

# LMIs for Joint State Estimation and Model Predictive Control

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# Motivation

- Safely control real-world robots



- Robotic systems: Uncertain and noisy partial state measurements
- State feedback not available → Output feedback

# Problem Statement

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- Uncertain LTI system:

$$\mathbf{x}_{k+1} = \mathbf{Ax}_k + \mathbf{Bu}_k + \mathbf{Ew}_k ,$$

$$\mathbf{y}_k = \mathbf{Cx}_k + \mathbf{Fv}_k ,$$

- Subject to state and input constraints
  - Assumption: Bounded disturbances
- $$\mathbf{w}_k \in \mathbb{W} = \{\mathbf{w}_k^\top \mathbf{w}_k \leq 1\}, \mathbf{v}_k \in \mathbb{V} = \{\mathbf{v}_k^\top \mathbf{v}_k \leq 1\}$$
- Goal: Solve the infinite horizon optimal control problem

# Model Predictive Control (MPC)

- MPC approximates infinite horizon problem (state feedback, no noise):

$$\begin{aligned}
V_{k \rightarrow k+N}(\mathbf{x}_k) = & \min_{\mathbf{u}_{k:k+N-1|k}} \sum_{t=k}^{k+N-1} \mathbf{x}_{t|k}^\top \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{x}_{t|k} + \mathbf{u}_{t|k}^\top \mathbf{R} \mathbf{u}_{t|k} \\
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& \mathbf{x}_{k|k} = \mathbf{x}_k.
\end{aligned}$$

- Algorithm:

- Solve for current time step
- Apply the first input
- Repeat

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- [Löfberg02, CoppHespanha17]: Joint estimation and control optimization
- [Löfberg02] formulates an SDP!

# Robust LMI

**Theorem 1** (Robust LMI for Affine Uncertainty [ElGhaouiEtal98, Löfberg03]).  
*Let  $\mathbf{D}, \mathbf{L}, \mathbf{R}$ , and  $\Delta$  be real matrices of appropriate size. Robust satisfaction of the uncertain matrix inequality*

$$\mathbf{D} + \mathbf{L}\Delta\mathbf{R} + \mathbf{R}^\top\Delta^\top\mathbf{L}^\top \succeq \mathbf{0}, \forall \|\Delta\|_2 \leq 1,$$

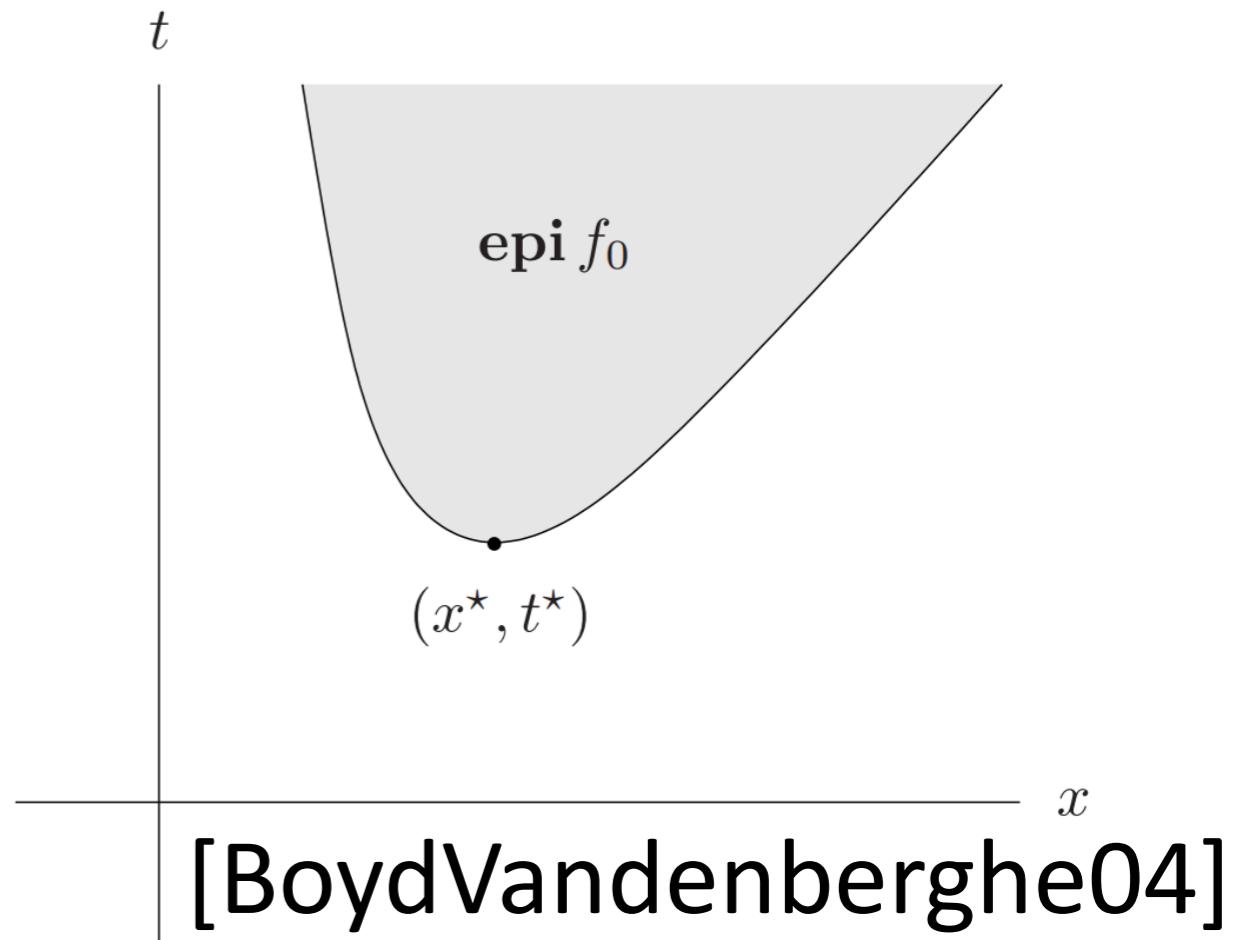
*is equivalent to the matrix inequality*

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{D} & \mathbf{L} \\ \mathbf{L}^\top & \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} \succeq \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{R} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{I} \end{pmatrix}^\top \begin{pmatrix} \tau\mathbf{I} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & -\tau\mathbf{I} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{R} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{I} \end{pmatrix}, \tau \geq 0.$$

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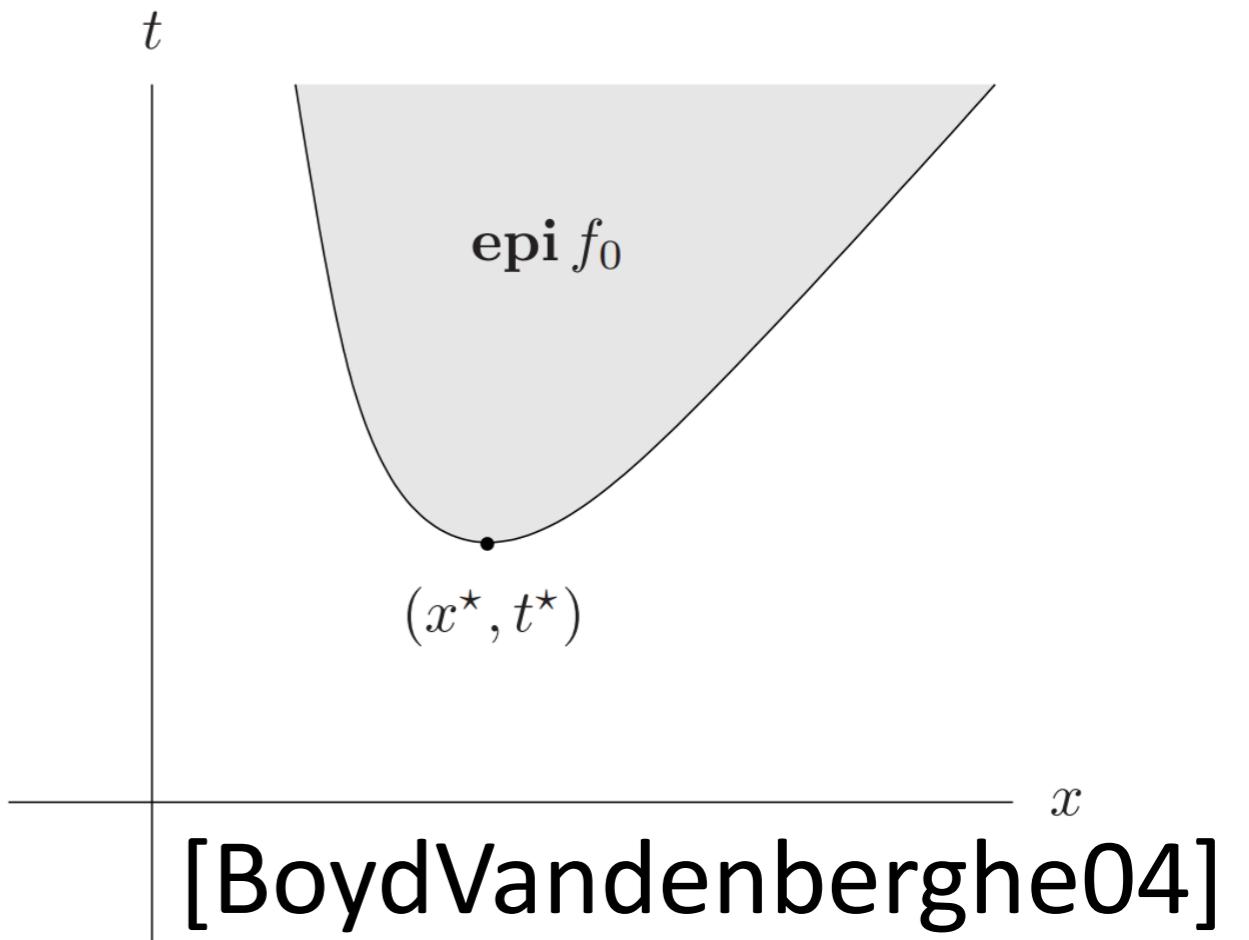


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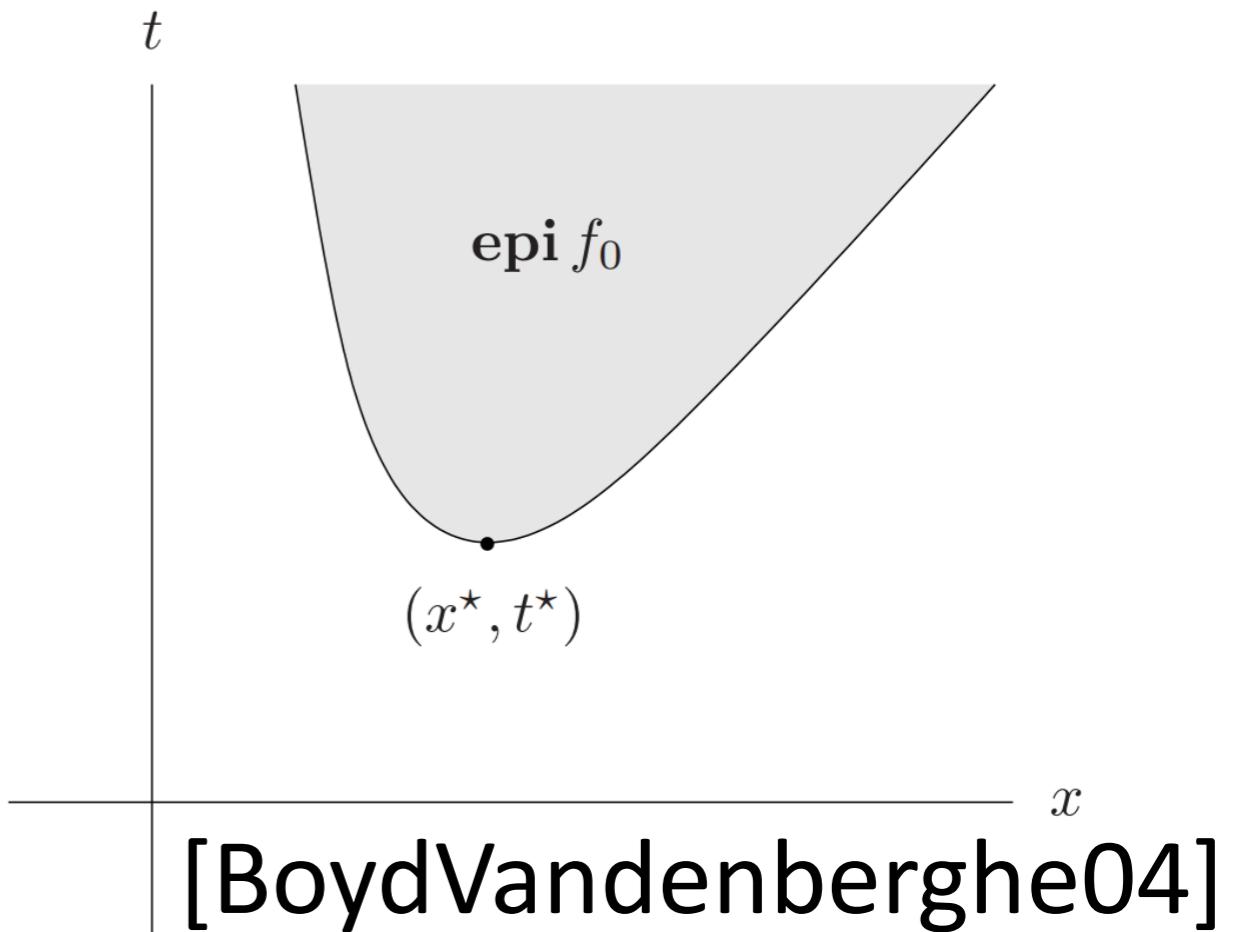
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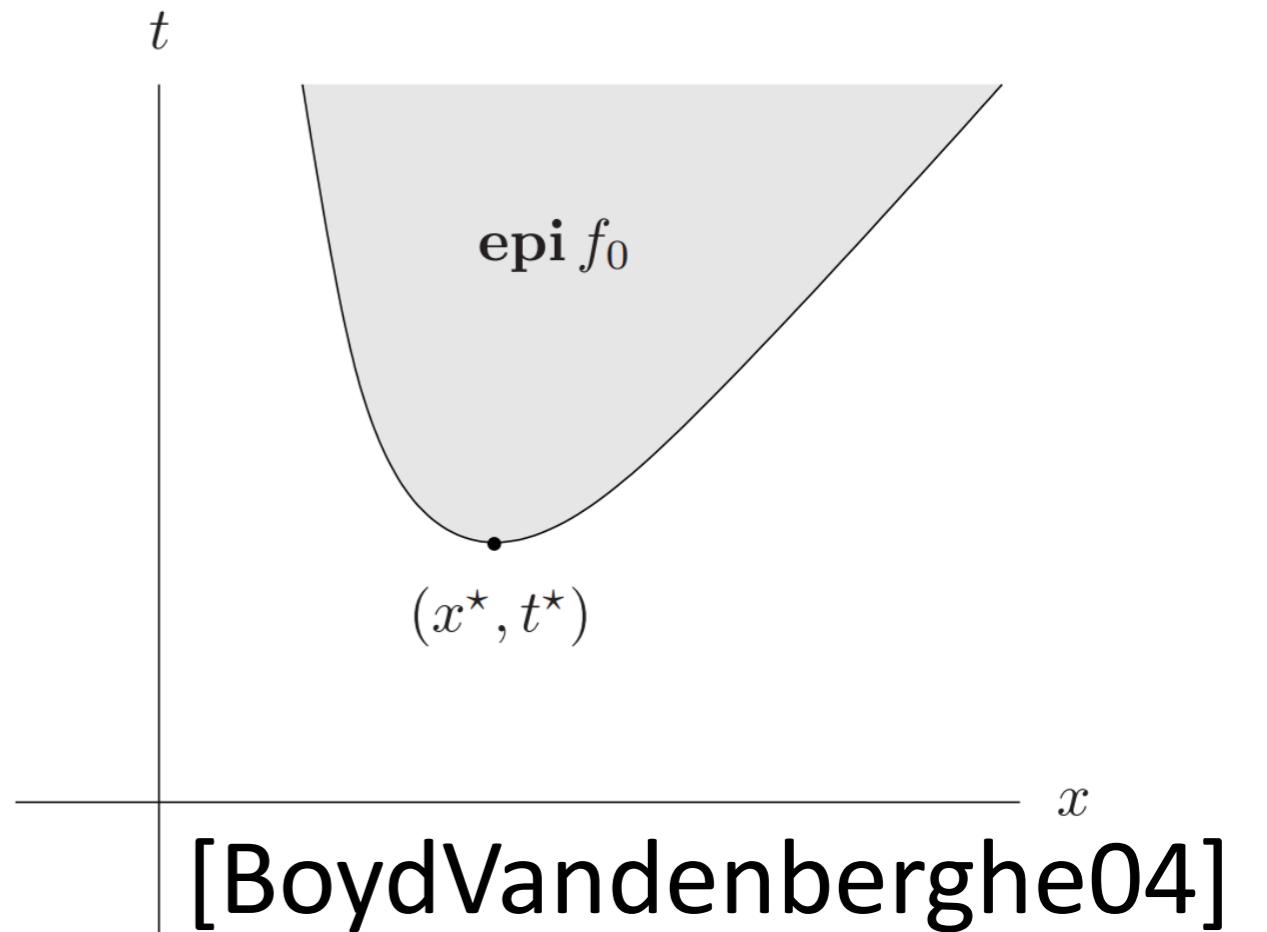
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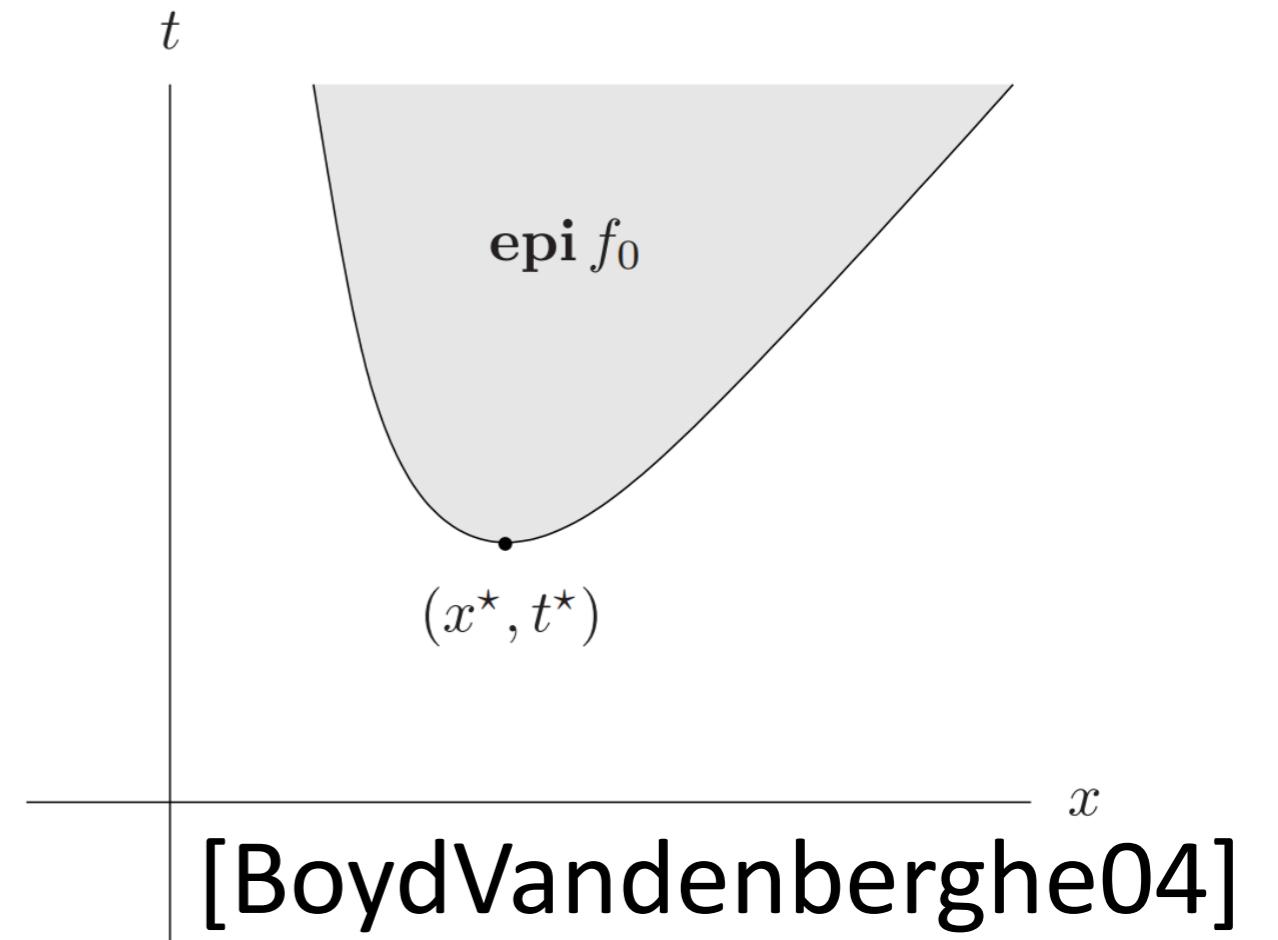


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# LMI for Min-Max MPC

- Assumption: We are given state estimate and its uncertainty
- Stacked vectors and matrices

$$\mathbf{X} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{x}_{k+1|k} \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{x}_{k+N|k} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{U} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{u}_{k|k} \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{u}_{k+N-1|k} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{W} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{w}_{k|k} \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{w}_{k+N-1|k} \end{pmatrix},$$

$$\mathbf{H} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{A} \\ \mathbf{A}^2 \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{A}^{N-1} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{S} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{B} & \mathbf{0} & \dots & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{AB} & \mathbf{B} & \dots & \mathbf{0} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \mathbf{A}^{N-1}\mathbf{B} & \dots & \mathbf{AB} & \mathbf{B} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{G} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{E} & \mathbf{0} & \dots & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{AE} & \mathbf{E} & \dots & \mathbf{0} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \mathbf{A}^{N-1}\mathbf{E} & \dots & \mathbf{AE} & \mathbf{E} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\bar{\mathbf{Q}} = \text{diag}(\mathbf{Q}, \dots, \mathbf{Q}), \quad \bar{\mathbf{R}} = \text{diag}(\mathbf{R}, \dots, \mathbf{R})$$

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- Epigraph form of min-max MPC

$$\min_{\mathbf{U}, t} \max_{\mathbf{z}_k, \mathbf{w}_k} \quad \mathbf{X}^\top \bar{\mathbf{Q}} \mathbf{X} + \mathbf{U}^\top \bar{\mathbf{R}} \mathbf{U}$$

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- Schur complement of constraint

$$t - \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{X} \\ \mathbf{U} \end{pmatrix}^\top \begin{pmatrix} \bar{\mathbf{Q}} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \bar{\mathbf{R}} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{X} \\ \mathbf{U} \end{pmatrix} \geq 0 \iff \begin{pmatrix} t & (\bar{\mathbf{X}} + \mathbf{H}\mathbf{Z}_k \mathbf{z}_k + \mathbf{G}\mathbf{W})^\top & \mathbf{U}^\top \\ (\star)^\top & \bar{\mathbf{Q}}^{-1} & \mathbf{0} \\ (\star)^\top & (\star)^\top & \bar{\mathbf{R}}^{-1} \end{pmatrix} \succeq 0$$

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- Apply Theorem 1 and simplify

$$\begin{pmatrix} t - \tau_x & (\bar{\mathbf{X}} + \mathbf{G}\mathbf{W})^\top & \mathbf{U}^\top & \mathbf{0} \\ (\star)^\top & \bar{\mathbf{Q}}^{-1} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{H}\mathbf{Z}_k \\ (\star)^\top & (\star)^\top & \bar{\mathbf{R}}^{-1} & \mathbf{0} \\ (\star)^\top & (\star)^\top & (\star)^\top & \tau_x \mathbf{I} \end{pmatrix} \succeq \mathbf{0}, \quad \tau_x \geq 0$$

- Repeat for remaining uncertainties!

# LMI for Min-Max MPC

- SDP for min-max MPC

$$\min_{\mathbf{U}, t, \tau_x, \Omega} t$$

s.t.

$$\begin{pmatrix} t - \tau_x - \text{trace}(\Omega) & \bar{\mathbf{X}}^\top & \mathbf{U}^\top & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \\ (\star)^\top & \bar{\mathbf{Q}}^{-1} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{H}\mathbf{Z}_k & \mathbf{G} \\ (\star)^\top & (\star)^\top & \bar{\mathbf{R}}^{-1} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \\ (\star)^\top & (\star)^\top & (\star)^\top & \tau_x \mathbf{I} & \mathbf{0} \\ (\star)^\top & (\star)^\top & (\star)^\top & (\star)^\top & \Omega \end{pmatrix} \succeq 0,$$

# LMIs for the Joint Problem

- Add state estimation LMI

$$\begin{aligned}
& \min_{\mathbf{U}, \mathbf{Z}_k, \hat{\mathbf{x}}_k, t, \tau_x, \Omega} \quad t \\
& \text{s.t.} \quad \left( \begin{array}{ccccc} t - \tau_x - \text{trace}(\Omega) & \bar{\mathbf{X}}^\top & \mathbf{U}^\top & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \\ (\star)^\top & \bar{\mathbf{Q}}^{-1} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{H}\mathbf{Z}_k & \mathbf{G} \\ (\star)^\top & (\star)^\top & \bar{\mathbf{R}}^{-1} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \\ (\star)^\top & (\star)^\top & (\star)^\top & \tau_x \mathbf{I} & \mathbf{0} \\ (\star)^\top & (\star)^\top & (\star)^\top & (\star)^\top & \Omega \end{array} \right) \succeq 0, \\
& \quad \left( \begin{array}{cc} \Gamma & \mathbf{T}_{\mathbf{e}_k}^\top \\ \mathbf{T}_{\mathbf{e}_k} & \mathbf{Z}_k \mathbf{Z}_0 + \mathbf{Z}_0^\top \mathbf{Z}_k - (\mathbf{Z}_0^\top)^2 \end{array} \right) \succeq 0
\end{aligned}$$

# Simulation

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- Stabilization task on double integrator

$$\mathbf{x}_{k+1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x}_k + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{u}_k$$

$$\mathbf{y}_k = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x}_k + 0.05 \mathbf{v}_k ,$$

$$\mathbb{X} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} x_1 & x_2 \end{pmatrix}^\top \in \mathbb{R}^2 : x_2 \leq 1.3 \right\},$$

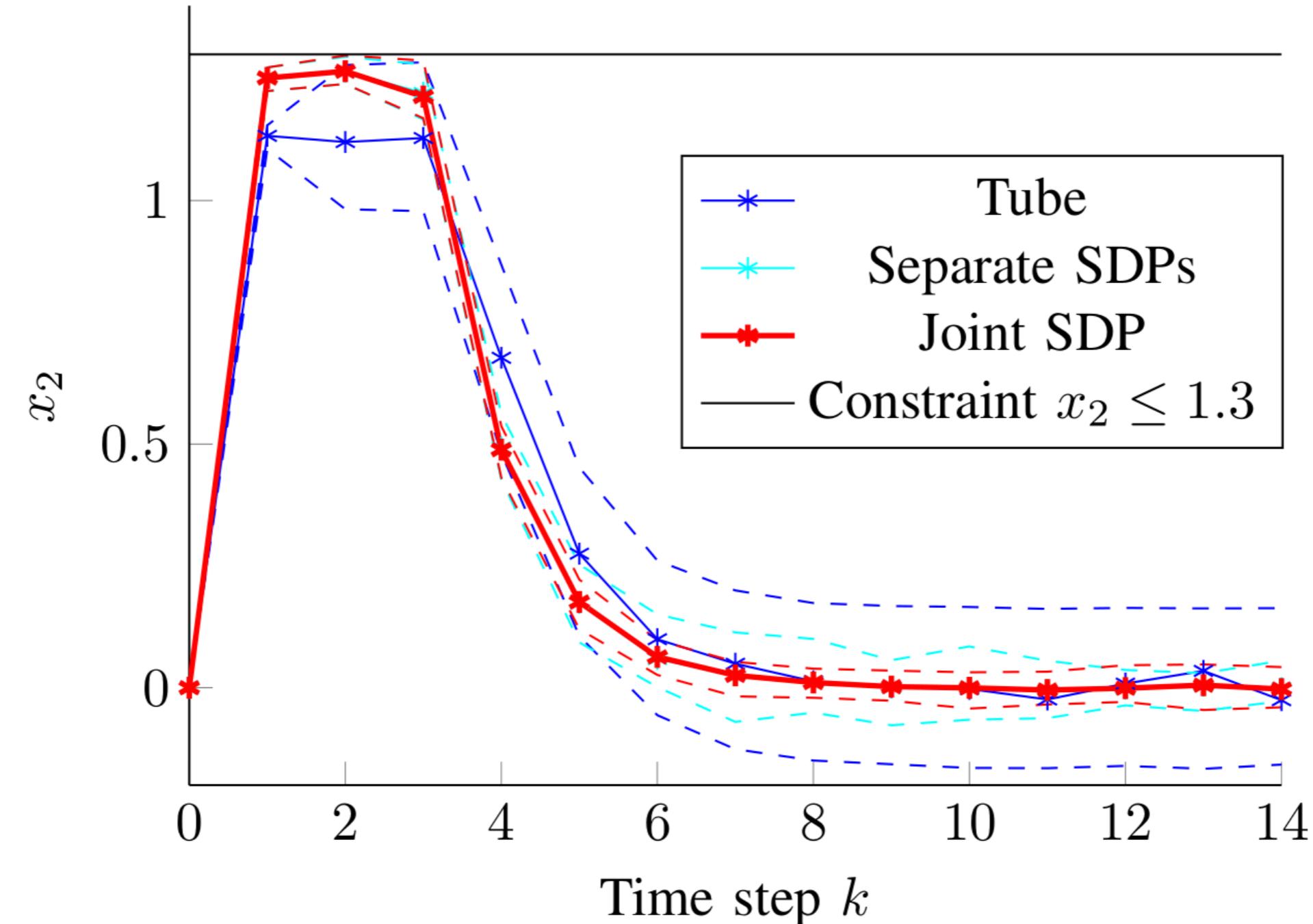
$$\mathbb{U} = \{u \in \mathbb{R} : u \in [-10, 10]\},$$

$$\mathbb{V} = \{v \in \mathbb{R} : |v| \leq 1\}$$

- Comparing:
  1. Joint SDP [Löfberg02]
  2. Separate SDPs [Löfberg01]
  3. Tube-based MPC [LorenzettiPavone20]

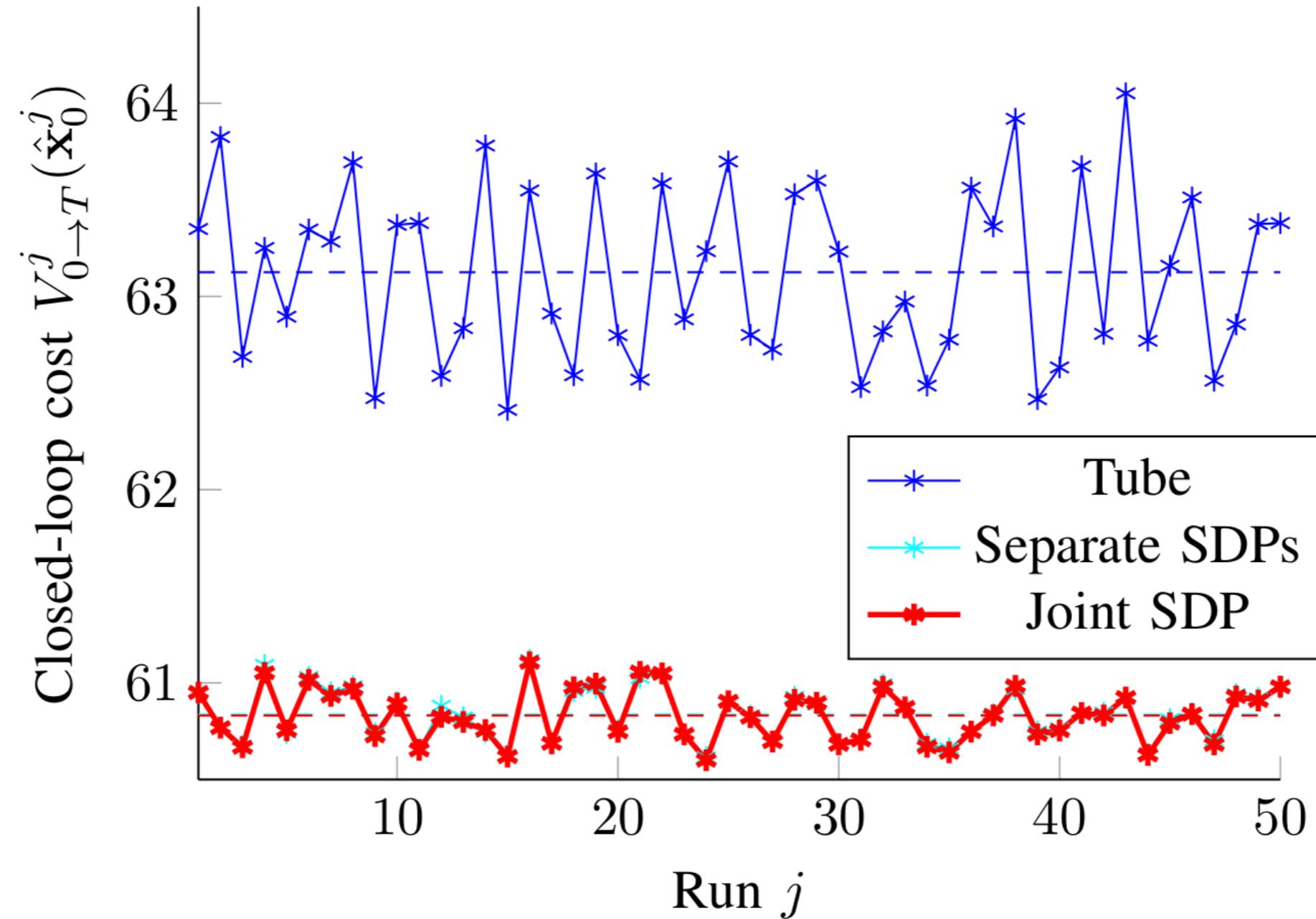
# Comparison Results

- Conservativeness



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- Performance



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- Computational time per run
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Controller	Elapsed time [s]	
	Average	Standard deviation
Tube	<b>18.40</b>	<b>2.67</b>
Separate SDPs	20.43	5.34
Joint SDPs	24.55	2.79

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# Conclusions

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- Reviewed the joint state estimation and MPC approach in [Löfberg02]
- Derived the LMIs step-by-step
- Future work:
  - Further investigate performance
  - Add terminal state set and terminal cost to guarantee stability

# Thank you!

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