

## ex) Max-SAT

Input: CNF formula  $F = C_1 \wedge C_2 \wedge \dots \wedge C_m$  on  $n$  vars  $x_1, \dots, x_n$

Goal : Find assignment  $x \in \{0, 1\}^n$  maximizing the # of SAT clauses.

For clause  $C = \bigvee_{i \in S} x_i \vee \bigvee_{j \in T} \bar{x}_j$  let  $\tilde{C}_i = \sum_{i \in S} x_i + \sum_{j \in T} (1 - x_j)$

## Integer Linear Program

$$\max \sum_{i=1}^m c_i^*$$

$$\text{s.t. } \tilde{c}_i^* \geq c_i^* \quad \forall i=1 \dots m$$

$$0 \leq x_j \leq 1 \quad \forall j=1 \dots n$$

$$0 \leq c_i \leq 1 \quad \forall i=1 \dots m$$

$$x_j, c_i^* \in \mathbb{Z}$$

## LP Relaxation

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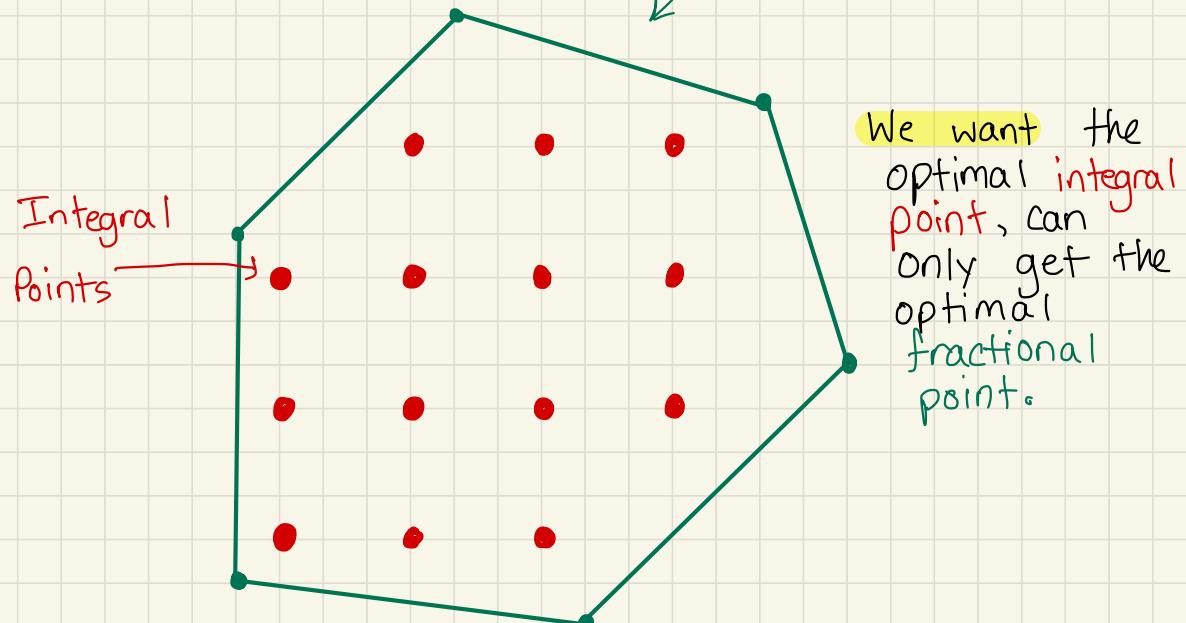
$$0 \leq c_i \leq 1 \quad \forall i=1 \dots m$$

$$x_j, c_i^* \in \mathbb{R}$$



- Represents Max-SAT exactly
- Doesn't represent Max-SAT exactly
- NP-Hard to solve
- Can be solved in poly time!

## Geometric Picture



Q. Is there a linear program that solves Max-SAT exactly?

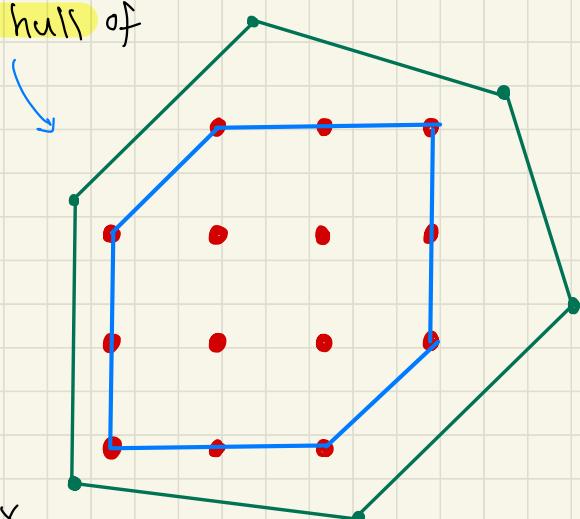
A. Yes! Take the convex hull of integral points

## Problems

(1) How do we get it?

A: Sherali-Adams

(2) There might be exponentially many inequalities in any description.



Today we focus on finding the **integral hull** using the SA hierarchy.

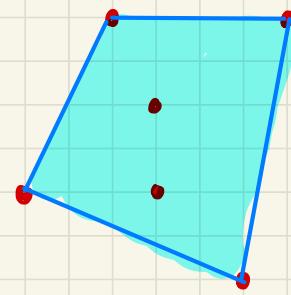
### Prelims

- If  $\vec{y}_1, \dots, \vec{y}_m \in \mathbb{R}^n$  then a **convex combination** of the  $y_i$ 's is any point of the form

$$\sum_{i=1}^m \alpha_i \vec{y}_i \quad \alpha_i \geq 0, \quad \sum \alpha_i = 1$$

- If  $C \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  then  $\text{conv}(C) \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  is all convex combos of points in  $C$ .

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$C$  red points  
 $\text{conv}(C)$  blue points

- If  $C \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  then  $\text{hull}_{\mathbb{Z}}(C) := \text{conv}(C \cap \mathbb{Z}^n)$

- We're given polytope  $P \subseteq [0,1]^n$  i.e. the constraints

$0 \leq x_i \leq 1$  are in  $P$ .

- We want to describe  $\text{hull}_{\mathbb{Z}}(P)$ .

- Since  $P \subseteq [0,1]^n$ , every point in  $\text{hull}_{\mathbb{Z}}(P)$  can be written as

$$\alpha \in \text{hull}_{\mathbb{Z}}(P) \Rightarrow \alpha = \sum_{x \in \{0,1\}^n} \lambda_x x, \quad \lambda_x \geq 0 \\ \sum \lambda_x = 1$$

- Equivalently:  $\alpha \in \text{hull}_{\mathbb{Z}}(P)$  represents a probability distribution of

$$x \in P \cap \{0,1\}^n$$

- For each  $\alpha$  let  $\mu^{(\alpha)}: \{0,1\}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  s.t.

$$\mu^{(\alpha)}(x) = \lambda_x$$

so  $\mu^{(\alpha)}$  is a prob. dist. over  $\{0,1\}^n \cap P$

**Observation** If we can test if  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^n$  represents a valid prob. dist. over  $P \cap \{0,1\}^n$  then  $\alpha \in \text{hull}_{\mathbb{Z}}(P)$ !

So: how do we test if  $\alpha$  represents a probability distribution?

$$\mu: \{0,1\}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \quad \mu(x) \geq 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \sum \mu(x) = 1$$

We modify this by adding more tests to verify that we are in  $P$ .

Sufficient to show  $\mu$  is dist over  $\{0,1\}^n$ .  
Not for  $\{0,1\}^n \cap P$

**Specific:** Test the marginal distributions of  $\mu$ .

If  $S \subseteq [n]$  then

$$\mu_S : \{0,1\}^S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

is defined by  $\mu_S(\alpha) := \sum_{\substack{x \in \{0,1\}^n \\ x|_S = \alpha}} \mu(x)$ .

(if  $\mu$  is a real prob. dist then

$$\mu_S(\alpha) = \Pr_{x \sim \mu} [\forall i \in S : x_i = \alpha_i]$$

Lemma  $\mu : \{0,1\}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a prob. dist on  $\{0,1\}^n$

iff

$$\forall S \subseteq T \subseteq [n], \forall \alpha \in \{0,1\}^S$$

$$(1) \quad \mu_S(\alpha) = \sum_{\substack{\beta \in \{0,1\}^T \\ \beta|_S = \alpha}} \mu_T(\beta) \quad \text{marginals agree}$$

$$(2) \quad \mu_S(\alpha) \geq 0 \quad \text{non-negativity}$$

$$(3) \quad \mu_\emptyset = 1 \quad \text{normalizing} \quad \leftarrow \begin{matrix} \text{explains} \\ 1 > 0 \end{matrix}$$

PF ( $\Rightarrow$ ) Easy

( $\Leftarrow$ ) Define  $\Pr_{x \sim \mu} [x = y] := \mu(y)$

$$\stackrel{(3)}{=} \mu_\emptyset = \sum_{x \in \{0,1\}^n} \mu(x) \quad \square$$

Answer: Where do non-negative juntas come from?

$y \in \{0,1\}^S$ , let  $S = T \cup U$  so that

$$\mu_S(x) \quad y_i^\circ = \begin{cases} 1 & i \in T \\ 0 & i \in U \end{cases} \quad \text{J}_{T,U}$$

$$\Pr_{x \sim \mu} [x|_S = y] = \Pr_{x \sim \mu} \left[ \prod_{i \in T} x_i^\circ \prod_{j \in U} (1 - x_j) = 1 \right]$$

Non-negative juntas are **random variables** that describe the **marginals** of probability distributions over  $\{0,1\}^P$ .

This lemma is going to give a (somewhat crazy) LP for  $\{0,1\}^n$ .

- For each  $S \subseteq [n]$  let  $y_S \in \mathbb{R}$  be a variable for  $S$ .

$$\text{Intuitively: } y_S = \mu_S(\vec{1}) = \Pr_{x \sim \mu} [x_i^\circ = 1 \forall i \in S]$$

$$= \mathbb{E}_\mu \left[ \prod_{i \in S} x_i^\circ \right] \quad \text{moment for } S$$

Define an LP on  $\{ys \mid S \subseteq [n]\}$ , with constraints

$$(a) y_\emptyset = 1$$

$$y_{\{\circ\}} = x_i^o$$

$$(b) \forall S \subseteq [n], \forall T \cup U = S, T \cap U = \emptyset$$

$$\sum_{U' \subseteq U} (-1)^{|U'|} y_{U' \cup T} \geq 0 \quad (1 \geq 0)$$

Claim (1), (2)  $\Rightarrow$  (b)

$$S \subseteq T$$

$$(1) \mu_S(\alpha) \geq 0$$

$$(2) \mu_S(\alpha) = \sum_{\beta \in \{0,1\}^T, \beta \upharpoonright S = \alpha} \mu_T(\beta)$$

$$0 \stackrel{(1)}{\leq} \mu_S(\alpha) \stackrel{(2)}{=} \Pr_{x \sim \mu} [x \upharpoonright_S = \alpha]$$

$$\text{let } \alpha_i^o = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i \in T \\ 0 & \text{if } i \in U \end{cases}$$

$$= \Pr_{i \in T} \left[ \prod_{j \in U} x_i \prod_{j \in U} (1 - x_j) = 1 \right]$$

$$= \mathbb{E} \left[ \prod_{i \in T} x_i \prod_{j \in U} (1 - x_j) \right]$$

$$= \sum_{U' \subseteq U} \mathbb{E}_{\mu} \left[ (-1)^{|U'|} \prod_{i \in U' \cup T} x_i^o \right]$$

$$= \sum_{U' \subseteq U} (-1)^{|U'|} y_{U' \cup T}$$

How to include constraints from  $P$ ?

Write  $P$  as

$$Ax \leq b = \begin{cases} a_1 \cdot x \leq b_1 \\ a_2 \cdot x \leq b_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_m \cdot x \leq b_m \end{cases}$$

$$0 \leq x \leq 1$$

$$\text{Let } Q = \{b_1 - a_1 x \geq 0, \dots, b_m - a_m x \geq 0\} \cup \{1 \geq 0\}$$

Defn The degree- $d$  Sherali-Adams tightening of  $Q$  is obtained by the following two steps

(1) For each inequality  $q_i \geq 0$  in  $Q$  add

$$\sum_{S,T} q_i \geq 0 \quad \leftarrow \sum_{S,T} = \prod_{i \in S} x_i \prod_{j \in T} (1-x_j)$$

to  $Q$  where  $|S \cup T| \leq d$ ,  $S \cap T = \emptyset$

(2) For every inequality  $p_i \geq 0$  created in the last step, linearize  $p_i$  by

- Replace each  $x_i^c$  term with  $x_i^c$

- For every monomial  $\prod_{i \in S} x_i$ , replace it with  $y_S$ .

Lemma (Next class) The degree- $n$  Sherali-Adams tightening is exactly

$$\text{hull}_{\mathbb{Z}}(P).$$

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$$\text{Let } F = (x_1 \vee x_2) \wedge (x_1 \vee \bar{x}_2) \wedge (\bar{x}_1)$$

LP Relaxation

$$\text{constraints: } x_1 + x_2 \geq x_3$$

$$x_1 + (1-x_2) \geq x_4$$

$$(1-x_1) \geq x_5$$

The degree-2 SA tightening would add

$$y_{\{i,j\}} \geq 0 \quad (1-y_{\{i,j\}}) \geq 0 \quad \forall i, j \quad i \neq j$$

$$y_i(1-y_j) \geq 0 \quad y_i y_j \geq 0$$

$\downarrow$

$$y_i^o - y_{\{i,j\}} \geq 0 \quad y_{\{i,j\}} \geq 0$$

Then, we multiply each constraint in the LP by a non-neg junta and linearize

$$\underline{\text{ex}} \quad x_1 + x_2 \geq x_4 \rightsquigarrow x_i^o(x_1 + x_2 - x_4) \geq 0$$

$$(1-x_i^o)(x_1 + x_2 - x_4) \geq 0$$

$$\forall i, j \quad x_i^o x_j^o (x_1 + x_2 - x_4) \geq 0$$

$$x_i^o (1-x_j^o) (x_1 + x_2 - x_4) \geq 0$$

$$(1-x_i^o) (1-x_j^o) (x_1 + x_2 - x_4) \geq 0$$

$$x_1 \circ (x_1 + x_2 - x_4) \geq 0$$

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$$x_{i,1} + y_{\xi i,2} - y_{\xi i,4} \geq 0$$

$$\sim m \binom{n}{\leq d} = m n^{O(d)}$$