

MIXED INTEGER NON-LINEAR PROGRAMS FEATURING “ON/OFF” CONSTRAINTS APPLICATION IN TELECOMMUNICATIONS

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- Defining “on/off” constraints
- Defining “*perspective*” functions
- Connections to earlier works
- A new result
- Our motivating application: the delay constrained routing problem

Defining “on/off” constraints

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- Considered Problems:

Given convex functions h , g and f_k :

$$\min h(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})$$

$$s.t. \quad g(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) \leq 0$$

$$f_k(\mathbf{x}) \leq 0 \text{ if } z_k = 1, \forall k \in \{1, 2, \dots, n_k\},$$

$$\mathbf{l} \leq \mathbf{x} \leq \mathbf{u},$$

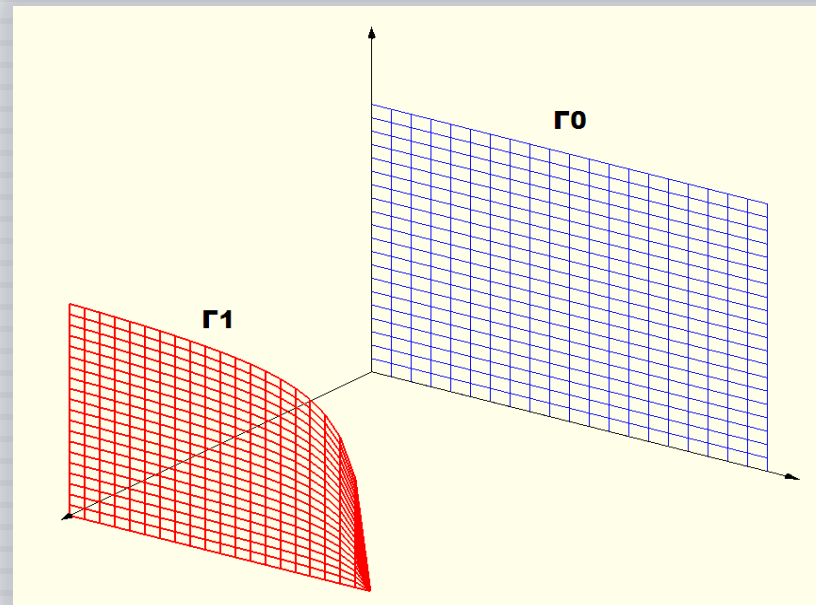
$$\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n, \mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{N}^m, \mathbf{z} \in \{0, 1\}^{n_k}.$$

- The indicator variable z_k controls the activation of the k^{th} on/off constraint

Defining “on/off” constraints

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- For each “on/off” constraint, the generated feasible region is a union of two disjoint sets



Defining “on/off” constraints

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- Classical convex formulations rely on the Big-M approach:

$$\min h(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})$$

$$s.t. \quad g(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) \leq 0$$

$$f_k(\mathbf{x}) \leq (1 - z_k)M, \quad \forall k \in \{1, 2, \dots, n_k\},$$

$$\mathbf{l} \leq \mathbf{x} \leq \mathbf{u},$$

$$\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n, \mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{N}^m, \mathbf{z} \in \{0, 1\}^{n_k}.$$

- Advantage: Compact models
- Inconvenient: Bad continuous relaxation

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- The problem can be written as a Disjunctive Program:

$$\begin{aligned} & \min h(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) \\ \text{s.t. } & g(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) \leq 0 \\ & (\mathbf{x}, z_k) \in \Gamma_0^k \cup \Gamma_1^k, \forall k \in \{1, 2, \dots, n_k\}, \\ & \Gamma_0^k = \{ (\mathbf{x}, z_k) \in \mathbb{R}^n \times \{0, 1\} : z_k = 0, \mathbf{l} \leq \mathbf{x} \leq \mathbf{u} \}, \\ & \Gamma_1^k = \{ (\mathbf{x}, z_k) \in \mathbb{R}^n \times \{0, 1\} : z_k = 1, f_k(x) \leq 0, \mathbf{l} \leq \mathbf{x} \leq \mathbf{u} \}, \\ & \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n, \mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{N}^m, \mathbf{z} \in \{0, 1\}^{n_k}. \end{aligned}$$

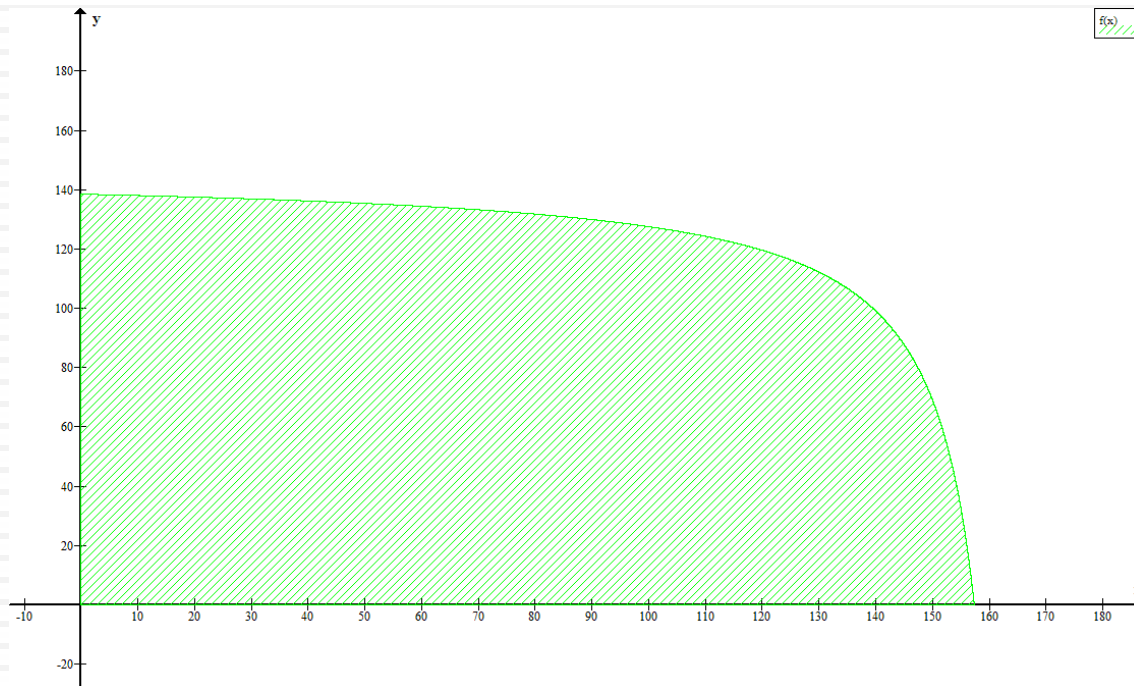
- Can we formulate the convex hull of each disjunction?

Defining “*perspective*” functions

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Given a convex function $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$,
its perspective function denoted $\tilde{f} : \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \cup \{+\infty\}$ is defined by:

$$\tilde{f}(\mathbf{x}, z) \equiv \begin{cases} z f(\mathbf{x}/z) & \text{if } z > 0, \\ +\infty & \text{if } z \leq 0. \end{cases}$$

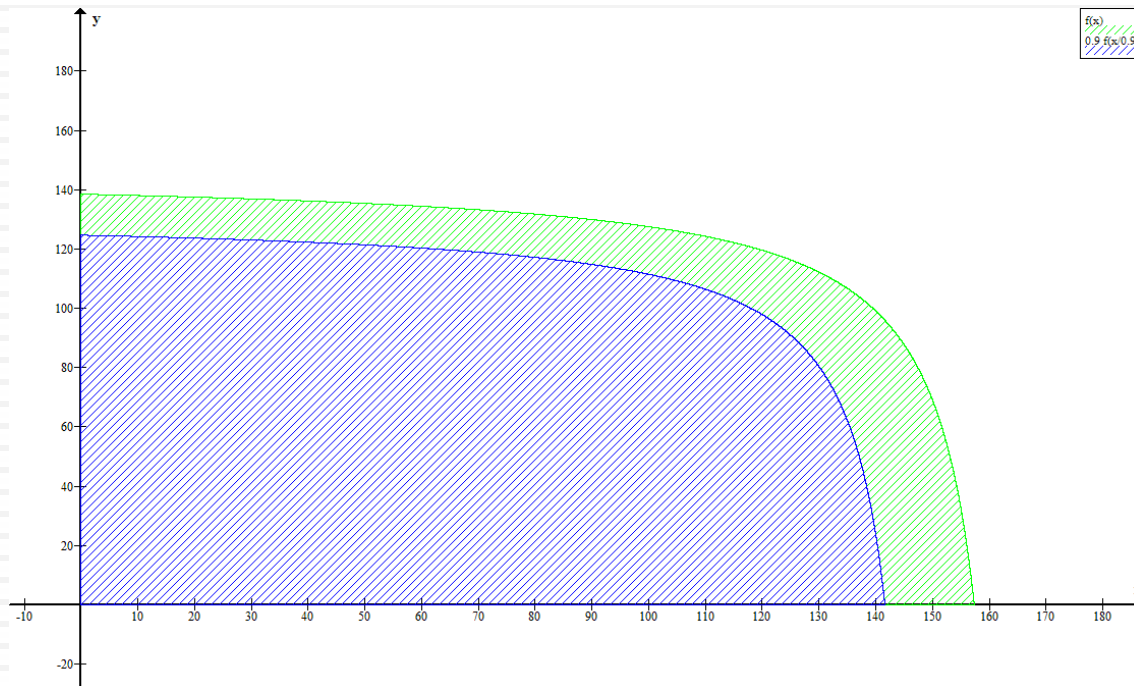


Defining “perspective” functions

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$z = 0.9$

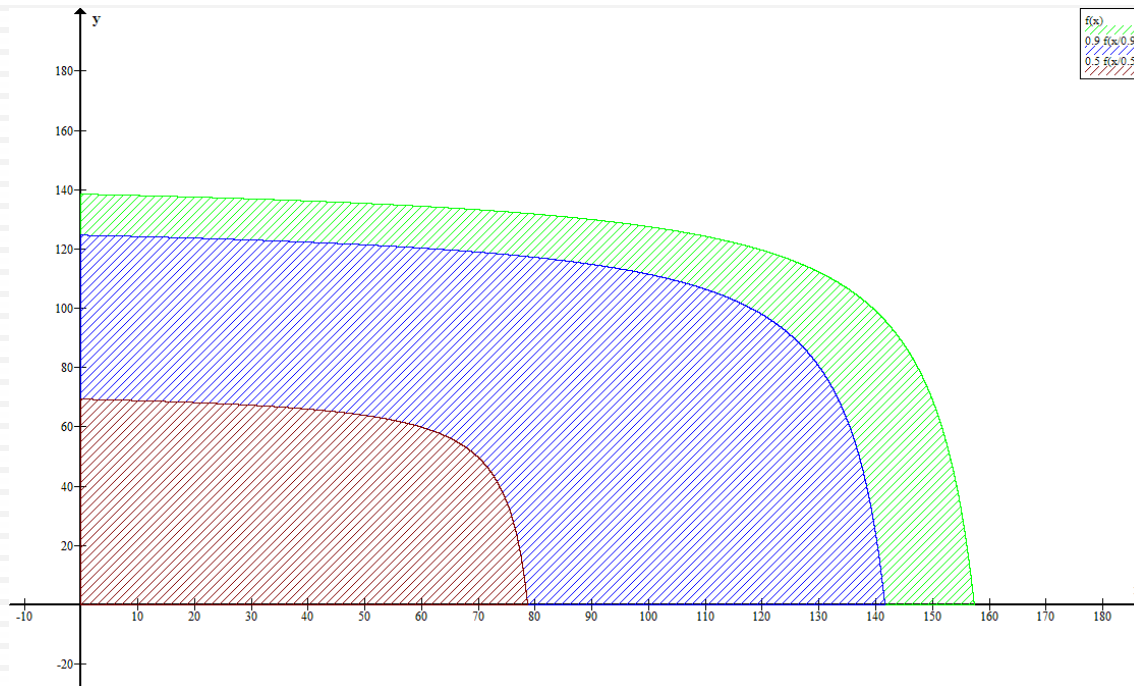


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$z = 0.5$

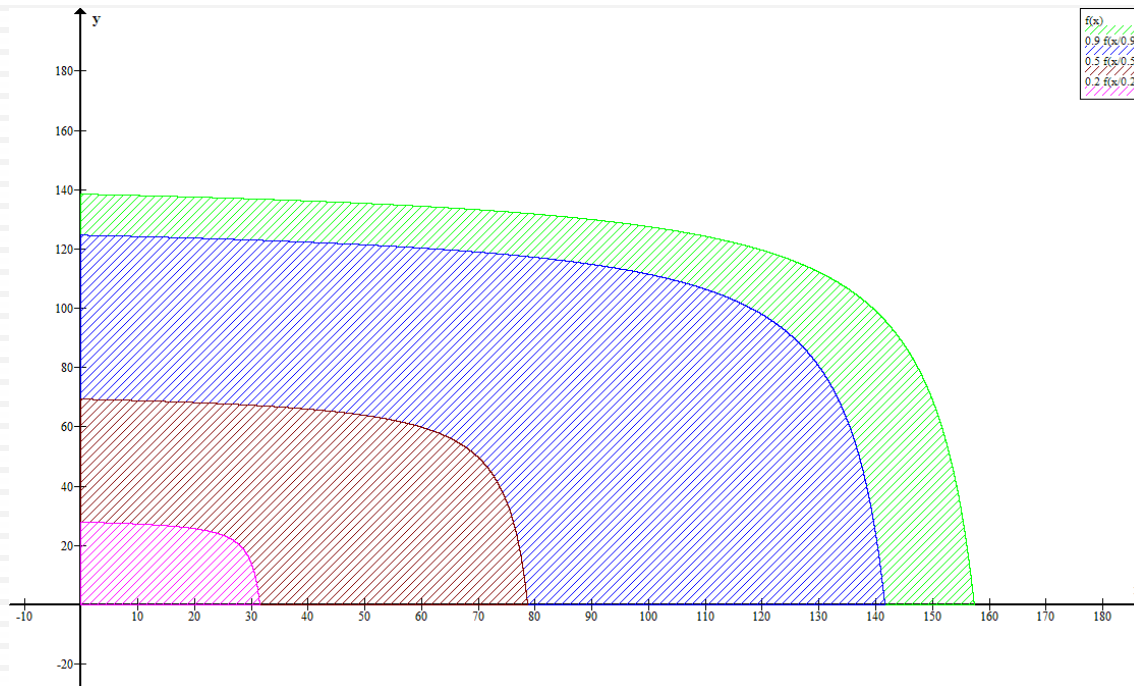


Defining “perspective” functions

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$z = 0.2$

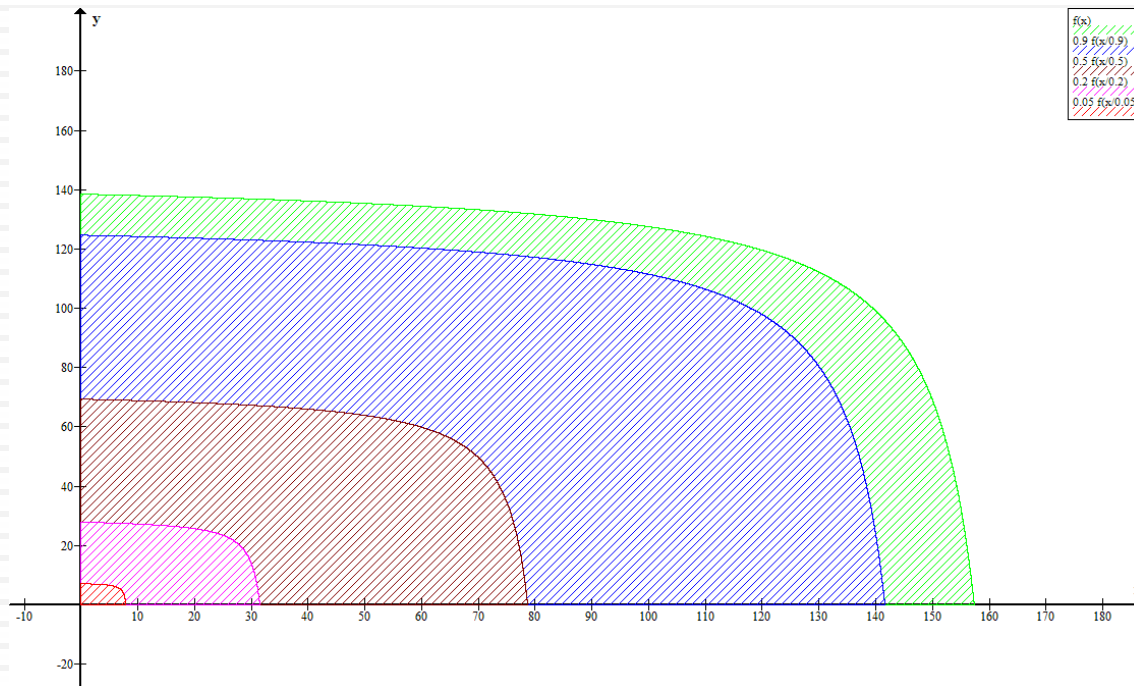


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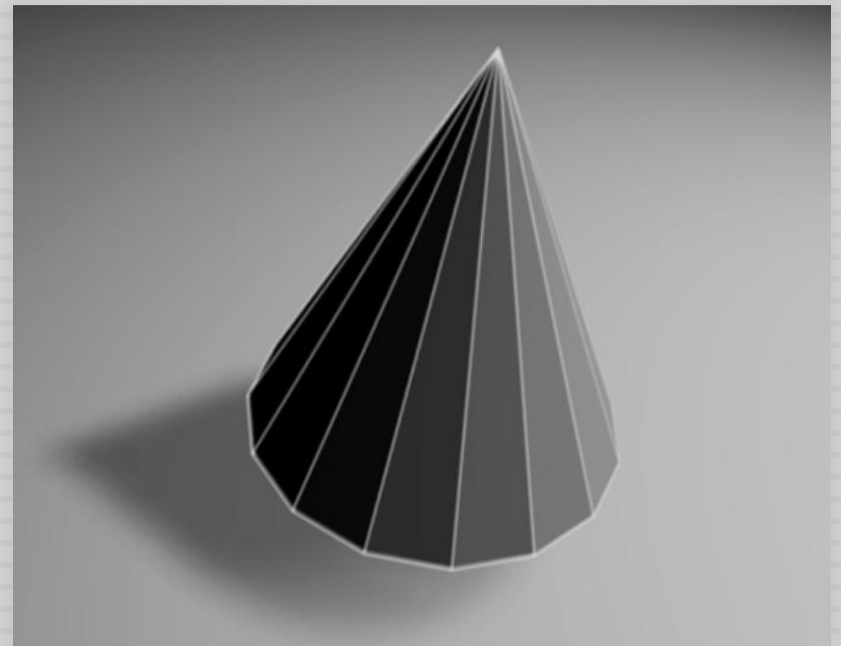
$z = 0.05$



State of the art in convex analysis

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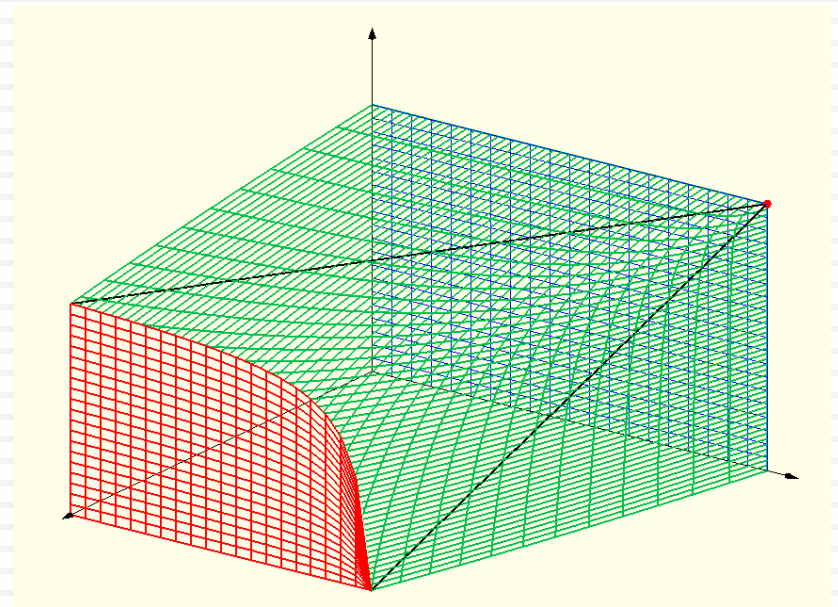
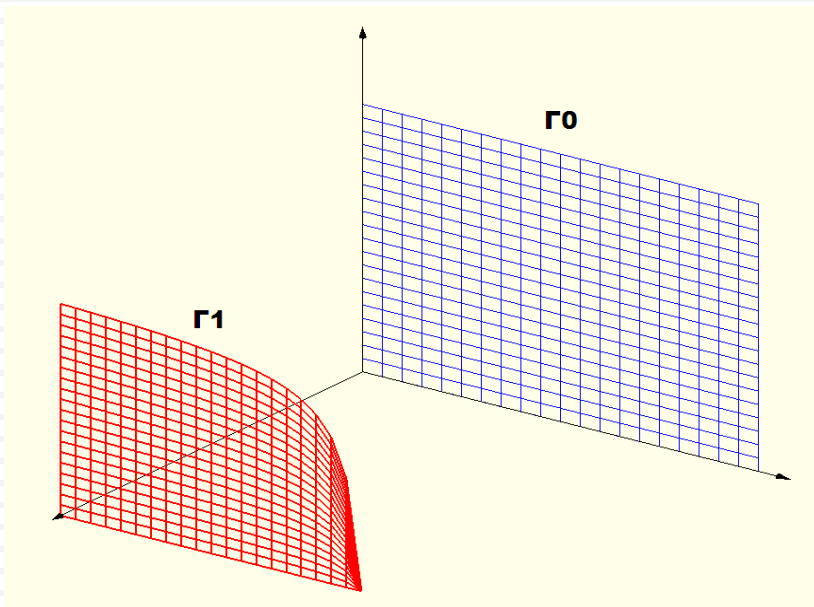
- Günlük and Linderoth (2008) defined $\text{conv}(\Gamma_0 \cup \Gamma_1)$ in the space of original variables when Γ_0 is restrained to a single point.



A new challenge

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- The union of a hyper-rectangle and a closed convex bounded set



A new challenge

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- Ceria and Soares characterize the convex hull in an extended space
 - ▣ A relatively important number of added variables
 - ▣ Non efficient in practice (Heavy formulations)
- Can we formulate the convex hull in the space of original variables ?

A new challenge

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□ Definition:

Let $f : E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$, f is *independently increasing* (resp. *decreasing*) on the i th coordinate if:

$\forall x = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_i, \dots, x_n) \in \text{dom}(f)$, $x' = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x'_i, \dots, x_n) \in \text{dom}(f)$ s.t. $x'_i \geq x_i \Rightarrow f(x') \geq$ (resp. \leq) $f(x)$.

We say that f is *independently monotone* on the i th coordinate if it is independently increasing or independently decreasing on this given coordinate.

f is *order preserving* if it is independently monotone on each and every coordinate.

A new challenge

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□ Example:

Consider the following functions:

1. $f(x_1, x_2, x_3) = e^{(2x_1 - x_2)} + x_3$, $(x_1, x_2, x_3) \in \mathbb{R}^3$, f is independently increasing on coordinate 1 and 3, independently decreasing on coordinate 2, therefore it is an order preserving function.
2. $f(x, y) = x^4 + y^2$, $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$, the variation of f depends on the sign of the variables, f is not order preserving.
3. $f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{c_i - x_i}$, where $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$. Since f is a sum of univariate increasing functions, it is an order preserving function.

Additive functions which are sum of univariate monotone functions are commonly encountered order preserving functions.

A new result (simple version)

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Let:

$f(E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, E \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n)$, be a closed convex function, i.i. on all coordinates,

$$\Gamma_0 = \{ (\mathbf{x}, z) \in \mathbb{R}^n \times \{0, 1\} : z = 0, \mathbf{l}^0 \leq \mathbf{x} \leq \mathbf{u}^0 \},$$

$$\Gamma_1 = \{ (\mathbf{x}, z) \in \mathbb{R}^n \times \{0, 1\} : z = 1, f(x) \leq 0, \mathbf{l}^1 \leq \mathbf{x} \leq \mathbf{u}^1 \},$$

then $\text{conv}(\Gamma_0 \cup \Gamma_1) = \text{cl}(\Gamma)$,

$$\text{where } \Gamma = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} (\mathbf{x}, z) \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} : \\ zq_S(x/z) \leq 0, \forall S \subset \{1, 2, \dots, n\}, \\ z\mathbf{l}^1 + (1-z)\mathbf{l}^0 \leq \mathbf{x} \leq z\mathbf{u}^1 + (1-z)\mathbf{u}^0, \\ 0 < z \leq 1. \end{array} \right\},$$

with $q_S = (f \circ h_S)$, $h_S(\mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n)$ defined by $(h_S(x))_i = \begin{cases} l_i^1 & \forall i \in S, \\ x_i - \frac{(1-z)u_i^0}{z} & \forall i \notin S, \end{cases}$

A new result (simple version)

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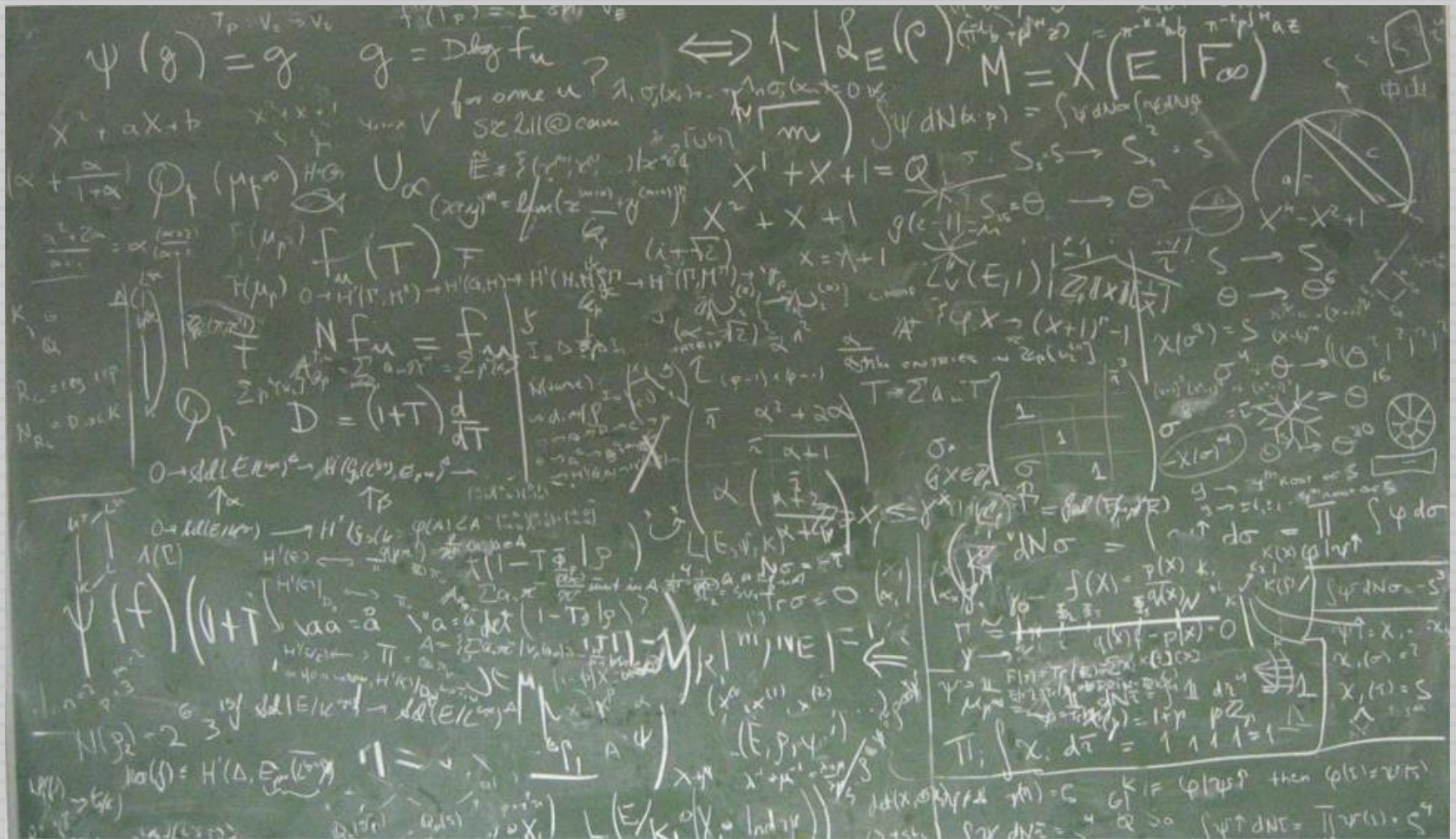
- One constraint capturing the nonlinearity of the convex hull

$$\text{For } S = \emptyset, \Gamma_\emptyset = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} (\mathbf{x}, z) \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} : \\ z f\left(\frac{\mathbf{x} - (1-z)\mathbf{u}^0}{z}\right) \leq 0, \\ z\mathbf{l}^1 + (1-z)\mathbf{l}^0 \leq \mathbf{x} \leq z\mathbf{u}^1 + (1-z)\mathbf{u}^0, \\ 0 < z \leq 1. \end{array} \right\},$$

- Γ_\emptyset coincide with the convex hull on an important region :
 - ▣ all points verifying the system $z\mathbf{l}^1 + (1-z)\mathbf{u}^0 \leq \mathbf{x}$

Some elements of proof

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MINLPs relaxations

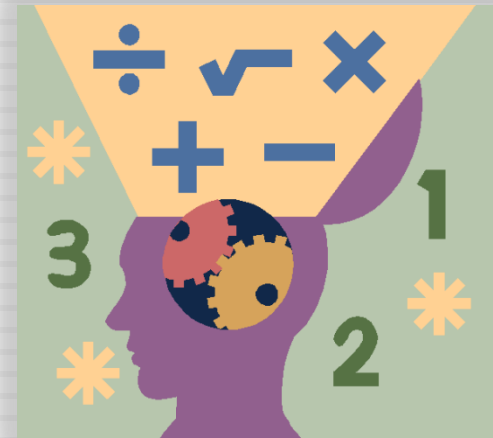
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- The Big-M formulation

- Compact model
- Bad relaxations

- The new disjunctive formulation

- Compact model
- Good relaxations



Our motivating application: the delay constrained routing problem

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- Multi-Flow Routing under differentiated delay guarantees
- Different delays corresponding to different services
- The delay function is a non linear exponentially increasing function $\left(\frac{1}{c_e - f_e}\right)$
- A set of candidate paths given by traffic engineers
- Suitable for centralized routing protocols (implemented in backbone networks)

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$$z_k^i \in \{0, 1\},$$

$$\phi_k^i \in [0, 1],$$

$$x_e \in \mathbb{R},$$

$$\forall k \in K, \forall P_k^i \in P(k)$$

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$$\phi_k^i \leq z_k^i,$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{P_k^i \in P(k)} z_k^i &\leq N, & \forall k \in K \\ \phi_k^i &\leq z_k^i, & \forall k \in K, \forall P_k^i \in P(k) \\ z_k^i &\in \{0, 1\}, & \forall k \in K, \forall P_k^i \in P(k) \\ \phi_k^i &\in [0, 1], & \forall k \in K, \forall P_k^i \in P(k) \\ x_e &\in \mathbb{R}, & \forall e \in E. \end{aligned}$$

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$$x_e \leq c_e, \quad \forall e \in E$$

$$\sum_{e \in P_k^i} \frac{1}{c_e - x_e} \leq \alpha_k,$$

$$\forall k \in K, \quad \forall P_k^i \in P(k) \text{ if } z_k^i = 1$$

$$\sum_{P_k^i \in P(k)} z_k^i \leq N,$$

$$\forall k \in K$$

$$\phi_k^i \leq z_k^i,$$

$$\forall k \in K, \quad \forall P_k^i \in P(k)$$

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$$\phi_k^i \in [0, 1],$$

$$\forall k \in K, \quad \forall P_k^i \in P(k)$$

$$x_e \in \mathbb{R},$$

$$\forall e \in E.$$

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$$\sum_{k \in K} \sum_{P_k^i \ni l} \phi_k^i v_k \leq x_e, \quad \forall e \in E$$

$$x_e \leq c_e, \quad \forall e \in E$$

$$\sum_{e \in P_k^i} \frac{1}{c_e - x_e} \leq \alpha_k, \quad \forall k \in K, \forall P_k^i \in P(k) \text{ if } z_k^i = 1$$

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$$\phi_k^i \leq z_k^i, \quad \forall k \in K, \forall P_k^i \in P(k)$$

$$z_k^i \in \{0, 1\}, \quad \forall k \in K, \forall P_k^i \in P(k)$$

$$\phi_k^i \in [0, 1], \quad \forall k \in K, \forall P_k^i \in P(k)$$

$$x_e \in \mathbb{R}, \quad \forall e \in E.$$

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$$\begin{aligned}\sum_{i=1}^{n_k} \phi_k^i &\geq 1, & \forall k \in K \\ \sum_{k \in K} \sum_{P_k^i \ni l} \phi_k^i v_k &\leq x_e, & \forall e \in E \\ x_e &\leq c_e, \forall e \in E \\ \sum_{e \in P_k^i} \frac{1}{c_e - x_e} &\leq \alpha_k, & \forall k \in K, \forall P_k^i \in P(k) \text{ if } z_k^i = 1 \\ \sum_{P_k^i \in P(k)} z_k^i &\leq N, & \forall k \in K \\ \phi_k^i &\leq z_k^i, & \forall k \in K, \forall P_k^i \in P(k) \\ z_k^i &\in \{0, 1\}, & \forall k \in K, \forall P_k^i \in P(k) \\ \phi_k^i &\in [0, 1], & \forall k \in K, \forall P_k^i \in P(k) \\ x_e &\in \mathbb{R}, & \forall e \in E.\end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & \sum_{e \in E} w_e x_e \\ & \sum_{i=1}^{n_k} \phi_k^i \geq 1, & \forall k \in K \\ & \sum_{k \in K} \sum_{P_k^i \ni l} \phi_k^i v_k \leq x_e, & \forall e \in E \\ & x_e \leq c_e, \forall e \in E \\ & \sum_{e \in P_k^i} \frac{1}{c_e - x_e} \leq \alpha_k, & \forall k \in K, \forall P_k^i \in P(k) \text{ if } z_k^i = 1 \\ & \sum_{P_k^i \in P(k)} z_k^i \leq N, & \forall k \in K \\ & \phi_k^i \leq z_k^i, & \forall k \in K, \forall P_k^i \in P(k) \\ & z_k^i \in \{0, 1\}, & \forall k \in K, \forall P_k^i \in P(k) \\ & \phi_k^i \in [0, 1], & \forall k \in K, \forall P_k^i \in P(k) \\ & x_e \in \mathbb{R}, & \forall e \in E. \end{aligned}$$

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- The delay constraint is an on/off constraint !

$$\sum_{e \in P_k^i} \frac{1}{c_e - x_e} \leq \alpha_k, \quad \forall k \in K, \quad \forall P_k^i \in P(k) \text{ if } z_k^i = 1$$
$$0 \leq x_e \leq u_e, \quad \forall e \in P_k^i, \text{ if } z_k^i = 0$$

- Candidate formulations:

$$\sum_{e \in P_k^i} \frac{1}{c_e - x_e} \leq M - z_k^i(M - \alpha_k), \quad \forall k \in K, \quad \forall P_k^i \in P(k)$$
$$\sum_{e \in P_k^i} \left(\frac{z_k^{i2}}{z_k^i c_e - x_e + (1 - z_k^i) u_e} \right) - z_k^i \alpha_k \leq 0, \quad \forall k \in K, \quad \forall P_k^i \in P(k)$$

Computational experiments

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Implemented models in Bonmin (open MINLP solver)

	V	E	K	P_bigM	P_proj
rdata1	60	280	100	(2.7 ; 0)	(2.4 ; 0)
rdata2	61	148	122	(25 ; 0)	(13 ; 0)
rdata3	100	600	200	([0.28%] ; 157748)	(344; 5097)
rdata4	34	160	946	([0.001%] ; 79807)	(1525 ; 50583)
rdata5	67	170	761	([0.43%] ; 138618)	([0.03%] ; 202122)
rdata6	100	800	500	([0.006%] ; 176413)	(934 ; 19351)

Mono-routing constraints 3 candidate paths per demand

Computational experiments

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	V	E	K	P_bigM	P_proj
rdata1	60	280	100	(799.7 ; 12633)	(220.8 ; 1922)
rdata2	61	148	122	(16.1 ; 0)	(24.8 ; 0)
rdata3	100	600	200	([0.08%] ; 94194)	(768.6 ; 5207)
rdata4	34	160	946	([0.4%] ; 40820)	([0.04%] ; 45492)
rdata5	67	170	761	([1.2%] ; 16106)	(5467.7 ; 17347)
rdata6	100	800	500	([0.7%] ; 5880)	(5392 ; 23867)

Multiple-routing constraints 10 candidate paths per demand

Conclusion-Perspectives

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- Results apply for a general class of MINLPs
- New efficient tight formulations
- Looking closely at the case of linear functions :
new non-trivial MIP cuts

Questions

