



Minimizing Polynomial Functions

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Agenda

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- GAMA: A Novel Approach for Optimization
- Background: Test Sets, Graver Basis
- Graver Basis via Quantum Annealing
- Multiple Feasible Solutions via QA
- Non-linear Integer Optimization on D-Wave
- How to surpass Classical Best-in Class?
- Concluding Remarks



Overview of Research Program

- Non-Linear Integer Optimization
 - GAMA: A Brand New Approach
- Compiling
 - AQC and Gate (circuit) models
- Analysis of Speedup
- Real Applications
 - Finance, Chemical Engineering, Cancer Genomics



A New Approach is Needed

- Naive method of solving IP:
$$\begin{cases} \min & f(x) \\ Ax = b & l \leq x \leq u \end{cases}$$

by a Quantum Annealer is to:

- 1) Convert non quadratic $f(x)$ into $x^T Qx$
- 2) Add constraint to quadratic and solve:
$$x^T Qx + \lambda(Ax - b)^T (Ax - b)$$
- which has balancing problem, and more.
 - We want to do something very different!



GAMA: Hybrid Quantum- Classical Optimization

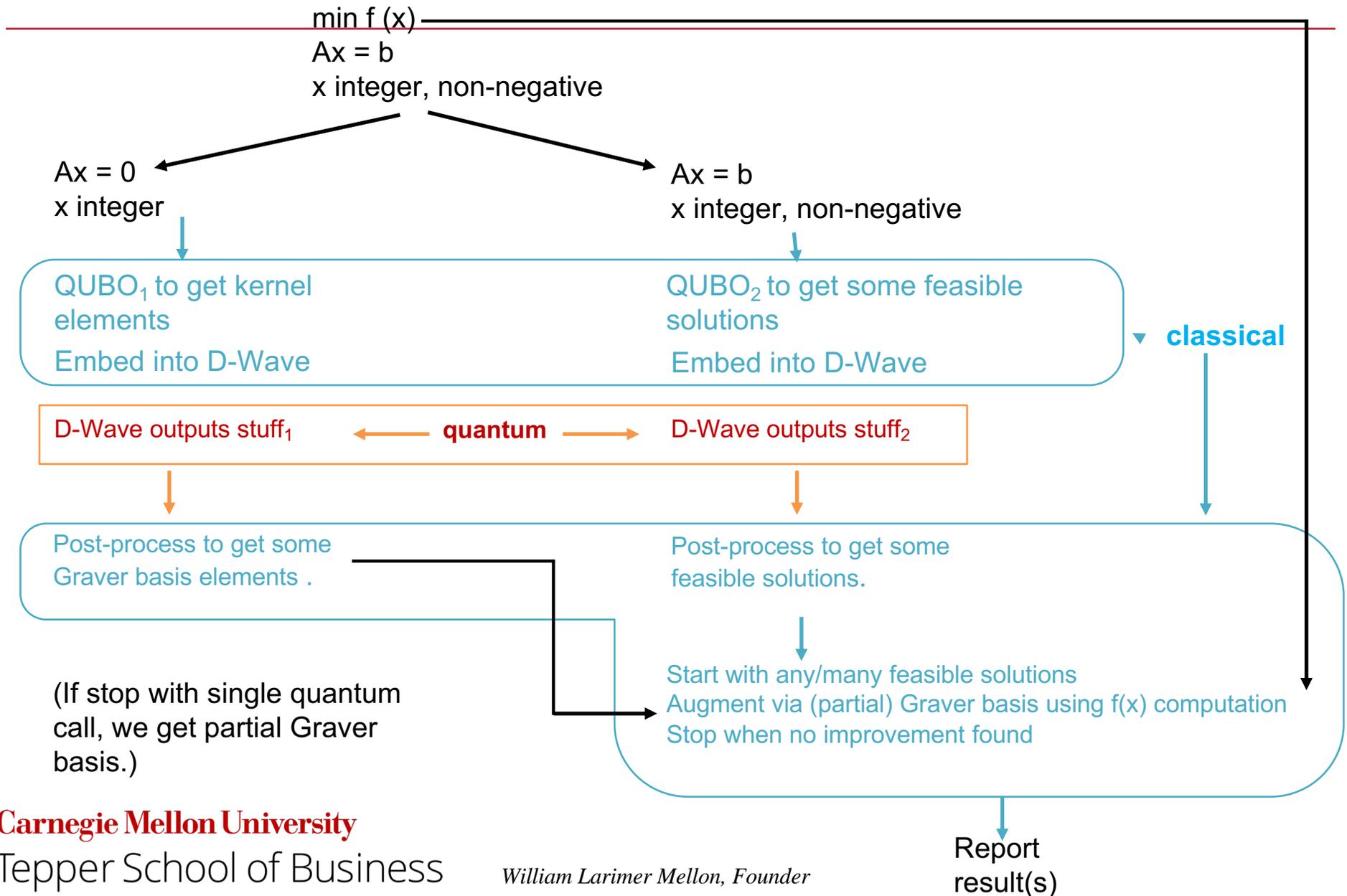
Calculate Graver Basis (Quantum-Classical)

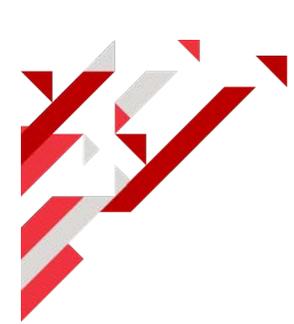
Find Many Initial Feasible Solutions (Quantum)

Augmentation: Improve feasible solutions using Graver Basis (Classical)

Graver Augmented Multi-Seed Algorithm

Hybrid Quantum-Classical Approach





Background Material

Test Sets in Optimization
Graver Basis





Test Sets in Optimization

- Nonlinear integer program:

$$(IP)_{A,b,l,u,f} : \min \left\{ f(x) : Ax = b, x \in \mathbb{Z}^n, l \leq x \leq u \right\}$$
$$A \in \mathbb{Z}^{m \times n}, b \in \mathbb{Z}^m, l, u \in \mathbb{Z}^n, f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

- Can be solved via *augmentation procedure*:
 1. Start from a feasible solution
 2. Search for **augmentation direction** to improve
 3. If none exists, we are at an optimal solution.



Definitions



- $Ax = 0$; Linear Frobenius problem
- 1. The lattice integer kernel of A :

$$\mathcal{L}^*(A) = \left\{ x \mid Ax = \mathbf{0}, x \in \mathbb{Z}^n, A \in \mathbb{Z}^{m \times n} \right\} \setminus \{\mathbf{0}\}$$

- 2. Partial Order

$$\forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n \quad x \sqsubseteq y \quad s.t. \quad x_i y_i \geq 0 \quad \& \quad |x_i| \leq |y_i| \quad \forall \quad i = 1, \dots, n$$

- x is conformal (minimal) to y , $x \sqsubseteq y$



Partial order \sqsubseteq

- $x = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \sqsubseteq y = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$, x is conformal to y
- $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \not\sqsubseteq \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$, x and y are incomparable
- $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} \not\sqsubseteq \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$, x and y are not conformal



Definition: Graver Basis

$$\mathcal{G}(A) \subset \mathbb{Z}^n$$

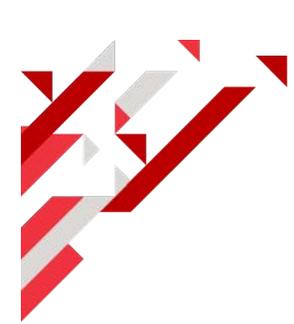
- Finite set of conformal (minimal) elements in

$$\mathcal{L}^*(A)$$



Graver Basis is Test Set for:

- $\min cx$, Linear
- $\max f(Wx), W \in \mathbb{Z}^{d \times n}, f$ convex on \mathbb{Z}^d
- $\min \sum f_i(x_i), f_i$ convex (separable convex)
- $\min \|x - x_0\|_p$
- Some other nonlinear costs $x^T Vx \quad P(x)$



Graver Basis via Quantum Annealing

QUBO for Kernel
Sampling the Kernel
Post-processing Near-Optimal Solutions
Adaptive Centering and Encoding
Computational Results

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Hybrid Quantum- Classical Graver

1. Finding the lattice kernel $\mathcal{L}^*(A)$ using many reads of quantum annealer : need a QUBO
2. Filtering conformal \sqsubseteq (minimal) elements by comparisons, using classical computer
3. Repeating (1) and (2) while *adjusting* the “QUBO” variables in each run *adaptively*

QUBO for Kernel

$$\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{0}, \quad \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{Z}^n, \quad \mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{Z}^{m \times n}$$

$$\min \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{Q}_I \mathbf{x}, \quad \mathbf{Q}_I = \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A}, \quad \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{Z}^n$$

$$\mathbf{x}^T = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 & x_2 & \dots & x_i & \dots & x_n \end{bmatrix}, \quad x_i \in \mathbb{Z}$$

- Integer to binary transformation: $x_i = \mathbf{e}_i^T \mathbf{X}_i$

$$\mathbf{X}_i^T = \begin{bmatrix} X_{i,1} & X_{i,2} & \dots & X_{i,k_i} \end{bmatrix} \in \{0,1\}^{k_i}$$

- Binary encoding: $\mathbf{e}_i^T = \begin{bmatrix} 2^0 & 2^1 & \dots & 2^{k_i} \end{bmatrix}$

- Unary encoding: $\mathbf{e}_i^T = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{k_i}$



QUBO for Kernel....

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{L} + \mathbf{E}\mathbf{X} = \begin{bmatrix} Lx_1 \\ Lx_2 \\ \vdots \\ Lx_n \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{e}_1^T & \mathbf{0}^T & \dots & \mathbf{0}^T \\ \mathbf{0}^T & \mathbf{e}_2^T & \dots & \mathbf{0}^T \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \mathbf{0}^T & \mathbf{0}^T & \dots & \mathbf{e}_n^T \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X_1 \\ X_2 \\ \vdots \\ X_n \end{bmatrix}$$

(L is the lower bound vector)

○ QUBO:

$$\min \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{Q}_B \mathbf{X} , \quad \mathbf{Q}_B = \mathbf{E}^T \mathbf{Q}_I \mathbf{E} + \text{diag}(2\mathbf{L}^T \mathbf{Q}_I \mathbf{E})$$

$$\mathbf{X} \in \{0,1\}^{nk} , \quad \mathbf{Q}_I = \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A}$$



Sampling for Kernel

- Each anneal starts with an independent uniform superposition (10000 per D-Wave call):

$$|\hat{0}\rangle = \frac{1}{2^n} \sum_{i \in \mathbb{Z}_2^n} |i\rangle$$

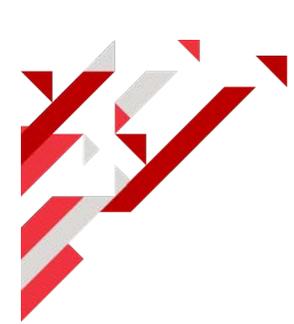
- Symmetry in QUBO (for arbitrary A) implies similar spread in valleys
- Techniques:
 - Random column permutation
 - Adaptive resource allocation chases the non-extracted solutions via control of center(lower) and width



Post Processing

Experimental observation:

- Majority (~ 90%) of sub-optimal solutions have *small* overall sum-errors: most **near-optimal!**
- **Post-processing:** Systematic pairwise error vector addition and subtraction to yield zero columns of these near-optimal solutions
- Overall numerical complexity low (and polynomial) by limiting range of errors post-processed



Non-Linear Integer Optimization on D-Wave

QUBO for Feasible Solution(s)
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QUBO for Feasible Solutions

$$\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b} \quad l \leq \mathbf{x} \leq u$$

$$\min \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{Q}_B \mathbf{X}, \quad \mathbf{Q}_B = \mathbf{E}^T \mathbf{Q}_I \mathbf{E} + 2 \mathit{diag} \left[(\mathbf{L}^T \mathbf{Q}_I - \mathbf{b}^T \mathbf{A}) \mathbf{E} \right]$$

$$\mathbf{X} \in \{0,1\}^{nk}, \quad \mathbf{Q}_I = \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A}$$

- Using adaptive centering and encoding width for feasibility bound
- Results in **many feasible solutions!**

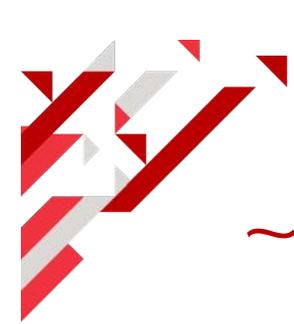
Capital Budgeting

- Important canonical Finance problem
- μ_i expected return
- σ_i variance
- ϵ risk
- Graver Basis in 1 D-Wave call (1 bit encoding)

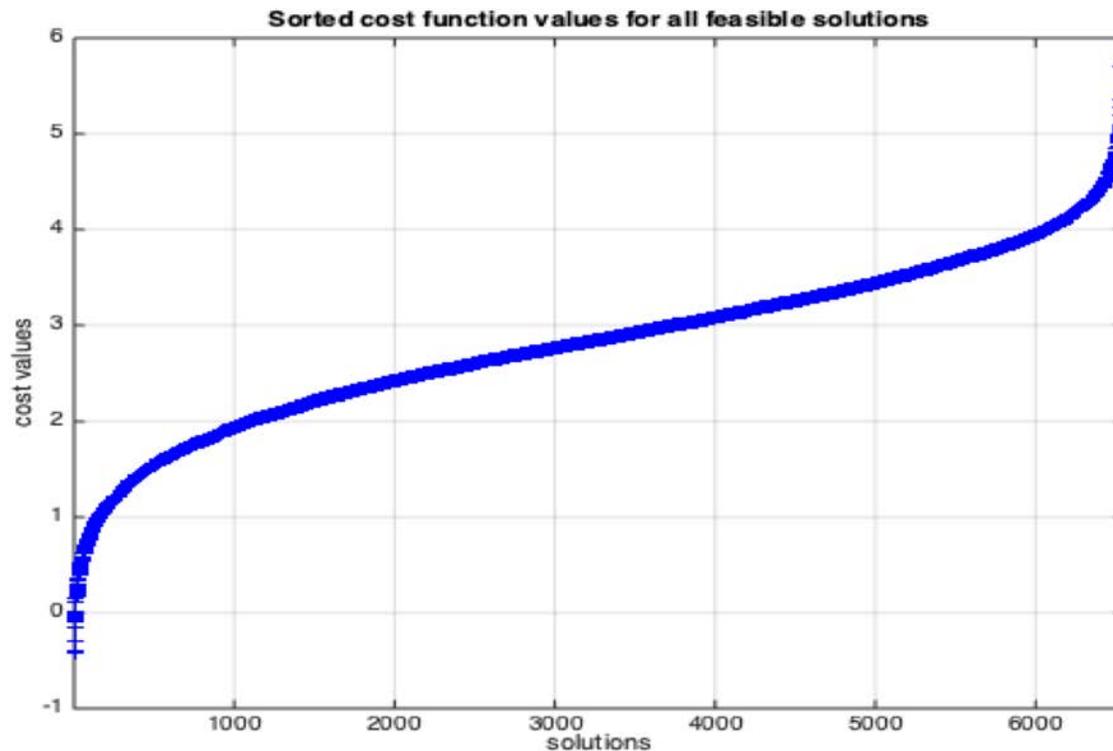
$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \min -\sum_{i=1}^n \mu_i x_i + \sqrt{\frac{1-\epsilon}{\epsilon} \sum_{i=1}^n \sigma_i^2 x_i^2} \\ Ax = b \quad , \quad x \in \{0,1\}^n \end{array} \right.$$

$$A \in M_{5 \times 50}(\{0, \dots, t\}) \quad \mu \in [0,1]^{50 \times 1} \quad \sigma \in [0, \mu_i]^{50 \times 1}$$

when $t = 1$ we have: $\mathcal{G}(A) \in M_{50 \times 304}(\{-1, 0, +1\})$



~ 6500 Solutions in One Call!



- From any feasible point in ~24-30 augmenting steps reach optimal cost = -3.69

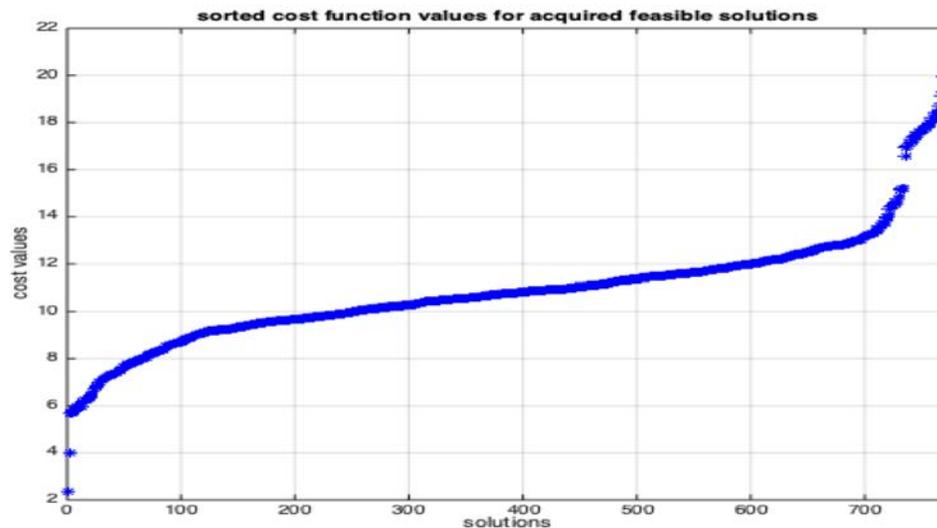
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Non-binary Integer Variables

- Low span integer $x \in \{-2, -1, 0, 1, 2\}^n$
 $A \in M_{5 \times 50} (\{0, 1\})$ $\mu \in [0, 1]^{25 \times 1}$ $\sigma \in [0, \mu_i]^{25 \times 1}$
- 2 Bit Encoding
- $\mathcal{G}(A) \in M_{25 \times 616} (\{-4, \dots, +4\})$ in 2 D-Wave calls
- 773 feasible solutions in one D-Wave call

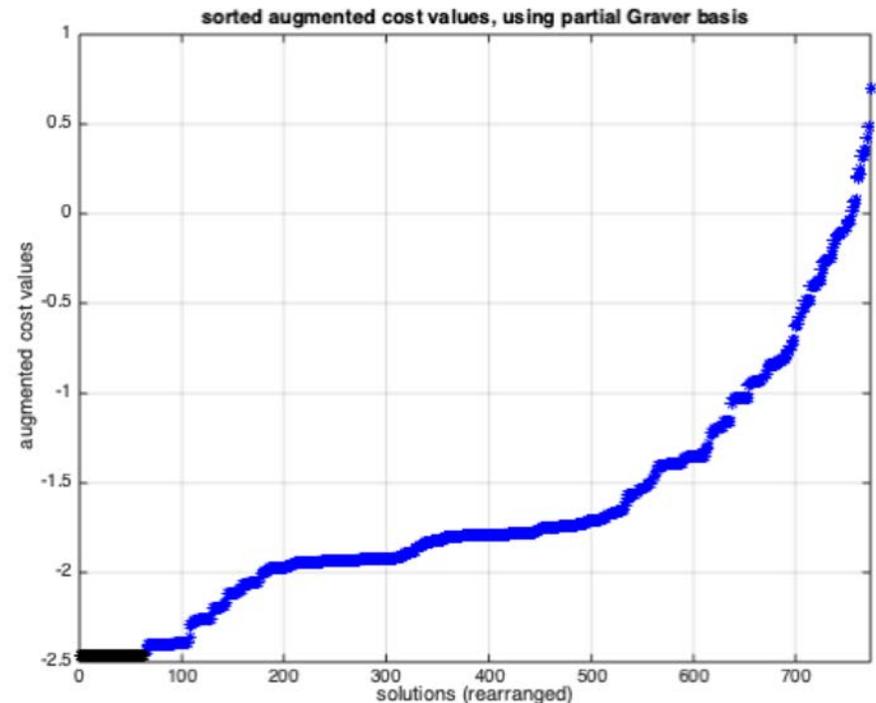


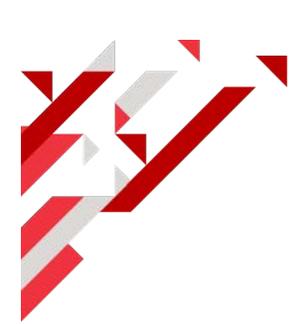
Augmenting...

- From any feasible points in ~20-34 augmenting steps, reach global optimal cost = -2.46
- **Partial Graver Basis**: One D-Wave call only

$$\mathcal{G}^P(A) \in M_{25 \times 418} (\{-4, \dots, +4\})$$

- *64 out of 773 feasible starting points end up at global solutions.*





How to Surpass Best-in-Class Classical Methods?

Gurobi Optimizer 8.0

- Random $A \in M_{5 \times 50} (\{0, \dots, t\})$
- “terms” designates cardinality of set of J values

$$\begin{array}{l} t=1 \Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} 0.2 \text{ sec} \\ 6 \text{ terms} \end{array} \right. \quad t=10 \Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} 16 \text{ sec} \\ 230 \text{ terms} \end{array} \right. \quad t=20 \Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} 3 \text{ min} \\ 620 \text{ terms} \end{array} \right. \\ t=40 \Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} 21 \text{ min} \\ 1030 \text{ terms} \end{array} \right. \quad t=50 \Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} 75 \text{ min} \\ 1070 \text{ terms} \end{array} \right. \quad t=100 \Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} > 8 \text{ hours} \\ 1190 \text{ terms} \end{array} \right. \end{array}$$

- D-Wave: Chimera but improved coupler precision to handle more unique J elements for 0-1 matrices.

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} t=1 \\ A^{20 \times 80} \end{array} \right. \Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} 135 \text{ sec} \\ 13 \text{ terms} \end{array} \right. \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} t=1 \\ A^{25 \times 100} \end{array} \right. \Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \sim 2 \text{ hours} \\ 15 \text{ terms} \end{array} \right. \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} t=1 \\ A^{30 \times 120} \end{array} \right. \Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} > 3 \text{ hours} \\ 16 \text{ terms} \end{array} \right.$$



How and Where to Surpass?

- If **coupler precision** doubles, with the same number of qubits and connectivity, we can be competitive on 0-1 problems and $\{0, \dots, t\}$ matrices of size 50.
- **Pegasus** can embed a size 180 problem with shorter chains, should surpass Gurobi on $\{0, 1\}$ matrices of sizes 120 to 180, without an increase in precision.
- An order of magnitude increase in **maximum number of anneals per call**.



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