

# Appendix

## 495 A Proofs

### 496 A.1 Proof of Proposition 1

497 The proof is an adaptation of the corresponding proof for  $\omega_{ij} = 0.5$  and  $\alpha_{ij} = \frac{1}{|\mathcal{J}_i|}$  given in [1].

498 *Proof.*

499 **Feasibility of iterates.** We prove

$$\sum_{j \in \mathcal{J}_i} \lambda_i^j + M_{ik} = c_i \quad (7)$$

500 just after line 4 and 6 in Algorithm 1. We do an inductive proof over the number of iterates w.r.t  
501 iterations  $t$ .

502  $t = 0$ : • After 4: Follows from  $M = 0$  in line 1.

503 • After 6: Let  $\lambda'$ ,  $M'$ , be the values that are used as input to line 6 and  $\lambda$  and  $M$  be the  
504 ones returned in line 6. It holds that

$$\sum_{j \in \mathcal{J}_i} [\lambda'_{ij} + M'_{ij}] = \sum_{j \in \mathcal{J}_i} \left[ \lambda'_{ij} - M_{ij}(t) + \alpha_{ij} \sum_{k \in \mathcal{J}_i} (M'_{ik}) + M_{ij} \right] \quad (8)$$

$$= \sum_{j \in \mathcal{J}_i} [\lambda'_{ij} + M'_{ij}] \quad (9)$$

$$= c_i . \quad (10)$$

505 by the proved inequality on  $\lambda'$ ,  $M'$  and the assumption that  $\sum_{k \in \mathcal{J}_i} \alpha_{ik} = 1$ .

506  $t > 0$ : Analogously to the second point for  $t = 0$ .

507 **Non-decreasing Lower Bound.** In order to prove that iterates have non-decreasing lower bound we  
508 will consider an equivalent lifted representation in which proving the non-decreasing lower bound  
509 will be easier.

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511 **Lifted Representation.** Introduce  $\lambda_{ij}^\beta$  for  $\beta \in \{0, 1\}$  and the subproblems

$$E(\lambda_{\bullet j}^1, \lambda_{\bullet j}^0) = \min_{x \in \mathcal{X}_j} x^\top \lambda_{\bullet j}^1 + (1 - x)^\top \lambda_{\bullet j}^0 \quad (11)$$

512 Then (D) is equivalent to

$$\max_{\lambda^1, \lambda^0} \sum_{j \in \mathcal{J}} E(\lambda_{\bullet j}^1, \lambda_{\bullet j}^0) \text{ s.t. } \sum_{j \in \mathcal{J}_i} \lambda_{ij}^\beta = \beta \cdot c_i \quad (12)$$

513 We have the transformation from original to lifted  $\lambda$

$$\lambda \mapsto (\lambda^1 \leftarrow \lambda, \lambda^0 \leftarrow 0) \quad (13)$$

514 and from lifted to original  $\lambda$  (except a constant term)

$$(\lambda^1, \lambda^0) \mapsto \lambda^1 - \lambda^0 . \quad (14)$$

515 It can be easily shown that the lower bounds are invariant under the above mappings and feasible  $\lambda$   
516 for (D) are mapped to feasible ones for (12) and vice versa.

517 The update rule line 11 in Algorithm 1 for the lifted representation can be written as

$$\lambda_{ij}^\beta \leftarrow \lambda_{ij}^\beta - \max((2\beta - 1)M_{ij}^{out}, 0) + \alpha_{ij} \cdot \sum_{jk \in \mathcal{J}_i} \min((2\beta - 1)M_{ik}^{in}, 0) \quad (15)$$

518 It can be easily shown that (15) and line 11 in Algorithm 1 are corresponding to each other under the  
519 transformation from lifted to original  $\lambda$ .

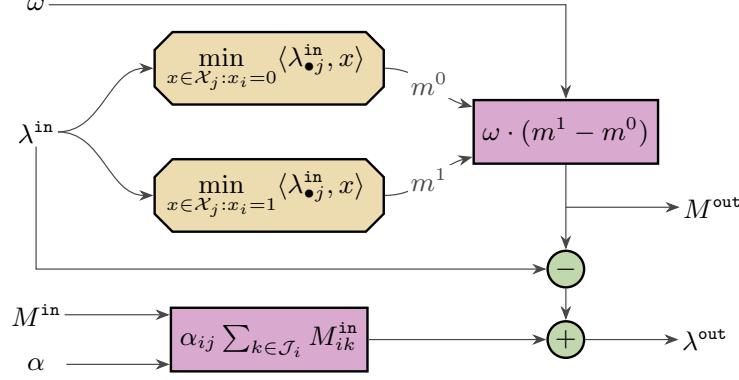


Figure 3: Computational graph of BlockUpdate in Alg. 1

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521 **Continuation of Non-decreasing Lower Bound Define**

$$\lambda'_{ij}^{\beta} = \lambda_{ij} - \omega_{ij} \cdot \max((2\beta - 1)(\min_{x \in \mathcal{X}_j : x_i = \beta} \langle \lambda_{ij}^{in}, x \rangle - \min_{x \in \mathcal{X}_j : x_i = 1-\beta} \langle \lambda_{ij}^{in}, x \rangle), 0). \quad (16)$$

522 Then  $E(\lambda'^{j,1}, \lambda'^{j,0}) = E(\lambda^{j,1}, \lambda^{j,0})$  are equal due to  $\omega_{ij} \in [0, 1]$ . Define next

$$\lambda''_{ij}^{\beta} = \lambda'_{ij} + \alpha_{ij} \sum_{k \in \mathcal{J}_i} \max((2\beta - 1)M_{ik}^{in}, 0). \quad (17)$$

523 Then  $E(\lambda''^{j,1}, \lambda''^{j,0}) \geq E(\lambda'^{j,1}, \lambda'^{j,0})$  since  $\lambda'' \geq \lambda'$  elementwise. This proves the claim.  $\square$

524 **A.2 Proof of Proposition 2**

525 *Proof.* The computational graph of BlockUpdate in Alg. 1 is shown in Figure 3. Assuming gradients  
526  $\partial \mathcal{L} / \partial M^{out}$  and  $\partial \mathcal{L} / \partial \lambda^{out}$  are given. We first focus on lower part of Figure 3. By applying chain rule  
527 gradient of  $M_{ij}^{in} \forall ij \in B$  is computed as

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial M_{ij}^{in}} = \sum_{p \in \mathcal{I}} \sum_{k \in \mathcal{J}_p} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \lambda_{pk}^{out}} \frac{\partial \lambda_{pk}^{out}}{\partial M_{ij}^{in}} = \sum_{k \in \mathcal{J}_i} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \lambda_{ik}^{out}} \frac{\partial \lambda_{ik}^{out}}{\partial M_{ij}^{in}} = \sum_{k \in \mathcal{J}_i} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \lambda_{ik}^{out}} \alpha_{ij}. \quad (18)$$

528 Similarly gradient for  $\alpha_{ij} \forall ij \in B$  is

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \alpha_{ij}} = \sum_{p \in \mathcal{I}} \sum_{k \in \mathcal{J}_p} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \lambda_{pk}^{out}} \frac{\partial \lambda_{pk}^{out}}{\partial \alpha_{ij}} = \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \lambda_{ij}^{out}} \frac{\partial \lambda_{ij}^{out}}{\partial \alpha_{ij}} = \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \lambda_{ij}^{out}} \sum_{k \in \mathcal{J}_i} M_{ik}^{in}, \quad (19)$$

529 Since we allow running Alg. 1 for more than one iteration with same parameters  $(\alpha, \omega)$ , the above  
530 gradient (19) is accumulated to existing gradients of  $\alpha$  to obtain the result given by Alg. 2.

531 For the upper part of Figure 3 we first backpropagate gradients of  $\lambda^{out}$  to  $M^{out}$  to account for  
532 subtraction  $(-)$  as

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial M^{out}} = \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial M^{out}} - \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \lambda^{out}}. \quad (20)$$

533 Then the gradient w.r.t. damping factors  $\omega_{ij} \forall ij \in B$  is

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \omega_{ij}} = \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial M_{ij}^{out}} \frac{\partial M_{ij}^{out}}{\partial \omega_{ij}} = \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial M_{ij}^{out}} (m_{ij}^1 - m_{ij}^0) = \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial M_{ij}^{out}} \left( \frac{M_{ij}^{out}}{\omega_{ij}} \right), \quad (21)$$

534 which also needs to be accumulated to existing gradient as done for gradients of  $\alpha$ .

535 Lastly to backpropagate gradients to  $\lambda^{in}$  we first calculate

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial m_{ij}^0} = \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial M_{ij}^{out}} \frac{\partial M_{ij}^{out}}{\partial m_{ij}^0} = - \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial M_{ij}^{out}} \omega_{ij}, \quad (22a)$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial m_{ij}^1} = \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial M_{ij}^{out}} \frac{\partial M_{ij}^{out}}{\partial m_{ij}^1} = \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial M_{ij}^{out}} \omega_{ij}. \quad (22b)$$

536 Then (sub-)gradient of min-marginals  $m_{ij}^0, m_{ij}^1 \forall i, j \in B$  w.r.t.  $\lambda^{\text{in}}$  are

$$\frac{\partial m_{ij}^\beta}{\partial \lambda} = \frac{\partial m_{ij}^\beta}{\partial \lambda_{\bullet j}} = \operatorname{argmin}_{x \in \mathcal{X}_j: x_{ij}=\beta} \langle \lambda_{\bullet j}, x \rangle, \quad \forall \beta \in \{0, 1\}. \quad (23)$$

537 Using the above relations (22), (23) and applying chain rule we obtain

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \lambda_{ij}^{\text{in}}} = \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \lambda_{ij}^{\text{out}}} + \sum_{\beta \in \{0, 1\}} \sum_{p \in \mathcal{I}} \sum_{k \in \mathcal{J}_p} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial m_{pk}^\beta} \frac{\partial m_{pk}^\beta}{\partial \lambda_{ij}^{\text{in}}} \quad (24a)$$

$$= \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \lambda_{ij}^{\text{out}}} + \sum_{\beta \in \{0, 1\}} \sum_{p \in \mathcal{I}_j} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial m_{pj}^\beta} \frac{\partial m_{pj}^\beta}{\partial \lambda_{ij}^{\text{in}}}, \quad \forall i, j \in B. \quad (24b)$$

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## 539 B Efficient min-marginal computation and backpropagation

540 Algorithms 1 and 2 in abstract terms require solving the subproblems each time a min-marginal value  
 541 (or its gradient) is required. To make these procedures more efficient we represent each subproblem  
 542 as binary decision diagrams (BDD) as done in [1]. We give a short overview below and refer to [1]  
 543 for more details.

544 **Binary decision diagrams (BDD).** A BDD is a directed acyclic graph with arc set  $A$  starting  
 545 at a root node  $r$  and ending at two nodes  $\top$  and  $\perp$ . For each variable  $i$  the BDD contains one or  
 546 more nodes in a set  $\mathcal{P}_i$  where all  $r\top$  paths pass through exactly one node in  $\mathcal{P}_i$ . All  $r\top$  paths in the  
 547 BDD correspond to feasible assignments of its corresponding subproblem. Lagrange variables of the  
 548 subproblem can be used as weights in BDD arcs allowing also to calculate cost of these  $r\top$  paths.  
 549 This is done by creating two outgoing arcs for a node  $v$  (except  $\top, \perp$ ) in the BDD: a zero arc  $vs^0(v)$   
 550 and a one arc  $vs^1(v)$ . If an  $r\top$  path passes through zero arc  $vs^0(v)$  it indicates that the corresponding  
 551 variable has an assignment of 0 and 1 otherwise.

552 Therefore to compute the cost of assigning a 1 to variable  $i$  one needs to check all  $r\top$  paths which  
 553 make use of the one arcs from all nodes in  $\mathcal{P}_i$ . In [1] the authors compute min-marginals by  
 554 maintaining shortest path distances. Each node  $v$  in the BDD maintains the cost of shortest path from  
 555 root node  $r$  (denoted by  $\text{SP}(r, v)$ ) and cost of shortest path to  $\top$  node. These path costs are updated  
 556 in `BlockUpdate` routine of Alg. 1. Min-marginals  $m^0, m^1$  for a variable  $i$  in subproblem  $j$  can be  
 557 computed efficiently as

$$m_{ij}^\beta = \min_{\substack{vs^\beta(v) \in A \\ v \in \mathcal{P}_i}} [\text{SP}(r, v) + \beta \cdot \lambda_{ij} + \text{SP}(s^\beta(v), \top)]. \quad (25)$$

558 Backpropagation through min-marginals  $m^0, m^1$  can then be done by finding the argmin in (25)  
 559 instead of the min operation. Afterwards the gradients can be passed to Lagrange variables  $\lambda$   
 560 and shortest path costs  $\text{SP}(r, \cdot), \text{SP}(\cdot, \top)$  which minimize (25). Since shortest path costs are also  
 561 computed by min operations (see Alg. 3, 4 in [1]), gradients of these path costs can subsequently be  
 562 backpropagated to the Lagrange variables by the argmin operation.

## 563 C Neural network details

### 564 C.1 Hand-crafted features

565 The features used as input to the neural networks at every optimization round are provided in Table 4.  
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## 567 D Results

### 568 D.1 Results on smaller instances of QAPLib

569 In Figure 4 we provide additional convergence plot calculated only on smaller instances of *QAPLib*  
 570 dataset. These instances contain on average 1.6 million dual variables (instead of the overall test

Table 4: Features used for learning. Exponentially averaged features are computed with a smoothing factor of 0.9. Features corresponding to the ILP remain fixed (i.e. node degrees, constraint type,  $c$ ,  $A$ ,  $b$ ) whereas the remaining features are updated after every optimization round.

Types	Feature description
Primal variables $f_{\mathcal{I}}$	Normalized cost vector $c/\ c\ _{\infty}$ Node degree ( $ \mathcal{J}_i  \forall i \in \mathcal{I}$ )
Subproblems $f_{\mathcal{J}}$	Node degree ( $ \mathcal{I}_j  \forall j \in \mathcal{J}$ ) RHS vector $b$ in constraints $Ax \leq b$ Indicator for constraint type ( $\leq$ or $=$ ) Current objective value per subproblem $[E^1(\bullet_j), \dots, E^m(\lambda_{\bullet_j})]$ Exp. moving avg. of first, second order change in obj. value Change in objective value due to last non-parametric update (2)
	Current optimal assignment of each subproblem
	Exp. moving avg. of optimal assignment
	Coefficients of constraint matrix $A$
	Current (normalized) Lagrange variables $\lambda/\ \lambda + M + \epsilon\ $ Current (normalized) deferred min-marginal differences $M/\ \lambda + M + \epsilon\ $
Dual variables $f_{\mathcal{E}}$	

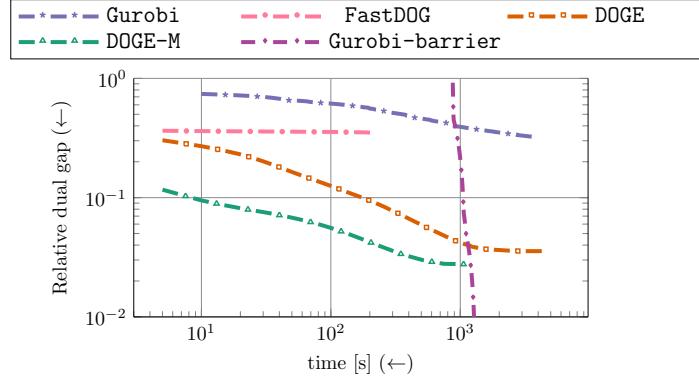


Figure 4: Convergence plots of smaller test instances of *QAPLib* ( $\leq 40$  nodes).

571 split with 11 million). We observe that on relatively smaller instances our solvers DOGE, DOGE-M  
572 are surpassed by barrier method but not by dual simplex method of Gurobi. However, on larger  
573 instances barrier method could not perform any iteration within 1 hour timelimit.

## 574 D.2 Cell tracking

Table 5: Detailed results on *Cell tracking* dataset. Until termination criteria contain results where we stop our solvers early w.r.t. relative improvement. These results are averaged and reported in Table 3. Best until max. itr.: We run our solver for at most 50000 iterations and report best results (so  $R = 500$ ,  $T = 100$ ).

instance	method	Until termination criteria				Best until max. num itr.			
		$E (\uparrow)$	$g(t) (\downarrow)$	$t (\downarrow)$	# itr.	$E (\uparrow)$	$g(t) (\downarrow)$	$t (\downarrow)$	# itr.
flywing-245	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-385235600	0	809	-
	DOGE	-385424704	0.00108	1380	50000	-385424704	0.00108	1380	50000
	DOGE-M	-385428640	0.00111	730	28900	-385428544	0.00111	760	30100

## 575 D.3 Graph matching

Table 6: Detailed results on *Graph matching* dataset. Until termination criteria contain results where we stop our solvers early w.r.t. relative improvement. These results are averaged and reported in Table 3. Best until max. itr.: We run our solver for at most 10000 iterations and report best results (so  $R = 50$ ,  $T = 200$ ).

instance	method	Until termination criteria				Best until max. num itr.			
		$E (\uparrow)$	$g(t) (\downarrow)$	$t (\downarrow)$	# itr.	$E (\uparrow)$	$g(t) (\downarrow)$	$t (\downarrow)$	# itr.
worm10-16-03-11-1745	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-42557	0	2356	-
	DOGE	-42645	0.00305	35	5200	-42631	0.0026	65	9600
	DOGE-M	-42611	0.00188	37.5	5600	-42599	0.00148	60	8800
worm11-16-03-11-1745	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-48672	0	220	-
	DOGE	-48677	0.00015	12.5	3000	-48675	0.0001	25	5800
	DOGE-M	-48674	0.00006	27.5	6400	-48674	0.00005	42.5	9800
worm12-16-03-11-1745	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-50411	0	68	-
	DOGE	-50411	0	22.5	4800	-50411	0	22.5	4800
	DOGE-M	-50411	0	25	5400	-50411	0	25	5400
worm13-16-03-11-1745	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-45836	0	265	-
	DOGE	-45837	0.00003	15	3800	-45837	0.00003	15	3800
	DOGE-M	-45836	0	17.5	4600	-45836	0	27.5	7200
worm14-16-03-11-1745	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-47092	0	509	-
	DOGE	-47108	0.00058	20	4400	-47100	0.00029	27.5	6000
	DOGE-M	-47100	0.00027	42.5	9400	-47100	0.00027	42.5	9400
worm15-16-03-11-1745	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-49551	0	63	-
	DOGE	-49551	0	12.5	3200	-49551	0	12.5	3200
	DOGE-M	-49551	0	12.5	3200	-49551	0	12.5	3200
worm16-16-03-11-1745	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-48423	0	238	-
	DOGE	-48428	0.00019	15	3800	-48427	0.00014	30	7400
	DOGE-M	-48425	0.00009	15	3800	-48424	0.00004	22.5	5600
worm17-16-03-11-1745	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-48082	0	118	-
	DOGE	-48083	0.00001	17.5	4200	-48082	0	37.5	8800
	DOGE-M	-48083	0.00003	12.5	2800	-48082	0	20	4600
worm18-16-03-11-1745	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-48242	0	98	-
	DOGE	-48242	0.00001	25	5200	-48242	0	32.5	6800
	DOGE-M	-48242	0	12.5	2600	-48242	0	12.5	2600
worm19-16-03-11-1745	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-48804	0	195	-
	DOGE	-48807	0.00011	15	3400	-48806	0.00008	32.5	7200
	DOGE-M	-48806	0.00008	17.5	3800	-48805	0.00004	42.5	9400
worm20-16-03-11-1745	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-49443	0	216	-
	DOGE	-49445	0.00009	15	3000	-49443	0.00001	42.5	8800
	DOGE-M	-49444	0.00006	37.5	7800	-49444	0.00006	37.5	7800
worm21-16-03-11-1745	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-49844	0	67	-
	DOGE	-49844	0	20	4400	-49844	0	20	4400
	DOGE-M	-49844	0	20	4400	-49844	0	20	4400
worm22-16-03-11-1745	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-48012	0	277	-
	DOGE	-48018	0.00022	17.5	4200	-48013	0.00002	40	9600
	DOGE-M	-48014	0.00009	20	4800	-48013	0.00003	32.5	7800
worm23-16-03-11-1745	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-49986	0	51	-
	DOGE	-49986	0	10	2200	-49986	0	10	2200
	DOGE-M	-49986	0	7.5	1600	-49986	0	7.5	1600
Gurobi		-	-	-	-	-49330	0	79	-

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instance	method	Until termination criteria				Best until max. num itr.			
		$E(\uparrow)$	$g(t)(\downarrow)$	$t(\downarrow)$	# itr.	$E(\uparrow)$	$g(t)(\downarrow)$	$t(\downarrow)$	# itr.
worm24-16-03-11-1745	DOGE	-49333	0.00012	22.5	4800	-49333	0.00012	22.5	4800
	DOGE-M	-49330	0.00002	27.5	6000	-49330	0.00001	37.5	8000
worm25-16-03-11-1745	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-47241	0	205	-
	DOGE	-47242	0.00002	17.5	4200	-47241	0	30	7200
	DOGE-M	-47242	0.00002	27.5	6600	-47241	0	37.5	9200
worm26-16-03-11-1745	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-46145	0	595	-
	DOGE	-46161	0.00055	17.5	4000	-46158	0.00046	35	8000
	DOGE-M	-46150	0.00019	30	6800	-46148	0.00011	42.5	9600
worm27-16-03-11-1745	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-50063	0	60	-
	DOGE	-50063	0	12.5	2600	-50063	0	12.5	2600
	DOGE-M	-50063	0	12.5	2600	-50063	0	12.5	2600
worm28-16-03-11-1745	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-49500	0	59	-
	DOGE	-49500	0.00002	15	3400	-49500	0.00002	25	5600
	DOGE-M	-49500	0.00001	15	3200	-49500	0	27.5	6000
worm29-16-03-11-1745	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-50070	0	46	-
	DOGE	-50070	0	15	3000	-50070	0	15	3000
	DOGE-M	-50070	0.00001	17.5	3400	-50070	0	27.5	5400
worm30-16-03-11-1745	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-49784	0	58	-
	DOGE	-49784	0	12.5	2800	-49784	0	12.5	2800
	DOGE-M	-49784	0	15	3400	-49784	0	15	3400

#### 576 D.4 QAPLib

Table 7: Detailed results on *QAPLib* dataset. Until termination criteria contain results where we stop our solvers early w.r.t. relative improvement. These results are averaged and reported in Table 3. Best until max. itr.: We run our solver for at most 100000 iterations and report best results (so  $R = 5000$ ,  $T = 20$ ). \*: Gurobi did not converge within 1 hour timelimit.

instance	method	Until termination criteria				Best until max. num itr.			
		$E(\uparrow)$	$g(t)(\downarrow)$	$t(\downarrow)$	# itr.	$E(\uparrow)$	$g(t)(\downarrow)$	$t(\downarrow)$	# itr.
bur26g*	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	9886478	0.01997	3599	-
	DOGE	10018869	0.00566	45	4820	10054780	0.00177	935	100000
	DOGE-M	10010474	0.00656	170	46340	10014676	0.00611	235	64080
bur26h*	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	6060753	0.1538	3600	-
	DOGE	7005771	0.008	50	5360	7034310	0.0036	930	99740
	DOGE-M	6997285	0.00931	185	50540	7001718	0.00863	250	68320
had20*	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	6402	0.02938	3600	-
	DOGE	6495	0.01392	280	62680	6512	0.0112	450	100000
	DOGE-M	6487	0.01532	225	99220	6487	0.01522	230	100000
kra32	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	7703	0	3333	-
	DOGE	7481	0.0317	115	12260	7545	0.02259	940	100000
	DOGE-M	7457	0.03509	360	100000	7457	0.03509	360	100000
lipa40a*	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	4217	0.91943	3597	-
	DOGE	31506	0.00109	255	5480	31538	0	2465	52920
	DOGE-M	31417	0.00406	175	15300	31537	0.00004	1145	100000
Gurobi		-	-	-	-	46637	0.92619	3598	-

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		$E(\uparrow)$	$g(t)(\downarrow)$	$t(\downarrow)$	# itr.	$E(\uparrow)$	$g(t)(\downarrow)$	$t(\downarrow)$	# itr.
lipa40b*	DOGE	439236	0.08045	1140	24980	442771	0.07284	1495	32760
	DOGE-M	471432	0.01109	485	43340	474399	0.0047	1120	100000
lipa50a*	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	3494	0.98823	3598	-
	DOGE	58664	0.05782	905	38720	60010	0.03512	2340	100000
	DOGE-M	61497	0.01005	145	5840	62093	0	1665	66480
lipa50b*	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	51648	0.97176	3595	-
	DOGE	1070018	0.10392	2310	99900	1070103	0.10385	2315	100000
	DOGE-M	1173647	0.01561	1190	47280	1191963	0	2490	100000
lipa60a*	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	3713	1	3595	-
	DOGE	105267	0.01789	735	15800	106426	0.00667	4660	100000
	DOGE-M	105786	0.01287	315	6420	107114	0	4955	100000
lipa60b*	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	66471	0.98356	3596	-
	DOGE	2093148	0.15489	145	3180	2186837	0.11658	4585	100000
	DOGE-M	2328269	0.05875	520	10720	2471953	0	4860	100000
lipa70a*	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	6598	0.99197	3600	-
	DOGE	165123	0.02784	1140	13160	167966	0.01054	8625	100000
	DOGE-M	167322	0.01446	565	6000	169700	0	9495	100000
lipa70b*	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	121986	0.98152	3600	-
	DOGE	4293967	0.03577	1990	23520	4382764	0.01564	4625	55120
	DOGE-M	4230582	0.05014	1355	14620	4451768	0	9310	100000
nug27*	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	2545	0.10356	3599	-
	DOGE	2693	0.04496	425	50200	2713	0.03731	850	100000
	DOGE-M	2688	0.04713	335	100000	2688	0.04713	335	100000
nug28*	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	2446	0.04303	3599	-
	DOGE	2468	0.03344	225	23300	2486	0.02522	965	100000
	DOGE-M	2456	0.03891	360	99580	2456	0.03884	365	100000
nug30*	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	1595	0.70017	3600	-
	DOGE	4481	0.07076	760	48520	4535	0.0588	1565	100000
	DOGE-M	4630	0.03817	510	99820	4630	0.03815	515	100000
rou20*	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	586646	0.09057	3599	-
	DOGE	612538	0.04922	445	99660	612560	0.04918	450	100000
	DOGE-M	612818	0.04877	225	99760	612844	0.04873	230	100000
scr20	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	75474	0	43	-
	DOGE	75401	0.00132	45	15620	75415	0.00107	140	48680
	DOGE-M	75404	0.00126	30	16620	75415	0.00106	65	36600
sko42*	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	1599	0.8898	3599	-
	DOGE	9949	0.15128	1355	99980	9949	0.15125	1360	100000
	DOGE-M	11597	0.00557	1165	78220	11659	0	1480	100000
sko49*	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	1268	0.94759	3599	-
	DOGE	15745	0.05392	2210	99800	15747	0.05383	2215	100000
	DOGE-M	16439	0.01109	1650	70580	16619	0	2340	100000
sko56*	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	1421	0.96053	3594	-
	DOGE	22410	0.06144	125	3380	23430	0.01774	3695	100000
	DOGE-M	23254	0.02529	2020	52180	23845	0	3875	100000
sko64*	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	1053	0.98536	3586	-
	DOGE	30410	0.0819	15	240	31798	0.03917	5915	99980

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		$E(\uparrow)$	$g(t)(\downarrow)$	$t(\downarrow)$	# itr.	$E(\uparrow)$	$g(t)(\downarrow)$	$t(\downarrow)$	# itr.
	DOGE-M	31517	0.04784	2065	33000	33071	0	6255	100000
ste36c*	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	2661689	0.65051	3599	-
	DOGE	6759633	0.0412	820	26300	6967435	0.0103	3110	99660
	DOGE-M	6933566	0.01533	485	60140	6976984	0.00888	765	94840
tai35a*	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	180704	0.91506	3598	-
	DOGE	1794138	0.09976	1285	46320	1802223	0.09568	1405	50640
	DOGE-M	1896341	0.04812	735	99900	1896382	0.0481	740	100000
tai35b*	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	5212148	0.9588	3601	-
	DOGE	96397776	0.07721	540	19280	99942776	0.04294	2795	99880
	DOGE-M	98365992	0.05818	750	100000	98365992	0.05818	750	100000
tai40a*	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	121132	0.95377	3599	-
	DOGE	2140900	0.07833	480	42920	2142402	0.07768	595	53280
	DOGE-M	2321628	0	1165	100000	2321628	0	1165	100000
tai40b*	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	5241527	0.97122	3599	-
	DOGE	121210376	0.09553	295	25960	121210376	0.09553	295	25960
	DOGE-M	133862088	0	1185	100000	133862088	0	1185	100000
tai50a*	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	61532	0.98721	3592	-
	DOGE	2988845	0.18113	535	23040	2994846	0.17948	1610	69440
	DOGE-M	3622177	0.00673	2125	87480	3646619	0	2435	100000
tai50b*	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	179580	1	3599	-
	DOGE	83312440	0.1107	1995	84120	85635848	0.08563	2375	100000
	DOGE-M	93571496	0	2480	100000	93571496	0	2480	100000
tai60a*	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	87106	0.98697	3593	-
	DOGE	3984766	0.26193	265	5620	4319060	0.19975	4625	100000
	DOGE-M	5216043	0.03289	1840	38040	5392868	0	4860	100000
tai60b*	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	125579	1	3590	-
	DOGE	55250419	0.60577	255	5520	88722336	0.36445	4625	99960
	DOGE-M	106619936	0.23542	915	18680	139274272	0	4910	100000
tai64c	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	487500	0	3283	-
	DOGE	482685	0.01197	5	800	487483	0.00004	275	43760
	DOGE-M	486733	0.00191	25	760	486733	0.00191	25	760
tho30*	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	33467	0.70179	3598	-
	DOGE	90078	0.11192	945	60560	91072	0.10157	1560	100000
	DOGE-M	95420	0.05626	510	100000	95420	0.05626	510	100000
wil50*	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	3037	0.94051	3597	-
	DOGE	35943	0.08066	1655	24640	36941	0.05458	6715	100000
	DOGE-M	38775	0.00667	2140	85100	39030	0	2515	100000

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Table 8: Detailed results on *Independent set* dataset. Until termination criteria contain results where we stop our solvers early w.r.t. relative improvement. These results are averaged and reported in Table 3. Best until max. itr.: We run our solver for at most 10000 iterations and report best results (so  $R = 200$ ,  $T = 50$ ).

instance	method	Until termination criteria				Best until max. num itr.			
		$E(\uparrow)$	$g(t)(\downarrow)$	$t(\downarrow)$	# itr.	$E(\uparrow)$	$g(t)(\downarrow)$	$t(\downarrow)$	# itr.
1	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-24444	0	50	-
	DOGE	-24447	0.0057	4.2	1550	-24445	0.00243	10.1	3800
	DOGE-M	-24445	0.00244	2.3	850	-24444	0.00152	3.5	1300
10	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-24457	0	47	-
	DOGE	-24465	0.01482	4	1450	-24459	0.00427	7.3	2650
	DOGE-M	-24476	0.03372	1	350	-24459	0.00433	2.2	800
11	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-24464	0	48	-
	DOGE	-24468	0.0075	4.2	1550	-24465	0.00276	11.1	4100
	DOGE-M	-24465	0.0032	3.2	1200	-24465	0.0023	4.4	1650
12	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-24453	0	56	-
	DOGE	-24460	0.01384	2.7	1000	-24454	0.00268	14	5200
	DOGE-M	-24476	0.04099	1.1	400	-24454	0.00237	9.5	3350
13	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-24461	0	56	-
	DOGE	-24466	0.00895	4	1500	-24463	0.00363	11.5	4300
	DOGE-M	-24484	0.04179	1.1	400	-24462	0.00202	5.3	2000
14	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-24455	0	53	-
	DOGE	-24461	0.0106	3.2	1150	-24456	0.00177	13.4	4900
	DOGE-M	-24458	0.00629	2.5	900	-24458	0.00494	10.3	3800
15	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-24467	0	50	-
	DOGE	-24474	0.01292	3.3	1200	-24469	0.00293	10.8	4000
	DOGE-M	-24469	0.00397	2.6	950	-24469	0.00277	6.8	2500
16	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-24452	0	50	-
	DOGE	-24457	0.00917	3	1100	-24454	0.00437	10.2	3750
	DOGE-M	-24453	0.00259	2.3	850	-24452	0.00102	6	2250
17	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-24452	0	50	-
	DOGE	-24457	0.00963	4.5	1650	-24454	0.00401	14.8	5500
	DOGE-M	-24454	0.00342	2.6	950	-24453	0.00212	7.9	2900
18	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-24473	0	45	-
	DOGE	-24487	0.02501	2.8	1000	-24476	0.00555	11.3	4050
	DOGE-M	-24475	0.00447	2.7	950	-24474	0.00248	7.7	2800
19	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-24458	0	59	-
	DOGE	-24467	0.01653	2.6	950	-24460	0.00368	12.6	4650
	DOGE-M	-24477	0.03407	1.1	400	-24459	0.00211	3	1100
2	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-24459	0	45	-
	DOGE	-24464	0.00978	3.5	1250	-24460	0.00331	14.4	5350
	DOGE-M	-24464	0.0102	2.3	850	-24464	0.0102	2.3	850
20	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-24458	0	55	-
	DOGE	-24466	0.01333	2.6	950	-24460	0.00267	12.5	4650
	DOGE-M	-24460	0.00316	2.4	900	-24459	0.0026	3.7	1350
21	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-24458	0	55	-
	DOGE	-24470	0.02143	4.8	850	-24459	0.0033	14.9	4550
	DOGE-M	-24459	0.00269	2.4	850	-24458	0.00137	3.4	1200
Gurobi		-	-	-	-	-24460	0	64	-

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		$E(\uparrow)$	$g(t)(\downarrow)$	$t(\downarrow)$	# itr.	$E(\uparrow)$	$g(t)(\downarrow)$	$t(\downarrow)$	# itr.
22	DOGE	-24465	0.00884	3.7	1350	-24462	0.00414	12.5	4600
	DOGE-M	-24462	0.00313	3.6	1350	-24462	0.00286	6.1	2250
23	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-24438	0	51	-
	DOGE	-24441	0.00678	4.8	1800	-24440	0.00385	8.9	3300
	DOGE-M	-24441	0.00617	2.3	850	-24439	0.00307	11.3	4150
24	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-24437	0	52	-
	DOGE	-24448	0.01857	2.4	850	-24439	0.00274	10.9	4000
	DOGE-M	-24455	0.03095	1.1	400	-24439	0.00296	3.7	1350
25	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-24468	0	47	-
	DOGE	-24477	0.0178	2.7	1000	-24470	0.00371	10.8	4000
	DOGE-M	-24489	0.03955	1.1	400	-24469	0.00317	15.4	5700
26	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-24444	0	56	-
	DOGE	-24449	0.00899	3.4	1250	-24446	0.004	10.3	3850
	DOGE-M	-24447	0.00442	1.9	700	-24446	0.00346	3.9	1450
27	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-24466	0	53	-
	DOGE	-24472	0.0107	4.1	1500	-24469	0.00523	15	5500
	DOGE-M	-24468	0.00308	2.1	750	-24467	0.00128	4.6	1700
28	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-24472	0	51	-
	DOGE	-24477	0.00927	4	1300	-24473	0.00352	12.2	4300
	DOGE-M	-24492	0.03674	1	350	-24473	0.00265	6	2200
29	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-24446	0	52	-
	DOGE	-24453	0.01268	3.3	1200	-24448	0.00365	11.1	4050
	DOGE-M	-24447	0.00231	2.6	950	-24446	0.00056	4.2	1500
3	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-24457	0	50	-
	DOGE	-24465	0.01357	3	1100	-24459	0.00273	10.6	3900
	DOGE-M	-24479	0.03901	1.4	450	-24458	0.0022	4.6	1550
30	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-24454	0	63	-
	DOGE	-24458	0.00777	5.3	1950	-24456	0.00296	13.7	5050
	DOGE-M	-24483	0.0518	1.4	500	-24456	0.00309	10.8	3950
31	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-24457	0	47	-
	DOGE	-24465	0.01361	3.5	1250	-24459	0.00414	10.9	3950
	DOGE-M	-24459	0.00294	3	1100	-24458	0.0019	7.2	2650
32	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-24466	0	41	-
	DOGE	-24474	0.01457	2.9	1050	-24468	0.00311	11.2	4100
	DOGE-M	-24487	0.03785	1.3	400	-24468	0.00273	8.4	3000
4	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-24452	0	70	-
	DOGE	-24457	0.00847	4.4	1550	-24454	0.00316	13.3	4800
	DOGE-M	-24454	0.0041	1.8	650	-24454	0.00403	2.3	850
5	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-24474	0	49	-
	DOGE	-24482	0.01549	2.3	850	-24476	0.003	11.1	4100
	DOGE-M	-24494	0.03738	1.1	400	-24475	0.00205	4.5	1650
59	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-24474	0	49	-
	DOGE	-24478	0.0074	4.1	1500	-24476	0.00298	9.9	3650
	DOGE-M	-24494	0.03699	1.1	400	-24475	0.00184	7.1	2600
6	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-24468	0	52	-
	DOGE	-24472	0.00858	4.5	1500	-24469	0.00273	10.8	3850

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		$E(\uparrow)$	$g(t)(\downarrow)$	$t(\downarrow)$	# itr.	$E(\uparrow)$	$g(t)(\downarrow)$	$t(\downarrow)$	# itr.
	DOGE-M	-24468	0.00156	2.9	1000	-24468	0.00068	6.2	2150
60	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-24468	0	52	-
	DOGE	-24473	0.00936	3.5	1300	-24469	0.00351	10.8	4100
	DOGE-M	-24469	0.00186	1.9	700	-24468	0.00024	3.7	1400
61	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-24470	0	49	-
	DOGE	-24474	0.00867	4	1500	-24471	0.00237	13.8	5100
	DOGE-M	-24472	0.00363	3.1	1150	-24471	0.0029	6	2200
62	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-24456	0	48	-
	DOGE	-24471	0.02682	2.5	900	-24459	0.00569	13.5	4900
	DOGE-M	-24461	0.00914	2.8	1000	-24459	0.00585	13	4750
63	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-24442	0	44	-
	DOGE	-24447	0.00968	3.9	1450	-24444	0.00374	11.4	4150
	DOGE-M	-24443	0.00289	3.1	1150	-24443	0.00235	9.6	3500
64	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-24457	0	48	-
	DOGE	-24466	0.0173	3.3	1200	-24458	0.00313	11.3	4150
	DOGE-M	-24476	0.03412	1.1	400	-24459	0.00416	2.9	1050
65	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-24464	0	48	-
	DOGE	-24468	0.00831	4.5	1650	-24465	0.00299	10.9	4050
	DOGE-M	-24489	0.04566	1	350	-24465	0.00211	8.1	3000
66	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-24453	0	55	-
	DOGE	-24456	0.00653	4.3	1600	-24454	0.00247	10.9	4050
	DOGE-M	-24455	0.00379	3.5	1300	-24454	0.00223	5.4	2000
67	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-24461	0	56	-
	DOGE	-24469	0.01437	2.8	1050	-24462	0.00308	14	5250
	DOGE-M	-24484	0.042	1.1	400	-24462	0.00176	6.3	2350
68	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-24455	0	54	-
	DOGE	-24461	0.011	3	1100	-24456	0.00235	13.2	4900
	DOGE-M	-24458	0.00509	2.5	900	-24458	0.00506	3.1	1150
69	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-24467	0	51	-
	DOGE	-24477	0.01798	1.9	700	-24468	0.00145	8.8	3250
	DOGE-M	-24487	0.03673	1.1	400	-24468	0.002	4.2	1550
7	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-24470	0	51	-
	DOGE	-24476	0.01197	3.1	1150	-24471	0.00282	11.8	4400
	DOGE-M	-24489	0.03455	1.3	450	-24471	0.00269	8.1	3000
70	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-24452	0	50	-
	DOGE	-24459	0.0137	2.6	950	-24454	0.0041	11.4	4200
	DOGE-M	-24469	0.03031	1.1	400	-24452	0.00104	7.6	2800
71	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-24452	0	48	-
	DOGE	-24464	0.02105	2.2	800	-24453	0.0023	10.5	3900
	DOGE-M	-24468	0.028	1.5	550	-24454	0.00272	8.4	3100
72	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-24473	0	45	-
	DOGE	-24480	0.01316	3.7	1300	-24477	0.00642	9.4	3350
	DOGE-M	-24496	0.04223	1	350	-24474	0.00207	5.3	1900
73	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-24458	0	57	-
	DOGE	-24463	0.00993	3.3	1200	-24460	0.00384	10.2	3750
	DOGE-M	-24476	0.03355	1.1	400	-24458	0.00158	5.1	1900

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		$E(\uparrow)$	$g(t)(\downarrow)$	$t(\downarrow)$	# itr.	$E(\uparrow)$	$g(t)(\downarrow)$	$t(\downarrow)$	# itr.
74	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-24458	0	55	-
	DOGE	-24466	0.01417	2.3	850	-24460	0.00264	12.2	4550
	DOGE-M	-24459	0.00177	2.5	900	-24459	0.00172	5.5	1950
75	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-24458	0	55	-
	DOGE	-24464	0.01114	3.7	1350	-24460	0.00404	9.5	3450
	DOGE-M	-24460	0.00437	2	650	-24459	0.00226	3.7	1250
76	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-24460	0	63	-
	DOGE	-24465	0.00857	3.7	1350	-24462	0.0039	8.3	3050
	DOGE-M	-24462	0.0036	3.3	1200	-24461	0.00224	6	2200
77	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-24438	0	48	-
	DOGE	-24443	0.00943	3.5	1300	-24440	0.00379	13	4850
	DOGE-M	-24440	0.00411	3	1100	-24439	0.00293	9.4	3450
78	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-24437	0	52	-
	DOGE	-24446	0.01493	3.4	1250	-24440	0.00467	14.2	5250
	DOGE-M	-24439	0.00286	2.7	1000	-24438	0.00236	4.8	1800
79	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-24468	0	46	-
	DOGE	-24477	0.01686	3.1	1150	-24470	0.00453	11.9	4400
	DOGE-M	-24490	0.04014	1.1	400	-24469	0.00282	9.8	3600
8	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-24456	0	48	-
	DOGE	-24472	0.02816	2.3	800	-24459	0.00491	15.1	5450
	DOGE-M	-24460	0.00756	2.9	1050	-24459	0.0055	14.9	5450
80	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-24444	0	56	-
	DOGE	-24449	0.00827	3.9	1450	-24446	0.0042	11.2	4200
	DOGE-M	-24460	0.02826	1.1	400	-24446	0.00328	2.9	1100
81	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-24466	0	53	-
	DOGE	-24475	0.01564	2.6	950	-24468	0.00401	13.6	4950
	DOGE-M	-24467	0.00184	2.9	1050	-24467	0.001	4.3	1550
82	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-24472	0	51	-
	DOGE	-24481	0.01659	2.2	800	-24473	0.00265	12.3	4550
	DOGE-M	-24474	0.00374	2	700	-24473	0.00264	3.9	1450
83	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-24446	0	52	-
	DOGE	-24452	0.01118	3.7	1350	-24447	0.00281	11.8	4300
	DOGE-M	-24446	0.00169	2.8	900	-24446	0.00088	4.4	1450
84	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-24454	0	63	-
	DOGE	-24460	0.01068	4.1	1500	-24456	0.00339	11.2	4100
	DOGE-M	-24483	0.0518	1.4	500	-24456	0.00334	11.1	3850
85	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-24457	0	48	-
	DOGE	-24469	0.02107	3.2	1150	-24460	0.0051	10.4	3750
	DOGE-M	-24459	0.00392	2.5	900	-24458	0.00185	5.9	2150
86	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-24466	0	41	-
	DOGE	-24476	0.01829	3.3	1200	-24469	0.00534	9.5	3500
	DOGE-M	-24468	0.00361	3.2	1150	-24468	0.00281	4.4	1600
9	Gurobi	-	-	-	-	-24442	0	44	-
	DOGE	-24448	0.01164	3.4	1200	-24443	0.0029	10.6	3850
	DOGE-M	-24443	0.00229	3.3	1200	-24442	0.00152	3.8	1350