

OSQP.jl

A Julia wrapper for the Operator Splitting QP solver

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Why quadratic programming?

AN ALGORITHM FOR QUADRATIC PROGRAMMING

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A finite iteration method for calculating the solution of quadratic programming problems is described. Extensions to more general non-linear problems are suggested.

1. INTRODUCTION

The problem of maximizing a concave quadratic function whose variables are subject to linear inequality constraints has been the subject of several recent studies, from both the computational side and the theoretical (see Bibliography). Our aim here has been to develop a method for solving this non-linear programming problem which should be particularly well adapted to high-speed machine computation.

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First-order methods

Pros

Warm starting

Handle large-scale problems

Embeddable

Cons

Low accuracy solutions

Don't detect infeasibility

Problem data dependent

General Purpose QP Solver

Based on first-order
methods

Robust

Accurate

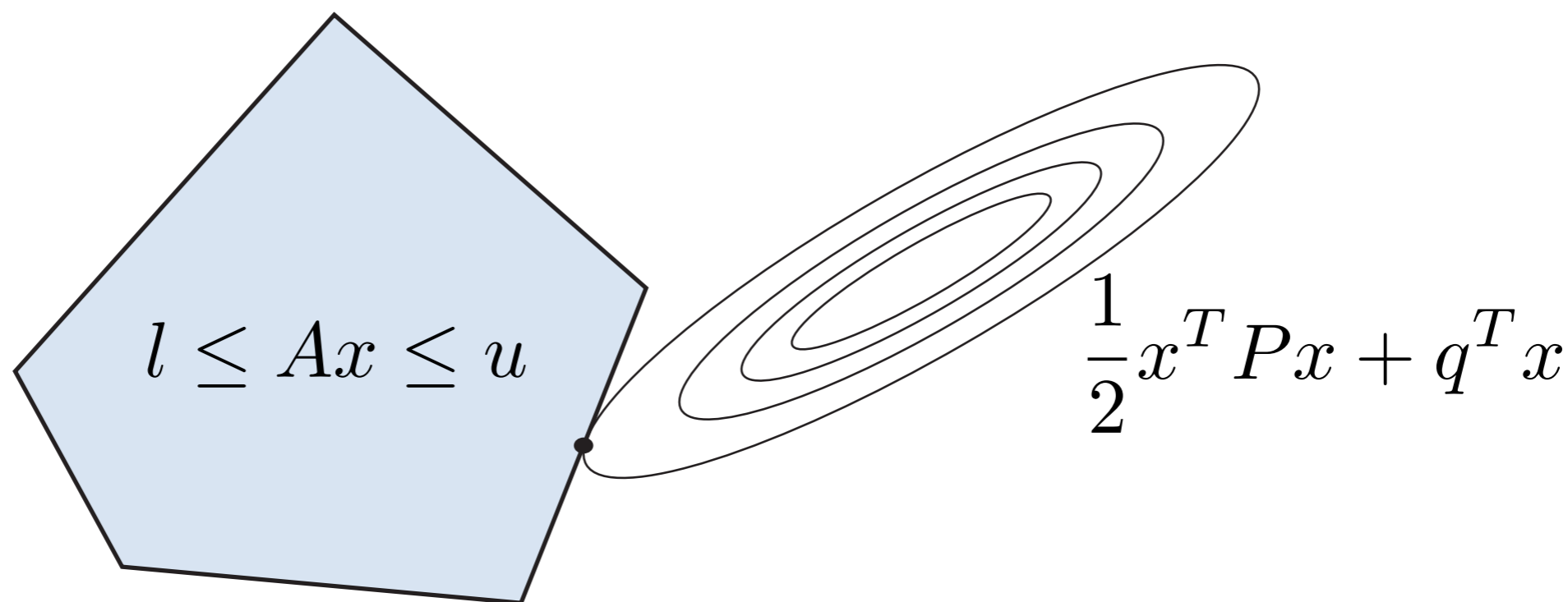
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The OSQP Solver

The problem

Quadratic Program

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{minimize} && \frac{1}{2}x^T P x + q^T x \\ &\text{subject to} && \underline{l} \leq A x \leq \underline{u} \end{aligned}$$



ADMM

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$$\mathbf{2} \quad x^{k+1} \leftarrow \underset{x}{\operatorname{argmin}} \left(g(x) + \frac{\rho}{2} \left\| x - \tilde{x}^{k+1} - \frac{y^k}{\rho} \right\|^2 \right)$$

$$\mathbf{3} \quad y^{k+1} \leftarrow y^k + \rho (\tilde{x}^{k+1} - x^{k+1})$$

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OSQP

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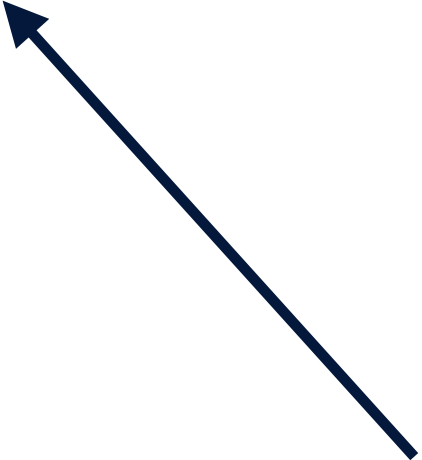
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Solution
polishing

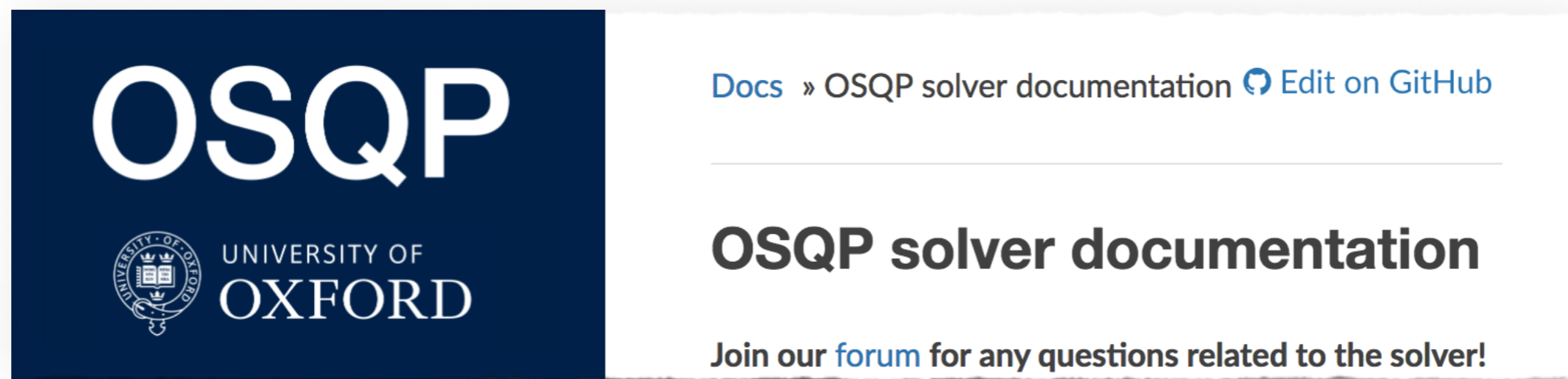
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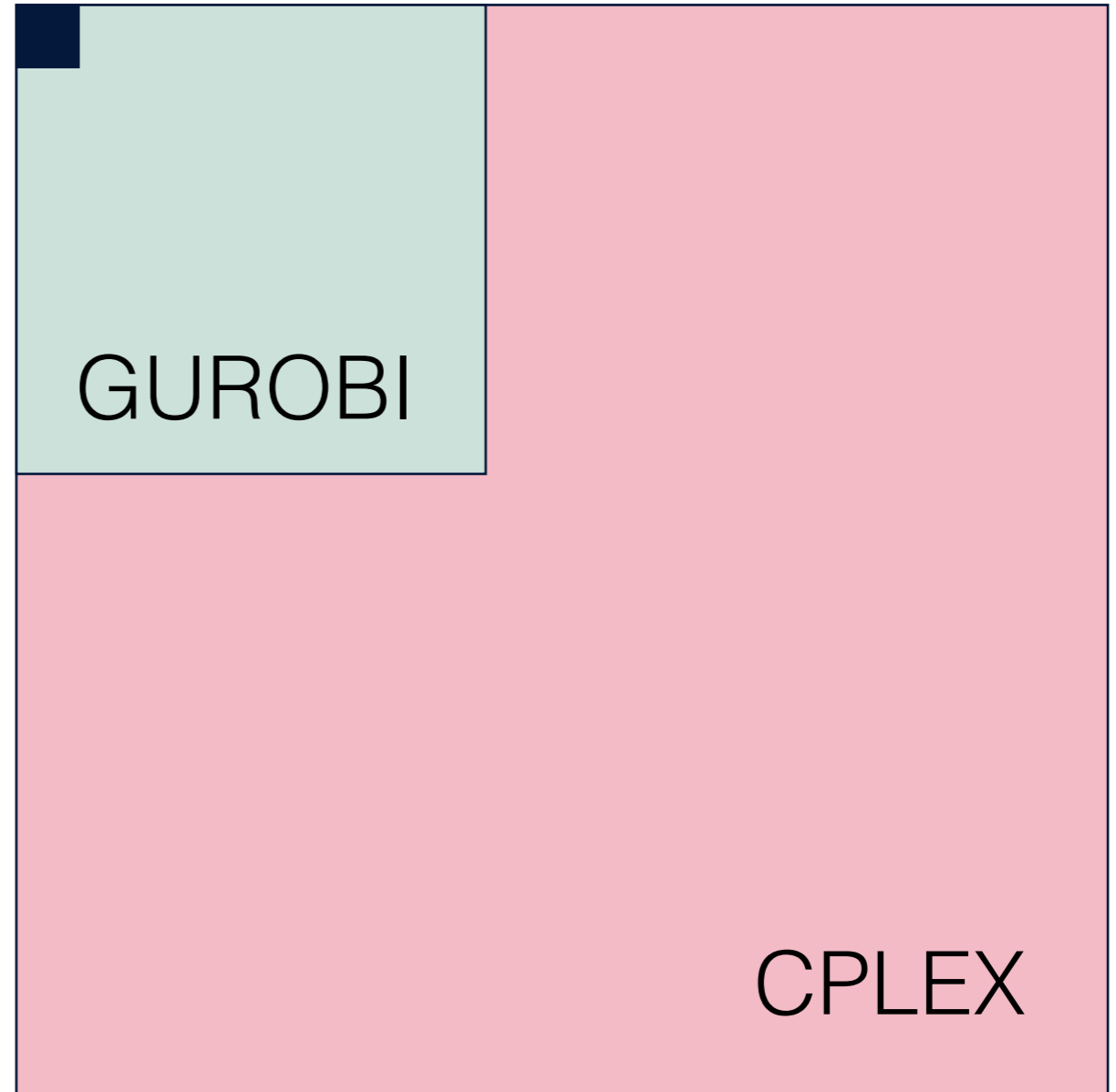
Library
free

Detects
Infeasibility

Embeddable

Compiled code size ~80kb

OSQP



300x
Reduction!

Interfaces

Languages



Parsers

JuMP

CVXPY

YALMIP

OSQP interface



```
# Create OSQP object
m = osqp.OSQP()

# Initialize solver
m.setup(P, q, A, l, u,
        settings)

# Solve
results = m.solve()

# Update cost with q_new
m.update(q=q_new)

# Solve again
results_new = m.solve()
```

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m = osqp();

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m.setup(P, q, A, l, u,
        settings);

% Solve
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% Update cost with q_new
m.update('q', q_new);

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Code generation

Optimized
C code

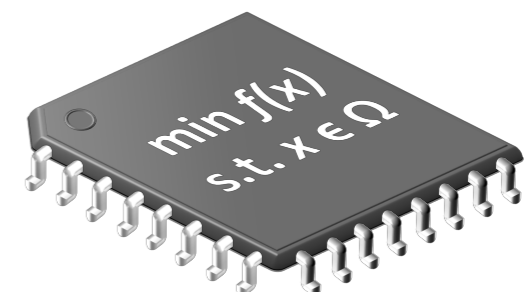
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# Generate C code  
m.codegen('folder_name')
```



```
/* Main ADMM algorithm */  
for (iter = 1; iter <= work->settings->max_iter; iter++) {  
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  // Update x_prev, z_prev (preallocated, no malloc)  
  swap_vectors(&(work->x_prev), &(work->x));  
  swap_vectors(&(work->z_prev), &(work->z));  
  /* ADMM STEPS */  
  /* Compute \tilde{x}^{k+1}, \tilde{z}^{k+1} */  
  update_xz_tilde(work);  
  /* Compute x^{k+1} */  
  update_x(work);  
  /* Compute z^{k+1} */  
  update_z(work);  
  /* Compute y^{k+1} */  
  update_y(work);  
  /* End of ADMM Steps */  
  #ifdef CTRLC  
  // Check the interrupt signal  
  if (isInterrupted()) {  
    update_status(work->info, OSQP_SIGINT);  
    c_print("Solver interrupted\n");  
    endInterruptListener();  
    return 1; // exitflag  
  }  
#endif  
}
```



Embedded
hardware



Numerical Example

Lasso

$$\text{minimize} \quad \|Ax - b\|_2^2 + \lambda \|x\|_1$$

Features
 n

Data points
 $m = 100n$

Lasso

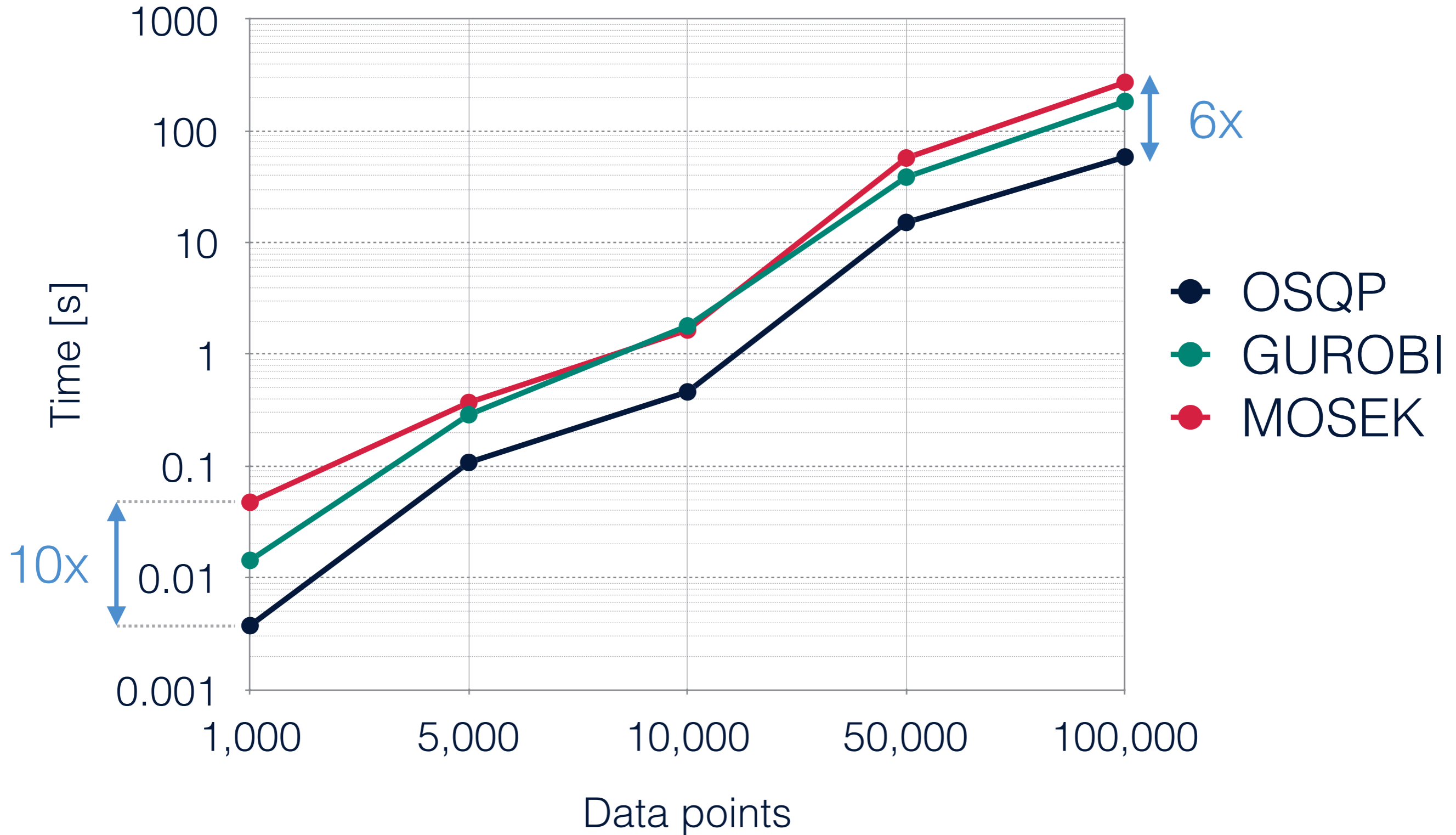
Weighting
parameter

minimize $\|Ax - b\|_2^2 + \lambda \|x\|_1$

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Lasso timings



OSQP
in
“meta-algorithms”

MIQP

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MIQP

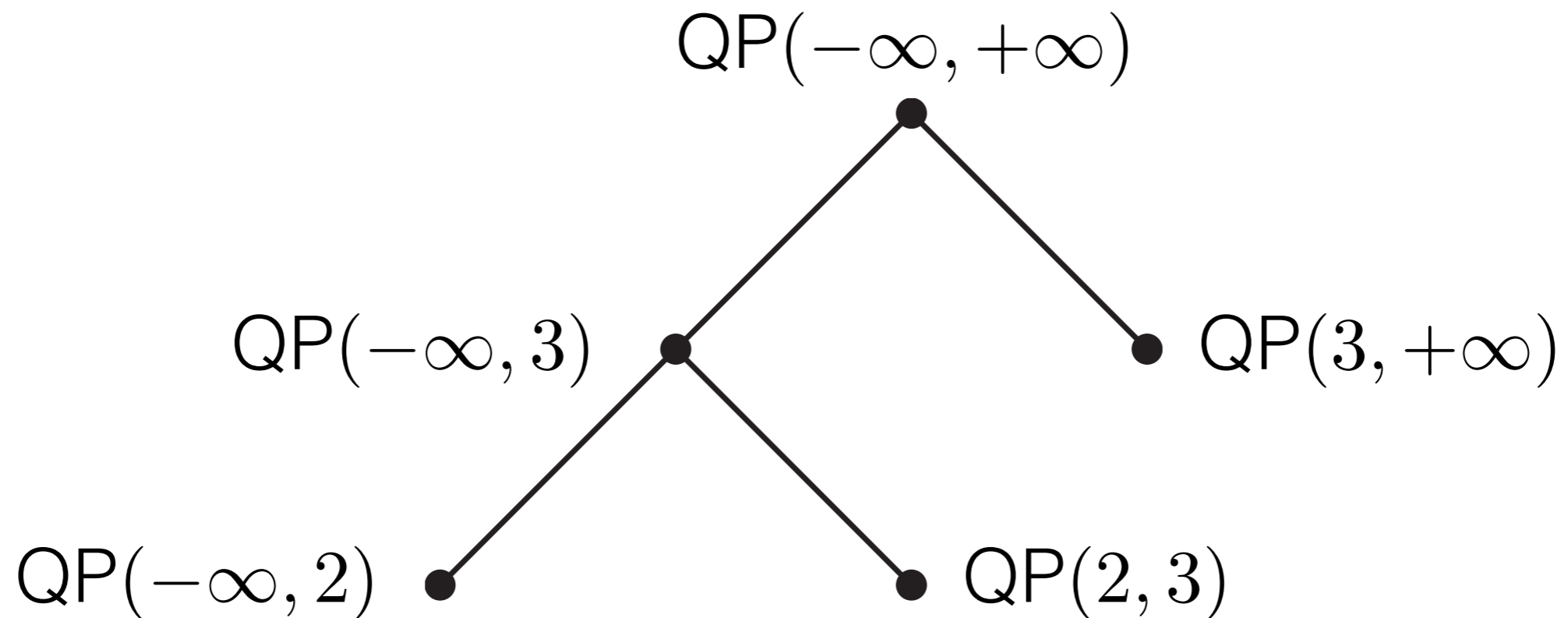
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Changing
bounds



Reusing
factorization

Saving computations

Factorization
caching

+

Warm
starting

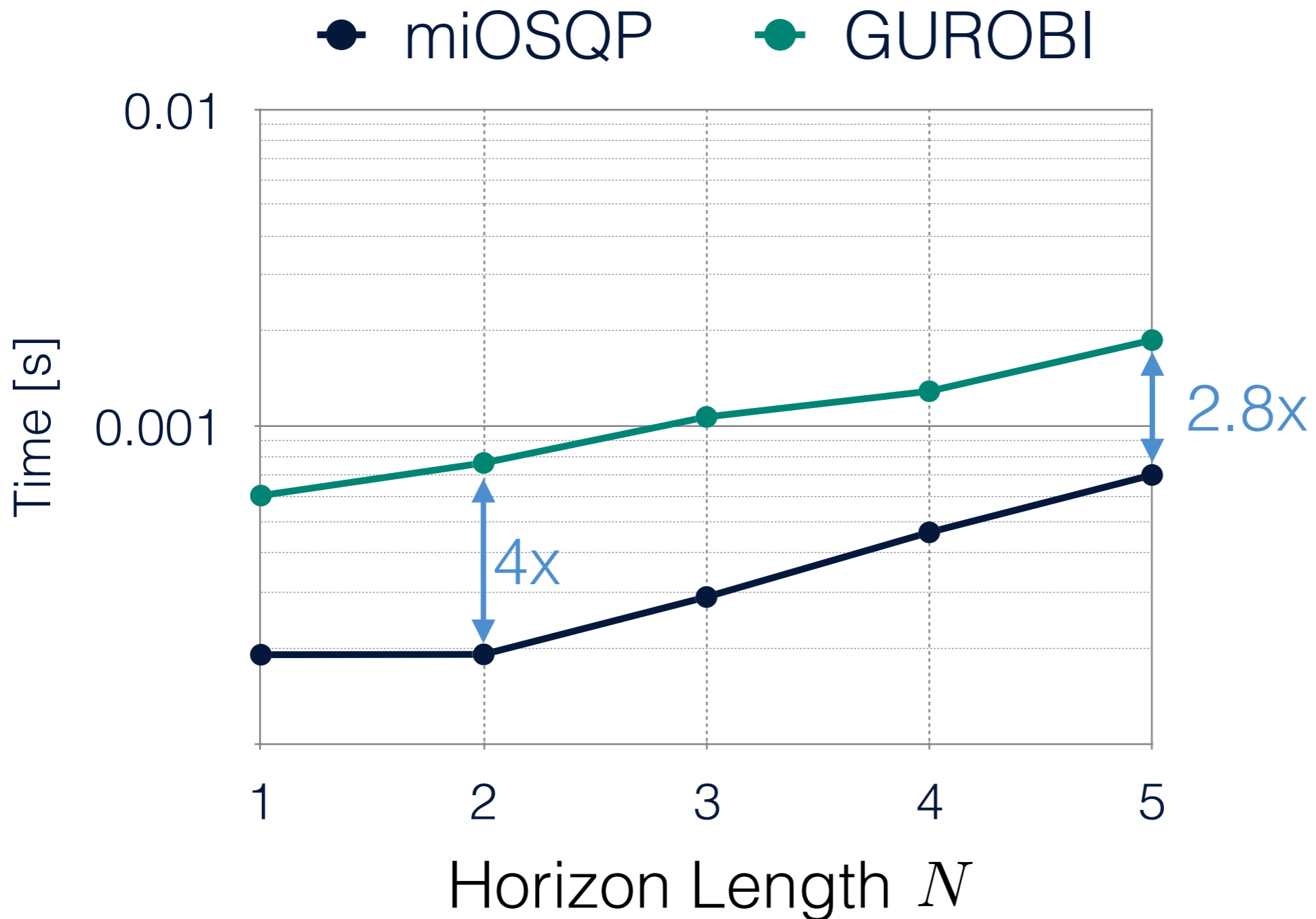
ADMM

QP(\underline{x}, \bar{x})

Repeated
MIQPs

MIQP Timings

Hybrid Model Predictive Control



Simple
Python
Implementation!

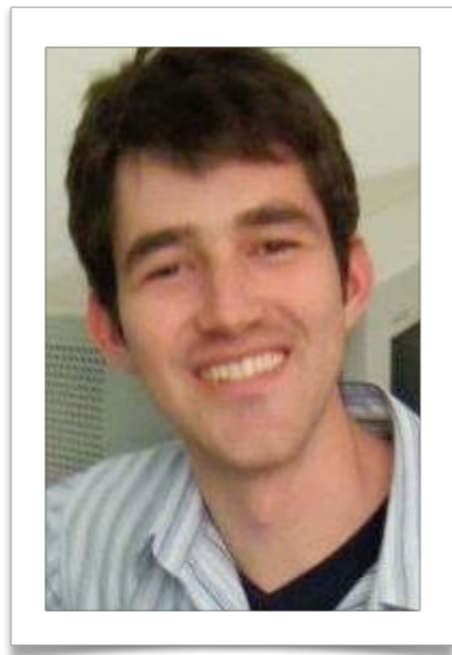
Conclusions

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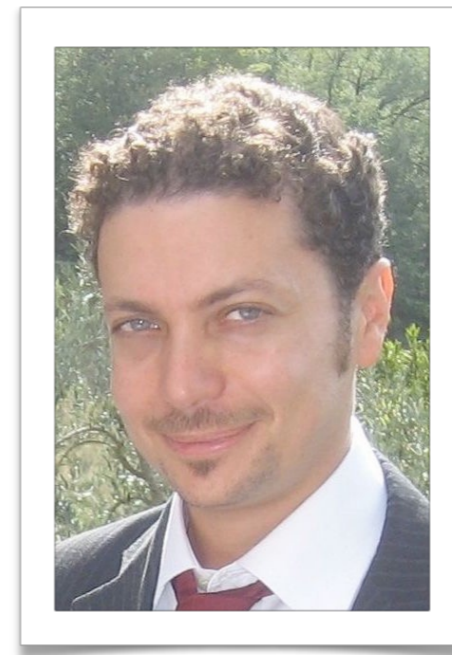
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Final remarks

OSQP

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Embeddable

Julia interface

Exploit
Initialization

C code
generation

New
high-level
algorithms

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