

Conic Optimization in Julia and JuMP

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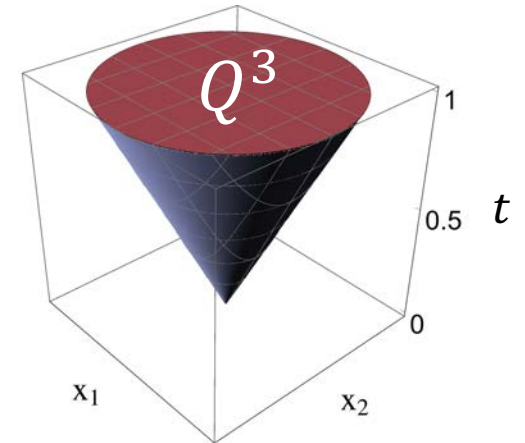
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Conic Optimization in JuMP

- From <https://github.com/jump-dev/JuMPTutorials.jl> - [conic_programming.ipynb](#)

$$\begin{array}{ll} \min & \|u - u_0\| \\ \text{s.t.} & p' \cdot u = q \end{array} \quad \longrightarrow \quad \begin{array}{ll} \min & t \\ \text{s.t.} & p' \cdot u = q \\ & (t, u - u_0) \in Q^{n+1} \end{array}$$
$$Q^n = \{(t, x) \in \mathbb{R}^n : t \geq \|x\|_2\}$$

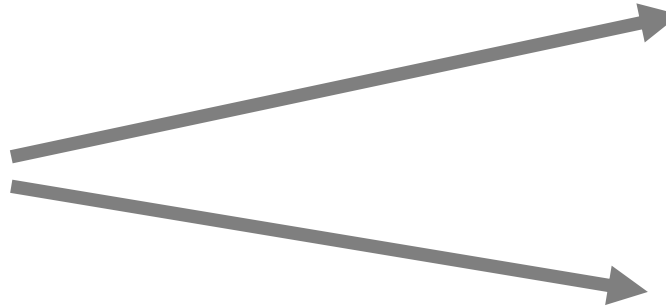


```
model = Model(optimizer_with_attributes(ECOS.Optimizer, "printlevel" => 0))
@variable(model, u[1:10])
@variable(model, t)
@objective(model, Min, t)
@constraint(model, [t, (u - u0)...] in SecondOrderCone())
@constraint(model, u' * p == q)
optimize!(model)
```

Outline / Goal ?

- Why **Conic (or Function-in-set)** v/s **expression/“(Julia) function”-based** :

$$\begin{array}{ll} \min & \|u - u_0\| \\ \text{s.t.} & p' \cdot u = q \end{array}$$



$$\begin{array}{ll} \min & t \\ \text{s.t.} & p' \cdot u = q \\ & (t, u - u_0) \in Q^{n+1} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ll} \min & f(x) \\ \text{subject to} & g(x) \leq 0, \end{array}$$

- Why does Pajarito.jl only work on JuMP \leq v0.18?
- Many links for skipped mathematical details (Technical but, “standard”)

Conic Optimization in JuMP

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- In general, a **conic optimization problem** is

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} \quad & a_0^T x + b_0 \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & A_i x + b_i \in \mathcal{C}_i \quad i = 1 \dots m \end{aligned}$$

\mathcal{C}_i is a closed convex cone

- e.g. cone of positive semi-definite (SDP) matrices:

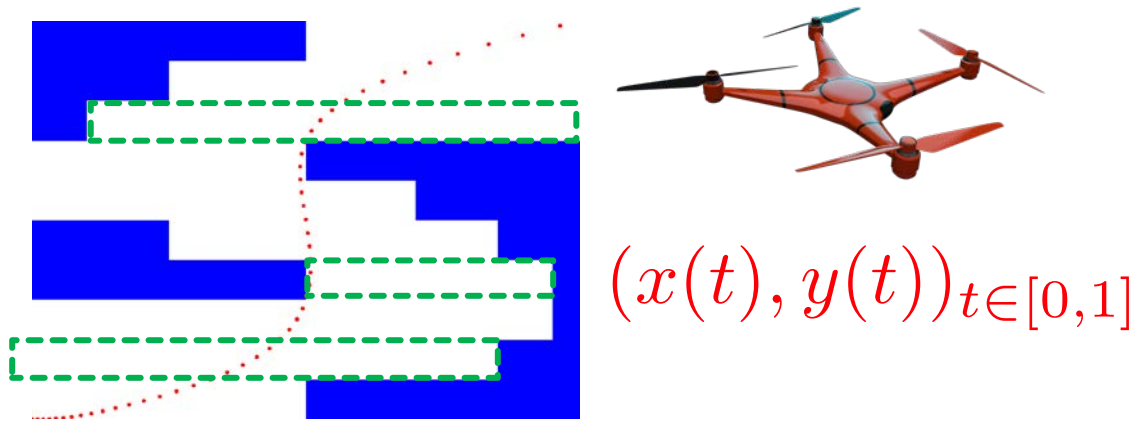
$$\mathcal{S}_+^n = \{X \in \mathcal{S}^n \mid z^T X z \geq 0, \forall z \in \mathbb{R}^n\}$$

– Largest Eigenvalue of a Symmetric Matrix:

```
model = Model(optimizer_with_attributes(SCS.Optimizer, "verbose" => 0))
@variable(model, t)
@objective(model, Min, t)
@constraint(model, t .* Matrix{Float64}(I, 3, 3) - A in PSDCone())
```

A more interesting (mixed-integer) conic example

- **Obstacle** avoiding **polynomial trajectory**:



- Step 1: discretize to piecewise polynomial
 $0 = T_1 < T_2 < \dots < T_N$ s.t.

$$(x(t), y(t)) = p_i(t) \quad t \in [T_i, T_{i+1}]$$

- Step 2: “safe polyhedrons”

$$P^r = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^2 : A^r x \leq b^r\} \text{ s.t.}$$

$$\forall i \exists r \text{ s.t. } p_i(t) \in P^r \quad t \in [T_i, T_{i+1}]$$

- $p_i(t) \in P^r \rightarrow q_{i,r}(t) \geq 0 \quad \forall t$

- Sum-of-Squares (SOS):

- $q_{i,r}(t) = \sum_j r_j^2(t)$

- Polynomials $r_j(t)$

- Bound degree of polynomials:

- ✓ SDP

- More details:

- Lecture at LANL Grid Science Winter School
(<https://github.com/juan-pablo-vielma/grid-science-2019>)

- [PolyJuMP.jl docs](#)

- (including JuliaCon 2019 slides)

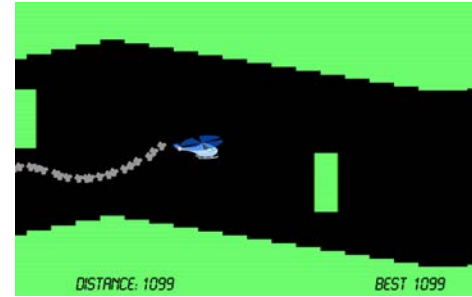
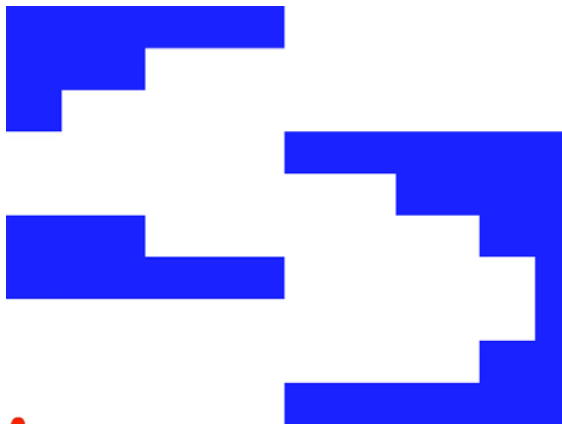
- Book by Blekherman, Parrilo and Thomas
(<http://www.mit.edu/~parrilo/sdocag/>)

Computational Results ([SIAM Opt 2017, Joey Huchette](#))

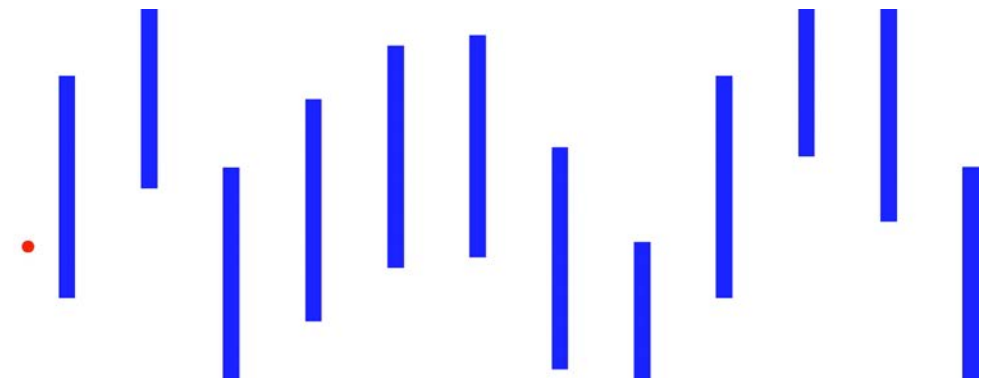


- PolyJuMP.jl
- SumOfSquares.jl
- MI-SDP Solver:
 - **Pajarito.jl**

9 Regions & 8 time steps:
Optimal “Smoothness” in 651 seconds



60 horizontal segments & obstacle every 5:
Optimal “clicks” in 80 seconds



Do I really need to learn conic optimization?

- For polynomial optimization:
 - PolyJuMP.jl
- For something close to function/expression-based modeling:
 - Disciplined Convex Programming (DCP) with Convex.jl



```
model = SOSModel(solver=PajaritoSolver())

@polyvar(t)
Z = monomials([t], 0:r)

@variable(model, H[1:N,boxes], Bin)

p = Dict()
for j in 1:N
    @constraint(model, sum(H[j,box] for box in boxes) == 1)
    p[:,j] = @polyvariable(model, _, Z)
    p[:,j] = @polyvariable(model, _, Z)
    for box in boxes
        xl, xu, yl, yu = box.xl, box.xu, box.yl, box.yu
        @polyconstraint(model, p[:,j] >= Mxl + (xl-Mxl)*H[j,box], domain = (t >= T[j] && t <= T[j+1]))
        @polyconstraint(model, p[:,j] <= Mxu + (xu-Mxu)*H[j,box], domain = (t >= T[j] && t <= T[j+1]))
        @polyconstraint(model, p[:,j] >= Myl + (yl-Myl)*H[j,box], domain = (t >= T[j] && t <= T[j+1]))
        @polyconstraint(model, p[:,j] <= Myu + (yu-Myu)*H[j,box], domain = (t >= T[j] && t <= T[j+1]))
    end
end

for ax in (:x,:y)
    @constraint(model, p[ax,1]([0], [t]) == X0[ax])
    @constraint(model, differentiate(p[ax,1], t) ([0], [t]) == X0'[ax])
    @constraint(model, differentiate(p[ax,1], t, 2) ([0], [t]) == X0''[ax])
    for j in 1:N-1
        @constraint(model, p[ax,j]([T[j+1]], [t]) == p[ax,j+1]([T[j+1]], [t]))
        @constraint(model, differentiate(p[ax,j], t) ([T[j+1]], [t]) == differentiate(p[ax,j+1], t) ([T[j+1]], [t]))
        @constraint(model, differentiate(p[ax,j], t, 2) ([T[j+1]], [t]) == differentiate(p[ax,j+1], t, 2) ([T[j+1]], [t]))
    end
    @constraint(model, p[ax,N]([1], [t]) == X1[ax])
    @constraint(model, differentiate(p[ax,N], t) ([1], [t]) == X1'[ax])
    @constraint(model, differentiate(p[ax,N], t, 2) ([1], [t]) == X1''[ax])
end

@variable(model, γ[keys(p)] ≥ 0)
for (key,val) in p
    @constraint(model, γ[key] ≥ norm(differentiate(val, t, 3)))
end

@objective(model, Min, sum(γ))
```

Why Conic 1: Linear-programming-like duality

- From <https://github.com/jump-dev/JuMPTutorials.jl> - [conic_programming.ipynb](#)

(Primal)

$$\min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} a_0^T x + b_0$$


$$\text{s.t. } A_i x + b_i \in C_i \quad i = 1 \dots m$$

(Dual)



$$\max_{y_1, \dots, y_m} - \sum_{i=1}^m b_i^T y_i + b_0$$

$$\text{s.t. } a_0 - \sum_{i=1}^m A_i^T y_i = 0$$

$$y_i \in C_i^* \quad i = 1 \dots m$$

- “Explanation” of optimality : Think Max-flow/Min-cut or Menger’s theorem.
 - More: *Set Programming : Theory and Computation*, June 2020.
Ph.D. Thesis by Dr. Benoît Legat  (https://blegat.github.io/publications/#phd_thesis)
- and...

Why Conic 2: Faster and more stable algorithms

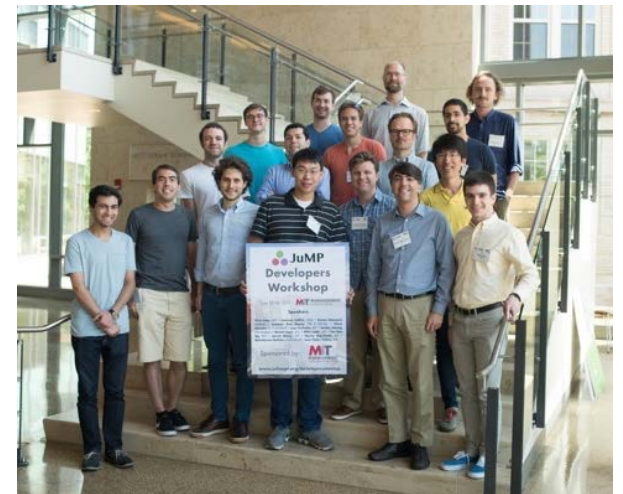
- Avoid non-differentiability issues, exploit primal-dual form, strong theory on barriers for interior point algorithms.
- Industry change in 2018:
 -  version 11.0 adds support for SOCP constraints
 -  version 9.0 deprecates expression/function-based formulations and focuses on pure conic (**linear, SOCP, rotated SOCP, SDP, exp & power**)



Conic Optimization @ JuMP-dev I

- **Monday June 12, 2017**
 - 09:30 *The design of **JuMP** and **MathProgBase***
(Miles Lubin, MIT)
 - 10:30 *The design and architecture of **Pajarito***
(Chris Coey, MIT)
- **Tuesday June 13, 2017,**
 - 09:15 ***Sum-of-squares** optimization in Julia*
[**remote presentation**]
(Benoît Legat, Université Catholique de Louvain)

1st JuMP-dev
Workshop,
Cambridge, MA



Slides and videos:

<https://jump.dev/meetings/mit2017/>

Conic Optimization @ JuMP-dev II

- **Artelys Knitro 11.0**, a **new conic solver** and other novelties (Jean-hubert Hours, Artelys)
- **Power** and **exponential Cones** with **Mosek** (Ulf Worsøe, MOSEK)
- *ProxSDP.jl*: A **semidefinite programming solver** written in Julia (Joaquim Dias Garcia & Mario Souto, PUC-Rio)
- A Julia JuMP-based module for **polynomial optimization** with complex variables applied to Optimal Power Flow (Julie Sliwak, RTE)
- **MathOptInterface** and **JuMP 0.19** (Miles Lubin, Google)
- **Automatic reformulation using constraint bridges** (Benoît Legat, UCLouvain)

2nd JuMP-dev
Workshop,
Bordeaux, France,
June, 2018



Slides and videos:

<https://jump.dev/meetings/bordeaux2018/>

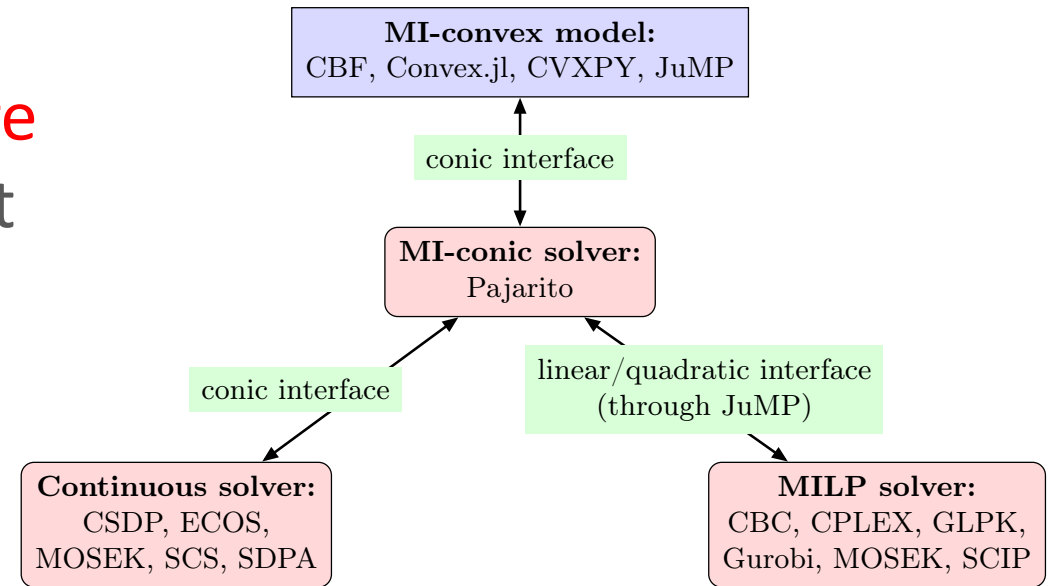
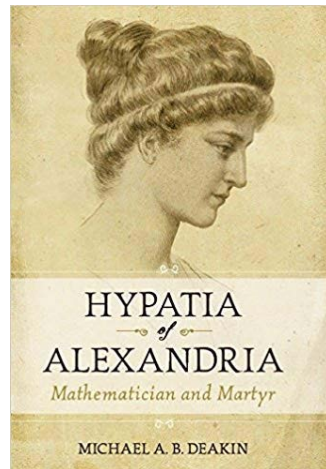
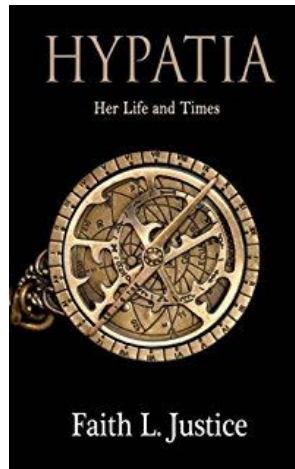
A “Few” Cones in MathOptInterface’s Function-in-Set Interface

<https://jump.dev/MathOptInterface.jl/dev/apimanual/index.html#Standard-form-problem-1>

- **Reals(dimension)**: $\mathbb{R}^{\text{dimension}}$
- **Zeros(dimension)**: $0^{\text{dimension}}$
- **Nonnegatives(dimension)**: $\{x \in \mathbb{R}^{\text{dimension}} : x \geq 0\}$
- **Nonpositives(dimension)**: $\{x \in \mathbb{R}^{\text{dimension}} : x \leq 0\}$
- **NormInfinityCone(dimension)**: $\{(t, x) \in \mathbb{R}^{\text{dimension}} : t \geq \|x\|_\infty = \max_i |x_i|\}$
- **NormOneCone(dimension)**: $\{(t, x) \in \mathbb{R}^{\text{dimension}} : t \geq \|x\|_1 = \sum_i |x_i|\}$
- **SecondOrderCone(dimension)**: $\{(t, x) \in \mathbb{R}^{\text{dimension}} : t \geq \|x\|_2\}$
- **RotatedSecondOrderCone(dimension)**: $\{(t, u, x) \in \mathbb{R}^{\text{dimension}} : 2tu \geq \|x\|_2^2, t, u \geq 0\}$
- **GeometricMeanCone(dimension)**: $\{(t, x) \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} : x \geq 0, t \leq \sqrt[n]{x_1 x_2 \cdots x_n}\}$ where n is *dimension* - 1
- **ExponentialCone()**: $\{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 : y \exp(x/y) \leq z, y > 0\}$
- **DualExponentialCone()**: $\{(u, v, w) \in \mathbb{R}^3 : -u \exp(v/u) \leq \exp(1)w, u < 0\}$
- **PowerCone(exponent)**: $\{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 : x^{\text{exponent}} y^{1-\text{exponent}} \geq |z|, x, y \geq 0\}$
- **DualPowerCone(exponent)**: $\{(u, v, w) \in \mathbb{R}^3 : \frac{u}{\text{exponent}} \text{exponent} \frac{v}{1-\text{exponent}}^{1-\text{exponent}} \geq |w|, u, v \geq 0\}$
- **RelativeEntropyCone(dimension)**: $\{(u, v, w) \in \mathbb{R}^{\text{dimension}} : u \geq \sum_i w_i \log(\frac{w_i}{v_i}), v_i \geq 0, w_i \geq 0\}$
- **NormSpectralCone(row_dim, column_dim)**: $\{(t, X) \in \mathbb{R}^{1+\text{row_dim} \times \text{column_dim}} : t \geq \sigma_1(X), X$ is a matrix with *row_dim* rows and *column_dim* columns}
- **NormNuclearCone(row_dim, column_dim)**: $\{(t, X) \in \mathbb{R}^{1+\text{row_dim} \times \text{column_dim}} : t \geq \sum_i \sigma_i(X), X$ is a matrix with *row_dim* rows and *column_dim* columns}
- **PositiveSemidefiniteConeTriangle(dimension)**: $\{X \in \mathbb{R}^{\text{dimension}(\text{dimension}+1)/2} : X$ is the upper triangle of a PSD matrix}
- **PositiveSemidefiniteConeSquare(dimension)**: $\{X \in \mathbb{R}^{\text{dimension}^2} : X$ is a PSD matrix}
- **LogDetConeTriangle(dimension)**: $\{(t, u, X) \in \mathbb{R}^{2+\text{dimension}(1+\text{dimension})/2} : t \leq u \log(\det(X/u)), X$ is the upper triangle of a PSD matrix, $u > 0\}$
- **LogDetConeSquare(dimension)**: $\{(t, u, X) \in \mathbb{R}^{2+\text{dimension}^2} : t \leq u \log(\det(X/u)), X$ is a PSD matrix, $u > 0\}$
- **RootDetConeTriangle(dimension)**: $\{(t, X) \in \mathbb{R}^{1+\text{dimension}(1+\text{dimension})/2} : t \leq \det(X)^{1/\text{dimension}}, X$ is the upper triangle of a PSD matrix}
- **RootDetConeSquare(dimension)**: $\{(t, X) \in \mathbb{R}^{1+\text{dimension}^2} : t \leq \det(X)^{1/\text{dimension}}, X$ is a PSD matrix}

Just need to port Pajarito to MathOptInterface (MOI) ...

- Pajarito: A **Julia?**-based MICP Solver
- Chris Coey ~ July, 2018: How about a **pure Julia-based continuous solver** with direct support for **more cones** (no-bridge)?
- Not experts on **continuous solvers**, but Julia makes you bold!
- Hypatia.jl



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“Only” standard cones: linear, SOCP, rotated SOCP, SDP, exp & power cones (still enough to *model* all MOI cones through bridges).

Selection of Conic Optimization @ JuMP-dev III

- ***The Hypatia.jl solver: conic interior point algorithms and interfaces*** (Chris Coey, MIT)
- ***Modeling with new and nonsymmetric cones*** (Lea Kapelevich, MIT)
- ***Tulip.jl: An interior-point [LP] solver with abstract linear algebra*** (Mathieu Tanneau, Polytechnique Montréal)
 - Only pure Julia solver included in classical benchmarks by H. Mittelmann (<http://plato.asu.edu/ftp/lpbar.html>)
- ***Set Programming with JuMP*** (Benoît Legat, UC Louvain)
 - https://blegat.github.io/publications/#phd_thesis
- ***JuliaMoments*** (Tillmann Weisser, Los Alamos National Laboratory)
 - Dual of Sum-of-Squares

3rd JuMP-dev
Workshop,
Santiago, Chile,
March, 2019



Slides and videos:

<https://jump.dev/meetings/santiago2019/>

Hypatia: Pure Julia-based IPM Beyond “Standard” Cones

- A homogeneous interior-point solver for non-symmetric cones (Coey, Kapelevich & V. <https://arxiv.org/abs/2005.01136>)
- Versatility & performance = More Cones! :
 - Two dozen predefined **standard** and **exotic cones**
 - e.g. **SDP**, **Sum-of-Squares** and **“Matrix” Sum-of-Squares for convexity/shape constraints**
 - Customizable: “Bring your own **barrier**” = “Bring your own cone”
 - Take advantage of **Natural formulations**
 - Take advantage of Julia: multi-precision arithmetic, abstract linear operators, etc.

Interior Point Algorithms, Central Path and **Barriers**

- After some math (e.g see [paper](#)): Optimize = “Follow” $\mu: 1 \rightarrow 0$ in

$$Ew = \mu Ew^0 \quad \kappa\tau = \mu, \quad (z, \tau, s, \kappa) \in \text{int}(\mathcal{K}^* \times \mathbb{R}_{\geq} \times \mathcal{K} \times \mathbb{R}_{\geq}).$$

$$z_k = -\mu g_k(s_k) \quad \forall k \in K_{\text{pr}},$$

$$s_k = -\mu g_k(z_k) \quad \forall k \in K_{\text{du}},$$

$$\mathcal{K} = \mathcal{K}_1 \times \cdots \times \mathcal{K}_K$$

- $g_k(s_k)$: gradient of **Logarithmically Homogeneous Self-Concordant Barrier** $f_k(s_k)$ for “primitive” cone \mathcal{K}_k

- **Barrier** examples:

– **Nonnegatives(dimension)**: $\{x \in \mathbb{R}^{\text{dimension}} : x \geq 0\}$, dimension = 1 :

$$f(x) = -\log(x)$$

– **LogDetConeSquare(dimension)**: $\{(t, u, X) \in \mathbb{R}^{2+\text{dimension}^2} : t \leq u \log(\det(X/u)), X \text{ is a PSD matrix, } u > 0\}$:

$$f(t, u, X) = 16^2(-\log(u \log(\det(X/u)) - t) - \log(\det(X)) - (d + 1)\log(u))$$

- Bring-Your-Own-**Barrier** for new cones: **barrier** could be Julia code!

More cones = Smaller Models: e.g. D-Optimal Experimental Design

$$\begin{aligned} \max_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^m, \lambda \in \mathbb{R}} \quad & \lambda : \\ & \mathbf{e} \cdot \mathbf{x} = n_{tot}, \\ & \lambda \leq \log \det(V \operatorname{diag}(\mathbf{x}) V^T), \\ & \mathbf{x} \geq \mathbf{0} \end{aligned}$$

Natural Conic Formulation

$$\begin{aligned} \max_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^m, \lambda \in \mathbb{R}} \quad & \lambda : \\ & \mathbf{e} \cdot \mathbf{x} = n_{tot}, \\ & (\lambda, 1, V \operatorname{diag}(\mathbf{x}) V^T) \in \mathcal{K}_{\log \det}, \\ & \mathbf{x} \geq \mathbf{0} \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathcal{K}_{\log \det} = \text{LogDetConeSquare}$$

Extended Conic (SDP+Exp) Formulation

$$\begin{aligned} \max_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^m, \lambda \in \mathbb{R}, \Delta \in \mathbb{S}^k, \mathbf{t} \in \mathbb{R}^k} \quad & \lambda : \\ & \mathbf{e} \cdot \mathbf{x} = n_{tot}, \\ & \begin{pmatrix} V \operatorname{diag}(\mathbf{x}) V^T & \Delta \\ \Delta^T & \operatorname{diag}(\Delta) \end{pmatrix} \in \mathcal{K}_{SDP} \\ & \Delta_{i,j} = 0 \quad \forall i < j, \\ & \lambda \leq \sum_{i=1}^k t_i, \\ & \text{Compatible with } (\Delta_{i,i}, 1, t_i) \in \mathcal{K}_{exp} \quad \forall i \\ & \mathbf{x} \geq \mathbf{0} \end{aligned}$$

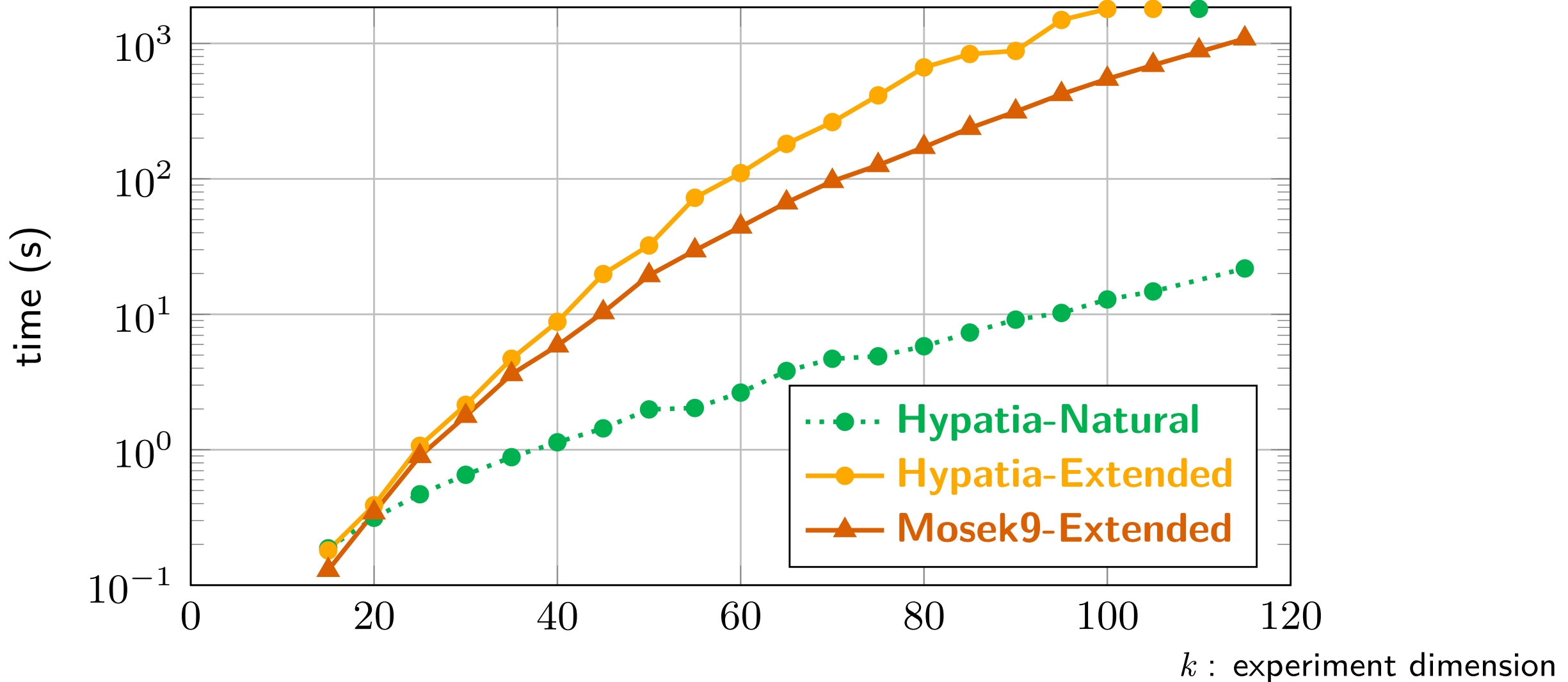
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$$\mathcal{K}_{SDP} = \text{PositiveSemidefiniteConeSquare}$$

$$\mathcal{K}_{exp} = \text{ExponentialCone}$$

More cones = Lower Memory Use and Speed Improvements

* Older version of experiments.



Final Remarks

- More on Hypatia (repo and more soon):
 - Coey, Kapelevich & V. <https://arxiv.org/abs/2005.01136>
- Conic Optimization @ JuMP-dev IV?
 - 4th JuMP-dev Workshop, Louvain-la-Neuve, Belgium, June, 2020. Canceled due to COVID-19
 - Yurii Nesterov was scheduled to give a plenary
- Interesting JuMP applications?
 - Please email oscar.dowson at northwestern.edu
- Parting thought: Julia makes you bold. Use it to try new math before learning it, not to avoid learning it