

Gas Network Topology Optimization

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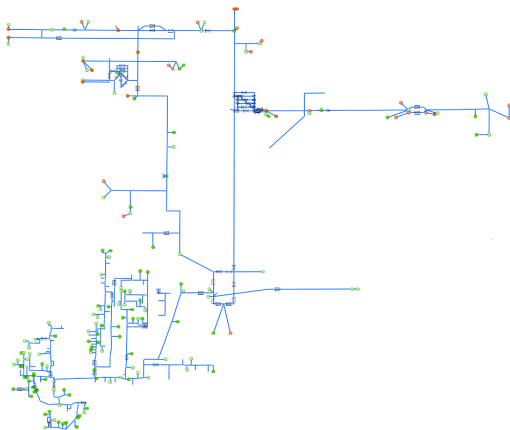
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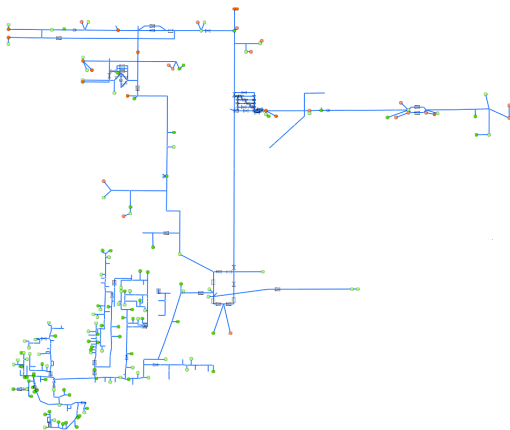
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Given: Gas network $G = (V, A)$

- ▷ nodes
 - ▶ sources
 - ▶ sinks
 - specified gas flow
 - ▶ innodes
- ▷ pipes
 - resistors
 - nonlinear
- ▷ valves
 - control valves
 - compressor stations
 - binary variables
- ▷ MINLP-model



Given:

- ▷ Infeasible scenario

Goal:

- ▷ Feasibility due to cost optimal loop extensions
- ▷ loops = building new pipes in parallel to existing ones

Loop impact:

- ▷ Reduce pressure loss / more flow along a pipe

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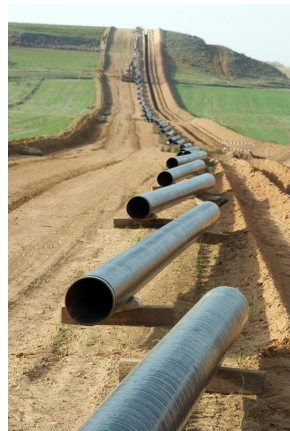
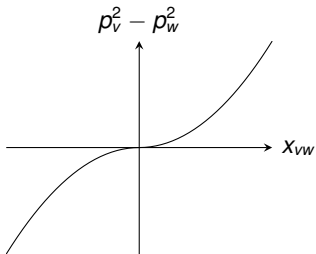
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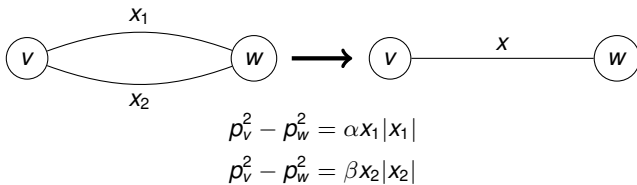
$$p_v^2 - p_w^2 = \underbrace{\frac{L_{vw} C_{vw}}{D_{vw}^5}}_{\alpha_{vw}} x_{vw} |x_{vw}|$$

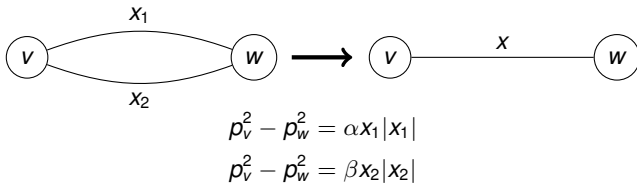
p_v, p_w inlet & outlet pressure

$\alpha_{vw} > 0$ weymouth constant

x_{vw} flow

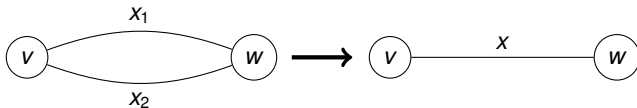






Transformation to an equivalent single equation for the aggregated flow $x = x_1 + x_2$:

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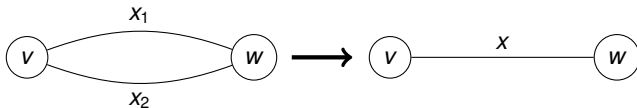
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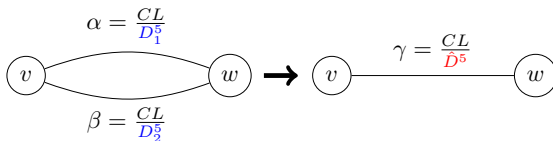
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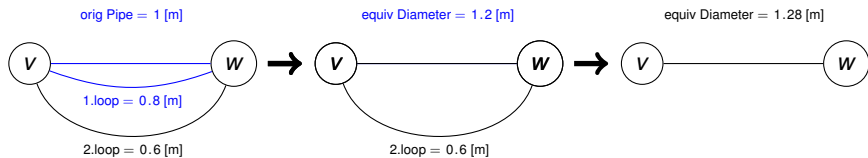
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Calculate an equivalent diameter of two parallel pipes:



$$\gamma = \frac{\beta\alpha}{(\sqrt{\beta} + \sqrt{\alpha})^2} \Rightarrow \boxed{\hat{D} = \left(D_1^{5/2} + D_2^{5/2} \right)^{2/5}}$$



Given:

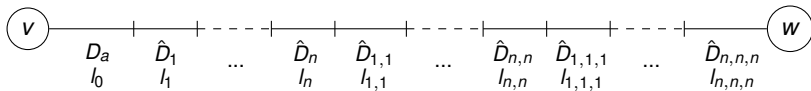
- ▷ Pipe with original diameter D_a
- ▷ Diameter candidates $\{D_1, \dots, D_n\}$

Calculation of equivalent diameters:

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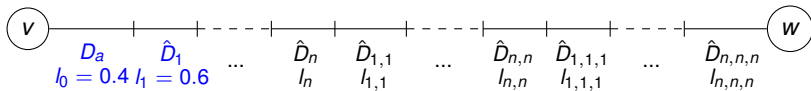
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$$\hat{D}_1 := eq(D_a, D_a)$$

single loop

$$\hat{D}_2 := eq(\hat{D}_1, D_a)$$

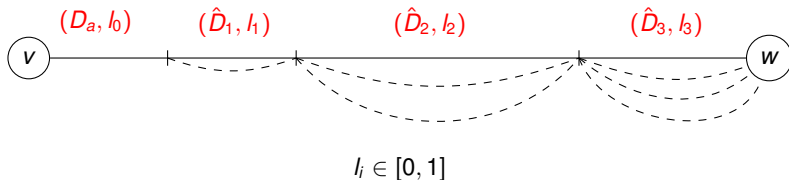
double loops

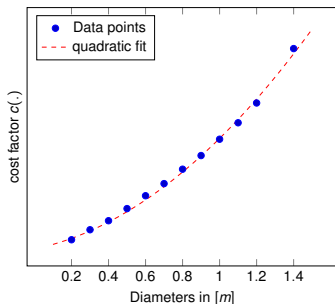
$$\hat{D}_3 := eq(\hat{D}_2, D_a)$$

triple loops

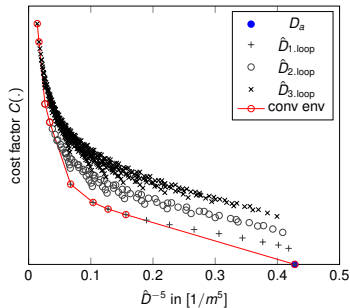
$$\hat{D}_k := eq(\hat{D}_{k-1}, D_a) = \boxed{(k+1)^{2/5} D_a}$$

k loops





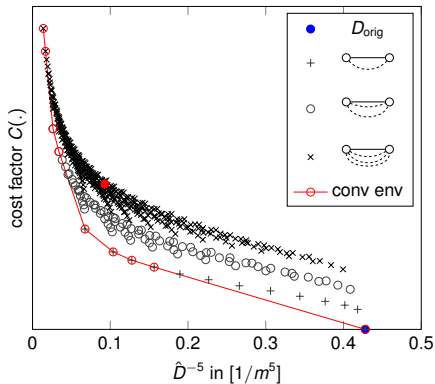
Diameter Candidates



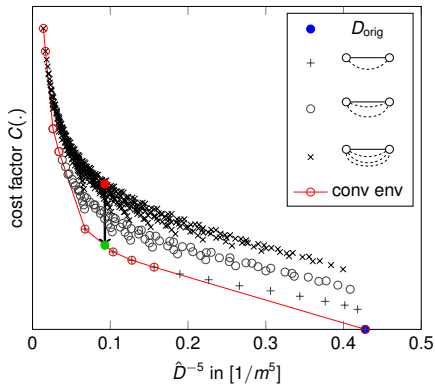
"Lower Part" of Convex Hull

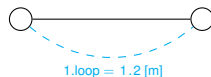
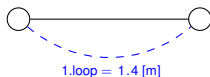
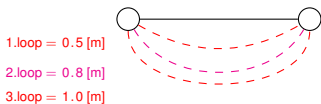
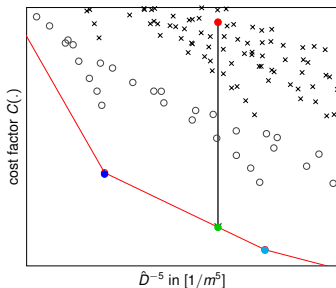
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Original pipe diameter $D_a = 1.185$ [m]



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$$\Rightarrow 3592 \text{ [€/m]} > \underbrace{0.3 \cdot 2485 \text{ [€/m]} + 0.7 \cdot 1919 \text{ [€/m]}}_{=2083 \text{ [€/m]}}$$

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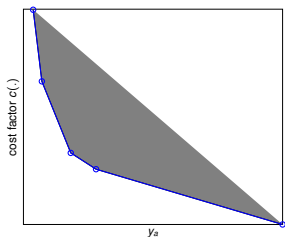
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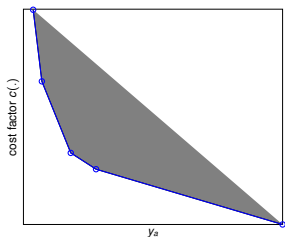
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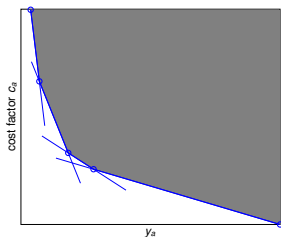
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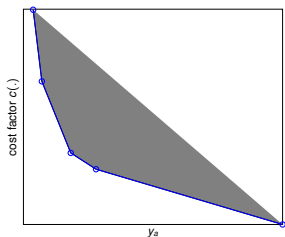
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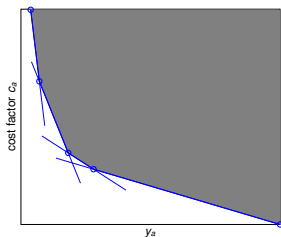
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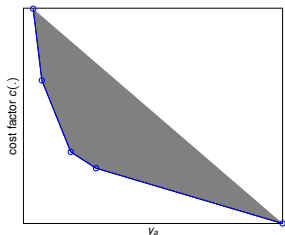


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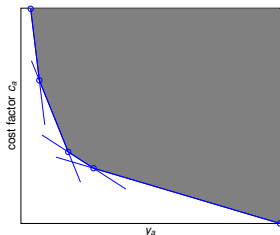
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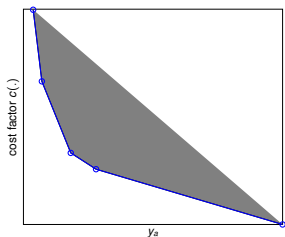


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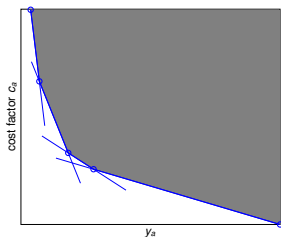
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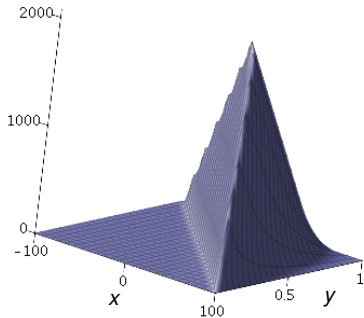
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Difference between the convex envelope and the convex underestimator generated by SCIP for $f(x, y) = y \cdot x \cdot |x|$

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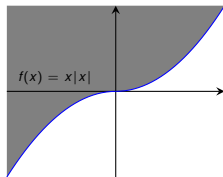
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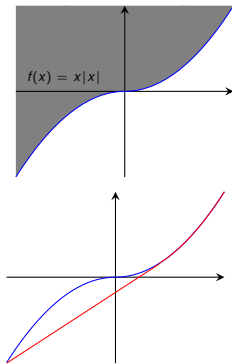


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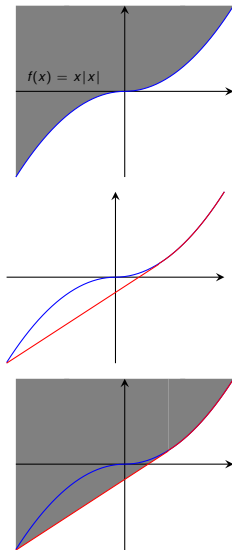
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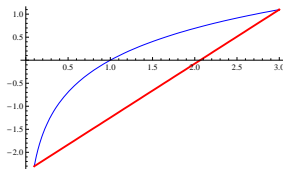
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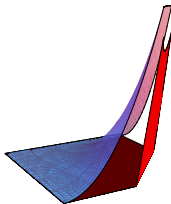
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But convex envelopes are known for several cases, e.g.

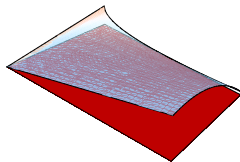
concave functions



1-convex $f(x, y) = x^2 \cdot y^2$



$f(x, y) = -\sqrt{x} \cdot y^2$



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$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} f = y w & f \in [-9, 18] \\ w = x |x| & w \in [9, 9] \end{cases}$$

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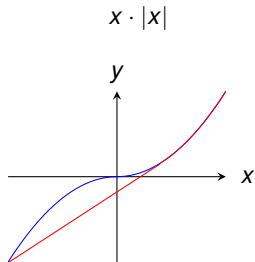
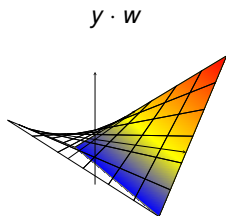
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Example

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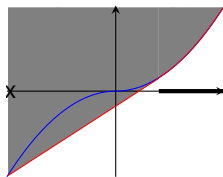
$$x \in [-3, 3], \quad y \in [1, 2]$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} f = y w & f \in [-9, 18] \\ w = x |x| & w \in [9, 9] \end{cases}$$



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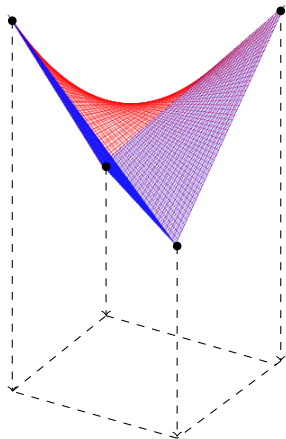
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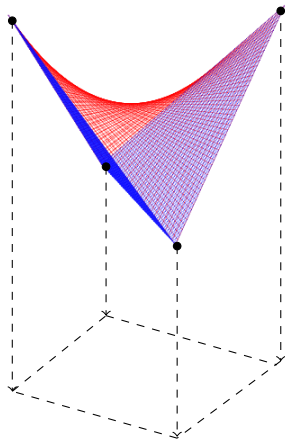
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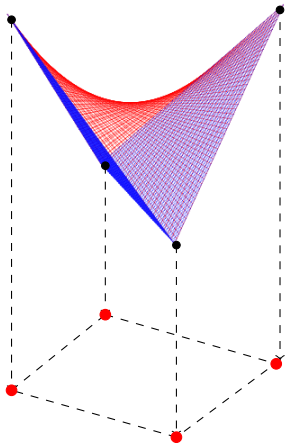
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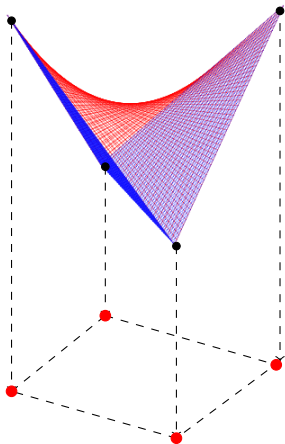
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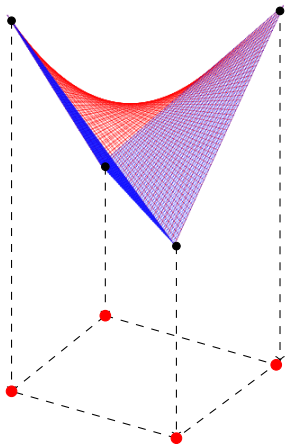
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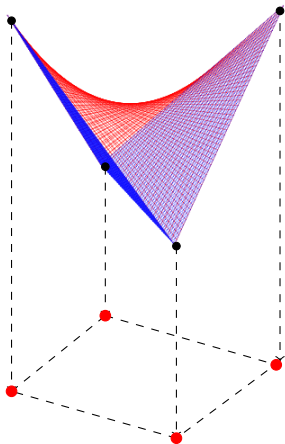
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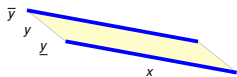
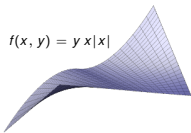
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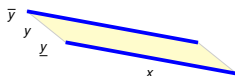
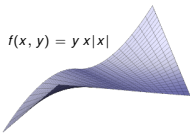
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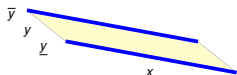
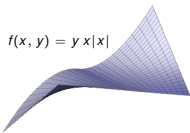
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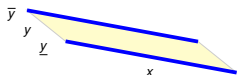
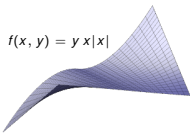


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Generating set $\mathcal{G}_D(f)$ is subset of y boundary

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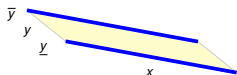
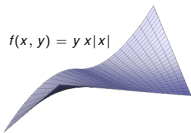
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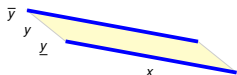
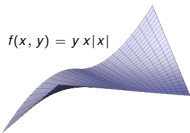
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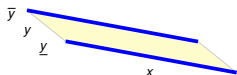
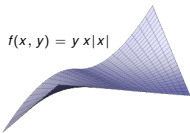
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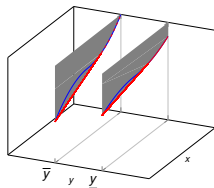
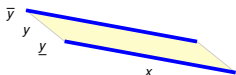
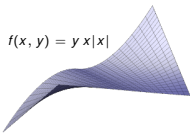


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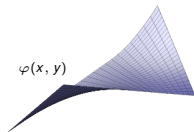
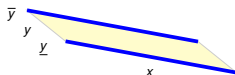
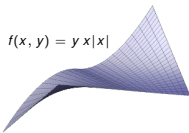
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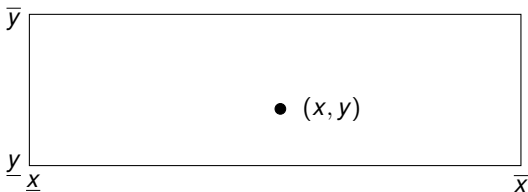
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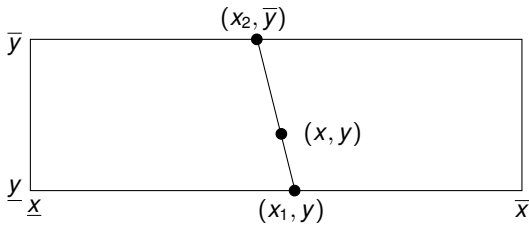
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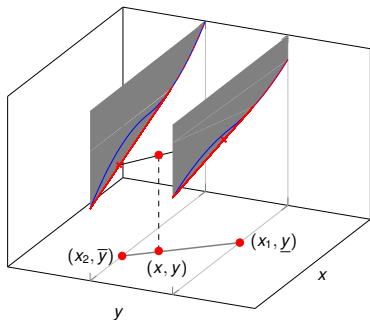
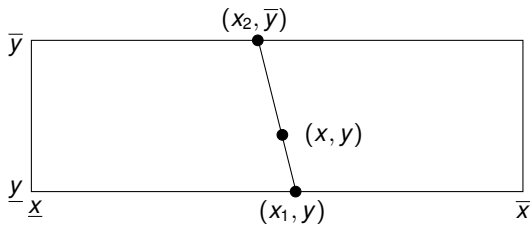
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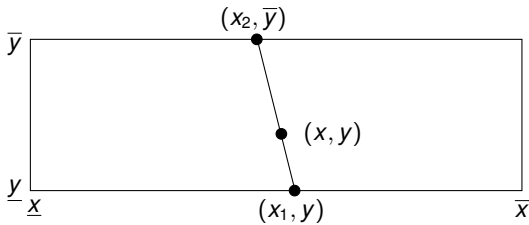
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Remark:

$F(x_1)$ is **convex** \Rightarrow the solution of Problem 1 is $F(\text{mid}(a, b, x^*))$

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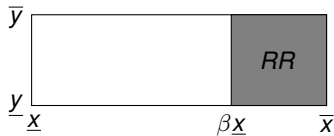
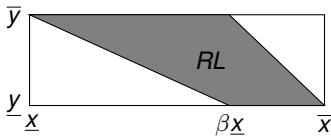
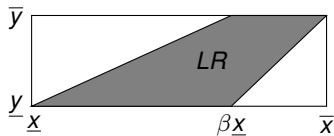
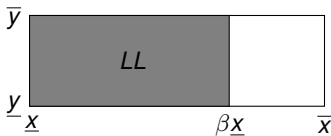
$F(x_1)$ is **convex** \Rightarrow the solution of Problem 1 is $F(\text{mid}(a, b, x^*))$

Note: \triangleright $\text{mid}(x_1, x_2, x_3)$ selects the middle value of three given scalars

$F(x_1)$ is **coercive**, i. e., $\lim_{x_1 \rightarrow \infty} F(x_1) = \infty$ and $\lim_{x_1 \rightarrow -\infty} F(x_1) = \infty$
 $\Rightarrow F(x_1)$ has a global minimum

\triangleright It can be shown that the global minimum of $F(x_1)$ is unique

To compute the minimum, we solve equation $F'(x_1) = 0$.



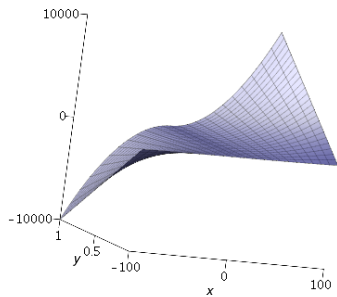
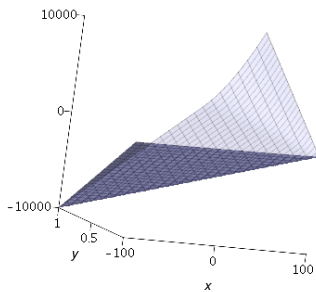
sol: x_{RL}^* if $t_{x,y}(x_{LR}^*) \leq \beta x$

sol: x_{RR}^* if $t_{x,y}(x_{RR}^*) \geq \beta x$

$$\text{conv}_D[f](x, y) = \begin{cases} F(\text{mid}(a, b, x_{RL}^*)) & \text{if } t_{x,y}(x_{RL}^*) \leq \beta x \\ F(\text{mid}(a, b, x_{RR}^*)) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

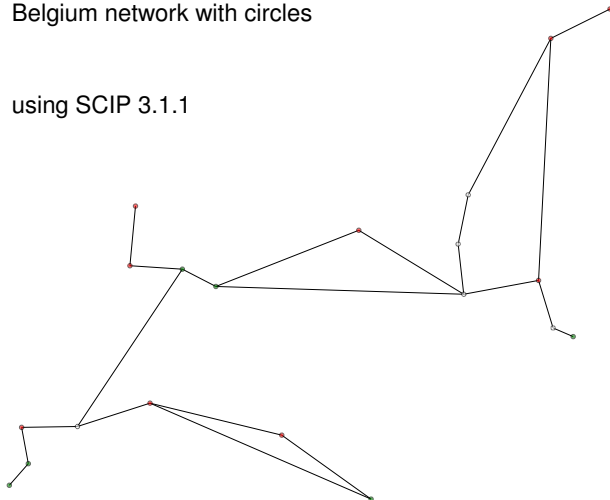
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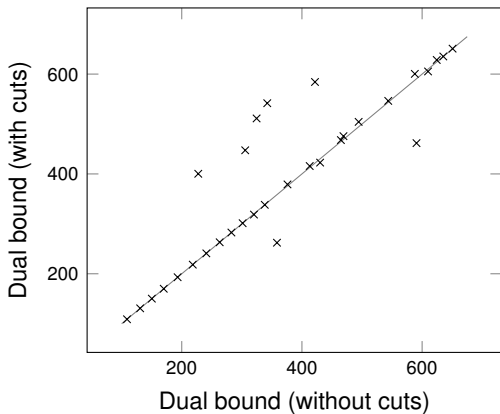
$$\text{conv}_D[f](x, y) = F(\min \{b, \max \{x_{RL}^*, x_{RR}^*\}\})$$

(a) $f(x, y) = y \cdot x \cdot |x|$ (b) $\text{conv}_D[f](x, y)$

Belgium network with circles

using SCIP 3.1.1





1h runtime

average dual bound improvement with cuts: 11%

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- ▷ We presented two equivalent models for optimal gas network expansion planning with continuous loop lengths, where
 - ▶ parallel pipes are represented by one “symbolic” pipe using equivalent diameters,
 - ▶ equivalent diameters correspond to extreme points of the “lower” part of the convex hull
- ▷ We showed basic ideas that might help to find the convex envelope of a nonconvex function,
 - ▶ such as using the generating set to simplify the resulting optimization model
- ▷ As an example, we calculated the convex envelope of the nonconvex function $f(x, y) = y x |x|$ that arises in the presented network expansion models

Thank you!

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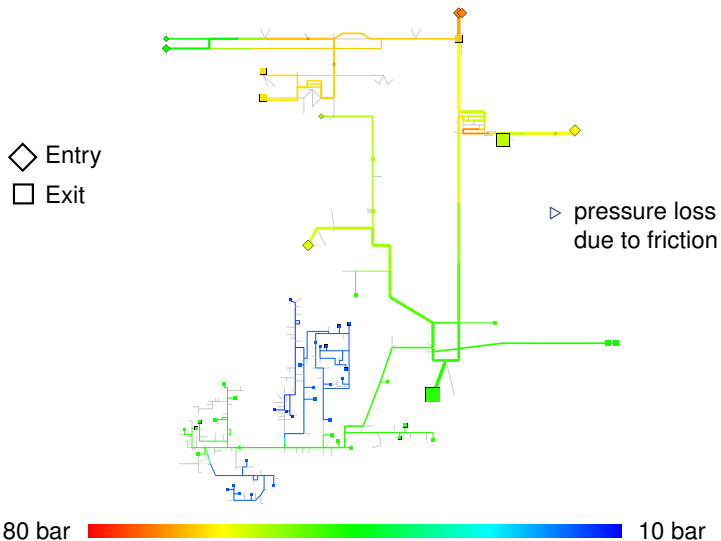
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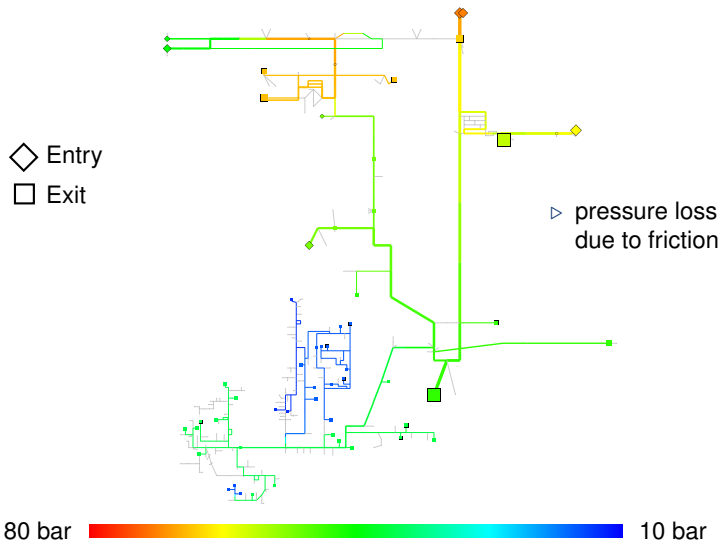
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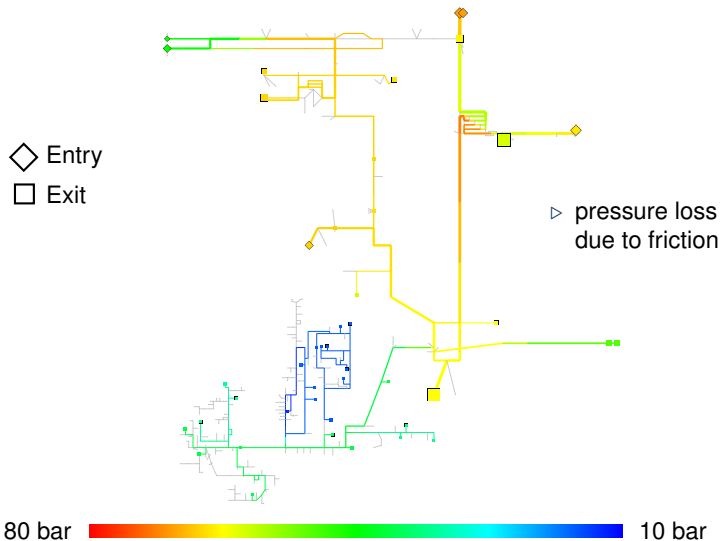




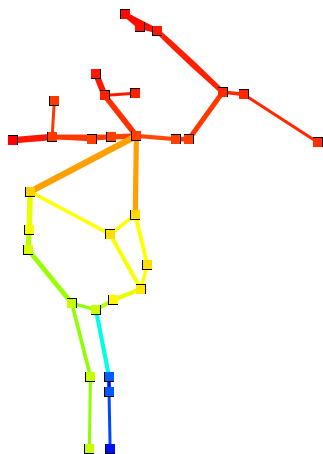
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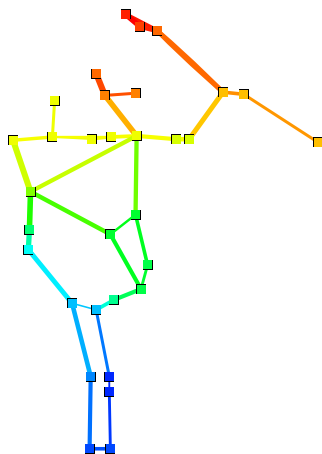
Gas Network Operation - Pressure Distribution



- ▷ The pressure distribution changes when adding network elements:



original network



extended network



Pipeline – Compressor – Control Valve – Valve

- ▷ € 0.5 - 2.5 million per km pipeline
- ▷ € 2.6 - 8.9 million per new control valve
- ▷ € 17 - 41 million per additional compressor
- ▷ € 35 - 78 million per new compressor station



Topology Optimization Problem

- Given:**
- ▷ a detailed description of a gas network
 - ▷ a **nomination** specifying amounts of gas flow at entries and exits
 - ▷ a list of candidates of network extension

Task: Find

- ▷ cost-optimal selection of network extensions
- & settings for active devices
(valves, control valves, compressors)
- & values for physical parameters of the network that comply with
 - ▶ gas physics
 - ▶ legal and technical limitations

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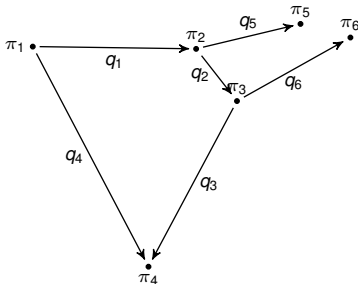
- ▷ A gas transportation network is modeled by a directed graph

$$G = (V, A).$$

- ▷ Arc types:

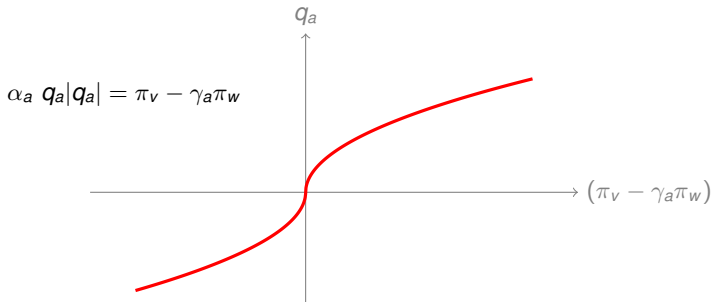
- ▶ passive: pipelines
- ▶ active: compressors, control valves, valves

- ▷ Variables:



q_a flow for each arc $a \in A$
 π_v, p_v (squared) pressure for each node $v \in V$

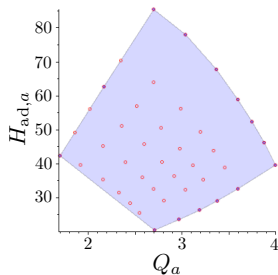
- ▷ The flow q_a of pipe $a \in A$ is restricted by the non-convex equation:



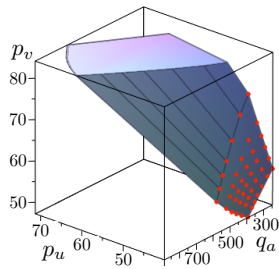
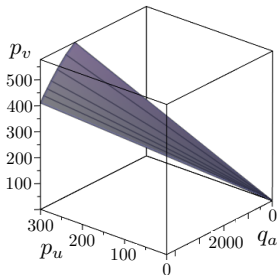
- ▷ **pressure loss due to friction**

- ▷ $\alpha_a \sim \frac{L}{D^5}$ is a constant for pipe a , depending on its length L , diameter D , height and physical gas constants.

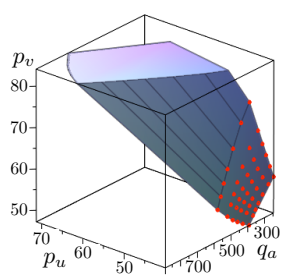
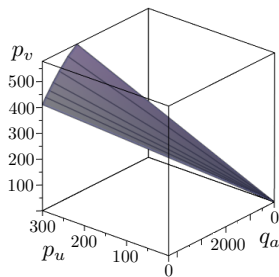
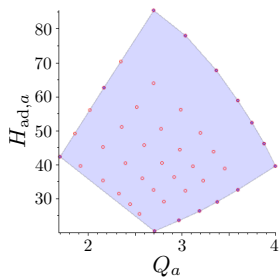
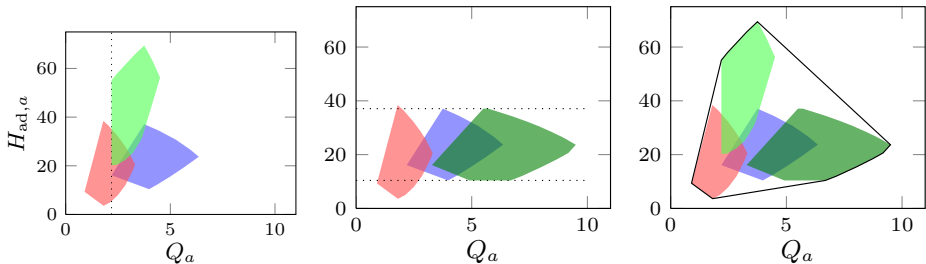
- ▷ A compressor $a = (v, w) \in A$ is described by three **operation modes**:
 - ▶ *Closed*: arc a is deleted ($q_a = 0$)
 - ▶ *Bypass*: arc a is contracted, endnodes v and w are identified ($p_v = p_w$)
 - ▶ *Active*: flow and pressures are restricted by linear inequalities ($A_a(q_a, p_v, p_w)^T \leq b_a$)



$$H_{ad,a} \sim p_w/p_v, Q_a \sim q_a/p_v$$



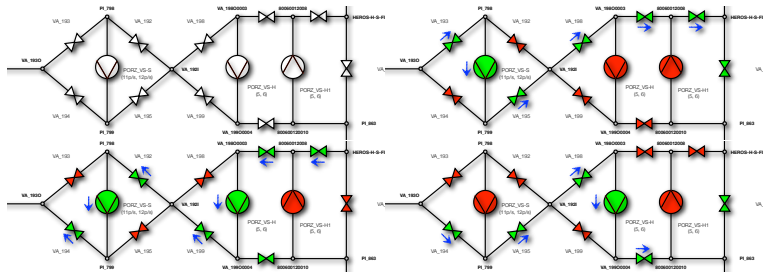
- ▷ A control valve is modeled similarly to a compressor.
- ▷ A valve can only be *closed* or in *bypass*.



$$H_{ad,a} \sim p_w/p_v, Q_a \sim q_a/p_v$$

polytope

- ▷ Due to **symmetry** and **technical limitations** only a subset of the potential configurations corresponds to real operation modes.

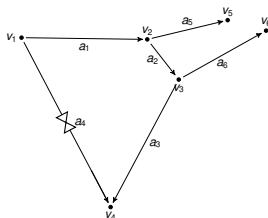


- ▷ An extended gas transportation network is modeled by a **directed multigraph**

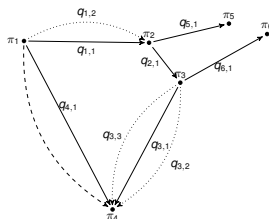
$$G = (V, A_X).$$

- ▷ The extended graph contains
 - ▶ all original arcs,
 - ▶ additional arcs for active elements,
 - ▶ additional arcs for loops,
 - ▶ additional arcs for extensions.

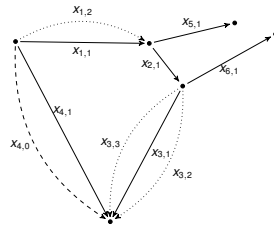
original network



extended network



variables q, π



variables x

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$$\min \sum_{(a,i) \in A_X} c_{a,i} x_{a,i}$$

$$\text{s.t.} \quad x_{a,i} = 1 \Rightarrow \alpha_{a,i} q_{a,i} |q_{a,i}|^{k_a} - \beta_{a,i} y_{a,i} - (\pi_v - \gamma_a \pi_w) = 0$$

$$x_{a,i} = 1 \Rightarrow A_a(q_{a,i}, p_v, p_w)^T \leq 0$$

$$x_{a,i} = 0 \Rightarrow q_{a,i} = 0$$

$$\sum_{i:(a,i) \in A_X} x_{a,i} = 1$$

$$\sum_{\substack{w,i:(v,w,i) \in A_X, \\ i \neq 0}} q_{v,w,i} - \sum_{\substack{w,i:(w,v,i) \in A_X, \\ i \neq 0}} q_{w,v,i} = d_v$$

$$p_v |p_v| - \pi_v = 0$$

$$\underline{\pi}_v \leq \pi_v \leq \bar{\pi}_v$$

$$\underline{q}_{a,i} \leq q_{a,i} \leq \bar{q}_{a,i}$$

$$\underline{y}_{a,i} \leq y_{a,i} \leq \bar{y}_{a,i}$$

$$x_{a,i} \in \{0, 1\}$$

$$x \in \mathcal{X}.$$

$$\forall (a, i) = (v, w, i) \in A_X, i \neq 0,$$

$$\forall (a, i) = (v, w, i) \in A_X, i \geq 2,$$

$$\forall (a, i) \in A_X, i \neq 0,$$

$$\forall a \in A,$$

$$\forall v \in V,$$

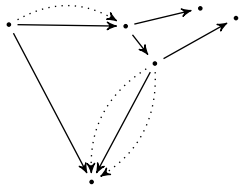
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(selected) pipelines

$$x_{a,i} = 1 \Rightarrow A_a(q_{a,i}, p_v, p_w)^T \leq 0$$

(active) compressors / control valves

$$x_{a,i} = 0 \Rightarrow q_{a,i} = 0$$

closed / non-selected elements

$$\sum_{i:(a,i) \in A_X} x_{a,i} = 1$$

pipe / operation mode selection

$$\sum_{\substack{w,i:(v,w,i) \in A_X, \\ i \neq 0}} q_{v,w,i} - \sum_{\substack{w,i:(w,v,i) \in A_X, \\ i \neq 0}} q_{w,v,i} = d_v$$

flow conservation

$$p_v |p_v| - \pi_v = 0$$

(squared) pressure coupling

$$\underline{\pi}_v \leq \pi_v \leq \bar{\pi}_v$$

bounds

$$\underline{q}_{a,i} \leq q_{a,i} \leq \bar{q}_{a,i}$$

bounds

$$\underline{y}_{a,i} \leq y_{a,i} \leq \bar{y}_{a,i}$$

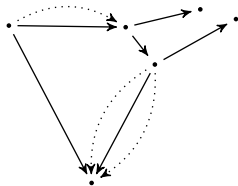
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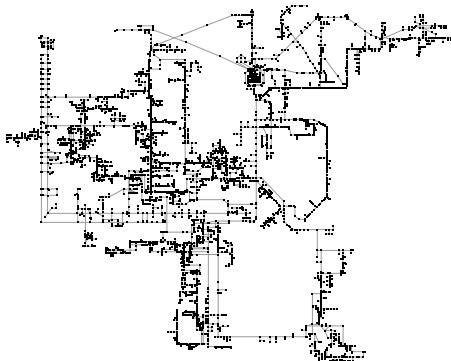
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subnetwork operation modes

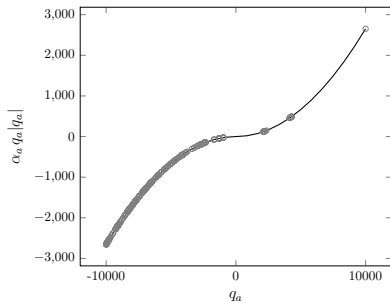


$k_a = 2$ for pipes; $k_a = 1$, $\alpha_a = 0$ for active arcs

- ▷ Large-scale network provided by Open Grid Europe GmbH
- ▷ Size:
 - ▶ 4165 nodes
 - ▶ 3983 pipes
 - ▶ 308 valves
 - ▶ 12 compressors
 - ▶ 121 control valves
- ▷ nominations: 30
- ▷ feasibility problem
- ▷ timelimit: 4h
- ▷ Computational results:



Baron			Antigone			SCIP		
feas	infeas	time limit	feas	infeas	time limit	feas	infeas	time limit
-	3	27	-	28	2	1	-	29



positions with cutting planes during branch and bound

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▷ Consider the **domain relaxation** of the ATP:

$$\min_{\Delta_v \geq 0, v \in V} \sum_{v \in V} \Delta_v + \sum_{a \in A'} (\Delta_a + \|\tilde{\Delta}_a\|) \quad \text{s. t.}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{s. t.} \quad & \alpha_a q_a |q_a|^{k_a} - \beta_a y_a - (\pi_v - \gamma_a \pi_w) = 0 & \forall a = (v, w) \in A', \\ & A_a(q_a, p_v, p_w)^T - \tilde{\Delta}_a \leq b_a & \forall a = (v, w) \in A', \\ & \sum_{w: (v, w) \in A'} q_{v, w} - \sum_{w: (w, v) \in A'} q_{w, v} = d_v & \forall v \in V, \\ & p_v |p_v| - \pi_v = 0 & \forall v \in V, \\ & \underline{y}_a \leq y_a \leq \bar{y}_a & \forall a \in A', \\ & q_a - \Delta_a \leq \bar{q}_a & \forall a \in A', \\ & q_a + \Delta_a \geq \underline{q}_a & \forall a \in A', \\ & \pi_v - \Delta_v \leq \bar{\pi}_v & \forall v \in V, \\ & \pi_v + \Delta_v \geq \underline{\pi}_v & \forall v \in V, \\ & \Delta \geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

- ▷ Consider the domain relaxation as a parametric NLP ($\tilde{p} = 0$)

$$\begin{array}{ll} \min & f(z) \\ \text{s.t.} & g(z) - \tilde{p} \leq 0 \end{array}$$

and a KKT point (z^*, λ^*) fulfilling

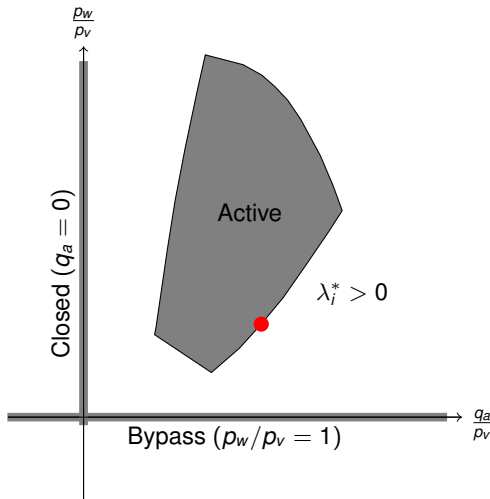
$$\begin{aligned} \nabla_z \mathcal{L}(z, \lambda) &= 0, \\ \lambda &\geq 0, \quad g(z) - \tilde{p} \leq 0, \quad \lambda (g(z) - \tilde{p}) = 0, \end{aligned}$$

where \mathcal{L} denotes the Lagrange function.

- ▷ When f, g are \mathcal{C}^2 it follows from Fiacco and Ishizuka (1990)

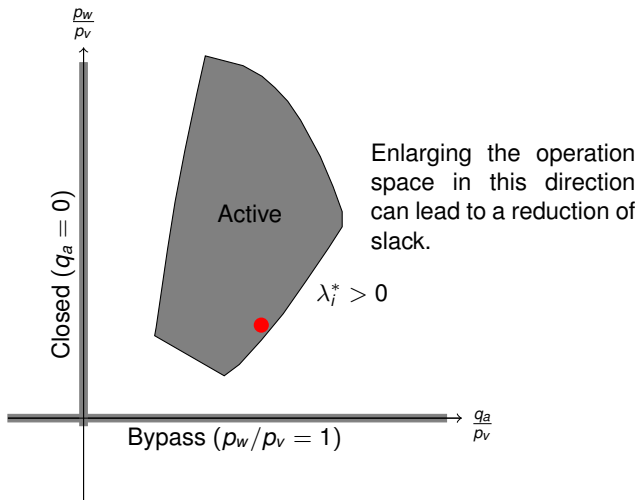
$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial \tilde{p}_i} = -\lambda_i^*.$$

- ▷ Consider a solution of the domain relaxation and focus on active arcs.



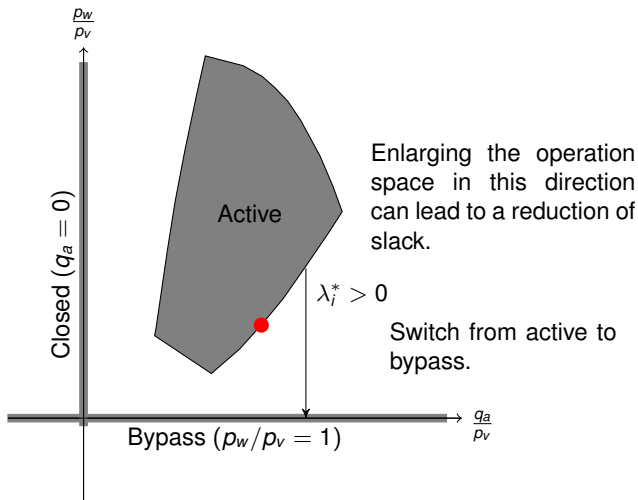
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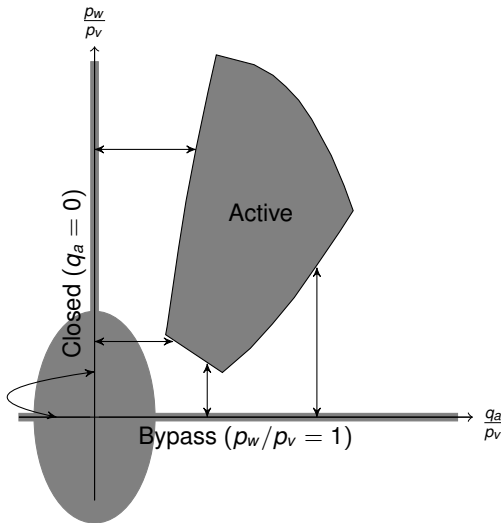
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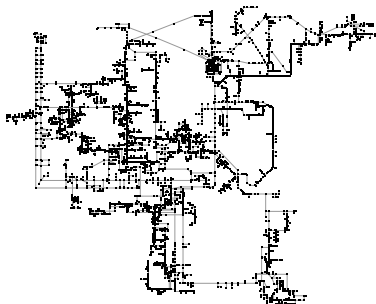
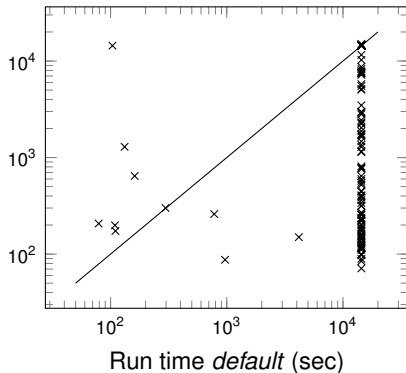
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network	nominations	BARON	ANTIGONE	SCIP	
				default	with heuristic
version 1	30	-	-	4	30
version 2	30	-	-	4	18
version 3	30	-	-	1	18
version 4	30	-	-	-	17
version 5	30	-	-	1	18

Run time with heuristic (sec)



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- ▷ Assume the network consists of **pipelines and valves only**.
- ▷ Fixing all discrete decisions yields the **passive transmission problem (PTP)**:

$$\exists q, \pi, p$$

$$\text{s. t. } \alpha_a q_a |q_a|^{k_a} - \tilde{\beta}_a - (\pi_v - \gamma_a \pi_w) = 0 \quad \forall a = (v, w) \in A',$$

$$\sum_{w:(v,w) \in A'} q_{v,w} - \sum_{w:(w,v) \in A'} q_{w,v} = d_v \quad \forall v \in V,$$

$$p_v |p_v| - \pi_v = 0 \quad \forall v \in V,$$

$$\pi_v \leq \bar{\pi}_v \quad \forall v \in V,$$

$$\pi_v \geq \underline{\pi}_v \quad \forall v \in V,$$

$$q_a \leq \bar{q}_a \quad \forall a \in A',$$

$$q_a \geq \underline{q}_a \quad \forall a \in A'.$$

It holds $\underline{y}_a = \bar{y}_a$ and $\tilde{\beta}_a := \beta_a \underline{y}_a$.

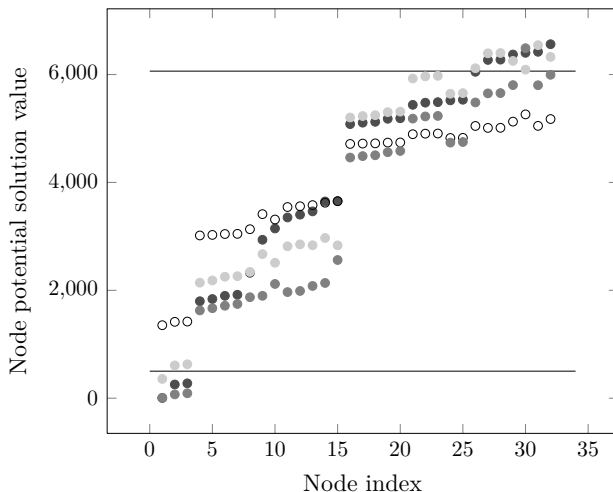


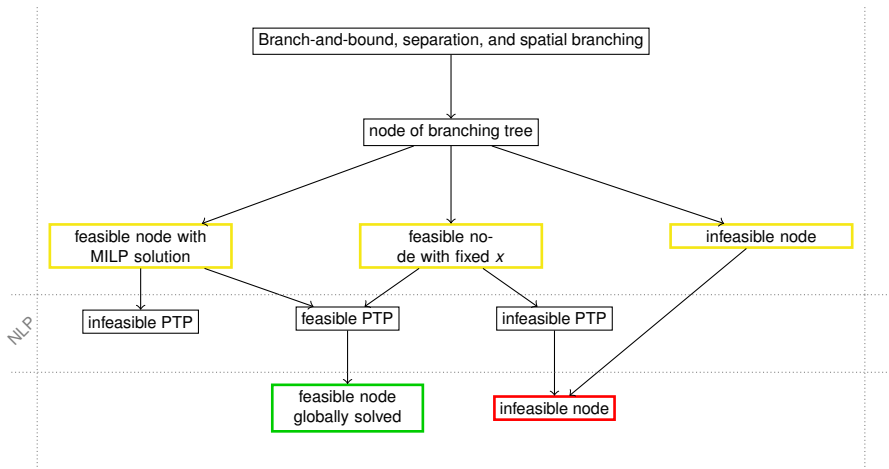
Theorem (H. and Fügenschuh 2013, Collins et al. 1978, Maugis 1977)

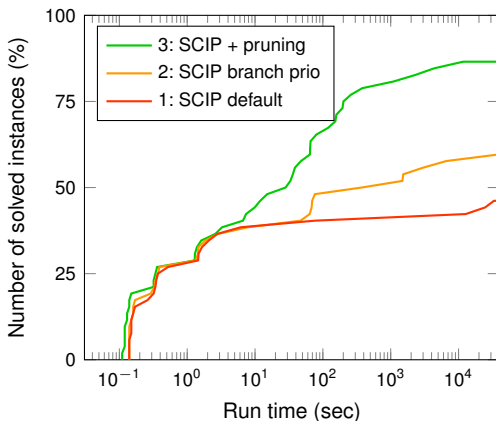
The **domain relaxation of the PTP** is a **feasible** and **convex** continuous optimization problem:

$$\begin{aligned}
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 \text{s. t.} \quad & \alpha_a q_a |q_a|^{k_a} - (\pi_v - \gamma_a \pi_w) = 0 \quad \forall a = (v, w) \in A', \\
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 & \pi_v - \Delta_v \leq \bar{\pi}_v \quad \forall v \in V, \\
 & \pi_v + \Delta_v \geq \underline{\pi}_v \quad \forall v \in V, \\
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 & q_a + \Delta_a \geq \underline{q}_a \quad \forall a \in A', \\
 & \Delta \geq 0.
 \end{aligned}$$

- ▷ Squared pressure values for a test network with 2 valves, 4 discrete settings, no flow bounds:







Strategies

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2. SCIP default with branching priorities
3. SCIP with domain relaxation and node classification

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▷ Benchmark set: Networks containing only pipes and valves

▷ Solved instances

strategy	1	2	3	all
solved instances	24	30	45	52

▷ Means

	solved(30) time [s]	nodes	incomp.(1) gap [%]
strategy 2	25.9	1,038	15
strategy 3	7.2	147	15
shifted geom. mean	-72 %	-86 %	0 %

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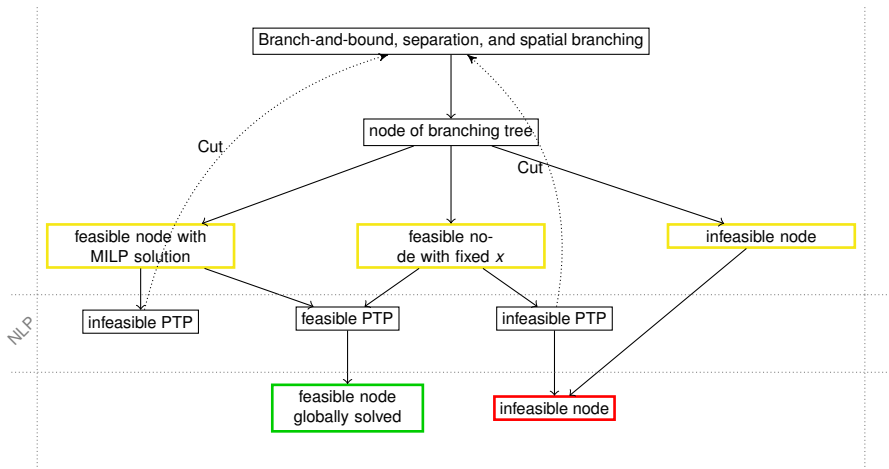
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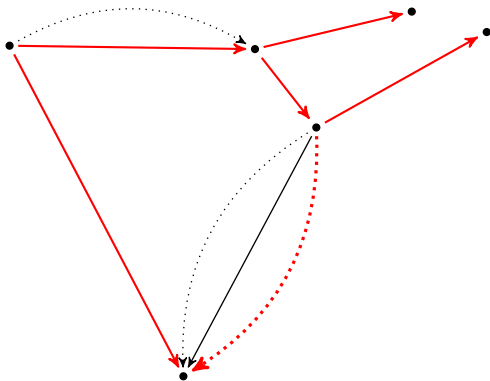
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- ▶ For the **domain relaxation** of the PTP (without flow bounds and $\gamma_a = 1$)

$$\min_{\Delta_v \geq 0, v \in V} \sum_{v \in V} \Delta_v \quad \text{s. t.}$$

$$[\mu_a] \quad \overbrace{\alpha_a q_a |q_a|^{k_a} - \tilde{\beta}_a}^{\Phi_a(q_a)} - (\pi_v - \pi_w) = 0 \quad \forall a = (v, w) \in A',$$

$$[\mu_v] \quad \sum_{w: (v, w) \in A'} q_{v, w} - \sum_{w: (w, v) \in A'} q_{w, v} = d_v \quad \forall v \in V,$$

$$[\lambda_v^+] \quad \pi_v - \Delta_v \leq \bar{\pi}_v \quad \forall v \in V,$$

$$[\lambda_v^-] \quad \pi_v + \Delta_v \geq \underline{\pi}_v \quad \forall v \in V,$$

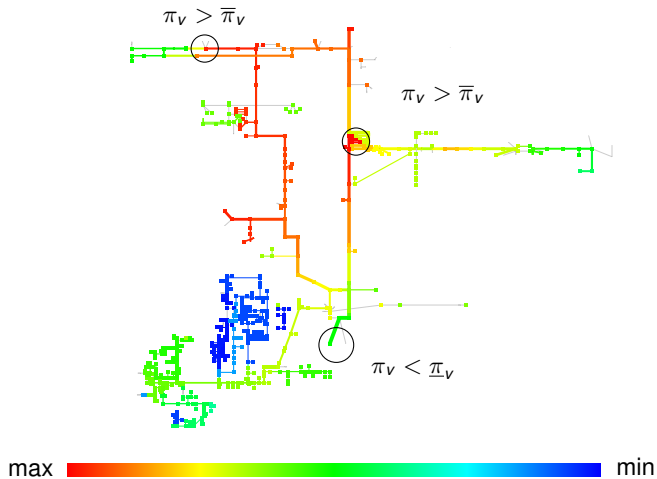
- ▶ the Lagrange dual multipliers are denoted by (μ, λ) .

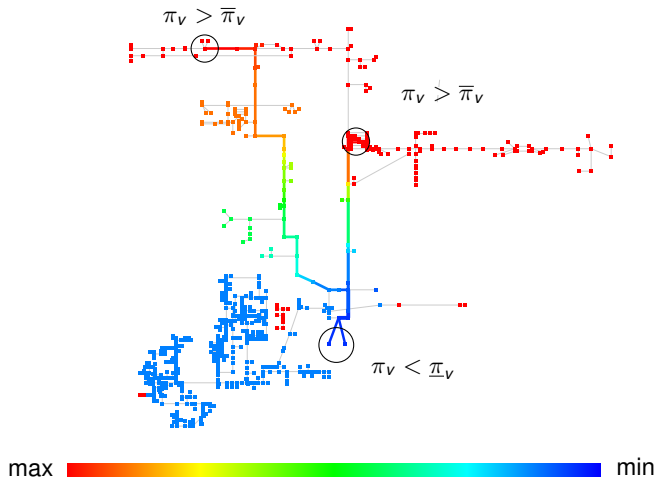
- ▷ The dual variables of a KKT point $(q^*, \pi^*, \Delta^*, \mu^*, \lambda^*)$ fulfill

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_a \frac{d\Phi_a}{dq_a}(q_a) &= \mu_v - \mu_w & \forall a = (v, w) \in A', \\ \sum_{w:(v,w) \in A'} \mu_{(v,w)} - \sum_{w:(w,v) \in A'} \mu_{(w,v)} &= \lambda_v^+ - \lambda_v^- & \forall v \in V, \\ 0 \leq \lambda_v^+ \begin{cases} = 0 & \pi_v < \bar{\pi}_v \\ \leq 1 & \pi_v = \bar{\pi}_v \\ = 1 & \pi_v > \bar{\pi}_v \end{cases} & \quad 0 \leq \lambda_v^- \begin{cases} = 0 & \pi_v > \underline{\pi}_v \\ \leq 1 & \pi_v = \underline{\pi}_v \\ = 1 & \pi_v < \underline{\pi}_v \end{cases} & \forall v \in V, \end{aligned}$$

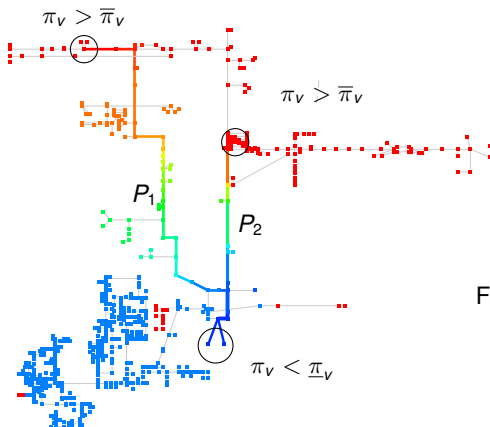
which are part of the KKT conditions.

- ▷ This is a system of the **same structure**.





For the s_1 - t_1 -path P_1 it holds



$$\sum_{a=(v,w) \in A'(P_1)} \overbrace{(\pi_v - \pi_w)}^{\Phi_a(q_a)} = \pi_{s_1} - \pi_{t_1} \leq \bar{\pi}_{s_1} - \underline{\pi}_{t_1}$$

For the s_2 - t_2 -path P_2 it holds

$$\sum_{a=(v,w) \in A'(P_2)} \overbrace{(\pi_v - \pi_w)}^{\Phi_a(q_a)} = \pi_{s_2} - \pi_{t_2} \leq \bar{\pi}_{s_2} - \underline{\pi}_{t_2}$$

Setting

$$\sum_{w:a=(v,w) \in A'} \mu_a^* - \sum_{w:a=(w,v) \in A'} \mu_a^* = \lambda_v^{+,*} - \lambda_v^{-,*} \quad \forall v \in V,$$

for every node $v \in V$ every feasible solution (q, π) for the PTP has to fulfill the inequality

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{a \in A'} \mu_a^* \overbrace{\Phi_a(q_a)}^{\pi_v - \pi_w} &= \sum_{v \in V} \pi_v \left(\sum_{w:a=(v,w) \in A'} \mu_a^* - \sum_{w:a=(w,v) \in A'} \mu_a^* \right) = \sum_{v \in V} \pi_v (\lambda_v^{+,*} - \lambda_v^{-,*}) \\ &\leq \sum_{v \in V} \lambda_v^{+,*} \bar{\pi}_v - \lambda_v^{-,*} \underline{\pi}_v. \end{aligned}$$

This is a **nonlinear cut** in x, q :

$$\sum_{(a,i) \in A_X, i \neq 0} \mu_a^* x_{a,i} \Phi_{a,i}(q_{a,i}) \leq \sum_{v \in V} \lambda_v^{+,*} \bar{\pi}_v - \lambda_v^{-,*} \underline{\pi}_v.$$

- ▷ Another valid inequality for the PTP in q :

$$\sum_{(a,i) \in A_X, i \neq 0} (q_{a,i} - q_a^*) x_{a,i} \Phi_{a,i}(q_{a,i}) = 0.$$

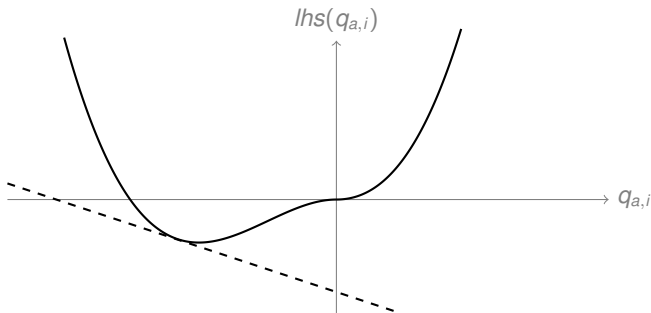
This equality is used as **regularization term**.

- ▷ A linear combination of both with $\zeta \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$:

$$\begin{aligned} & \zeta \sum_{(a,i) \in A_X, i \neq 0} (q_{a,i} - q_a^*) x_{a,i} \Phi_{a,i}(q_{a,i}) + (1 - \zeta) \sum_{(a,i) \in A', i \neq 0} \mu_a^* x_{a,i} \Phi_{a,i}(q_{a,i}) \\ & \leq (1 - \zeta) \sum_{v \in V} (\lambda_v^{+*} \bar{\pi}_v - \lambda_v^{-*} \underline{\pi}_v). \end{aligned}$$

Visualization of the left-hand side

$$q_{a,i} \mapsto ((1 - \zeta)\mu_a^* + \zeta(q_{a,i} - q_a^*)) x_{a,i} \Phi_{a,i}(q_{a,i}) =: lhs(q_{a,i}).$$



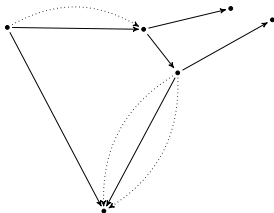
Use **linear underestimator** in $q_{a,i}$ of the form

$$q_{a,i} \mapsto \text{const}(x_{a,i}) + (\zeta(\pi_v^* - \pi_w^*) + (1 - \zeta)(\mu_v^* - \mu_w^*)) q_{a,i}.$$

- Every primal solution (q, π) for the topology optimization problem has to fulfill the following inequality:

$$\begin{aligned} \zeta \sum_{(a,i) \in A', i \neq 0} (q_{a,i} - q_a^*) x_{a,i} \Phi_{a,i}(q_{a,i}) + (1 - \zeta) \sum_{(a,i) \in A', i \neq 0} \mu_a^* x_{a,i} \Phi_{a,i}(q_{a,i}) \\ \leq (1 - \zeta) \sum_{v \in V} (\lambda_v^{+*} \bar{\pi}_v - \lambda_v^{-*} \underline{\pi}_v). \end{aligned}$$

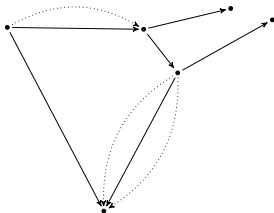
Here: $\zeta \in \mathbb{R}_+$, (q^*, π^*) primal solution to the domain relaxation of the PTP.



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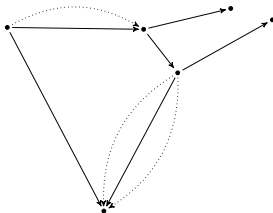
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$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{const}(x) + \zeta \sum_{v \in V} d_v \pi_v^* + (1 - \zeta) \sum_{v \in V} d_v \mu_v^* \\
 & \leq \text{const}(x) + \sum_{(a,i)=(v,w,i) \in A', i \neq 0} ((\zeta(\pi_v^* - \pi_w^*) + (1 - \zeta)(\mu_v^* - \mu_w^*)) q_{a,i}) \\
 & \leq \zeta \sum_{(a,i) \in A', i \neq 0} (q_{a,i} - q_a^*) x_{a,i} \Phi_{a,i}(q_{a,i}) + (1 - \zeta) \sum_{(a,i) \in A', i \neq 0} \mu_a^* x_{a,i} \Phi_{a,i}(q_{a,i}) \\
 & \leq (1 - \zeta) \sum_{v \in V} (\lambda_v^{+*} \bar{\pi}_v - \lambda_v^{-*} \underline{\pi}_v).
 \end{aligned}$$

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Theorem (H. and Fügenschuh 2013)

Let $(q^*, \pi^*, \Delta^*, \mu^*, \lambda^*)$ be a KKT point of the domain relaxation for arc set A' and let (μ, λ) be a dual transmission flow derived from this KKT point. Denote by x^* the binary values which yield the domain relaxation. Let $\zeta \in]0, 1[$ such that

1. if $\mu_a q_a^* > 0$, then $(1 - \zeta) |\mu_a^*| < \zeta \gamma_{r,v} |q_a^*|$,
2. if $\mu_a q_a^* < 0$, then $(1 - \zeta) |\mu_v^* - \mu_w^* - \lambda_a^{*+} + \lambda_a^{*-}| < \zeta \gamma_{r,v} |\pi_v^* - \gamma_a \pi_w^* - \tilde{\beta}_a|$,
3. if $\mu_a q_a^* = 0$, then $(1 - \zeta) \mu_a^* = 0$

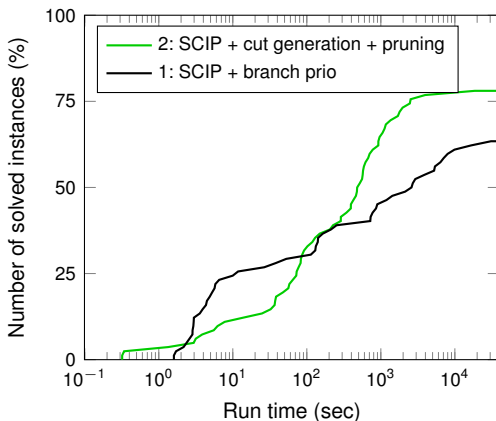
holds for every arc $a \in A'$. Then for

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{f}_{\zeta, q^*, \mu}(q_{a,i}, y_{a,i}) &:= (\zeta \gamma_{r,v}(q_{a,i} - q_a^*) + (1 - \zeta) \mu_a) (\alpha_{a,i} q_{a,i} |q_{a,i}|^{k_a} - \beta_{a,i} y_{a,i}) \\ \tilde{\ell}_{\zeta, \pi^*, \mu, \lambda}(q_{a,i}) &:= \zeta (\pi_v'(\pi^*) - \pi_w'(\pi^*)) q_{a,i} + (1 - \zeta) (\mu_v - \mu_w - \lambda_a^+ + \lambda_a^-) q_{a,i}\end{aligned}$$

and constants $\tau_{a,i}(y_{a,i}) := \inf \{ \tilde{f}_{\zeta, q^*, \mu}(q_{a,i}, y_{a,i}) - \tilde{\ell}_{\zeta, \pi^*, \mu, \lambda}(q_{a,i}) \mid \underline{q}_{a,i} \leq q_{a,i} \leq \bar{q}_{a,i} \}$ for each arc $(a, i) \in A_X, i \neq 0$ the inequality in binary variables x

$$\begin{aligned}\sum_{\substack{(a,i) \in A_X \\ i \neq 0}} x_{a,i} \tau_{a,i}(y_{a,i}) &\leq -\zeta \sum_{v \in VS} d_v \pi_v'(\pi^*) \\ &+ (1 - \zeta) \left(\sum_{v \in VS} (\lambda_v^+ \pi_v - \lambda_v^- \pi_v) + \sum_{\substack{(a,i) \in A_X \\ i \neq 0}} x_{a,i} (\lambda_a^+ \bar{q}_{a,i} - \lambda_a^- \underline{q}_{a,i}) - \sum_{v \in V} d_v \mu_v \right) \\ &+ \zeta \sum_{a=(v,w) \in A'} x_{a,0} \max \{ q_a^* (\pi_v' - \pi_w'), q_a^* (\pi_v' - \pi_w') \} \\ &+ (1 - \zeta) \sum_{a=(v,w) \in A} x_{a,0} \max \{ \mu_a (\pi_v - \pi_w), \mu_a (\pi_v - \pi_w) \}\end{aligned}$$

is valid for the topology optimization problem. This inequality cuts off the PTP corresponding to the arc set A' if and only if it is infeasible. For the corresponding decision vector $x = x^*$ the violation of the inequality is greater than or equal to $(1 - \zeta)$ times the optimal objective value of the domain relaxation.



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▷ Benchmark set: Networks containing only pipes, loops and valves

▷ Solved instances

strategy	1	2	all
solved instances	53	64	82

▷ Means

	solved(53) time [s]	nodes	incomp.(18) gap [%]
strategy 1	180.0	49,219	159
strategy 2	120.0	8,681	31
shifted geom. mean	−33 %	−82 %	−81 %

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▷ Fixing all discrete decisions yields the **active transmission problem (ATP)**:

$$\exists q, \pi, p, y$$

$$\text{s. t.} \quad \alpha_a q_a |q_a|^{k_a} - \beta_a y_a - (\pi_v - \gamma_a \pi_w) = 0 \quad \forall a = (v, w) \in A',$$

$$A_a(q_a, p_v, p_w)^T \leq b_a \quad \forall a = (v, w) \in A',$$

$$\sum_{w:(v,w) \in A'} q_{v,w} - \sum_{w:(w,v) \in A'} q_{w,v} = d_v \quad \forall v \in V,$$

$$p_v |p_v| - \pi_v = 0 \quad \forall v \in V,$$

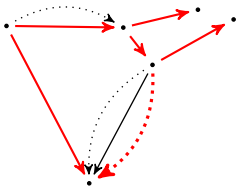
$$\underline{y}_a \leq y_a \leq \bar{y}_a \quad \forall a \in A',$$

$$q_a \leq \bar{q}_a \quad \forall a \in A',$$

$$q_a \geq \underline{q}_a \quad \forall a \in A',$$

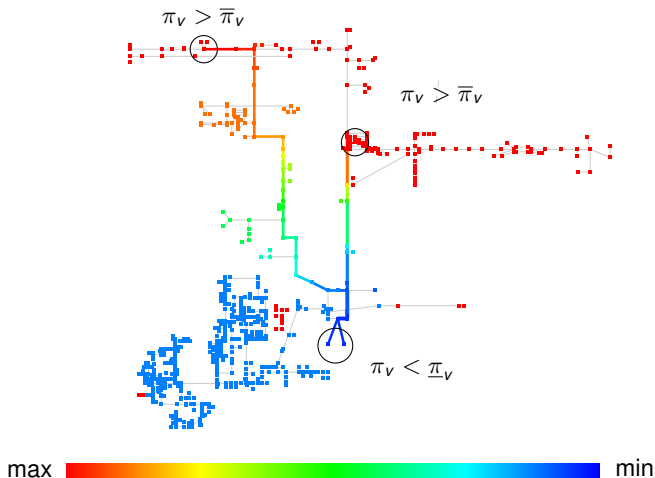
$$\pi_v \leq \bar{\pi}_v \quad \forall v \in V,$$

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Here the set of selected arcs is denoted by $A' := \{(a, i) \in A_X : x_{a,i} = 1\}$.

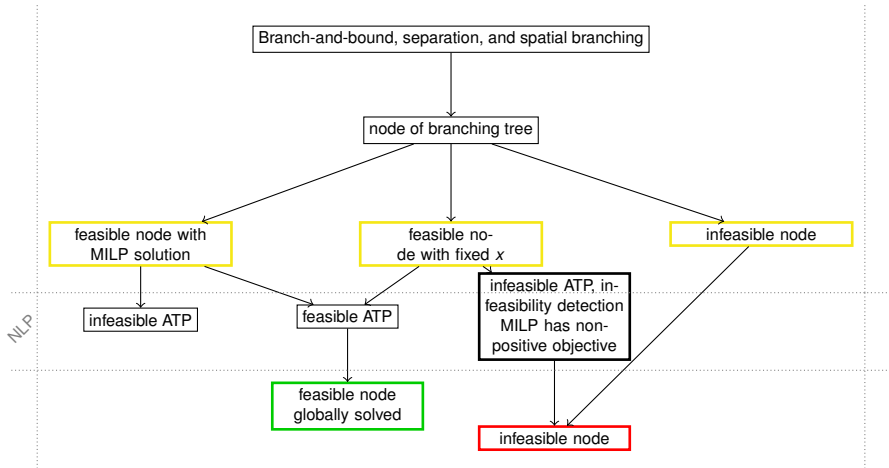
- Use domain relaxation for computing a feasible solution and visualize dual multipliers.



Theorem (H. 2015)

If the **infeasibility detection MILP** is infeasible or has a non-positive objective value, then the active transmission problem (ATP) is infeasible.

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \max z \\
 \text{s.t.} \quad & \sum_{a \in \delta_{A'}^+(v)} q_a - \sum_{a \in \delta_{A'}^-(v)} q_a = d_v \quad \forall v \in V, \\
 & x_v^+ - x_v^- - x_v - \kappa_v z = 0 \quad \forall v \in V, \\
 & \tilde{\kappa}_a (q_a - \bar{q}_a) > 0 \Rightarrow x_v - x_w + x_a \geq 0 \quad \forall a = (v, w) \in A', \\
 & \tilde{\kappa}_a (q_a - \bar{q}_a) = 0 \Rightarrow x_v - x_w + x_a = 0 \quad \forall a = (v, w) \in A', \\
 & \tilde{\kappa}_a (q_a - \bar{q}_a) < 0 \Rightarrow x_v - x_w + x_a \leq 0 \quad \forall a = (v, w) \in A', \\
 & \alpha_a (q_a - \bar{q}_a) > 0 \Rightarrow s_v - s_w + s_a \geq \kappa_a z \quad \forall a = (v, w) \in A', \\
 & \alpha_a (q_a - \bar{q}_a) = 0 \Rightarrow s_v - s_w + s_a = 0 \quad \forall a = (v, w) \in A', \\
 & \alpha_a (q_a - \bar{q}_a) < 0 \Rightarrow s_v - s_w + s_a \leq \kappa_a z \quad \forall a = (v, w) \in A', \\
 & \underline{q}_a \leq q_a \leq \bar{q}_a \quad \forall a \in A', \\
 & \underline{s}_a \leq s_a \leq \bar{s}_a \quad \forall a \in A', \\
 & \underline{x}_a \leq x_a \leq \bar{x}_a \quad \forall a \in A', \\
 & x_v^+ \leq \bar{x}_v^+ \quad \forall v \in V, \\
 & x_v^- \leq \bar{x}_v^- \quad \forall v \in V, \\
 & x_v, s_v \in \mathbb{R} \quad \forall v \in V, \\
 & x_v^+, x_v^- \in \mathbb{R}_+ \quad \forall v \in V, \\
 & x_a, s_a, q_a \in \mathbb{R} \quad \forall a \in A'
 \end{aligned}$$



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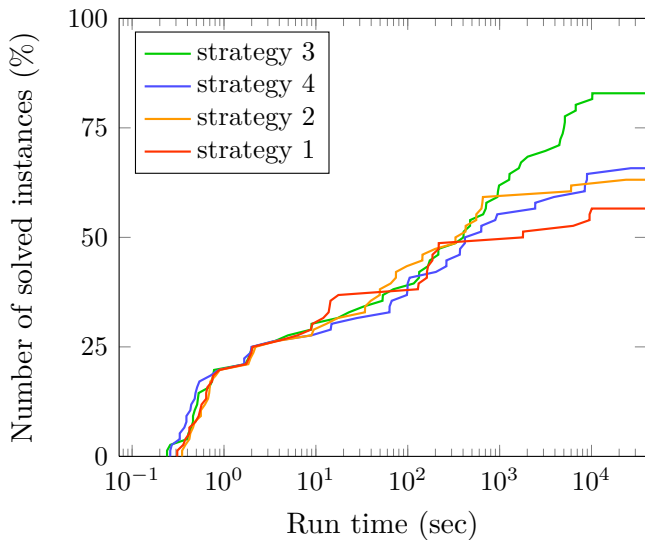
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▷ Solved instances

strategy	1	2	3	4	all
solved instances	43	48	63	50	63

▷ Means

	solved(48) time [s]	incomp.(3) nodes gap [%]
strategy 2	50.4	2,565
strategy 3	62.3	2,021
shifted geom. mean	23 %	−21 %



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- ▷ A model for the topology optimization problem was presented.
- ▷ Improvements of the solving performance of SCIP were obtained by
 - ▶ computing primal solutions heuristically,
 - ▶ pruning convex subproblems manually,
 - ▶ adding valid inequalities.
- ▷ The presented adaptations of the MINLP solver SCIP allow to improve the solving performance of large scale network operation and expansion instances.
- ▷ The methods are used by our cooperation partner.



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