

# Graph Sketching, Sampling, Streaming, and Space Efficient Optimization (Part II)

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**Space Efficient Optimization.**

- ▶ Storage grows. Problem sizes grow larger.
- ▶ Streaming=Organizing accesses in an algorithm.
- ▶ Sketching =Organizing information.
- ▶ Partition of input, model, output and algorithm.
- ▶ Processing Space  $\neq$  Storage Space.

# Optimization?

Many frameworks to choose from.

Linear/Convex programming.

1. A lot of general purpose techniques.
2. A rich history in graphs.
3. The connection to streaming is less well studied.

Correlation Clustering and Max Matchings (part I) as examples.  
Rephrasing papers in SODA 2014, ICML 2015, SPAA 2015.

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- (g) Wrap Up.

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A proof sketch.

Alternate views.

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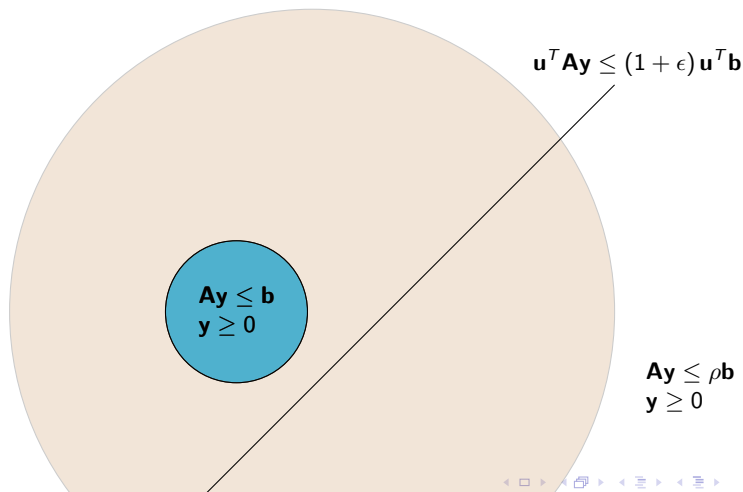
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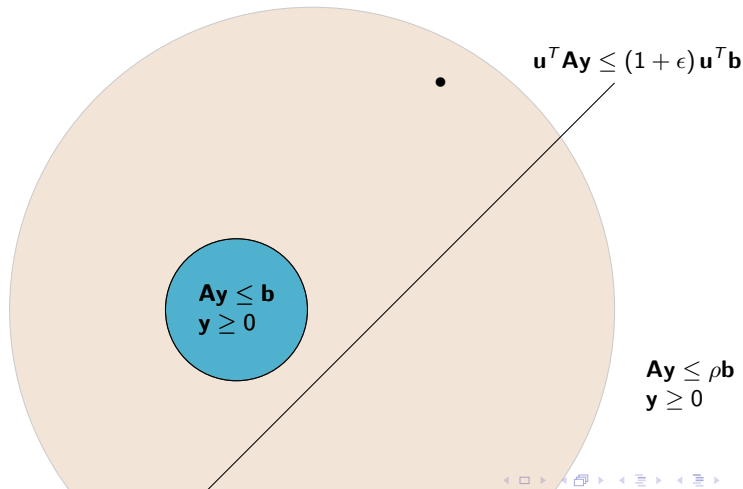


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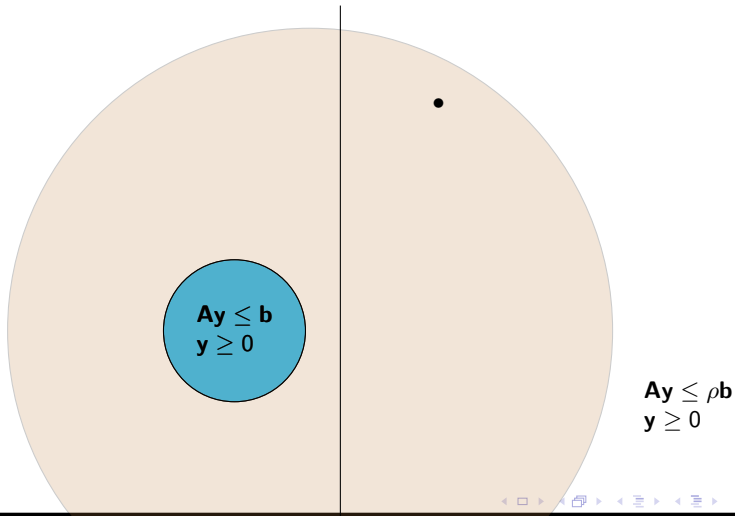
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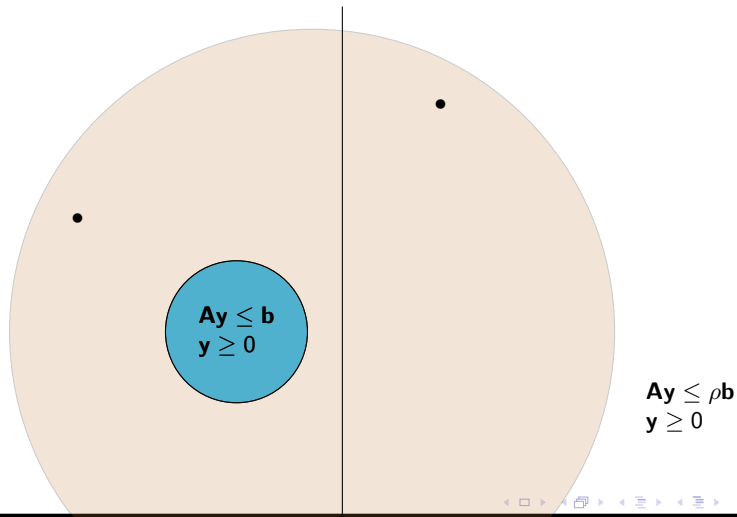
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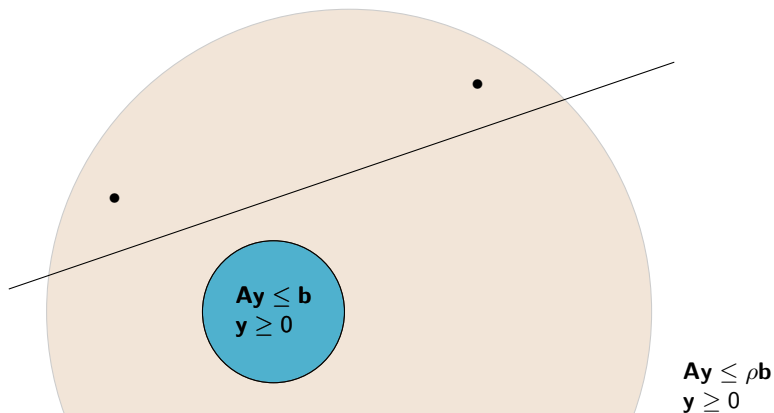
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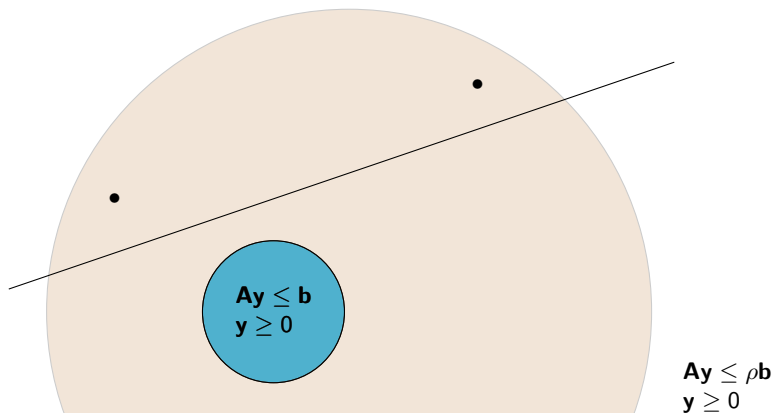
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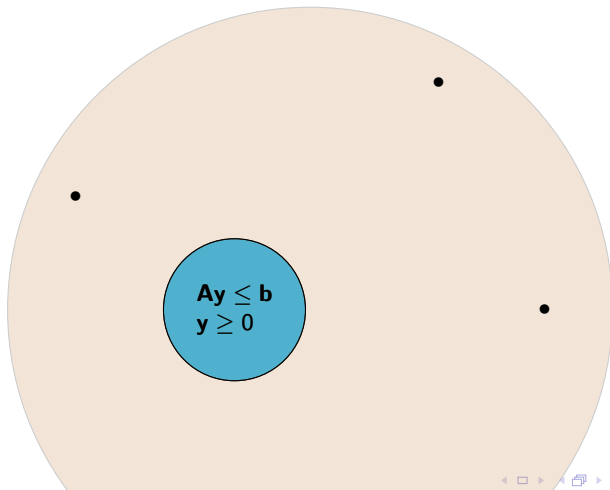
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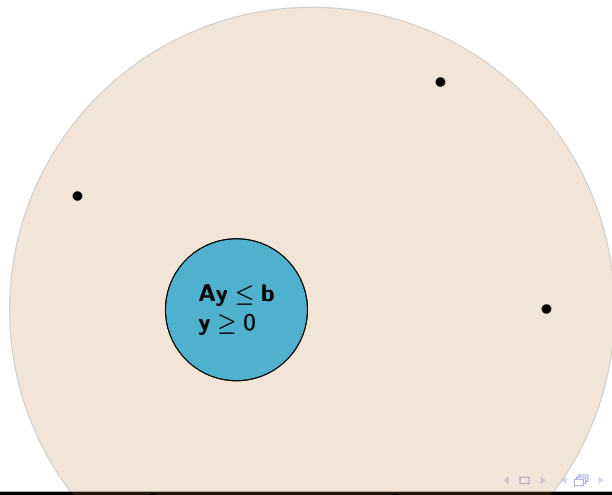


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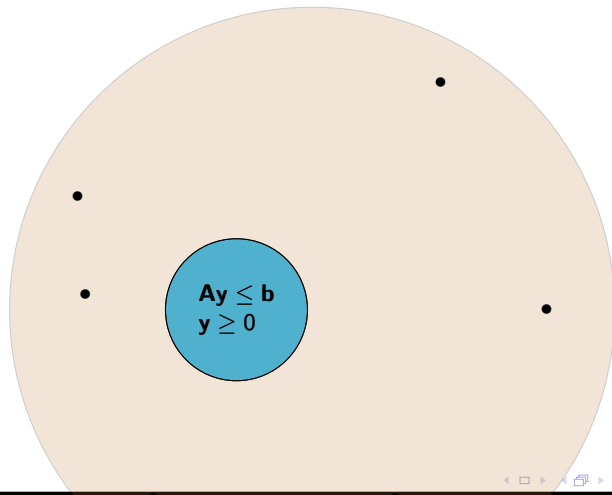
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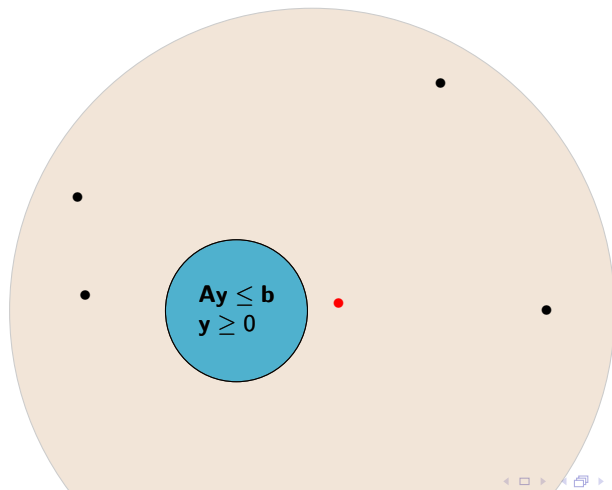


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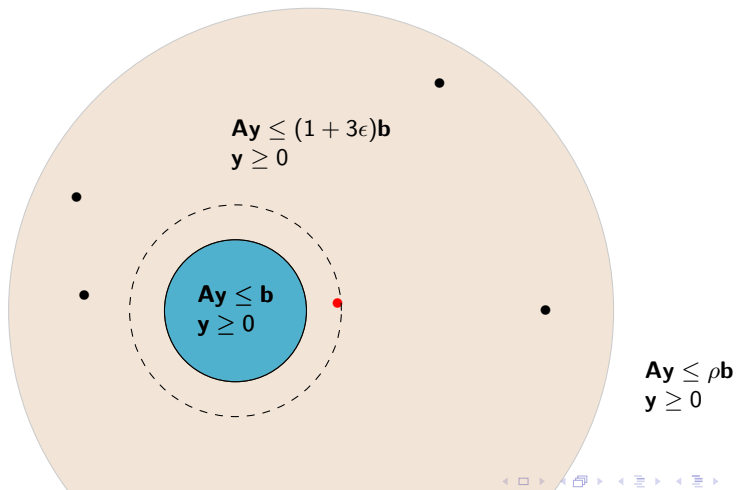
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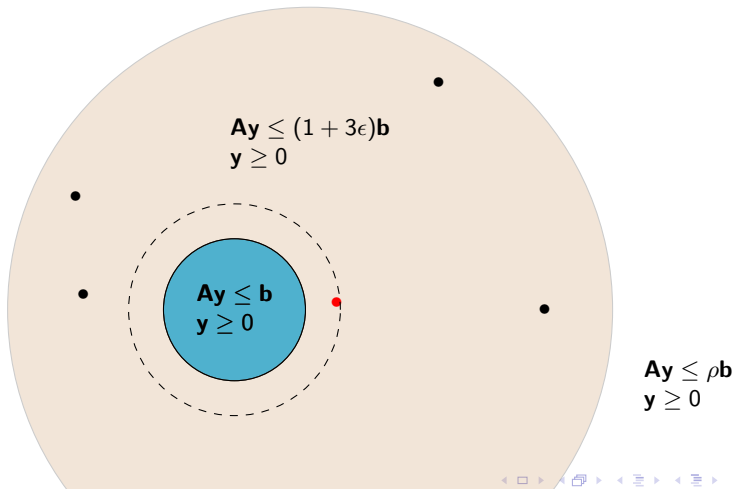
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Number of rounds depends on  $\rho, \epsilon$  and other specifics of updating  $\mathbf{u}$ .

$\rho = \mathbf{width}$ .



# How does the proof work?

Scale RHS to get  $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{y} \leq 1$ .

Let solution for iteration  $t$  be  $\mathbf{y}(t)$ , **assume**  $-\rho \leq -\ell \leq \mathbf{A}_i\mathbf{y}(t) \leq \rho$ .

“Violation” of constraint  $i$  as  $V_i(\mathbf{y}(t)) = \mathbf{A}_i\mathbf{y}(t) - 1$ ; recall  $\mathbf{u}_i(t+1) \approx \mathbf{u}_i(t)e^{\epsilon V_i(\mathbf{y}(t))/\rho}$ .

“Average Violation” as  $av(t) = \sum_i \frac{u_i}{\sum_j u_j} V_i(\mathbf{y}(t))$ .

On the same side:  $\leq 0$  (easier case). For approximation  $\leq \delta$ .

“Potential” at iteration  $t = \sum_i \mathbf{u}_i(t)$ .

Now  $\sum_i \mathbf{u}_i(t+1) \leq (\sum_i \mathbf{u}_i(t)) e^{\epsilon av(t)/\rho}$ . Telescopes.

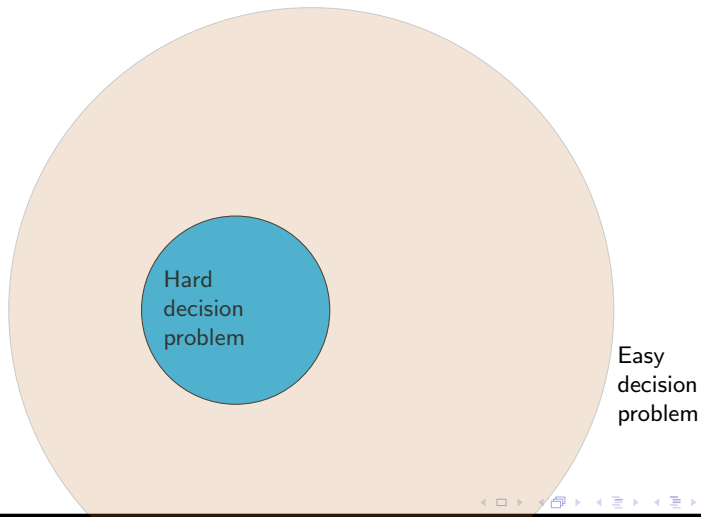
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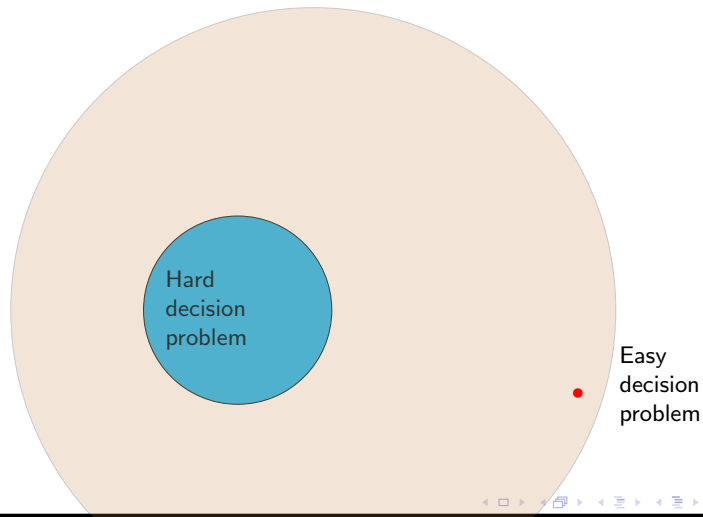
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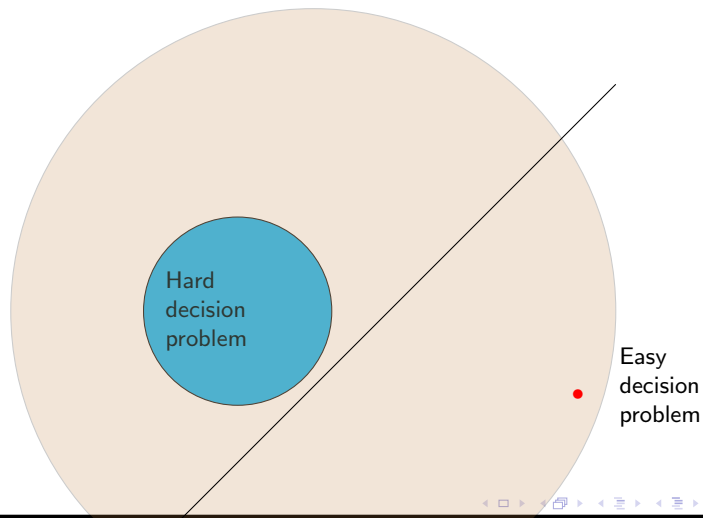
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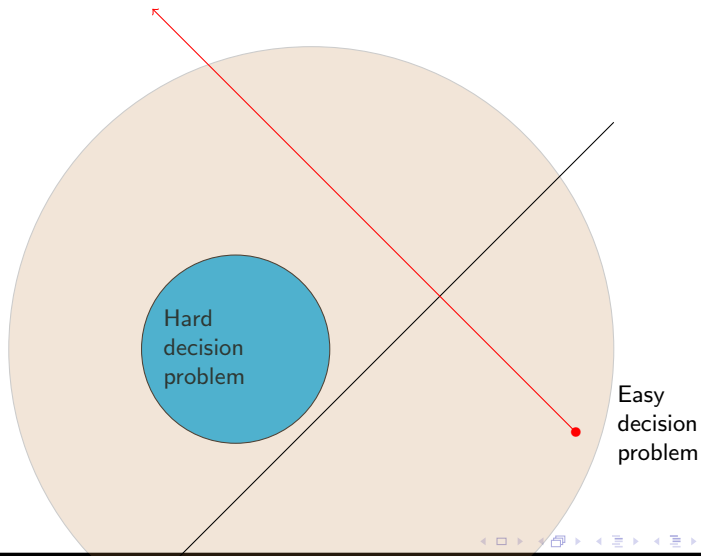
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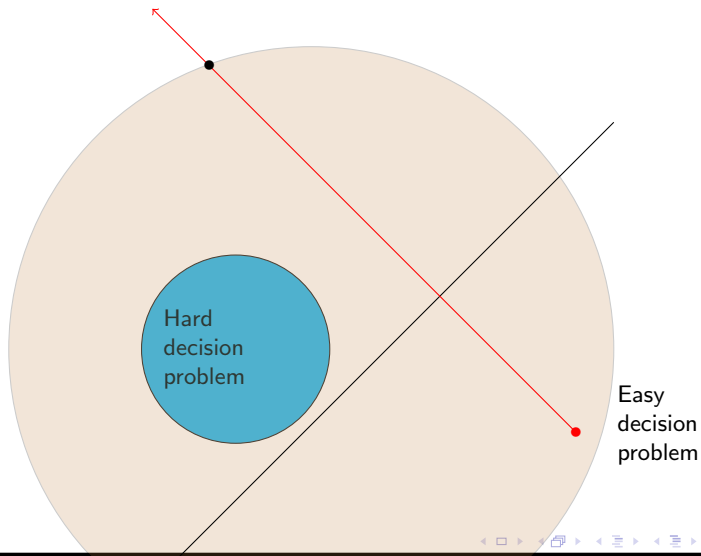
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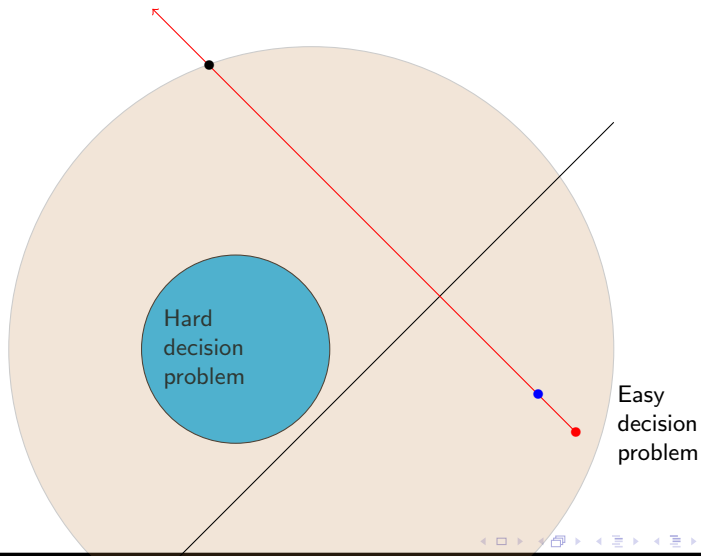
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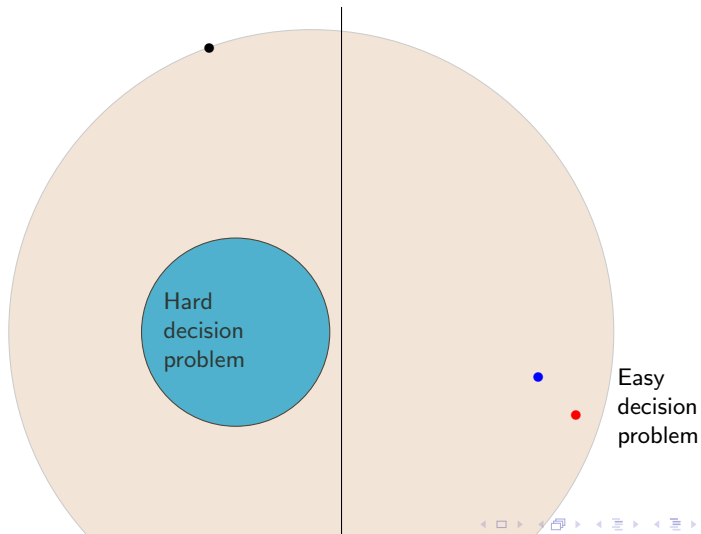
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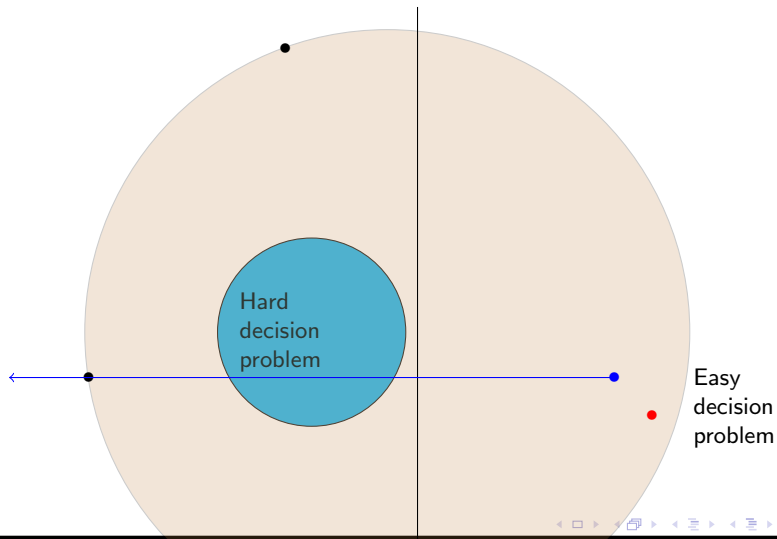
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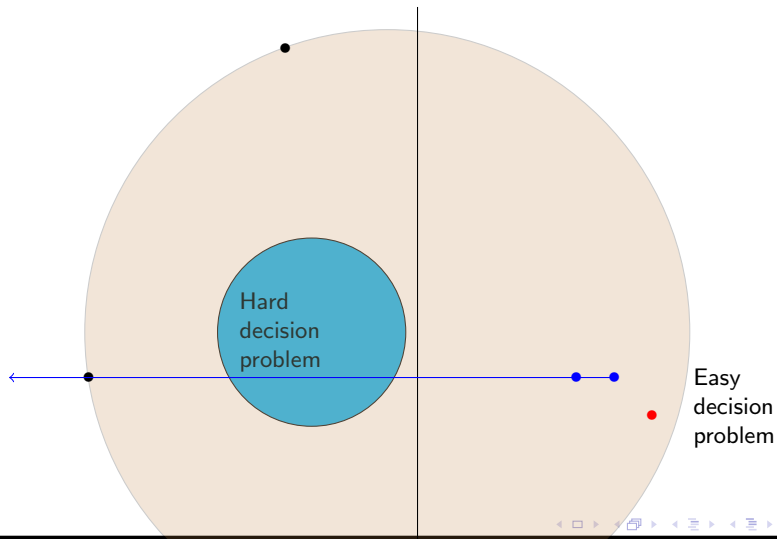
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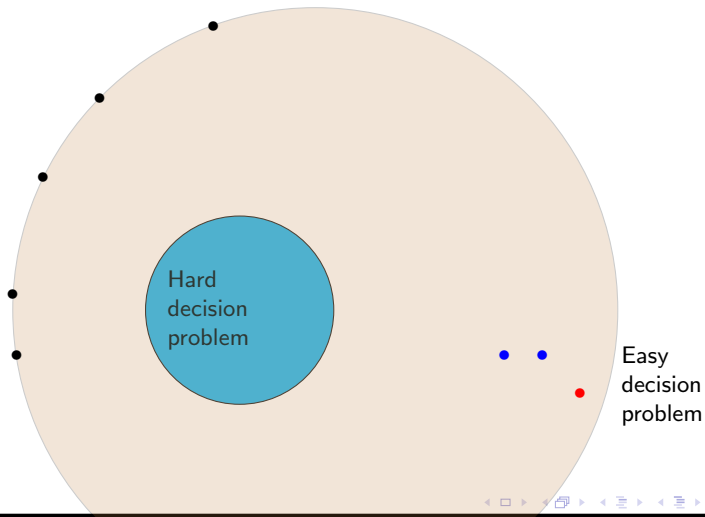
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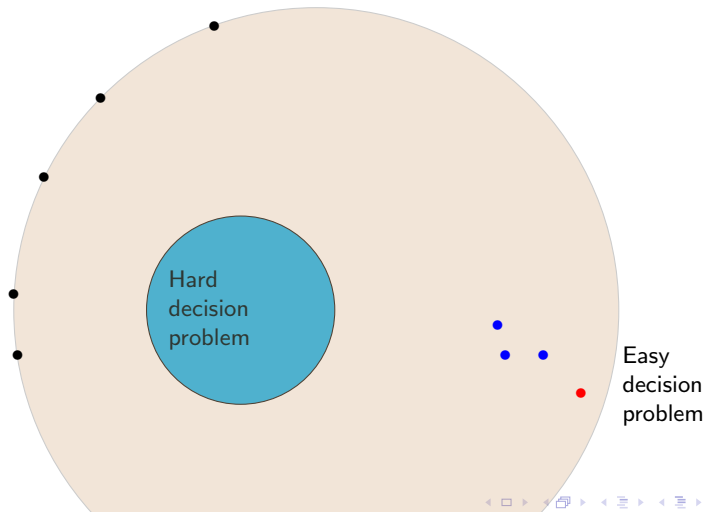
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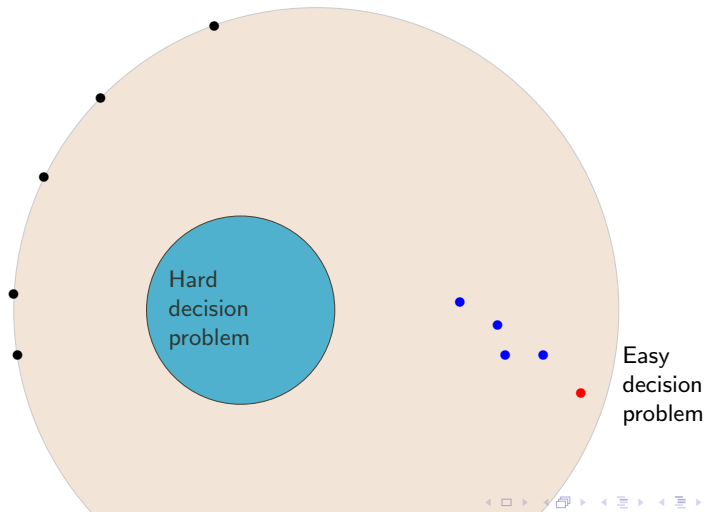
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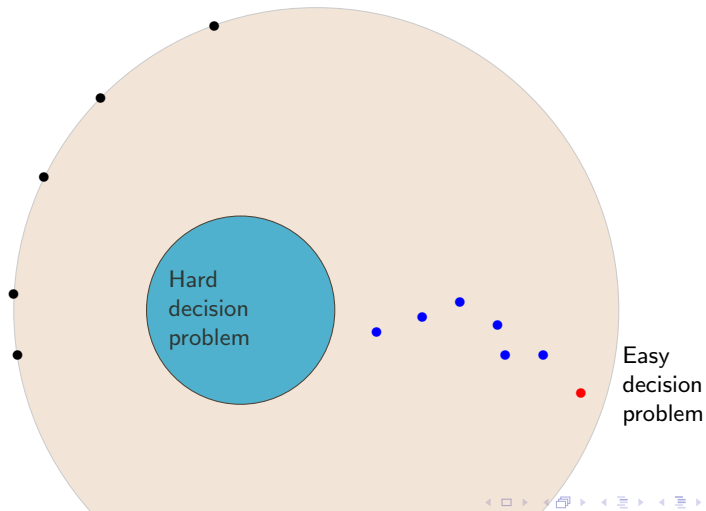
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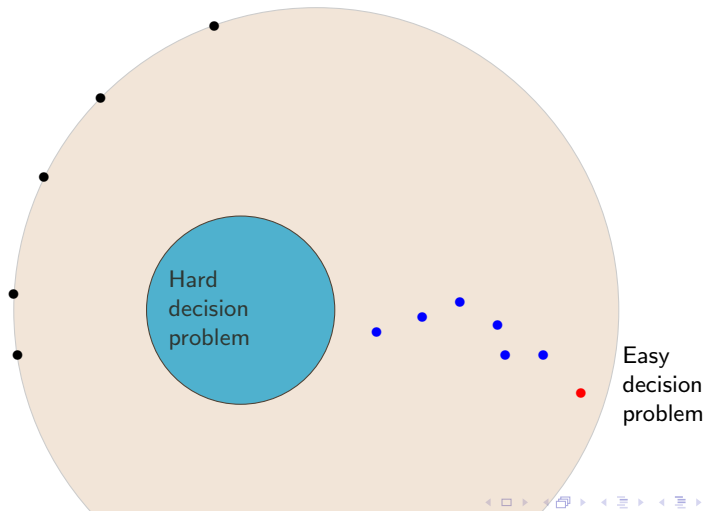
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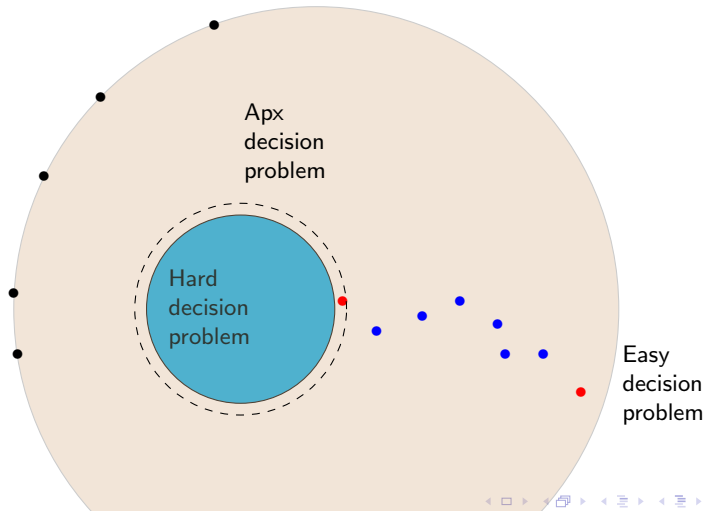
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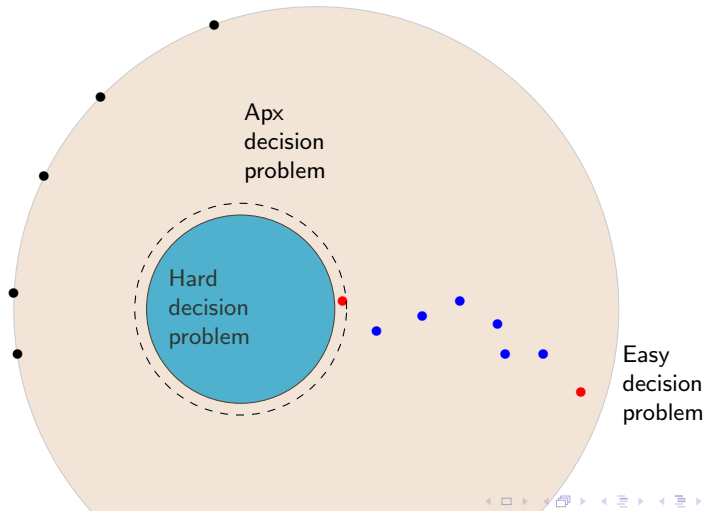
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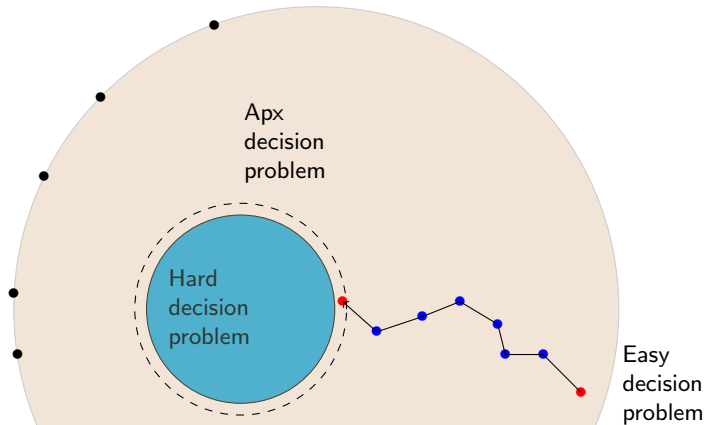
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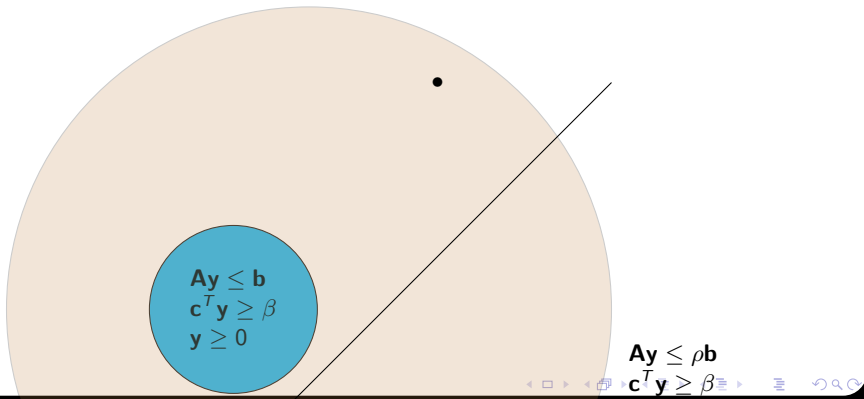
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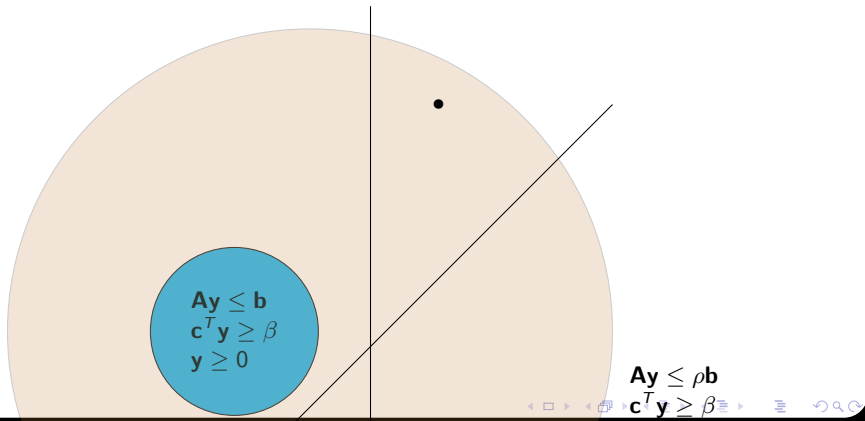
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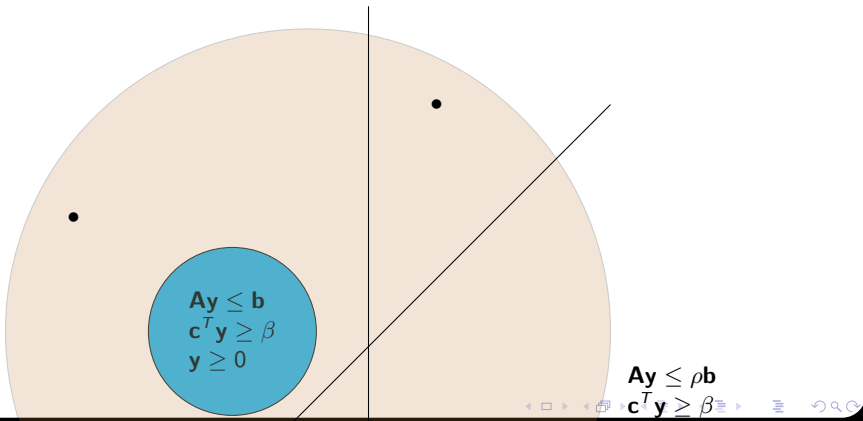
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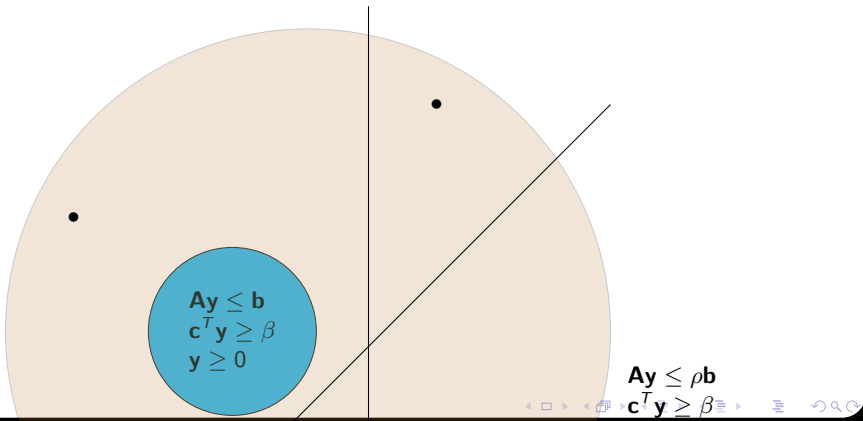
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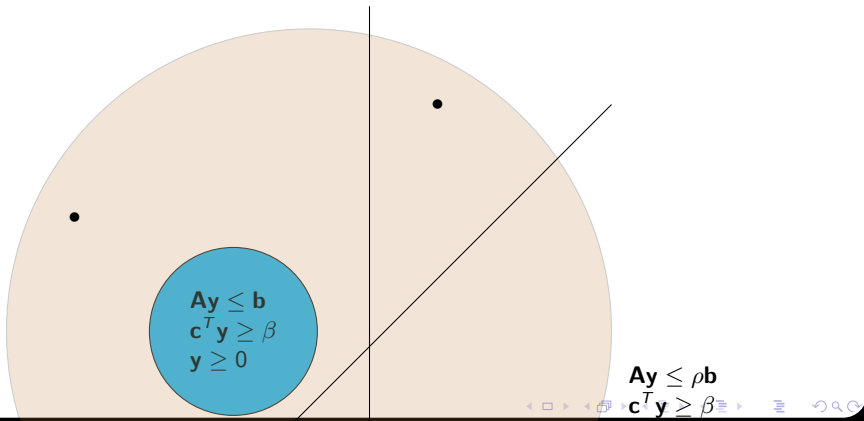
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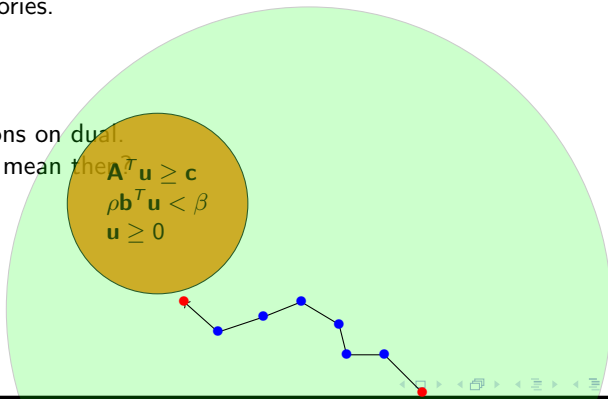
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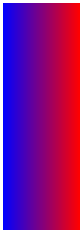




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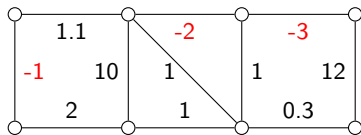
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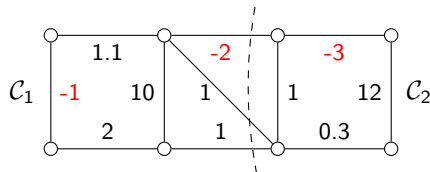
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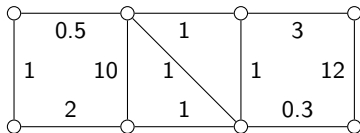
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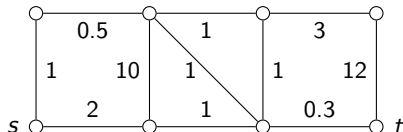
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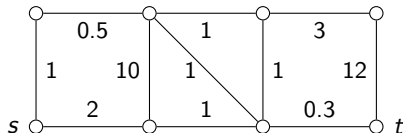


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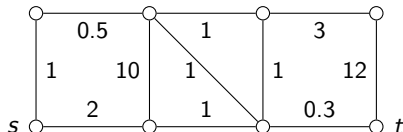


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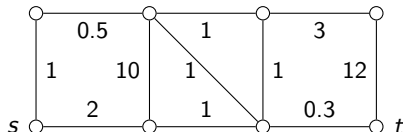


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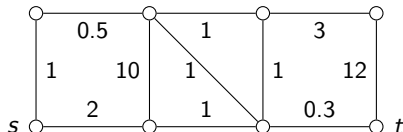
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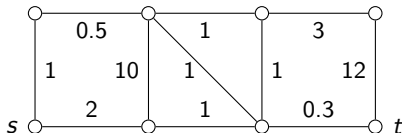
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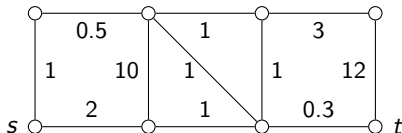
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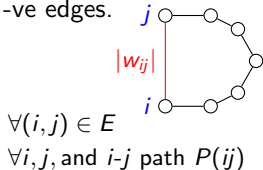
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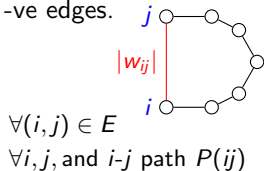


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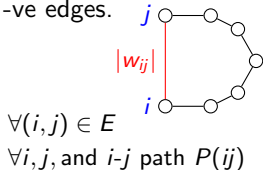
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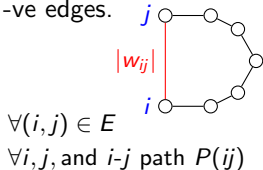
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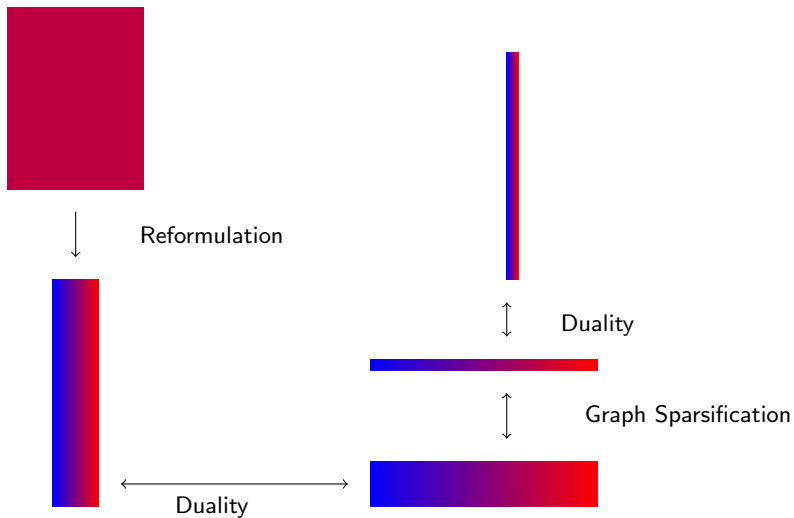
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# Algorithm in a Picture?



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**MWM (in this context):** Collection of constraints. Feasible set:  $\mathcal{X}$ .  
Given  $\mathbf{x}$  provide a real symmetric  $\mathbf{A}$  (satisfying some **width** bounds)

- (a)  $\mathbf{A} \circ \mathbf{x} \leq b - \epsilon$ , note  $\mathbf{A} \circ \mathbf{x} = \sum_{i,j} A_{ij} x_{ij}$ .
- (b)  $\mathbf{A} \circ \mathbf{x}' \geq b$  for all feasible  $\mathbf{x}' \in \mathcal{X}$ .

Why. ~~Does not work (width is high)~~. Linear Space. Linear time. 0.76-approx.  
**Relaxation needs to be compatible with trajectory.**  
Single pass. Sparsify  $E(+)$  and  $E(-)$  separately.

## (d) Multiple Passes I: Max Bipartite Matching

Optimization over fixed constraint matrices.

Columns revealed one at a time.

Use of Approximation Algorithms for speedup of convergence.

“Primal-Dual meets Primal-Dual”.

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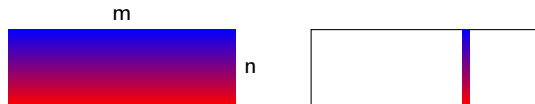


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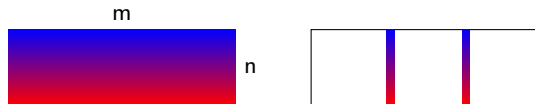


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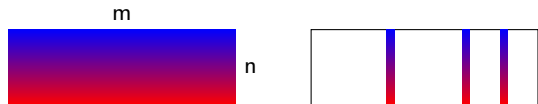


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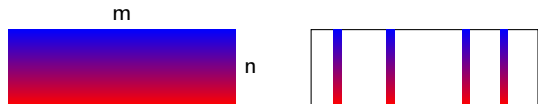


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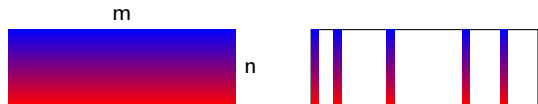


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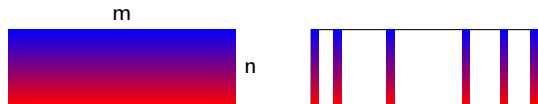


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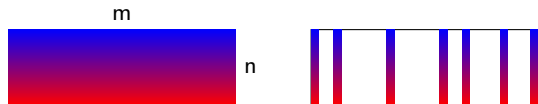


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More general than streaming.

Map-Reduce based  $\delta$  approximations in  $O(\log n)$  rounds exist, e.g., Lattanzi, Mosely, Suri, Vassilivitskii 11.

We can compose them.  $O(\log n)$  rounds to get a  $c$ -approximation. Repeat  $O(c\epsilon^{-2} \log n)$  times to get a  $(1 + \epsilon)$ - fractional solution.

Can also round to an integral solution in small space.  
A story for some other time.

## (e) Multiple Passes II: Max Non-Bipartite Matching

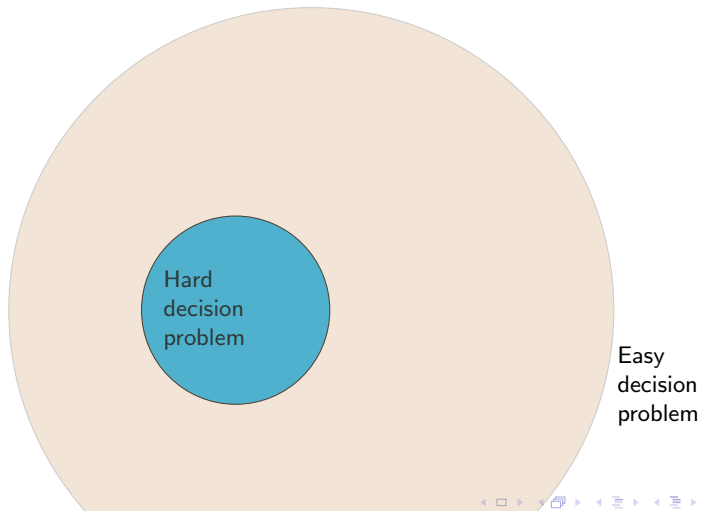
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Adaptive constraint sparsification. Perturbations.

How to find your way at night in the dark?

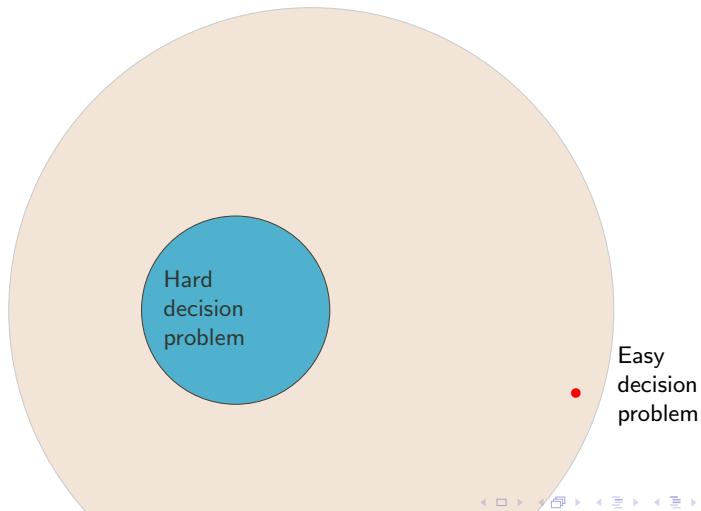
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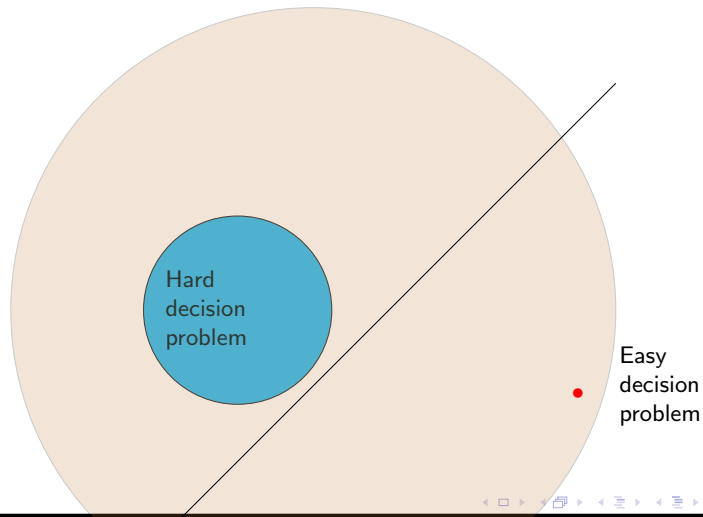
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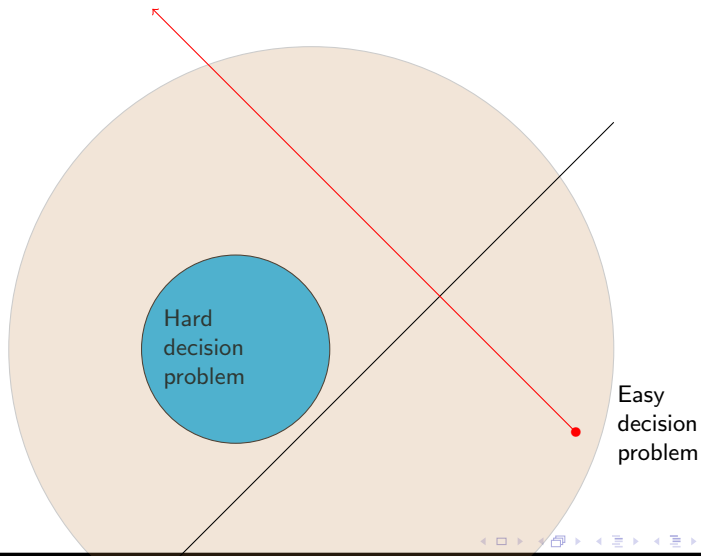
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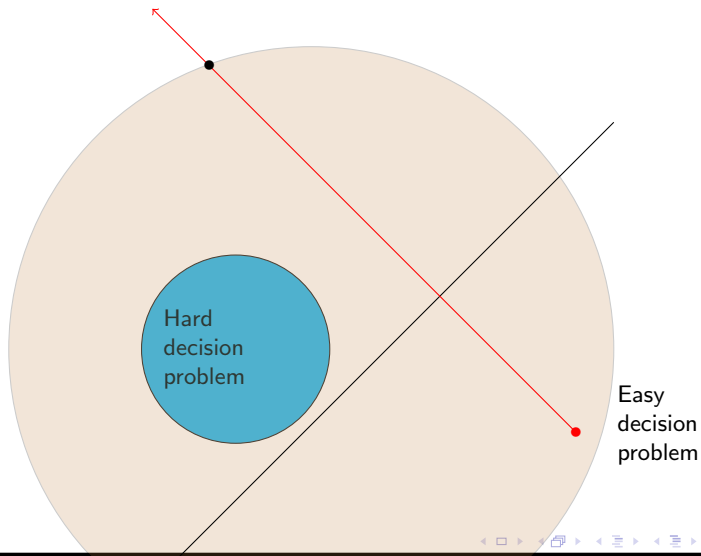
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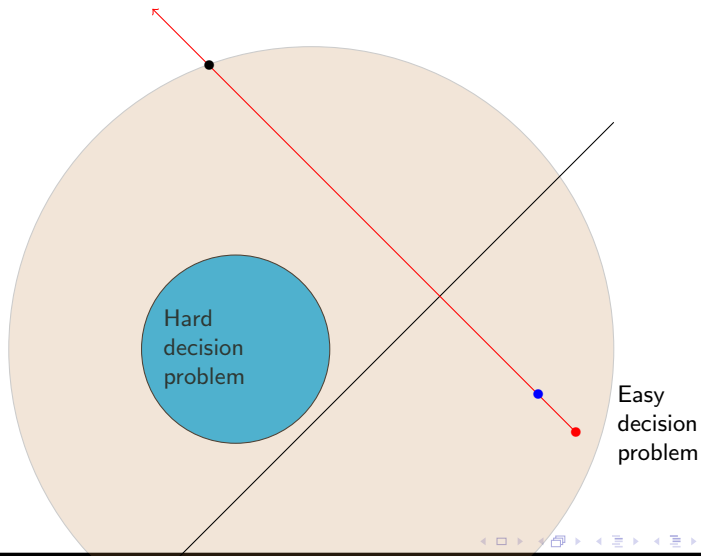
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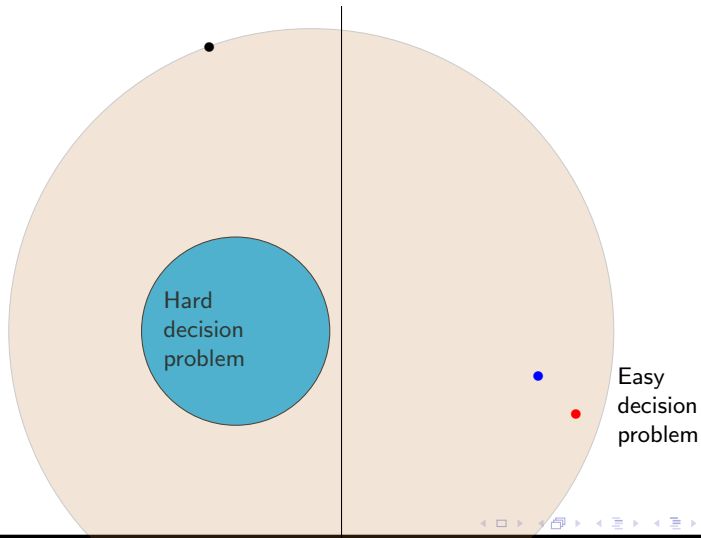
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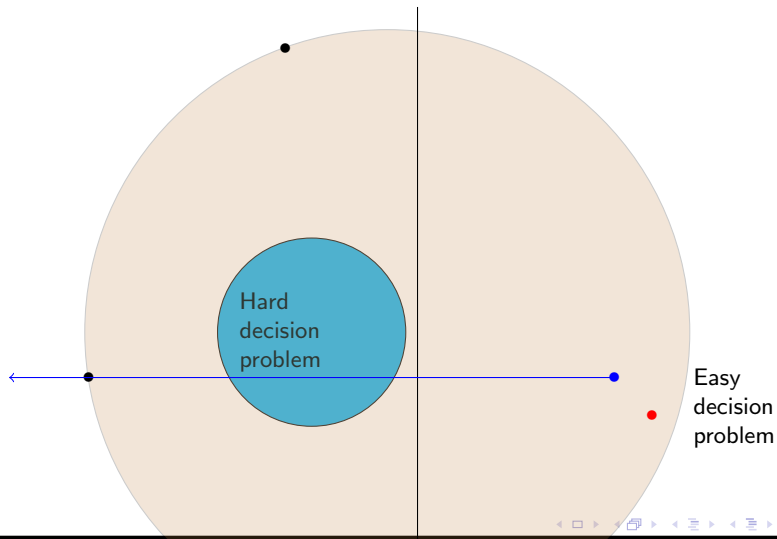
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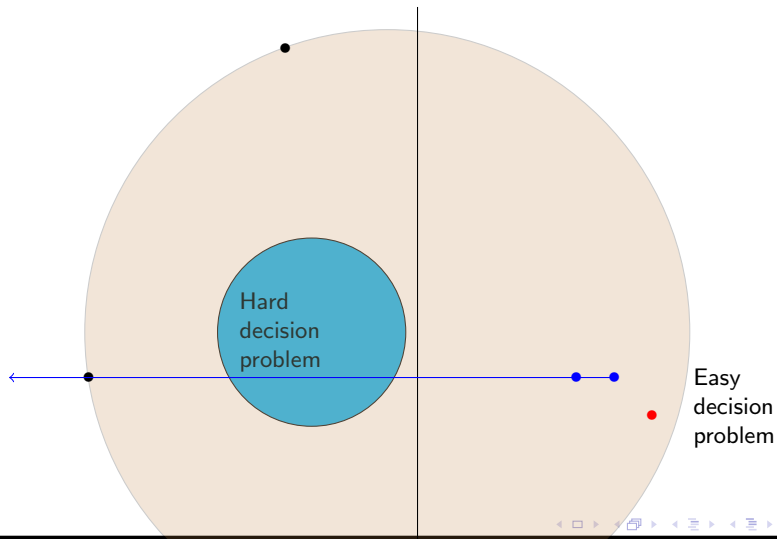
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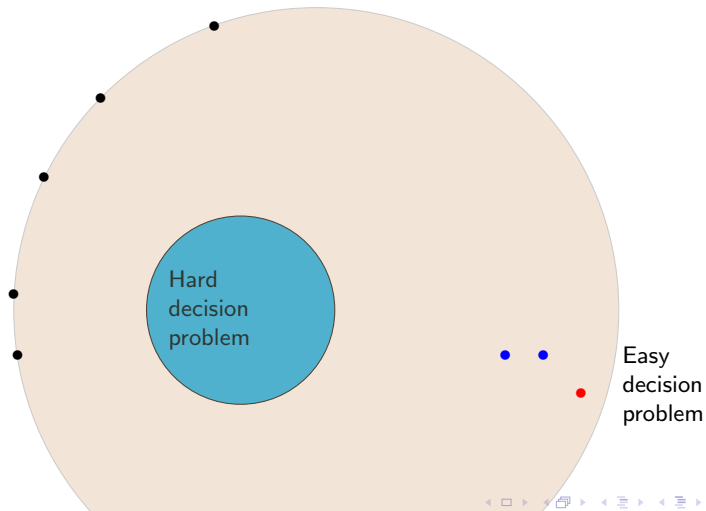
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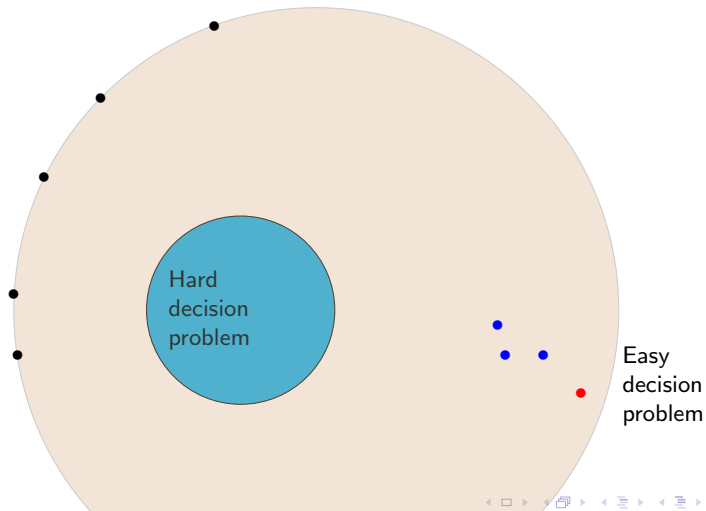
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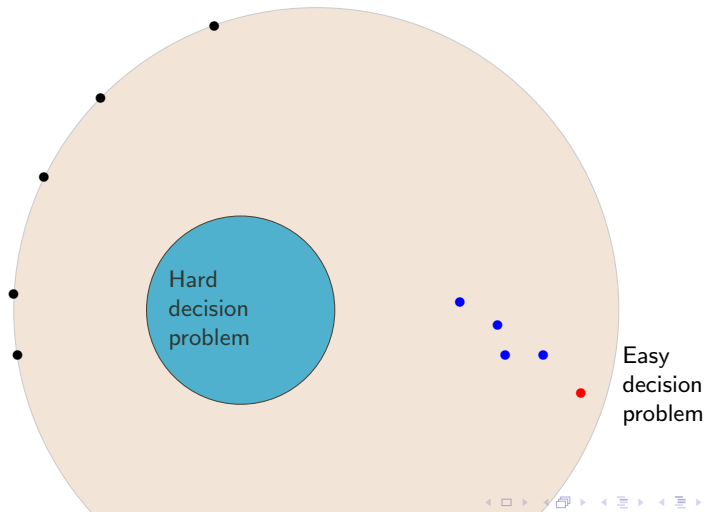
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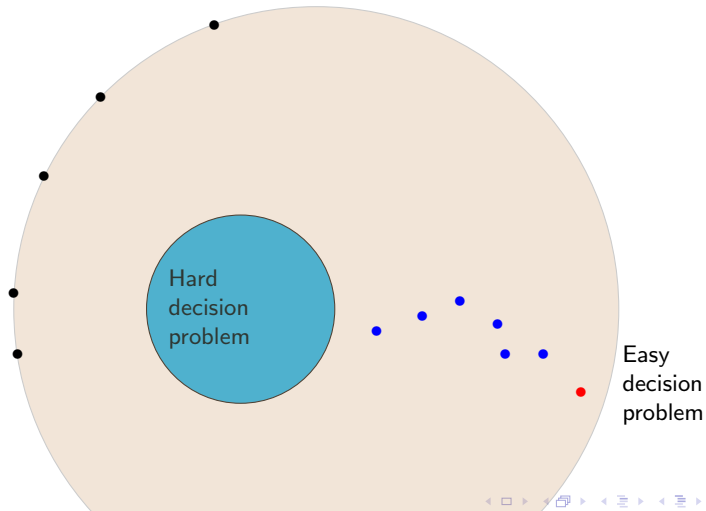
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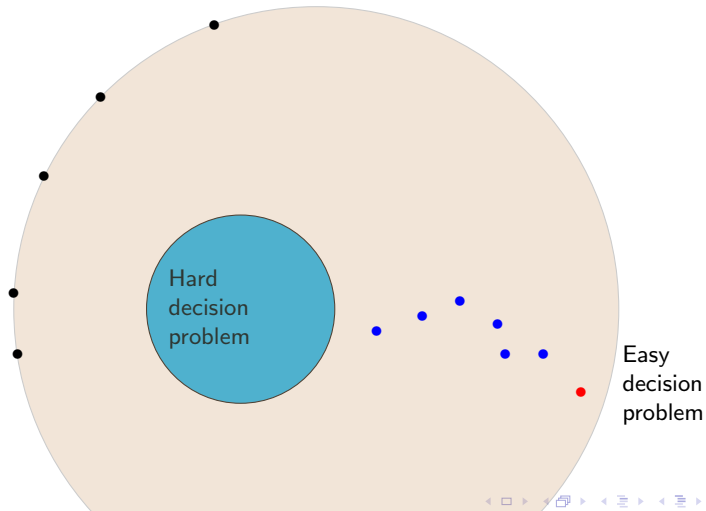
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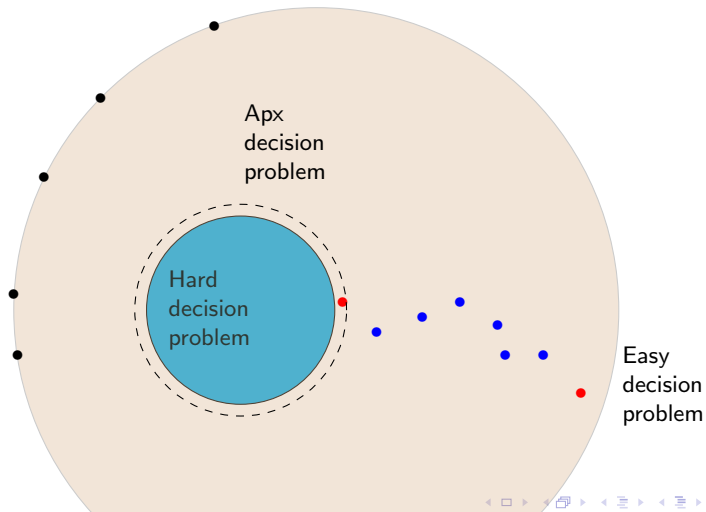
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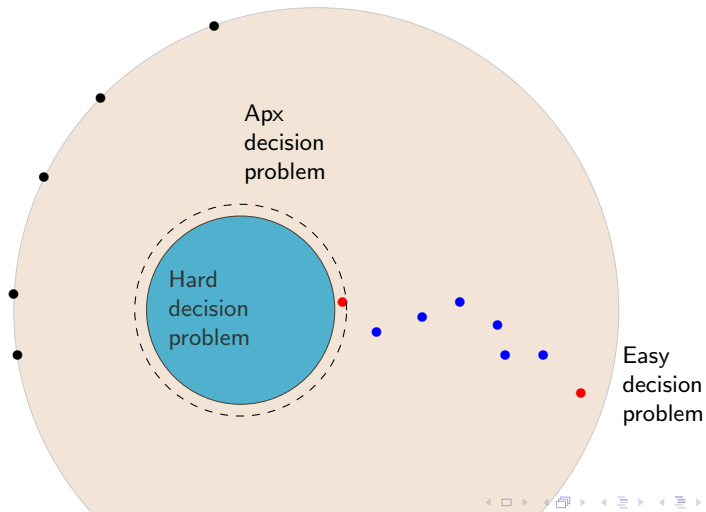
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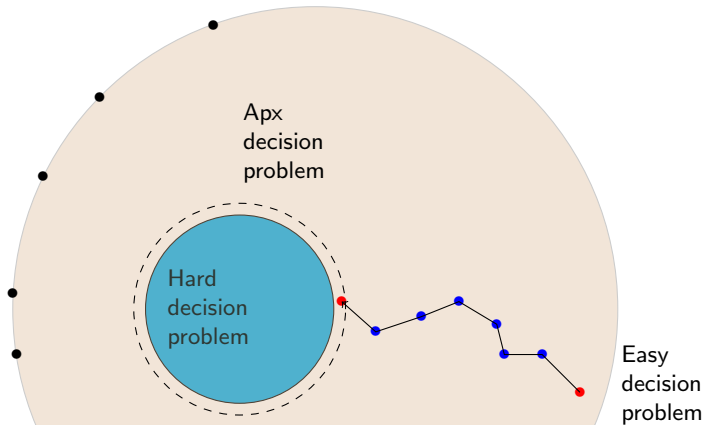
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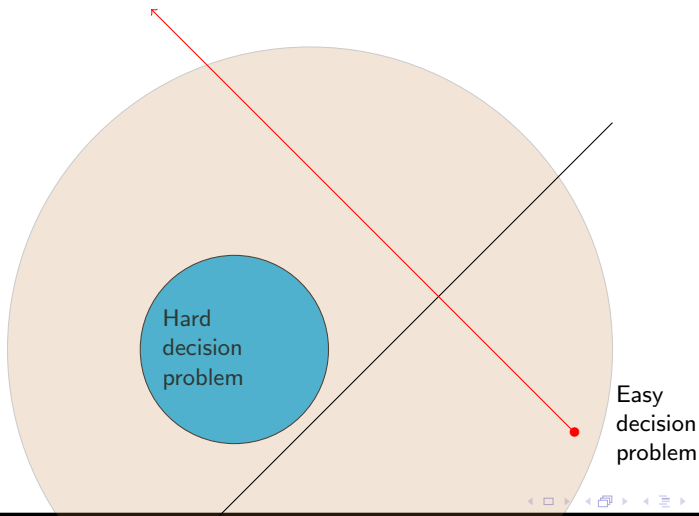
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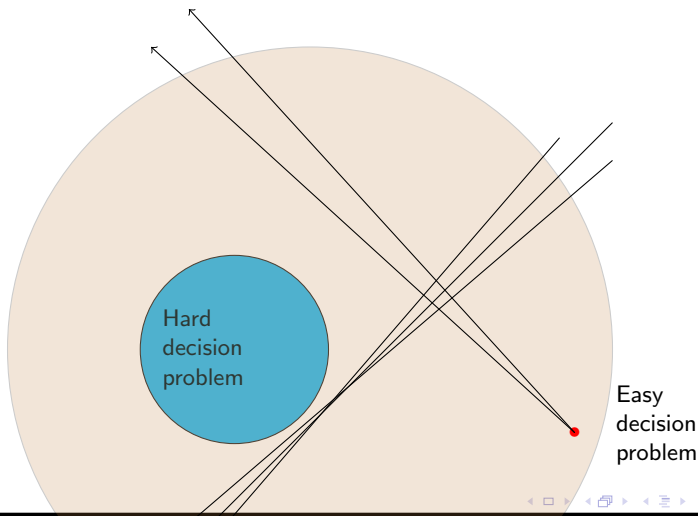
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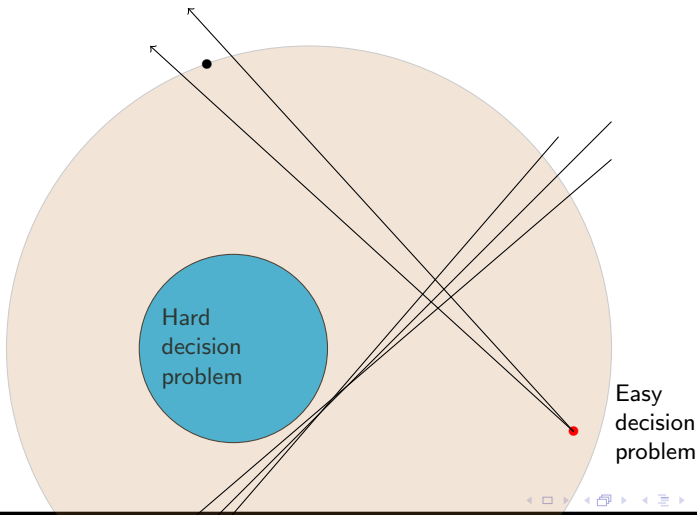
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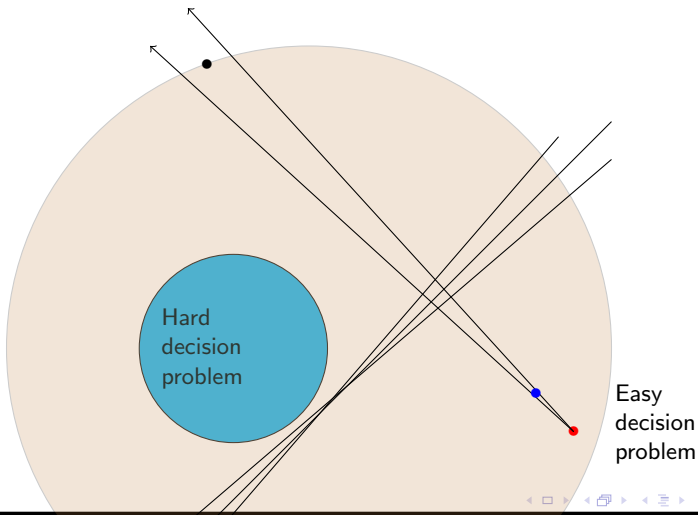
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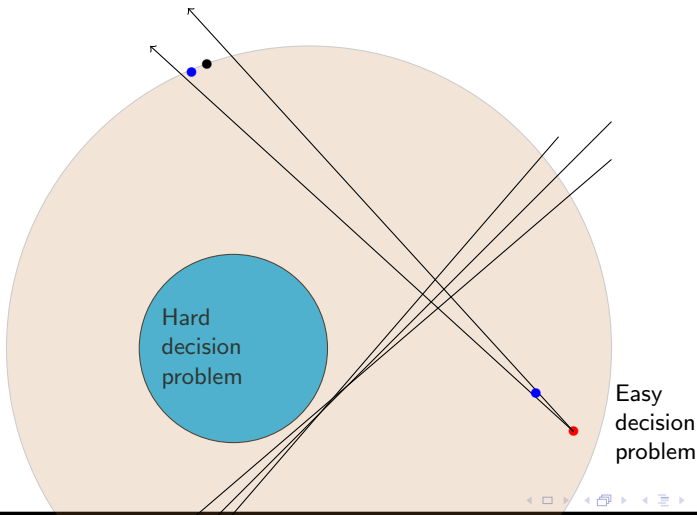
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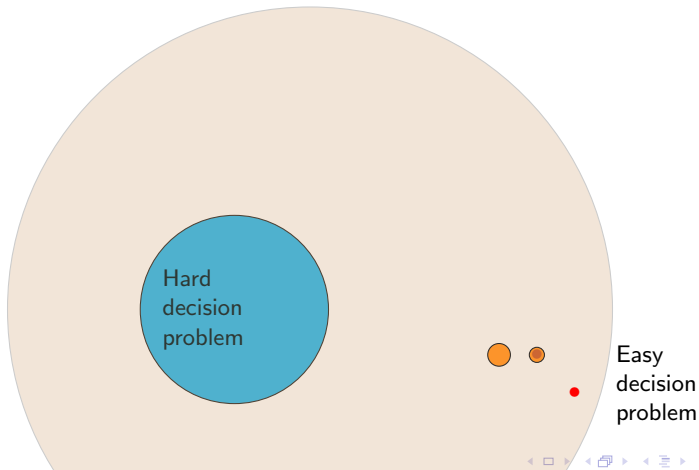
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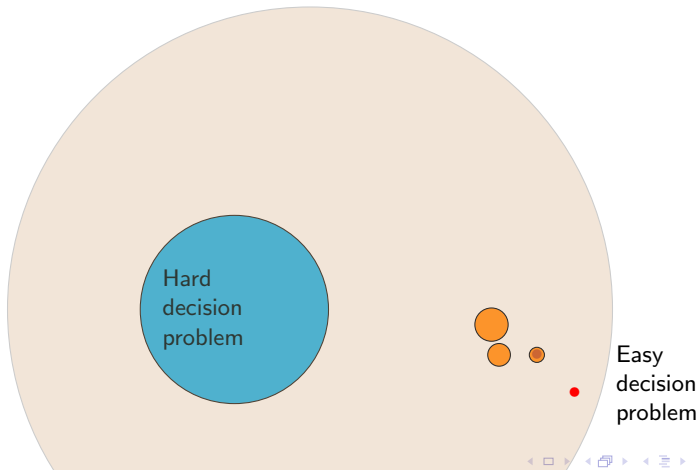
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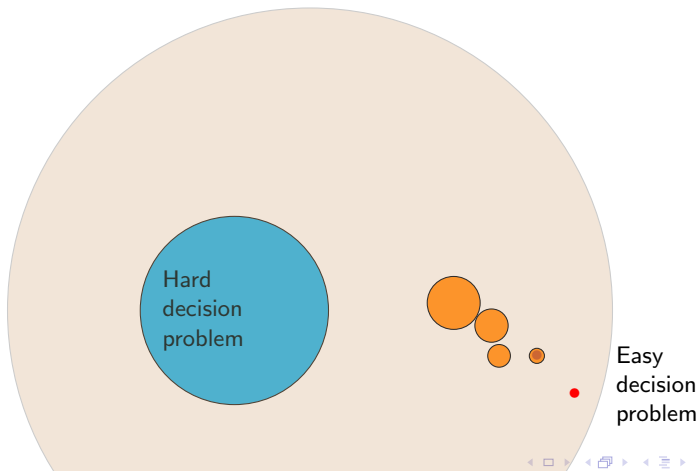
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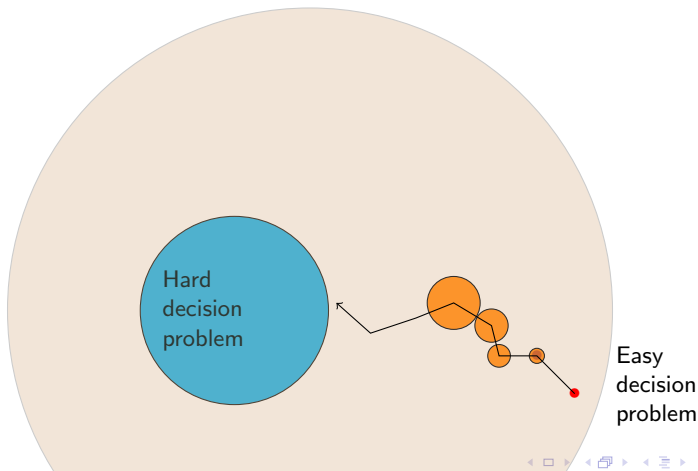
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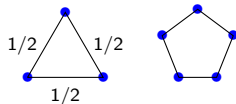
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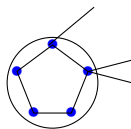
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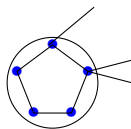
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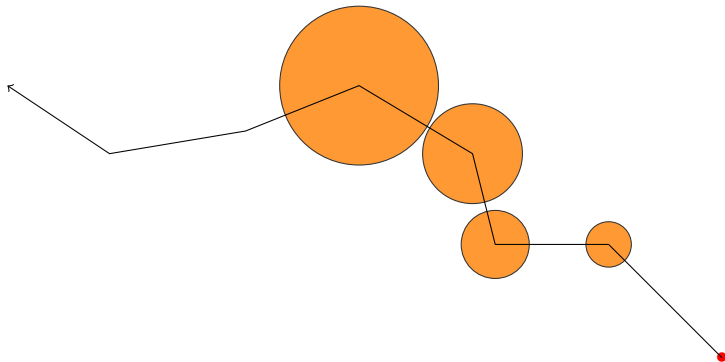
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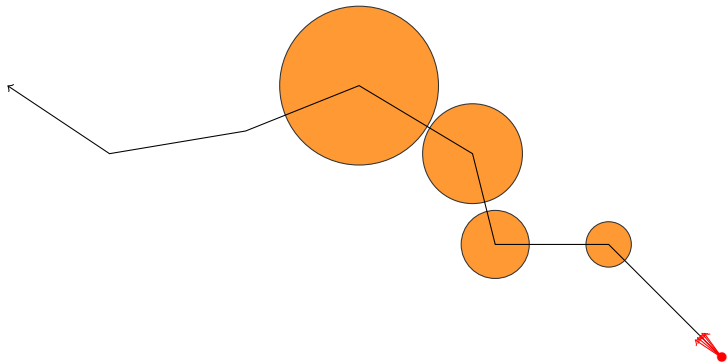
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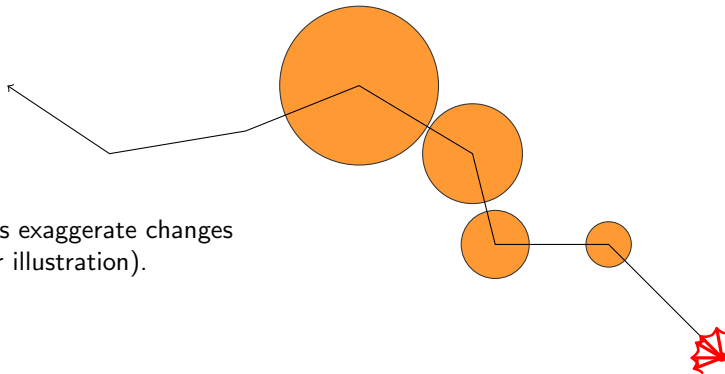
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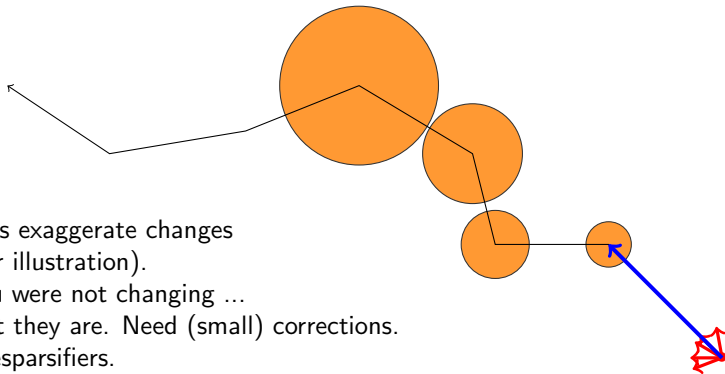
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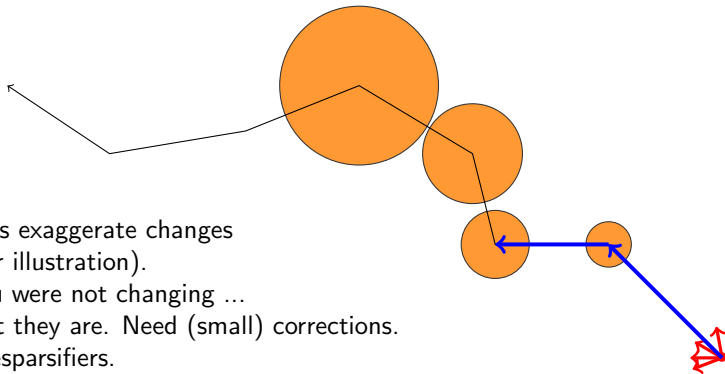
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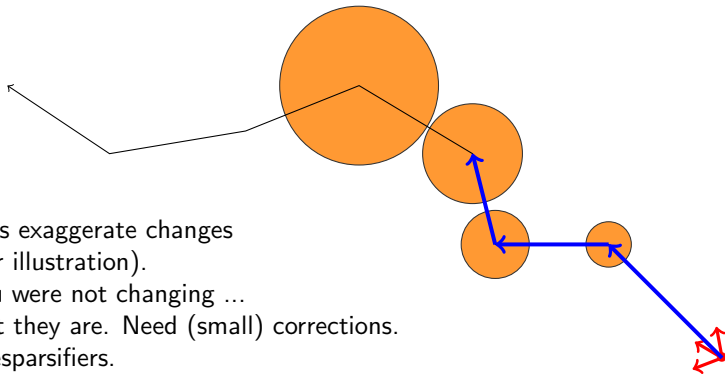
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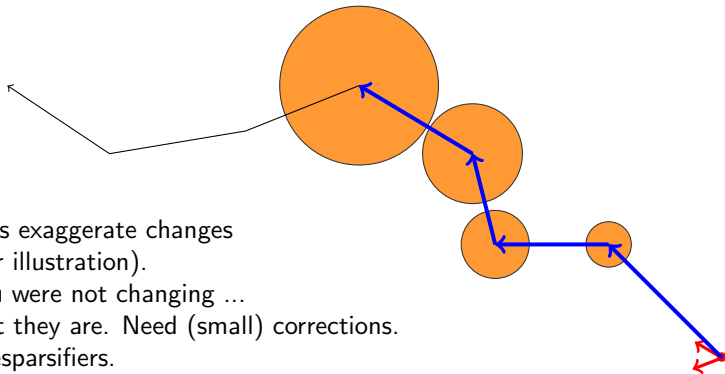
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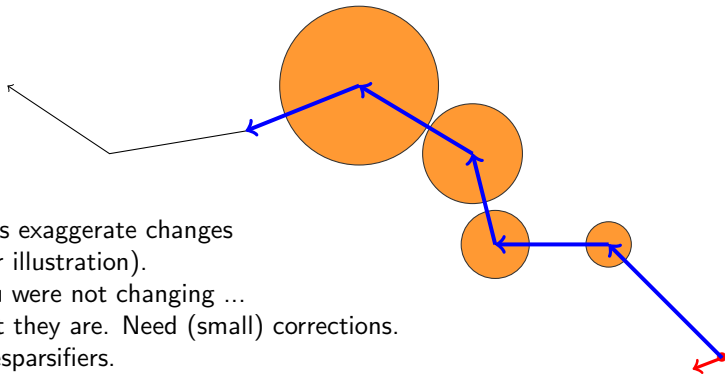
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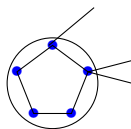
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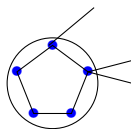
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