

# Solving LMI Problems using MATLAB



Figure 1: Steps to solve an LMI problem using MATLAB

## Specify the LMI System:

*Initialize the LMI system*

```
setlmis([]);
```

*Declare variables*

```
lmivar(type, struct);
X = lmivar(type, struct);
[X, n, sX] = lmivar(type, struct);
```

type=1 Symmetric matrices with a block-diagonal structure.

struct = R-by-2 matrix (if X has R blocks)

struct(r,1): size of  $r^{th}$  block in X

struct(r,2): type of  $r^{th}$  block (1 for full, 0 for scalar and -1 for zero block)

type=2 Full m-by-n rectangular matrices; struct = [m n] in this case

type=3 Other structures

## Examples: Variable Declaration

- X is a 5-by-5 symmetric matrix  
[X,n,sX] = lmivar(1,[5 1])

- Y is a 2-by-4 rectangular matrix  
[Y,n,sY] = lmivar(2,[2 4])

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$$Z = \begin{bmatrix} \Phi_{3 \times 3} & & & \\ & 0_{5 \times 5} & & \\ & & \lambda & \\ & & & \delta I_{2 \times 2} \end{bmatrix}$$

```
Z = lmivar(1,[3 1;5 -1;1 0;2 0])
```

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$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -X \\ Y & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

```
Z = lmivar(3, [zeros(5,4) -sX;sY
zeros(2,5)])
```

*Define LMIs*

```
lmiterm(termID, A, B, flag)
```

LMI terms are either outer factors, constant matrices or variable terms.

termID A 4-entry vector specifying the LMI number, term position and variable involved

A, B Left and right multipliers of a variable term

flag Optional; useful to specify conjugate expressions

### Example: LMI Definition

Consider an LMI

$$\begin{bmatrix} A^T X + X A & B^T X \\ X B & -I \end{bmatrix} < N^T \begin{bmatrix} C^T C & 0 \\ 0 & D^T D \end{bmatrix} N$$

```
lmiterm([1 1 1 X], A',1,'s');
lmiterm([1 1 2 X], B',1);
lmiterm([1 2 2 0], -1);

lmiterm([-1 0 0 0], N);
lmiterm([-1 1 1 0], C'*C);
lmiterm([-1 2 2 0], D'*D);
```

*Close the LMI system description*

`LMIsys = getLMIs`

### Invoke the solver:

```
[tmin,xfeas] = feasp(LMIsys, ...) for feasibility
[copt,xopt] = mincx(LMIsys,c, ...) for linear objective minimization
```

### Validate the results:

```
evals = evallmi(LMIsys,decvars)
[lhs, rhs]=showlmi(LMIsys,evals)
```

### Matlab Examples:

- 1.
- 2.

$$\begin{bmatrix} -P & 0 \\ 0 & A^T P + P A \end{bmatrix} < 0$$

$$\begin{array}{ll} \min & \text{trace}(X) \\ \text{s.t.} & \begin{bmatrix} A^T X + X A + Q & X B \\ B^T X & -I \end{bmatrix} < 0 \\ & X < 0 \end{array}$$

### Introduction to YALMIP

YALMIP (Yet Another LMI Parser) is a modelling language for advanced modeling and solution of convex and nonconvex optimization problems. It is a free toolbox for MATLAB; can be downloaded from: <http://users.isy.liu.se/johanl/yalmip/>

- High-level description of the optimization problem
- Can use external solvers

**Key Commands:** `sdpvar`, `solvesdp`

**$\mathcal{H}_\infty$  Norm Computation:** Given  $G(s) = \left[ \begin{array}{c|c} A & B \\ \hline C & D \end{array} \right]$ ,  $\|G\|_\infty$  computation is equivalent to the LMI problem:

$$\begin{array}{ll} \min & \gamma \\ \text{s.t.} & \begin{bmatrix} A^T P + PA & PB & C^T \\ B^T P & -\gamma I & D^T \\ C & D & -\gamma I \end{bmatrix} < 0 \\ & P > 0 \end{array}$$