



**INFORMS WORKSHOP**  
**GUROBI 10.0**

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## 10.0 Overview

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## Explainer Video

Telling the Gurobi Story

- Written with a non-technical audience in mind
- Covers the basics of how Gurobi works, in just 60 seconds
- Available on Gurobi YouTube Channel:  
<https://youtu.be/DqjE-P0VyoQ>

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# Gurobi 10 Overview



## **Performance and API Improvements**

Major advances in the underlying algorithmic framework



## **Enterprise Development & Deployment Experience**

New tools for model deployment, monitoring and advanced diagnosis



## **Innovative Open-Source Projects**

Pandas, Machine Learning, and more.



# Note: Version & Support Policy Has Changed

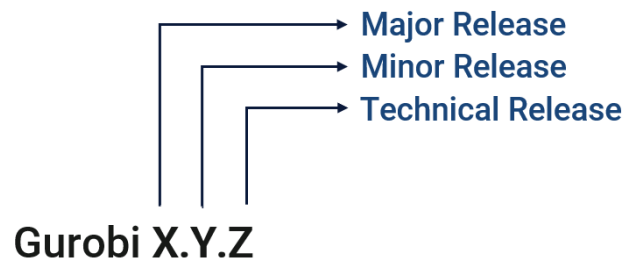
## Recent Major/Minor Releases:

**10.0: 2022-November**

**9.5: 2021-November**

**9.1: 2020-October**

**9.0: 2019-November**

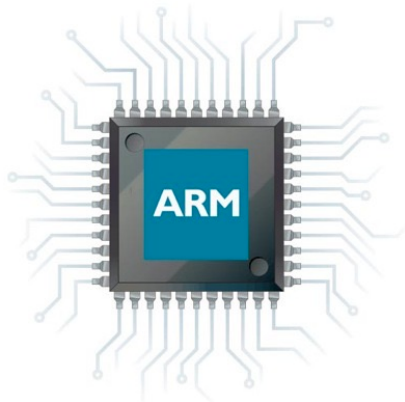


- Previously
  - Annual major or minor release
  - Two major versions supported
    - Along with related minor ones
    - Latest technical release only
- Going Forward
  - Aim for annual major release
  - Quarterly technical release
  - 3 years support for major version
    - Along with related minor ones
    - Latest technical release only
  - *More predictable for customers*

<https://support.gurobi.com/hc/en-us/articles/360048138771-Gurobi-release-and-support-history>

# Linux on ARM Now Supported

- Red Hat® Enterprise Linux 7, 8, 9
- CentOS 7
- SUSE® Enterprise Linux 12, 15
- Ubuntu® 20.04, 22.04
- Amazon Linux 2



## Other Supported OS'es

- Linux® x86-64 64-bit
- Windows 64-bit
- MacOS 64-bit Universal
  - Native support for both M- and -x64 chips
- AIX® 64-bit



# Performance Improvements In Gurobi 10

- Concurrent solver
- MIP
- Mixed Integer Quadratics
- Non-Convex MIQCP



**Poll: Gurobi Versions**



# The Value of Performance



What is the immediate business advantage of faster solve times in your solution?



What would happen if you were able to consider more optimal outcomes in the same time frame?



How could your solution benefit from increased model complexity or accuracy?

# Performance Summary

- New network simplex algorithm
- Concurrent LP improvements:
- Concurrent only on the final presolved model
- Threads used to duplicate work
- Crossover improvements
- New and improved presolve reductions

Compare to Gurobi 9.5

| Algorithm           | Overall speed-up | On >100sec models |
|---------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| LP – default        | 10%              | 25%               |
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| Non-convex MIQCP    | 51%              | 2.6x              |

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# MIP Performance

- Strong branching
- Symmetry improvements
- Aggressive solving of sub-MIPs
- Presolve reductions
- Optimization-based bound tightening
- Models from machine learning
  - Will be discussed in a later presentation

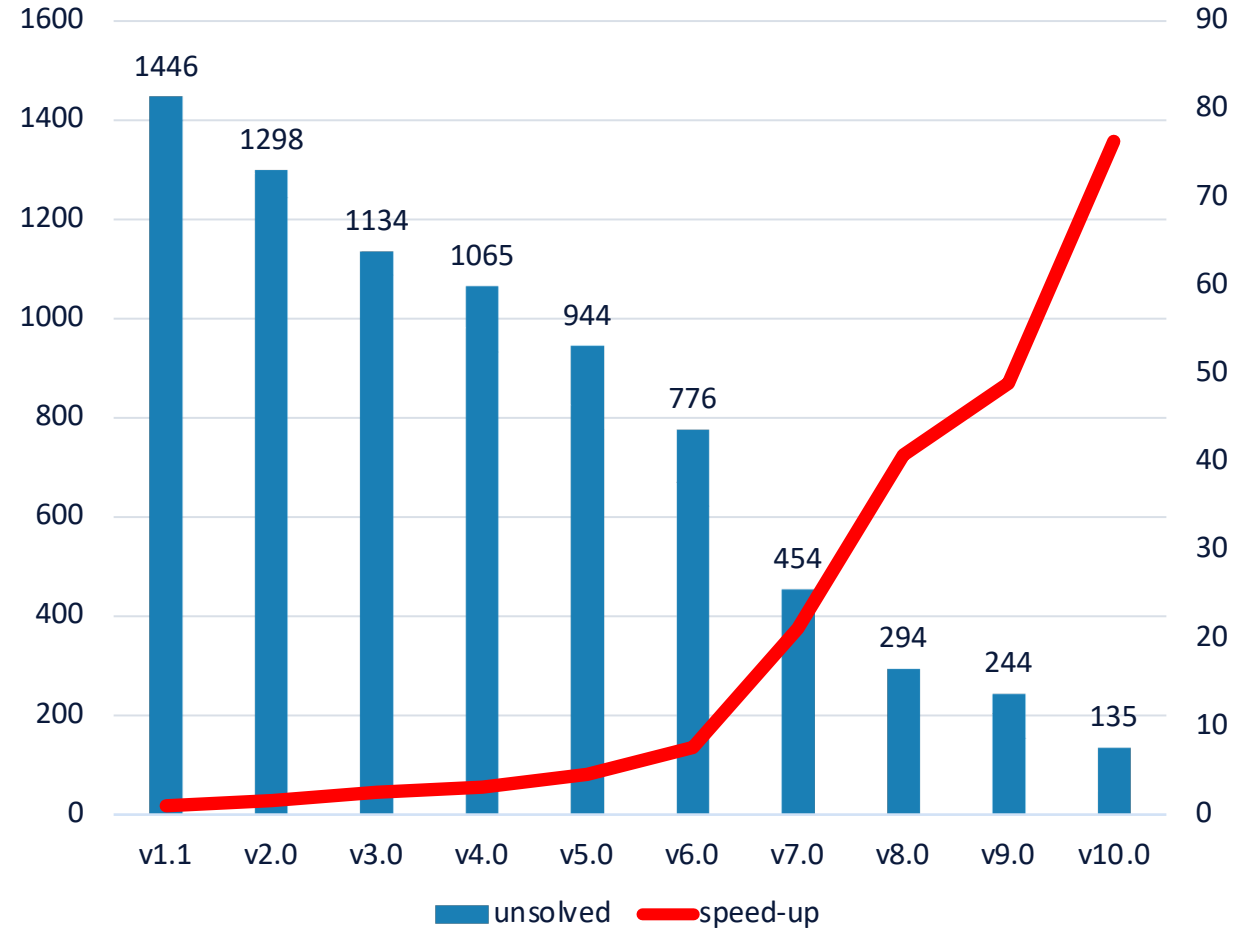
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# MIP Performance

Comparison of Gurobi Versions (PAR-10)



# MIQ Performance

- New QUBO heuristic
- Perspective strengthening
- Move Q objective terms to constraints
- Work limit adjustment for QC fixing heuristics
- Fix binary in certain order for heuristics
- Solve set covering problem to select linearization
- Remove common variables
- Optimization-based bound tightening
- Many MIP improvements also apply

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# Non-Convex MIQCP

- Optimization-based bound tightening
- Dealing explicitly with bipartite graphs in the product term covering
- Improvement on NLP heuristic termination
- NLP heuristic multi-start
- Many MIP and convex MIQCP improvements also apply

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# Non-Convex MIQCP

Time limit: 10,000 sec.

Intel Xeon CPU E3-1240 v5 @ 3.50GHz

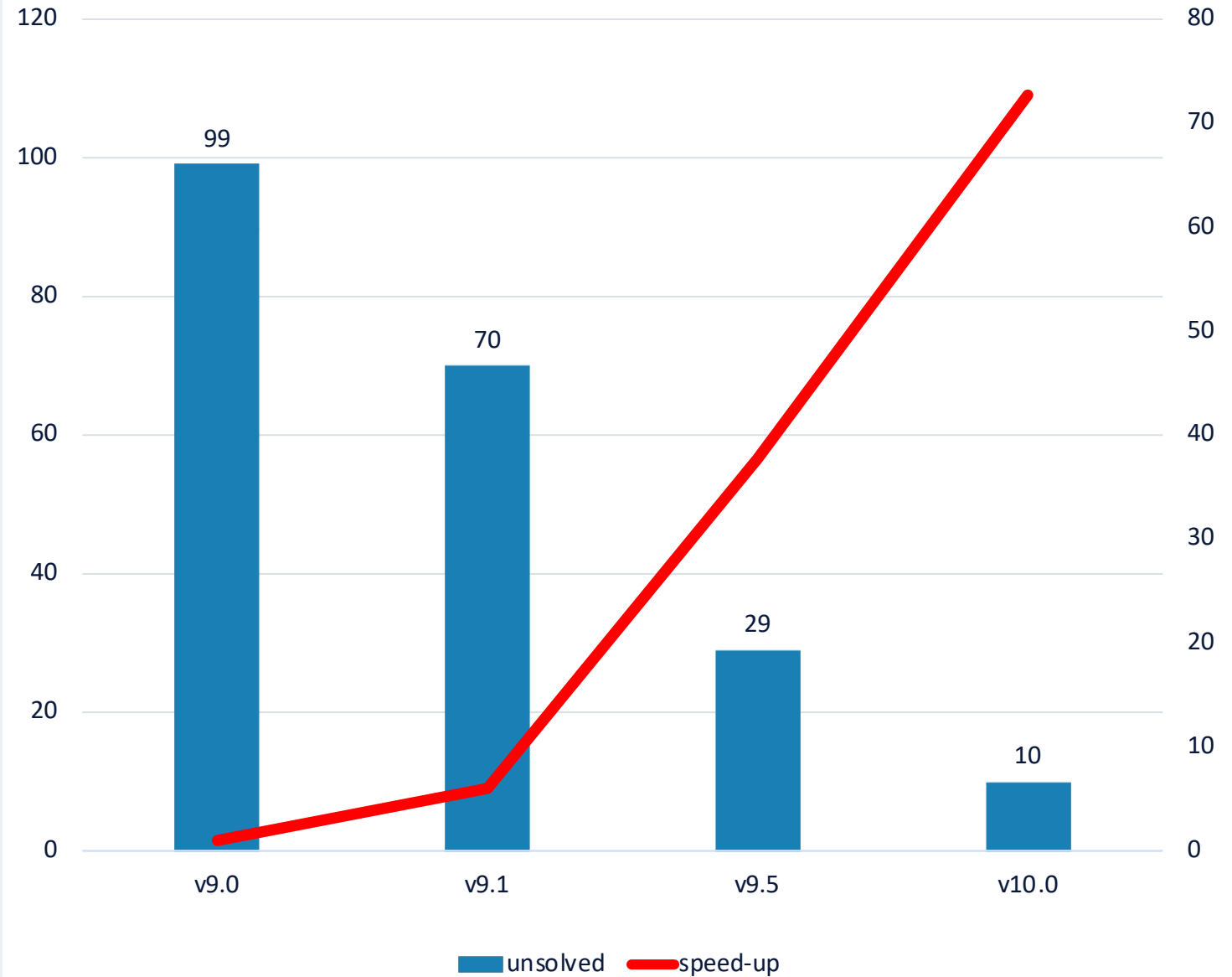
4 cores, 8 hyper-threads

32 GB RAM

Test set has 874 models:

- 38 discarded due to inconsistent answers
- 308 discarded that none of the versions can solve
- speed-up measured on >100s bracket: 205 models

## Comparison of Gurobi Versions (PAR-10)





**Can you use these performance increases in new ways?**

# API and Engine Improvements In Gurobi 10

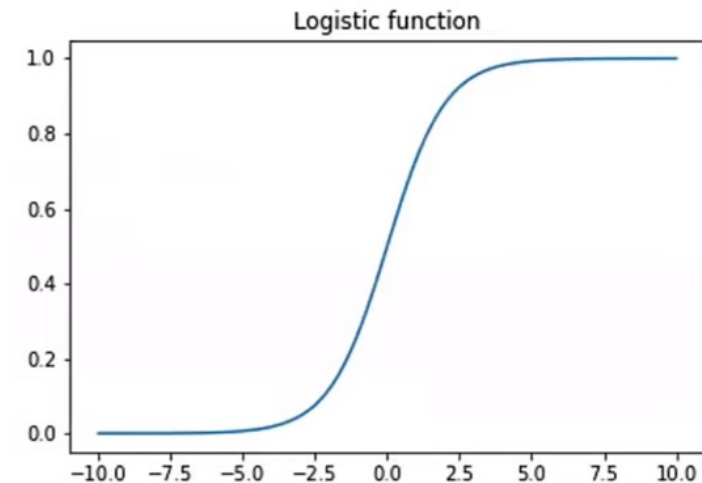
- New logistic general constraint
- New Memory limit parameter
- Python matrix API improvements
- NuGet package for .NET
  - Automate Gurobi downloads using NuGet



# Logistic Constraint

- Background: Function Constraints in Gurobi
  - $y = f(x)$
  - Gurobi generates piecewise-linear approximation
  - Examples: *sine, power, exponential*
- Logistic function added in v10:
  - Applications:
    - ecology, statistics, medicine, chemistry, ...
  - Python example:  
 $y = 1 / (1 + \exp(-x))$   
`gc = model.addGenConstrLogistic(x, y, params)`

$$p(x) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-x}}$$



# Memory Limit Parameter

- **SoftMemLimit**
- Memory limit parameter allows graceful exit
  - Set a memory limit in GB
  - Get best solution
  - Resume optimization
- Contrast with existing MemLimit
  - Memory limit is “soft”
    - Not as strict as MemLimit
    - Might overshoot
  - Both are non-deterministic

```
model.SoftMemLimit=28
```

# Matrix API Improvements In Gurobi 10

- Improve usability
- Works well with `numpy.ndarray`'s
- Name construction
- NumPy functions
- Broadcasting
- Modeling Performance

# List-Based vs Matrix-Based

$$\begin{aligned} \min & c^T \cdot x \\ \text{s.t.} & A \cdot x = b \end{aligned}$$

## List-Based API:

```
x1 = [1.0, 2.0, 3.0]
x2 = [1.0, 2.0, 0.0]
x3 = [3.0, 2.0, 0.0]
b = np.array([4, 1, 2])
c = np.array([1, 2, 3])
model2 = gp.Model("Pythonic model")
x = model2.addVars(len(b))
model2.setObjective(c[0]*x[0]
                  + c[1]*x[1] + c[2]*x[2])
for m in range(b.size):
    model2.addConstr(x1[m]*x[0]
                    + x2[m]*x[1]
                    + x3[m]*x[2] >= b[m])
model2.optimize()
for var in model2.getVars():
    print(var.X)
```

## Gurobi 10 Matrix API:

```
A = np.array([[1.0, 2.0, 3.0],
              [1.0, 2.0, 0.0],
              [3.0, 2.0, 0.0]])
b = np.array([4, 1, 2])
c = np.array([1, 2, 3])

model = gp.Model()
x = model.addMVar(3, name="x")
model.setObjective(c @ x)
model.addConstr(A @ x <= b)

model.optimize()

print(f"Result values: {x.X}")
```



# Multi-Dimensional Variables, Expressions

- MVar, MLinExpr, MQuadExpr support arbitrary dimensions
  - 9.5 had limited multi-dimensional modeling support

```
A = np.array([[1.0, 2.0, 3.0],
              [1.0, 2.0, 0.0],
              [3.0, 2.0, 0.0]])
print(A)
```



```
[[1. 2. 3.]
 [1. 2. 0.]
 [3. 2. 0.]]
```

```
x = model.addMVar((3,1))
print(x)
```



```
<MVar (3, 1)>
array([[<gurobi.Var C9>],
       [<gurobi.Var C10>],
       [<gurobi.Var C11>]])
```

```
mLinExpr = A @ x
print(mLinExpr)
```



```
<MLinExpr (3, 1) >
array([[ C9 + 2.0 C10 + 3.0 C11],
       [ C9 + 2.0 C10],
       [ 3.0 C9 + 2.0 C10]])
```

# Multi-Dimensional Modeling

Adding constraints → multidimensional MConstr *or* MQConstr

```
A = np.array([[0.3, 0.6, 0.3],
              [0.3, 0.3, 0.2],
              [0.8, 0.8, 0.8],
              [0.6, 0.3, 0.3]])
B = np.array([[0.2, 0.4, 0.5, 0.4],
              [0.9, 0.3, 0.8, 0.6],
              [0.8, 0.8, 0.1, 0.2],
              [0.3, 0.0, 0.1, 0.6],
              [0.2, 0.4, 0.3, 0.0],
              [0.2, 0.4, 0.7, 0.3]])
X = model.addMVar(3,4)
model.setObjective(X.sum())
mc = model.addConstr(A @ X <= B)
```

→ <MConstr (6, 4)>

# NumPy Functions for Gurobi Matrix Objects

- gurobipy v10 implements the most-used ones
  - “sum”, “diagonal”, “reshape”
- Extract a diagonal from an MVar X:
  - `X.diagonal(offset)`.
- Convert a list of Var objects to an MVar:
  - `x = MVar.fromlist(varlist)`
- Sum along an axis of an MVar X:
  - `X.sum(axis=...)`
- Elementwise squaring of an Mvar X:
  - `pow(X, 2)`, `X**2`



# Name Construction

- Names now show n-dimensional index values

```
z = model.addMVar((3,1), name="Long Name")  
model.update()  
print(z.VarName)
```



```
[['Long Var Name[0,0]']  
 ['Long Var Name[1,0]']  
 ['Long Var Name[2,0]']]
```



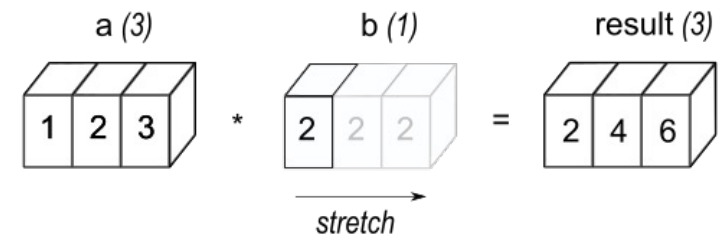
# Broadcasting 1

- Operands of different shape:
  - What should the result shape be?
- NumPy Broadcasting Convention

```

model = gp.Model()
a = model.addMVar(3, name = "a" )
b = model.addMVar(1, name = "b")
model.update()
result = a * b
print(result)

```



```

<MQuadExpr (3,)>
array([ 0.0 + [ a[0] * b[0] ], 0.0 + [ a[1] * b[0] ], 0.0 + [ a[2] * b[0] ]])

```

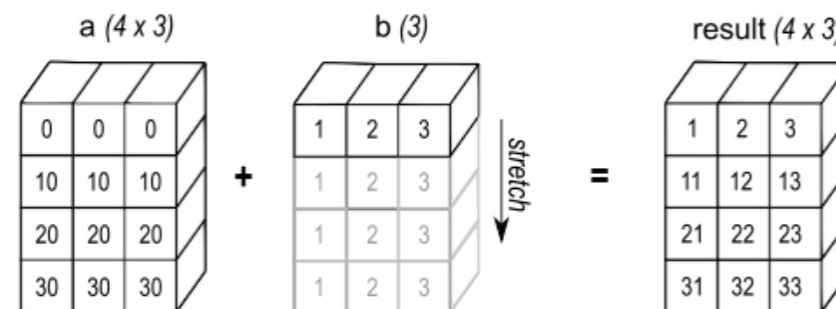
# Broadcasting 2

- When a binary operation is applied to operands of different shape, what should the result shape be?
- Using NumPy Broadcasting Convention

```

model = gp.Model()
X = model.addMVar((4,3), name="X")
y = model.addMVar((3,), name="y")
model.update()
qe = X + y
print(qe)

```



```

<MLinExpr (4, 3)> array([[ X[0,0] + y[0], X[0,1] + y[1], X[0,2] + y[2]],
                        [ X[1,0] + y[0], X[1,1] + y[1], X[1,2] + y[2]],
                        [ X[2,0] + y[0], X[2,1] + y[1], X[2,2] + y[2]],
                        [ X[3,0] + y[0], X[3,1] + y[1], X[3,2] + y[2]]])

```

# Matrix API Performance Comparison

```
m = 1024; n = 8192; d = 0.2
A = sp.random(m, n, d, format='csr')
b = np.random.rand(m)
# Using MVar
x = model.addMVar(n)
model.addConstr(A@x == b)
# Iterate One List
x = model.addVars(n).values()
for i in range(m):
    (_, colidx, colcoef) = sp.find(A[i, :])
    le = gp.LinExpr(colcoef, [x[j] for j in colidx])
    model.addConstr(le == b[i])
# Iterate Two Lists
(rowidx, colidx, coef) = sp.find(A)
x = model.addVars(n).values()
le = [gp.LinExpr() for i in range(m)]
for k in range(len(coef)):
    le[rowidx[k]] += coef[k] * x[colidx[k]]
for i in range(m):
    model.addConstr(le[i] == b[i])
```

## Results

Using MVar: 0.083sec.

One List: 1.729sec.

Two Lists: 53.77sec.

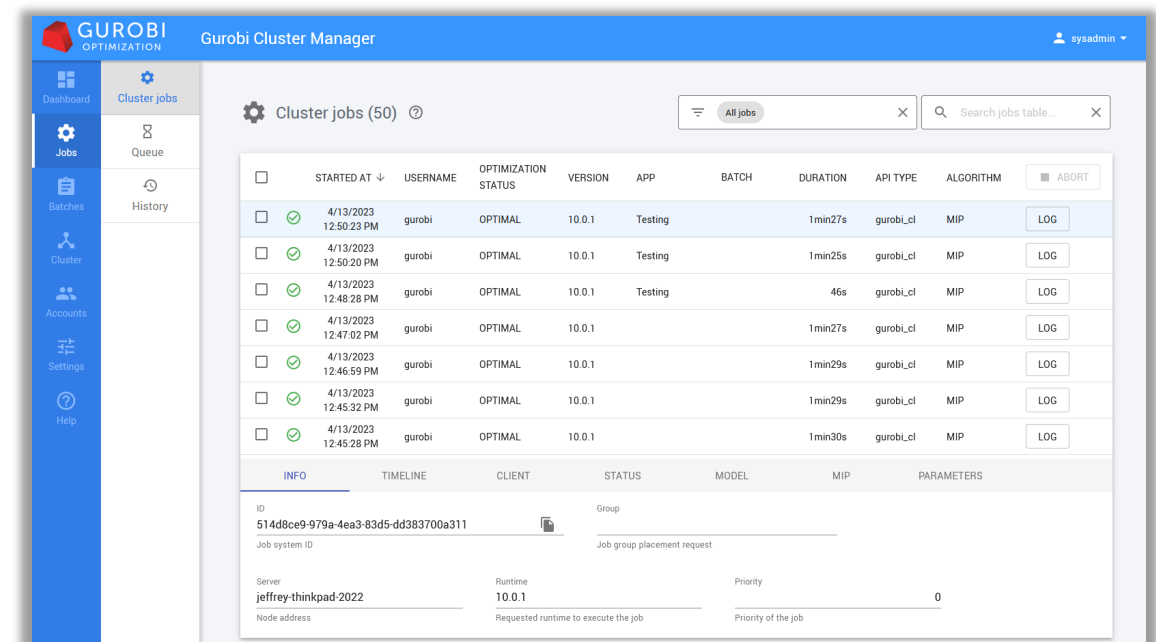
# Enterprise Development & Deployment Experience

- Compute Server Improvements
- New Licensing Options



# New Platform Features

- Compute Server
  - Background
    - Gurobi in a service architecture
    - Web UI, security, queuing, more
  - Cluster Manager Improvements
    - Job Dashboard
    - Node Dashboard
- Web License Service
  - Now available on all environments



The screenshot displays the Gurobi Cluster Manager web interface. The top navigation bar includes the Gurobi logo, the title "Gurobi Cluster Manager", and a user profile "sysadmin". A left sidebar contains navigation options: Dashboard, Jobs, Batches, Cluster, Accounts, Settings, and Help. The main content area is titled "Cluster jobs (50)" and features a search bar and a table of job entries. The table columns are: STARTED AT, USERNAME, OPTIMIZATION STATUS, VERSION, APP, BATCH, DURATION, API TYPE, ALGORITHM, and ABORT. Below the table, there are tabs for INFO, TIMELINE, CLIENT, STATUS, MODEL, MIP, and PARAMETERS. The INFO tab is active, showing details for a specific job, including its ID, server name, runtime, and priority.

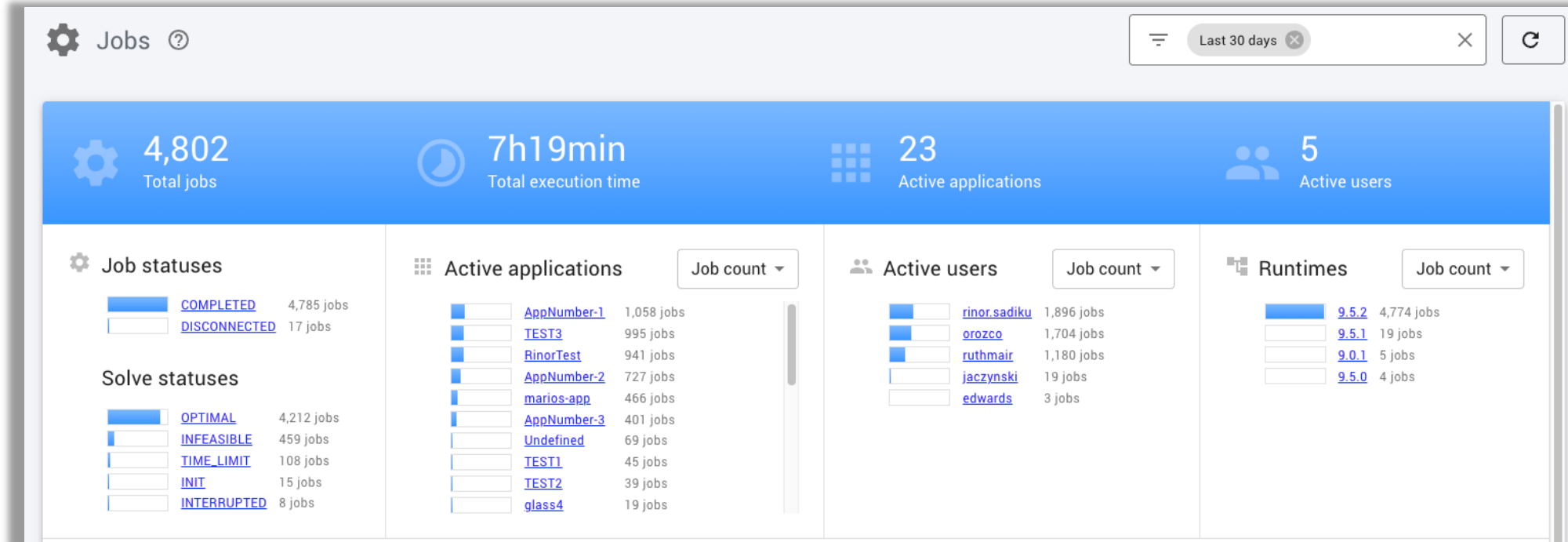
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**INFO** | TIMELINE | CLIENT | STATUS | MODEL | MIP | PARAMETERS

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Job system ID: \_\_\_\_\_ | Job group placement request: \_\_\_\_\_

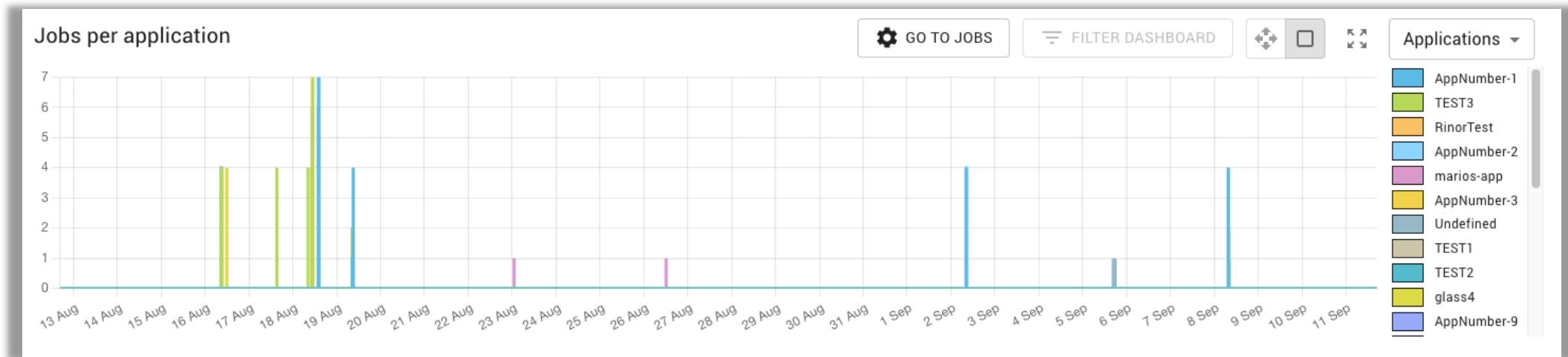
Server: jeffrey-thinkpad-2022 | Runtime: 10.0.1 | Priority: \_\_\_\_\_  
Node address: \_\_\_\_\_ | Requested runtime to execute the job: \_\_\_\_\_ | Priority of the job: 0

# Job Dashboard 1



- Global Metrics
  - number of jobs, execution time, active application, active users
- Predefined filters for last 24h, 7 days or 30 days
  - More filtering available
- Distributions
  - Shown in several dimensions
  - Job and solve statuses, applications, users, runtimes
  - Drill down to job list

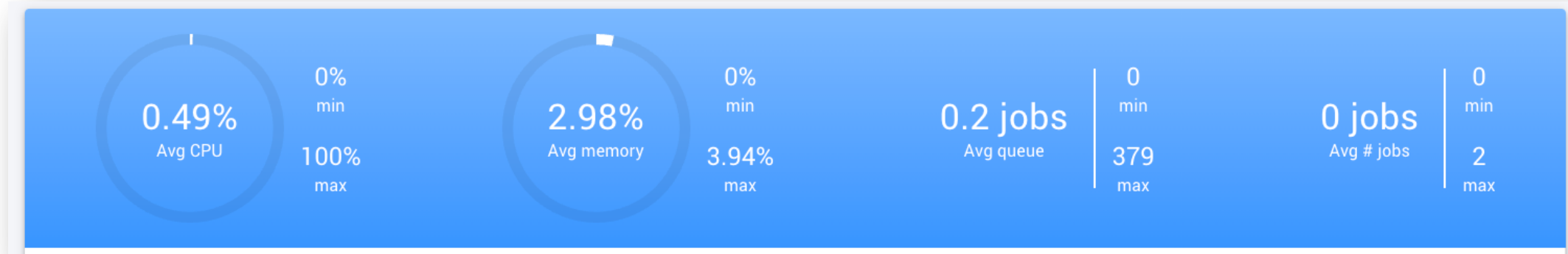
# Job Dashboard 2



- Timeline by several dimensions
  - Applications, Job/Solve statuses, Users, Runtime and solve times
  - Zoom and pan over time
  - Legend and colors to differentiate values

- Drilldown
  - Go to the job list of the selected period
  - Filter the dashboard with the selected period

# Node Dashboard

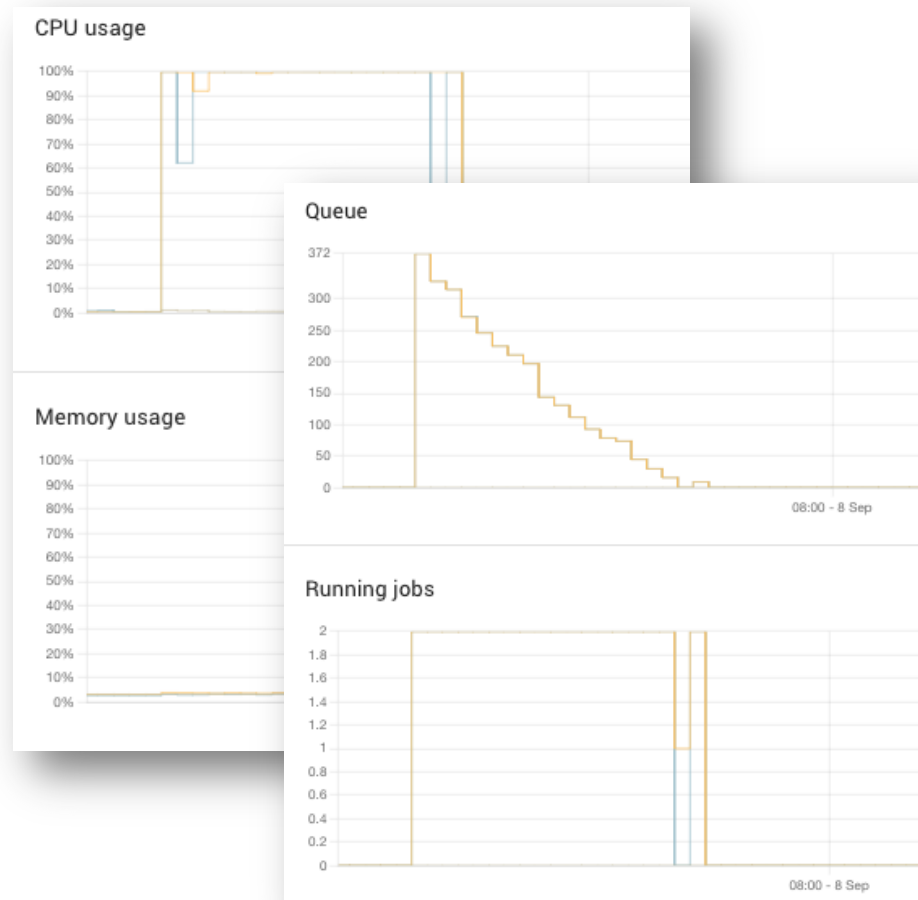


- Global Overview
  - CPU, Memory,
  - Job in queue and running
- Predefined filters for last 24h, 7 days or 30 days



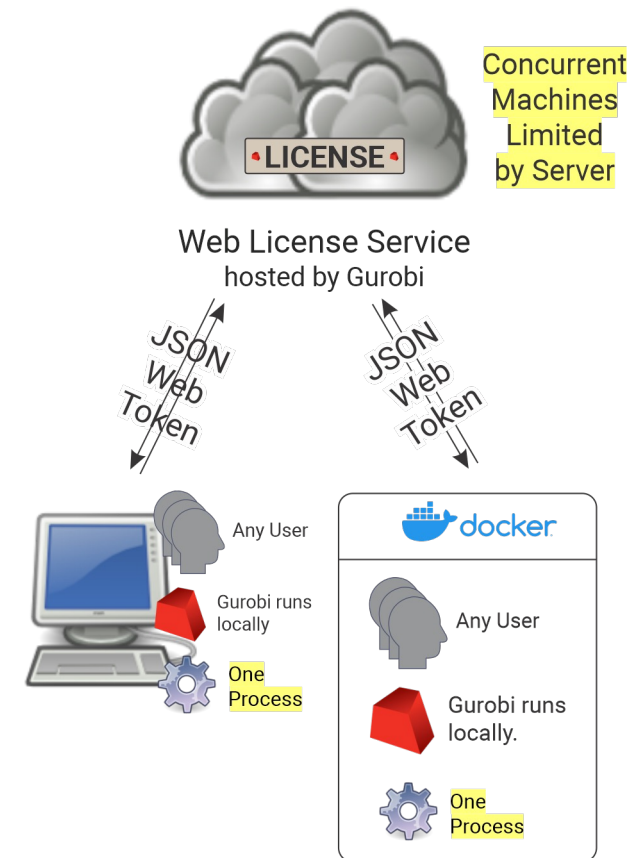
# Node Dashboard Detail

- Timeline
  - CPU usage
  - Memory usage
  - Job in queue
  - Running jobs
- Drilldown
  - Zoom, pan
  - Node selection

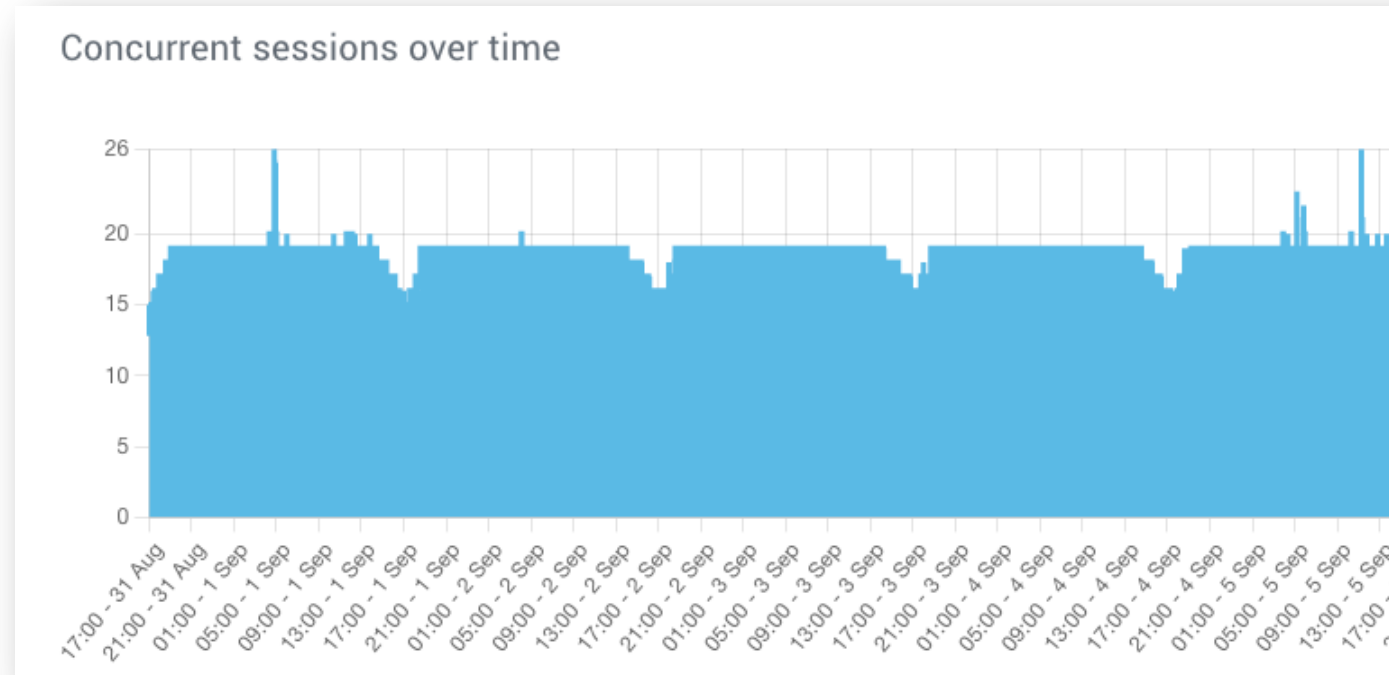


# New WLS Licensing Options

- WLS = Web License Server
  - Gurobi-hosted license server
  - Limits or counts:
    - Cores
    - Concurrent solves
  - Use from anywhere
  - Limited communication from client
    - Hostname, IP Address, Core count, OS, Version
    - No model data
- New options for physical machines & VM's
  - Physical Machines (Linux, Windows, Mac)
  - Virtual Machines
  - Containers



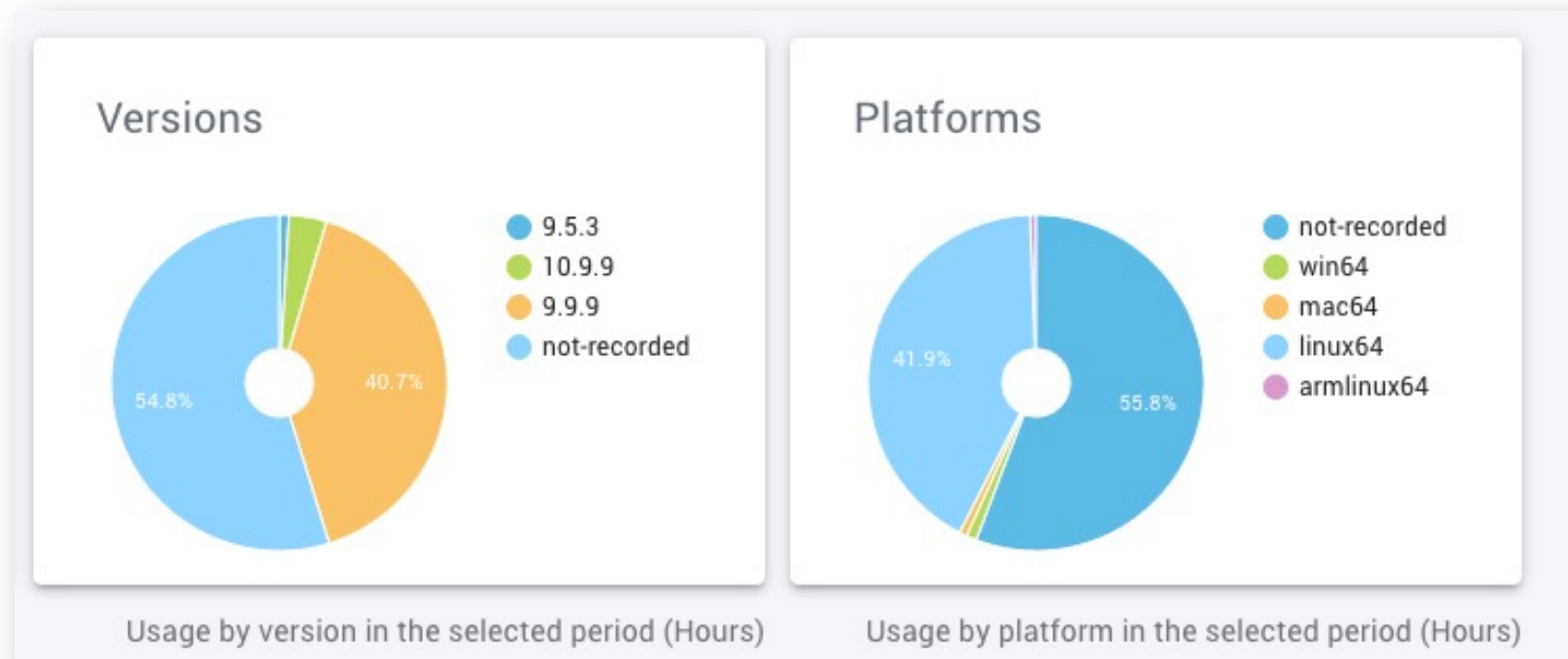
# WLS Sessions



- Reports now show sessions instead of containers
- Sessions = Continuous usage of Gurobi in a container or a machine

# WLS Metrics

- Reports of versions and platforms



# Innovative Open-Source Projects



# Gurobi 10.0 – Open-Source GitHub Repositories



- Gurobi Machine Learning
  - Use machine learning model as MIP constraint
  - Special session later in this workshop
- Gurobipy pandas
  - Gurobipy model building patterns with pandas
  - Separate session later in this workshop
- Coming soon...
  - Gurobi OptiMods
    - Optimization modules for specific applications
  - Numerical issues assessment tool
    - Analyze root cause of numerical issues

[github.com/Gurobi](https://github.com/Gurobi)

A screenshot of the GitHub profile for Gurobi, showing three repositories. The first repository, `gurobi-machinelearning`, is highlighted with a red dashed border. It is a public repository with the description "Insert trained predictors in Gurobi models", 111 stars, and 22 forks. The second repository, `gurobipy-pandas`, is a public repository with the description "Convenience wrapper for building optimization models from pandas data", 50 stars, and 13 forks. The third repository, `grblogtools`, is a public repository with the description "Extract and visualize information from Gurobi log files", 61 stars, and 13 forks. All repositories are Python-based.

# Summary

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# Gurobipy-pandas Pandas

Enables convenient gurobipy model building patterns  
with pandas

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**Zed Dean**  
Technical Account Manager

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Rationale

What is gurobipy-pandas ?

Who is it for ?

Installation & dependencies

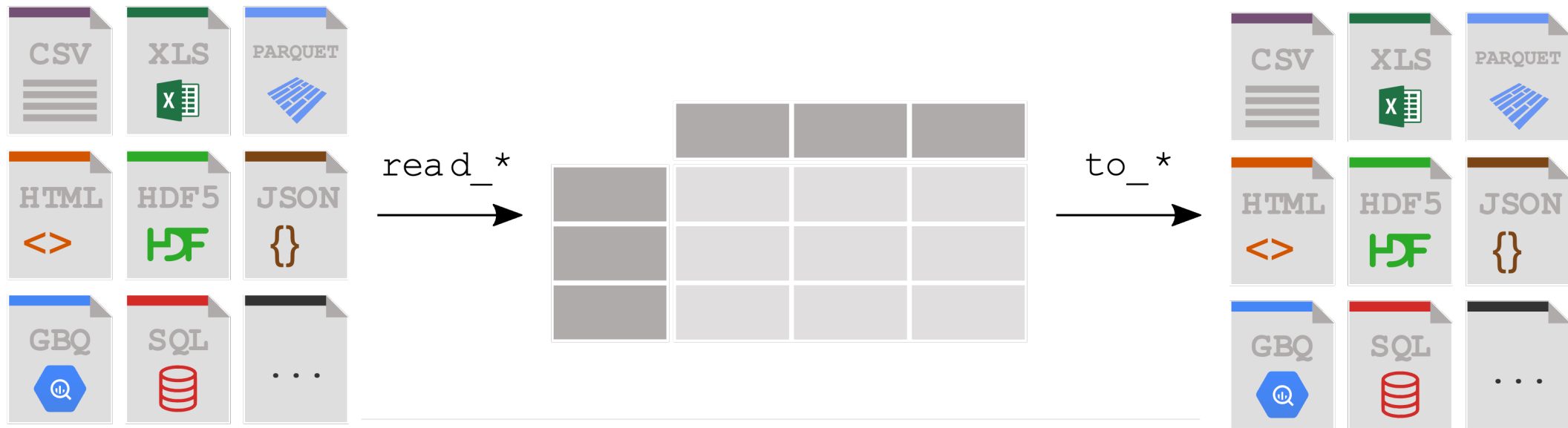
Usage Jupyter Notebook

Free Function vers Pandas  
accessor

Arithmetic Expressions

Performance

# How do I read and write tabular data with Gurobi ?



| Dimensions | Name      | Description  |
|------------|-----------|--|
| 1          | Series    | 1D labeled homogeneously-typed array   |
| 2          | DataFrame | General 2D labeled, size-mutable tabular structure with potentially heterogeneously-typed column |

Source: [How do I read and write tabular data? — pandas 2.0.0 documentation \(pydata.org\)](https://pandas.pydata.org/docs/10min/03_io.html)



# | Our Goal

- Simplify the process of importing Data Tables into optimization model.

# What is gurobipy-pandas

gurobipy-pandas is a convenient (optional) wrapper to connect pandas with gurobipy..

# Audience

gurobipy-pandas is aimed at experienced pandas users who are familiar with methods to transform, group, and aggregate data stored in dataframes. It expects some familiarity with optimization modelling, but does not require deep experience with gurobipy

# Gurobipy and pandas

Documentation and examples for users of the PyData stack



- Open source, with documentation available on readthedocs.com
  - Github repository: <https://github.com/gurobi/gurobipy-pandas>
  - Documentation: <https://gurobi-optimization-gurobipy-pandas.readthedocs-hosted.com>
- Complete model building examples as Jupyter notebooks
- Guidance for writing performant gurobipy-pandas code

A screenshot of the gurobipy-pandas documentation page. The page has a dark blue header with the text "gurobipy-pandas" and "latest" below it. A search bar with the text "Search docs" is visible. On the left, there is a dark sidebar with navigation links: "START" (with sub-links "Installation", "Usage", "Examples"), "MODEL BUILDING", and "Performance". The main content area has a white background with a home icon and the text "Welcome to gurobipy-pandas's documentation!" followed by a link "Edit on GitHub". Below this is a large heading "Welcome to gurobipy-pandas's documentation!" and a paragraph: "gurobipy-pandas is a convenient (optional) wrapper to connect pandas with gurobipy. It enables users to more easily and efficiently build mathematical optimization models from data stored in DataFrames and Series, and to read solutions back directly as pandas objects."

# gurobipy-pandas Dependencies & Installation



## Dependencies

- gurobipy: Python modelling interface for the Gurobi Optimizer
- pandas: powerful Python data analysis toolkit
- !pip install gurobipy-pandas

## Standard Imports

- Most gurobipy-pandas applications will start with the following imports.

```
>>> import pandas as pd
>>> import gurobipy as gp
>>> from gurobipy import GRB
>>> import gurobipy_pandas as gppd
```

# Usage

A mathematical optimization model has five components, namely:

- Sets and indices.
- Parameters.
- Decision variables.
- Constraints
- Objective function(s).

- Optimization models define all data, variables, and constraints over indexes:

$$\begin{aligned} \max \quad & \sum_{i \in I} c_i x_i \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \sum_{i \in I} a_i x_i \leq b \\ & x_i \in \{0, 1\} \quad \forall i \in I \end{aligned}$$

- These mathematical indices provide a clear way to structure data in code.



# Gurobipy and pandas

Easier model building with the popular Python data analytics package

- Create pandas Series and DataFrames of Gurobi variables
- Use pandas operations to combine variables and data into constraints
- Extract solution data as pandas Series
- No need to manually translate between pandas and gurobipy!

```
In [14]: x = gppd.add_vars(model, allowed_pairs, vtype=GRB.BINARY, obj="value", name="x")  
x.head()
```

```
Out[14]: project  team  
0           4      <gurobi.Var x[0,4]>  
1           4      <gurobi.Var x[1,4]>  
2           0      <gurobi.Var x[2,0]>  
           1      <gurobi.Var x[2,1]>  
           2      <gurobi.Var x[2,2]>  
Name: x, dtype: object
```

# Usage Jupyter Notebook Demo

- Create Model
- Create variables
- Use Pandas's built-in Expressions
- Create Constraints
- Set Objective
- Solve
- Extract solutions

# Two different ways to build the model with gppd

## Using Free functions

- `varsname=gppd.add_vars(model, pandas_obj, *, name=None, lb=0.0, ub=1e+100, obj=0.0, vtype='C', index_formatter='default')`[1](#)
- `constraintsname=gppd.add_constrs(model, lhs, sense, rhs, *, name=None, index_formatter='default')`

## Using Methods

- `Dataframe.gppd.add_vars(model, *, name, lb=0.0, ub=1e+100, obj=0.0, vtype='C', index_formatter='default')`
- `add_constrs(model, lhs, sense=None, rhs=None, *, name, index_formatter='default')`

# Arithmetic Expressions

- - Pandas handles this for us
- - We always leverage pandas-native functions
- - Common operations:
  - - summation
  - - arithmetic operations
  - - groupby (split-apply-combine) operations
- - Let's explore some common mathematical expressions

# Performance

`gurobipy-pandas` won't magically make your model building code fast

- Best used where your inputs and outputs *\*already\** use pandas
- Data *\*must\** be properly-organized and prepared
- Prescribed style aims to *\*avoid performance pitfalls\**
- [Performance – gurobipy-pandas 1.0.0 documentation \(readthedocs-hosted.com\)](https://readthedocs-hosted.com/docs/gurobipy-pandas/1.0.0/performance/)



# Thank You

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# Gurobi Machine Learning

Using trained machine learning predictors in Gurobipy

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# Agenda

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Motivating example

Gurobi Machine Learning

Other use-cases

Gurobi 10.0

# Motivating example

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Optimizing avocado shipments and prices



# Motivating Example: Price Optimization

- Selling avocados in the US
  - Market is split in regions  $R$
  - Total supply  $S$
  - Maximize profit:
    - (sales – shipping costs – unsold penalty)
- with given
  - shipping costs  $c_r$  and waste penalty  $w$
- We decide about the prices  $p_r$
- and estimate the demands  $d_r$  from the prices



<https://youtu.be/AJRP9pPBx6s>

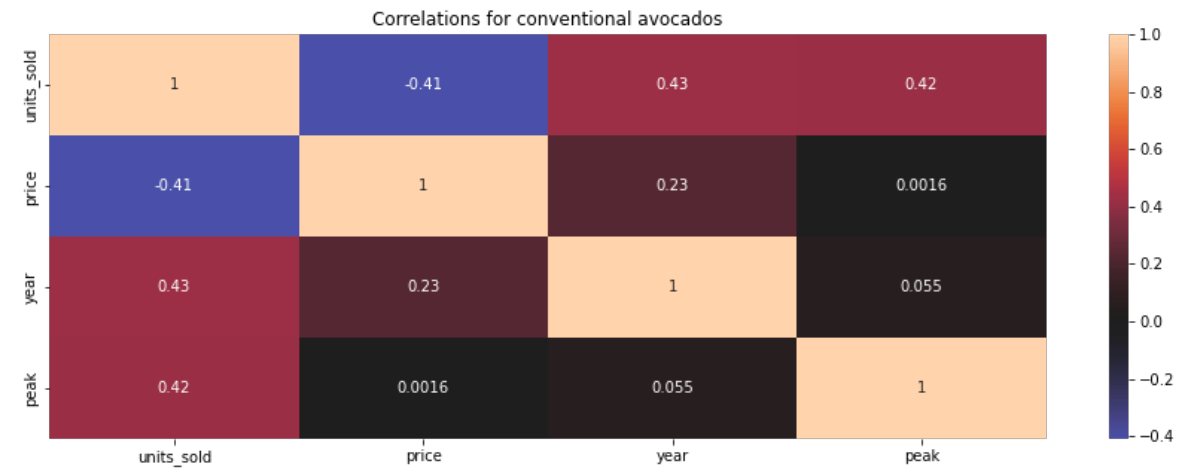
# Motivating Example: Estimating Demand

- Historical data of avocado sales from Hass Avocado Board (HAB) available on Kaggle and HAB website
- Features correlated to demand: year, peak season, region, price
- Linear regression gives reasonably good prediction of demand with those:

$$d = g(\text{year}, \text{peak}, r, p)$$

- In the case of linear regression,  $g$  is an affine function

$$d = \phi^T(\text{year}, \text{peak}, r, p) + \phi_0$$



# Motivating Example: Retrieving ML results

- Retrieve results from linear regression model

```
coef_dict = model.fit().params.to_dict()
```

- Build linear expression defining expected demand from price

```
d = {r: (coef_dict['Intercept'] +  
        coef_dict['price'] * p[r] +  
        coef_dict['C(region)[T.%s]'%r] +  
        coef_dict['year_index'] * (year - 2015) +  
        coef_dict['peak'] * peak_or_not)  
     for r in R}
```

- Upper bound on sales is expected demand

```
m.addConstrs((s[r] <= d[r] for r in R))
```

# Motivating Example: Optimization Model

- Indices
  - $r \in R$ , the set of regions
- Constants
  - $c_r$  transportation costs
  - $w$  penalty for waste
  - $S$  total supply
  - Year and season of interest

- Variables
  - $p_r$  selling price per unit
  - $d_r$  demand
  - $u$  total unsold products

$$\max \sum_r (p_r - c_r) d_r - w * u$$

s. t.

$$\sum_r d_r + u = S$$

$$d_r = g(\text{year}, \text{peak}, r, p_r) \text{ for } r \in R$$

*(maximize revenue)*

*(allocate shipments)*

*(define demand with regression model)*

# Motivating Example: What if?

- With  $g$  an affine function, the resulting model is a non-convex QP
- Solved fast with Gurobi
- But what if we need a more accurate prediction with a more complex regression:
  - Decision tree, Neural network, ...

$$\max \sum_r (p_r - c_r) d_r - w * u \quad (\text{maximize revenue})$$

s. t.

$$\sum_r d_r + u = S \quad (\text{allocate shipments})$$

$$d_r = g(\text{year}, \text{peak}, r, p_r) \text{ for } r \in R \quad (\text{define demand with regression model})$$

# Motivating Example: Goals

1. Simplify the process of importing a trained machine learning model built with a popular ML package into an optimization model.
2. Improve algorithmic performance to enable the optimization model to explore a sizable space of solutions that satisfy the relationships between variables captured with the ML model.





# Gurobi Machine Learning

An open-source Python package



# Gurobi Machine Learning

- Open source python package
- <https://github.com/Gurobi/gurobi-machinelearning>
- <https://gurobi-machinelearning.readthedocs.io/>
- Apache License 2.0
- Initial release 1.0.0 last November
- Version 1.1.1 recently two days ago
  
- Experimental package
- Not supported through usual Gurobi processes

# Known regression models



- Linear/Logistic/PLS regression
- Decision trees
- Neural network with ReLU activation
- Random Forests
- Gradient Boosting
- Preprocessing:
  - Simple scaling
  - Polynomial features of degree 2
  - Column transformers
- pipelines to combine them

## Keras

- Dense layers
- ReLU layers
- Object Oriented, functional or sequential

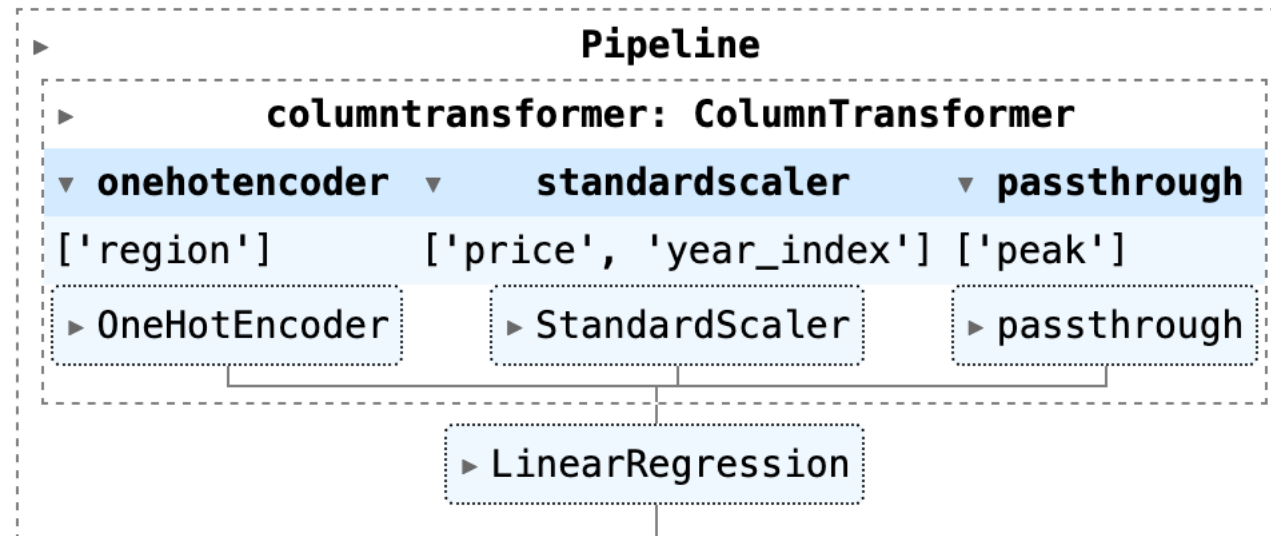
## PyTorch

- Dense layers
- ReLU layers
- Only torch.nn.Sequential models

# Example: Define and train ML model

...

```
lin_reg = make_pipeline(columntransformer, LinearRegression())
lin_reg.fit(X_train, y_train)
```



# Example: Creating the variables

```
import gurobipy_pandas as gppd
```

```
data = pd.concat(...)
```

```
m = gp.Model("Avocado_Price_Allocation")
```

```
p = gppd.add_vars(m, data, lb=0.0, ub=2.0)
```

```
d = gppd.add_vars(m, data)
```

```
u = m.addVar()
```

```
m.setObjective(((p - c) * d).sum() - w * u, GRB.MAXIMIZE)
```

```
m.addConstr(d.sum() + u == S)
```

- Variables
  - $p_r$  selling price per unit
  - $d_r$  demand
  - $u$  total unsold products

# Example: Adding regression constraints

$$d_r = g(\text{year}, \text{peak}, r, p_r) \text{ for } r \in R.$$

```
fixed = pd.DataFrame(
    data={
        "year": 2020,
        "peak": 1,
        "region": regions,
    },
    index=regions)
feats = pd.concat(
    [fixed, p],
    axis=1)
```

|                             | year | peak | region               | price                                    |
|-----------------------------|------|------|----------------------|--|
| <b>Great_Lakes</b>          | 2020 | 1    | Great_Lakes          | <gurobi.Var price[Great_Lakes]>          |
| <b>Midsouth</b>             | 2020 | 1    | Midsouth             | <gurobi.Var price[Midsouth]>             |
| <b>Northeast</b>            | 2020 | 1    | Northeast            | <gurobi.Var price[Northeast]>            |
| <b>Northern_New_England</b> | 2020 | 1    | Northern_New_England | <gurobi.Var price[Northern_New_England]> |
| <b>SouthCentral</b>         | 2020 | 1    | SouthCentral         | <gurobi.Var price[SouthCentral]>         |
| <b>Southeast</b>            | 2020 | 1    | Southeast            | <gurobi.Var price[Southeast]>            |
| <b>West</b>                 | 2020 | 1    | West                 | <gurobi.Var price[West]>                 |
| <b>Plains</b>               | 2020 | 1    | Plains               | <gurobi.Var price[Plains]>               |

# Example: Adding Regression Constraints

```
from gurobi_ml import add_predictor_constr
```

```
pred_constr = add_predictor_constr(m, lin_reg, feats, d)
```

```
pred_constr.print_stats()
```

Model for pipe:

88 variables

24 constraints

Input has shape (8, 4)

Output has shape (8, 1)

Pipeline has 2 steps:

| Step      | Output Shape | Variables | Constraints |           |         |
|-----------|--------------|-----------|-------------|-----------|---------|
|           |              |           | Linear      | Quadratic | General |
| col_trans | (8, 10)      | 24        | 16          | 0         | 0       |
| lin_reg   | (8, 1)       | 64        | 8           | 0         | 0       |

# Example: Optimizing

```
m.Params.NonConvex = 2
```

```
m.optimize()
```

```
Explored 1 nodes (75 simplex iterations) in 0.04 seconds (0.00 work units)  
Thread count was 8 (of 8 available processors)
```

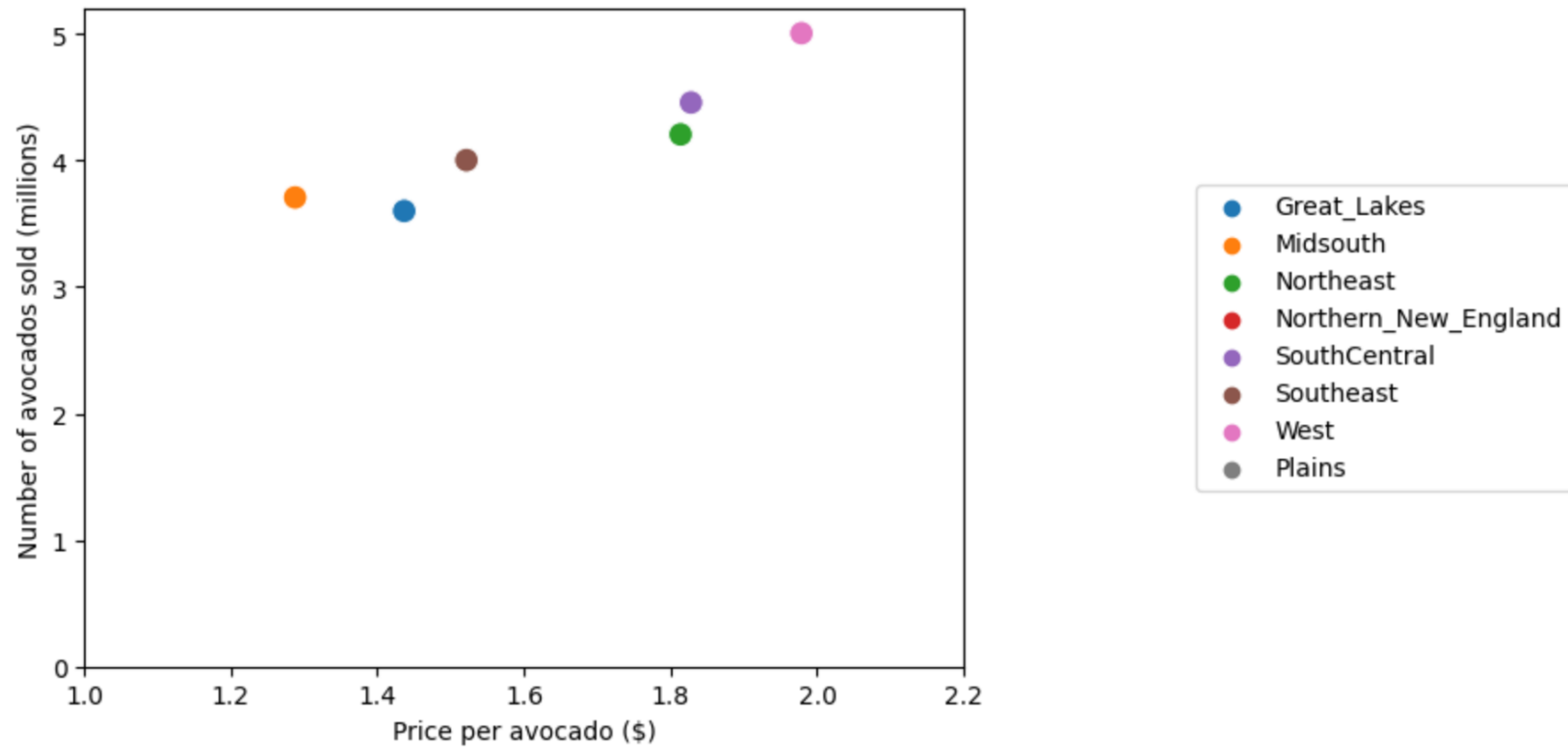
```
Solution count 2: 38.7675 36.5918
```

```
Optimal solution found (tolerance 1.00e-04)
```

```
Best objective 3.876747585682e+01, best bound 3.876937455959e+01, gap 0.0049%
```



# Example: Solution



Optimal net revenue: 38.1 million, unsold avocados: 0.34 millions

# Remarks

- Function `add_predictor_constr` creates the formulation for regression model and returns a *modeling object*.
- If input of `add_predictor_constr` has several rows, it introduces one sub-model for each row
- Query statistics about modeling object, remove it, query solution after solve and error in solutions.
- Models for logistic regression use a piecewise linear approximation and can have modeling error (controlled by parameters).
- Models for decision tree can also introduce small errors at threshold values of node splitting (can be controlled).



## Other use-cases

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More reasons to use  
gurobi machine learning



# Student enrollment

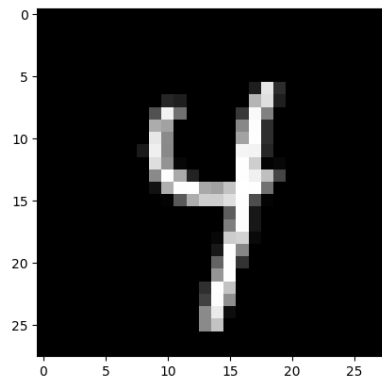
- Train a ML model to predict student enrollment in college from scholarship offered (“merit”), SAT and GPA scores.
- Build an optimization model to decide:
  - Scholarship offered to each student
- To maximize
  - The (predicted) number of students enrolled
- Subject to:
  - Budget constraint and bounds on individual merit.
  
- Use **gurobi machine learning** to set the value of the *enroll* variable, given the *merit* offered and the SAT and GPA scores of each student

# Surrogate models

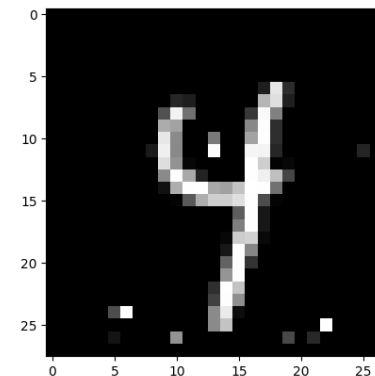
- When the modeling of a complex process requires highly non-linear functions, or simulation
- Approximate this function using e.g. a Neural Network with ReLU activation
- Use **gurobi machine learning** to create a 'surrogate constraint'
  
- For a network with polynomial features, the resulting model is a non-convex QCP

# Adversarial Machine Learning

- Suppose we have a trained neural network,
- And a well-classified example  $x$
- Create another example  $\bar{x}$  close to  $x$  that is classified with a different label
- Example from the MNIST handwritten digits database



Classified as a 4



Classified as a 9



# Gurobi 10.0

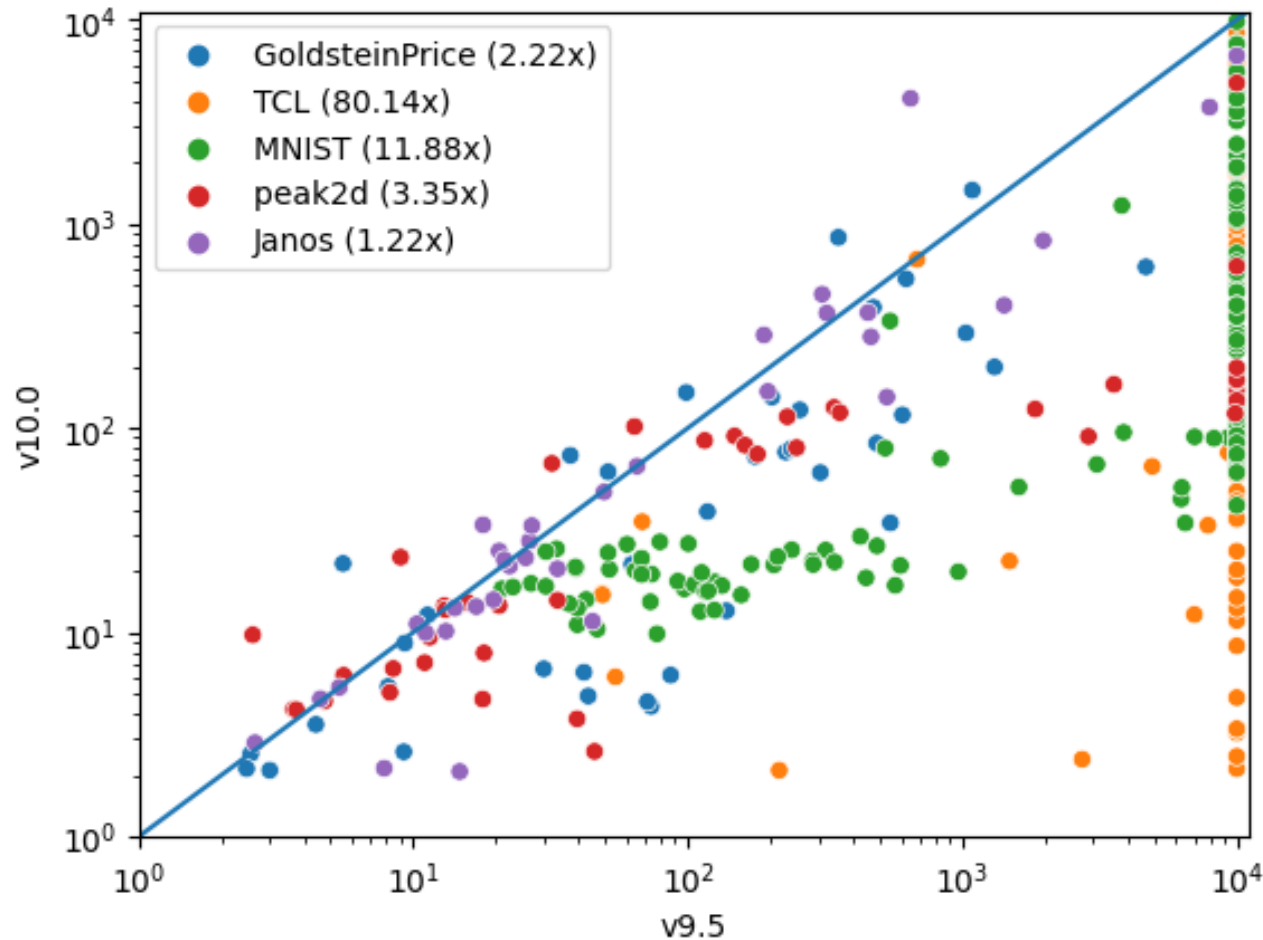
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Performance improvements for models with ML predictor constraints





# Gurobi 9.5 vs Gurobi 10.0



- Models incorporating Neural Networks
- Performance gains come mostly from Optimization Based Bound Tightening (OBBT)

- 478 instances
- 10.000 seconds time limit
- Intel(R) Xeon(R) CPU E3-1240 CPUs, 4 cores, 4 threads
- Solved means 0.01% gap reached
- Models not solved by any version were excluded



# Conclusion

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# Conclusion

- Gurobi Machine Learning  
<https://github.com/Gurobi/gurobi-machinelearning>
- This is experimental
- We seek your input
- Performance for models with Neural Networks in Gurobi 10

## Dangers and Pitfalls

- ML models we can hope to handle is still limited (e.g. no categorical features)
- Methodological issues:
  - How to decide which prediction model to use?
  - How to make sure that optimization doesn't misuse results of the predictor?



# Notebook Example: Avocado Price Optimization

[www.gurobi.com/jupyter\\_models/avocado-price-optimization/](http://www.gurobi.com/jupyter_models/avocado-price-optimization/)

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**QUESTIONS?**

**Thank You**

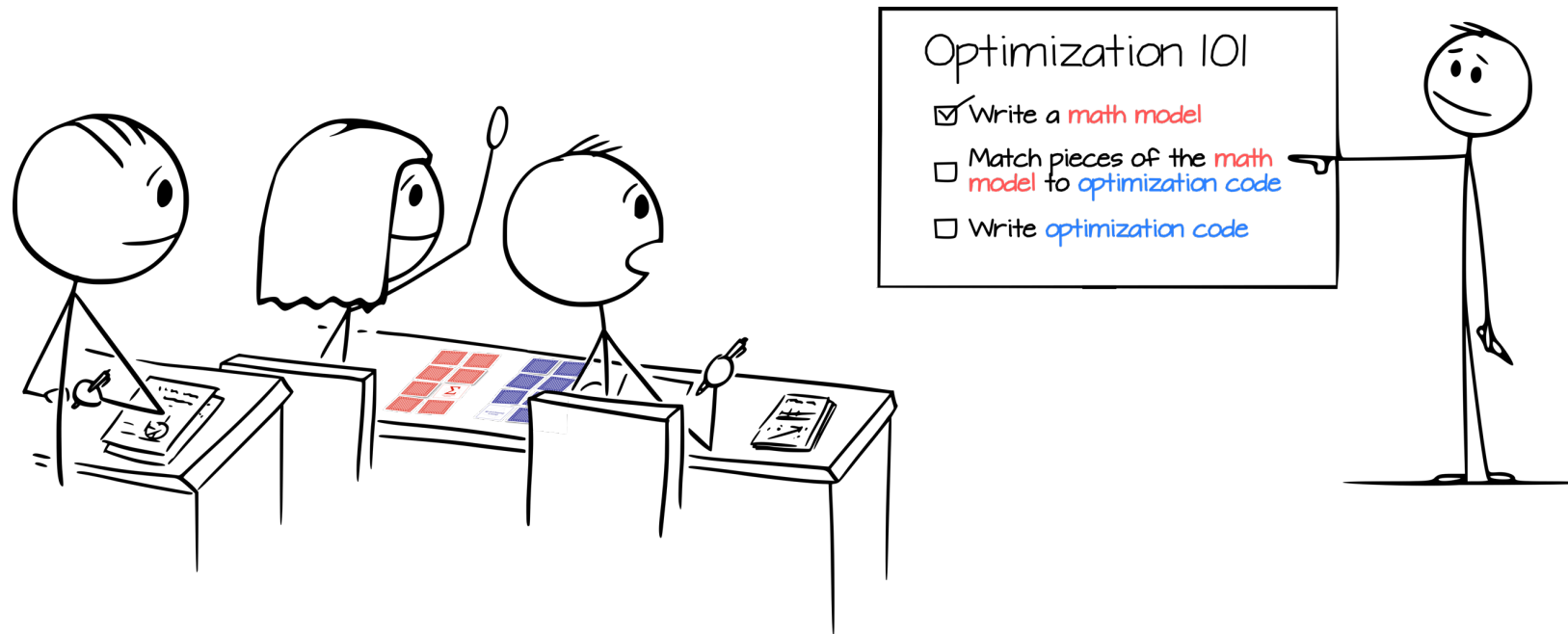
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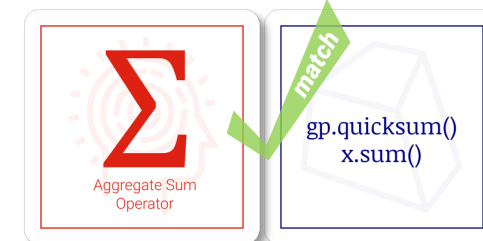
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# Gurobipy Card Game

Download the complete game at [gurobi.com/cardgame](https://gurobi.com/cardgame)



This game asks learners to learn to write code by first stepping away from the computer to match the pieces of a **math model** to **optimization code**.





**GIVEAWAY**

**Thank You**

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# Examples of New Capabilities

```
x = m.addMVar(3); m.update()
(x - 1) @ x
✓ 0.6s
<MQuadExpr () >
array( -1.0 C21 +
<
C23 ^ 2 ])
```

```
# was not possible in the past
X = m.addMVar((2,3))
Y = m.addMVar((2,3))
m.addConstr(X <= Y) # 6 linear constraints
<(2, 3) matrix constraint *awaiting mode
```

```
# was not possible in the past
X = m.addMVar(3,3)
A = np.random.rand(3,3)
B = np.random.rand(3,3)
m.addConstr(A @ X == B) # 9 linear constraints A[i,:] @ X[:,j]
```

```
<(3, 3)
<gurobi.LinExpr: 0.5758868904573695 C38 + 0.6852
+ 0.45842518951552946 C40 + 0.4745041184453236 C
0.34573908244061197 C42 + 0.41142171691861207 C4
0.2752198513581124 C44 + 0.28487298676878264 C45
0.3994472077972281 C46 + 0.47533317578729417 C47
0.3179733120690802 C48 + 0.32912599390956354 C49
```

```
# was not possible in the
x = m.addMVar((4,1), lb=-
X = m.addMVar((4,4), lb=-
• m.addConstr(X == x @ x.T)
<(4, 4) matrix quadratic con
```

```
m = gp.Model()
z = m.addMVar(8)
X = m.addMVar((8, 3), lb=-np.inf)
# Add eight standard cones
m.addConstr(z**2 >= (X**2).sum(axis=1))
✓ 0.5s
<(8,) matrix quadratic constraint *awaiting mode
update*>
```

# Numpy Copies & Views

- Create View through indexing

```
x = np.arange(10);x
✓ 0.1s Python
array([0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9])

y = x[1:3] # creates a view though indexing
x[1:3] = [10, 11]
print(x,y)
print(x.base)
print (y.base) # y has a base,
✓ 0.9s Python
[ 0 10 11  3  4  5  6  7  8  9] [10 11]
None
[ 0 10 11  3  4  5  6  7  8  9]

x[1:3] = [10, 11] # every change in base will effect y
print(y,x)
✓ 0.1s Python
[10 11] [ 0 10 11  3  4  5  6  7  8  9]
```

- Create Copy through advance indexing

```
x = np.arange(9)
y = x.reshape(3, 3);y
✓ 0.6s Python
array([[0, 1, 2],
       [3, 4, 5],
       [6, 7, 8]])

y.base # .reshape() creates a view
✓ 0.1s Python
array([0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8])

z = y[[2, 1]] ;z # Advance indexing
✓ 0.1s Python
array([[6, 7, 8],
       [3, 4, 5]])

z.base is None # advanced indexing creates a copy
✓ 0.8s Python
True
```

# Copies & Views

```
m = gp.Model()
mle = 5 * m.addMVar(4); m.update();print(mle)
leading_part_1 = mle[:2];print(leading_part_1)
leading_part_2 = mle[[0,1]];print(leading_part_2)
leading_part_1 += 99 ;print(leading_part_1);print(mle)
leading_part_2 += 1 ;print(mle)
# the later doesn't modify mle
```

✓ 0.1s

Slide Type: subslide Python

```
<MLinExpr (4,) >
array([ 5.0 C0,  5.0 C1,  5.0 C2,  5.0 C3])
<MLinExpr (2,)>
array([ 5.0 C0,  5.0 C1])
<MLinExpr (2,)>
array([ 5.0 C0,  5.0 C1])
<MLinExpr (2,)>
array([ 99.0 + 5.0 C0,  99.0 + 5.0 C1])
<MLinExpr (4,)>
array([ 99.0 + 5.0 C0,  99.0 + 5.0 C1,  5.0 C2,  5.0 C3])
<MLinExpr (4,)>
array([ 99.0 + 5.0 C0,  99.0 + 5.0 C1,  5.0 C2,  5.0 C3])
```

- In case of doubt, always copy your slice...

```
expr = 2 * m.addMVar((2,2)) + 1; m.update()
first_col = expr[:, 0].copy()
first_col += 1 # Leaves expr untouched
print(expr)
```

✓ 0.1s

Slide Type: fragment Python

```
<MLinExpr (2, 2)>
array([[ 1.0 + 2.0 C112,  1.0 + 2.0 C113],
       [ 1.0 + 2.0 C114,  1.0 + 2.0 C115]])
```

# Improved matrix-friendly gurobipy

Gurobi 10.0



- More modeling capabilities for users familiar with NumPy conventions

- Enable numpy-style axis sums
- `>>> x = m.addMVar((2,4), name='x', vtype=GRB.BINARY)`
- `>>> x.sum(axis=1)`
- `<MLinExpr (3,)>`
- `([<gurobi.LinExpr: x[0,0] + x[0,1] + x[0,2] + x[0,3]>,`
- `<gurobi.LinExpr: x[1,0] + x[1,1] + x[1,2] + x[1,3]>`
- `>>> m.addConstr(x.sum(axis=1) <= 1)`

$$\sum_j x_{ij} \leq 1 \quad \forall i \in I$$

- Enable broadcasting operations for constraint building

- `>>> x = m.addMVar((3,4), name='x', vtype=gp.GRB.BINARY)`
- `>>> y = m.addMVar(4, name='y', vtype=gp.GRB.BINARY)`
- `>>> m.addConstr(x <= y) # 12 constraints added`

$$x_{ij} \leq y_j \quad \forall i \in I, j \in J$$

- Shape of operation now consistent with analogous ndarray operations
- Elementwise multiplication works across all matrix-friendly objects and ndarray
- Mvar
  - Extract a diagonal from an MVar X:
    - `X.diagonal(offset)`.
  - Convert a list of Var objects to an MVar:
    - `x = MVar.fromlist(varlist)`
  - Sum along an axis of an MVar X:
    - `X.sum(axis=...)`
  - Elementwise squaring of an Mvar X:
    - `pow(X, 2)`, `X**2`
  - MLinExpr
    - All-zero expression: `MLinExpr.zeros(shape)`
    - Sum along an axis of an MLinExpr mle:
      - `mle.sum(axis=..`
  - New class `MQuadExpr` • For modeling multidimensional quadratic constraints • Similar

# Gurobi 10.0 – Gurobipy

Other new matrix-friendly features/methods

- General
  - Shape of operation resultants now consistent with analogous ndarray operations
  - Elementwise multiplication works across all matrix-friendly objects and ndarray
- MVar
  - Extract a diagonal from an MVar  $X$ :  $X.diagonal(offset)$ .
  - Convert a list of Var objects to an MVar:  $x = MVar.fromlist(varlist)$
  - Sum along an axis of an MVar  $X$ :  $X.sum(axis=...)$
  - Elementwise squaring of an Mvar  $X$ :  $pow(X, 2)$ ,  $X**2$
- MLinExpr
  - All-zero expression:  $MLinExpr.zeros(shape)$
  - Sum along an axis of an MLinExpr  $mle$ :  $mle.sum(axis=...)$
- New class MQuadExpr
  - For modeling multidimensional quadratic constraints
  - Similar features/methods as MLinExpr
- New class MQConstr
  - Multi-dimensional constraint handle returned from  $model.addConstr(...)$  for quadratic expressions
  - Similar features/methods as MConstr