alpha 1) \mu$  satisfies Liouville's Equation
- $\lambda_{X^*} + \mu_{\text{inv}}$  satisfies Liouville's Equation

$$\operatorname{vol}(\operatorname{supp} \mu) > 0 \implies \operatorname{vol} \mathbf{X}^* < \int_{\mathbf{X}} (\lambda_{\mathbf{X}^*} + \mu_{\operatorname{inv}}) \leq \operatorname{vol} \mathbf{X}.$$

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 $\bigcirc$  Assuming that vol  $\mathbf{X}^{\text{inv}} = 0$  is a **strong hypothesis!** f(x) = x,  $\mathbf{X}_0 := [0, 1/2]$ ,  $\mathbf{X} = [0, 1]$   $\implies \mathbf{X}^* = \mathbf{X}_0$  and  $p^* = \text{vol } \mathbf{X}$ .

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$$\mathbf{z} := (\mu_{\infty}, \hat{\mu}_{\infty}, \mu, \mu_0)$$
  $c := (1, 0, 0, 0) \in F_1$   $b := (0, \lambda_{\mathbf{X}})$ 

• the linear operator  $\mathcal{A}: E_1 \to E_2$  given by

$$\mathcal{A}(\mu_{\infty}, \hat{\mu}_{\infty}, \mu, \mu_{0}) := \begin{bmatrix} \mu_{\infty} + \mu - \alpha f_{\#} \mu - \mu_{0} \\ \mu_{\infty} + \hat{\mu}_{\infty} \end{bmatrix}.$$

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# Zero duality gap

#### Lemma

 $p^* = d^*$ 

### **Strong convergence property**

#### Strengthening of the dual LP:

$$d_r^* := \inf_{v,w} \quad \sum_{eta \in \mathbb{N}_{2r}^n} w_eta z_eta^\mathbf{X}$$
 s.t.  $w - v - 1 \in \mathcal{Q}_r(\mathbf{X})$ ,  $\alpha \, v \circ f - v \in \mathcal{Q}_{rd}(\mathbf{X})$ ,  $w \in \mathcal{Q}_r(\mathbf{X})$ ,  $v \in \mathcal{Q}_r(\mathbf{X}_0)$ .

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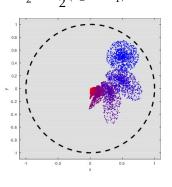
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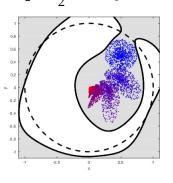
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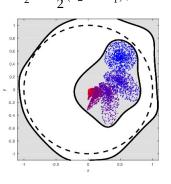
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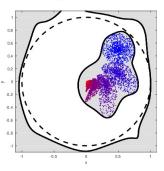


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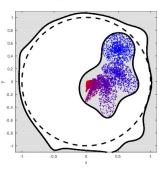
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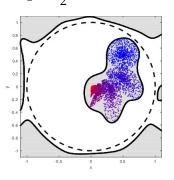
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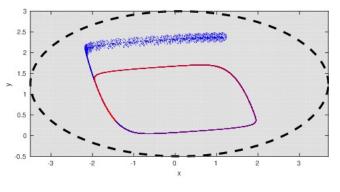
$$x_1^+ := \frac{1}{2}(x_1 + 2x_1x_2)$$
,  $x_2^+ := \frac{1}{2}(x_2 - 2x_1^3)$ ,



 $\mathbf{X}^{14}$ 

Trajectories from  $X_0 := [1, 1.25] \times [2.25, 2.5]$  under

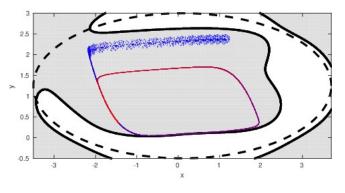
$$x_1^+ := x_1 + 0.2(x_1 - x_1^3/3 - x_2 + 0.875),$$
  
 $x_2^+ := x_2 + 0.2(0.08(x_1 + 0.7 - 0.8x_2)),$ 



 $\mathbf{X}^4$ 

Trajectories from  $X_0 := [1, 1.25] \times [2.25, 2.5]$  under

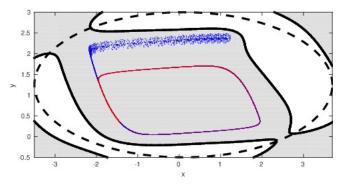
$$x_1^+ := x_1 + 0.2(x_1 - x_1^3/3 - x_2 + 0.875),$$
  
 $x_2^+ := x_2 + 0.2(0.08(x_1 + 0.7 - 0.8x_2)),$ 



 $\mathbf{X}^6$ 

Trajectories from  $X_0 := [1, 1.25] \times [2.25, 2.5]$  under

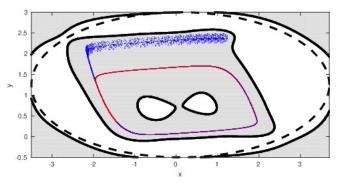
$$x_1^+ := x_1 + 0.2(x_1 - x_1^3/3 - x_2 + 0.875),$$
  
 $x_2^+ := x_2 + 0.2(0.08(x_1 + 0.7 - 0.8x_2)),$ 



 $\mathbf{X}^8$ 

Trajectories from  $X_0 := [1, 1.25] \times [2.25, 2.5]$  under

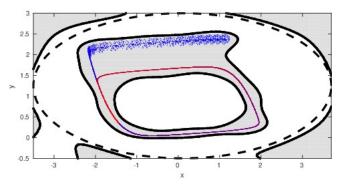
$$x_1^+ := x_1 + 0.2(x_1 - x_1^3/3 - x_2 + 0.875),$$
  
 $x_2^+ := x_2 + 0.2(0.08(x_1 + 0.7 - 0.8x_2)),$ 



 $X^{10}$ 

Trajectories from  $X_0 := [1, 1.25] \times [2.25, 2.5]$  under

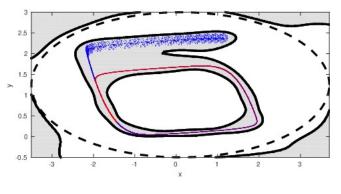
$$x_1^+ := x_1 + 0.2(x_1 - x_1^3/3 - x_2 + 0.875),$$
  
 $x_2^+ := x_2 + 0.2(0.08(x_1 + 0.7 - 0.8x_2)),$ 



 $\mathbf{X}^{12}$ 

Trajectories from  $X_0 := [1, 1.25] \times [2.25, 2.5]$  under

$$x_1^+ := x_1 + 0.2(x_1 - x_1^3/3 - x_2 + 0.875),$$
  
 $x_2^+ := x_2 + 0.2(0.08(x_1 + 0.7 - 0.8x_2)),$ 



 $\mathbf{X}^{14}$ 

The Problem

Infinite LP Formulation for Polynomial Optimization

Infinite LP Formulation for Reachability

Application examples

Conclusion

#### Conclusion

- ⊕ Certified Approximation of the **whole reachable set X**\*
- Cannot avoid to approximate attractor set X<sup>inv</sup>
- $\bigcirc$  Computational complexity:  $\binom{n+2rd}{n}$  SDP variables
- $\oplus$  Structure sparsity can be exploited

#### Conclusion

#### **Further research:**

- Infinite Primal LP characterization of X\* only?
- Discrete finite-time, continuous finite/infinite horizon?

  ☐ Use previous framework approximating:
  - 1 region of attraction
  - 2 maximum controlled invariant

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