

Branch Flow Model

relaxations, convexification, equivalence

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Outline

Two power flow models

- Bus injection model
- Branch flow model

OPF in BI model

- Semidefinite relaxation

OPF in BF model

- SOCP relaxation
- Convexification using phase shifters

Equivalence relationship





how to overcome nonconvexity in OPF



Why is convexity important

Foundation of LMP

- Convexity justifies the use of Lagrange multipliers as various prices
- Critical for efficient market theory

Efficient computation

- Convexity delineates computational efficiency and intractability

A lot rides on (assumed) convexity structure

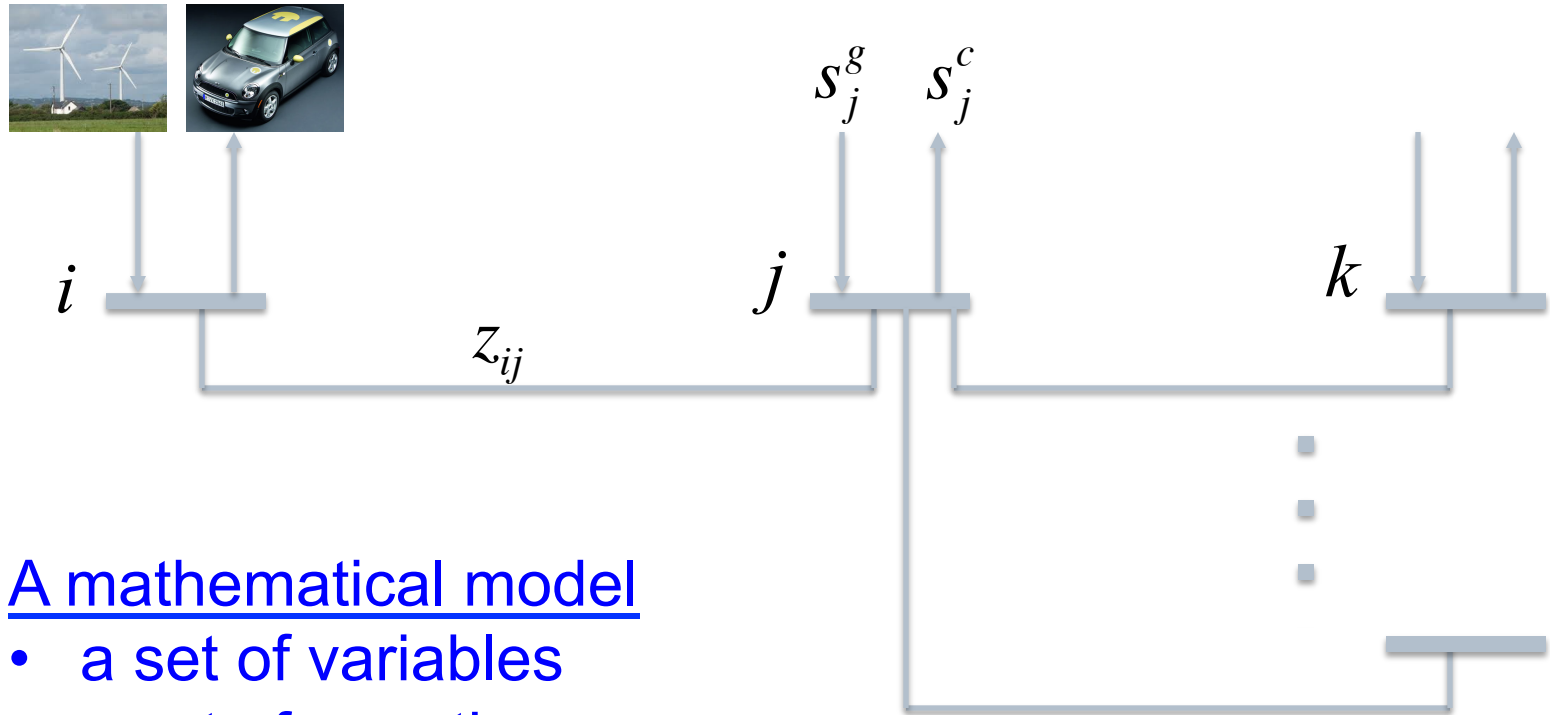
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two models



Power network



A mathematical model

- a set of variables
- a set of equations

... that describe

- Kirchhoff law
- power definition
- power balance



Bus injection model

$$\tilde{I} = Y\tilde{V}$$

Kirchhoff law

$$\tilde{S}_j = \tilde{V}_j \tilde{I}_j^* \quad \text{for all } j$$

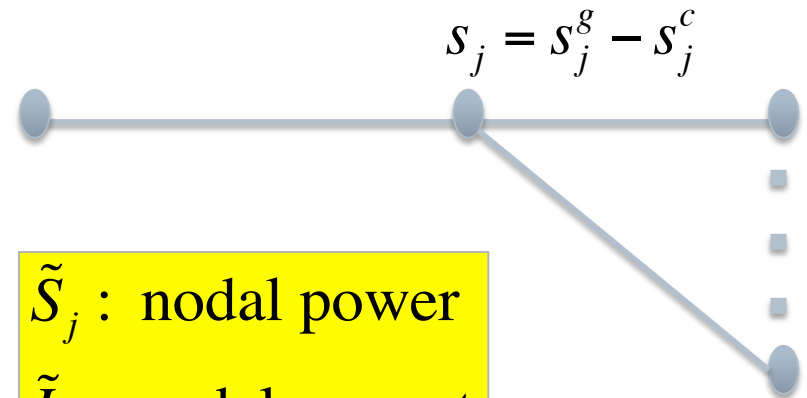
power definition

$$\tilde{S}_j = s_j \quad \text{for all } j$$

power balance

admittance matrix:

$$Y_{ij} := \begin{cases} \sum_{k \sim i} y_{ik} & \text{if } i = j \\ -y_{ij} & \text{if } i \sim j \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$



\tilde{S}_j : nodal power
 \tilde{I}_j : nodal current
 \tilde{V}_j : voltage



Bus injection model

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$$\tilde{S}_j = s_j \quad \text{for all } j$$

Kirchhoff law

power definition

power balance

Given (Y, s) find $(\tilde{S}, \tilde{I}, \tilde{V})$



BIM is self-contained (e.g. no branch vars)



Bus injection model

Can reduce to \tilde{V} :

$$s_j = \text{tr} \left(Y^* e_j e_j^T \tilde{V} \tilde{V}^* \right) \quad \text{for all } j$$

Given (Y, s) find \tilde{V}



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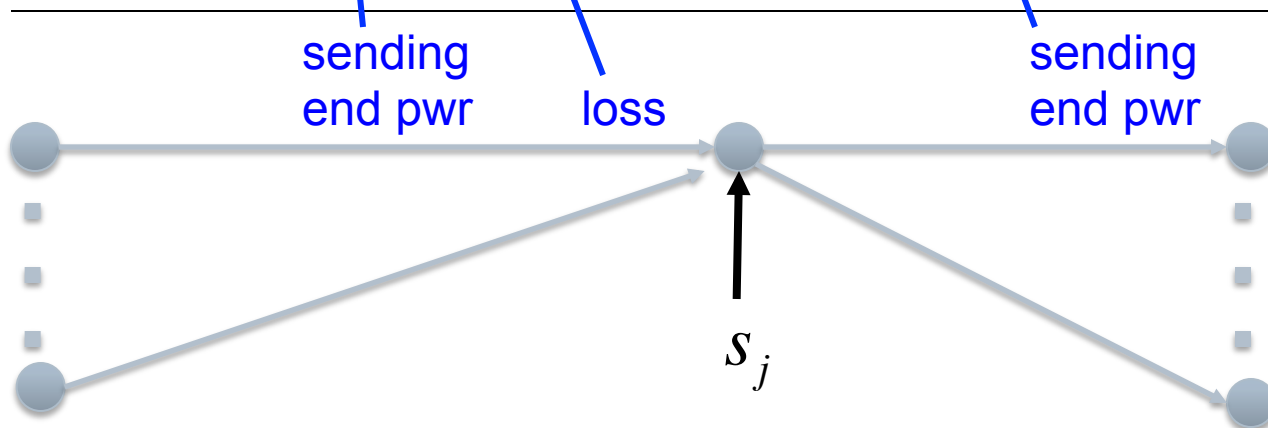


Branch flow model

$$V_i - V_j = z_{ij} I_{ij} \quad \text{for all } i \rightarrow j \quad \text{Kirchhoff law}$$

$$S_{ij} = V_i I_{ij}^* \quad \text{for all } i \rightarrow j \quad \text{power definition}$$

$$\sum_{i \rightarrow j} \left(S_{ij} - z_{ij} |I_{ij}|^2 \right) + s_j = \sum_{j \rightarrow k} S_{jk} \quad \text{for all } j \quad \text{power balance}$$



S_{ij} : branch power
 I_{ij} : branch current
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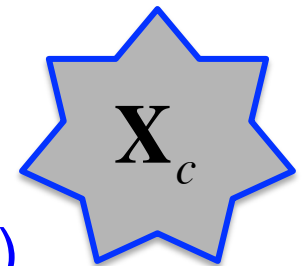
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power definition

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power balance

Given (z, s) find (S, I, V)



BFM is self-contained (e.g. no nodal pwr/currents)

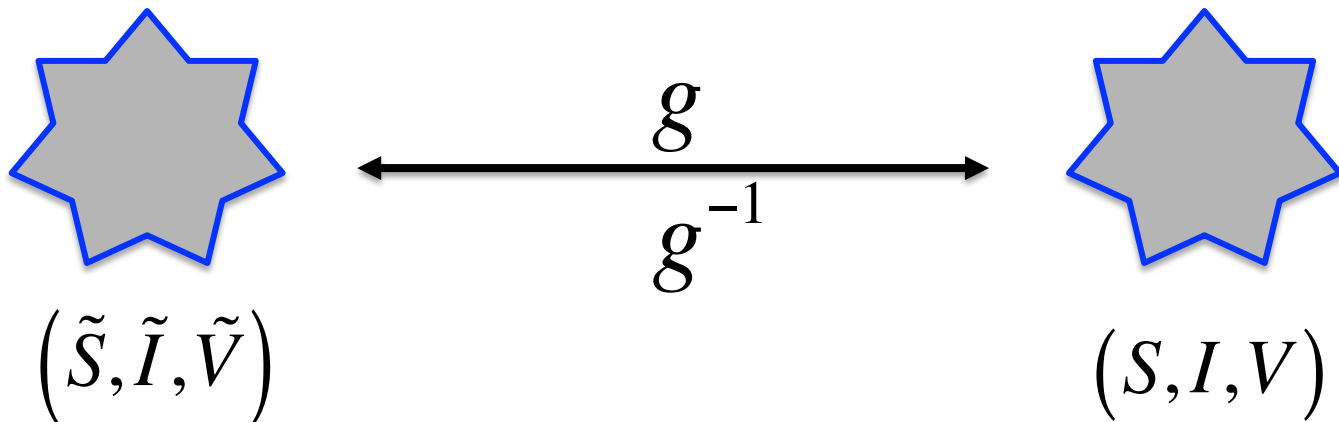


Equivalence

Theorem

The branch flow and bus injection models are equivalent

- There is bijection between solution sets





Equivalence

$$\tilde{V} = V$$

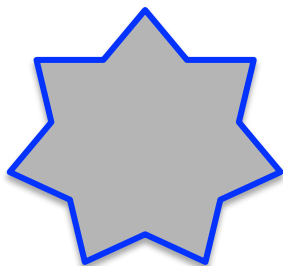
$$\tilde{I}_j = \sum_{j \rightarrow k} I_{jk} - \sum_{i \rightarrow j} I_{ij}$$

$$\tilde{S}_j = \sum_{j \rightarrow k} S_{jk} - \sum_{i \rightarrow j} \left(S_{ij} - z_{ij} |I_{ij}|^2 \right)$$

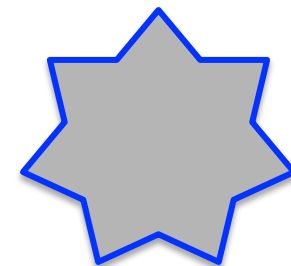
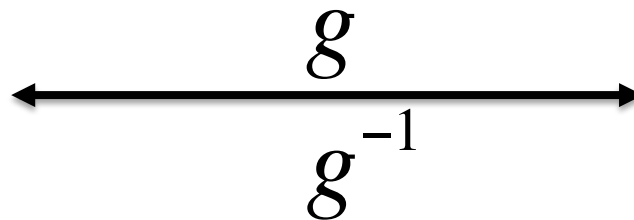
$$V = \tilde{V}$$

$$I_{ij} = y_{ij} (\tilde{V}_i - \tilde{V}_j)$$

$$S_{ij} = y_{ij}^* \left(|\tilde{V}_i|^2 - \tilde{V}_i \tilde{V}_j^* \right)$$



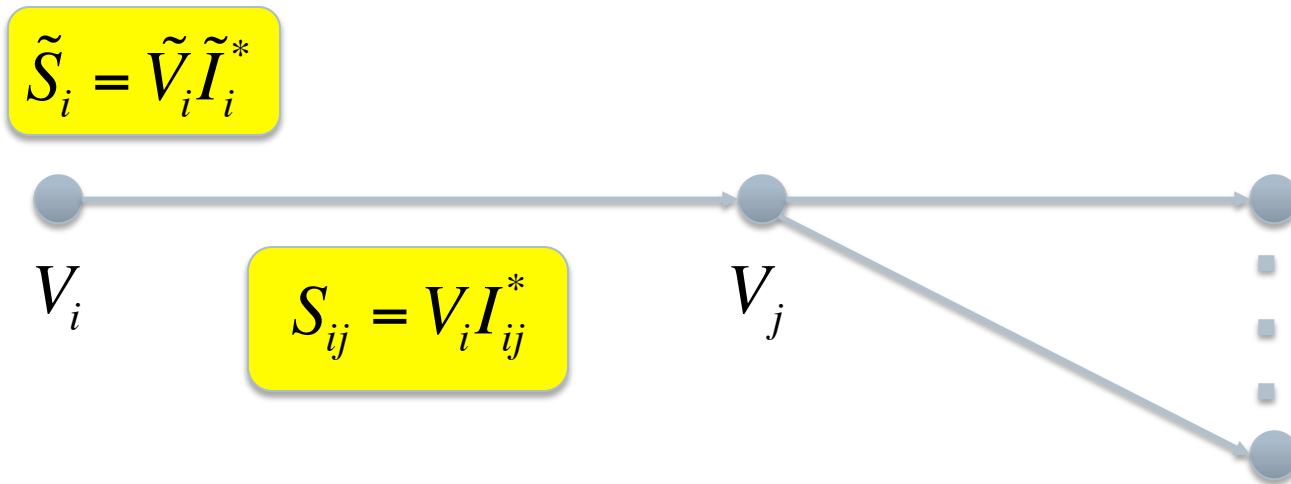
$(\tilde{S}, \tilde{I}, \tilde{V})$



(S, I, V)



Recap: two models



Equivalent models of Kirchhoff laws

- Bus injection model focuses on **nodal** vars
- Branch flow model focuses on **branch** vars



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OPF: bus injection model

$$\begin{array}{ll} \min & \sum_j f_j(\tilde{x}) \\ \text{over} & \tilde{x} := (\tilde{S}, \tilde{I}, \tilde{V}, s) \\ \text{subject to} & \end{array}$$

e.g. quadratic gen cost



OPF: bus injection model

min $\sum_j f_j(\tilde{x})$ e.g. quadratic gen cost

over $\tilde{x} := (\tilde{S}, \tilde{I}, \tilde{V}, s)$

subject to $\underline{s}_j \leq s_j \leq \bar{s}_j \quad \underline{V}_k \leq |\tilde{V}_k| \leq \bar{V}_k$



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$$\tilde{I} = Y\tilde{V}$$
$$\tilde{S}_j = s_j \quad \tilde{S}_j = \tilde{V}_j \tilde{I}_j^*$$

Kirchhoff law

power balance

nonconvex, NP-hard



Semidefinite relaxation

In terms of V :

$$P_k = \text{tr } \Phi_k VV^*$$

$$Q_k = \text{tr } \Psi_k VV^*$$

$$\Phi_k := \begin{pmatrix} \frac{Y_k^* + Y_k}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Psi_k := \begin{pmatrix} \frac{Y_k^* - Y_k}{2\mathbf{i}} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\min \sum_{k \in G} \text{tr } M_k VV^*$$

over V

$$\text{s.t. } \underline{P}_k^g - P_k^d \leq \text{tr } \Phi_k VV^* \leq \bar{P}_k^g - P_k^d$$
$$\underline{Q}_k^g - Q_k^d \leq \text{tr } \Psi_k VV^* \leq \bar{Q}_k^g - Q_k^d$$
$$\underline{V}_k^2 \leq \text{tr } J_k VV^* \leq \bar{V}_k^2$$

Key observation [Bai et al 2008]:
OPF = rank constrained SDP



Semidefinite relaxation

$$\min \sum_{k \in G} \text{tr } M_k W$$

over W positive semidefinite matrix

$$\text{s.t. } \underline{P}_k \leq \text{tr } \Phi_k W \leq \bar{P}_k$$

$$\underline{Q}_k \leq \text{tr } \Psi_k W \leq \bar{Q}_k$$

$$\underline{V}_k^2 \leq \text{tr } J_k W \leq \bar{V}_k^2$$

$$W \succeq 0, \quad \cancel{\text{rank } W = 1}$$

convex relaxation: SDP
polynomial



General QCQP

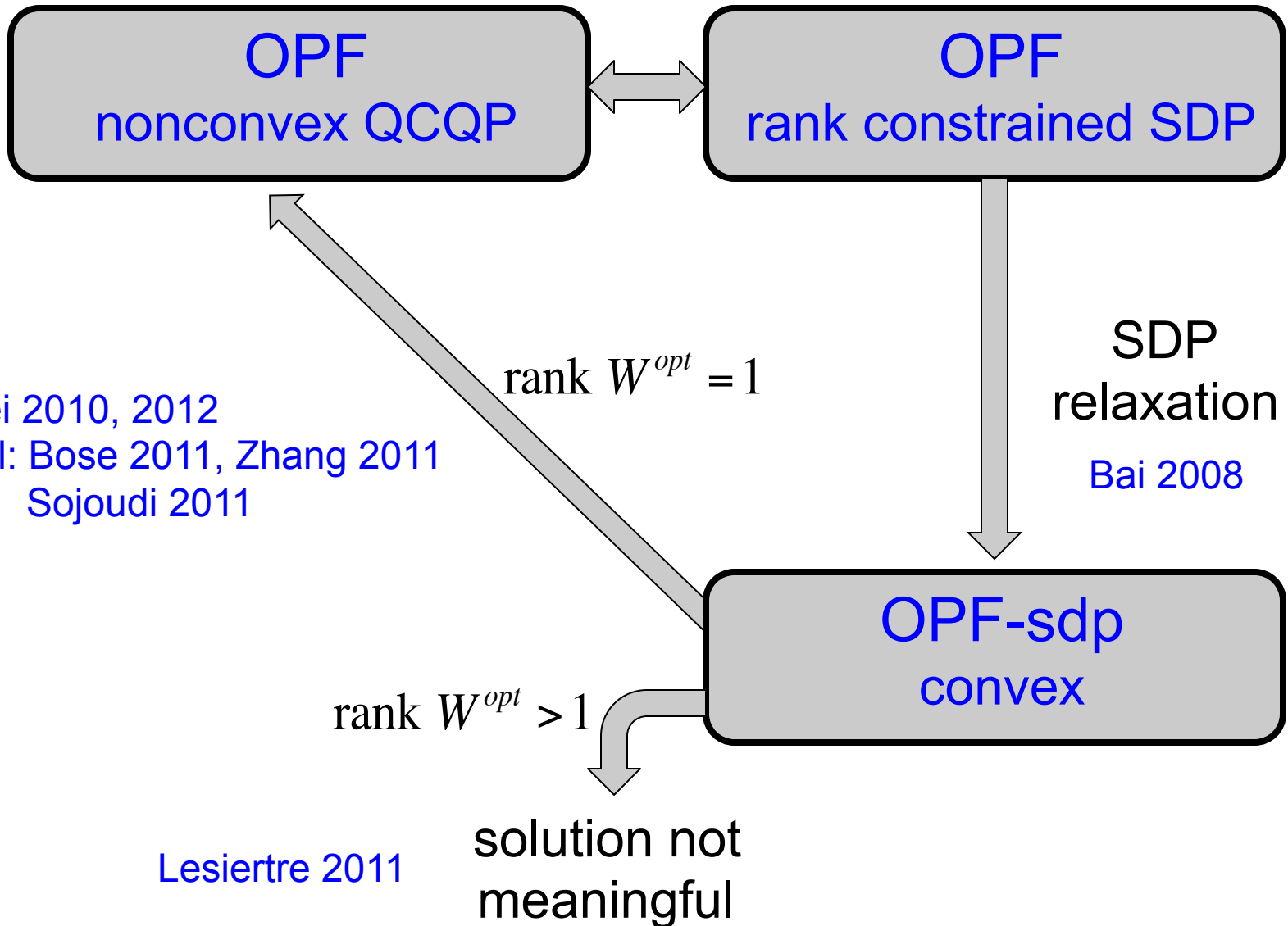
$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & \text{tr } C_0 W \\ \text{over} \quad & W \text{ matrices} \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \text{tr } C_k W \leq b_k \\ & W \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

~~$$\text{rank } W = 1$$~~

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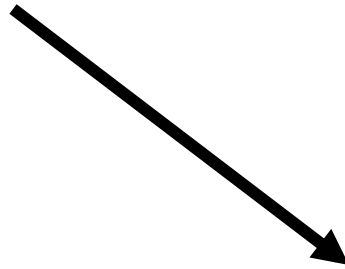
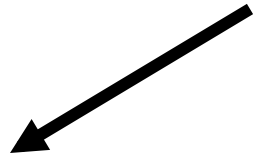
Solution strategy



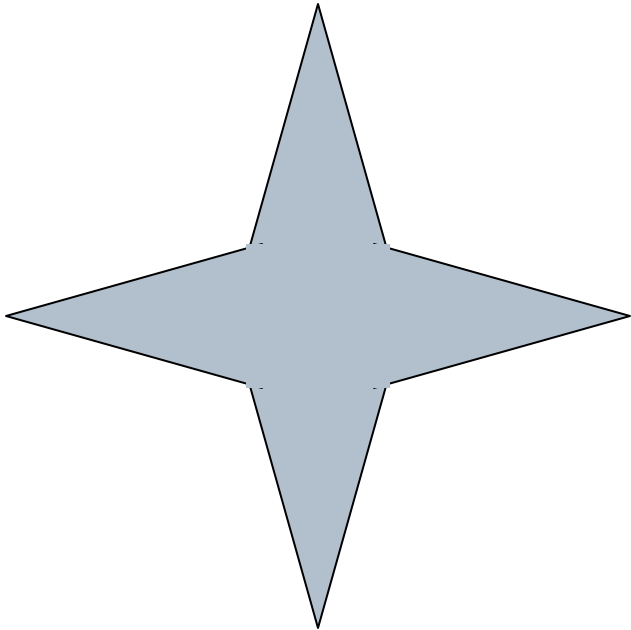


Feasible set: OPF

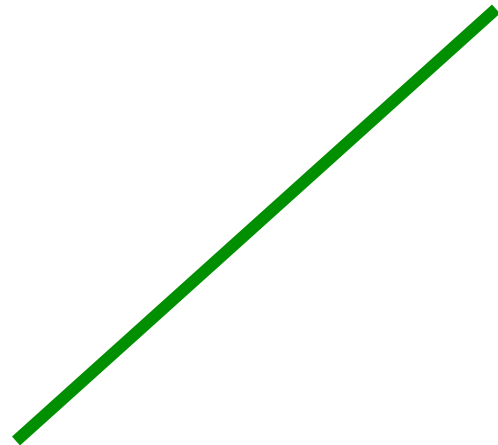
power flow
solutions \tilde{V} :
$$s_j = \text{tr} \left(Y^* e_j e_j^T \tilde{V} \tilde{V}^* \right)$$



$$\mathbf{N} := \{ W \geq 0 \mid \text{rank } W = 1 \}$$



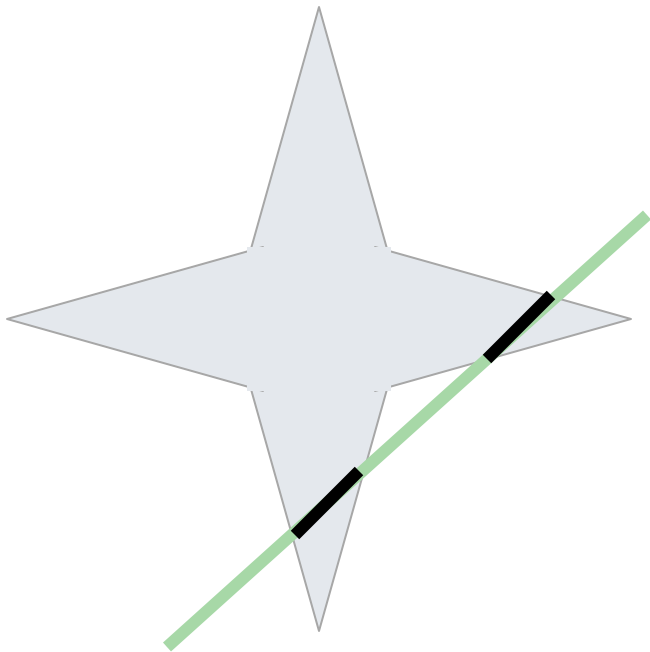
$$\mathbf{L} := \left\{ W \mid s_j = \text{tr} \left(Y^* e_j e_j^T W \right) \right\}$$





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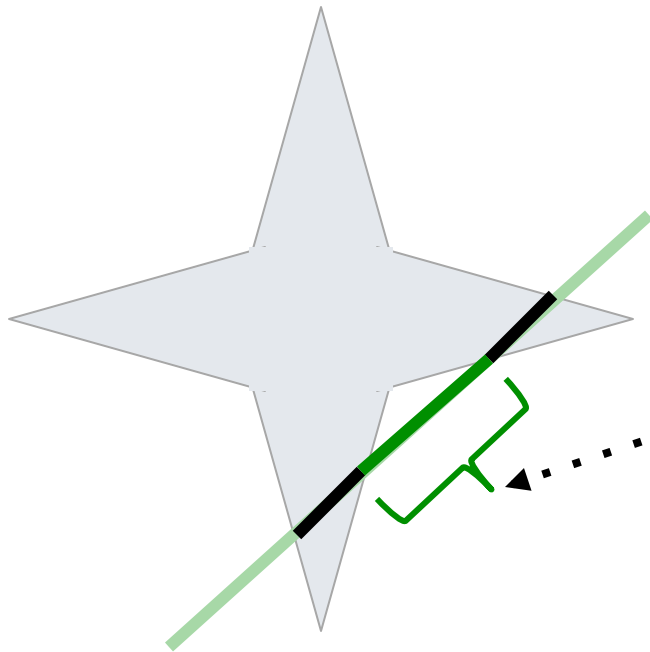


$\mathbf{N} \cap \mathbf{L}$



Feasible set: convex hull

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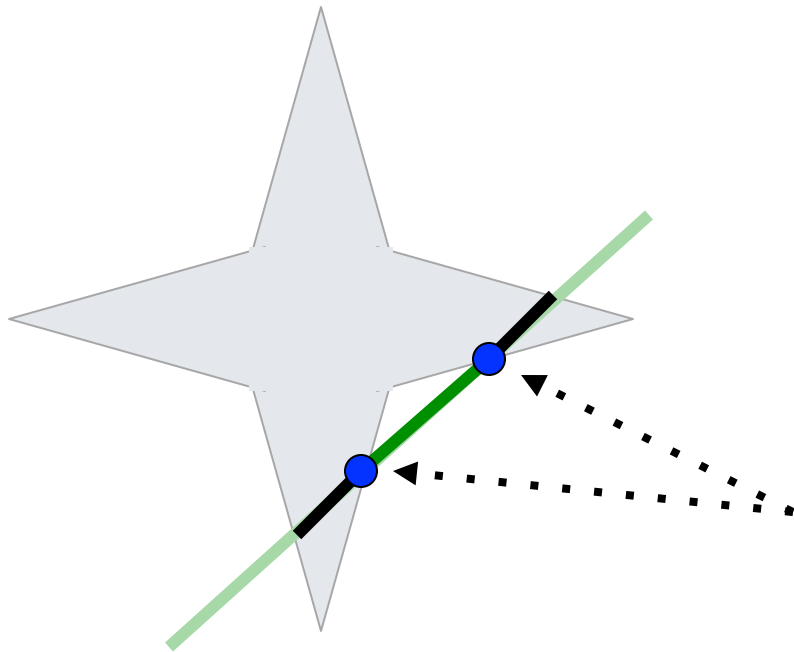
Any of these rank-2 W 's are optimal iff

$\text{conv}(\mathbf{N} \cap \mathbf{L})$



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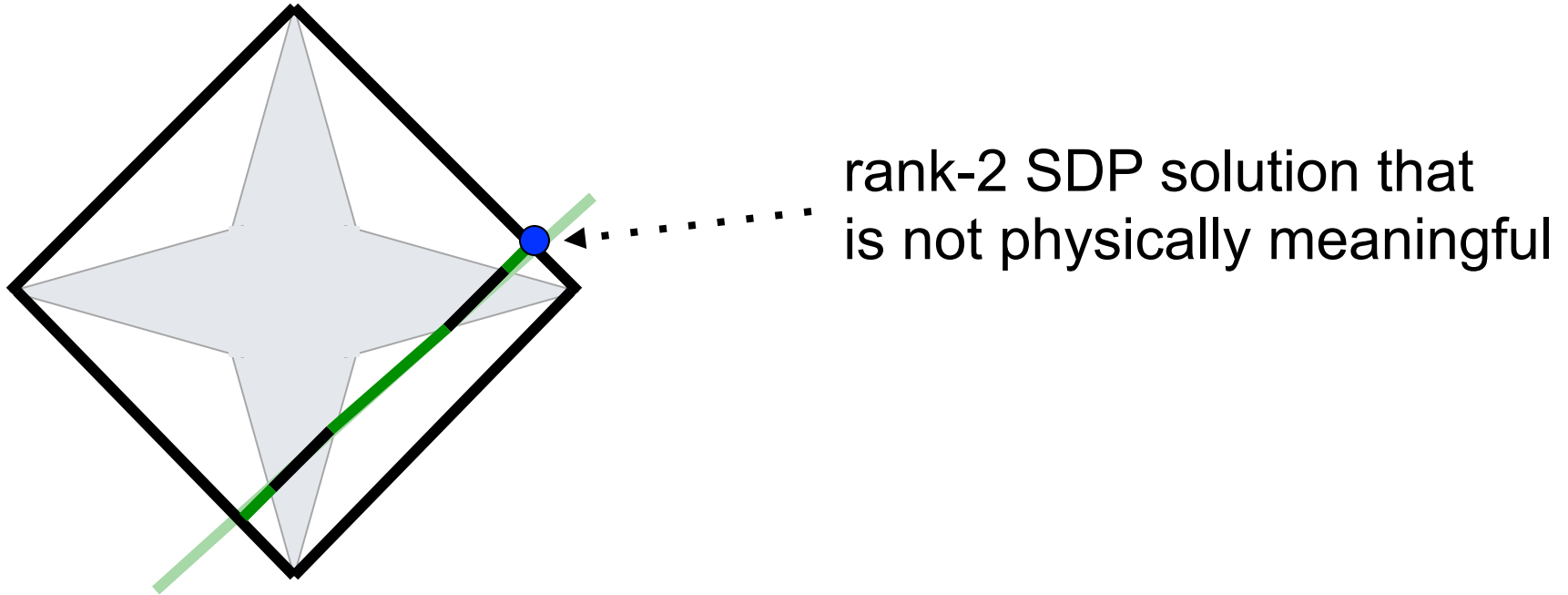
these rank-1 W 's are optimal

This relaxation always works
but is **not** SDP



Feasible set: SDP

SDP solution may not have
Feasible rank-1 decomposition



$$\text{SDP: } \text{conv} \mathbf{N} \cap \mathbf{L} \supseteq \text{conv}(\mathbf{N} \cap \mathbf{L})$$



QCQP over tree

QCQP (C, C_k)

$$\min \quad x^* C x$$

$$\text{over } \quad x \in \mathbf{C}^n$$

$$\text{s.t.} \quad x^* C_k x \leq b_k \quad k \in K$$

graph of QCQP

$$G(C, C_k) \text{ has edge } (i, j) \iff$$

$$C_{ij} \neq 0 \text{ or } [C_k]_{ij} \neq 0 \text{ for some } k$$

QCQP over tree

$$G(C, C_k) \text{ is a tree}$$



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Semidefinite relaxation

$$\min \quad \text{tr} C W$$

$$\text{over} \quad W \geq 0$$

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Key condition

$$i \sim j: 0 \notin \text{int conv hull} \left(C_{ij}, [C_k]_{ij}, \forall k \right)$$

Theorem

semidefinite relaxation is exact for
QCQP over tree

S. Bose, D. Gayme, S. H. Low and
M. Chandy, March 2012



QCQP over tree

Remarks

- condition implies constraint patterns
- full AC: inc real and reactive powers
- allows constraints on line flows, loss

Key condition

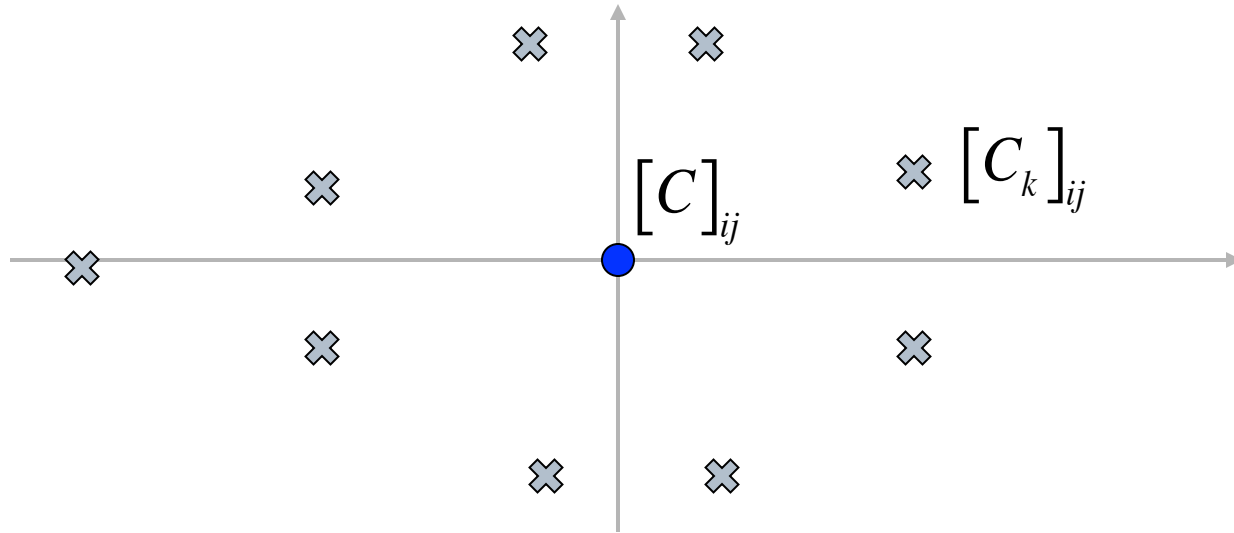
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OPF over radial networks

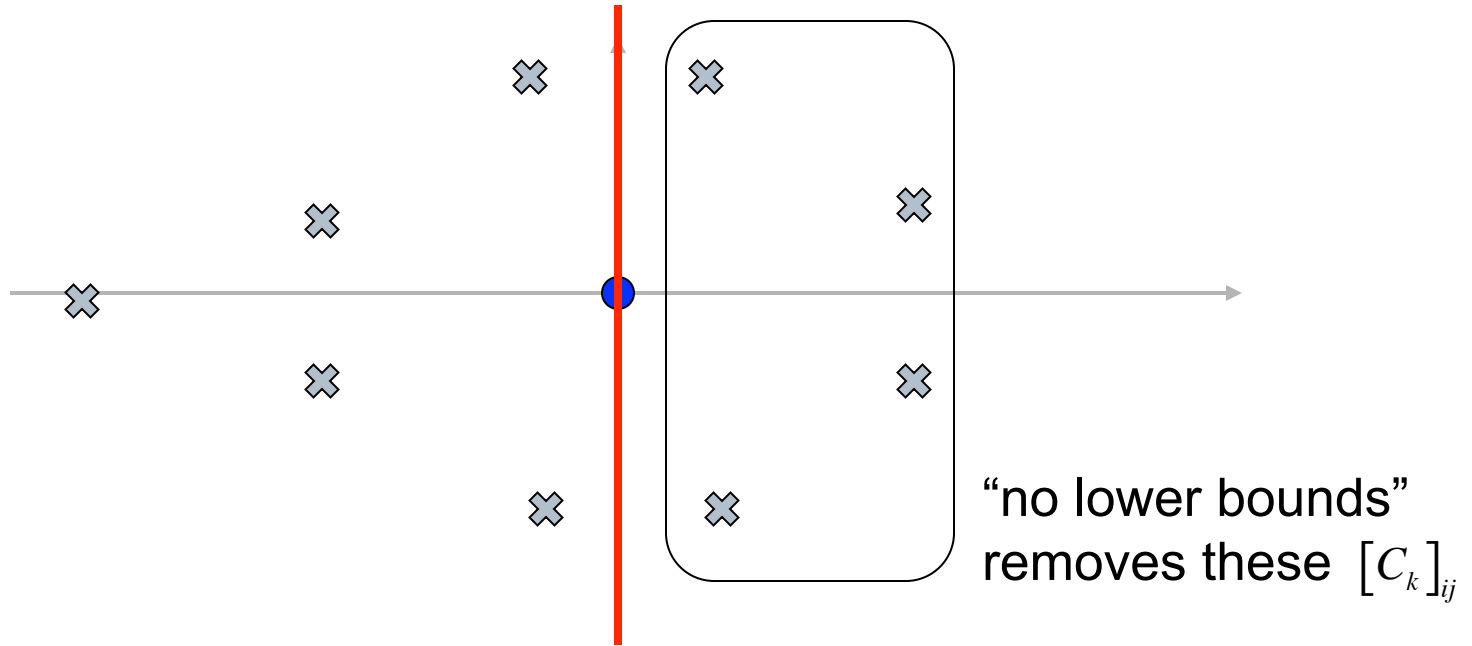


full constraints violate key condition

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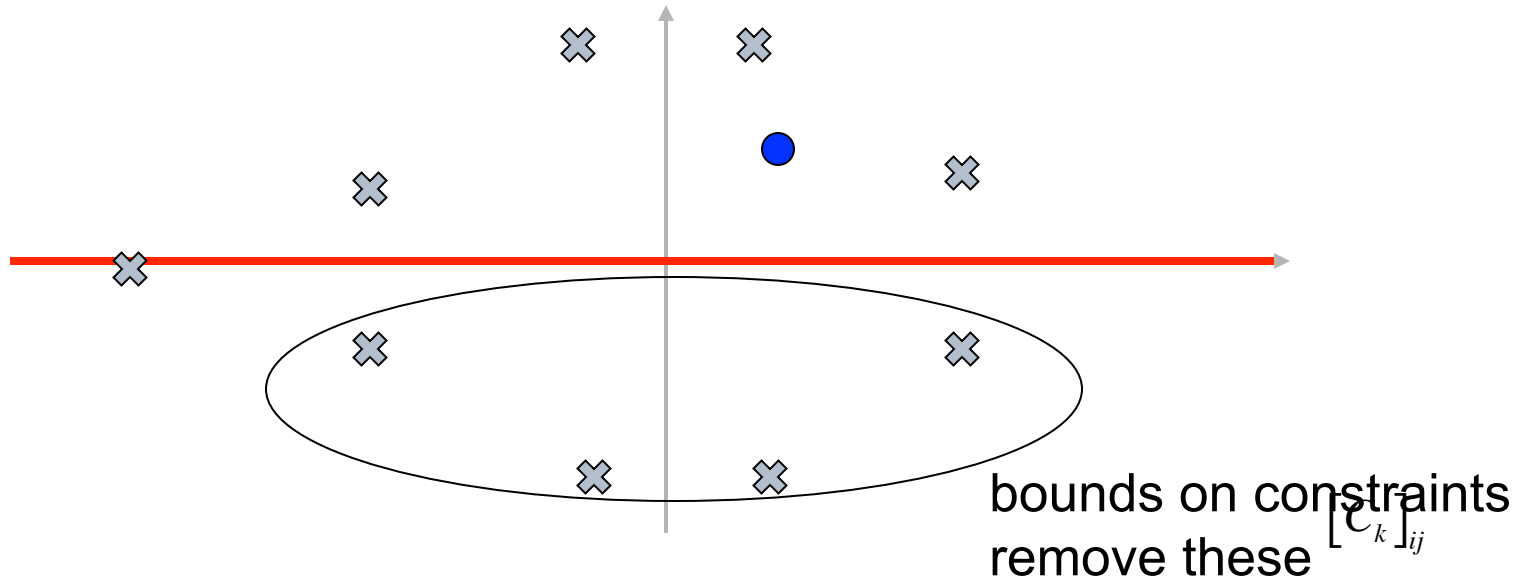
OPF over radial networks



P_i	Q_i	P_j	Q_j	line flow	loss
UB	UB	UB	UB	any	any
UB	LB	LB	UB	no P_{ij}	any
LB	UB	UB	LB	no \overline{P}_{ji}	any



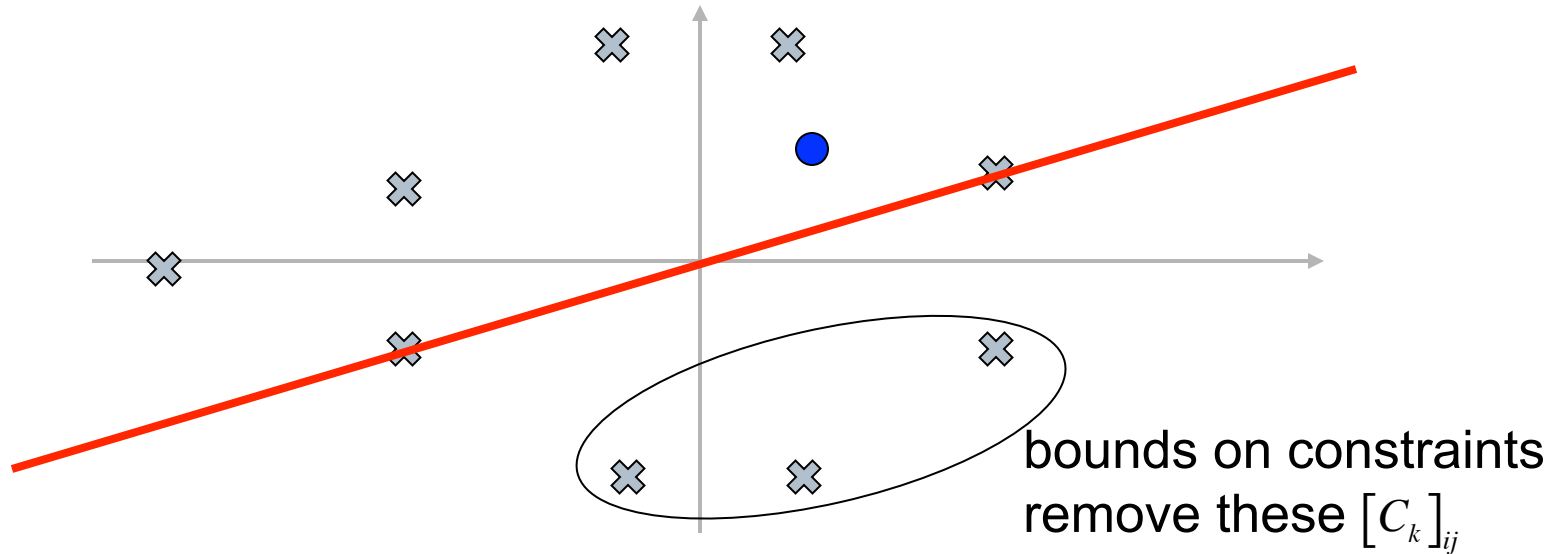
OPF over radial networks



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OPF over radial networks



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LB	UB	UB	LB	no \overline{P}_{ji}	any



Bus injection model: summary

OPF = rank constrained SDP

Sufficient conditions for SDP to be exact

- Whether a solution is **globally optimal** is **always** easily checkable
- Mesh: must solve SDP to check
- Tree: depends only on constraint pattern or r/x ratios



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OPF: branch flow model

$$\min \sum_{i \sim j} r_{ij} |I_{ij}|^2 + \sum_i \alpha_i |V_i|^2$$

real power loss

CVR (conservation
voltage reduction)



OPF: branch flow model

$$\min \quad f(x)$$

$$\text{over } x := (S, I, V, s^g, s^c)$$

s. t.



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generation,
VAR control

branch flow
model

$$\sum_{i \rightarrow j} \left(S_{ij} - z_{ij} |I_{ij}|^2 \right) - \sum_{j \rightarrow k} S_{jk} = s_j^c - s_j^g$$

$$V_j = V_i - z_{ij} I_{ij} \quad S_{ij} = V_i I_{ij}^*$$

Branch flow model is more convenient for applications



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demand
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branch flow
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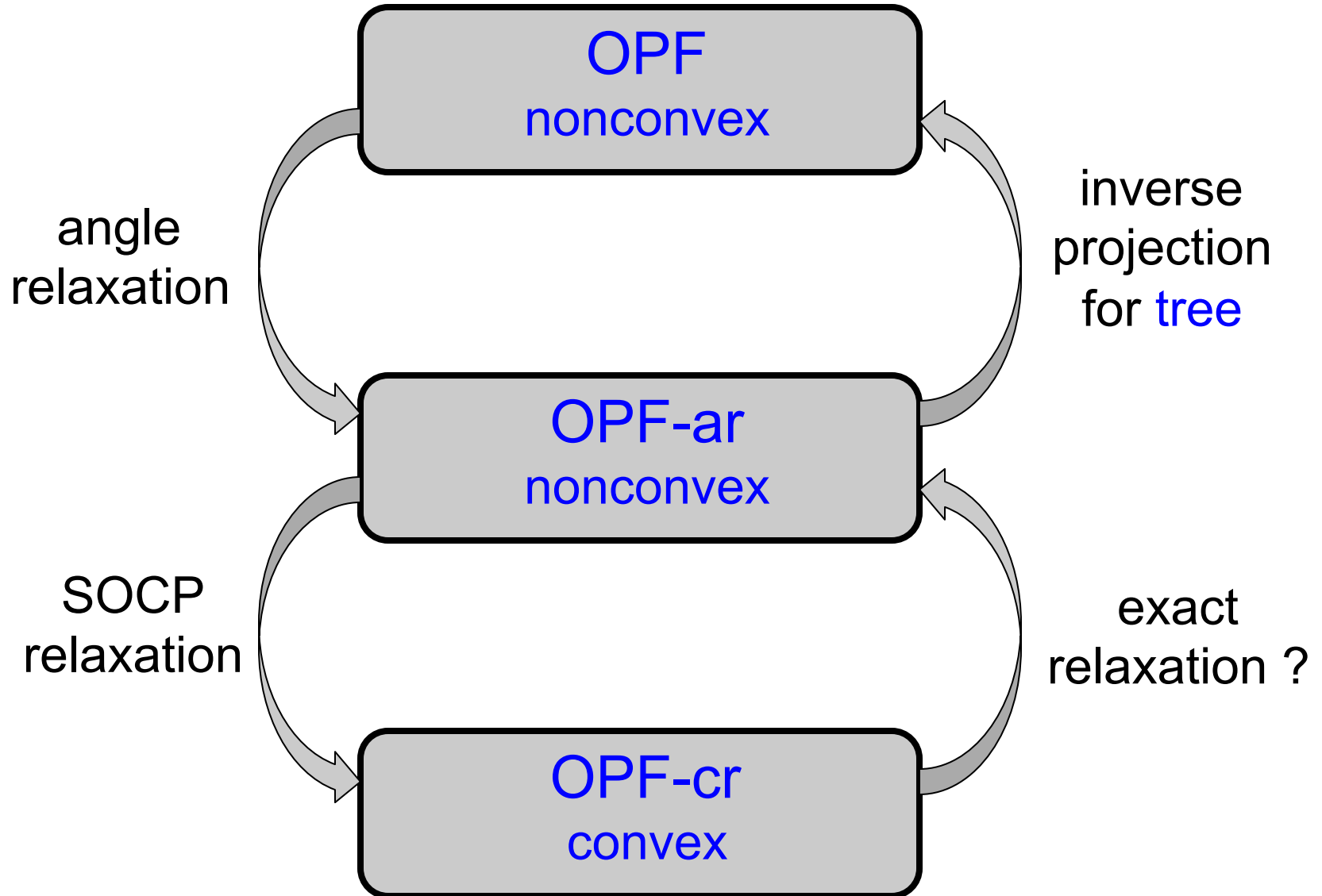
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Challenge: nonconvexity !



Solution strategy



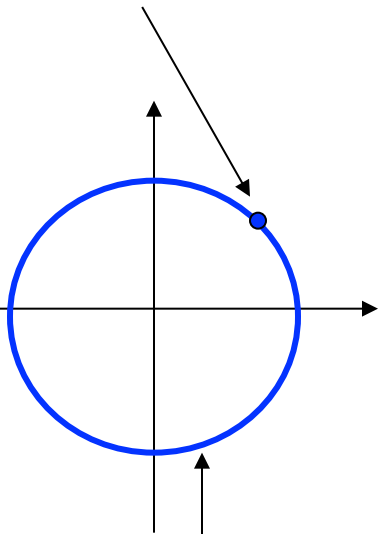


BFM: power flow solutions

$$\sum_{i \rightarrow j} \left(S_{ij} - z_{ij} |I_{ij}|^2 \right) - \sum_{j \rightarrow k} S_{jk} = S_j^c - S_j^g$$

$$V_j = V_i - z_{ij} I_{ij} \quad S_{ij} = V_i I_{ij}^*$$

(S, I, V)



(S, l, v)



Relaxed BF model

relaxed branch flow solutions: (S, ℓ, v, s) satisfy

(S, I, V)

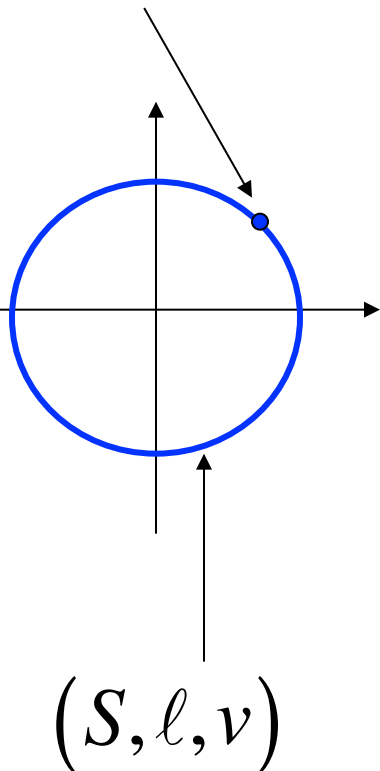
$$\sum_{i \rightarrow j} (S_{ij} - z_{ij} \ell_{ij}) - \sum_{j \rightarrow k} S_{jk} = s_j^c - s_j^g$$

$$v_i = v_j + 2 \operatorname{Re}(z_{ij}^* S_{ij}) - |z_{ij}|^2 \ell_{ij}$$

$$\ell_{ij} = \frac{|S_{ij}|^2}{v_i}$$

$$\ell_{ij} := |I_{ij}|^2$$
$$v_i := |V_i|^2$$

Baran and Wu 1989
for radial networks





Relaxed BF model

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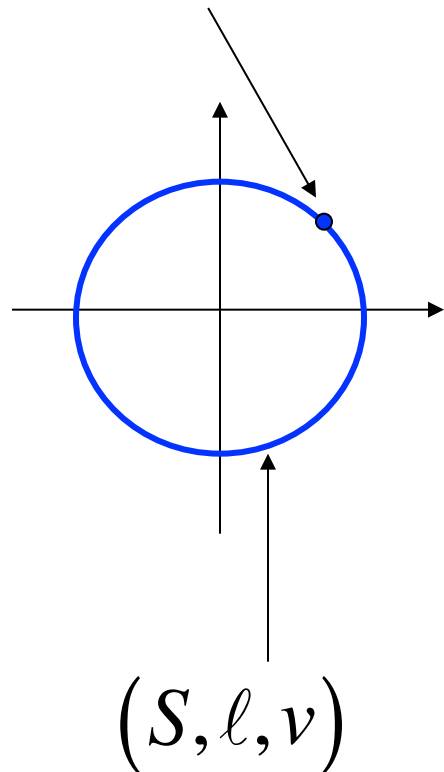
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$$\ell_{ij} \geq \frac{|S_{ij}|^2}{v_i}$$

$$\ell_{ij} := |I_{ij}|^2$$
$$v_i := |V_i|^2$$

second order cone !





OPF

$$\min f(x)$$

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$$x \in \mathbf{X}$$



X



OPF-ar

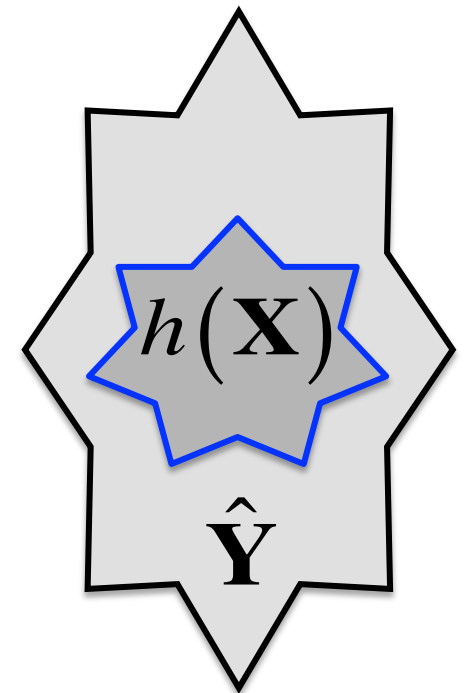
$$\min f(\hat{y})$$

$$\text{over } \hat{y} := (S, \ell, v, s^g, s^c)$$

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$$\hat{y} := h(x) \in \hat{Y}$$

relax each voltage/current from a point in complex plane into a circle





OPF-cr

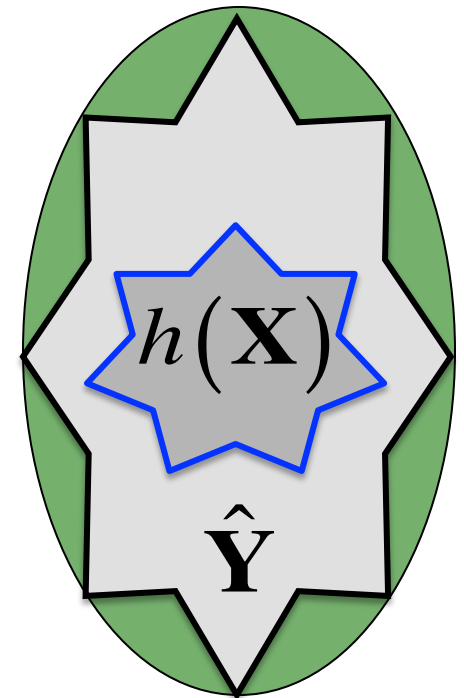
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$$\text{s. t. } \underline{s}_i^g \leq s_i^g \leq \overline{s}_i^g \quad \underline{s}_i^c \leq s_i^c \leq \overline{s}_i^c \quad \underline{v}_i \leq v_i \leq \overline{v}_i$$

$$\hat{y} \in \text{conv } \hat{\mathbf{Y}}$$

relax to convex hull
(SOCP)





OPF

$$\min f(x)$$

$$\text{over } x := (S, I, V, s^g, s^c)$$

$$\text{s. t. } \underline{s}_i^g \leq s_i^g \leq \bar{s}_i^g \quad \underline{s}_i \leq s_i^c \leq \bar{s}_i \quad \underline{v}_i \leq v_i \leq \bar{v}_i$$

branch flow
model

$$\sum_{i \rightarrow j} \left(S_{ij} - z_{ij} |I_{ij}|^2 \right) - \sum_{j \rightarrow k} S_{jk} = s_j^c - s_j^g$$

$$V_j = V_i - z_{ij} I_{ij} \quad S_{ij} = V_i I_{ij}^*$$



OPF-ar

$$\min f(x)$$

$$\text{over } x := (S, I, V, s^g, s^c)$$

$$\text{s. t. } \underline{s}_i^g \leq s_i^g \leq \bar{s}_i^g \quad \underline{s}_i^c \leq s_i^c \leq \bar{s}_i^c \quad \underline{v}_i \leq v_i \leq \bar{v}_i$$

$$\sum_{i \rightarrow j} (S_{ij} - z_{ij} \ell_{ij}) - \sum_{j \rightarrow k} S_{jk} = s_j^c - s_j^g$$

$$v_i = v_j + 2 \operatorname{Re}(z_{ij}^* S_{ij}) - |z_{ij}|^2 \ell_{ij}$$

$$\ell_{ij} = \frac{|S_{ij}|^2}{v_i}$$

source of
nonconvexity



OPF-cr

$$\min f(x)$$

$$\text{over } x := (S, I, V, s^g, s^c)$$

$$\text{s. t. } \underline{s}_i^g \leq s_i^g \leq \bar{s}_i^g \quad \underline{s}_i^c \leq s_i^c \leq \bar{s}_i^c \quad \underline{v}_i \leq v_i \leq \bar{v}_i$$

$$\sum_{i \rightarrow j} (S_{ij} - z_{ij} \ell_{ij}) - \sum_{j \rightarrow k} S_{jk} = s_j^c - s_j^g$$

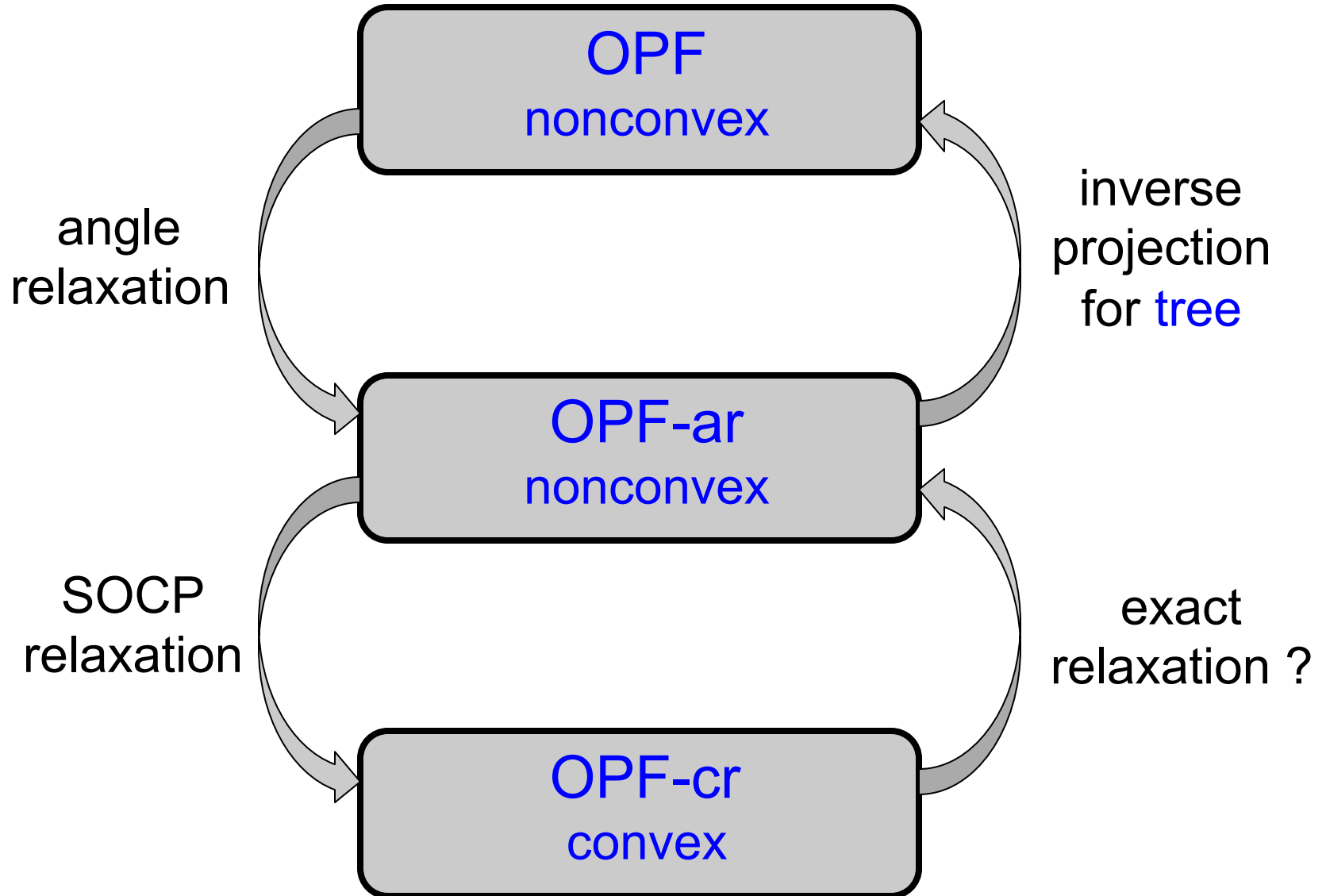
$$v_i = v_j + 2 \operatorname{Re}(z_{ij}^* S_{ij}) - |z_{ij}|^2 \ell_{ij}$$

$$\ell_{ij} \geq \frac{|S_{ij}|^2}{v_i}$$

SOCP relaxation



Recap so far ...





OPF-cr is exact relaxation

Theorem

OPF-cr is SOCP

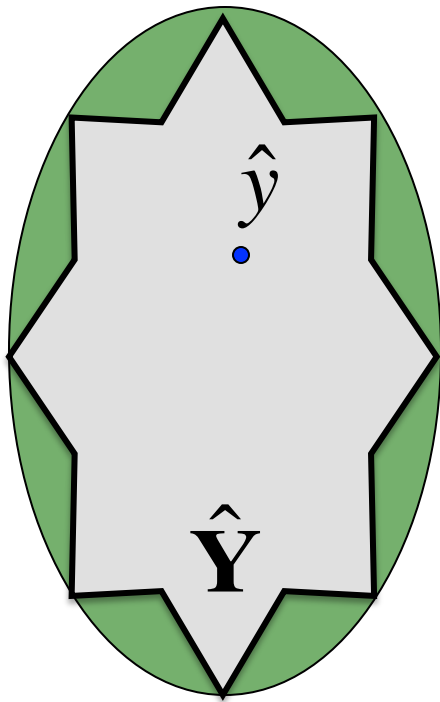
- when objective is linear
- SOCP much simpler than SDP

OPF-cr is exact

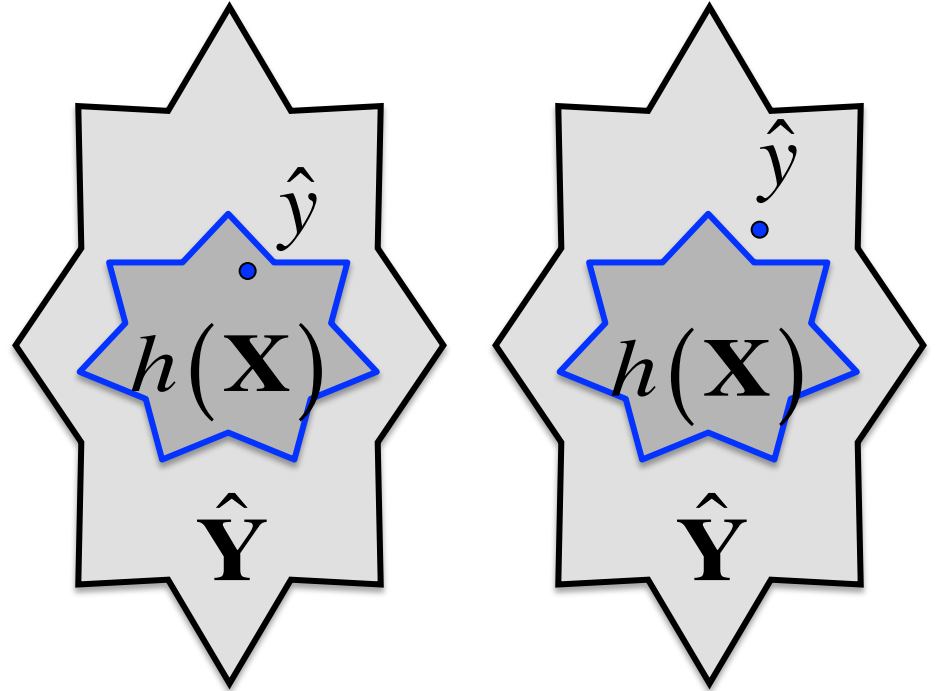
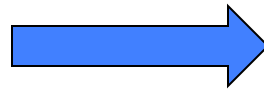
- optimal of OPF-cr is also optimal for OPF-ar
- for mesh as well as radial networks
- ... if no upper bounds on loads
- (or alternative conds for radial networks)



Angle recovery



OPF-ar



does there exist θ s.t.

$$h_{\theta}^{-1}(\hat{y}) \in \mathbf{X} ?$$



Angle recovery

Theorem

solution x to OPF recoverable from \hat{y} iff
inverse projection exist iff $\exists! \theta$ s.t.

$$B\theta = \beta(\hat{y}) \quad \text{mod } 2\pi$$

incidence matrix;
depends on topology

depends on
OPF-ar solution



Angle recovery

Theorem

solution x to OPF recoverable from \hat{y} iff
inverse projection exist iff $\exists! \theta$ s.t.

$$B\theta = \beta(\hat{y}) \quad \text{mod } 2\pi$$

implied phase angle differences sum to 0 (mod 2π)
around each cycle

Two simple angle recovery algorithms

- centralized: explicit formula
- decentralized: recursive alg

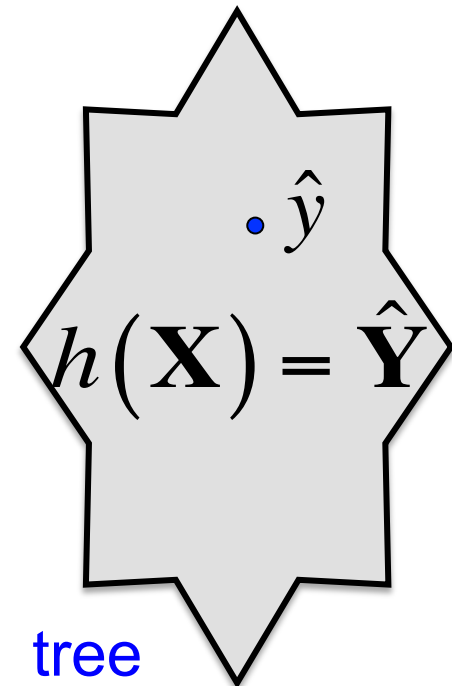
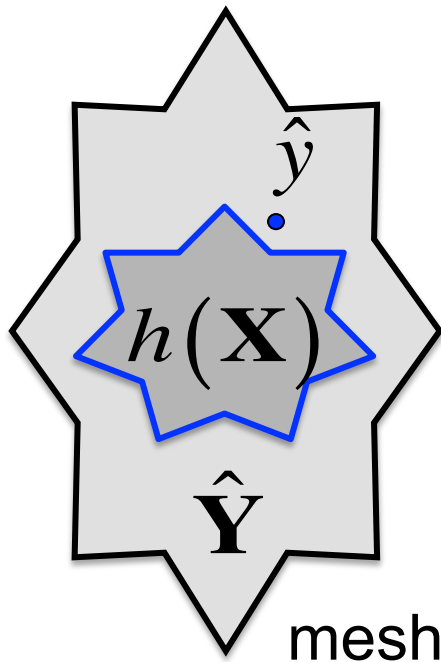


Angle recovery

Theorem

For **radial** network: $\exists! \theta$

$$B\theta = \beta(\hat{y}) \pmod{2\pi}$$





Angle recovery

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{\#buses - 1} \\ \text{\#lines in T} \\ \text{\#lines outside T} \end{array} \begin{bmatrix} B_T \\ B_{\perp} \end{bmatrix} \theta = \begin{bmatrix} \beta_T \\ \beta_{\perp} \end{bmatrix}$$

Theorem

Inverse projection exist iff $B_{\perp} (B_T^{-1} \beta_T) = \beta_{\perp}$

Unique inverse given by $\theta^* = B_T^{-1} \beta_T$

For **radial** network: $B_{\perp} = \beta_{\perp} = 0$



OPF solution

Solve OPF-cr

SOCP

radial

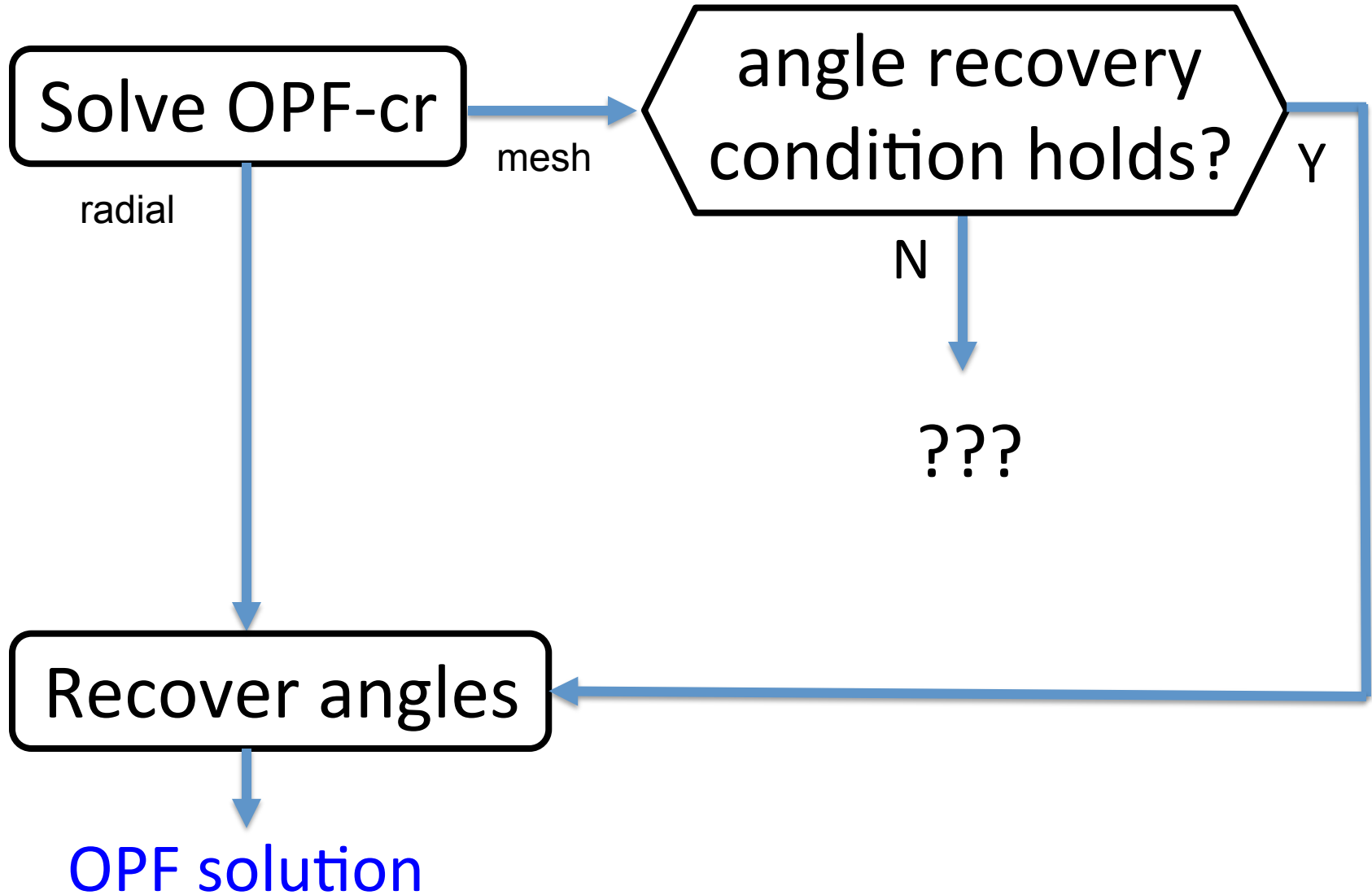
Recover angles

- explicit formula
- distributed alg

OPF solution



OPF solution





Outline

Two power flow models

- Bus injection model
- Branch flow model

OPF in BI model

- Semidefinite relaxation

OPF in BF model

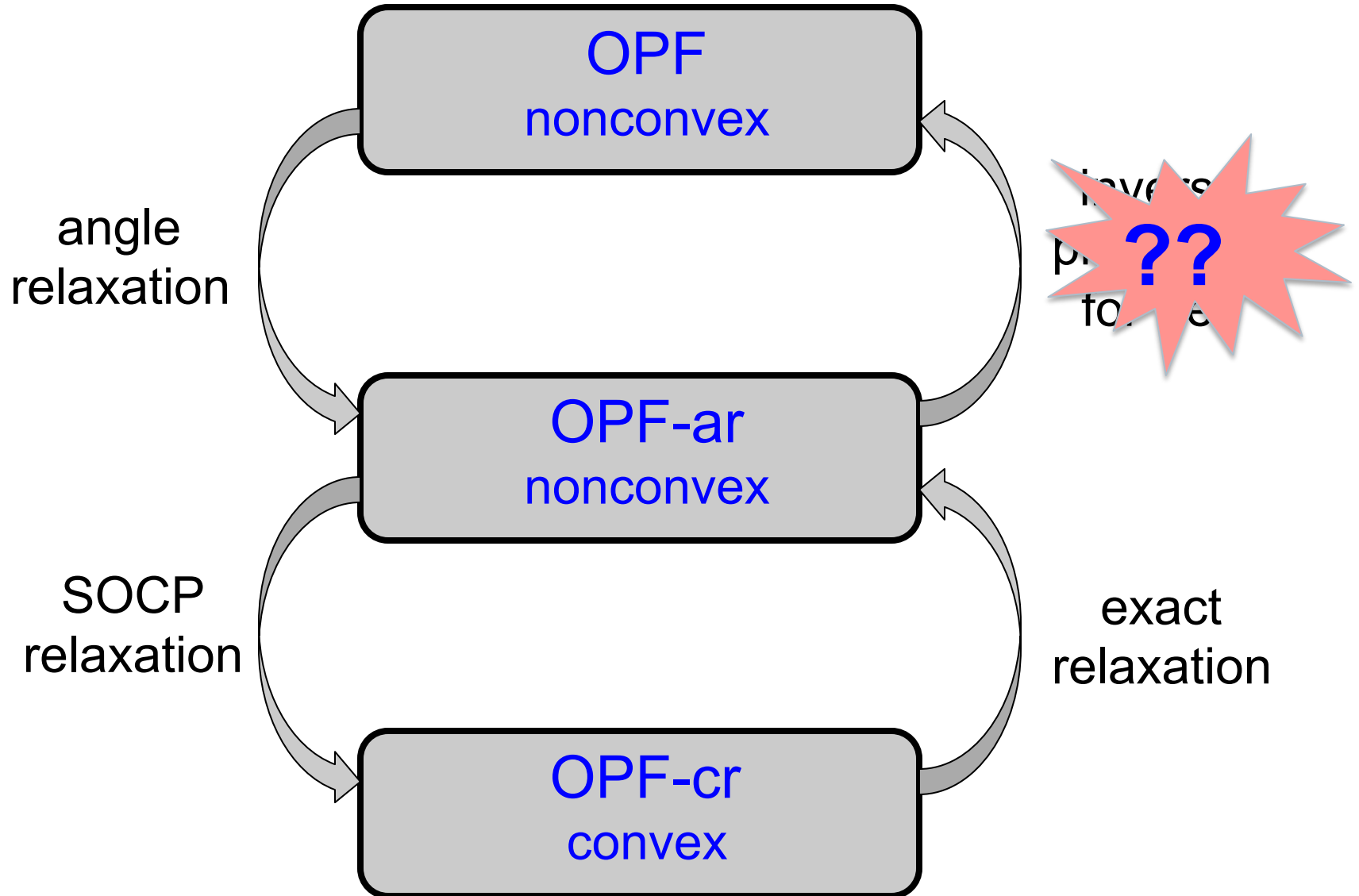
- SOCP relaxation
- Convexification using phase shifters

Equivalence relationship



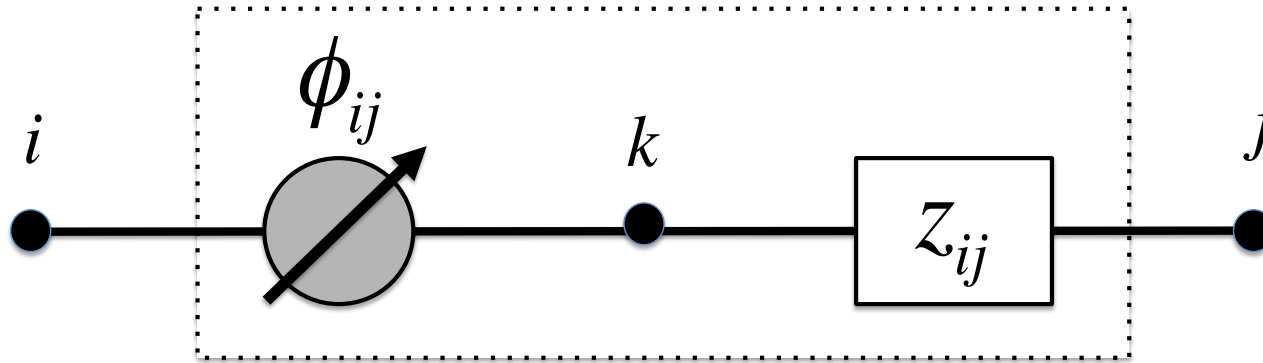


Recap: solution strategy





Phase shifter



ideal phase shifter



Convexification of mesh networks

OPF $\min_x f(h(x))$ s.t. $x \in \mathbf{X}$

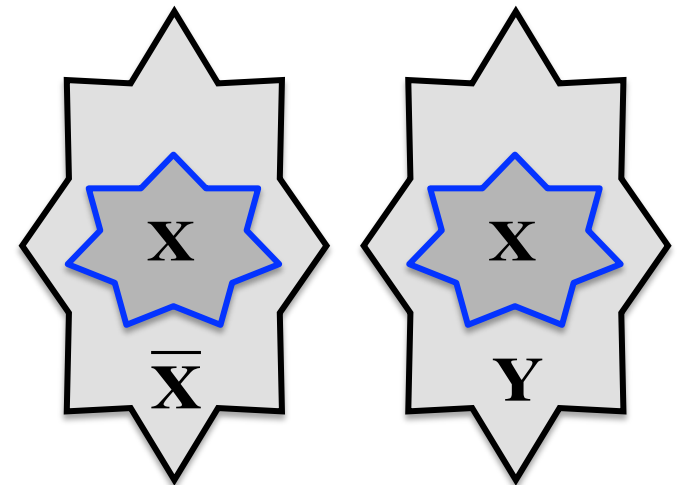
OPF-ar $\min_x f(h(x))$ s.t. $x \in \mathbf{Y}$

OPF-ps $\min_{x,\phi} f(h(x))$ s.t. $x \in \bar{\mathbf{X}}$

optimize over phase shifters as well

Theorem

- $\bar{\mathbf{X}} = \mathbf{Y}$
- Need phase shifters only outside spanning tree





Angle recovery with PS

$$\begin{bmatrix} B_T \\ B_{\perp} \end{bmatrix} \theta = \begin{bmatrix} \beta_T \\ \beta_{\perp} \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \phi_{\perp} \end{bmatrix}$$

Theorem

Inverse projection always exists

Unique inverse given by $\theta^* = B_T^{-1} \beta_T$

Don't need PS in spanning tree $\phi_{\perp}^* = 0$



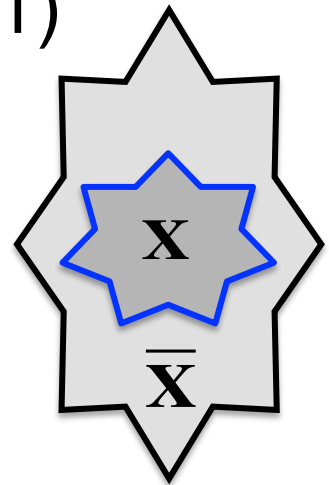
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optimize over phase shifters as well

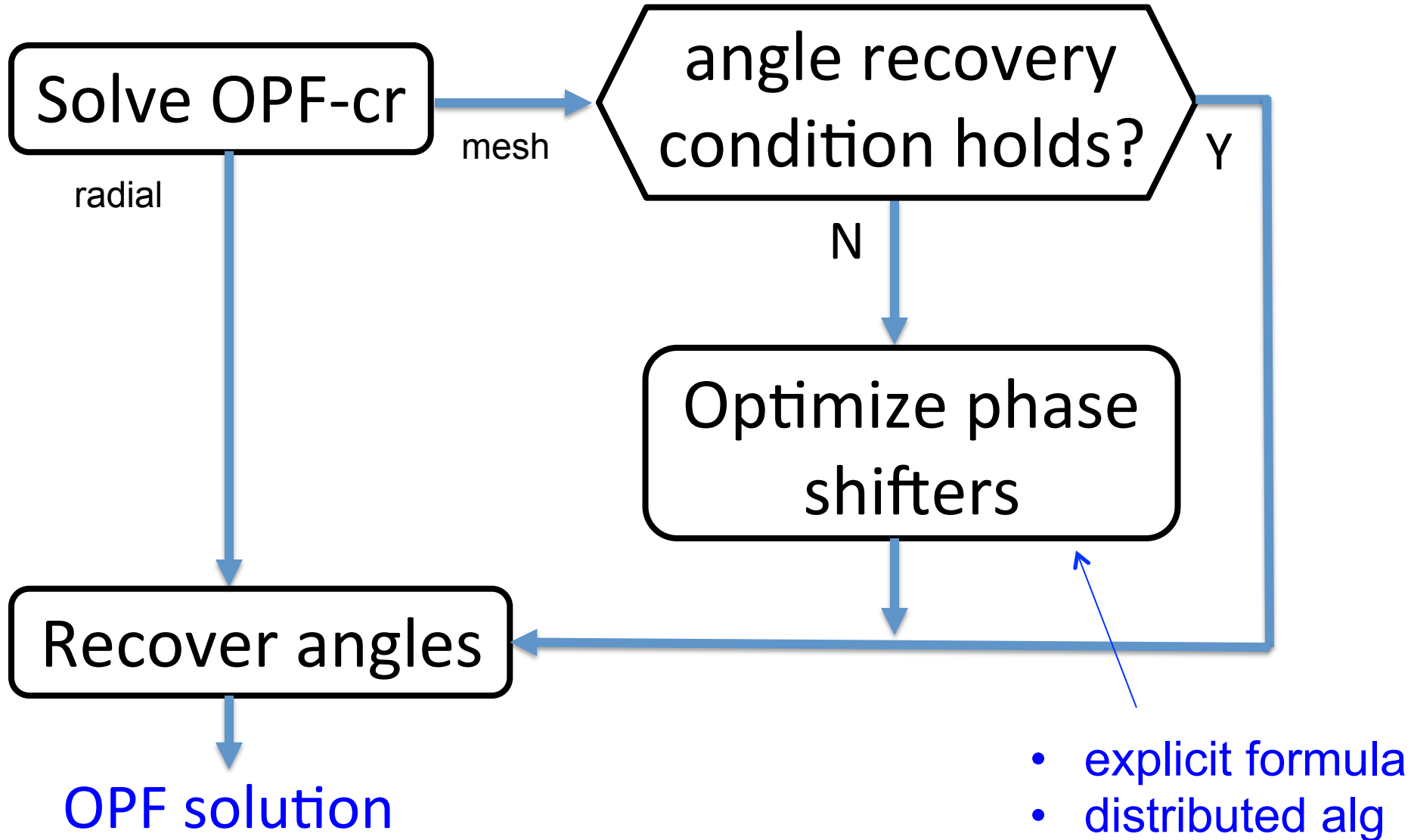
Optimization of ϕ

- Min # phase shifters ($\#lines - \#buses + 1$)
- Min $\|\phi\|_2$: NP hard (good heuristics)
- Given existing network of PS, min # or angles of additional PS





OPF solution





Examples

Test cases	# links (m)	No PS	With PS
		Min loss (OPF, MW)	Min loss (OPF-cr, MW)
IEEE 14-Bus	20	0.546	0.545
IEEE 30-Bus	41	1.372	1.239
IEEE 57-Bus	80	11.302	10.910
IEEE 118-Bus	186	9.232	8.728
IEEE 300-Bus	411	211.871	197.387
New England 39-Bus	46	29.915	28.901
Polish (case2383wp)	2,896	433.019	385.894
Polish (case2737sop)	3,506	130.145	109.905



Examples

Test cases	# links (m)	# active PS $ \phi_i > 0.1^\circ$	Min #PS ($^\circ$) $[\phi_{\min}, \phi_{\max}]$
IEEE 14-Bus	20	2 (10%)	$[-2.09, 0.58]$
IEEE 30-Bus	41	3 (7%)	$[-0.20, 4.47]$
IEEE 57-Bus	80	19 (24%)	$[-3.47, 3.15]$
IEEE 118-Bus	186	36 (19%)	$[-1.95, 2.03]$
IEEE 300-Bus	411	101 (25%)	$[-13.3, 9.40]$
New England 39-Bus	46	7 (15%)	$[-0.26, 1.83]$
Polish (case2383wp)	2,896	373 (13%)	$[-19.9, 16.8]$
Polish (case2737sop)	3,506	395 (11%)	$[-10.9, 11.9]$



Examples

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IEEE 14-Bus	20	$[-2.09, 0.58]$	$[-0.63, 0.12]$
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IEEE 118-Bus	186	$[-1.95, 2.03]$	$[-0.81, 0.31]$
IEEE 300-Bus	411	$[-13.3, 9.40]$	$[-3.96, 2.85]$
New England 39-Bus	46	$[-0.26, 1.83]$	$[-0.33, 0.33]$
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Polish (case2737sop)	3,506	$[-10.9, 11.9]$	$[-1.23, 2.36]$



Key message

Radial networks computationally simple

- Exploit tree graph & convex relaxation
- Real-time scalable control promising

Mesh networks can be **convexified**

- Design for simplicity
- Need few (?) phase shifters (sparse topology)



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Big picture

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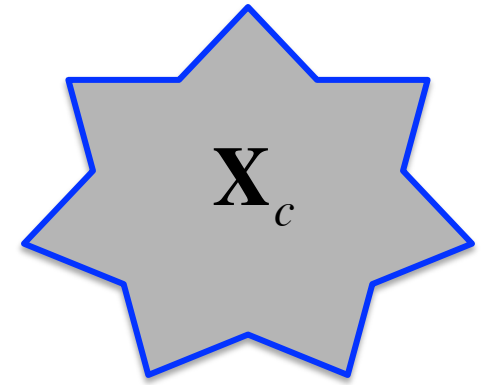
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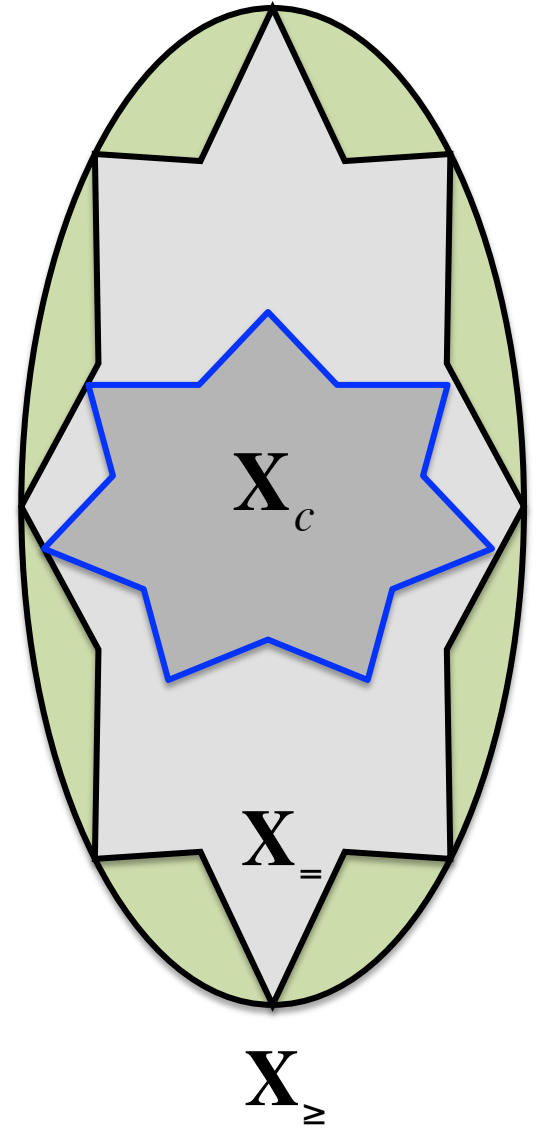
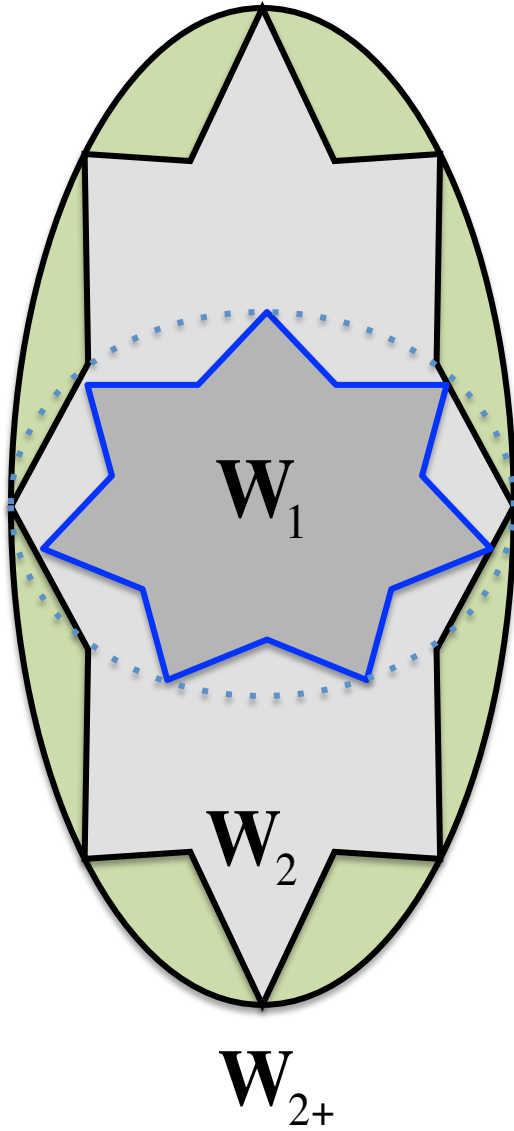


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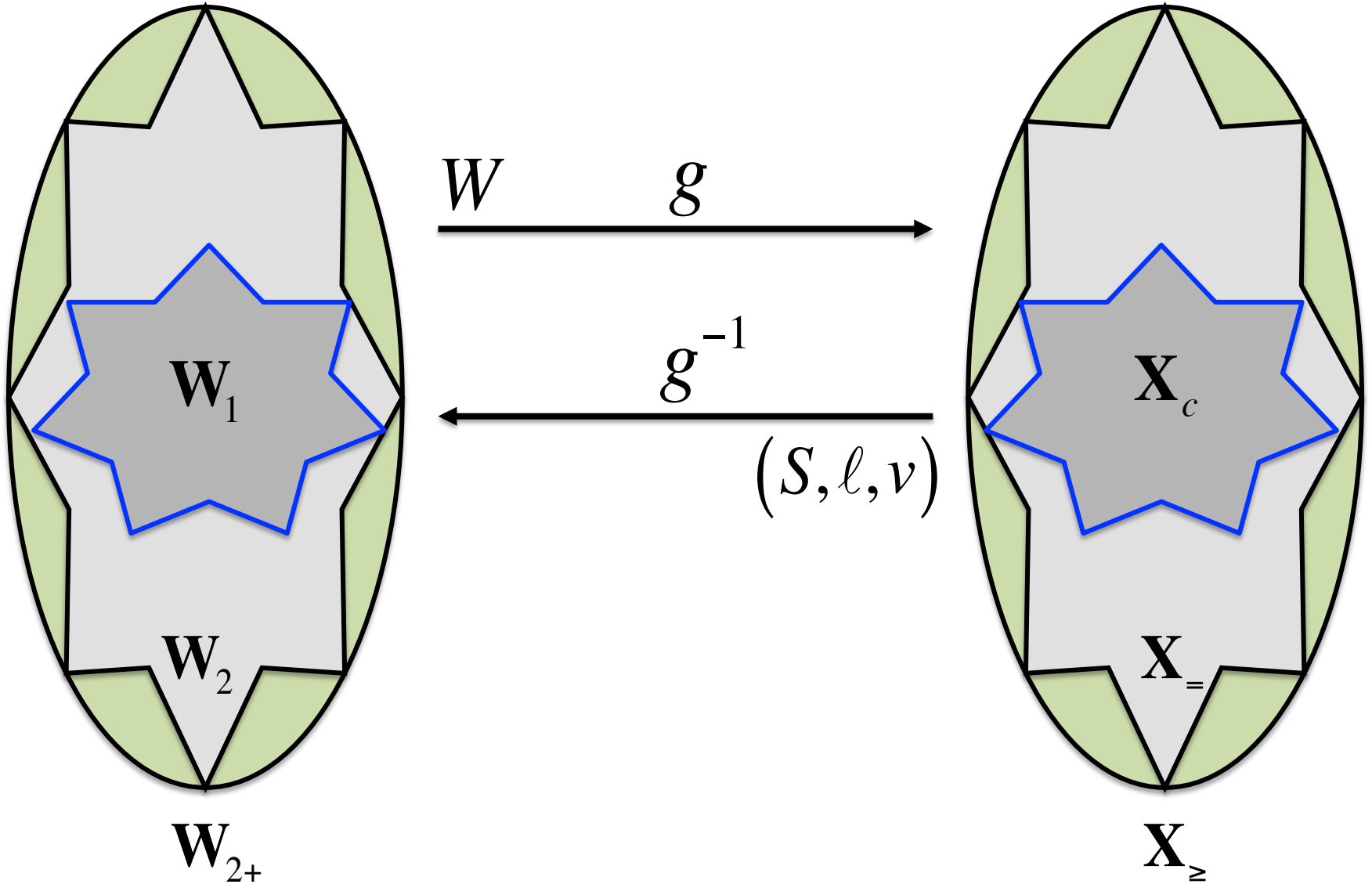


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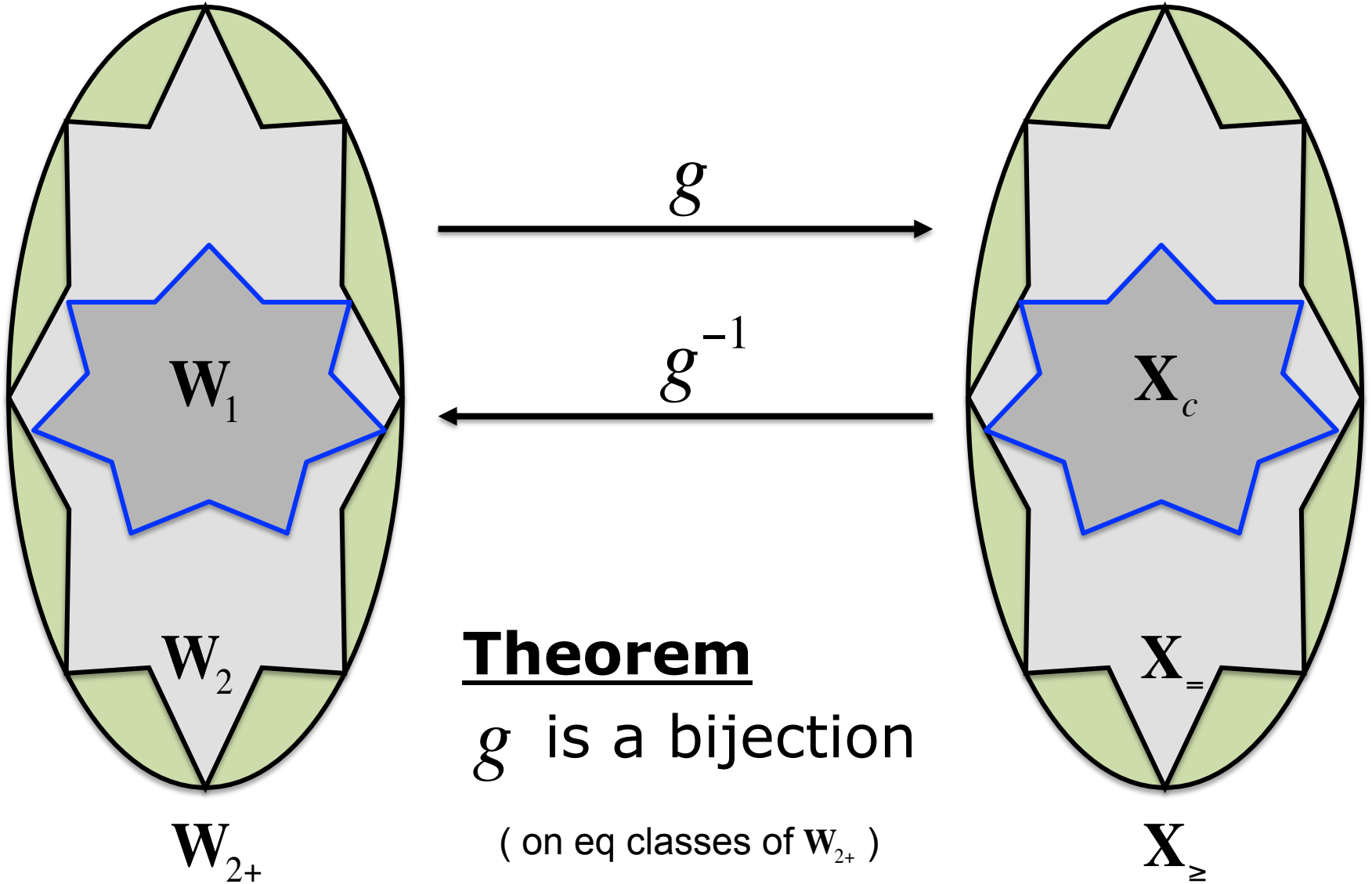


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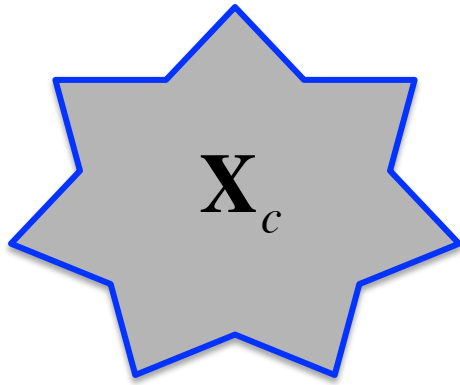


Summary





BFM: solution set



\mathbf{X}_c

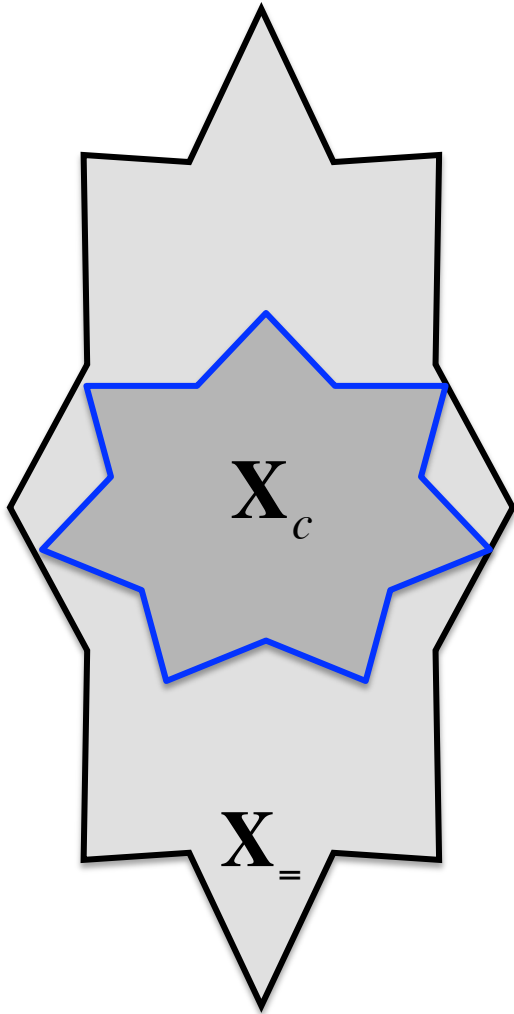
\mathbf{X}_c : BFM solution nonconvex

$\exists \theta$ s.t. $h_\theta(S, \ell, v) =: (S, I, V)$

satisfies BFM



BFM: angle relaxation



\mathbf{X}_c : BFM solution

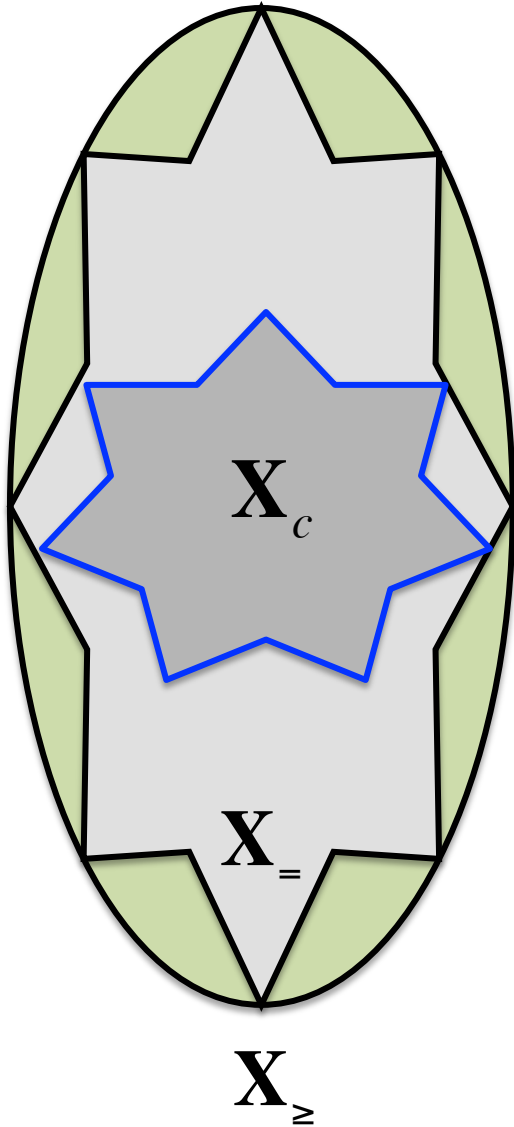
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$\mathbf{X}_=$: no phase angles

nonconvex



BFM: SOC relaxation



\mathbf{X}_c : BFM solution

nonconvex

$\mathbf{X}_=$: no phase angles

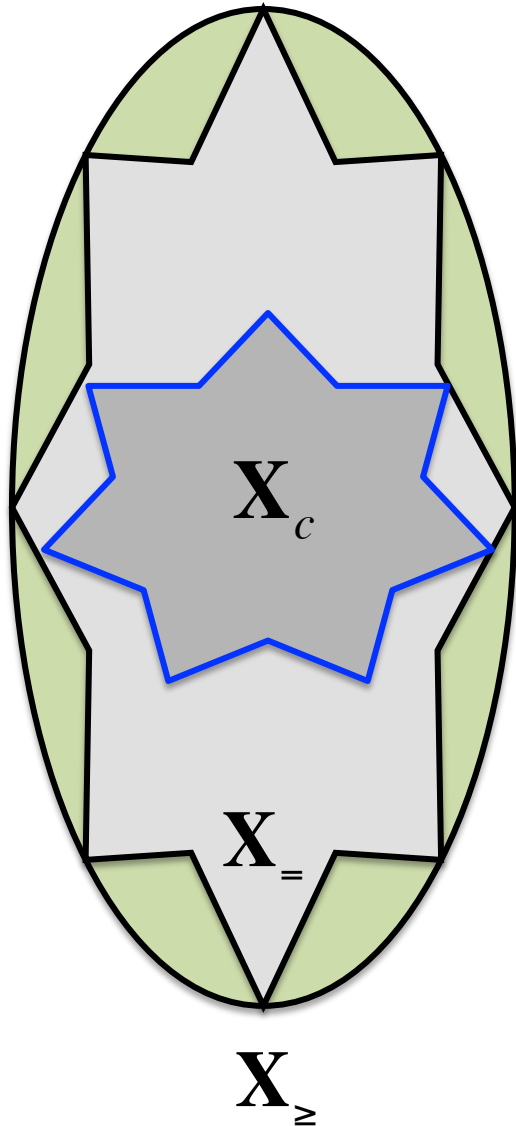
nonconvex

\mathbf{X}_{\geq} : $\ell_{ij} \geq \frac{|S_{ij}|^2}{v_i}$

convex



BFM: exactness



Theorem

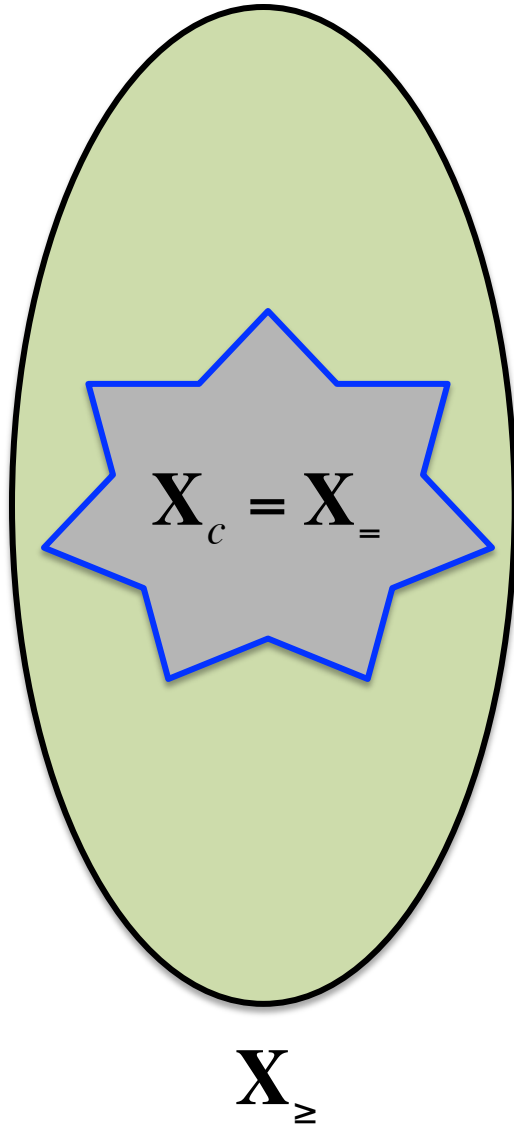
$(S, \ell, \nu) \in \mathbf{X}_c$ iff

$\exists \theta$ s.t. $B\theta = \beta(S, \ell, \nu)$

Moreover $(S, I, V) := h_\theta(S, \ell, \nu)$
is unique



BFM: exactness



Theorem

For radial networks:

$$\mathbf{X}_c = \mathbf{X}_=$$



BIM: solution set

$$\operatorname{tr} Y_i (VV^*) = -s_i \quad \text{for all } i$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} \operatorname{tr} Y_i W = -s_i & \text{for all } i \\ W \geq 0, \quad \boxed{\operatorname{rank} W = 1} \end{cases}$$

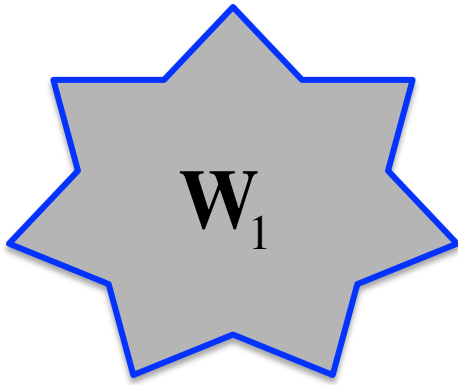
$$Y_i := Y^* e_i e_i^*$$

nonconvex
→ relaxations



BIM: solution set

$$\text{tr } Y_i W = -s_i \quad \text{for all } i$$



$$W_1 : W \geq 0$$

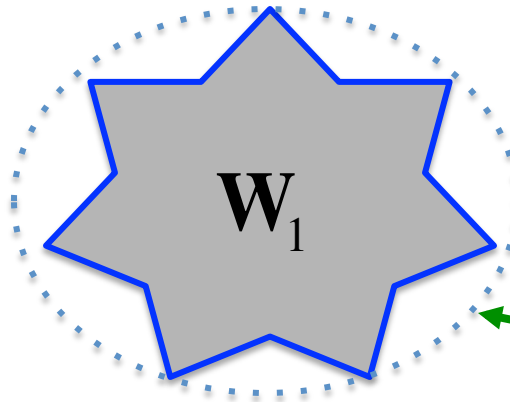
$$\text{rank } W = 1$$

nonconvex



BIM: SDP relaxation

$$\text{tr } Y_i W = -s_i \quad \text{for all } i$$



$$\mathbf{W}_1 : W \succeq 0$$

$$\text{rank } W = 1$$

nonconvex

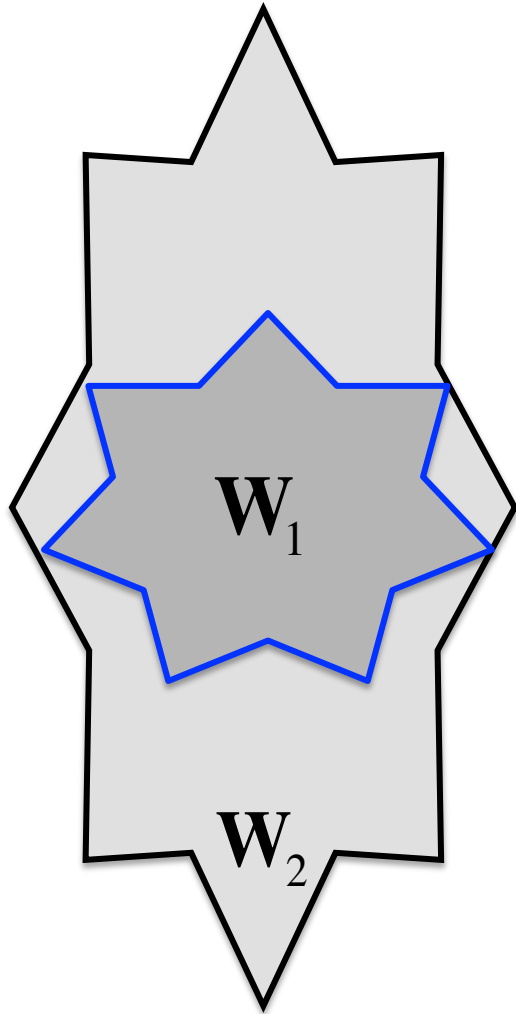
$$\mathbf{W}_+ : W \succeq 0$$

convex

→ SDP relaxation



BIM: 2x2 psd rank-1



$$\text{tr } Y_i W = -s_i \quad \text{for all } i$$

$$W_1 : W \succeq 0$$

$$\text{rank } W = 1$$

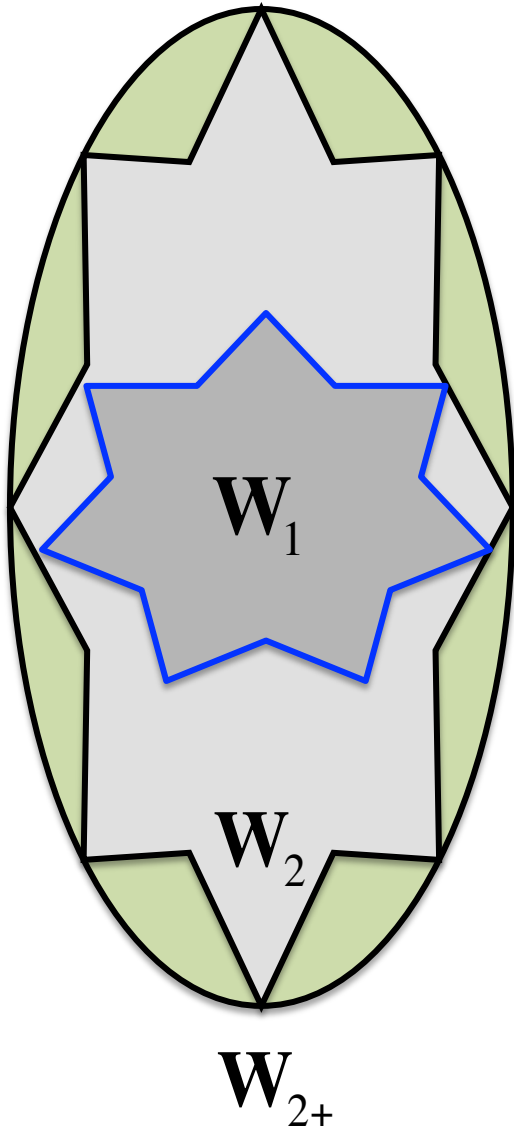
nonconvex

$$W_2 : W(i, j) \geq 0$$

$$\text{rank } W(i, j) = 1 \quad \text{nonconvex}$$



BIM: 2x2 psd



$$\text{tr } Y_i W = -s_i \quad \text{for all } i$$

$$W_1 : W \geq 0$$

$$\text{rank } W = 1$$

nonconvex

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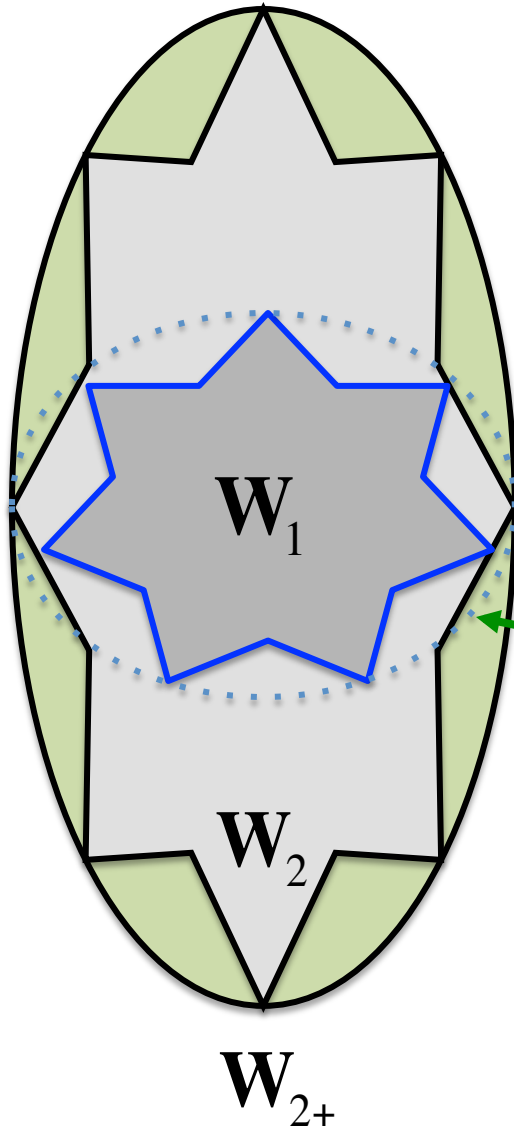
nonconvex

$$W_{2+} : W(i, j) \geq 0$$

convex



Relaxations: BIM



$$\text{tr } Y_i W = -s_i \quad \text{for all } i$$

\mathbf{W}_1 : rank $W = 1$ nonconvex

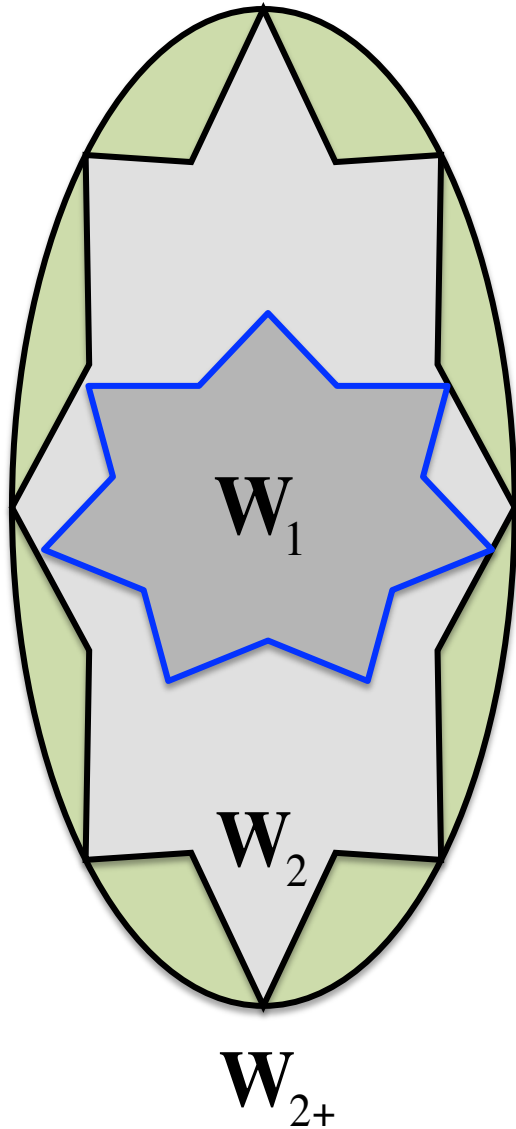
\mathbf{W}_+ : $W \succeq 0$ convex

\mathbf{W}_2 : rank $W(i, j) = 1$ nonconvex

\mathbf{W}_{2+} : $W(i, j) \geq 0$ convex



BIM: exactness



Theorem

If W psd then TFAE

- W rank-1
- $W(i,j)$ psd rank-1 and

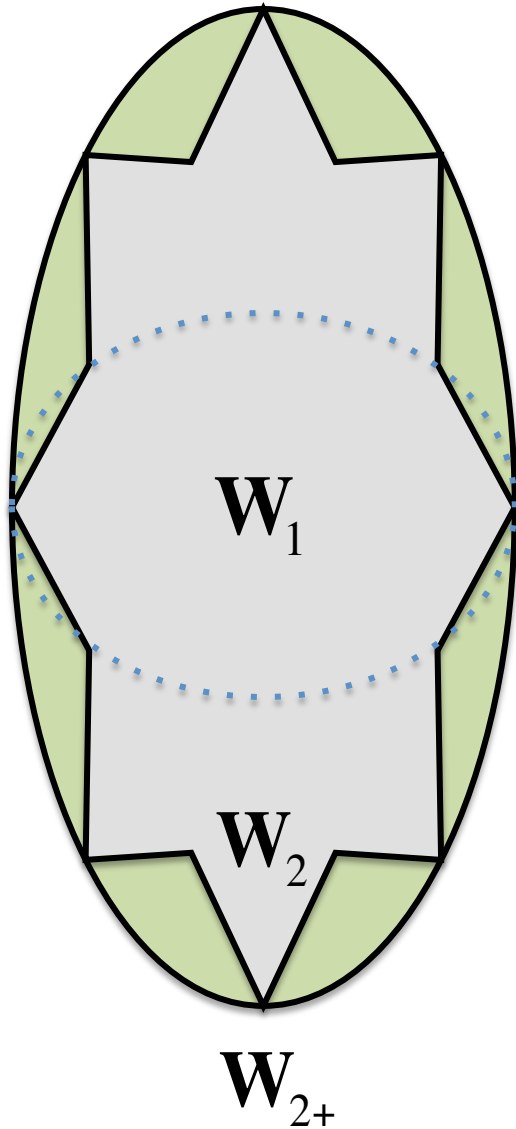
$$\sum_{(i,j) \in \text{cycle}} \angle W_{ij} = 0$$

- $W(\text{cl}(\text{chord}(G)))$ psd rank-1

Moreover psd completion of $W(i,j)$ is unique



Relaxations: BIM



Theorem

For radial networks:

W psd rank-1 iff

$W(i,j)$ psd rank-1 and

$$\text{i.e. } \mathbf{W}_1 = \mathbf{W}_2 \cap \{W \geq 0\}$$



Equivalence of relaxations

