A Reflexive Tactic for Polynomial Positivity

using Numerical Solvers and Floating-Point Computations

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$\Rightarrow$ SOS can be encoded as semi-definite programming (SDP).

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For instance

$$Q = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -3 & 1 \\ -3 & 5 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix} = L^TL \qquad L = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -3 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

hence $p(x,y) = \frac{1}{2}\left(2x^2 - 3y^2 + xy\right)^2 + \frac{1}{2}\left(y^2 + 3xy\right)^2.$

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- Hence the validation method: given $p \simeq z^T Q\, z$
  1. Check that all monomials of p are in $z\, z^T$.
  2. Bound difference δ between coefficients of p and $z^T Q\, z$.
  3. If $Q - s\, \delta\, I \succeq 0$ ($s :=$ size of Q), then p is proved SOS.
- 2 can be done with interval arithmetic and 3 with a Cholesky decomposition ($\Theta(s^3)$ flops).

$\Rightarrow$ Efficient validation method using just floats.

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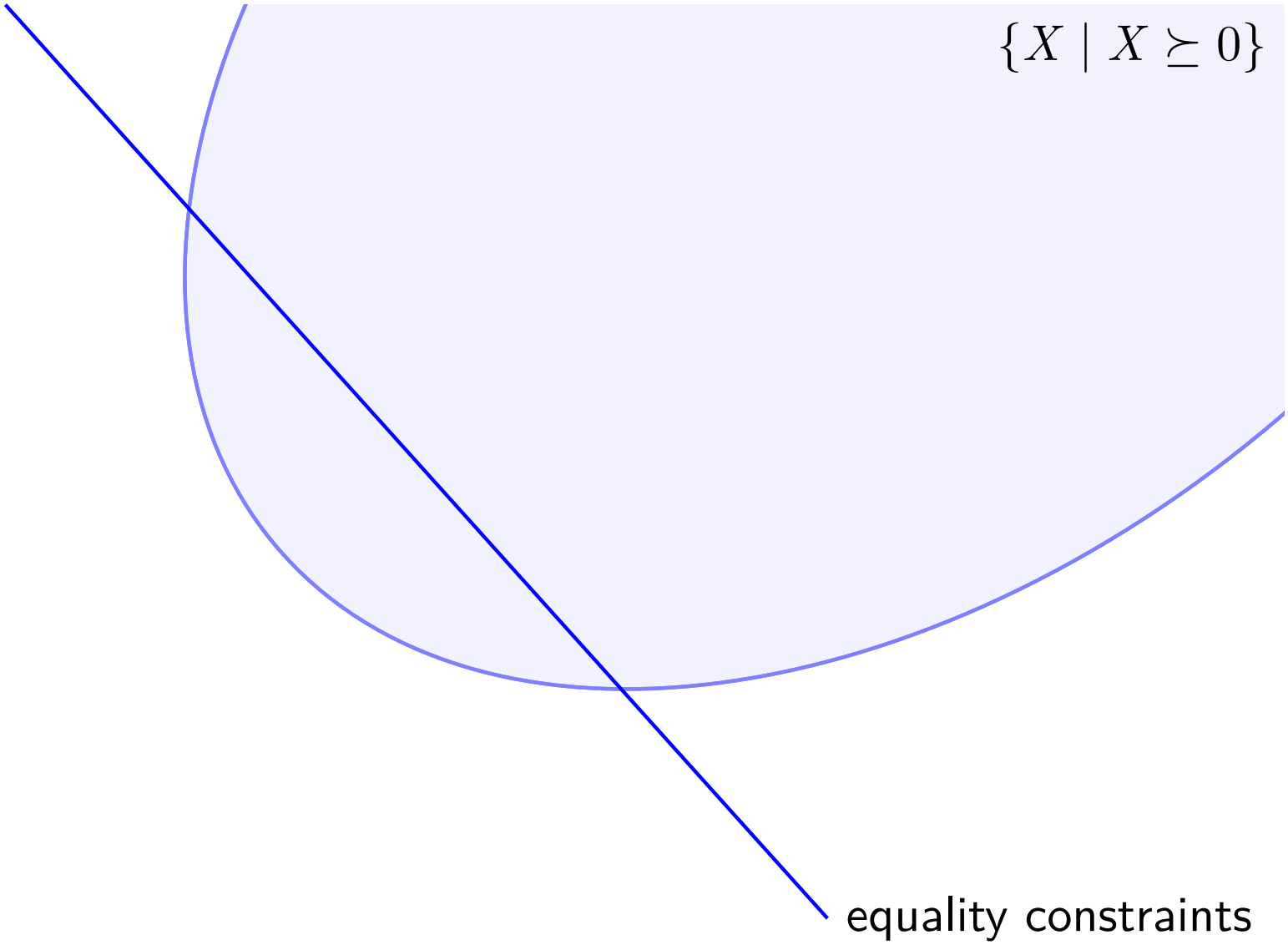

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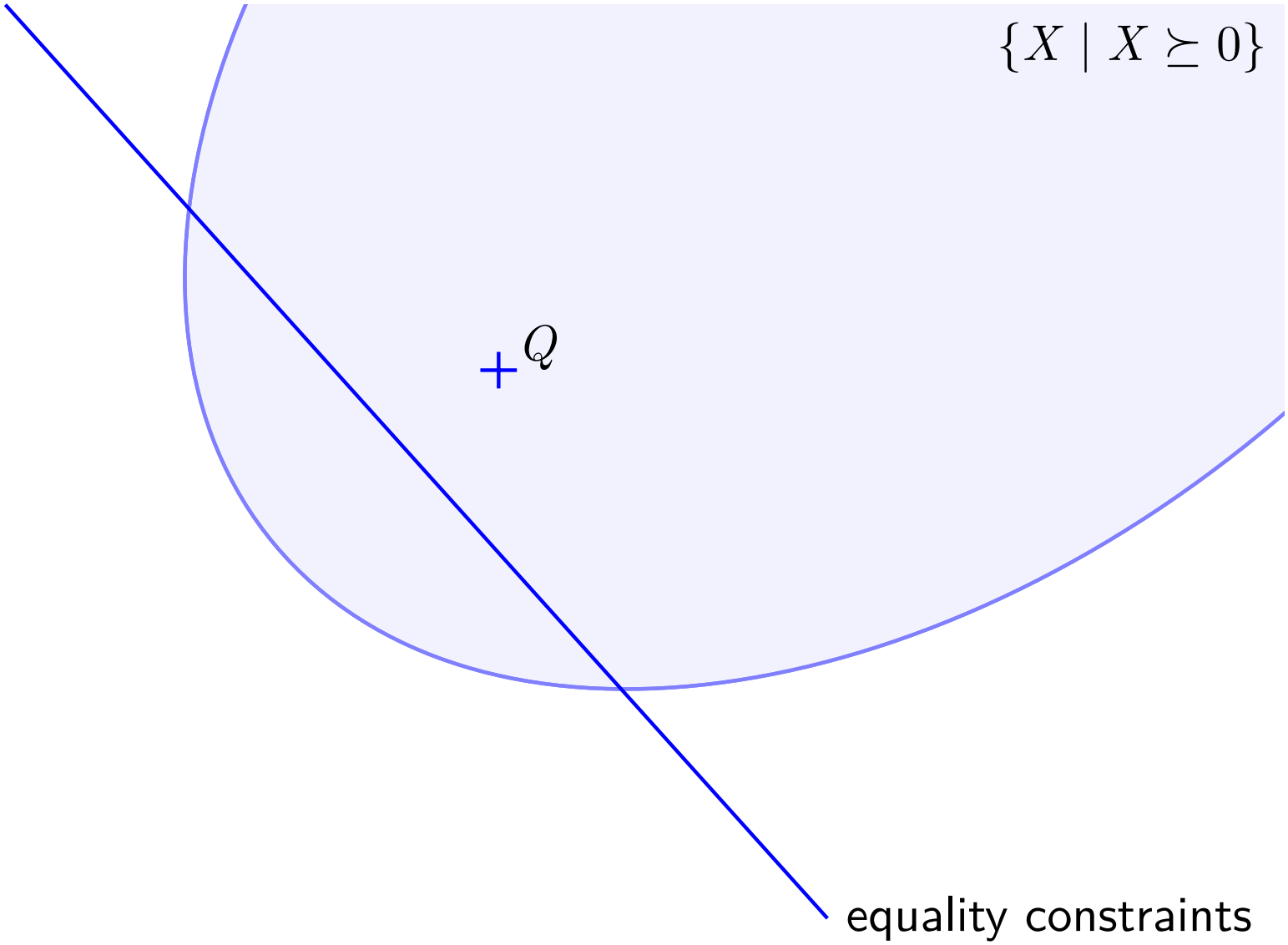

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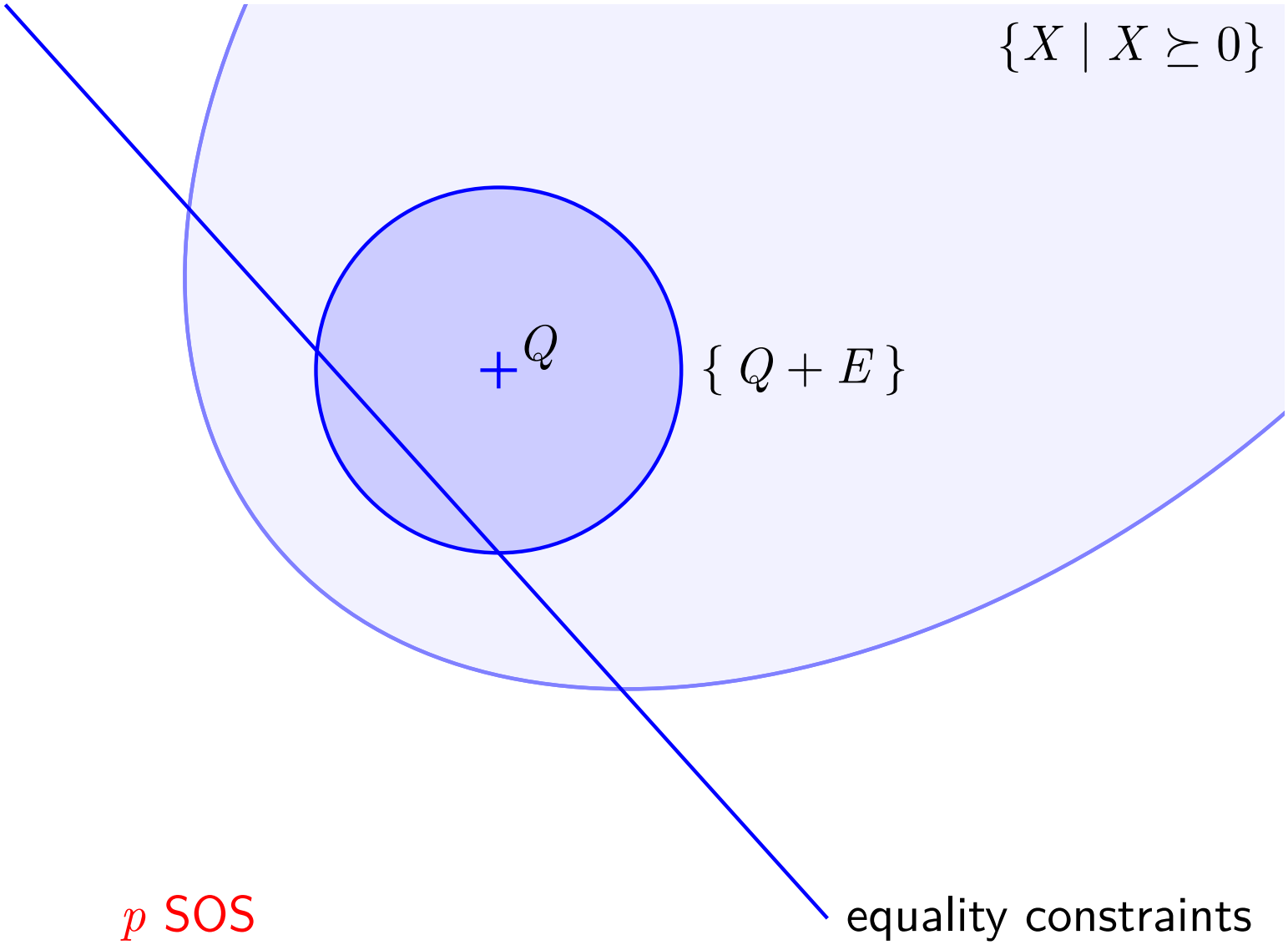

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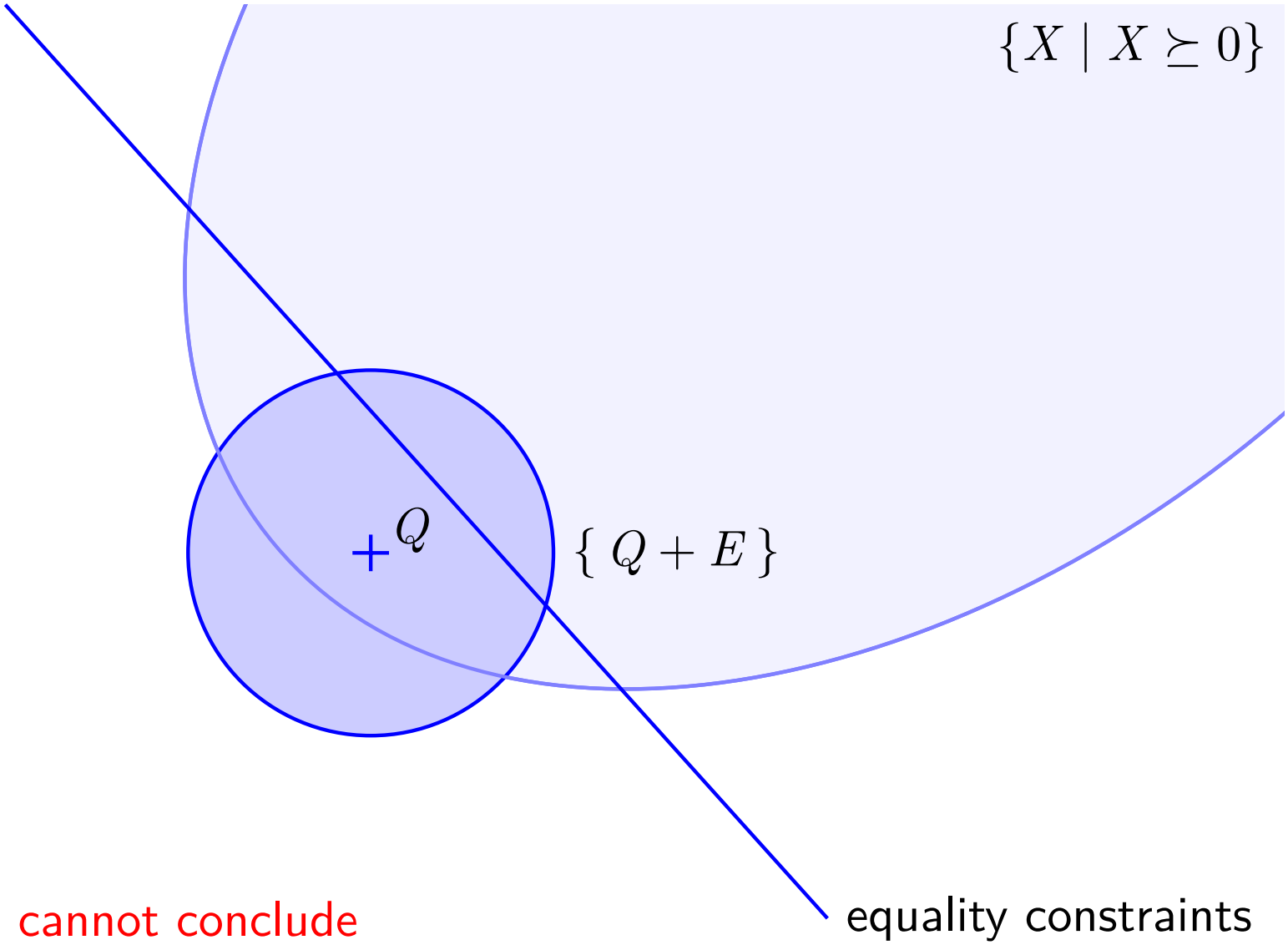

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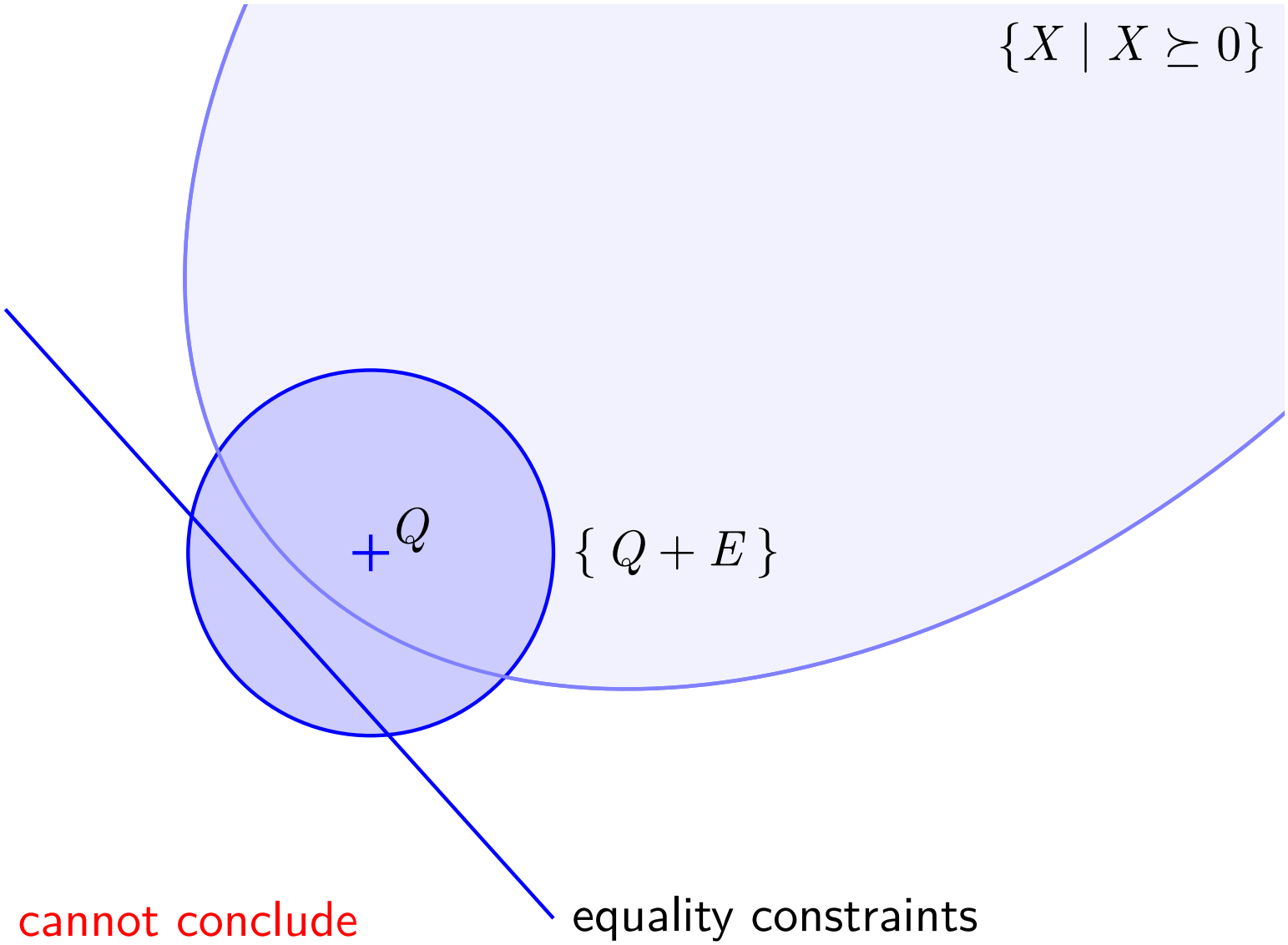

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- The Cholesky decomposition computes such a matrix R:

R **:=** 0;
for j **from** 1 **to** n **do**
  for i **from** 1 **to** $j-1$ **do**

$$R_{i,j} := \left(A_{i,j} - \sum_{k=1}^{i-1} R_{k,i} R_{k,j} \right) / R_{i,i};$$

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$$R_{j,j} := \sqrt{M_{j,j} - \sum_{k=1}^{j-1} {R_{k,j}}^2};$$

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But error is bounded and for some (tiny) $c \in \mathbb{R}$:
if Cholesky succeeds on A then $A + c\,I \succeq 0$.

Hence:

Theorem

If Cholesky succeeds on $A - c\,I$ then $A \succeq 0$

holds for any $c \geq \frac{(s+1)\varepsilon}{1-(2s+2)\varepsilon}\mathrm{tr}(A) + 4(s+1)\left(2(s+2) + \max_i(A_{i,i})\right)\eta$
(ε and η relative and absolute precision of floating-point format).

Proved in Coq (paper proof: 6 pages, Coq: 5.1 kloc)

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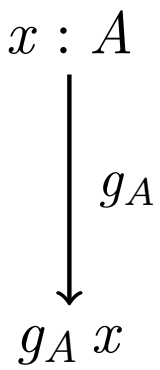

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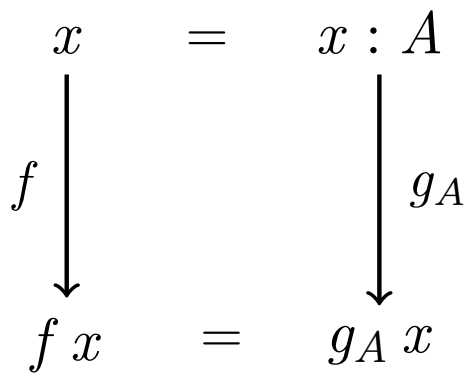

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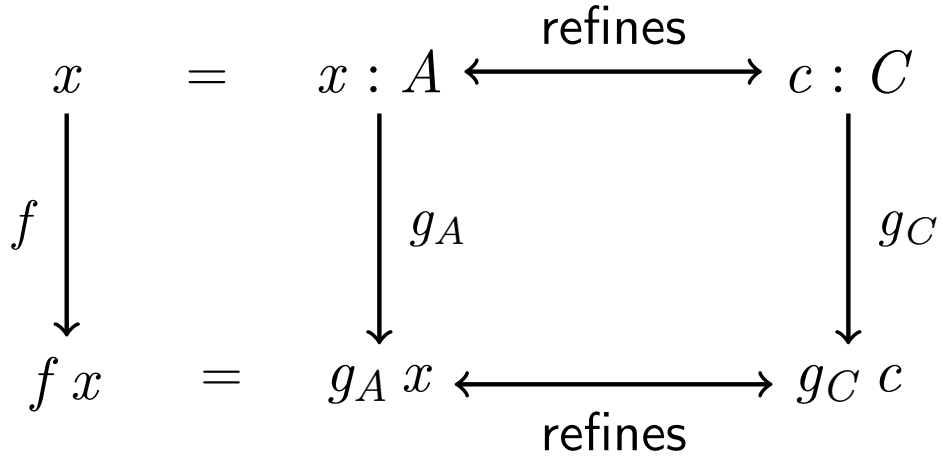

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  $\rightarrow$ instantiated with CoqInterval's floating-point implementation, restricted to 53 bits.

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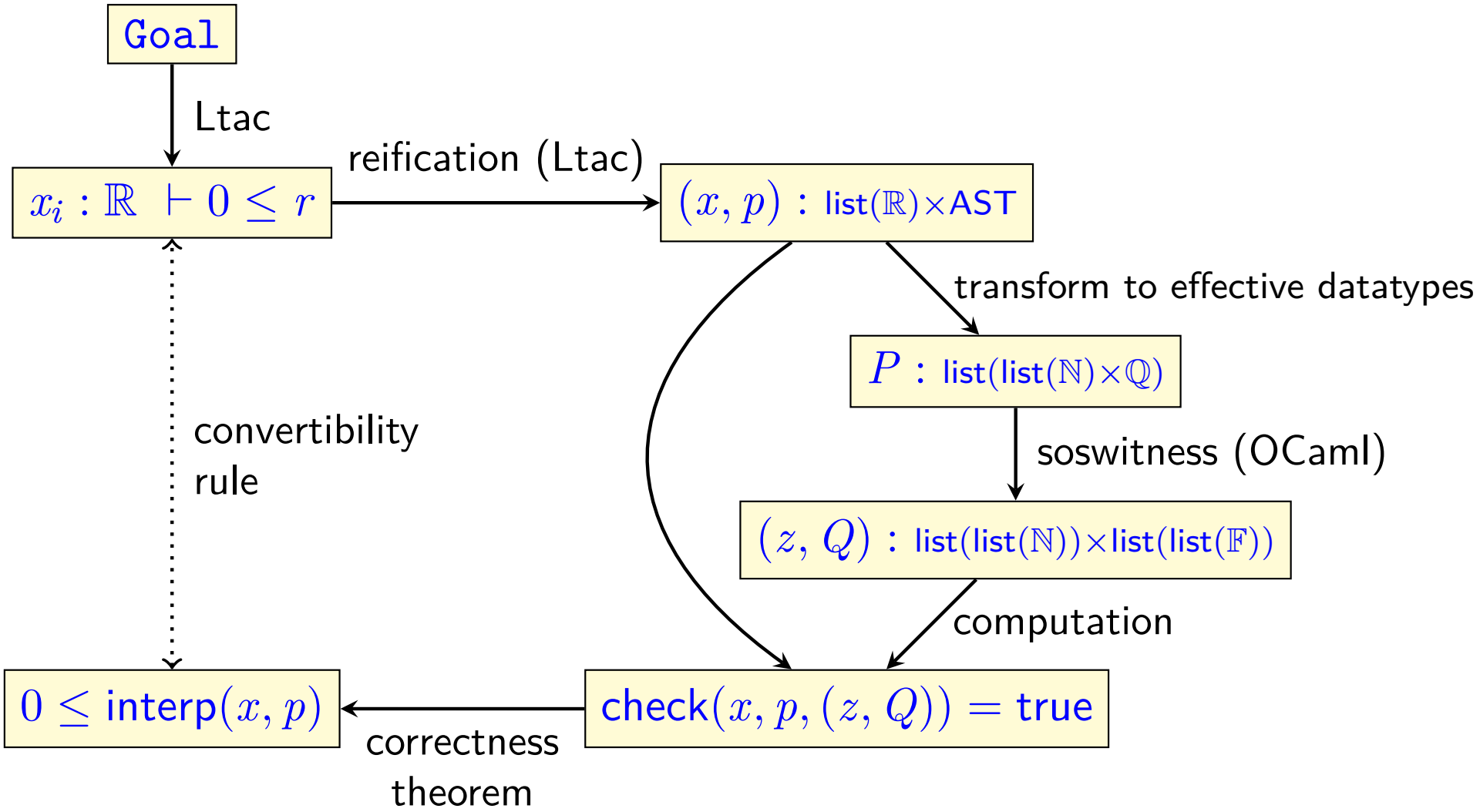

The validsdp tactic (2/3) – OCaml code

- Rely on the OSDP lib. (OCaml interface for off-the-shelf SDP solvers)
- Implement a Coq plugin (the `ValidSDP.soswitness` OCaml module provides a `soswitness` tactic that consists of a wrapper for OSDP)

OSDP library: 6.2 kloc of OCaml code + 1.2 kloc of C code.

`ValidSDP.soswitness` plugin: 0.3 kloc of OCaml code.

The validsdp tactic (3/3) – correctness theorem

```
Theorem soscheck_eff_wrapup_correct :
  ∀(x : list R) (p : p_abstr_poly)
    (zQ : list (list N) * list (list (s_float bigZ bigZ))),
  soscheck_eff_wrapup x p zQ = true →
  (0 ≤ interp_p_abstr_poly x p)%R.
```

Coq: 2.0 kloc for the main tactic and proofs + 6.5 kloc of refinement proofs
(Cholesky: 3.0 kloc; FP arith: 1.3 kloc; multipoly: 2.2 kloc)

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Benchmarks (1/3)

- In the paper : OSDP 0.4.5 & ValidSDP 0.3
- In this presentation : OSDP 0.5.2 & ValidSDP version d60c663

- In both configurations: Coq 8.5.2, MathComp 1.6, Flocq 2.5.1, Coquelicot 2.1.1, CoqInterval 3.1.0, and dev. version of other libs

- Setup:
  - A desktop PC under Debian GNU/Linux Jessie
  - Core i5-4460S CPU clocked at 2.9 GHz
  - All timings are total elapsed time (in seconds)
  - Timeout of 900s

Benchmarks (2/3)

Problem	n	d	OSDP (not verified)	MonniauxC11 (not verified)	NLCertify (not verified)	ValidSDP	PVS/Bernstein	NLCertify	HOL Light/ Taylor
adaptativeLV	4	4	**0.75**	2.67	1.12	5.16	14.93	**2.61**	12.31
butcher	6	4	1.58	—	**1.05**	9.40	48.44	**8.36**	15.62
caprasse	4	4	**0.41**	1.82	0.88	**5.19**	25.89	2.63	17.68
heart	8	4	**3.18**	268.75	—	**16.67**	131.13	—	26.15
magnetism	7	2	**1.11**	2.04	1.64	**5.18**	245.52	14.50	16.07
reaction	3	2	**0.81**	1.56	0.24	4.33	11.48	**1.96**	12.41
schwefel	3	4	**0.95**	2.45	2.76	**3.70**	14.72	56.13	17.46
fs260	6	4	**1.25**	—	—	**5.99**	—	—	—
fs461	6	4	**0.70**	11.18	0.87	**5.18**	621.06	7.46	22.70
fs491	6	4	**0.54**	21.81	—	**5.38**	—	—	—
fs745	6	4	0.98	11.74	**0.94**	**5.55**	623.17	6.90	22.48
fs752	6	2	**0.35**	1.81	0.90	**3.80**	54.52	7.88	13.34
fs8	6	2	**0.43**	1.53	1.48	**3.93**	52.63	6.62	13.40
fs859	6	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
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fs861	6	4	**1.09**	10.48	1.20	**5.15**	69.74	7.87	14.28
fs862	6	4	1.27	79.25	**1.25**	**5.37**	73.54	7.58	14.14
fs863	6	2	**0.94**	1.50	—	**3.85**	—	—	13.85
fs864	6	2	**0.56**	2.05	—	**4.05**	—	—	13.28
fs865	6	2	**0.76**	2.11	—	**3.68**	—	—	13.76
fs867	6	2	**0.21**	2.09	1.74	**4.22**	—	8.04	—

Benchmarks (3/3)

Problem	n	d	OSDP (not verified)	MonniauxC11 (not verified)	NLCertify (not verified)	ValidSDP	PVS/Bernstein	NLCertify	HOL Light/ Taylor
fs868	6	4	**0.94**	—	—	**6.05**	—	—	—
fs884	6	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
fs890	6	4	—	**7.78**	—	—	—	—	—
ex4_d4	2	12	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
ex4_d6	2	18	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
ex4_d8	2	24	**16.99**	—	—	**82.89**	—	—	—
ex4_d10	2	30	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
ex5_d4	3	8	**1.67**	—	—	**13.63**	—	—	—
ex5_d6	3	12	**16.10**	—	—	**66.82**	—	—	—
ex5_d8	3	16	**203.06**	—	—	**353.70**	—	—	—
ex5_d10	3	20	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
ex6_d4	4	8	**16.82**	—	—	**44.99**	—	—	—
ex6_d6	4	12	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
ex7_d4	2	12	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
ex7_d6	2	18	**1.50**	—	—	**26.78**	—	—	—
ex7_d8	2	24	**15.38**	—	—	**83.47**	—	—	—
ex7_d10	2	30	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
ex8_d4	2	8	**0.87**	15.72	—	**7.52**	—	—	—
ex8_d6	2	12	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
ex8_d8	2	16	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
ex8_d10	2	20	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

Agenda

Conclusion

- Context: formal proof of multivariate polynomial positivity
- A Coq reflexive tactic
  - Input: polynomial ineq. goals with real variables and rational constants
  - Use off-the-shelf SDP solvers as untrusted oracles
  - Numerical approach with formal floating-point arithmetic
  - Algorithm involving matrices (Cholesky)

Discussion and open questions

- Bottleneck 1:
  emulate floating-point arithmetic in Coq (1000x overhead)
- Bottleneck 2: we currently use `vm_compute`.
  `native_compute` issue with large terms (witnesses for large problems)

- Coq 8.6 comes with LtacProf $\rightsquigarrow$ feasibility of a '`vm_compute` profiler'?

- Possible extension of ValidSDP: add support of elementary functions

Questions

Thanks for your attention!

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