

Nonconvex SDP Problems of Structural Optimization

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Outline

- Structural design with stability, vibration control
- FMO—a particular case of structural design
- Solving nonconvex SDP by PENNON
- Examples

Structural design problems

MPEC:

$$\min_{\rho, u} F(\rho, u)$$

s.t.

$$\rho \in U_{\text{ad}}$$

$$u \text{ solves } \mathcal{E}(\rho, u)$$

$F(\rho, u)$...	cost functional (weight, stiffness, peak stress...)
ρ	...	design variable (thickness, material properties, shape...)
u	...	state variable (displacements, stresses)
U_{ad}	...	admissible designs

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S. Timoshenko:

Experience showed that structures like bridges or aircrafts may fail in some cases not on account of high stresses but owing to insufficient elastic stability.

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(critical force) should be bigger than 1.

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s.t.

$$K(\rho)u = f$$

$$f^T u \leq \hat{C}$$

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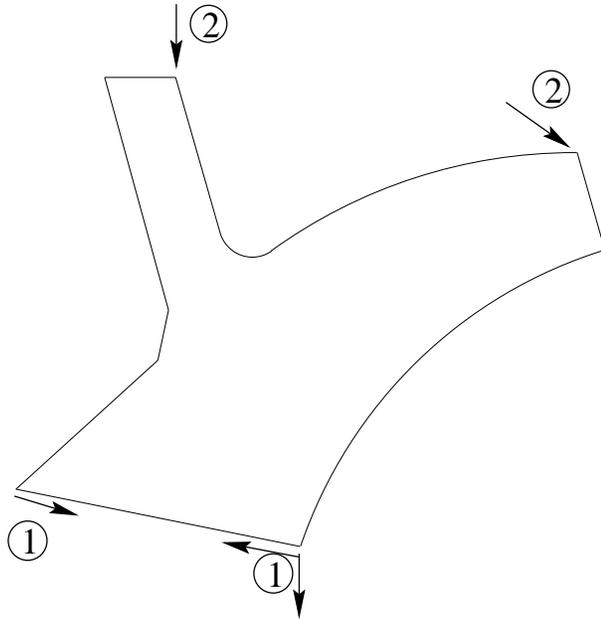
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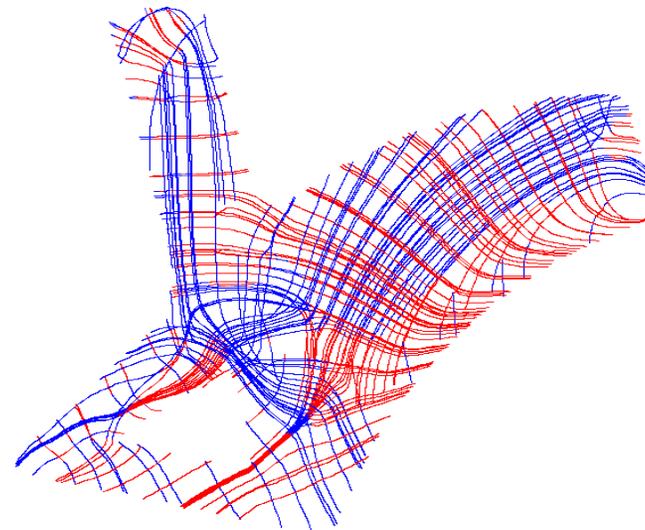
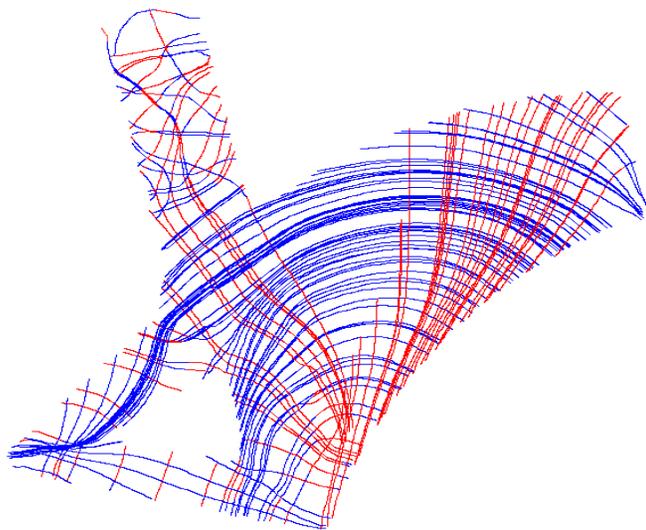
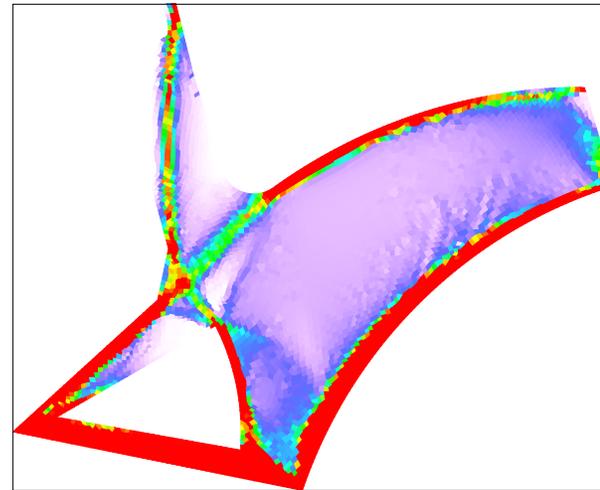
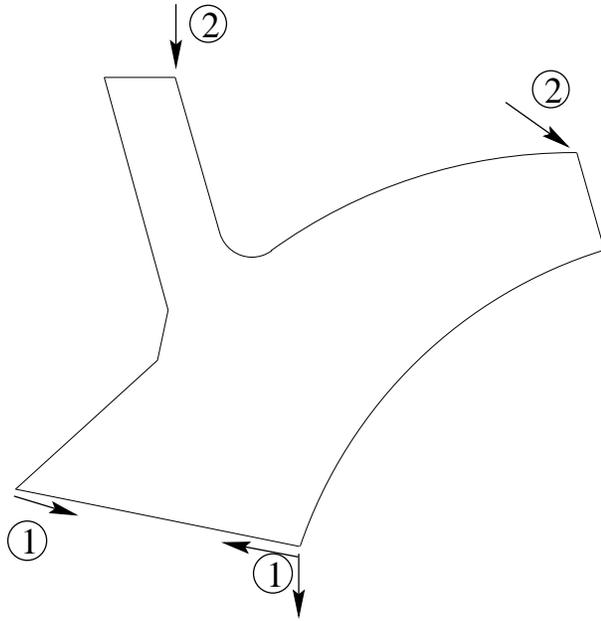
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$$\inf_{\alpha \in \mathbb{R}, u \in U} \left\{ \alpha - f^T u \mid \alpha \geq \frac{m}{2} u^T A_i u \quad \text{for } i = 1, \dots, m \right\}$$

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Problem: $\min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} \{b^T x : \mathcal{A}(x) \preceq 0\}$

$$\mathcal{A} : \mathbb{R}^n \longrightarrow \mathbb{S}_d$$

Notation:

$\langle A, B \rangle_{\mathbb{S}_d} := \text{tr}(A^T B)$ *inner product* on \mathbb{S}_d

$\mathbb{S}_{d_+} = \{A \in \mathbb{S}_d \mid A \text{ positive semidefinite}\}$

$U \in \mathbb{S}_{d_+}$ *matrix multiplier (dual variable)*

Φ_p *penalty function* on \mathbb{S}_d

PENNON for SDP: algorithm

Generalized augmented Lagrangian algorithm for SDP:
(based on modified barrier method of R. Polyak, 1992)

We have

$$\mathcal{A}(x) \preceq 0 \iff \Phi_p(\mathcal{A}(x)) \preceq 0$$

and the corresponding *augmented Lagrangian*

$$F(x, U, p) := f(x) + \langle U, \Phi_p(\mathcal{A}(x)) \rangle_{\mathbb{S}_d}$$

Algorithm:

- (i) Find x^{k+1} satisfying $\|\nabla_x F(x, U^k, p^k)\| \leq \epsilon^k$
- (ii) $U^{k+1} = D_{\mathcal{A}} \Phi_p(\mathcal{A}(x); U^k)$
- (iii) $p^{k+1} < p^k$

Best choice of Φ : $\Phi(A) = (A - I)^{-1} - I$

PENNON for SDP: theory

Based on Breitfeld-Shanno, 1993; generalized by M. Stingl, 2003

Assume:

1. $f, \mathcal{A} \in C^2$
2. $x \in \Omega$ nonempty, bounded
3. Constraint Qualification

Then \exists an index set \mathcal{K} so that:

- $x_k \rightarrow \hat{x}, k \in \mathcal{K}$
- $U_k \rightarrow \hat{U}, k \in \mathcal{K}$
- (\hat{x}, \hat{U}) satisfies first-order optimality conditions

PENNON for SDP: Hessian

The reciprocal barrier function in SDP

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Hessian

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} \Phi(\mathcal{A}(x)) = & \\ & (\mathcal{A}(x) - I)^{-1} \frac{\partial \mathcal{A}(x)}{\partial x_i} (\mathcal{A}(x) - I)^{-1} \frac{\partial \mathcal{A}(x)}{\partial x_j} (\mathcal{A}(x) - I)^{-1} \\ & + (\mathcal{A}(x) - I)^{-1} \frac{\partial^2 \mathcal{A}(x)}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} (\mathcal{A}(x) - I)^{-1} \\ & + (\mathcal{A}(x) - I)^{-1} \frac{\partial \mathcal{A}(x)}{\partial x_j} (\mathcal{A}(x) - I)^{-1} \frac{\partial \mathcal{A}(x)}{\partial x_i} (\mathcal{A}(x) - I)^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

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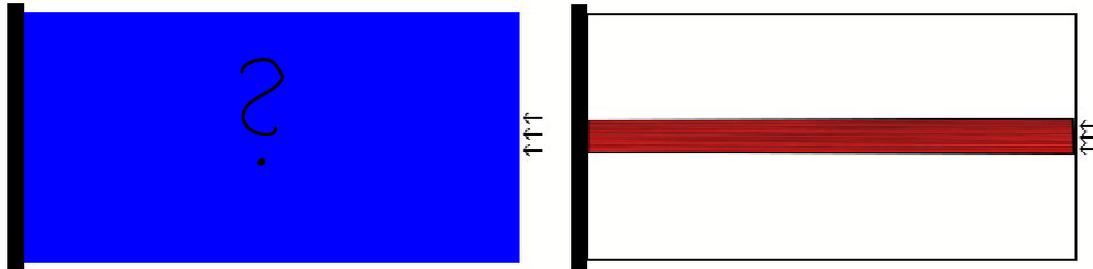
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Pentium 4, 2.4GHz, ~ 100 Newton steps:

400 elements ... 8 h 45 min, 1000 elements ... ~ 130 hours

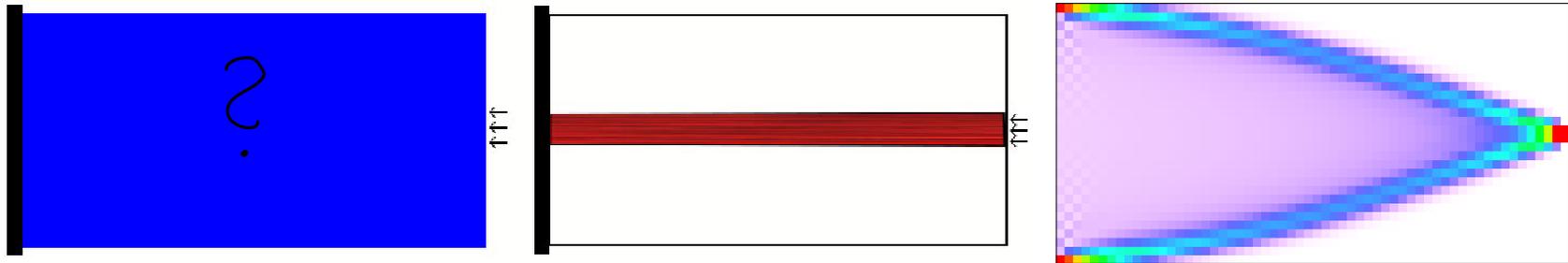
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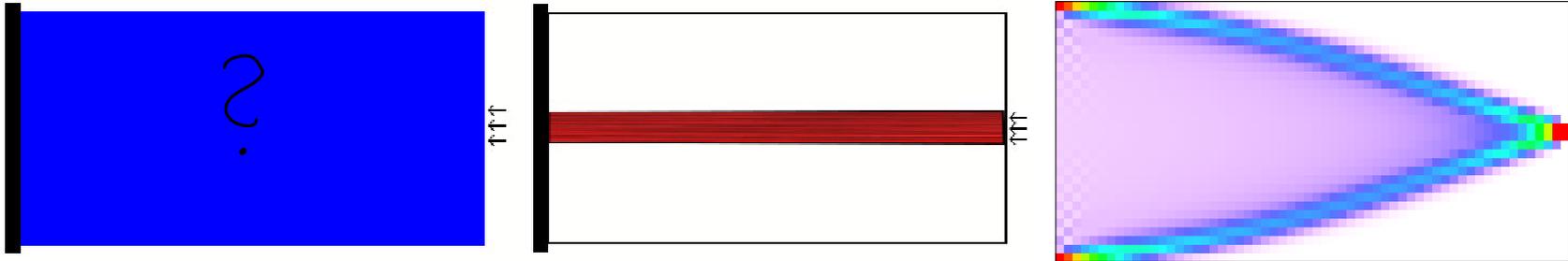
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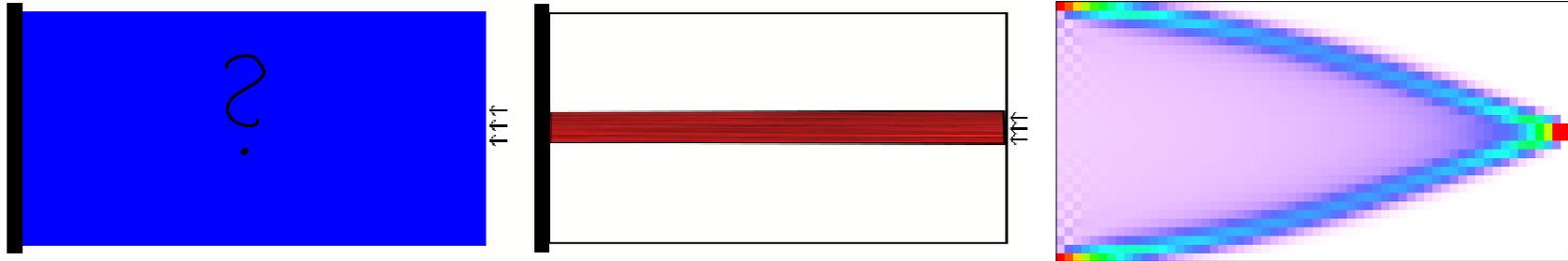
Linear SDP, SDPA input file (Pentium 4, 2.5 GHz):

problem	no. of variables	size of matrix
shmup-3	420	1801+840
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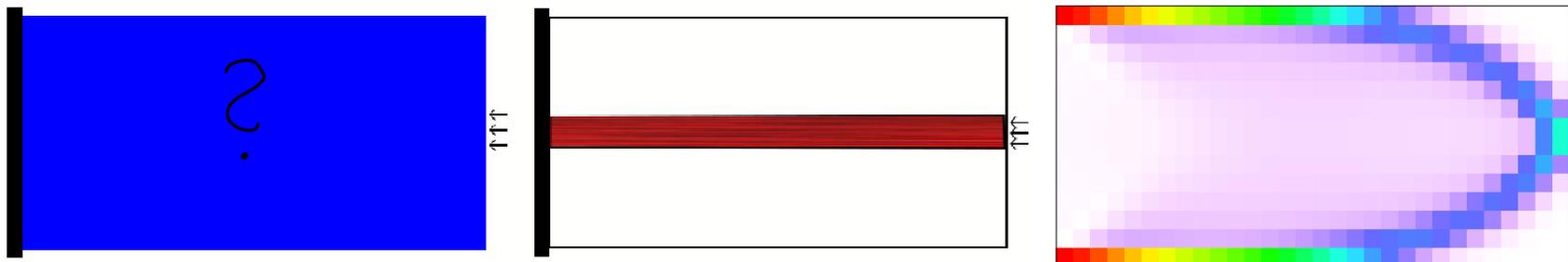
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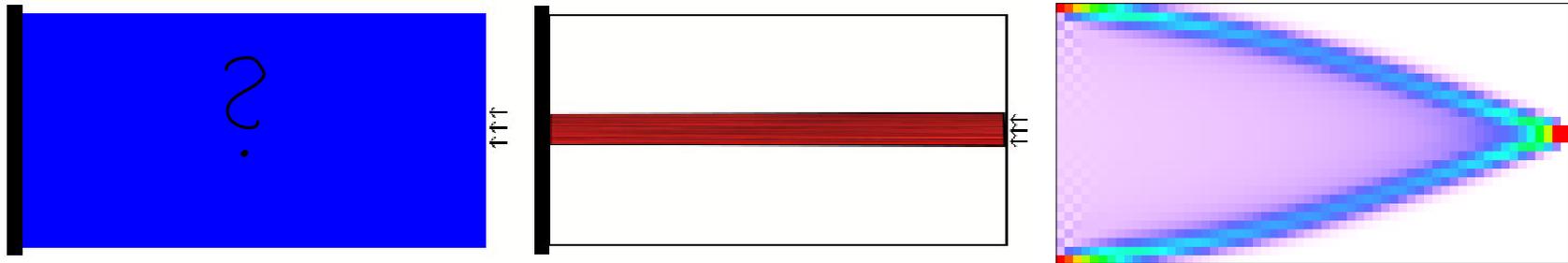


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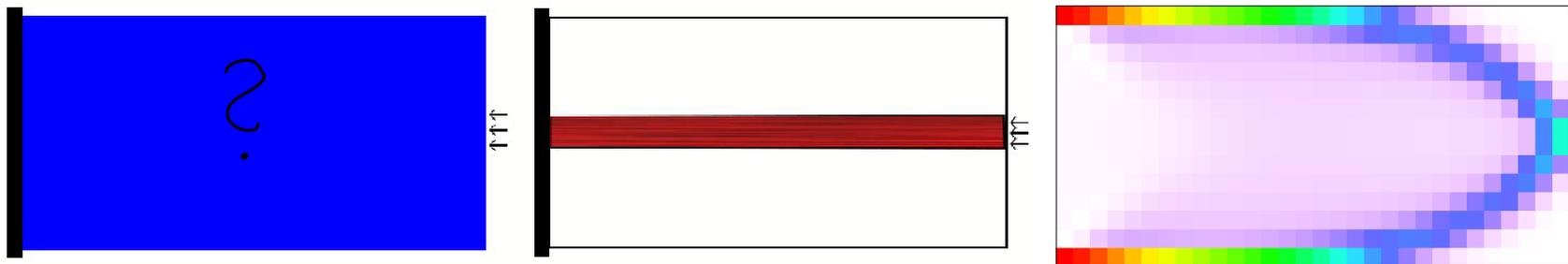
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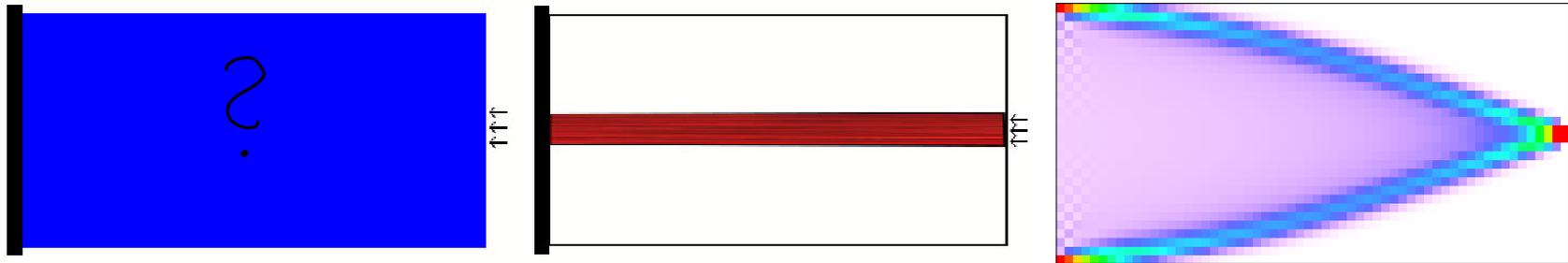
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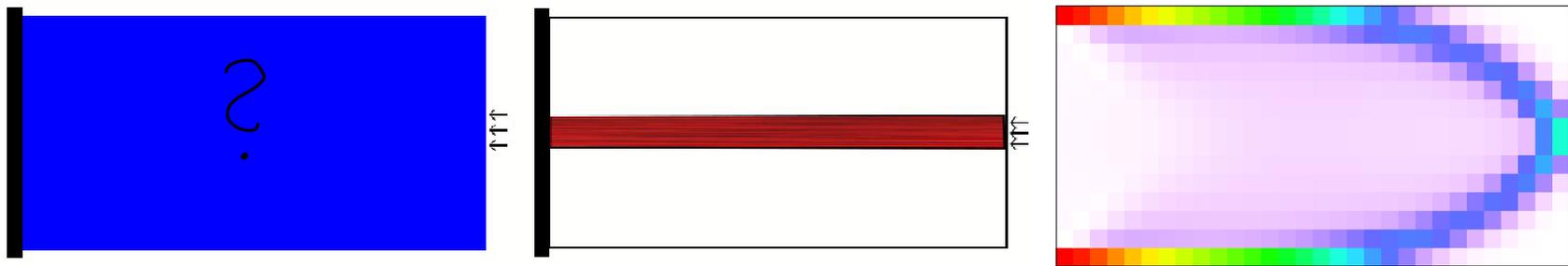
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FIRST-ORDER METHOD

Hessian free methods

Use conjugate gradient method for solving the Newton system

Use finite difference formula for Hessian-vector products:

$$\nabla^2 F(x_k)v \approx \frac{\nabla F(x_k + hv) - \nabla F(x_k)}{h}$$

with $h = (1 + \|x_k\|_2 \sqrt{\varepsilon})$

Complexity: Hessian-vector product = gradient evaluation
need for Hessian-vector-product type preconditioner

Limited accuracy (4–5 digits)



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Evaluation of approx. diagonal

Only L-BFGS preconditioner can be used — but it isn't really efficient

Conclusions, part II

Hessian-free SDP:

- First promising results, more testing (and coding) needed

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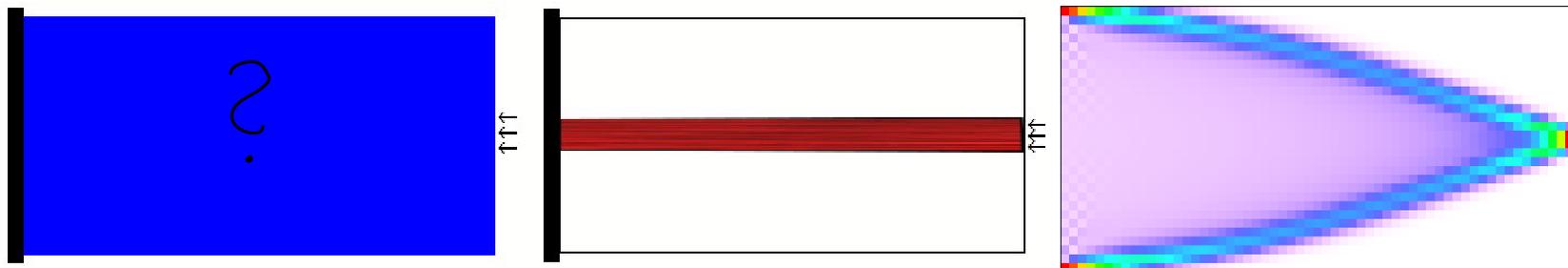
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(quasiconvex) SDP problem with BMI constraints — solve by PENBMI

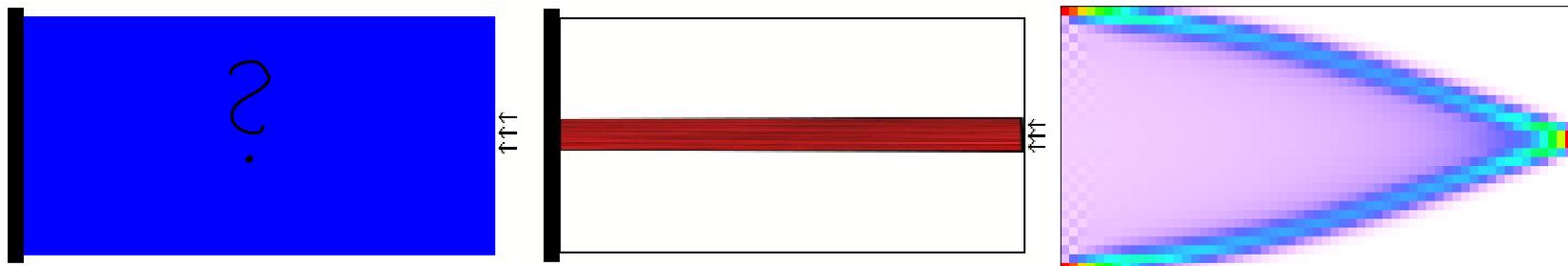
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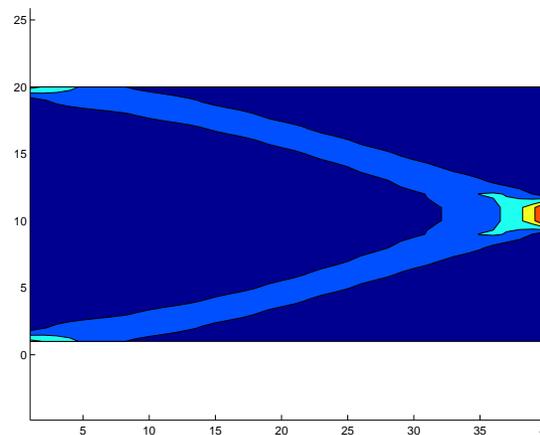


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