

Numerical Optimal Control

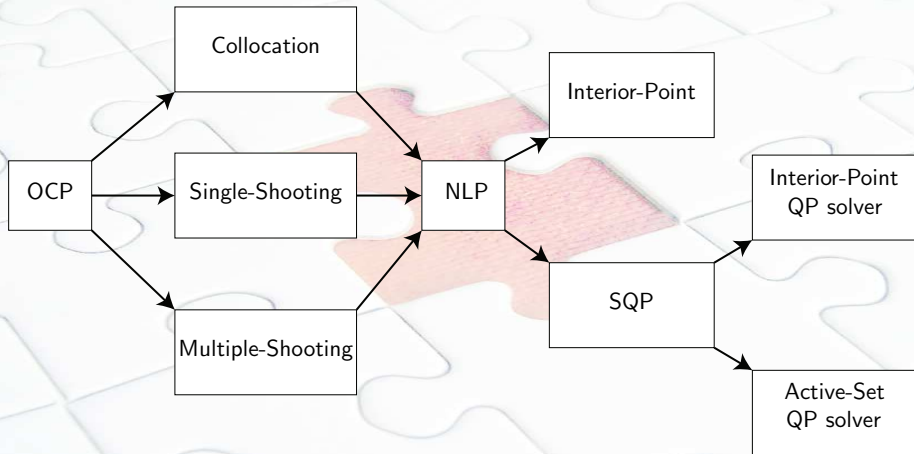
Lecture 7: QP solvers for Direct Optimal Control

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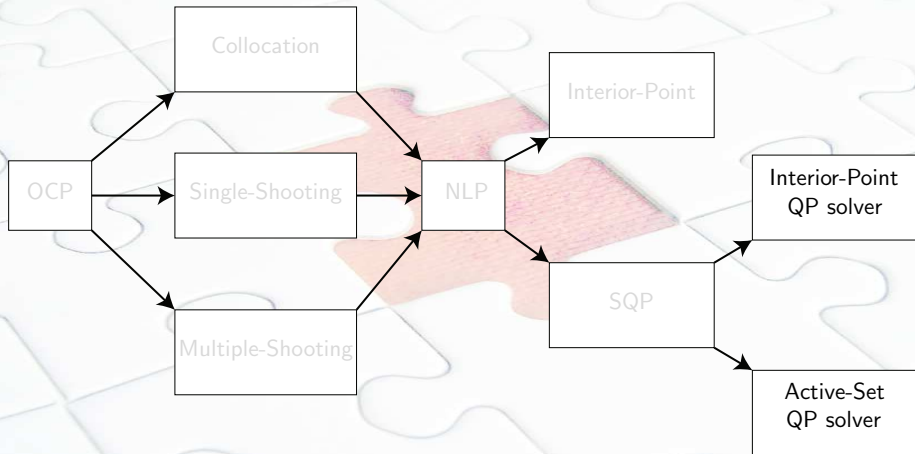
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Different problems have different features:

- Problem: small, medium, large-scale
- Horizon N : short / long
- **Inequality constraints** : simple bounds / elaborate polytopes
- Ratio #inputs / #states
- Dynamics: stable / unstable

Different features call for different QP solvers

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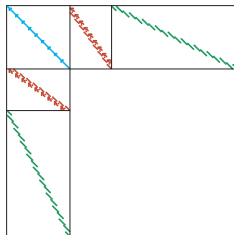
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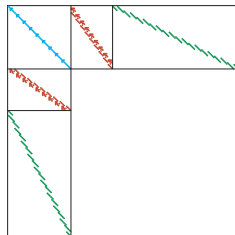
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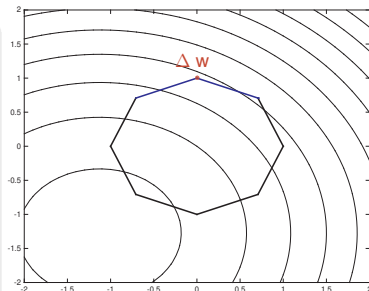
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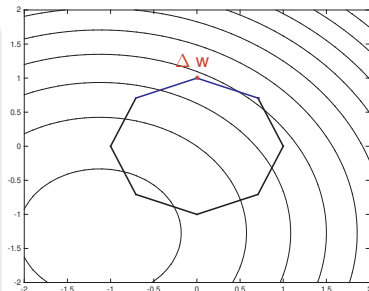
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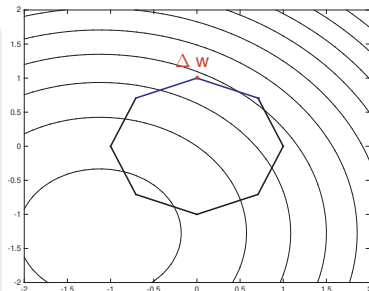
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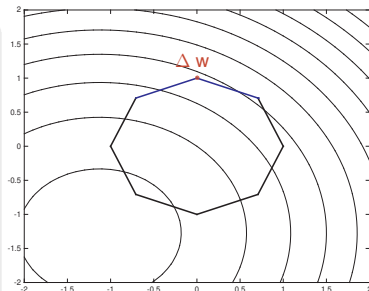
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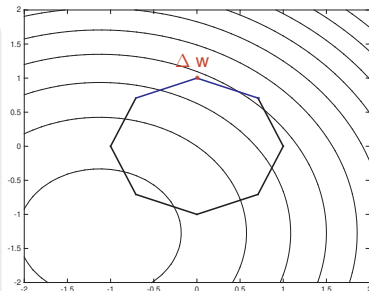
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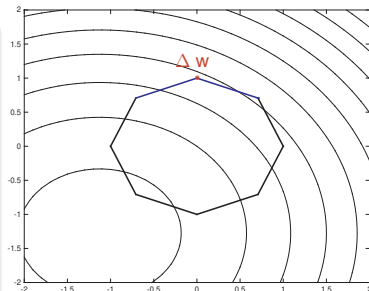
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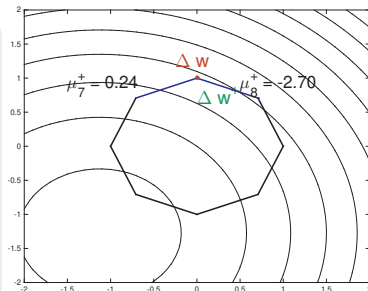


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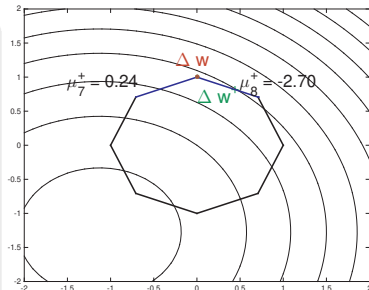


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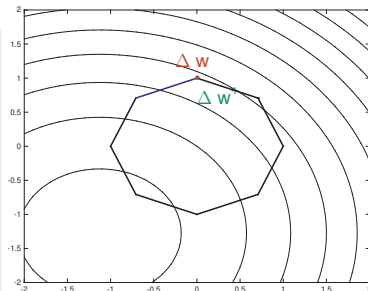


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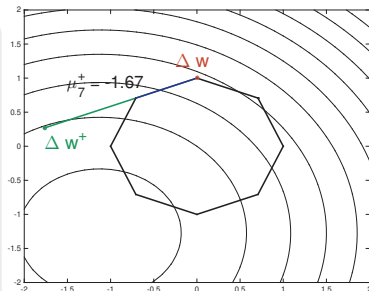


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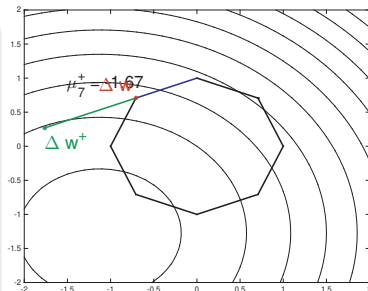


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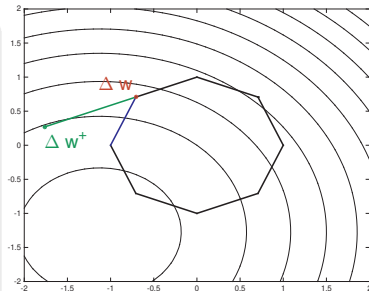


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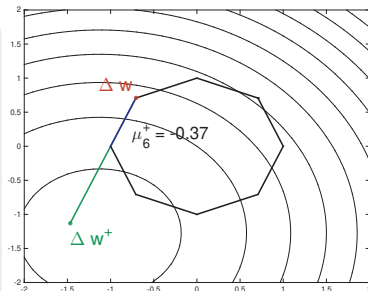


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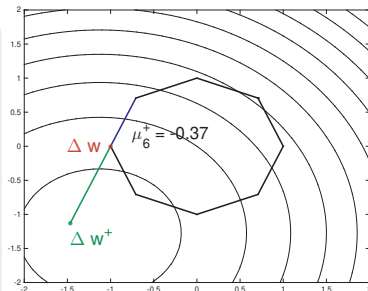


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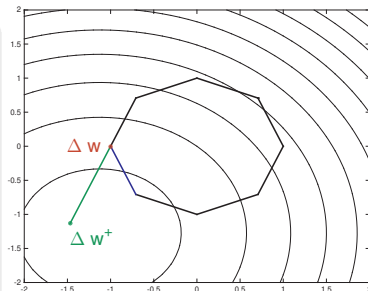


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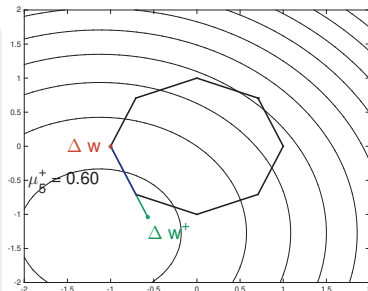


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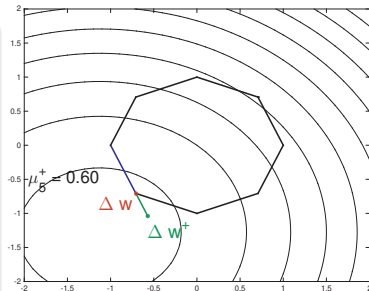


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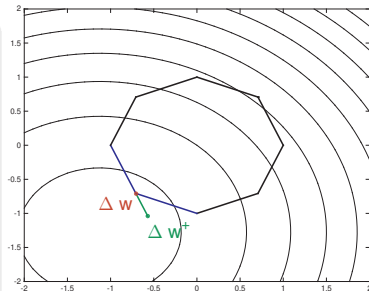


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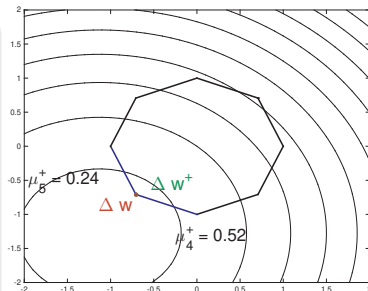


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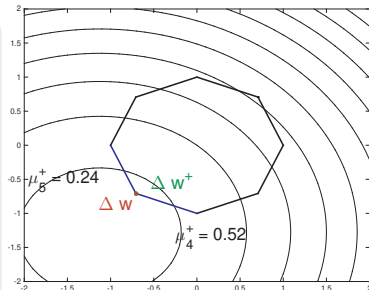


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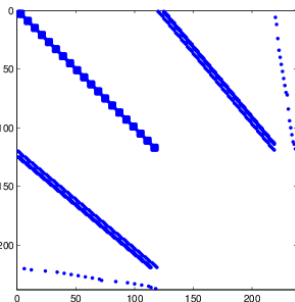
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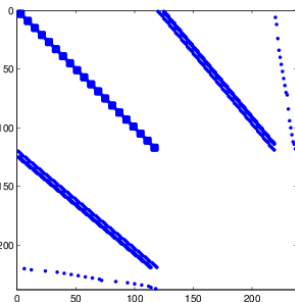
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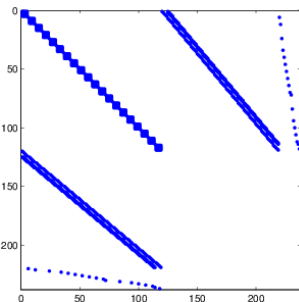
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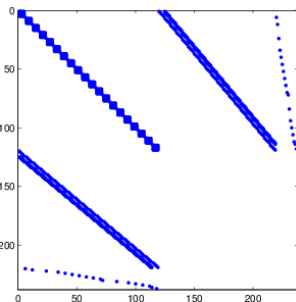
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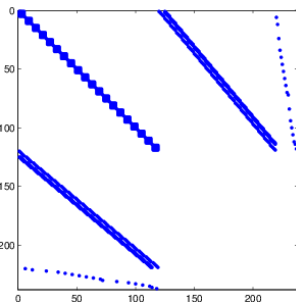
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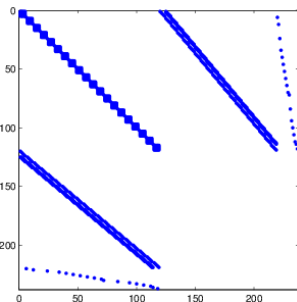
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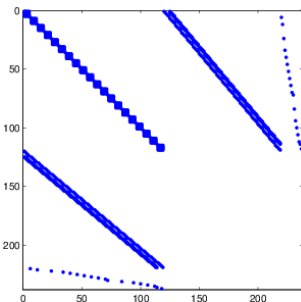
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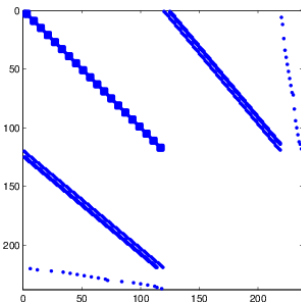
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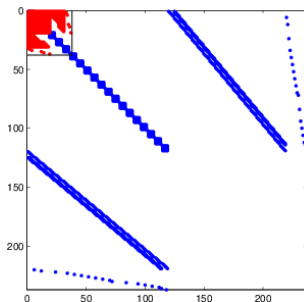
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Structure exploitation - Condensing

Iterate QP

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Example: 5 integrators, 1 input, $N = 20$
with input & state bounds, condensed

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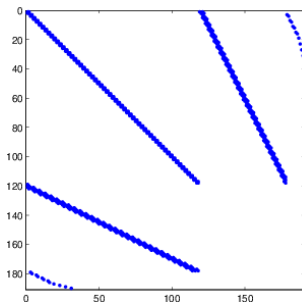
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Example: 2 integrators, 2 inputs, $N = 60$
with input & state bounds.

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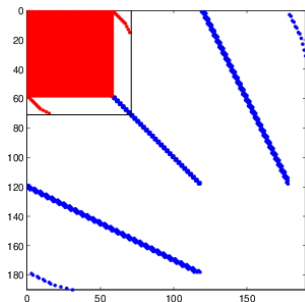
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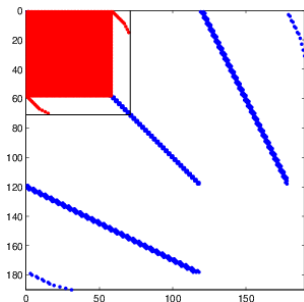


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Large/sparse QP \rightarrow **small/dense QP**, but...

- Condensing is “unstable” for locally unstable systems
- Dense factorization has cubic complexity

Unfavorable for

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- many inputs
- long horizon

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Algorithm: PD-IP for QP

Input: Guess $\Delta\mathbf{w}, \boldsymbol{\lambda}$, and $\mathbf{s}, \boldsymbol{\mu} > 0$

while $\|\mathbf{r}\|, \tau > \text{Tol}$ **do**

 Compute $\Delta\mathbf{w}^+, \dots, \mathbf{s}^+$

 Choose step-size $t \leq 1$ s.t.

$$\bullet (1-t)\mathbf{s} + t\mathbf{s}^+ > 0$$

$$\bullet (1-t)\boldsymbol{\mu} + t\boldsymbol{\mu}^+ > 0$$

$$\bullet \|\mathbf{r}\| \text{ decreases}$$

 Decrease τ with $\tau \leftarrow \gamma\tau$

return $\Delta\mathbf{w}, \boldsymbol{\lambda}, \boldsymbol{\mu}$

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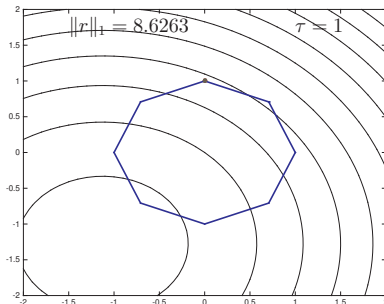
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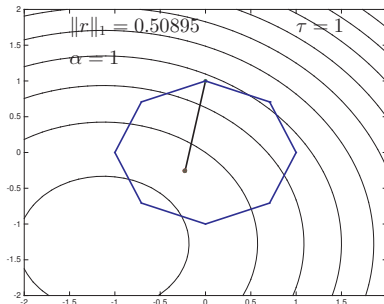
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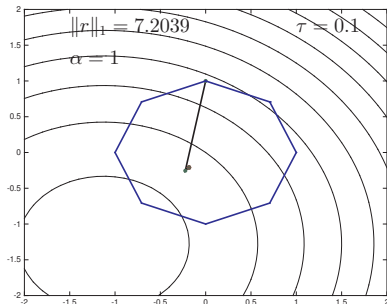
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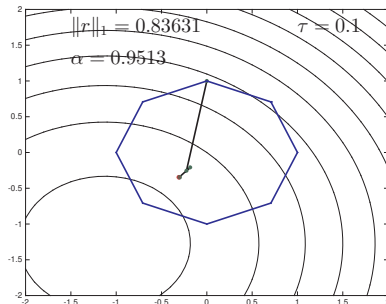
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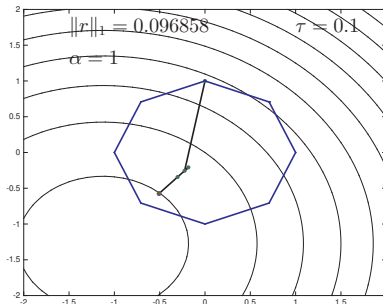
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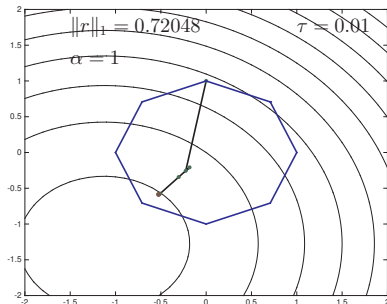
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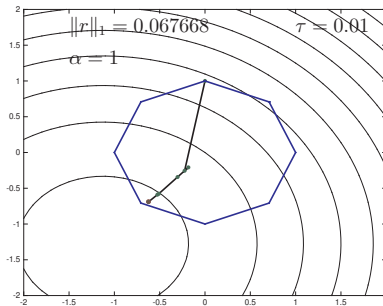
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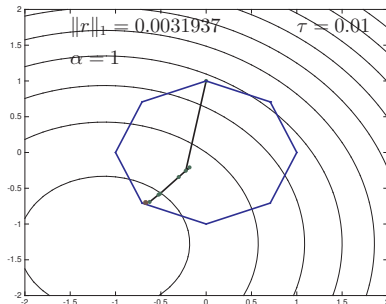
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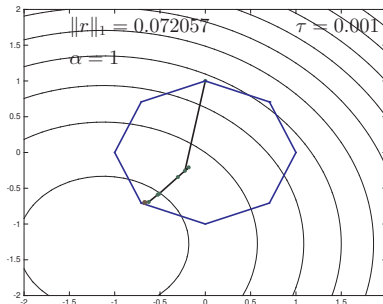
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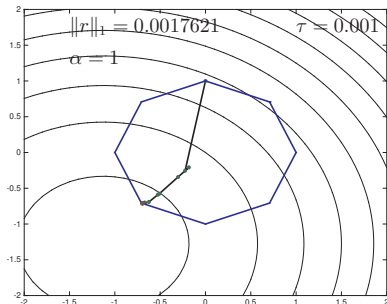
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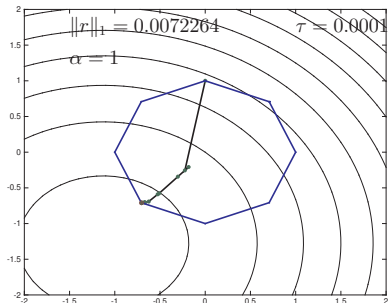
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Primal-dual Interior-Point methods for QPs

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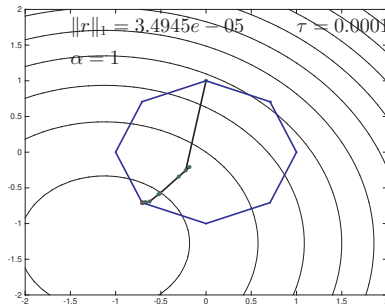
$$H\Delta\mathbf{w} + \nabla\Phi + \nabla\mathbf{g}\boldsymbol{\lambda} + \nabla\mathbf{h}\boldsymbol{\mu} = 0$$

$$\nabla\mathbf{g}^\top\Delta\mathbf{w} + \mathbf{g} = 0$$

$$\nabla\mathbf{h}^\top\Delta\mathbf{w} + \mathbf{h} + \mathbf{s} = 0$$

$$\mu_i s_i = \tau$$

$$\mathbf{s} \geq 0, \quad \boldsymbol{\mu} \geq 0$$



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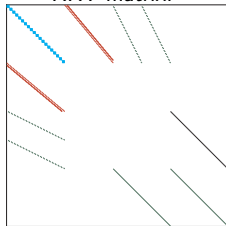
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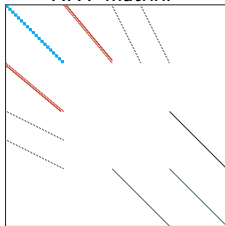


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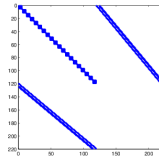
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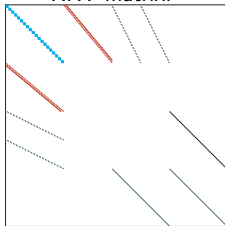
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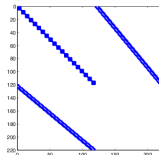
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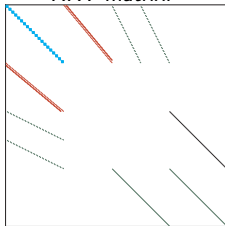
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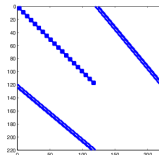
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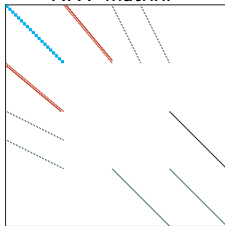
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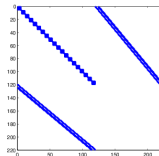
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Complexity of factorization is $N(N_x + N_u)$, i.e. linear in horizon N

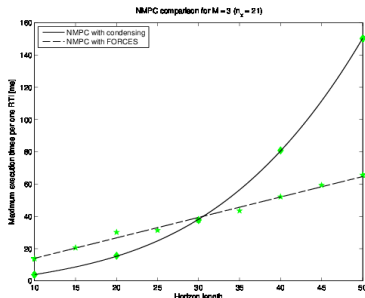
Complexity of Active set method vs. IP

Active set: **qpOASES**

VS.

IP: **Forces, HPMPC**

- Very fast for few AS changes !!
- $\# \text{ inputs} \ll \# \text{ states}$
- Beware of unstable dynamics !!
- Limited to QP
- Quadratic in N



- Speed is consistent
- $\# \text{ inputs}$ irrelevant
- Unstable dynamics ok
- Extension to convex programming
- Linear in N

QP solvers:

- qpOASES: active-set solver with homotopy strategy for AS change
- FORCES: primal-dual interior point QP solver
- HPMPC: primal-dual interior point QP solver, with efficient implementation, Riccatti factorizations.
- Fiordos: dynamics dualized, stage problems and dual problem solved via fast gradient / proximal fast gradient
- qpDUNES: dynamics dualized, stage problems solved via "prox method" (via qpOASES is non-diagonal Hessian or complex constraints). Dual problem solved via Newton.