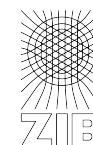




# Robust Solution Approaches for Challenging Network Optimization and Air Traffic Management Problems

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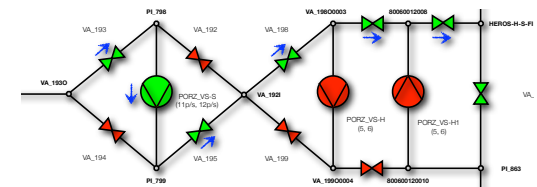
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# TRR 154 on Gas Networks

# Robust Optimization

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- and many more...

## Tractable Robust Counterparts for LP

Linear Inequality  $\bar{a}^T x \geq b$  with Polyhedral Uncertainty Set  $\{\zeta \mid D\zeta \geq d\}$

$$(\bar{a} + P\zeta)^T x \geq b \quad \forall \zeta : D\zeta \geq d \Leftrightarrow \bar{a}^T x + \min_{\{\zeta : D\zeta \geq d\}} (P^T x)^T \zeta \geq b$$

strong duality:  $\min_{\zeta} \{(P^T x)^T \zeta \mid D\zeta \geq d\} = \max_y \{d^T y \mid D^T y = P^T x, y \geq 0\} \Rightarrow$

$$\bar{a}^T x + \max_y \{d^T y \mid D^T y = P^T x, y \geq 0\} \geq b. \quad (\star)$$

duality trick from robust optimization: If  $(\star)$  is satisfied by some feasible  $y$ , then it is also for the maximum  $\Rightarrow$  skip max.

$x$  satisfies uncertain inequality iff  $\exists y$  such that  $(x, y)$  satisfies

$$\bar{a}^T x + d^T y \geq b, \quad D^T y = P^T x, \quad y \geq 0$$



## Tractable Robust Counterparts for LP (and MIP)

### Discussion

- Can easily be extended to conic uncertainty sets if strong duality holds
- Tractable robust counterparts are systems of linear inequalities over dual cones
- Integrality in problem variables  $x$  does not change such reformulations; they can still be applied.
- → Robust (mixed integer) linear optimization with 'standard' convex uncertainty sets is not (much) more difficult than the nominal problem.

## Two-Stage Robust Optimization

### Adjustable Uncertain Optimization Problem

$$\min c^T x$$

$$A_1(u)x_1 + A_2(u)x_2(u) \leq b \quad \forall u \in \mathcal{U}, \mathcal{U} \text{ convex.}$$

$x_1$ : variables on first stage, independent of  $u$ .

$x_2$ : variables on second stage, adjustable, depending on  $u$ .  $x_2(\cdot)$  is arbitrary function in  $u$ .

adjustable/two-stage robust optimization problem:

$$\min c^T x$$

$$s.t. x_1 \in \{x_1 \mid \forall u \in \mathcal{U} \exists x_2 \text{ such that } A_1(u)x_1 + A_2(u)x_2 \leq b\}$$

is already NP-hard for easy cases.

## Two-Stage Robust Optimization

### Affine Adjustability

strict robustness:  $\exists (x_1, x_2) \forall u \in \mathcal{U}$  with  $A_1(u)x_1 + A_2(u)x_2 \leq b$ ,

adjustable robustness:  $\exists x_1 \forall u \in \mathcal{U} \exists x_2$  with  $A_1(u)x_1 + A_2(u)x_2 \leq b$

restrictions on  $x_2(u)$ : often, affine adjustability is assumed:

$$x_2(u) = Qu + q, \text{ with appropriate } Q.$$

$$(AJ) \quad \min c^T x_1$$

$$A_1(u)x_1 + A_2(u)[Qu + q] \leq b \quad \forall u \in \mathcal{U}$$

- (AJ) is non-linear, but can be reformulated as positive semidefinite constraint
- result might be conservative, due to restricted adjustability.

## Overview

- Robust Approaches to Gas Networks: strict + adjustable robustness, full adjustability
- Robust Optimization in Air Traffic Management

## Robust Approaches in Energy (Networks)

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- Bacaud, Lemarechal, Renaud, Sagastizábal 2001. Bundle methods in stochastic optimal power management
- Zhao and Zeng 2012. Robust UC problem with demand response and wind energy
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  - De Wolf and Smeers 2000. (sequential linear programming approach for piecewise linearized problem)
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  - Geißler et al., 2011. (linear relaxation approach gas and water networks (with active elements))
  - Koch et al. Evaluating gas network capacities. SIAM, Philadelphia, PA, 2015. (book on modeling and optimization of gas networks, MIP/MINLP/NLP methods)
  - Ríos-Mercado and Borraz-Sánchez 2015. (survey article)
  - Gotzes et al 2016. (reduced description of passive network problem)
- ...not much out there on optimization approaches under uncertainty.

# Nomination Validation Under Uncertainty

Aßmann, L, Stingl

- gas transport model: stationary, isothermal
- the pipes' roughness values is not known precisely, has a large effect on the flow value, and can only be measured with great effort.



## Problem Statement

Is there a configuration of the active elements within the network such that there exists a feasible gas flow for each possible realization of the uncertain data?  
 solution approaches for the nominal setting: Koch et al (2015), Pfetsch et al. (2015)

## Pressure Loss in a Pipe

Horizontal pipe with pressures  $p_{\text{in}}$ ,  $p_{\text{out}}$  and flow  $q$ .

Roughness  $k \in [k_{\text{min}}, k_{\text{max}}]$  is uncertain with a nominal value of  $\hat{k}$ .

### Nominal Pressure Loss Equation

$$p_{\text{in}}^2 - p_{\text{out}}^2 = \phi(\hat{k})|q|q$$

### Pressure Loss Under Uncertainty

$$\{p_{\text{in}}^2 - p_{\text{out}}^2 = \phi(k)|q|q\}_{k \in [k_{\text{min}}, k_{\text{max}}]}$$

Since  $\phi(k)$  is monotonically increasing in  $k$ :

$$\{p_{\text{in}}^2 - p_{\text{out}}^2 = \phi|q|q\}_{\phi \in [\phi(k_{\text{min}}), \phi(k_{\text{max}})]}$$



## Robust Nomination Validation

$$\begin{array}{ll}
 \min_{p^2, q} \text{ operating costs} & \\
 \sum_{a \in \delta^+(v)} q_a - \sum_{a \in \delta^-(v)} q_a = d_v & \forall v \in V \text{ flow conservation} \\
 p_i^2 - p_j^2 = \phi_a q_a |q_a| & \forall a = (i, j) \in A, \forall \phi_a \in U_a \text{ pressure loss} \\
 p_v^2 \in [\underline{p}_v^2, \bar{p}_v^2] & \forall v \in V \text{ pressure bounds} \\
 q_a \in [\underline{q}_a, \bar{q}_a] & \forall a \in A \text{ flow bounds} \\
 \text{active elements} &
 \end{array}$$

...this is a mixed-integer two-stage robust optimization problem with a non-convex quadratic lower level.

## Some References

- **tractable robust counterpart** in sense of Ben-Tal, Nemirovski, et al. (e.g. MPS-SIAM, 2002) or Bertsimas et al. (e.g. SIAM Review, 2011): **(how) can it be applied** due to
  - non-convex character of our problem?
  - full adjustability (which decision rules?)
- robust problems **in optimal control: direct treatment of bilevel structure**; the inner (here: passive) problem is approximated (see, e.g., Diehl et al., 2006, 2008, Laas/ Ulbrich, 2017, Diehl, 2013)
  - if the inner problem is non-convex (as in our problem), these methods may fail to detect the worst-case scenario!
- further interesting related work based on **partitioning of uncertainty set** in order to cope with **full adjustability** as well as **binary variables** (Bertsimas, Dunning 2014, Postek, den Hertog, 2014, ...)

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## Linearized Pressure Loss Equation

Approximating the pressure loss equation through a piecewise linear function  $\tau(q)$  with given error  $\varepsilon > 0$ , e.g.,  
 Geißler et al. (2012):

$$\tau(q) - \varepsilon \leq \phi(\hat{k})q|q| \leq \tau(q) + \varepsilon$$

Mixed-integer linear constraints for linearized pressure loss equation:

$$\tau(q) - \varepsilon \leq p_{\text{in}}^2 - p_{\text{out}}^2 \leq \tau(q) + \varepsilon$$

### Mixed-Integer Linear Pressure Loss Under Uncertainty

With  $[c_{\min}, c_{\max}] = [\phi(\hat{k})^{-1}\phi(k_{\min}), \phi(\hat{k})^{-1}\phi(k_{\max})]$ :

$$\left\{ c(\tau(q) - \varepsilon) \leq p_{\text{in}}^2 - p_{\text{out}}^2 \leq c(\tau(q) + \varepsilon) \right\}_{c \in [c_{\min}, c_{\max}]}$$



# Pressure Loss Equation with Uncertain Scaling

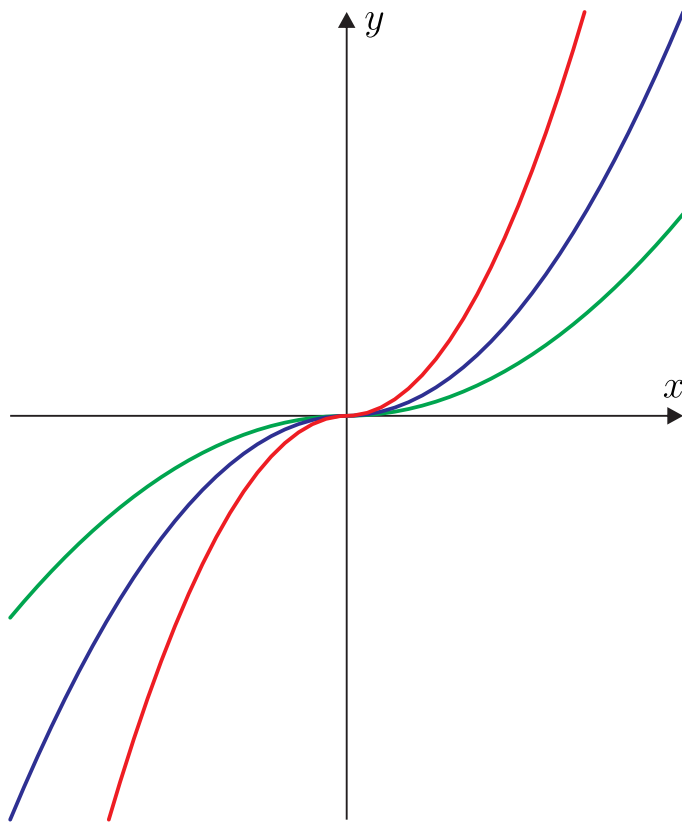


Figure : Nonlinear Function with Uncertain Scaling.

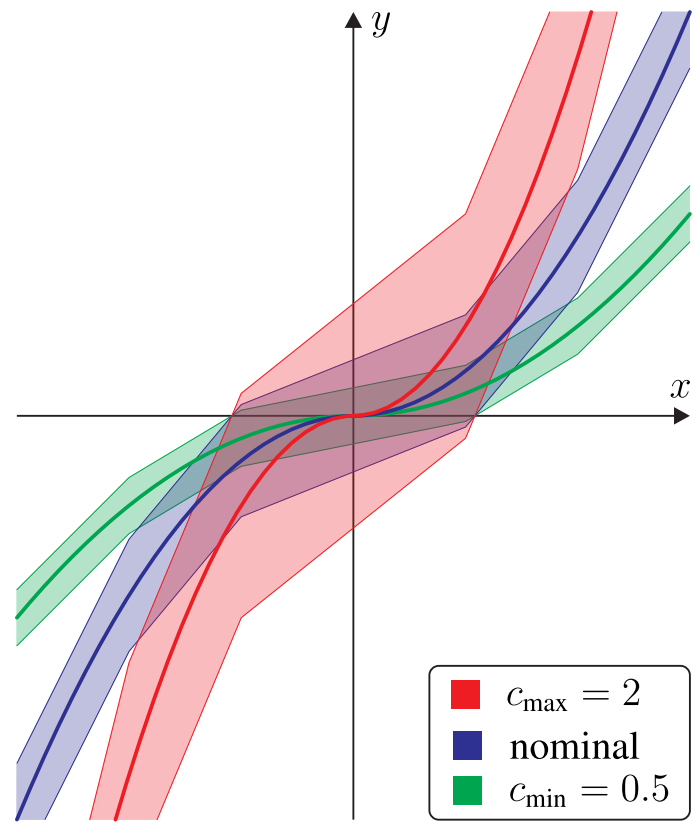


Figure : Linearization of Nonlinear Function with Uncertain Scaling.

# Strict Robust Counterpart for Robust Nomination Validation

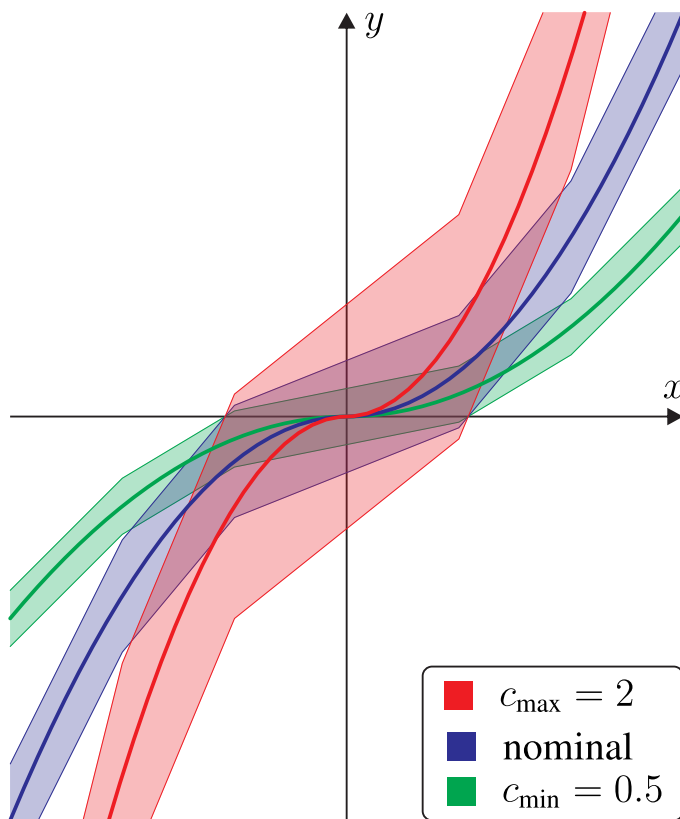


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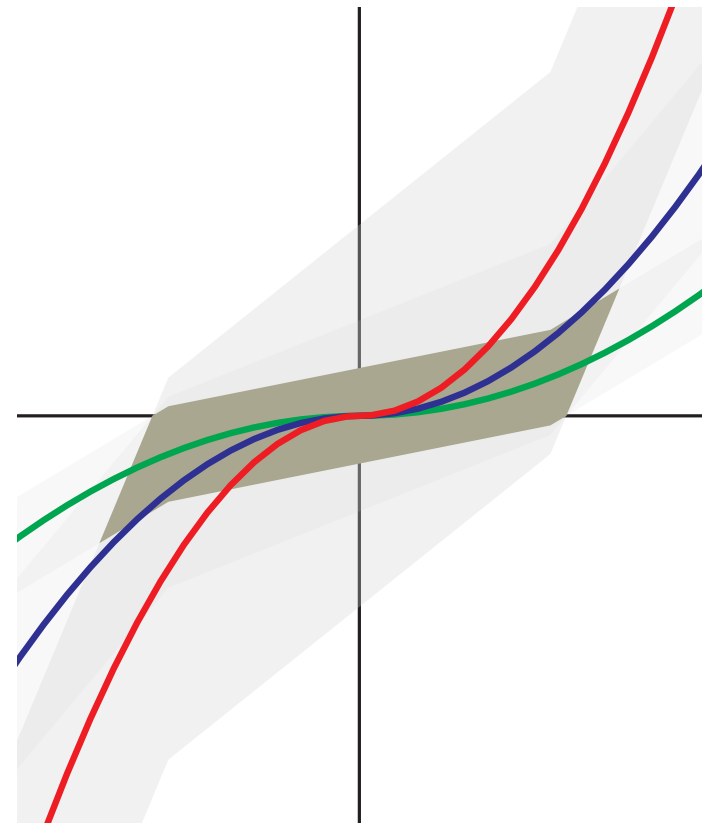
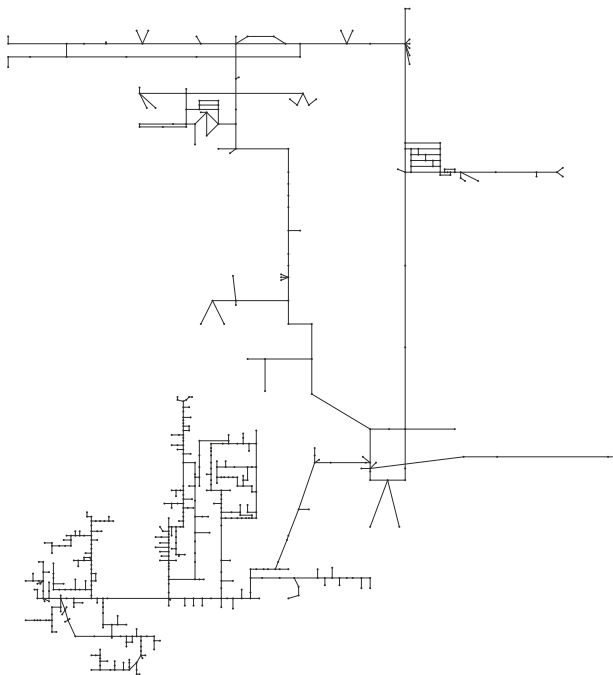


Figure : Robustification.

## Numerical Results for the Strict Robust Counterpart

For each pipe, the following uncertain roughness is assumed:

$$k_a \in [\hat{k}_a, (1 + r_{\max})\hat{k}_a].$$



$r_{\max}$	MIP obj.	MIP runtime	NLP obj.
nominal	214.22	44.25 s	444.20
0.001	214.22	236.12 s	infeas.
0.01	214.22	165.12 s	444.20
0.05	infeas.		
0.1	infeas.		
0.5	infeas.		

Table : Objective values of nominal and robustified instances.

...can be computed fast (via a MIP), but yields (too) conservative solutions.

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## Adjustable Robustness for Nomination Validation

Relaxing one of the assumptions for strict robustness leads to adjustable robustness:

- solutions must be feasible for all possible realizations of the uncertain data
- ~~variables must be fixed before uncertainty becomes known~~

→ solution can depend on the uncertain data:

“Here-and-Now” or First Stage Variables

must be fixed before the uncertainty becomes known

“Wait-and-See” or Second Stage Variables

may adjust themselves to the realized uncertainty

## Affine Adjustable Robustness for Nomination Validation

- random recourse
- assume affine linear second-stage variables  $\Rightarrow$  reformulation:
- one SDP constraint for each original constraint
- each SDP constraint has size  $(\dim(U) + 1) \times (\dim(U) + 1)$
- exact reformulation for  $\dim(U) = 1$ , approximative otherwise
- restricted adjustability of pressure and flow since the binary auxiliary variables for the piecewise linear model cannot be cast on the second stage

## Numerical Results for Affinely Adjustable Robustness

Software used: Python, MISDP plugin for SCIP (Mars, Schewe (2012))

- passive network
- linear pressure loss equation
- pressure loss equation is approximated through 8 sampling points

topology	#bin.	runtime [s]		
		mean	min	max
1 pipe	7	1.02	0.86	1.33
2 pipes	14	1.10	0.93	1.41
3 pipes	21	1.41	1.04	2.38
triangle	21	2.14	1.33	3.33
square	28	5.50	2.63	10.21
chorded square	35	15.26	5.70	36.08

## Comparison of Strict and Adjustable Models for Nomination Validation

- 5 sampling points per pressure loss equation
- uncertainty set on each arc:  $c_a \in [0.96, 2]$ ,  $a \in A$
- 6 different approximation errors:  $\varepsilon \in \{0.5, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$

topology	robustification		
	nominal	strict	adjustable
1 pipe	6	2	6
2 pipes	6	2	6
3 pipes	6	2	6
triangle	6	4	6
square	6	4	4
chorded square	6	3	4

...(somewhat) less conservative, but costly.



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# New Approach: Robustness Equals Set Containment

D. Aßmann, L. M. Stingl (FAU), J. Vera (Tilburg) <https://opus4.kobv.de/opus4-trr154/frontdoor/index/index/docId/136>

uncertain parameter  $u \in \mathcal{U} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$

problem variables  $x \in \mathbb{R}^m$

constraints  $F(u, x) \geq 0$

feasible combinations  $\mathcal{B} := \{u \in \mathcal{U}, x \in \mathbb{R}^m \mid F(u, x) \geq 0\}$

## Robust Feasibility as Set Containment

Deciding robust feasibility

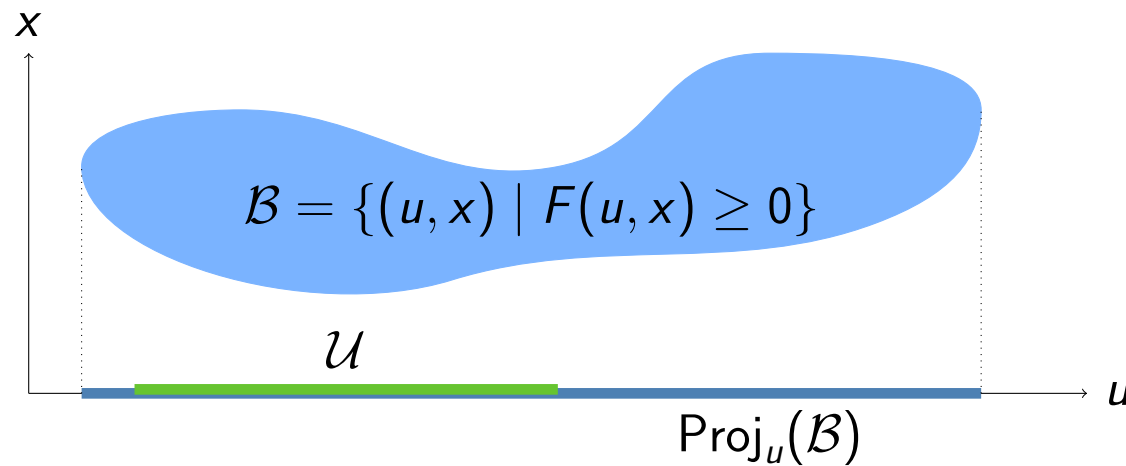
$$\forall u \in \mathcal{U} \quad \exists x \quad \text{such that} \quad F(u, x) \geq 0$$

is equivalent to set containment problem

$$\mathcal{U} \subseteq \text{Proj}_u(\mathcal{B}).$$

robust optimization: two-stage adjustable nonlinear problem w. empty first stage  
 + nonlinear/nonconvex constraints  
 + no decision rules  $\rightarrow$  full adjustability

## Solution Approach: Robustness Equals Set Containment



$$\mathcal{U} \subseteq \text{Proj}_u(\mathcal{B})?$$

## Polynomial SDP Relaxation Hierarchy

let  $K := \{x \mid g_1(x) \geq 0, \dots, g_m(x) \geq 0\}$  ( $f, g_i$  poly.):

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{x \in K} f(x) &= \sup_{\lambda \in \mathbb{R}} \lambda \text{ s.t. } f(x) - \lambda \geq 0 \quad \forall x \in K \\ &= \sup_{\lambda \in \mathbb{R}} \lambda \text{ s.t. } f(x) - \lambda \in \mathcal{P}(K) \\ &\geq \sup_{\lambda \in \mathbb{R}} \lambda \text{ s.t. } f(x) - \lambda \in \Sigma_d(K) \end{aligned}$$

- replace  $\min_{x \in K} f(x)$  with hierarchy of SDP relaxations; Sherali-Adams ('90), Lovász-Schrijver ('91), Parrilo ('00), Lasserre (2001)
- relaxation hierarchy main ideas:
  1. formulate optimization problem in terms of **nonnegative polynomials**
  2. sum of squares condition ( $p = \sum_i q_i^2$ ) can be checked easily with SDP
  3. replace nonnegativity by weaker **degree bounded SOS** formulation  
 → max degree  $2d \equiv$  level of hierarchy  $d$

## Deciding Robust Feasibility

Assume  $\mathcal{B} = \mathcal{G} \cap \mathcal{H}$ :

$$\mathcal{G} := \{u, x \mid u \in \mathcal{U}, h(u, x) = 0\}, \quad (\text{gas: flow equation})$$

$$\mathcal{H} := \{u, x \mid f_i(u, x) \geq 0, i \in I\}. \quad (\text{gas: pressure constrs.})$$

Furthermore, assume extension  $x$  for  $u \in \mathcal{U}$  is unique.

### Lemma (Elimination of Projection)

$$\mathcal{U} \subseteq \text{Proj}_u(\mathcal{B}) \iff \mathcal{G} \subseteq \mathcal{H}$$

- proof idea: exploit uniqueness of  $x$ :  $\mathcal{G} = \{u, x \mid u \in \mathcal{U}, x = x(u)\}$

### Minimize Constraints to Check Set Containment

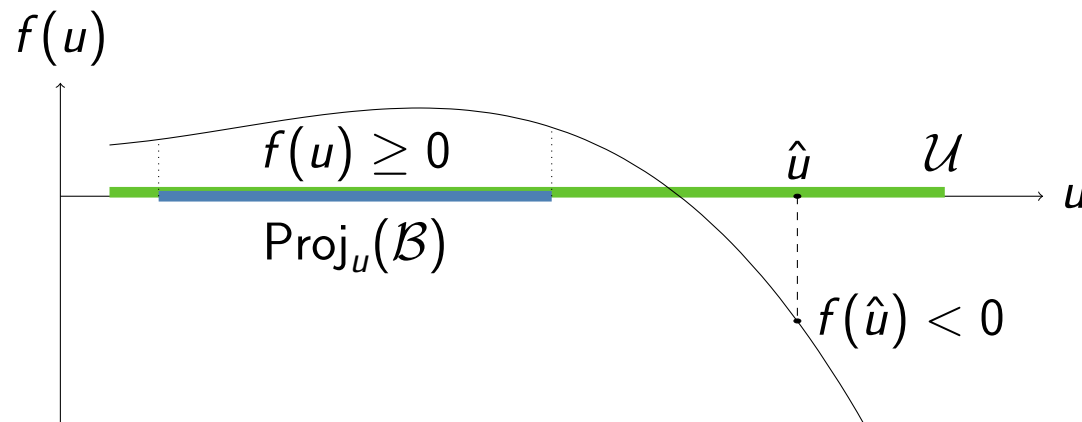
$$\mathcal{U} \subseteq \text{Proj}_u(\mathcal{B}) \iff \mathcal{G} \subseteq \mathcal{H}$$

$$\iff \inf_{(u,x) \in \mathcal{G}} f_i(u, x) \geq 0 \quad (\forall i \in I)$$

$\implies$  global optimal solutions needed, use polynomial optimization

## Deciding Robust Infeasibility

- infeasible iff.  $\mathcal{U} \not\subseteq \text{Proj}_u(\mathcal{B}) \iff \mathcal{U} \setminus \text{Proj}_u(\mathcal{B}) \neq \emptyset$
- idea: find function  $f$  that is non-negative on  $\text{Proj}_u(\mathcal{B})$  and negative on  $\mathcal{U} \setminus \text{Proj}_u(\mathcal{B})$



- as optimization problem, objective  $-\infty$  iff. robust infeasible:

$$\inf_{f,u} \left\{ f(u) \mid \begin{array}{l} u \in \mathcal{U} \\ f \in \{f \mid f(u) \geq 0 \quad \forall u \in \text{Proj}_u(\mathcal{B})\} \end{array} \right\}$$

- any feasible  $f$  with  $f(u) < 0$  certifies violation of set containment

## Polynomial Approximation of Robust Infeasibility Problem

- abstract problem:  $\inf \{f(u) \mid u \in \mathcal{U}, f \geq 0 \text{ on } \text{Proj}_u(\mathcal{B})\}$
- restrict functions to **nonnegative polynomials**  $p$  over  $\text{Proj}_u(\mathcal{B})$ , approximate with **sum of square polynomials**
- replace  $p(u)$  with weaker  $\int_{\mathcal{U}} p d\mu = \int_{\mathcal{U}} \sum_{\alpha} p_{\alpha} u^{\alpha} d\mu = \sum_{\alpha} p_{\alpha} \int_{\mathcal{U}} u^{\alpha} d\mu$   
 $\rightarrow$  requires moments  $\int_{\mathcal{U}} u^{\alpha} d\mu$

### Lemma (Elimination of Projection)

The following problems have same objective value:

$$(1) \quad \inf_p \sum_{\alpha} p_{\alpha} \int_{\mathcal{U}} u^{\alpha} d\mu$$

$$p \in \mathcal{P}[\text{Proj}_u(\mathcal{B})]$$

$$(2) \quad \inf_{\tilde{p}} \sum_{\alpha, \beta} \tilde{p}_{\alpha, \beta} \int_{\mathcal{U}} u^{\alpha} x^{\beta} d\mu$$

$$\tilde{p}_{\alpha, \beta} = 0 \quad \forall \beta \neq 0$$

$$\tilde{p} \in \mathcal{P}[\mathcal{B}]$$

# Deciding Robustness for Nomination Validation in Gas Networks

- lots of absolute values due to pressure drop equation:

$$\pi_i - \pi_j = \phi_a q_a |q_a|$$

( $\pi$  denote squared pressures)

- trees: no absolute values ✓
  - one cycle: partitions of  $\mathcal{U}$  allow elimination of  $|\cdot|$  ✓
  - $\geq$  one cycle(s): binaries + bigM, case distinction



## The Passive Nomination Validation Problem

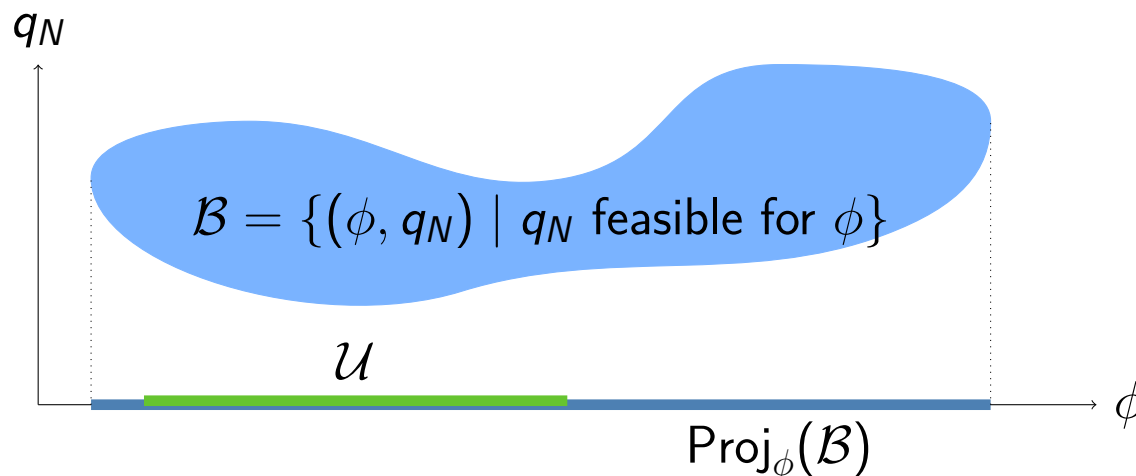
- eliminate variables (Gotzes et al. (2016))  $\rightarrow$  only cycle flows  $q_N$  remaining
- set of feasible (roughness, flow)-tuples:

$$\mathcal{B} := \left\{ \phi \in \mathcal{U}, q_N \in \mathbb{R}^{|M|} \mid \begin{array}{l} \mathcal{A}_N^T g(\phi, q_N) = \text{diag}(\phi_N) q_N |q_N| \\ \pi_i + g_i(\phi, q_N) \leq \pi_j + g_j(\phi, q_N) \quad \forall i, j \in V \end{array} \right\}$$

- $g_i(\phi, q_N)$  is aggregated pressure drop between root node and node  $i \in V$

Robust feasible if and only if:

$$\mathcal{U} \subseteq \text{Proj}_\phi(\mathcal{B}) = \{ \phi \mid \exists q_N : (\phi, q_N) \in \mathcal{B} \}.$$



## Deciding Robust Feasibility on Tree Networks is Easy!

- tree  $G$ , root  $r$ , arcs directed away from  $r$ ; no cycle  $\rightarrow$  no  $q_N$

$$\mathcal{B} := \{ \phi \in \mathcal{U} \mid \underline{\pi}_i + g_i(\phi) \leq \bar{\pi}_j + g_j(\phi) \quad \forall i, j \in V \}$$

with

$$g_i(\phi) = \sum_{a \in \text{Path}(r, i)} \phi_a \underbrace{q_a^2}_{\text{const!}}$$

- robust feasible iff.  $\mathcal{U} \subseteq \text{Proj}_\phi(\mathcal{B}) = \mathcal{B}$
- set containment (polyhedral  $\mathcal{U}$ ) can be checked with LPs (Mangasarian (2002))

### Lemma

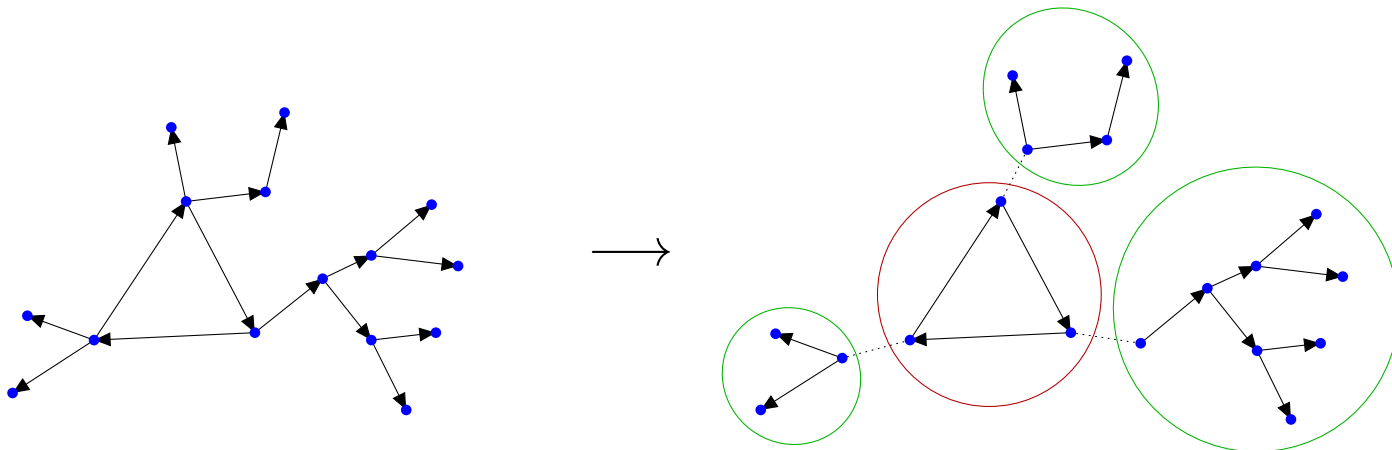
*Given a tree  $G$ , the gas network problem is robust feasible if and only if*

$$\pi_r \in [\underline{\pi}_r^*, \bar{\pi}_r^*]$$

*where  $\underline{\pi}_r^*, \bar{\pi}_r^*$  are optimal values of two LPs.*

## Extension to Tree + Edge Networks

- add edge to tree topology  $\rightarrow$  cycle is created
- decompose graph into **cycle** and **subtrees**
- determine condition for robust feasibility of all subtrees
- remove trees and update pressure bounds of cycle nodes



$\rightarrow$  computational complexity mostly depends on size of **cycle**

## Numerical Experiments: Test Instances

- focus on cycle network, preprocess attached trees
- instance: cycle with  $n = 2, \dots, 7$  nodes
- variable uncertainty set:

$$\mathcal{U}(c) := \times_{a \in A} [1, c]$$

- two special sets:

$$\mathcal{U}_{\text{feas}} := \mathcal{U}(2)$$

$$\mathcal{U}_{\text{infeas}} := \mathcal{U}(4)$$

## Deciding Robust Feasibility

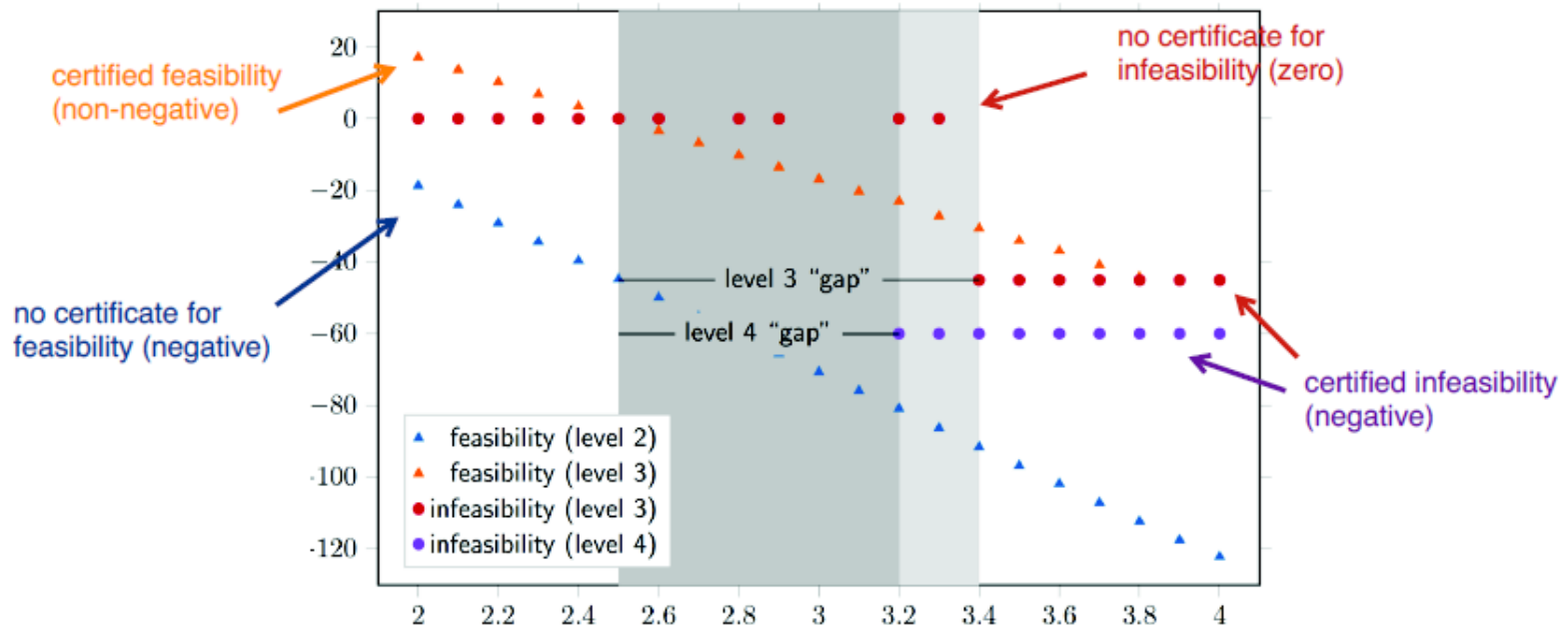
- application of feasibility method (minimization) to  $\mathcal{U}_{\text{feas}}$

nodes	I	# success at level			mean runtime		
		2	3	4	2	3	4
2	2	1	1	0	0.03 s	0.04 s	0.11 s
3	6	5	1	0	0.04 s	0.11 s	0.61 s
4	12	11	1	0	0.05 s	0.32 s	3.90 s
5	20	19	1	0	0.08 s	1.23 s	26.68 s
6	30	29	1	0	0.15 s	4.53 s	148.40 s
7	42	42	0	0	0.24 s	15.72 s	809.94 s

→ almost all subproblems confirm set containment at level 2

# Strength of Robust Feasibility and Infeasibility Methods

- vary uncertainty set  $U(c) = \times_{a \in A} [1, c]$  for  $c \in [2, 4]$  on problem 4



- remark: 'gap' may be further tightened by driving level  $d$  up ...

## Conclusions

- (affinely) adjustable robust optimization is too conservative
- full adjustability:
- use polynomial optimization to decide robustness
  - separate methods for feasibility / infeasibility
  - gas: tree, tree+edge topologies: easy (LP)
  - gas: complexity in size of cycle

## Difficulty of the Problem

We face a robust

	potential simplification
mixed-integer	continuous (passive networks)
two-level optimization problem with	single-level, affine adjustability, etc.
non-convex quadratic lower level	piecewise-linear relaxed lower level



# Two-Stage Robust Gas Network Operation with Compressors

Assmann, L, Stingl

Assumptions: no compressor in a cycle, compressor changes squared pressures

$$\pi_v - \pi_u = \Delta_a, \Delta_a \in [\underline{\Delta}_a, \overline{\Delta}_a] \subseteq \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}, \quad (u, v) = a \in A_{cs}$$

cost-minimum operation of compressors yields:

$$\begin{aligned} \min w^T \Delta \\ \mathcal{A}^+ q &= q^{\text{nom}+}, \\ \mathcal{A}^{+T} \pi &= F(\phi, q, \Delta), \\ \Delta &\in [\underline{\Delta}, \overline{\Delta}] \subseteq \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}^{|A_{cs}|} \\ \pi &\in [\underline{\pi}, \overline{\pi}] \subseteq \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}^{|V|}, \\ q &\in \mathbb{R}^{|A|}. \end{aligned} \quad F_a(\phi, q, \Delta) = \begin{cases} -\phi_a q_a |q_a| & \text{if } a \in A_{pi}, \\ \Delta_a & \text{if } a \in A_{cs}. \end{cases}$$

## Two-Stage Robust Gas Network Operation with Compressors

explicit algebraic description of feasible set (Gotzes et al. (2016)) can be generalized by compressors  $\Rightarrow$

$$\min_{\Delta} \{w^{\top}(\Delta) \mid \exists \Delta \in \mathbb{R}^{n_1} \forall u \in U \exists y \in \mathbb{R}^{n_2} \text{ with } g(y, u) = 0, h(\Delta, y, u) \leq 0\},$$

1.  $g(y, u) = 0$  admit a unique flow-pressure solution  $y^*(u)$  for all  $u \in \mathcal{U}$ .
2.  $h(\Delta, y, u) \leq 0$  are separable:  $h(\Delta, y, u) = s(\Delta) + t(y, u)$ .

### Lemma

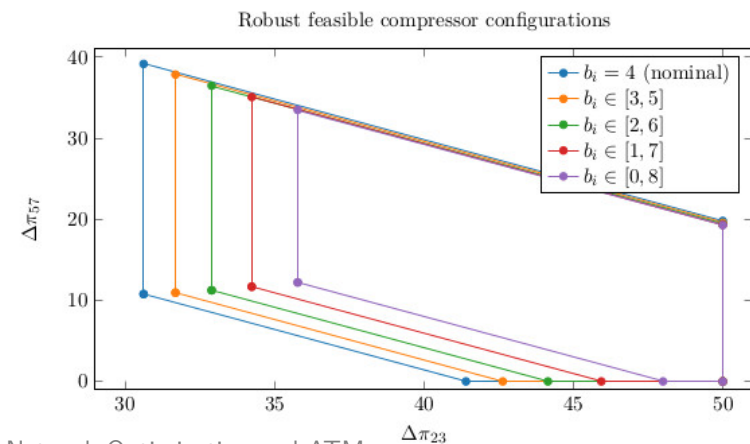
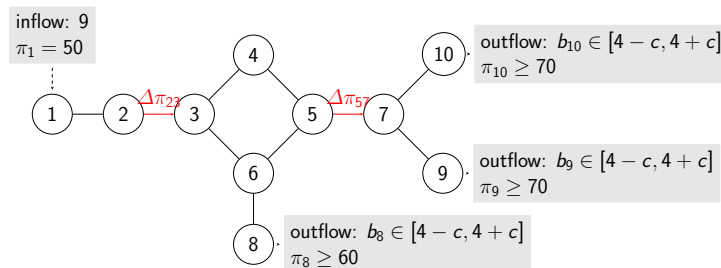
*The set of feasible first stage decisions  $\Delta$  is given by*

$$\{\Delta \in \mathbb{R}^{n_1} \mid s(\Delta) \leq b\}, \text{ with}$$

$$b_i = -\max_{u \in \mathcal{U}} \{t_i(y, u) \mid g(y, u) = 0, y \in \mathbb{R}^{n_2}\}.$$

## Algorithmically Tractable Version of the Problem

- replace in the computation of  $b_i$  all non-convex functions by piecewise relaxations (overestimators)
- leads to somewhat more conservative solutions, while preserving robust feasibility
- two-stage robust problem then can be solved simply as a mixed-integer linear problem!
- running times  $< 0.01s$  for net10



## Summary up to now

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## Overview

- Robust Approaches to Gas Networks: strict + adjustable robustness, full adjustability
- Robust Optimization in Air Traffic Management

# Robust Pre-Tactical Planning Air Traffic Management

Hupp, Kapolke, L, Martin, Weismantel

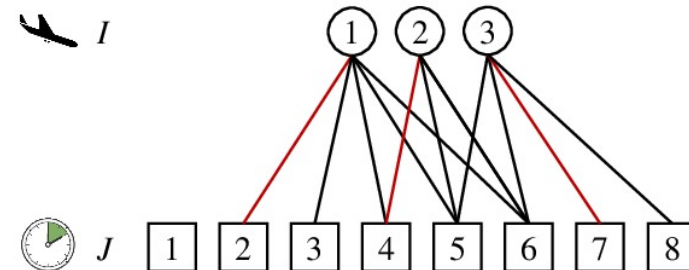
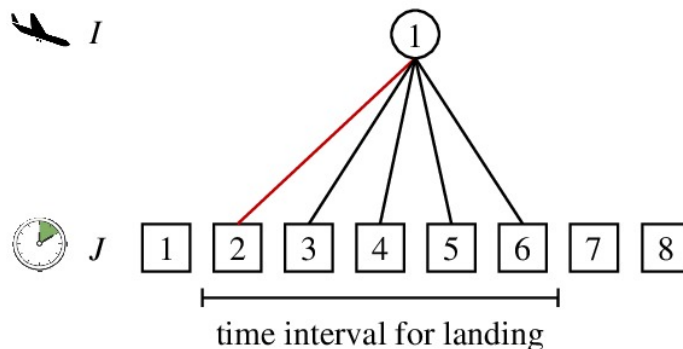


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⇒ optimization of runway utilization is one of the main challenges in ATM  
goal: runway schedules that are robust against uncertainties

## Pre-Tactical Planning Phase

- assign aircraft to time windows
- for each aircraft: possible time interval for landing

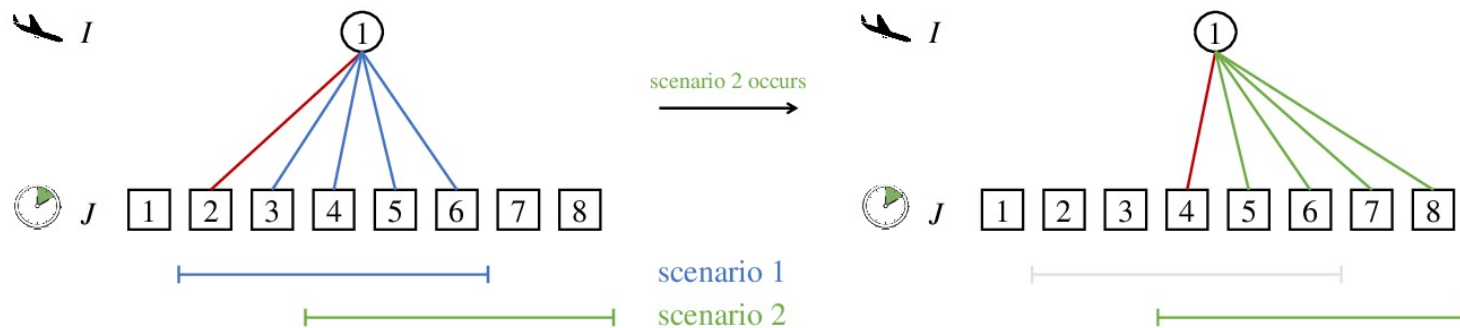


objective:

maximize punctuality i.e. minimize deviation from the (published) flight plan

# Pre-Tactical Planning Phase

uncertainty: time interval for landing



⇒ if scenario 2 occurs, plan of scenario 1 might become infeasible

⇒ the aircraft may need to be replanned



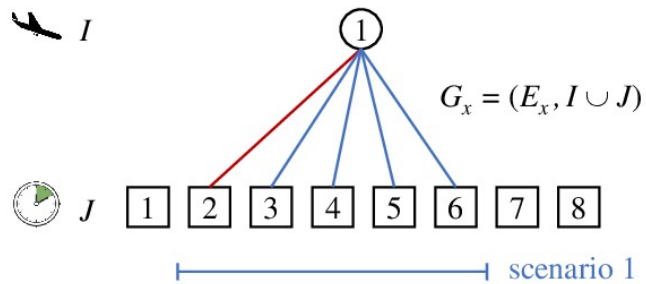
## Modelling Issues for Robust Pre-Tactical Planning

- fairness
- (recoverable) robust optimization for the plans made the evening before, say
- fast algorithms for recovery actions during operation in case of large disturbances

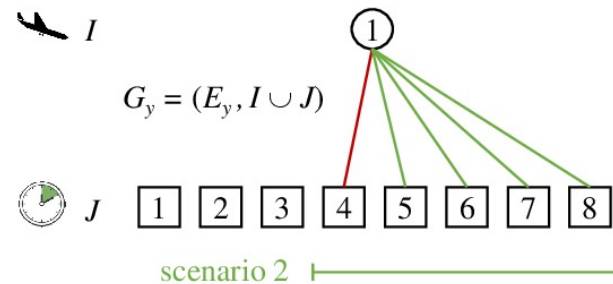
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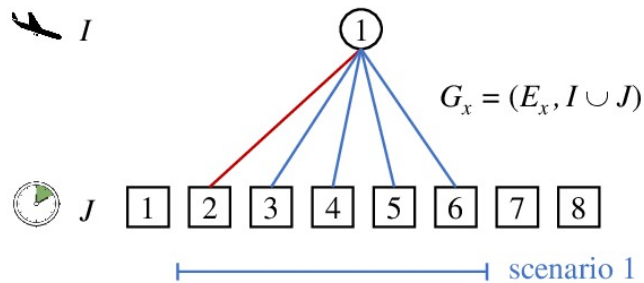
second stage:



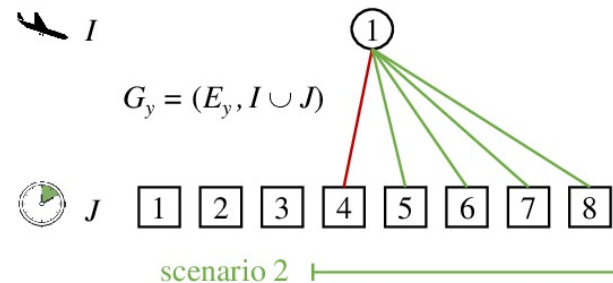
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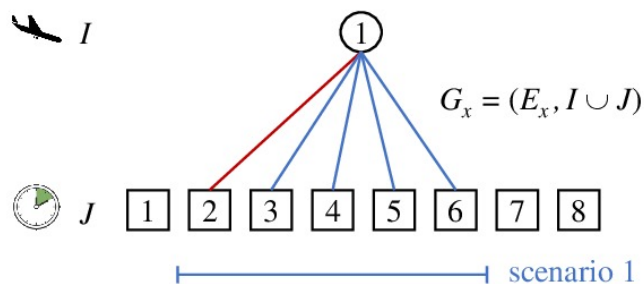
$$x_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if aircraft } i \text{ is assigned to time window } j \text{ on the } \mathbf{first\ stage} \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$y_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if aircraft } i \text{ is assigned to time window } j \text{ on the } \mathbf{second\ stage} \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

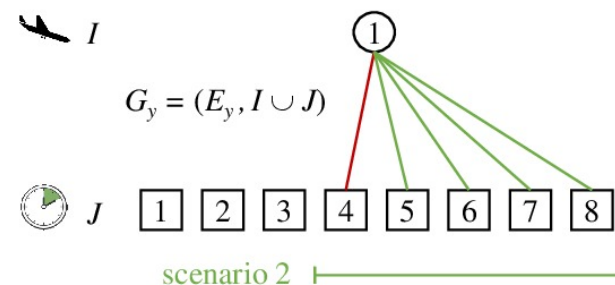
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For reasons of fairness: restrict replanning for each aircraft by at most  $r$

first stage:



second stage:



Special knapsack constraint for **each** aircraft:

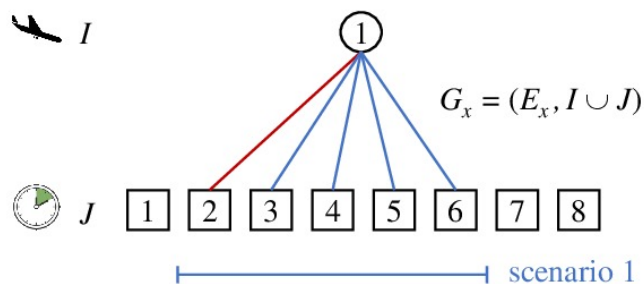
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$x_{ij} \in \{0, 1\}$  first stage variables,  $y_{ij} \in \{0, 1\}$  second stage variables

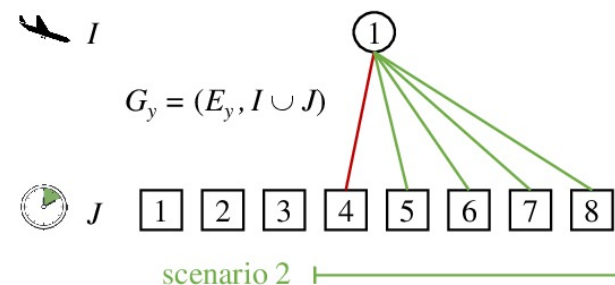
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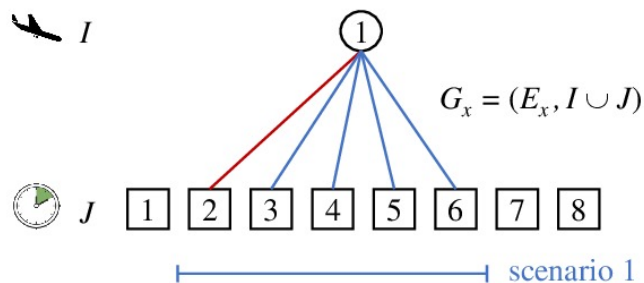
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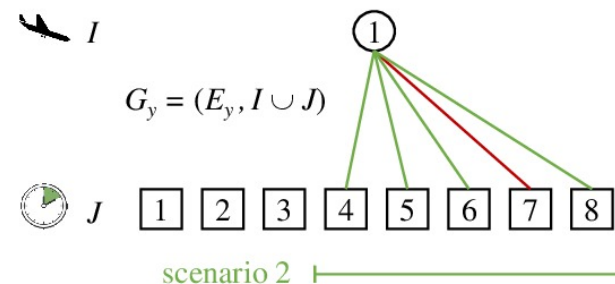
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## (Towards) robust bipartite $b$ -Matching Problem (RMP)

- minimize deviation from scheduled times
- assign each aircraft to one time window on the first and second stage
- assign at most  $b$  aircraft to a time window
- restrict replanning action

## Robust bipartite $b$ -Matching Problem (RMP)

$$\min_{x,y} \sum_{(i,j) \in E_x} c_{ij}^x x_{ij} + \sum_{(i,j) \in E_y} c_{ij}^y y_{ij}$$

$$\sum_{\substack{j \in J: \\ (i,j) \in E_x}} x_{ij} = 1, \quad \sum_{\substack{j \in J: \\ (i,j) \in E_y}} y_{ij} = 1 \quad \forall i \in I \quad (\text{aircraft})$$

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$$\left| \sum_{\substack{j \in J: \\ (i,j) \in E_x}} j \cdot x_{ij} - \sum_{\substack{j \in J: \\ (i,j) \in E_y}} j \cdot y_{ij} \right| \leq r_i \quad \forall i \in I \quad (\text{replanning constraints})$$

$$x_e, y_f \in \{0, 1\} \quad \forall e \in E_x, f \in E_y$$



## Mixed Integer Reformulations

- Approach [Bader,Hildebrand,Weismantel,Zenklusen (2016)]
- Solve:

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Given: Polyhedron  $P = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid Ax \leq b\}$ ,  $A, b$  integral

Goal: Find  $W \in \mathbb{Z}^{k \times n}$

$$\text{conv}(\{x \in P \mid x \in \mathbb{Z}^n\}) = \text{conv}(\{x \in P \mid Wx \in \mathbb{Z}^k\})$$

- $k$  instead of  $n$  integrality constraints

## Affine TU Decomposition of Matrix $A$ :

$A, \bar{A}, U, W$  integer matrices

$$A = \bar{A} + UW$$

such that

$$\begin{pmatrix} \bar{A} \\ W \end{pmatrix}$$

is totally unimodular (TU).

**Theorem [Bader, Hildebrand, Weismantel, Zenklusen (2016)]:**

Let

$$P = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid Ax \leq b\},$$

$A = \bar{A} + UW$  be affine TU decomposition,

then

$$\text{conv}(\{x \in P \mid x \in \mathbb{Z}^n\}) = \text{conv}(\{x \in P \mid Wx \in \mathbb{Z}^k\}).$$

## Robust bipartite $b$ -Matching Problem with One Replanning Constraint for All Aircraft (RMP1)

$$\min_{x,y} \sum_{ij \in E_x} c_{ij}^x x_{ij} + \sum_{ij \in E_y} c_{ij}^y y_{ij}$$

$$\sum_{\substack{j \in J: \\ (i,j) \in E_x}} x_{ij} = 1, \quad \sum_{\substack{j \in J: \\ (i,j) \in E_y}} y_{ij} = 1 \quad \forall i \in I \quad (\text{aircraft} \rightarrow M)$$

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$$\left| \sum_{i \in I} \sum_{\substack{j \in J: \\ (i,j) \in E_x}} j \cdot x_{ij} - \sum_{i \in I} \sum_{\substack{j \in J: \\ (i,j) \in E_y}} j \cdot y_{ij} \right| \leq r \quad (\text{sum of replannings} \rightarrow R)$$

$$x_e, y_f \in \{0, 1\} \quad \forall e \in E_x, f \in E_y$$

# Affine TU Decomposition for RMP1 with One Replanning Constraint

Goal: affine TU decomposition

$$\begin{pmatrix} M \\ R \end{pmatrix} = \bar{A} + UW \quad \text{and} \quad \begin{pmatrix} \bar{A} \\ W \end{pmatrix} \text{ is TU.}$$

(work in progress.)

## Conclusions

- tradeoff between conservatism and algorithmic tractability can nicely be seen in gas network operation.
- full adjustability via polynomial optimization
- (or via piecewise linearization when compressors are involved, with somewhat increased conservatism)
- affine TU decompositions can successfully be applied for pretactical planning under uncertainty.

Thank you very much!