

Implement MILP solver within Qiskit Optimization

QAMP-Checkpoint 1

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About us

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Motivation

- Mixed-Integer Linear Programming (MILP) solver
 - A powerful solver that allows part of variables to take only integer values.
- *scipy.optimize.milp* come out with Scipy v1.9.0 (July 29 2022)
- Useful for many problems, but not incorporated with *Qiskit Optimization*.

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scipy.optimize.milp
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scipy.optimize.milp(c, *, integrality=None, bounds=None, constraints=None,  
options=None)
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Why we need MILP for Qiskit?

- In qiskit-optimization, we can use CPLEX and Gurobi to solve quadratic problems
 - but they are commercial APIs and limited by free access!
 - On the other hand: Scipy doesn't ask for you to pay :p.
- Our goal: integrate the MILP solver with qiskit-optimization library.
 - We expect to build a *MILPOptimizer* class in *qiskit_optimization.algorithms*
 - Qiskit-optimization users will freely solve linear problems with out limitation!